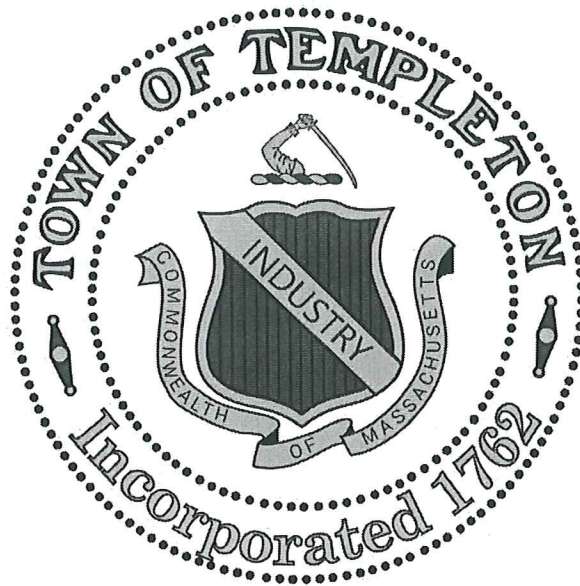


# TOWN OF TEMPLETON

## ANNUAL TOWN MEETING WARRANT

MAY 19, 2018



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# **TOWN OF TEMPLETON**

## **WARRANT FOR ANNUAL TOWN MEETING**

**MAY 19, 2018**

**WORCESTER, ss.**

**To either of the Constables of the Town of Templeton in said County:**

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the precincts of the Town of Templeton, County of Worcester, qualified to vote in elections and Town affairs to meet in the Narragansett Regional Middle School, 460 Baldwinville Road, Baldwinville, in said Templeton on:

**Saturday, May 19, 2018, at 9:00 a.m.**

**Then and there to act on the following articles:**

### **ARTICLE 1: FISCAL 2018 OPERATING BUDGET AMENDMENT(s)**

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of Eighty Five Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$85,000.00) for supplemental appropriations to the Fiscal Year 2018 Operating Budget as follows:

<b>Department</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Reason</b>
Selectmen	\$12,250	Litigation
Treasurer/Collector	\$7,000	Tax Bill Template(s)
Development Services	\$750	Right to Farm Signage
Snow & Ice	\$65,000	FY '18 Deficit

And to meet said appropriation by a transfer of said sum from certified free cash,

Or take any other action related thereto.

**Submitted by the Board of Selectmen  
Majority Vote Required**

### **ARTICLE 2: CONSENT AGENDA**

To see if the Town will vote to approve a consent agenda consisting of the following non-controversial actions or take any other action relative thereto. Such items may be voted as a block, or singly, or in any combination but, however voted, will be treated for accounting and legislative purposes as if each item were voted as a separate article.

## A. REPORTS OF TOWN OFFICERS

Accept the reports of the Town Officers as printed in the 2017 Town Report:

## B. REPORTS OF TOWN COMMITTEES

Allow any of the Town Committees to present their reports;

## C. SET ANNUAL SPENDING LIMITS OF REVOLVING FUNDS

Set the annual spending limits of the Town's previously created revolving funds as follows:

Burial & Improvement Fund	\$10,000
Recycling Fund	\$10,000
Plumbing & Gas Inspector Fund	\$7,500
Electrical Inspector Fund	\$12,500

Or take any other action related thereto.

**Submitted by the Board of Selectmen**  
**Majority Vote Required**

## ARTICLE 3: AMEND BY-LAWS RE: DEPARTMENTAL REVOLVING FUNDS

To see if the Town will vote to amend Article V of its General By-Laws, entitled Financial Affairs, Section 6, entitled Departmental Revolving Funds, by

1.) Making certain deletions (in strikethrough) or additions (in bold) to Subsection 2. A. as follows:

A. Fringe benefits of full-time **and part-time** employees whose salaries or wages are paid from the fund shall also be paid from the fund, [except for those employed as school bus drivers].

And

2) Making certain additions to Subsection 5, entitled Establishment of the Several Departmental Accounts, as follows:

<b>Revolving Fund Name</b>	<b>Programs &amp; Purposes of Fund</b>	<b>Departmental Receipts to be Credited to Fund</b>	<b>Officer Authorized to Expend from Fund</b>	<b>Fiscal Years</b>
Community Services Fund	Wages of seasonal or part-time staffing, supplies, and general associated expenses.	Fees received for rentals of facilities, sports, instructional, day-camp, and program offerings	Director of Community Services	FY 2019 & subsequent fiscal years

And further to set the spending limits for FY 2019 for this newly created fund at Twenty Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$20,000.00).

Or take any other action related thereto.

**Submitted by the Board of Selectmen  
Majority Vote Required**

**ARTICLE 4: AMENDING BY-LAWS RE: ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

To see if the Town will vote to

1.) Amend Article II, Section 6 of its General By-Laws by making certain deletions (in strikethrough) and additions (in bold) as follows:

All articles in any warrant for a town meeting shall be referred to the Advisory Committee for its consideration. The Selectmen after drawing any such warrant shall transmit immediately a copy thereof to the chairman of said committee. A public hearing shall be held, upon all such articles, unless a public hearing by some other tribunal is required by law, and a notice of such hearing shall be given by inserting in the local newspaper. Said committee shall, after due consideration of the subject matter of such articles, report thereon to the town meeting, in writing, such recommendations as it deems best for the interests of the town and its citizens. ~~Copies of the report of the Advisory Committee shall be made available to the voters at least two days before town meetings and at all town meetings.~~

And further

2. To amend Article IV of its General By-Laws, Sections 2 through 6, inclusive, by making certain deletions (in strikethrough) and additions (in bold) as follows:

Section 1. There shall be an Advisory Committee consisting of seven legal voters of the town who shall be appointed by the Moderator as hereinafter provided. No elective or appointive town officer or town employee shall be eligible to serve on said committee. Advisory Committee members shall be entitled to serve upon any Committee for which membership is specifically provided for in these By-laws. In addition, members of the Advisory Committee may serve upon temporary ad hoc committees convened for a single purpose, such as the screening of applications for employment or appointment and examination of policy issues, when such bodies will be dissolved upon the completion of their work.

Section 2. The Moderator of the town meeting when this By-Law is adopted shall, within thirty days after such by-law becomes effective, appoint 2 members of said committee for terms of one year, 2 members for terms of two years, and 3 members for terms of three years. At each Annual Town Meeting thereafter the Moderator thereof shall appoint 3 members of said committee for terms of three years. The terms of office of said members shall commence immediately upon qualification and shall expire at the close of final adjournment of the Annual Town Meeting at which their successors are appointed **provided however, that, in the event of a failure to appoint a successor, members shall serve until their successor is appointed and duly qualified.** Said committee shall choose its own officers, and shall serve without pay, ~~and except the chairman who shall receive such amount as voted upon at the Annual Town Meeting,~~ and it shall cause to be kept a true record of its proceedings.

Section 3. **A vacancy shall occur in the membership of the Advisory Committee by reason of resignation, death, upon moving from town, or removal from the list of registered voters.** The said committee shall fill any vacancy which may occur in its membership, by vote, attested copy of which shall be sent by the secretary to the Town Clerk. If any member is absent from five consecutive meetings of said committee, his position shall be deemed to be vacant and shall be filled as herein provided. ~~The term of office of any person so chosen to fill a vacancy shall expire at the final adjournment of the next succeeding Annual Town Meeting, and t~~ The Moderator thereof shall appoint **a person** his successor to complete the unexpired term of the member in whose office such vacancy originally occurred.

Section 4a. ~~The Warrant All articles, other than those deemed by the Board of Selectmen to constitute an emergency, sought to be inserted in the Town Warrant for the Annual Town Meeting shall be~~ **provided** filed with the Board of Selectmen, and referred by them to the Advisory Committee **by the Board of Selectmen at least 30 days before the date set for the Annual Town Meeting and on or before April 10<sup>th</sup> and all** articles sought to be inserted in the Warrant for a Special Town Meeting shall be referred by the Board of Selectmen to the Advisory Committee at least 14 days before the date set for **any Special Town Meeting** such meeting.

Section 54. ~~It shall be the duty of the Advisory Committee annually to consider the expenditures in previous years and the estimated requirements various warrant articles, for the ensuing year of the several boards, officers and committees of the town including any citizen petitions thereon. as prepared by them in such form and detail as may be prescribed by said committee. The said Advisory Committee shall add to such statement of expenditures and estimates another column, giving the amounts which in its opinion should be appropriated for the ensuing year, and shall further add thereto such explanations and suggestions relating to the proposed appropriations as it may deem expedient, and report thereon to the community at least seven days before the date set for the Annual Town Meeting and at least four days before the date set for a Special Town Meeting with such explanations and suggestions as it may deem most useful to the community. as provided in section five of Article II.~~

Section 65. In the discharge of its duty, said committee shall have free access to all books of record and accounts, bills and vouchers on which money has been or may be paid from the town treasury. Officers, boards, and committees of the town shall, ~~upon request, furnish said committee with facts, figures, and any other information pertaining to their several activities,~~ **within five business days of a upon request, furnish said committee with facts, figures, and any other information pertaining to their several activities or an explanation of a reasonable time frame within which it might expect to be able to compile and produce such material.**

Section 76. It shall be the duty of the Advisory Committee to make an annual report of its doings, with recommendations relative to financial matters and the conduct of town business, to be contained in the annual town report.

Or take any other action related thereto.

**Submitted by the Board of Selectmen  
Majority Vote Required**

#### **ARTICLE 5: AMENDING BY-LAWS RE: SITING OF CLASS II AUTO LICENSES**

To see if the Town will vote to amend Article XXXI of its General By-Laws by making certain deletions (in strikethrough) and additions (in bold) as follows:

The number of Class II used car dealer licenses in effect in the Town at any one time is not to exceed 21, with said number to be apportioned among the ~~4~~ **Town's several** precincts.

Or take any other action related thereto.

**Submitted by the Board of Selectmen  
Majority Vote Required**

#### **ARTICLE 6 AMENDING BY-LAWS RE: VETERANS ADVISORY BOARD**

To see if the Town will vote to amend Article LV of its General By-Laws by substituting the following in its entirety:

Article LV Veterans Advisory Board

##### **Section 1. Establishment, Terms and Conflicting Service**

There shall be a Veterans Advisory Board consisting of five (5) residents of the Town who shall be registered voters. Veterans appointed as members shall have received an honorable discharge for their service. Members shall be appointed by the Board of Selectmen for a term of three (3) years commencing on July 1. The terms shall be staggered such that no more than two (2) members shall have their terms expire each year. Members shall serve until their successor is appointed and duly qualified. There shall be no compensation for members.

Town Officers and Town employees, elected or appointed, are not eligible to be members. Any member of said Board who shall be elected or appointed to Town office, except as provided for herein, shall forthwith, upon his qualification in such office, and any other member who shall move from Town shall, upon moving, cease to be a member of said committee. Members of the committee shall serve without compensation.

The Board shall have a Chairman and a Clerk who shall act in the absence of the Chairman. The Board shall choose its own officers.

## Section 2. Vacancies

A vacancy in an appointed position shall be filled for the balance of the unexpired term of the vacant position.

## Section 3. Purpose

The Board shall meet no less than quarterly to consider matters brought to its attention by the Town's Veterans Services Officer, other Town Officers or employees, the general populace and of its own initiative pertaining to the health and well-being of the Town's veterans.

## Section 4. Reports

The Committee shall annually file a report on its work, to include such recommendations as it deems worthy of consideration, with the Board of Selectmen in December of each year.

Or take any other action related thereto.

**Submitted by the Board of Selectmen  
Majority Vote Required**

## **ARTICLE 7: AMENDING BY-LAWS RE: LICENSES & PERMITS**

To see if the Town will vote to amend Article XXXII, with respect to Licenses and Permits of Delinquent Taxpayers by making certain deletions (in strikethrough) and additions (in bold) as follows:

Section A. The Tax Collector or other municipal official responsible for records of all municipal taxes, assessments, betterments and other municipal charges, hereinafter referred to as the Tax Collector, shall annually, **and may periodically**, furnish to each department, board, commission or division, hereinafter referred to as the Licensing Authority, that issues licenses or permits including renewals and transfers, a list of any person, corporation, or business enterprise, hereinafter referred to as the Party, that has neglected or refused to pay any local taxes, fees, assessments, betterments or other municipal charges ~~for not less than a twelve month period~~, and that such party has not filed in good faith a pending application for an abatement of such tax or a pending petition before the appellate tax board.

Section B. The licensing authority may deny, revoke or suspend any license or permit, including renewals and transfers of any party whose name appears on said list furnished to the licensing authority from the tax collector **or with respect to any activity, event or other matter which is the subject of such license or permit and which activity, event or matter is carried out or exercised or is to be carried out or exercised on or about real estate owned by any party whose name appears on said list furnished to the licensing authority from the tax collector**; provided, however, that written notice is given to the party and the tax collector, as required by applicable provisions of law, and the party is given a hearing, to be held not earlier than fourteen days after said notice. Said list shall be prima facie ~~for~~ evidence for denial, revocation or suspension of said license or permit to any party. The Tax Collector shall have the right to intervene in any hearing conducted with respect to such license denial, revocation or suspension. Any findings made by the licensing authority with respect to such license denial, revocation or suspension shall be made only for the purposes of such proceeding and shall not be relevant to or introduced in any other proceeding at law, except for any appeal from such license denial, revocation or suspension. Any license or permit denied, suspended or revoked under this section shall not be reissued or renewed until the license authority receives a certificate issued by the Tax Collector that the party is in good standing with respect to any and all local taxes, fees, assessments, betterments or other municipal charges, payable to the municipality as the date of issuance of said certificate.

Section C. Any party shall be given an opportunity to enter into a payment agreement, thereby allowing the licensing authority to issue a certificate indicating said limitations to the license or permit and the validity of said license shall be conditioned upon the satisfactory compliance with said agreement. Failure to comply with said agreement shall be grounds for the suspension or revocation of said license or permit; provided, however, that the holder be given notice and a hearing as required by applicable provisions of law.

Section D. The Board of Selectmen may waive such denial, suspension or revocation if it finds there is no direct or indirect business interest by the property owner, its officers or stockholder, if any, or members of his immediate family, as defined in Section 1, **of Chapter 268A** in the business or activity conducted in or on said property.

This section shall not apply to the following licenses and permits: open burning; ~~Section 13,~~ **thirteen of Chapter 48 forty-eight**; **bicycle permits**; **section eleven A of chapter eighty-five**; sales of articles for charitable purposes, ~~Section 33~~ **thirty-three of** ~~Chapter 101~~ **one hundred and one**; children work permits, ~~Section 69,~~ **sixty-nine of Chapter 149 one hundred and forty-nine**; clubs, associations dispensing food or beverage licenses, ~~Section 21~~ **twenty-one E, of Chapter 140 one hundred and forty**; dog licenses, ~~Section 137,~~ **one hundred and thirty-seven of Chapter 140 one hundred and forty**; fishing, hunting,



trapping license, Section ~~12~~, **twelve of** Chapter ~~131~~ **one hundred and thirty-one**; marriage licenses, Section ~~28~~, **twenty-eight of** Chapter ~~207~~; **two hundred and seven and** theatrical events, public exhibition permits, Section ~~181~~, **one hundred and eighty-one of** Chapter ~~140~~; **one hundred and forty**. bicycle permits, Section ~~11A~~, Chapter ~~85~~.

Or take any other action related thereto.

**Submitted by the Board of Selectmen  
Majority Vote**

#### **ARTICLE 8: AMENDING BY-LAWS RE: TIMING OF ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION & MEETING**

To see if the Town will vote to amend Article II, Section(s) 1 and 2 with respect to the timing of the Annual Town Meeting and Elections by making certain deletions (in strikethrough) and additions (in bold) as follows:

Section 1. The Annual Town Meeting for the election of town officers shall be held on the ~~first~~ **Third** Monday of May of each year. The term of the Town Clerk shall commence on July 1st of the year so elected and expire on June 30th in the year for which the term at issue was warned. The term of all other Town Officers shall commence as soon as the Town Officer is qualified for office by the Town Clerk, after the Annual Election, and shall continue until the successor for the office is duly elected or appointed and qualified.

And further that this amended by-law shall take effect for the term of the Town Clerk elected at the Annual Election in May of 2018.

Section 2. All business of the Annual Town Meeting, except the election of such officers and the determination of such matters as are required by law to be elected or determined by ballot, shall be considered **on the Wednesday preceding the election of town officers** ~~at an adjournment of such meeting to be held on the second Saturday thereafter~~, at a time and place designated by the Board of Selectmen.

Or take any other action related thereto.

**Submitted by the Board of Selectmen  
Majority Vote Required**

## **ARTICLE 9: ACQUISITION OF CERTAIN LANDS OF THE WALTER FERNALD CORPORATION FOR CONSERVATION AND PASSIVE RECREATION PURPOSES**

To see if the Town will vote to:

- (a) Acquire by purchase, gift or eminent domain pursuant to Section 8C of Chapter 40 of the Massachusetts General Laws and any applicable law, all or any portions of and interests in approximately 102 acres of land supposedly owned by the Walter Fernald Corporation located off of Fernald School Road and Freight Shed Road and identified on the Town's assessing maps as Map 2-7, Parcel 40.6 (35.46+/- acres), Map 2-7, Parcel 40.3 (30.69+/- acres), Map 2-7, Parcel 40.4 (23.30 acres+/-) and Map 2-7, Parcel 40.5 (12.64+/- acres) with all such land to be under the custody, care and control of the Conservation Commission for public open space, conservation and passive recreational purposes; and
- (b) Appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Fifty Nine Thousand One Hundred Fifty Dollars and No Cents (\$259,150.00) for such acquisition and all costs incidental and related thereto, with said appropriation to be met by a transfer of One Hundred Eighty One Thousand Four Hundred Five Dollars and No Cents (\$181,405.00) from the Community Preservation Act account entitled "General Budgeted Reserve" and Seventy Seven Thousand Seven Hundred Forty Five Dollars and No Cents (\$77,745.00) from the Community Preservation account entitled "Open Space" with the expenditure of said sum to be contingent upon the award by the Massachusetts Division of Conservation Services, Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs of a Local Acquisitions, to the Town of a Local Acquisition for Natural Diversity (LAND) Grant of at least One Hundred Fifty Five Thousand Four Hundred Ninety Dollars and No Cents (\$155,490.00) to reimburse the Town for the expenditure of such sum, with (i) seventy percent (70%) of such reimbursement amount to be deposited into the Community Preservation General Budgeted reserve account and (ii) thirty percent (30%) of such reimbursement amount to be deposited into the Community Preservation Open Space account and further that after June 30, 2019 any residual unexpended portion of such appropriated sum shall not be further expended and seventy percent (70%) of the unexpended portion of such sum shall be restored to the Community Preservation General Budgeted Reserve account and thirty percent (30%) of the unexpended portion shall be restored to the Community Preservation Open Space account; and
- (c) Authorize the Conservation Commission to apply for, and accept, such LAND Grant and such other grants or programs for which the Town may qualify for such purposes; and
- (d) Authorize the Board of Selectmen, with approval by the Conservation Commission, to grant to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts' Division of Fish and Wildlife or to any organization whose mission is to protect, preserve, promote, and enhance open space, a conservation restriction on all or any portions of said land preserving such land as public open space and public conservation and public passive recreational land in perpetuity in accordance with Sections 31 – 33 of Chapter 184 and Section 12 of Chapter 44B of the Massachusetts General Laws; and

- (e) Authorize the Board of Selectmen to execute, deliver, grant and accept such deeds, restrictions instruments and agreements as it deems reasonable, appropriate and in the best interests of the town to be necessary to effectuate the purposes of this article,

Or take any other action related thereto.

**Submitted by the Community Preservation Committee**  
**2/3 Vote Required**

#### **ARTICLE 10: ACCEPTANCE OF LAFAYETTE ROAD AS A PUBLIC WAY**

To see if the Town will vote to accept a gift of land, or take by eminent domain pursuant to Chapter 79 of the Massachusetts General laws, the private roadway known as Lafayette Road, formerly known as French Quarters, owned by Kathy Van Dyke, and further to accept all easements related thereto or as necessary to effect the purposes of this article, as shown on a definitive subdivision plan approved by Templeton Planning Board as following the guidelines of the Town's Subdivision Control Regulations, and laid out on an as-built plan, as approved by the Board of Selectmen as shown on the acceptance plan dated September 23, 2017 drawn by Edmond J. Boucher and further to authorize the Board of Selectmen to execute, deliver, grant and accept such deeds, restrictions, instruments and agreements as it deems reasonable, appropriate and in the best interests of the town to be necessary to effectuate the purposes of this article.

Or take any other action related thereto.

**Submitted by Board of Selectmen for the Planning Board**  
**Majority Vote Required**

#### **ARTICLE 11: TEMPLETON SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Four Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$4,000.00) to the Templeton Scholarship Fund to be expended by the Templeton Scholarship Committee for the purpose of awarding scholarships to eligible applicants from the Town of Templeton.

Or take any other action related thereto.

**Submitted by the Board of Selectmen for the Templeton Scholarship Committee**  
**Majority Vote Required**

#### **ARTICLE 12: PROPERTY VALUATION ACCOUNT**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars and No Cents (\$22,500.00), to be expended by the Board of Assessors for Interim Work, Five-year Recertification, Cyclical Inspections, and costs associated with carrying out these activities and fulfilling the intent of this article including the purchase or licensing of software, or take any other action relative thereto.

Or take any other action related thereto.

**Submitted by the Board of Selectmen for the Board of Assessors  
Majority Vote Required**

**ARTICLE 13: FUNDING OF COMMUNITY PRESERVATION ACCOUNT(s)**

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Ten Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$210,000.00) to the several accounts of the Community Preservation Committee, as recommended by the Community Preservation Committee, as follows:

	Amount	% of Total
Administrative Account	\$10,500	5%
Historic Resources Reserve	\$21,000	10%
Community Housing Reserve	\$21,000	10%
Open Space & Recreation Reserve	\$21,000	10%
General Reserve	<u>\$136,500</u>	65%
Total	\$210,000	100%

And to meet said appropriation by a transfer from the Community Preservation annual revenues, which include the amount to be collected as a surcharge on real property, and the October 2018 state match for CPC permissible expenses.

Or take any other action related thereto.

**Submitted by the Board of Selectmen on behalf of the Community Preservation Committee  
Majority Vote Required**

**ARTICLE 14: EXPENDING OF COMMUNITY PRESERVATION RESERVES**

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate sums of money for a series of projects identified below or take any other action relative thereto. Such items may be voted as a block, or singly, or in any combination but, however voted, will be treated for accounting and legislative purposes as if each item were voted as a separate article.

1. Seventy Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$70,000.00) for the Boynton Public Library to expend on CPA-eligible expenditures related to the preservation and/or rehabilitation of the historic Boynton Public Library, as part of a larger rehabilitation/ renovation project funded by non-CPA funding, and to meet said appropriation by a transfer of said sum from the Templeton Community Preservation Act's Budgeted Reserve Fund
2. Fifteen Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$15,000.00) for the Templeton Board of Selectmen to expend on CPA-allowed uses to evaluate the Baldwinville Elementary

School for possible community housing and open space/recreation resources and to meet said appropriation by a transfer of said sum from the Templeton Community Preservation Act's Budgeted Reserve Fund.

3. Fifteen Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$15,000.00) to be awarded to the Narragansett Historical Society for the completion of access and egress improvements including a ramp for the historic rehabilitation of the Templeton Grange Hall, subject to a grant of access to the building to residents of Templeton on specific dates annually without cost, and to meet said appropriation by a transfer of said sum from the Templeton Community Preservation Act's Historic Resources Reserve.
4. Eight Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$8,000.00) to be awarded to the North County Land Trust for the materials and services required to establish bridges, access, and other improvements for public trails at the Dwelly Farm on Barre Road, Templeton, subject to a grant of access to the trails for the residents of Templeton without cost, and to meet said appropriation by a transfer of said sum from the Templeton Community Preservation Act's Open Space and Recreation Reserve Fund.

Or take any other action related thereto.

**Submitted by the Board of Selectmen on behalf of the Community Preservation Committee  
Majority Vote Required**

#### **ARTICLE 15. FY 2019 CABLE DEPARTMENT OPERATING BUDGET**

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of Seventy Three Thousand One Hundred Seventy Seven Dollars and No Cents (\$73,177.00) to operate the Cable Department for Fiscal Year 2019 and to meet said appropriation from the receipts and revenues to be collected on behalf of the Cable Department for said fiscal year.

Or take any other action related thereto.

**Submitted by the Board of Selectmen for the Cable Committee  
Majority Vote Required**

#### **ARTICLE 16: FY 2019 SEWER DEPARTMENT OPERATING BUDGET**

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of One Million Seventy Seven Thousand Three Hundred Fifty Five Dollars and No Cents (\$1,077,355.00) to operate the Sewer Department for Fiscal Year 2019 and to meet said appropriation by a transfer of Thirty Six Thousand Six Hundred Fifty Six Dollars and No Cents (\$36,656.00) from the certified retained earnings of the Sewer Fund and the balance from the receipts and revenues to be collected on behalf of the Sewer Department for said fiscal year.

Or take any other action related thereto.

**Submitted by the Board of Selectmen for the Sewer Commission**  
**Majority Vote Required**

**ARTICLE 17: DEFERRED MAINTENANCE SEWER DEPARTMENT**

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of Seventy Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$70,000.00) to address a series of items upon which maintenance has been deferred and to meet said appropriation by a transfer of said sum from the certified retained earnings of the Sewer Fund.

Or take any other action related thereto.

**Submitted by the Board of Selectmen for the Sewer Commission**  
**Majority Vote Required**

**ARTICLE 18: ESTABLISHMENT OF STABILIZATION FUND W/IN SEWER FUND**

To see if the Town will vote to establish a special purpose stabilization fund pursuant to MGL Ch. 40 §5B, within the accounts of the Sewer Fund, to be known as the Capital (CAPEX) Stabilization Fund with said fund to be used for the planning, implementation, or assessments upon the Town by others, of items defined to be so-called "Capital Items" in the Town's general by-laws,

Or take any other action related thereto.

**Submitted by the Board of Selectmen for the Sewer Commission**  
**2/3 Vote Required**

**ARTICLE 19: DEPOSITS TO RESERVE ACCOUNTS OF THE SEWER FUND**

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of One Hundred Twenty Five Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$125,000.00) to make deposits into the Capital (CAPEX) Stabilization Fund of the Sewer Fund and the OPEB reserve account of the Sewer Fund as follows:

CAPEX	\$100,000
OPEB	\$25,000

And to meet said appropriation by a transfer of said sum from the certified retained earnings of the Sewer Fund.

Or take any other action related thereto.

**Submitted by the Board of Selectmen for the Sewer Commission**  
**Majority Vote Required**

## **ARTICLE 20: SET THE SALARIES OF ELECTED TOWN OFFICIALS**

To see if the Town will vote, in accord with MGL Ch. 41 §108, to fix or maintain the salaries of the elected officials for Fiscal Year 2019 as follows:

Town Clerk	\$ 56,533.00	Yearly
Sewer Commissioner (Each)	\$ 2,000.00	Yearly
Board of Selectmen & All Others	\$ 0.00	Yearly

Or take any other action related thereto.

**Submitted by the Board of Selectmen**  
**Majority Vote Required**

## **ARTICLE 21: FY 2019 GENERAL FUND OPERATING (OPEX) BUDGET**

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of Eight Million Town Hundred Twenty Thousand Two Hundred Ninety Eight Dollars and no cents (\$8,220,298.00 ) for the operations of General Government for Fiscal Year 2019, and to meet said appropriation with a transfer of Two Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$250,000.00) from the Ambulance receipts reserved for appropriation, anticipated receipts, and the balance from taxation.

Or take any other action related thereto.

**Submitted by the Board of Selectmen**  
**Majority Vote Required**

## **ARTICLE 22: FUNDING OF AFL-CIO LOCAL 155 CBA**

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of One Dollar and No Cents(\$1.00) to fund a Collective Bargaining Agreement reached by the Town with the AFL-CIO Local 155 for the period of July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019 and to meet said appropriation by a transfer of said sum from the FY 2019 OPEX accounts of the Selectmen to the FY 2019 OPEX accounts of Police & Dispatch.

Or take any other action related thereto.

**Submitted by the Board of Selectmen**  
**Majority Vote Required**

[Note: While the total costs of this CBA are approximately \$22,000, there are more than sufficient funds in the FY 2019 budget appropriation for the Police Department due to the resignation of two senior officers who are being replaced with substantially lower paid officers.]

## **ARTICLE 23: FUNDING OF AFL-CIO LOCAL 155A CBA**

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of Six Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$6,000.00) to fund a Collective Bargaining Agreement reached by the Town with the AFL-CIO Local 155A for the period of July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019 and to meet said appropriation by a transfer of said sum from the accounts of the Selectmen to the accounts of Police & Dispatch.

Or take any other action related thereto.

**Submitted by the Board of Selectmen  
Majority Vote Required**

## **ARTICLE 24: SUPPLEMENTAL FY 2019 OPERATING BUDGET RE: FIRE/EMS**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Four Hundred Seventy Thousand Two Hundred Forty Six Dollars and No Cents, (\$470,246.00), subject to the successful passage of a Proposition 2 ½ Over-Ride, so-called, for supplemental appropriations to the FY 2019 Operating Budget for the following departments:

Fire/EMS	\$290,740
Police	\$23,000
Insurance & Benefits	\$133,890
Highway	\$15,000
Snow & Ice	\$7,616

Or take any other action related thereto.

**Submitted by the Board of Selectmen  
Majority Vote Required**

## **ARTICLE 25: SUPPLEMENTAL FY 2019 OPERATING BUDGET RE: EXTRAORDINARY INSPECTION WORK LOAD**

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of Fifty Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$50,000.00) for supplemental appropriations to the FY 2019 Operating Budget of the Office of Development Services for additional compensation for the building, plumbing/gas and electrical inspectors, above and beyond that to be paid from their regular annual salary and respective revolving funds, to account for the extraordinary inspection work load created by the construction of the new elementary school, and to meet said appropriation by a transfer of said sum from free cash.

Or take any other action related thereto.

**Submitted by the Board of Selectmen  
Majority Vote Required**



## **ARTICLE 26: ADOPTION OF MGL RE: LOCAL OPTION MARIJUANA TAX**

To see if the Town will vote to (a) adopt Section 3 of Chapter 64N of the Massachusetts General Laws which allows the imposition of a local sales tax upon the sale or transfer of marijuana or marijuana products by a marijuana retailer operating within the town to anyone other than a marijuana establishment at a rate not greater than 3 per cent of the total sales price received by the marijuana retailer as a consideration for the sale of marijuana or marijuana products and (b) to set the rate of said local sales tax at the maximum rate of 3 per cent with said tax to take effect upon the first day of the calendar quarter commencing at least thirty days after the affirmative vote by Town Meeting; or take any action in relation thereto.

**Submitted by the Board of Selectmen**  
**Majority Vote Required**

## **ARTICLE 27: ADOPTION OF MGL RE: LOCAL OPTION MEALS TAX**

To see if the Town will vote to adopt Section 2 of Chapter 64L of the Massachusetts General Laws, providing for the imposition of a "...local sales tax upon the sale of restaurant meals originating within the city or town by a vendor at a rate of .75 per cent of the gross receipts of the vendor from the sale of restaurant meals." with said tax to take effect on July 1, 2018,

Or take any other action related thereto.

**Submitted by the Board of Selectmen**  
**Majority Vote Required**

## **ARTICLE 28: AUTHORIZE LEASE OF CAPITAL ITEMS – POLICE & DPW**

To see if the Town, contingent upon the adoption of the Local Option Meals Tax, so called, will vote to (a) raise and appropriate the sum of Forty Two Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$42,000.00) to pay for the first year of a three year lease for a fully equipped police cruiser and a one-ton pick-up with dump body, wing and plow with said lease not to exceed One Hundred and Twenty Six Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$126,000.00) in total, and have a so called escape clause for lack of appropriation in addition to provisions for an early pay-off, without penalty, and a One Dollar (\$1.00) buy-out upon the conclusion of all regularly scheduled lease payments and (b) appropriate the sum of Twelve Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$12,500.00) to write down the purchase price of said items such that they may be leased within the foregoing limits set in this article and to meet said appropriation by a transfer of said sum from certified free cash.

Or take any other action related thereto.

**Submitted by the Board of Selectmen**  
**2/3 Vote Required**

## **ARTICLE 29: AUTHORIZE LEASE OF CAPITAL ITEMS – FIRE**

To see if the Town, will vote to (a) raise and appropriate the sum of Ninety Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars and No Cents (\$92,500.00) to pay for the first year of a six year lease for a fully equipped fire engine apparatus with said lease not to exceed Five Hundred Fifty Five Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$555,000.00) in total, and have a so called escape clause for lack of appropriation in addition to provisions for an early pay-off, without penalty, and a One Dollar (\$1.00) buy-out upon the conclusion of all regularly schedule lease payments and (b) appropriate the sum of Twenty Five Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$25,000.00) to write down the purchase price of said item such that it may be leased within the foregoing limits set in this article and to meet said appropriation of by a transfer of said sum from certified free cash.

Or take any other action related thereto.

**Submitted by the Board of Selectmen  
2/3 Vote Required**

## **ARTICLE 30: CAPITAL BUDGET - A**

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of Fifty Eight Thousand Five Hundred Dollars and No Cents (\$58,500.00) toward a program of capital purchases and improvements, as generally illustrated below:

Infield Groomer	\$10,000
Cemetery Garage Roof - 39 Bridge St.	\$10,000
T.C. Fire Training Room AC	\$ 3,500
F150 Interceptor	\$35,000

and to meet said appropriation by a transfer of Forty Five Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$45,000.00) from certified free cash and a transfer of Thirteen Thousand Five Hundred Dollars and No Cents (\$13,500.00) from overlay surplus.

Or take any other action related thereto.

**Submitted by Board of Selectmen  
Majority Vote Required**

## **ARTICLE 31: CAPITAL BUDGET - B**

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$10,000.00) toward a program of capital purchases and improvements for the Gilman Waite Athletic Facility and to meet said appropriation by a transfer from the Pajari Stabilization Fund in the amount of approximately Nine Thousand Two Hundred Seventy Seven Dollars and Eight Cents (\$9,277.08), more or less, together with such additional interest as may have accrued on the fund since the closing balance as of March 31, 2018 cited herein through to the actual date of transfer, and the balance through a transfer from overlay surplus.

Or take any other action related thereto.

**Submitted by Board of Selectmen  
Majority Vote Required**

#### **ARTICLE 32: SUPPLEMENTAL BORROWING RE: POLICE STATION**

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of One Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$1,500,000.00), in addition to the Nine Hundred and Seventy Five Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$975,000.00) previously appropriated, for designing and constructing an addition to the Police Station, and renovations thereof, including the payment of costs incidental or related thereto; that to meet this appropriation the Treasurer with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, subject to the successful passage of a Proposition 2 ½ debt exclusion, so-called, is authorized to borrow such amount under G.L. c.44, §7(1) or any other enabling authority; and that the Board of Selectmen is authorized to take any other action necessary or convenient to carry out this project. Any premium received upon the sale of any bonds or notes approved by this vote, less any such premium applied to the payment of the costs of issuance of such bonds or notes, may be applied to the payment of costs approved by this vote in accordance with Chapter 44, Section 20 of the General Laws, thereby reducing the amount authorized to be borrowed to pay such costs by a like amount.

Or take any other action related thereto.

**Submitted by the Board of Selectmen  
Two - Thirds Vote Required**

#### **ARTICLE 33: NARRAGANSETT REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Six Million Three Hundred Thirty Two Thousand Seven Hundred Fifty Two Dollars and No Cents (\$6,332,752.00) as the amount assessed upon the Town for the Fiscal Year 2019 assessment by the Narragansett Regional School District for the purposes of educating and transporting the Town's enrolled students and capital and debt expenses provided, however, that any stated amount shall be reduced to any lesser amount which shall subsequently be certified by the school committee and certified to the Town

Or take any other action relating thereto.

**Submitted by the Board of Selectman for the Narragansett Regional School District  
Majority Vote Required**

## **ARTICLE 34: MONTACHUSETT REGIONAL VOCATIONAL TECHNICAL SCHOOL**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Six Hundred Eighty Nine Thousand Thirty Nine Dollars and No Cents (\$689,039.00) as the amount assessed upon the Town for the Fiscal Year 2019 assessment by the Montachusett Regional Vocational Technical School District for the purposes of educating and transporting the Town's enrolled students and capital and debt expenses provided, however, that any stated amount shall be reduced to any lesser amount which shall subsequently be certified by the school committee and certified to the Town, for Fiscal Year 2019

Or take any other action relative thereto.

**Submitted by the Board of Selectman for the Montachusett Regional Vocational Technical School District**  
**Majority Vote Required**

## **ARTICLE 35: CITIZEN'S PETITION: FLUORIDE WARNING ON WATER BILLS**

Shall the Town vote to approve a warning concerning Templeton citizen's fluorosis risk the additive poses to infants, to be added to all water bills and consumer confidence reports (which must be mailed to all water consumers, be posted online, and available at the Selectmen's Office and the Light and Water Department). The warning is as follows:

"Your public water supply is fluoridated. According to the Centers for Disease Control Prevention, if your child under the age of 6 months is exclusively consuming infant formula reconstituted with fluoridated water, there may be an increased chance of dental fluorosis. Consult your child's health care provider for more information."

Or take any other action related thereto.

**A citizen's petition submitted by Peter Farrell and 19 others**

## **ARTICLE 36: CITIZEN'S PETITION: TO SEE IF THE TOWN OF TEMPLETON SHALL INSTITUTE A MORATORIUM ON WATER FLOURIDATION**

To see if the Town of Templeton shall institute a moratorium on water fluoridation in Templeton until such time as the manufacturer of the fluoridating chemical provides information regarding the identification of any contaminants in the fluoridating chemical batch, and a toxicological report and verification of safety for the fluoridating chemical.

**A citizen's petition submitted by Peter Farrell and 19 others**

## **ARTICLE 37: CITIZEN'S PETITION: FLUORIDE LEGISLATION**

Move that the town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to seek Special Legislation as set forth below: provided, however, that the General Court may make clerical or editorial changes of form only to the bill, unless the Board of Selectmen is hereby authorized to approve amendments which shall be within the scope of the general public objectives of the petition as follows:

An Act authorizing Annual Town Meeting as the responsible party on any and all decisions involving fluoridating or not fluoridating the public water supply.

Section 1. Notwithstanding Section 8C, Chapter 111, Title XVI, Part 1 of the general laws of or any general or special law to the contrary, the legislative body at Annual Town Meeting with a majority vote shall be authorized to make any and all decisions in regards to fluoridating or not fluoridating the public water supply however should town meeting vote to fluoridate the public water supply oversight on fluoride dose shall go to the town Board of Health. Annual town meeting shall also make decisions on health warning involving water fluoridation and any other decisions involving fluoride and the public water supply.

Section 2. Upon effective date of this act the Legislative body at Annual Town Meeting shall become the responsible party for all matters concerning fluoride and the public water supply.

Section 3. This act shall take effect upon passage.

**A citizen's petition submitted by Peter Farrell and 19 others**

## **ARTICLE 38: CITIZEN'S PETITION: R-A-2 ZONING ON PATRIOTS ROAD**

To see if the Town will vote to: Enforce its own by laws and state regulations, within the R-A-2 zoning district on Patriots Road Templeton.

**A citizen's petition submitted by Steven Drury and 11 others**

## **ARTICLE 39: CITIZEN'S PETITION: SMART METER**

To see if the Town will vote to immediately halt the installation of Smart Meters in the Town of Templeton.

**“What is a smart meter?** Smart meters are computerized electric meters that transmit electricity and gas usage to the utility using-frequency (RF) communication. These are the same waves that cell phones emit, but smart meters broadcast 24/7 at a power density 100 to 160 times that of a cell phone. (Smart meters are also known as *advanced meters*, and companies like DTE insist on using this term because of the negative publicity smart meters have gotten ever since they started making people sick. They call the installation of a “smart meter” a “meter upgrade.”) Smart meters can record your electrical usage in fine detail.

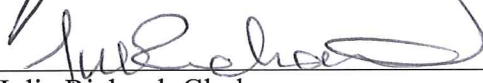
**A citizen's petition submitted by Steven Drury and 15 others**


And you are hereby directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof in each precinct; namely at the Post Office in Templeton, the Post Office in East Templeton, the Post Office in Baldwinville, and at the Town Hall at 160 Patriots Road, East Templeton, seven (7) days at least before the time of holding said meeting and by causing notice of the same to be published once in the Gardner News, a newspaper published in said Worcester County, in the City of Gardner.

Given under our hands this 9<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2018.

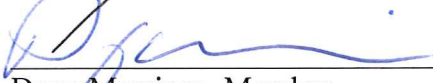
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True Copy: ATTEST

 4-19-18  
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Signature of Constable – Town of Templeton

  
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Printed Name of Constable Signing Above

OFFICER'S RETURN  
WORCESTER, SS

April 4-19, 2018

This is to certify that I have served the within warrant by posting attested copies thereof in each precinct; namely, at the Post Office in Templeton, the Post Office in East Templeton, the Post Office in Baldwinville, and at the Town Hall at 160 Patriots Road, East Templeton, fourteen (14) (7) days at least before the time of holding said meeting and by causing notice of the same to be published once in the Gardner News, a newspaper published in said Worcester County, in the City of Gardner.

Randy B.

Signature of Constable – Town of Templeton

Randy Brown

Printed Name of Constable Signing Above

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A True Copy, ATTEST:

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Town Clerk of Templeton