

HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE (HSC) AGENDA
Thursday, October 17, 2024, 7:30 PM
ACTON TOWN HALL, ROOM 204
472 MAIN STREET

REMOTE PARTICIPATION: From a computer, use the link to join the public meeting: <https://actonma.zoom.us/j/81709613898> or from a telephone, dial (646) 876-9923 and enter Webinar ID: 817-0961-3898.

Telephone users may dial *9 to request to speak.

I. Regular Business

1. Resident Concerns

2. Presentation from: Domestic Violence Services Network (DVSN), presenter Jacquelin Apsler, Ex. Dir.
<https://link.edgepilot.com/s/3eef181b/y23fXi8qGUSJXeMB-lheCg?u=https://www.dvsn.org/about-dvsn/>

3. Updates

- a) Committee Members' Update
- b) Community Services Coordinator/ Director of Health and Family Services Update
- c) Selectboard Liaison Update

4. Elect New Vice Chair and Clerk

II Ongoing Business

5. Approval of Minutes

- a) May 16, 2024
- b) April 18, 2024
- c) May 11, 2023 (delayed due to hiatus)

6. Chair and Penny discuss with committee ideas on how we implant warrent articles that have passed

7. Contacting Boards, Committees and Councils who are Required to Delegate Representatives to HSC

8. Town Emergency Assistance Program
a) Current Status Program Future (Updates)

9. Human Services Department Programs Outreach/ how to bring community together via workshops, discussions, training

10. Set date and time for HSC Goals Long and Short

III. New/Special Business

11. Number of At-Large and Committee Rep. Seats on HSC

12. Recordings of Past/Current HSC Meetings Being Posted on Towns Web

13. Town HSC Webpage

IV. Closing Items

14. Future Agenda Items:

🟡 HSC Future Presentations

a) discuss ideas about who we want to come and present

b) assigning contact to outreach to present

c). Others

15. Meeting Evaluation

16. Adjourn

Note: The listed agenda items are those reasonably anticipated by the Chair. Not all items may in fact be discussed and other items not listed may also be brought up for discussion to the extent permitted by law.

Future HSC Meeting Topics

- Follow-Up on Fuel Assistance Program–Concerns with South Middlesex Opportunity Council (SMOC) (Fall, 2024)

Committee Charge:

- To advocate for and support the role of the Human Services Department in the town of Acton.
- To identify and prioritize unmet and emerging human service needs in the community
- To advise the Select Board and educate the community at large regarding these community trends/needs.
- To stimulate the development of new programs, services, and initiatives by public and private entities and/or partnerships to address human service-related needs in Acton.
- To recommend human services-related funding and best practices to the Select Board and Town Meeting members.

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Additional Materials

Additional materials can be found online:

<https://doc.actonma.gov/dsweb/view/collection-18149>

Contact the Human Services Committee

For more information about the Acton Human Services Committee contact hsc@actonma.gov