

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts
SPECIAL TOWN MEETING**

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**TOWN OF TOWNSEND
TOWN CLERK**

MIDDLESEX SS.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Townsend in the County of Middlesex, Greetings:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify the legal voters of the Town of Townsend, qualified to vote at Town Meetings for the transaction of Town affairs, to meet at the Memorial Hall, Great Hall, 272 Main Street, Townsend, MA for the Special Town Meeting on **May 7, 2024, at 7:00 PM**, then and there to act on the following articles:

**REPORTS
(MAJORITY VOTE)**

ARTICLE 1:

To see if the Town will vote to hear the reports of Boards, Committees or Commissions; or take any other action in relation thereto.

SUBMITTED BY: Board of Selectmen

**CURRENT FISCAL YEAR FINANCIAL ARTICLES
(MAJORITY AND/OR TWO-THIRDS VOTE)**

ARTICLE 2:

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from free cash or other available funds in the treasury the sum of **\$12,457** for the purpose of paying unbudgeted increases in the Town's General Insurance costs; or take any other action in relation thereto.

SUBMITTED BY: Board of Selectmen

ARTICLE 3:

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from free cash or other available funds in the treasury the sum of **\$5,000** for the purpose of funding a housing protocol for the Board of Health in case of residential condemnation; or take any other action in relation thereto.

SUBMITTED BY: Board of Selectmen

ARTICLE 4:

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from free cash or other available funds in the treasury the sum of **\$22,000** for the purpose of supplementing the Town Clerk's election budget, given the potential for increased elections in the current and upcoming fiscal years; or take any other action in relation thereto.

SUBMITTED BY: Board of Selectmen

ARTICLE 5:

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from free cash or other available funds in the treasury the sum of **\$5,000**, for the purpose of Conservation Commission education, outreach and training; or take any other action in relation thereto.

SUBMITTED BY: Board of Selectmen

ARTICLE 6:

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from free cash or other available funds in the treasury the sum of \$1,000 for the purpose of Historic District Commission training, materials, and supplies, including signage; or take any other action in relation thereto.

SUBMITTED BY: Board of Selectmen

ARTICLE 7:

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from free cash or other available funds in the treasury the sum of \$5,000 for the purpose of paying worker's compensation and/or VFIS injured on duty claims; or take any other action in relation thereto.

SUBMITTED BY: Town Clerk

ARTICLE 8:

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from free cash or other available funds in the treasury the sum of \$6,000 for the purpose of paying for CDL training for Highway Department staff; or take any other action in relation thereto.

SUBMITTED BY: Board of Selectmen

ARTICLE 9:

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from free cash or other available funds in the treasury the sum of \$14,500 for the purpose of contracting with a consultant to assist the Bylaw Review Committee; or take any other action in relation thereto.

SUBMITTED BY: Board of Selectmen

ARTICLE 10:

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from Ambulance Receipts or other available funds in the treasury the sum of \$35,000 for the purpose of paying for Fire Department emergency vehicle equipment; or take any other action in relation thereto.

SUBMITTED BY: Board of Selectmen

ARTICLE 11:

To see if the Town will vote to transfer from Free Cash or other available funds in the treasury, the sum of \$159,541 or any other sum for the purpose of offsetting FY24 Snow and Ice Deficits under the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 44, Section 31D, or take any other action in relation thereto.

SUBMITTED BY: Board of Selectmen

ARTICLE 12:

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into a five (5) year contract with GW Shaw and Son, Inc for trash and recycling services, to include toters; or take any other action in relation thereto.

SUBMITTED BY: Board of Health

ARTICLE 13:

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into a five (5) year contract with GW Shaw and Son, Inc for trash and recycling services, not to include toters; or take any other action in relation thereto.

SUBMITTED BY: Board of Health

**ZONING BYLAWS AND ADOPTIONS
(TWO-THIRDS VOTE)**

ARTICLE 14:

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Townsend Zoning Bylaws to change the zoning of the property depicted on Assessor's Map 6, Block 11, Lot 0 and having an address of 39 Greenville Road, and the adjacent property depicted on Assessor's Map 5, Block 12, Lot 0 and having an address of Greenville Road, from Industrial to Residential, or take any other action relative thereto.

SUBMITTED BY: Sean S. Tocci, ADSD Realty, LLC

**REAL PROPERTY ARTICLES
(MAJORITY VOTE)**

ARTICLE 15:

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into a new fifty (50) year LEASE AGREEMENT with the Townsend Fire-EMS Relief Association for the Old Harbor Fire Station located at 65 Main Street, Townsend, Massachusetts, to include the land upon which the Old Harbor Fire Station is located; and on such other terms and conditions as the Board of Selectmen may deem appropriate; or take any action in relation thereto.

SUBMITTED BY: Board of Selectmen

ARTICLE 16:

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into a new fifty (50) year LEASE AGREEMENT with the Townsend Fire-EMS Relief Association for the Old Central Fire Station located at 8 Elm Street, Townsend, Massachusetts, to include the land upon which the Old Central Fire Station is located; and on such other terms and conditions as the Board of Selectmen may deem appropriate; or take any action in relation thereto.

SUBMITTED BY: Board of Selectmen

ARTICLE 17:

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to convey a fee simple or lesser interest in the land and/or building(s) thereon known as and numbered 182 Warren Road, shown on Assessor's Map 31, Block 36, Lot 0, or in any portion or portions thereof, together with any interest(s) appurtenant thereto,

on such terms and conditions as the Board deems to be in the best interest or interests of the Town, and to execute any and all agreements and documents to effectuate said conveyance, and to authorize the Board to take any and all action(s) deemed by it to be necessary or prudent in connection therewith; or take any other action in relation thereto.

SUBMITTED BY: Board of Selectmen

And you are directed to serve this Warrant, by posting up attested copies thereof at MEMORIAL HALL, 272 MAIN STREET at the Center, WEST TOWNSEND READING ROOM, 264 DUDLEY ROAD in West Townsend, POLICE/COMMUNICATIONS CENTER, 70 BROOKLINE ROAD, HARBOR FIRE STATION, 47 MAIN STREET, and HARBOR CHURCH, 80 MAIN STREET in said Town, at least FOURTEEN (14) days before the time of holding said meeting.

HEREOF FAIL NOT, and make due return of this Warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, at the time and place of the meeting, as aforesaid.

Given under our hands this 23rd day of April, in the year TWO THOUSAND TWENTY-FOUR.


SELECTMEN OF TOWNSEND



Chaz Sexton-Drahanian, Chairman



Joseph Shank, Vice Chairman



Theresa Morse, Clerk

A true copy. ATTEST:



CONSTABLE

MIDDLESEX, SS.

PURSUANT TO THE WITHIN WARRANT, I have notified and warned the inhabitants of the Town of TOWNSEND by posting up attested copies of the same at: MEMORIAL HALL, 272 MAIN STREET AT THE CENTER, WEST TOWNSEND READING ROOM, 264 DUDLEY ROAD in WEST TOWNSEND, POLICE/COMMUNICATIONS CENTER, 70 BROOKLINE ROAD, HARBOR FIRE STATION, 47 MAIN STREET, and HARBOR CHURCH, 80 MAIN STREET, AT LEAST FOURTEEN (14) DAYS BEFORE THE DATE OF THE MEETING, AS WITHIN DIRECTED.

Constable of TOWNSEND

Michelle Dold
SIGNATURE

LOCATION	TIME	MONTH	DAY	YEAR
MEMORIAL HALL	<u>3:45</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>23</u>	<u>24</u>
WEST TOWNSEND READING ROOM	<u>3:55</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>23</u>	<u>24</u>
HARBOR FIRE STATION	<u>4:15</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>23</u>	<u>24</u>
POLICE/COMMUNICATIONS CENTER	<u>4:05</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>23</u>	<u>24</u>
HARBOR CHURCH	<u>4:10</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>23</u>	<u>24</u>