

Woodbury Town Meeting Study Committee
MINUTES (UNAPPROVED)
Thursday, July 28, 2022
Zoom-only meeting

Committee members present: Ellie Hayes, Gwen Marsha, Jonah Meacham, John Reid
Members of the Public: Stephen Murphy, Patrick Flood

Meeting comes to order 6:05 pm.

Minutes of June 16, 2022 meeting were approved.

Survey Results:

The committee reviewed the results of the survey conducted in June-July. Key responses: 65% favor continuing traditional in-person Town Meeting, 56% favor having it on Saturday, 78% favor 10 a.m., 61% would like to have child care provided, and 79% would like to have a town “user’s guide.”

The full survey is attached. It is also available online at tinyurl.com/354hsxp5

Report and Recommendations:

The committee decided to proceed with a report to the Select Board that likely to include these recommendations:

- Hold a special Town Meeting with an article asking voters if they wish to move annual Town Meetings to Saturday at 10 a.m.
- Provide childcare at annual Town Meeting.
- Create a town user’s guide.
- Create a Town Meeting Committee to help implement these and other activities related to Town Meeting. Some of the current study committee members are willing to volunteer for a Town Meeting Committee, but our recommendation is that the Select Board “reopen” who is on the committee, that is, issue an invitation/request for volunteers.

A draft of the report/recommendations will be considered at the committee’s next meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 6:50 pm.