



Town of Dennis  
Select Board  
Policy on Naming Town Owned Property

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#SB	Select Board Policy

The Dennis Select Board shall be responsible for the naming of town-owned properties when it determines that the proposed property, for historical, cultural, geographical, memorialization or other such purpose, should be recognized with a formal name or title. For purposes of this policy, property shall include land or structures acquired by the Town through purchase, gift or other such means.

The Select Board may either initiate an action or receive requests to name a property. In such instances, the Select Board shall undertake outreach efforts for the purpose of obtaining information, input, suggestions and advice from the residents of Dennis to assist the Board members in the final selection of an appropriate name for the property. Such outreach efforts shall include, but not be limited to the following:

1. Specific notification in advance to known interest groups (neighborhood/ village, historical, cultural, genealogical, educational, etc.) inviting their participation in the property naming process.

During this process, and prior to making a final decision, historical research shall be conducted to determine whether said property had been officially named by prior Town officials.

A final decision on the naming of the property shall be scheduled as a formal matter on the Select Board's regular meeting agenda and so voted by the Board.

The decision made by the Board shall be forwarded to all Town Departments and other such interested parties as described above.

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