

**Preston Board of Selectmen
Special Meeting Agenda
Thursday, April 15, 2021**

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Time: 7:00 p.m.

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AGENDA

1. Call to Order
2. Public Comment
3. Discussion and possible vote on a Resolution for the adoption of an Ordinance providing for the appointment of a Town Treasurer within 30 days after the November 2, 2021 biennial election for a term not to exceed three years by First Selectman in accordance with the provisions of Section 9-185 of the Connecticut General Statutes and Executive Order 7JJ.
4. Public Comment
5. Adjournment

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PRESTON TOWN CLERK

AN ORDINANCE REGARDING THE APPOINTMENT OF A TOWN TREASURER:

Within thirty days following the November 2, 2021 biennial election, the First Selectman, after seeking the advice of the remaining members of the Board of Selectmen, shall appoint a Town Treasurer for a term not to exceed three years. Said Treasurer shall perform all duties required pursuant to Chapter 94 of the Connecticut General Statutes.

Effective November 1, 2021 any prior Ordinance concerning the election of a Town Treasurer shall be deemed null and void.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, in 1930 and 1931 the General Assembly, passed Special Acts providing for the election of a Town Treasurer in Preston at the biennial election; and

WHEREAS, the Connecticut General Statutes now provide for either the election or appointment of a Town Treasurer and such decision is one of local concern; and

WHEREAS, the duties of municipal finance officers have become more complex in recent years requiring professional staff on a regular basis to attend to the financial affairs of the Town of Preston and other municipalities; and

WHEREAS, the appointment of a Town Treasurer will allow for greater possibility of continuity in the position of Town Treasurer; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Selectmen believe it is in the best interest of the Town of Preston that, henceforth, the Town Treasurer be an appointive position; and

WHEREAS, time is of the essence to adopt an Ordinance providing for the appointment of a Town Treasurer after the upcoming biennial election in November 2021 in order meet the requirements of Section 9-254 of the Connecticut General Statutes as the list of offices to be filled at the next municipal election must be filed with the Secretary of State no later than May 6, 2021; and

WHEREAS, action by the Board of Selectmen is necessary, in lieu of a Special Town Meeting, in order to permit the orderly operation of the municipality, and there is need to act immediately, and during this period of declared public health and civil preparedness emergency such action is necessary in order to avoid endangering the public health by conducting a Special Town Meeting to adopt this Resolution and any such Ordinance.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Preston Board of Selectmen in accordance with the Executive Order 7JJ, issued on May 6, 2020, hereby votes, in lieu of a Special Town Meeting, to approve an Ordinance for the appointment of a Town Treasurer subsequent to the November 2021 election and the voiding of any Ordinance providing for the election of said Town Treasurer.

Dated this _____ day of _____ 2021.

Sandra L. Allyn-Gauthier, First Selectman

Kenneth L. Zachem, Selectman

Gerald W. Grabarek, Selectman