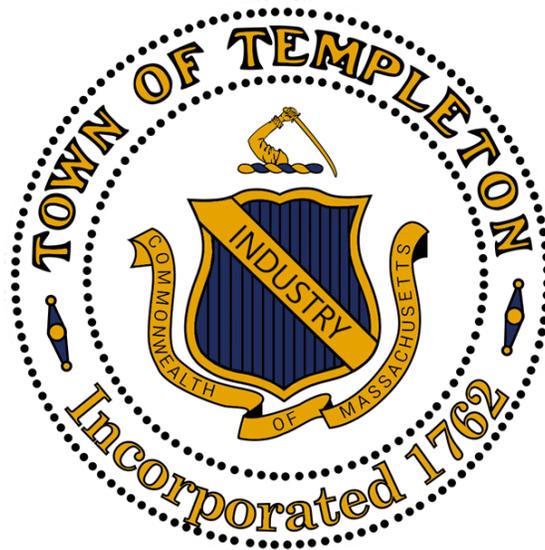


TOWN OF TEMPLETON

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING WARRANT

June 17, 2020



**Narragansett Regional Middle School
460 Baldwinville Road, Baldwinville**

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

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**TOWN OF TEMPLETON
WARRANT FOR ANNUAL TOWN MEETING**

MAY 13, 2020

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:

Wednesday, May 13, 2020 at 6:00 p.m.

Then and there to act on the following articles:

An amended motion was duly made and seconded to see if the town would vote “Out an abundance of caution, in order to keep the curve flattened, I move that we recess this annual town meeting from June 17, 2020 to August 1, 2020 at 10:00 am. Rain date August 2, 2020.

Defeated/June 17th @ 6:24pm

Article 1: LATE BILLS

To see if the Town will authorize the payment of late bills from prior fiscal years from the FY '20 budgets of the following departments or enterprise funds in the following amounts:

Department	Amount
Cable Fund	\$265.00
DPW - Buildings & Grounds (Senior Center)	\$1,030.00

Or to take any other action related thereto.

Submitted by the Board of Selectmen

9/10^{ths} Vote Required

On a motion duly made and seconded the town voted to authorize the payment of late bills from prior fiscal years from the FY '20 budgets of the following departments or enterprise funds in the following amounts:

Department	Amount
Cable Fund	\$265.00

DPW - Buildings & Grounds **\$1,030.00**
(Senior Center)

Passed Unanimously/June 17th @ 6:25pm

ARTICLE 2: FISCAL YEAR 2020 OPERATING BUDGET AMENDMENT(s)

To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of One Hundred Forty-Seven Thousand Five Hundred Dollars and No Cents (\$147,500.00) for supplemental appropriations to the Fiscal Year 2020 Operating Budget as follows:

Department	Amount	Reason
Selectmen	\$17,500	Litigation & COVID19
Veterans Services	\$2,500	Growth in Client Census
Recreation	\$7,500	Seed Money for Summer Camp
Snow & Ice	\$120,000	FY '20 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

On a motion duly made and seconded the town voted to appropriate the sum of One Hundred Forty-Seven Thousand Five Hundred Dollars and No Cents (**\$147,500.00**) for supplemental appropriations to the Fiscal Year 2020 Operating Budget as follows:

Department	Amount	Reason
Selectmen	\$14,500 \$17,500	Litigation & COVID19
Veterans Services	\$8,000 \$2,500	Growth in Client Census
Recreation	\$7,500	Seed Money for Summer Camp
Snow & Ice	\$117,500 \$120,000	FY '20 Deficit
Highway	\$7,500	Uninsured Loss

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

Passed Unanimously/June 17th @ 6:27 pm

ARTICLE 3: FISCAL 2020 NRSD AMENDMENT

To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of Seventy-One Thousand Three Hundred Twenty-Two Dollars and No Cents (\$71,322.00) for supplemental appropriation to the Fiscal Year 2020 assessment for Narragansett Regional School District to satisfy a requirement of the MA Department of Revenue.

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**

On a motion duly made and seconded the town voted to appropriate the sum of Seventy-One Thousand Three Hundred Twenty-Two Dollars and No Cents (**\$71,322.00**) for supplemental appropriation to the Fiscal Year 2020 assessment for Narragansett Regional School District to satisfy a requirement of the MA Department of Revenue.

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

Passed/ June 17th @ 6:28pm

ARTICLE 4: 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 related thereto. Such items may be voted as a single block, 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 2019 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	\$12,500
Electrical Inspector Fund	\$17,500
Community Services Fund	\$60,000

D. ACCEPTING TRANSPORTATION NETWORK COMMUNITY FEE ASSESSMENT

Appropriate such sum of money as may be received by the Town from the Massachusetts Transportation Network Community Fee Assessment to an account entitled MART Dial A Ride. Or take any other action related thereto.

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

On an amended motion duly made and seconded the town voted to approve a consent agenda consisting of the following non-controversial actions or take any other action related thereto. Such items may be voted as a single block, 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.

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	\$12,500
Electrical Inspector Fund	\$17,500
Community Services Fund	\$60,000

D. ACCEPTING TRANSPORTATION NETWORK COMMUNITY FEE ASSESSMENT

Appropriate such sum of money as may be received by the Town from the Massachusetts Transportation Network Community Fee Assessment to an account entitled MART Dial A Ride.
Passed/June 17th @ 6:35pm

A motion was duly made and seconded to adjourn the Annual Town Meeting to begin the Special Town Meeting.
Passed Unanimously/June 17th @ 6:38pm

ARTICLE 5: ESTABLISHING DEMAND FEE UNDER MGL Ch. 60 §15

To see if the Town will vote to charge Fifteen Dollars and No Cents (\$15.00), effective July 1, 2021 to be added to and collected as part of the tax, as authorized by Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 60 §15 (2), for each written demand issued by the Town’s Collector.

Submitted by the Board of Selectmen on behalf of the Treasurer/Collector
Majority Vote Required

On a motion duly made and seconded the town voted to charge Fifteen Dollars and No Cents (\$15.00), effective July 1, 2021 to be added to and collected as part of the tax, as authorized by Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 60 §15 (2), for each written demand issued by the Town’s Collector.

Passed/June 17th @ 6:46pm

ARTICLE 6: SALE OF BALDWINVILLE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to sell the property known as the Baldwinville Elementary School, located at 16 School Street, together with three parcels of land in their entirety, commonly identified on the Town’s assessing maps as Map 1-4, Parcel, 383, 384, and 385, and a portion of Map 1-4 Parcel 407, all of which total 3.08+/- acres of land,

and to execute, deliver, and grant such deeds, restrictions, instruments and agreements as it deems reasonable, appropriate and in the best interests of the Town to effectuate the transfer of title and the purposes of this article;

Or take any other action related thereto.

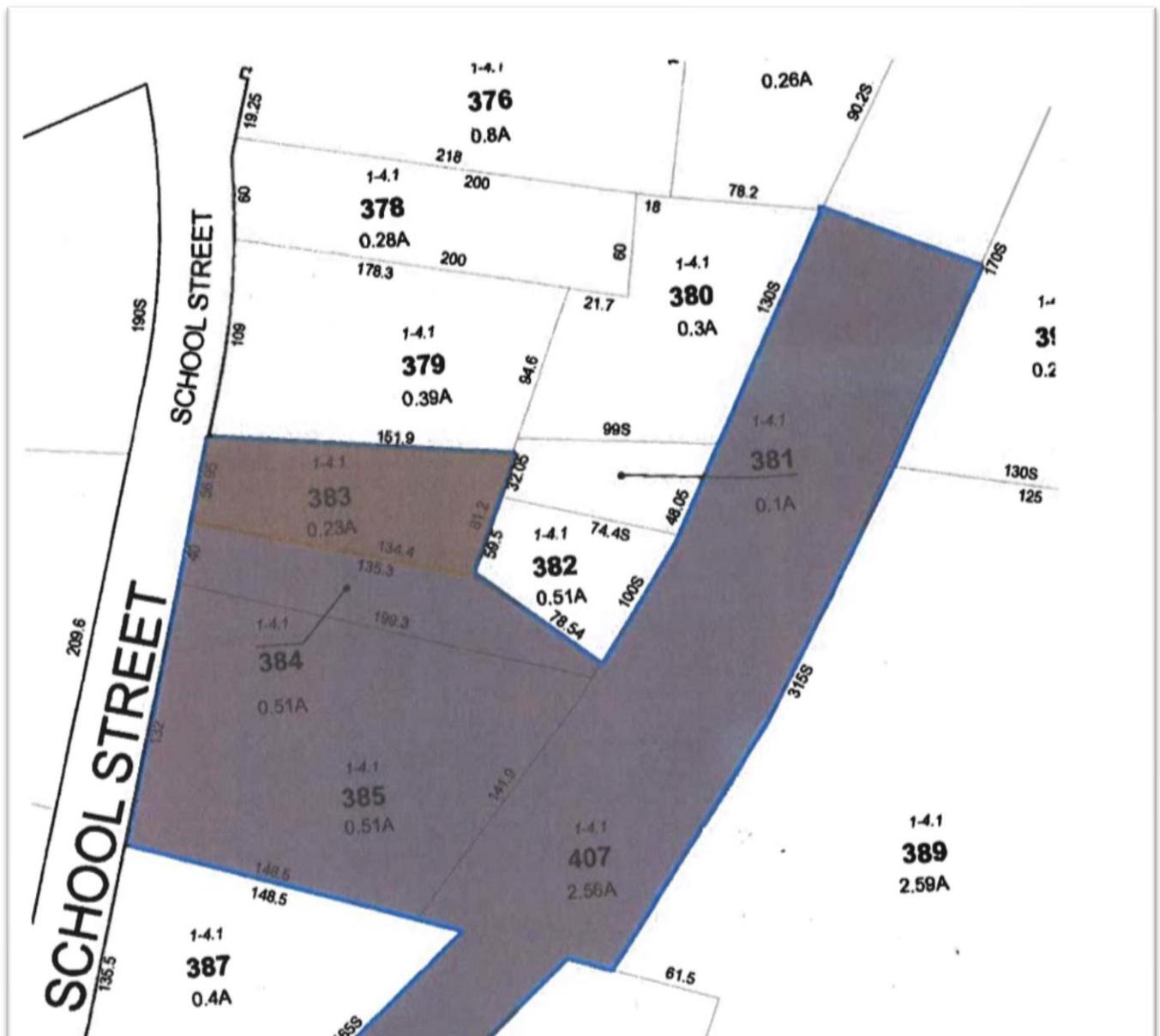
Submitted by the Board of Selectmen

Two-Thirds Vote Required

Note: A sketch plan of the parcels is available in the Office of the Town Clerk and on the Town's web site at www.templetonma.gov (click on Town Meeting, then All Documents Related to Town Meeting)

On a motion duly made and seconded the town vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to sell the property known as the Baldwinville Elementary School, located at 16 School Street, together with three parcels of land in their entirety, commonly identified on the Town's assessing maps as Map 1-4, Parcel, 383, 384, and 385, and a portion of Map 1-4 Parcel 407, all of which total 3.08+/- acres of land, and to execute, deliver, and grant such deeds, restrictions, instruments and agreements as it deems reasonable, appropriate and in the best interests of the Town to effectuate the transfer of title and the purposes of this article.

Passed by a 2/3 vote/June 17th @ 6:55pm



**On a motion duly made and seconded the town voted to consider Articles 7 through 12 upon concluding Article 24.
Passed/June 17th @ 6:57pm**

**An amended motion was duly made and seconded to postpone the motion for Article 7-12, indefinitely.
Defeated/June 17th @ 7:51pm**

On a motion duly made and seconded the town voted that Articles 7 through 12 be considered in one motion, and those articles be hereby adopted as printed in the Warrant.

ARTICLE 7: AMENDING GENERAL BYLAWS RE: BUDGET PREPARATION

To see if the Town will vote to amend Section §59-6 of the General Bylaws by making certain additions (in bold italic) and deletions (in strikethrough) to the existing bylaw, to read as follows:

§ 59-6. Powers and duties.

~~A.~~ The Town Administrator shall act by and for the Board in any matter which the Board may assign to the Town Administrator relating to the administration of the affairs of the Town or of any Town office or department under its supervision and control, or, with the approval of the Board, may perform such other duties as may be requested by any other Town officer, board, committee or commission.

~~B.~~ It shall be the duty of the Town Administrator, in conjunction with the Board, to consider — expenditures and develop a budget for the ensuing fiscal year of the several boards, — officers and committees of the Town, as prepared by them in such form and detail as — prescribed by the Town Administrator.

Or take any other action related thereto.

Submitted by the Board of Selectmen

Majority Vote Required

ARTICLE 8: AMENDING THE GENERAL BYLAWS RE: PREAMBLE

To see if the Town will vote to amend Section §1-1 of the General Bylaws by making certain additions (in bold italic) and deletions (in strikethrough) to the existing bylaw, to read as follows:

The following provisions shall constitute the Revised General Bylaws of the Town of Templeton; ~~which shall be in lieu of all bylaws heretofore in force. Starting in the year 1951, the bylaws shall be published every five years in booklet form, together with amendments, additions and deletions thereto.~~

Or take any other action related thereto.

Submitted by Board of Selectmen

Majority Vote Required

ARTICLE 9: AMENDING THE GENERAL BYLAWS RE: BOARD OF SELECTMEN

To see if the Town will vote to amend Section §59-1 of the General Bylaws by making certain additions (in bold italic) and deletions (in strikethrough) to the existing bylaw, to read as follows:

§ 59-1. ~~Board of Selectmen~~ ***Select Board (Board)***.

A. The Board shall have the general direction and management of the property and affairs of the Town in all matters not otherwise provided for by laws or these bylaws.

B. Members of the Board shall not serve in any other elective capacity on any other Town or governmental regional boards, commissions, or committees of which the Town of Templeton is a member.

C. *The term “Select Board” shall mean the “Board of Selectmen”. The Select Board shall have all the powers and duties granted to Boards of Selectmen by the Constitution and General Laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and such additional powers and duties as may be provided by these bylaws, by the Zoning Bylaws or by Town Meeting vote.*

And further by striking the term “Board of Selectmen,” or “Selectmen” wherever it may appear in the General Bylaws and inserting in place thereof the term “Select Board”.

Or to take any other action related thereto.

Submitted by the Board of Selectmen

Majority Vote Required

ARTICLE 10: AMENDING THE ZONING BYLAWS RE: BOARD OF SELECTMEN

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning Bylaws as follows:

By striking the term “Board of Selectmen,” or “Selectmen” wherever it may appear in said Zoning Bylaws and inserting in place thereof the term “Select Board”.

Or to take any other action related thereto.

Submitted by the Board of Selectmen

Two-Thirds Vote Required

ARTICLE 11: AMENDING THE GENERAL BYLAWS RE: ADVISORY COMMITTEE

To see if the Town will vote to amend Chapter 9 Article I Advisory Committee of the General Bylaws by making certain additions (in bold italic) and deletions (in strikethrough) to the existing bylaw, to read as follows:

Chapter 9 Article I Advisory Committee

§ 9-1 Membership; eligibility.

[Amended 5-13-2003; 5-11-2011; 5-13-2017 ATM by Art. 7]

There shall be an Advisory Committee consisting of seven ~~legal~~ ***registered*** 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 ***other*** committee for which membership is specifically provided for in these bylaws. 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.

§ 9-2 Appointment; terms; officers; compensation.
[Amended 5-11-2011]

The Moderator of the Town Meeting when this bylaws is adopted shall, within 30 days after such bylaws becomes effective, appoint two (2) members of said Committee for terms of one year, two (2) members for terms of two years, and three (3) members for terms of three years. ~~At each Annual Town Meeting thereafter,~~ **After the term of these initial appointments,** the Moderator thereof shall appoint three members of said Committee **shall within thirty days (30) after the adjournment of every Annual Town Meeting, appoint** for terms **a term** of three years **the number of persons as may be necessary, to provide a committee of seven members**. The terms of office of said members shall commence immediately upon qualification **being sworn in by the Town Clerk** and shall expire at the close of final adjournment of the Annual Town Meeting at which their successors are appointed. ~~Said~~ **The Advisory** Committee shall choose its own officers and **its members** shall serve without pay, ~~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.

§ 9-3 Vacancies.

~~The 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, except in case of illness, 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 the Moderator thereof shall appoint his successor to complete the unexpired term of the member in whose office such vacancy originally occurred.~~

If a member resigns for any reason, or if any member is absent from five consecutive meetings of the Advisory Committee, except in case of illness, the position shall be deemed to be vacant and shall be filled as herein provided. The Advisory Committee Chairman shall notify the Moderator to determine if there are any interested town registered voters to fill the vacancy. The Moderator shall be given 30 days to fill the vacant position by appointing a person to complete the unexpired term. In the event the Moderator is unable to fill the vacancy, the Advisory Committee shall fill said vacancy by vote, an attested copy of which shall be sent by the Advisory Committee Secretary to the Town Clerk. The term of office of any person chosen by the Advisory Committee to fill a vacancy shall expire at the final adjournment of the next succeeding Annual Town Meeting. The Moderator, at that time, shall appoint a successor to complete the unexpired term.

§ 9-4 Review of proposed warrant articles.
[Added 3-9-1957; amended 3-10-1973; 5-16-2013]

All articles, other than those deemed by the Board of Selectmen (Board) to constitute an emergency, sought to be inserted in ~~The final~~ Town Warrant for the Annual Town Meeting shall be filed *provided* with the Board, and referred by it to the Advisory Committee *by the Board of Selectman* on or before April 10th; *or not less than 35 days before the date set for the Annual Town Meeting, whichever shall occur later, and not less than* and all articles sought to be inserted in the Warrant for a Special Town Meeting shall be referred by the Board to the Advisory Committee at least 14 days before the date set for such meeting. *any Special Town Meeting.*

It shall be the duty of the Committee to consider the various Warrant articles including citizen petitions. Said Committee reserves the right to not provide comment on citizen petitions. The Advisory Committee shall report thereon to the community at least five 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. The Advisory Committee shall review the annual Town budget and the general conduct of the Town affairs. The Committee shall consider, in open public meeting, the detailed expenditures proposed for each Town agency and may confer with representatives of any Town agency in connection with its review and consideration.

§ 9-5 Access to information.

In the discharge of its duty, ~~said~~ *the Advisory* Committee shall ~~have~~ *be provided* 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 *within 4 business days, of any request. The Advisory Committee may require the Town Administrator, Board of Selectmen, or any other Town agency to furnish it with such additional public information as it may deem necessary to assist it in its review of the Warrant and the proposed Town budget.* 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.

§ 9-6 Annual report.

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,~~ *membership with date appointed and term, expenditures, Town emergency reserves, end of year transfers, and any other pertinent business* to be contained in the Annual Town Report. *The secretary of the Advisory Committee shall provide a copy of the complete report upon request.*

§ 9-7 Committee Liaisons

The Committee may appoint members as liaisons to boards and standing committees to attend meetings of the various entities of the Town and School District and delegate to them such powers as it deems expedient.

Or to take any other action related thereto.

**Submitted by the Board of Selectmen and Advisory Committee
Majority Vote Required**

ARTICLE 12: AMENDING THE GENERAL BYLAWS RE: VETERANS ADVISORY BOARD

To see if the Town will vote to amend the General Bylaws by deleting, in its entirety, Chapter 9, Article V, Veterans Advisory Board.

Or to take any other action related thereto.

Submitted by the Board of Selectmen

Majority Vote Required

Passed by a 2/3 vote/June 17th @ 8:01pm

ARTICLE 13: SEWER CAPITAL PROJECT – FY 2021

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Sixty-Five Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$265,000.00) toward a program of capital purchases, improvements, and special articles as generally illustrated below:

Plant Transformer	\$55,000
Inflow & Infiltration Study	\$135,000
Bulldozer (Used)	\$75,000

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

Or to take any other action related thereto.

Submitted by the Board of Selectmen for the Sewer Commission

Majority Vote Required

On a motion duly made and seconded the town voted to appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Sixty-Five Thousand Dollars and No Cents (**\$265,000.00**) toward a program of capital purchases, improvements, and special articles as generally illustrated below:

Plant Transformer	\$55,000
Inflow & Infiltration Study	\$135,000
Bulldozer (Used)	\$75,000

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

Passed/June 17th @ 6:58pm

ARTICLE 14: FY 2021 CABLE DEPARTMENT OPERATING BUDGET

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Five Thousand Six Hundred Dollars and No Cents (\$205,600.00) to operate the Cable Department for Fiscal Year 2020 and to meet said appropriation by a transfer of Eighty Thousand Six Hundred Dollars and No Cents (\$80,600.00) from the certified retained earnings of the Cable Fund and the balance

from the receipts and revenues to be collected on behalf of the Cable Department for said fiscal year.

Or to take any other action related thereto.

Submitted by the Board of Selectmen

Majority Vote Required

On a motion duly made and seconded the town voted to appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Five Thousand Six Hundred Dollars and No Cents (**\$205,600.00**) to operate the Cable Department for Fiscal Year 2021 and to meet said appropriation by a transfer of Eighty Thousand Six Hundred Dollars and No Cents (**\$80,600.00**) from the certified retained earnings of the Cable Fund and the balance from the receipts and revenues to be collected on behalf of the Cable Department for said fiscal year.

Passed Unanimously/June 17th @ 6:59pm

On a motion duly made and seconded the town voted that Articles 15 through 18 be considered in one motion, and those articles be hereby adopted as printed in the Warrant.

ARTICLE 15: FUNDING OF COMMUNITY PRESERVATION ACCOUNT(S)

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of Three Hundred Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$300,000.00) to the several accounts of the Community Preservation Committee, as recommended by the Community Preservation Committee, as follows:

	Amount	% of Total
Administrative Account	\$15,000	5%
Historic Resources Reserve	\$30,000	10%
Community Housing Reserve	\$30,000	10%
Open Space & Recreation Reserve	\$30,000	10%
General Reserve	<u>\$195,000</u>	65%
Total	\$300,000	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 2020 state match for CPC permissible expenses.

Submitted by the Board of Selectmen on behalf of the Community Preservation Committee

Majority Vote Required

ARTICLE 16: EXPENDING OF COMMUNITY PRESERVATION RESERVES

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of Seventeen Thousand Five Hundred Dollars and No Cents (\$17,500.00) for various activities and special articles as follows:

Item Agent to Expend	Amount	Purpose	CPA Fund/Source
1.) Development Services	\$17,500	Community Housing ¹	Community Housing

¹Legal and Consulting work relating to the development of an Affordable Housing Trust, creation of program to preserve affordable housing within the Day Mill Properties, and regulatory reviews leading to the encouragement of the development of community housing.

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

ARTICLE 17: 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.

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

ARTICLE 18: 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.

ALL HAVE THE ADDITIONAL PHRASE: Or to take any other action related thereto.

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

Passed Unanimously/June 17th @ 7:02pm

ARTICLE 19: 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 certain elected officials for Fiscal Year 2020 as follows:

Town Clerk	\$ 59,280.00	Yearly
Board of Selectmen (Each)	\$ 500.00	Yearly
Sewer Commissioner (Each)	\$ 2,000.00	Yearly

Or to take any other action related thereto.

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

On a motion duly made and seconded the town voted in accord with MGL Ch. 41 §108, to fix or maintain the salaries of certain elected officials for Fiscal Year 2020 as follows:

Town Clerk	\$ 59,280.00	Yearly
Board of Selectmen (Each)	\$ 500.00	Yearly
Sewer Commissioner (Each)	\$ 2,000.00	Yearly

Passed/June 17th @ 7:08pm

ARTICLE 20: FY 2021 GENERAL FUND OPERATING (OPEX) BUDGET

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of Nine Million Eight Hundred Fifty Three Thousand Eight Hundred Thirty Nine Dollars and no cents (\$9,853,839.00) for the operations of General Government for Fiscal Year 2021, and to meet said appropriation with a transfer of Two Hundred Seventy Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$270,000.00) from the Ambulance receipts reserved for appropriation, anticipated receipts, and the balance from taxation.

Or to take any other action related thereto

Submitted by the Board of Selectmen

Majority Vote Required

On an amended motion duly made and seconded the town voted to appropriate the sum of Nine Million Eight Hundred Fifty Three Thousand Eight Hundred Thirty Nine Dollars and no cents (**\$9,853,839.00**) for the operations of General Government for Fiscal Year 2021, and to meet said appropriation with a transfer of Two Hundred Seventy Thousand Dollars and No Cents (**\$270,000.00**) from the Ambulance receipts reserved for appropriation, anticipated receipts, and the balance from taxation. *[Note: This was the original warrant Article; subsequently we have added the Department by Department Breakdown.]*

Dept Code	Name	FY 21 Budget
120	Selectmen (1)	\$ 300,750
130	Advisory Committee (2)	\$ 50,500
135	Town Accountant	\$ 194,678
141	Assessor	\$ 98,750
147	Treasurer/Collector	\$ 142,499
155	IT & Communications	\$ 110,000
161	Town Clerk	\$ 110,750
200	Police & Dispatch	\$ 1,388,750
220	Fire & EMS	\$ 772,750
230	Emergency Management	\$ 1,750
250	Development Services	\$ 169,500
400	Highway	\$ 646,000
410	Building & Grounds	\$ 325,250
420	Snow & Ice (2)	\$ 147,500
500	Veterans Service	\$ 105,903
600	Senior Services	\$ 107,750
610	Library	\$ 82,390
620	Recreation & Culture	\$ 15,250
700	Debt Service	\$ 2,635,620
900	Insurance & Benefits	\$ 2,447,500
		\$ 9,853,839

(1) Contains Reserve Transferrable by SelectBoard for Merit & Equity Raises for Non-Union Personnel

(2) Contains MGL Ch. 40 §6 Reserve Transferrable by Advisory Committee for "...emergency or unforeseen expenditures..."

Passed/June 17th @ 7:28pm

On a motion duly made and seconded the town voted that Articles 21 and 22 be considered in one motion, and those articles be hereby adopted as printed in the Warrant.

ARTICLE 21: CAPITAL BUDGET A-ROLLING STOCK, IMPROVEMENTS & SPECIAL ARTICLES

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Hundred Eighty-Five Thousand Two Hundred Fifty and No Cents (\$585,250.00) toward a program of capital purchases, improvements, and special articles as generally illustrated below:

Police	Cruiser	\$52,500
	Body Armor (9)	\$11,500
	4WD Truck ACO	\$25,000
Selectmen	Baldwinville Elementary School – Costs of Sale	\$7,500
Fire/EMS	Station Vehicle Exhaust System	\$35,250
	Jaws of Life Cutter/Ram/Combi Tool Set	\$32,250
DPW – Highway	MS-4 & CB - Planning & Mapping	\$17,500
	6 Wheel w/Dump, Plow & Sander	\$247,500
	Street Sign Replacement Program	\$7,500
	Royalston Rd. Title Work	\$17,500
	Pavement Roller w/Trailer	\$37,500
DPW - B&G	Leaf Vac & Box Unit	\$9,000
	Utility Landscape Trailer	\$7,500
	60" Zero Turn Mower	\$13,750
	Truck Body - CD 5	\$9,000
DPW - B&G	Fire/EMS Station #1 Steel Roof Repairs	\$16,500
	Fire /EMS Station #2 Rubber Roof Repairs	\$11,500
	Highway Garage Bldg. #2 Clean Burn Furnace	\$9,000
DPW - B&G	Gilman Waite: Weed & Seed	\$17,500
	Total	\$585,250

and to meet said appropriation by a transfer of Five Hundred Seventy Thousand Two Hundred Fifty Dollars and No Cents (**\$570,250.00**) from certified free cash and a transfer of Fifteen Thousand Five Hundred Dollars and No Cents (**\$15,000.00**) from overlay surplus.

Submitted by Board of Selectmen

Majority Vote Required

ARTICLE 22: CAPITAL BUDGET B - ROLLING STOCK

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of Thirty Seven Thousand Five Hundred Dollars and No Cents (\$37,500.00) for the purchase and equipping of a rubber tired backhoe/loader, with said sum to be supplemented by the trade in of certain used equipment or the proceeds of an open market sale thereof, more specifically a 1994 Dresser grader and a 2014 Volvo rubber tired excavator, and to meet said appropriation by a transfer of said sum from

certified free cash provided however that the proceeds of the open market sale that exceed Eighty Five Thousand Dollars and No Cents (**\$85,000.00**), which is the trade-in value of said equipment, after the purchase and equipping of the rubber tired backhoe/loader shall be deposited into the Town's general fund's sale of surplus revenues.

Submitted by Board of Selectmen

Majority Vote Required

Passed/June 17th @ 7:31pm

A motion was duly made and seconded to reconsider Articles 21 & 22.

Defeated/June 17th @ 7:37pm

ARTICLE 23: MONTACHUSETT REGIONAL VOCATIONAL TECHNICAL SCHOOL

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Six Hundred Twenty Two Thousand Six Hundred Eighty Nine Dollars and No Cents (\$622,689.00) as the amount assessed upon the Town for the Fiscal Year 2021 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 2021.

Or to take any other action related thereto.

Submitted by the Board of Selectman for the

Montachusett Regional Vocational Technical School District

Majority Vote Required

On a motion duly made and seconded the town voted raise and appropriate the sum of Six Hundred Twenty Two Thousand Six Hundred Eighty Nine Dollars and No Cents (**\$622,689.00**) as the amount assessed upon the Town for the Fiscal Year 2021 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 2021.

Passed Unanimously/June 17th @ 7:38pm

ARTICLE 24: NARRAGANSETT REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Six Million Nine Hundred Nine Thousand Nine Hundred Six Dollars and No Cents (\$6,909,906.00) as the amount assessed upon the Town for the Fiscal Year 2021 assessment by the Narragansett Regional School District for the purposes of educating and transporting the Town's enrolled students 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 2021.

Or to take any other action related thereto.

Submitted by the Board of Selectman for the Narragansett Regional School District

Majority Vote Required

On a motion duly made and seconded the town voted to raise and appropriate the sum of Six Million Nine Hundred Nine Thousand Nine Hundred Six Dollars and No Cents (**\$6,909,906.00**) as the amount assessed upon the Town for the Fiscal Year 2021 assessment by the Narragansett Regional School District for the purposes of educating and transporting the Town's enrolled students 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 2021.

Passed/June 17th @ 7:39pm

On a motion duly made and seconded the voted that Articles 25 and 26 be considered in one motion, and those articles as printed in the Warrant, be postponed indefinitely.

Passed Unanimously/June 17th @ 8:05pm

ARTICLE 25: 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."

A citizen's petition submitted by Peter Farrell and 13 others

ARTICLE 26: 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 or take any other action thereon or in relation to. 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 of 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 towns Board of Health. Annual town meeting shall also make decisions on health warnings 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 15 others

On a motion duly made and seconded the voted that Articles 27, as printed in the Warrant, be postponed indefinitely.

Passed/June 17th @ 8:07pm

ARTICLE 27: CITIZEN’S PETITION: QUORUM AT ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

The number of voters necessary to constitute a quorum at Annual Town meeting shall be (25%) per cent of the voters registered as of the previous January 1, Year Once a quorum has been assembled, the continued existence of a quorum shall be presumed until a count of the voters present is called / which shall be taken upon the call of seven or more standing registered voters, establishes that a quorum is not present , but any number may adjourn any meeting .

The Moderator shall determine and announce the presence of a quorum at start of all annual meeting ALL Town Annual meeting shall count the number of entries of all registry votes before entry in meeting place and relay such to the Moderator before start of any annual town meeting , his determination shall be conclusive upon the question of require number for quorum , unless his determination be doubted by 1 registered voter, In which case a count shall be taken and then recorded in the records by the Town Clerk. This may be done At any time.

The Moderator having control over the annual town meeting shall be guided by Town meeting Times BOOK prescribed an establish in Article 2 section 17 of Town Templeton bylaws which shall be determined governing factor for the rules of practice here contained for motion for quorum.

A citizen’s petition submitted by Steve Drury and 15 others.

A motion was duly made and seconded to dissolve the Annual Tow Meeting.

Passed Unanimously/June 17th @ 8:09

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 29th day of April, 2020.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Michael Currie, Chairman

Diane Haley Brooks, Vice Chairman

Julie Richard, Clerk

Terry Griffis, Member

Jeff Bennett, Member

OFFICER'S RETURN

WORCESTER, SS

May 4, 2020

This is to certify that I have served the within warrant by posting attested copies thereof 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.

Signature of Constable – Town of Templeton

Randy L. Brown
Printed Name of Constable Signing Above

A True Copy, ATTEST:

Carol A. Harris
Town Clerk of Templeton

Meeting Attendance 06-17-2020
Voters Total 61