

A Small Town Welcome, COVID Style



For the first time in Easton history, the Board of Selectmen hosted a new resident’s meeting to welcome newcomers. Nearly 50 people called into the meeting to hear more about everything Easton. First Selectman Bindelglass began by explaining they decided to hold the meeting in response to the influx of new residents over the last year.

“We are so happy to have you join us in this wonderful town of Easton,” said Bindelglass.

In the presentation, the board touched on everything from town government to community organizations and religious institutions to the local farms to the hiking trails.

Although the board delivered the presentation, there was an opportunity for public comment at the end. Several longtime Easton residents and involved community members spoke in more detail about current initiatives.

Throughout the meeting, the board highlighted the importance of being involved in the town community. Some of the Easton organizations that rely on volunteers mentioned were the Fire Department, Easton EMS, the newly-revived Friends of the Library, and the **Easton Courier**, which relaunched as a nonprofit after the former owner closed it in 2018.

During the open comment portion of the meeting, one resident asked about the structure

of the Board of Selectmen and elections. The board walked through the election cycles and how votes for their seats are counted. Bindelglass concluded by telling everyone that, no matter the question about Easton, “You can always call Town Hall.”

You can read more about Easton government: Civics 101 by Alisha Gorder and at the Easton website.

The recording of the presentation is available [here](#).