



TOWN OF WHITMAN ANNUAL TOWN MEETING WARRANT

PLYMOUTH SS:

To either of the Constables of the Town of Whitman

Greetings:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Whitman qualified to vote in elections and Town affairs to meet in the Town Hall in said Whitman on

WEDNESDAY, THE 2nd day of June, 2021 at 7:30 pm then and there to act upon the following articles:

The following Articles are requests that pertain to the current Fiscal Year budget (07/01/2020 to 6/30/2021) and the Article numbers are preceded with a 'P'; these articles are expenditures or approvals that take effect immediately on vote.

Article P-1 Payment of Prior Year Expenditures

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$6,699.38 from free cash to pay such accounts as may be presented against the Town for which an appropriation does not exist, or take any other action relative thereto.

Basic Instructor School	\$495.00
Beth Israel Lahey Health	\$600.00
Time Out Sportswear	\$144.00
National Grid	\$467.38
Snow Plowing Bill	\$4,993.00

Proposed by the Town Administrator and the Town Accountant
Finance Committee voted 8-0 to recommend

Article P-2 Fire Department Supplemental Appropriation

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$10,244 to Fire Department Expense from free cash, or take any other action relative thereto.

Proposed by the Fire Chief
Buildings, Facilities and Capital Expenditures Committee voted to recommend
Finance Committee voted 8-0 to recommend

To see if the Town will vote to transfer \$40,000 from Article 15 of the December 11, 2017 Special Town Meeting (Duval School Roof) for additional funding needed to complete the emergency generator project and transfer switch or take any other action relative thereto.

Proposed by the School Committee
Buildings, Facilities and Capital Expenditures Committee voted to recommend
Finance Committee voted 8-0 to recommend

Article 21 Codify General Bylaws

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Town's existing By-Laws General Provisions by adopting the compilation, numbering, codification, arrangement, sequencing, and captioning of, and comprehensive revision to, the text of such By-Laws General Provisions, all as set forth in the Final Draft of the Code of the Town of Whitman, dated May 4, 2021, on file in the office of the Town Clerk and available on the Town's website at www.whitman-ma.gov, or take any action relative thereto.

Proposed by the Board of Selectmen
Bylaw Study Committee voted 8-0 to recommend

Article 22 Codify Zoning Bylaws

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Town's existing Protective Zoning By-Law by adopting the compilation, numbering, codification, arrangement, sequencing, and captioning of, and comprehensive revision to, the text of such Protective Zoning By-Law, all as set forth in the Final Draft of the Code of the Town of Whitman, dated May 4, 2021, on file in the office of the Town Clerk and available on the Town's website at www.whitman-ma.gov, or take any action relative thereto.

Proposed by the Board of Selectmen
Bylaw Study Committee voted to recommend

Article 23 Municipal Fines

To see if in concert with the re-codification of the general and zoning bylaws the Town will vote to accept the provisions of M.G.L. chapter 40U, or take any other action relative thereto.

Proposed by the Board of Selectmen

Article 24 Establish Community Preservation Committee

To see if the Town will vote to establish a Community Preservation Committee, as follows:

A. There shall be a Community Preservation Committee consisting of nine members. At least one member shall be appointed from the Planning Board, as designated by that Board, one from the Conservation Commission, as designated by that Commission, one from the Housing Authority, as designated by that Authority, one from the Historical Commission, as designated by that Commission, one from the Recreation Commission, as designated by that Commission, and four from at large, appointed by the Board of Selectmen.

B. The committee shall be responsible for evaluating the community preservation needs of the Town and making recommendations to town meeting as part of the annual budget process. The committee shall act under the authority of and in accordance with Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 44B Sections 3-7.

or take any action relative thereto.

Proposed by the Board of Selectmen

Article 25 Cable Access Funds

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$278,276 from the Reserve for Appropriation Cable Access Account to fund PEG access services in accordance with MGL C44 §53F³/₄, or take any other action relative thereto.

Proposed by the Town Administrator
Finance Committee voted 8-0 to recommend

Article 26 Debt Authorization for the South Shore Regional Vocational School District

To see if the Town will authorize the South Shore Regional Vocational School District (SSRVSD) to incur debt in the amount of \$10,516,372 under the authority of Massachusetts General Law Chapter 71 Section 16(d), or any other enabling authority, for the purpose of remodeling and making extraordinary repairs to its school building which will extend the useful life of the school and support the required education program, under the following terms, or take any other action relative thereto:

1. SSRVSD will use any and all monies borrowed to make extraordinary repairs and permanent improvements to its school building and, where necessary, remodel and expand its building footprint. Priority project determinations will include but are not limited to recommendations from its 2018 Facilities Master Plan as provided to the town; and,
2. The terms of any agreement to incur debt or borrow monies under this Article shall be approved by the school committee and any sums borrowed pursuant to this Article will be expended under the direction of the school committee; and,
3. The monies received pursuant to this Article shall be kept separate and apart from other School funds and may be expended by the school committee without further appropriation provided, however, that any balance remaining in such account at the close of a fiscal year shall