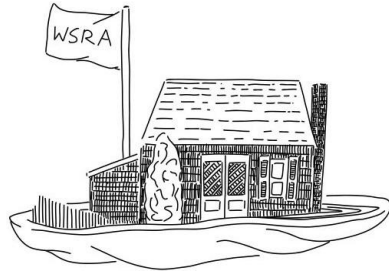


Wellfleet Seasonal Residents Association

Promoting community involvement and communication



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Update
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Town Meeting and Election Update

In Wellfleet's election on April 29th, challenger Sheila Lyons (828 votes) and incumbent John Wolf (605) were elected to two-year terms. This changes just one Selectboard person as Timothy Sayre failed to win re-election. The shifts in the dynamics of the Selectboard remain to be seen. Check the town calendar (<https://www.wellfleet-ma.gov/>) for the dates of Selectboard meetings (usually on Tuesday evenings) and the Zoom links.

Town meeting is usually held before the town election, but this year's order is reversed because of delays in putting together the warrant. The rescheduled Town Meeting will be held in the Elementary School gym, 100 Lawrence Road, on Monday, May 20th at 6 pm. Seasonal residents can attend, but have to sit in the bleachers and ask permission from moderator Danny Silverman to speak. The warrant is available on the town website (see above link) and the meeting is previewed in this *Independent* article. [URL is <https://provincetownindependent.org/featured/2024/05/08/for-once-a-town-meeting-with-no-override-votes/>] Unlike in previous years, there is no request for a proposition two and one-half override. Things to keep an eye on include establishment of a sewer enterprise fund as the town faces its septic issues and hopes to get more money from the state, funds for affordable housing on the outer cape, and some community preservation efforts for historic buildings. There are also citizen petitions on scholarship funds for town children going to college, support for an "enduring ceasefire in Gaza," "Medicare for all in Massachusetts law," and pesticide reduction.

If you want to see how small-town legislative government works, come to the meeting. There may also be another town meeting in June to consider buying the Gestalt Center on Cemetery Road for town offices. Stay tuned.

Summer Meetings

On July 18th at 7 pm at the Adult Community Center and on Zoom (link will come

out later), we are presenting a meeting called “Protecting Wellfleet Water Quality: Drinking Water, Ponds, Rivers and the Harbor.” Details will follow.

In August (date yet to be set), we will hold our annual meeting on the State of the Town with the town administrator and Selectboard members.

New Website

We are working on a new website and way to tell you if you have paid your dues. It should be up soon.

Enjoy the warm weather. See you all soon.

Join us!

Dues and Individual donations are WSRA’s only sources of funding. If you haven't already paid your 2024 membership dues, please go to <http://wnrta.org/join/>

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