

Council Agenda

April 2023

Topic: Town Council Meetings 2023

Time: Apr 3, 2023 07:00 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Apr 3, 2023 07:00 PM

May 1, 2023 07:00 PM

Jun 5, 2023 07:00 PM

Jul 3, 2023 07:00 PM

Aug 7, 2023 07:00 PM

Sep 5, 2023 07:00 PM

Oct 2, 2023 07:00 PM

Nov 6, 2023 07:00 PM

Dec 4, 2023 07:00 PM

Please download and import the following iCalendar (.ics) files to your calendar system.

Monthly: <https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/tZcrc-uvrz4rGNHj2Hz8DNAudZqTjD-NV0IX/ics?icsToken=98tyKuGrqD8oHdWQsRuCRpwqBI-ga-3zmCVcjY11k3NGXh3TCLjMthTBrhbXfbm>

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83642715125?pwd=Sk5lYThCMWltKzhpQlh1UkFRa0dhQT09>

Meeting ID: 836 4271 5125

Passcode: 287338

One tap mobile

+13017158592,,83642715125# US (Washington DC)

+13052241968,,83642715125# US

Dial by your location

+1 301 715 8592 US (Washington DC)

+1 305 224 1968 US
+1 309 205 3325 US
+1 312 626 6799 US (Chicago)
+1 646 558 8656 US (New York)
+1 646 931 3860 US
+1 689 278 1000 US
+1 719 359 4580 US
+1 253 205 0468 US
+1 253 215 8782 US (Tacoma)
+1 346 248 7799 US (Houston)
+1 360 209 5623 US
+1 386 347 5053 US
+1 507 473 4847 US
+1 564 217 2000 US
+1 669 444 9171 US
+1 669 900 9128 US (San Jose)

Meeting ID: 836 4271 5125

Find your local number: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83642715125>

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

7:00 p.m. Opportunity for residents to make public comments.*

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

7:10 p.m. **Motion:** To consider approval of agenda as presented.

CONSENT AGENDA

7:11 p.m. **Motion:** To consider approval of the following actions without discussion:

- A Resolution Denouncing Anti-Semitism, as recommended by the Equity & Inclusion Committee;
- Approval of the Budget Work Session minutes from 3/20/2023;
- Renewal of the trash, recycling, and yard waste contract with Goode Companies, Inc. for Option Year June 2023 – May 2024 at an annual cost of \$147,348.
- Nomination for Pool Committee
 - Alexis Ettinger (Surrey St.), to replace unexpired term of Nancy Zuckerbrod – ending 12/31/2025
 - Russell Green (Cumberland Ave.), to replace unexpired term of Michael Veksler – ending 12/31/2023

NON-CONSENT AGENDA

- 7:12 p.m. **Public Hearing/Motion:** To consider approval of a six-month extension request submitted by Miriam Rosenthal and Michael Phillips for the ongoing construction project at 5522 Greystone St.
- 7:30 p.m. **Public Hearing/Motion:** To consider approval a building permit application submitted by James Gillis and Alison Hooker for the demolition of an accessory building for the property located at 4816 Essex Ave. The applicant is also seeking variances of 3.9’ and 6.3’ for the placement of a HVAC unit in the side yard of the property.
- 8:00 p.m. **Public Hearing/Motion:** To consider approval of a building permit application submitted by Elizabeth Ewing for the replacement of a rear deck on the property located at 4719 Cumberland Ave.
- 8:10 p.m. **Discussion:** Building Administrator’s Report
- 8:20 p.m. **Public Hearing/Motion:** To consider approval of a tree removal permit, submitted by Amy and Geoffrey Buteau, for the removal of a 27” Red Maple at the property located at 5522 Uppingham St., as recommended by the Town Arborist due to decay in the tree which makes the tree hazardous.
- 8:30 p.m. **Public Hearing/Motion:** To consider approval of the removal of public tree located at 4520 Cumberland Ave., as recommended by the Town Arborist.
- 8:35 p.m. **Public Hearing/Motion:** To consider approval of the appointment of Elizabeth Harris as the official Town Beekeeper for 2023.
- 8:50 p.m. **Motion:** To consider approval of a contract with Celestial Solar Innovations, LLC for the installation of solar panels on the Town Hall roof at a cost of \$41,450.
- 9:05 p.m. **Public Hearing/Motion:** To consider approval of a budget amendment for the reprogramming of \$85,000 from unencumbered reserves, for the purchase of an electric vehicle at the Town Hall.

- 9:10 p.m. **Discussion:** Introduction of proposed FY24 Budget and Mayor’s Five-Year Fiscal Plan.
- 9:12 p.m. **Motion:** To consider Introduction of an Ordinance adopting the Fiscal Year 2024 Budget and Tax Rates.
- 9:15 p.m. **Discussion:** Manager Report
- 9:25 p.m. **Motion:** Adjourn

KEY

Public Hearing Item: Agenda item where public comment is permitted.

Discussion Item: Agenda item limited to discussion among the Council, Mayor and Town Staff.

Motion Item: Agenda item requesting action, limited to Council discussion.

Comments: Opinions and Questions from Town residents.

* Questions should be submitted via email ahead of the meeting to *manager@townofsomerset.com* or *town@townofsomerset.com*.

* Residents who wish to present for a particular Agenda item are advised to arrive 20 minutes ahead of the item’s scheduled discussion time, as discussions can run ahead of schedule.

The Mayor and Town Council may entertain a motion during the open meeting to close a portion of the meeting, in accordance with Section 3-305(b)(1)(7) of the Open Meetings Act (Maryland Code, General Provisions Article), to consult with counsel to obtain legal advice.