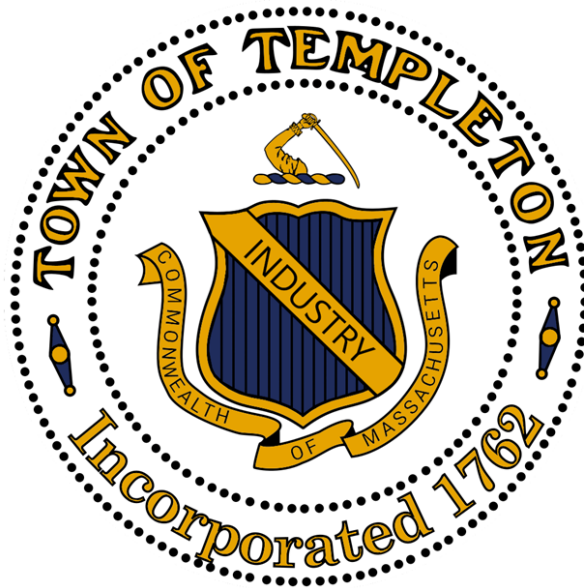


# TOWN OF TEMPLETON

## ANNUAL TOWN MEETING WARRANT

MAY 11, 2022



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

# TOWN OF TEMPLETON

## WARRANT FOR ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

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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 11, 2022 at 6:00 p.m.

Then and there to act on the following articles:

### ARTICLE 1: FISCAL YEAR 2022 OPERATING BUDGET AMENDMENT(s)

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of One Hundred Seventy Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$170,000.00) for supplemental appropriations to the Fiscal Year 2022 Operating Budget as follows:

Department	Amount	Reason
Select Board	\$20,000	Unanticipated Litigation
Snow & Ice	\$150,000	FY '22 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 Select Board**

**Majority Vote Required**

On a motion duly made and seconded the town voted to appropriate the sum of One Hundred Seventy Thousand Dollars and No Cents (**\$170,000.00**) for supplemental appropriations to the Fiscal Year 2022 Operating Budget as follows:

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

**Passed/May 11<sup>th</sup> @ 6:15pm**

**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 related 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 2021 Town Report:

**B. REPORTS OF TOWN COMMITTEES**

Allow any Town Committee to present its report.

**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	\$20,000
Electrical Inspector Fund	\$25,000
Community Services Fund	\$45,000

**D. ACCEPT 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 Select Board**

**Majority Vote Required**

On a motion duly made and seconded the town voted to approve a consent agenda consisting of the following non-controversial actions. 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.

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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/May 11<sup>th</sup> @ 6:21pm**

**ARTICLE 3: AMENDING THE BYLAWS RE: ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

To see if the Town will vote to amend Chapter 9 of the General Bylaws as follows:

§ 9-1 Membership; eligibility

There shall be an Advisory Committee consisting of ~~seven~~**five** registered voters of the Town. ~~No elective or appointive Town officer or Town employee shall be eligible to serve on said Committee.~~**None of whom shall be an elected Town officer, an appointed official receiving a salary or a Town employee.** Committee members shall be entitled to serve upon any other committee for which membership is specifically provided for in these bylaws. In addition, ~~committee~~ members may serve on temporary ad hoc committees convened for a single purpose, such as screening of applications for employment or appointment and examination of policy when such bodies will be dissolved upon completion of their work.

§ 9-2 Appointment; terms; officers; compensation

**Upon the effective date of this revised article of the town bylaws, the terms of all existing members of the Advisory Committee shall terminate at the next town meeting, the Moderator shall then appoint five members to serve until the conclusion of the next annual town meeting.** The Moderator of the **Annual** Town Meeting ~~when this bylaw is adopted~~ shall, within 30 days after **said meeting** ~~such bylaw becomes effective~~, appoint ~~two~~**one** members of said Committee for terms of one year, two members for terms of two years, and ~~three~~**two** members for terms of three years. After the term of these initial appointments, the Moderator shall within 30 days after the adjournment of every Annual Town Meeting, appoint for a term of three years the number of persons as may be necessary, to provide a committee of ~~seven~~**five** members. The terms of office of said members shall commence immediately upon 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. The Advisory Committee shall choose its own officers and its members shall serve without pay, and it shall cause to be kept a true record of its proceedings.

§ 9-3 Vacancies

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. **Town Administrator, who will first check to determine if there are any interest forms of Town registered voters on file to fill the vacancy. If none, Town Administrator will ensure the vacancy is posted to Town web site. The Select Board shall thereupon fill such vacancy of the committee and this appointment shall expire at the final adjournment of the next succeeding Annual Town Meeting. The Select Board shall instruct the Town Administrator to notify the Town Clerk and the Advisory Committee of any such appointment. The Moderator, at the next annual Town Meeting, shall appoint a successor to complete the unexpired term.**

#### § 9-4 Review of Warrant Articles

A. ~~The final Town Warrant shall be provided to the Advisory Committee by the Board of Selectman on April 10 or not less than 35 days before the date set for the Annual Town Meeting, whichever shall occur later, and not less than 14 days before the date set for any Special Town Meeting.~~

B. ~~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.~~ **All articles of any warrant for a Town Meeting shall be referred to the Advisory Committee for its consideration. The Select Board, after drawing any such warrant, shall transmit immediately a copy to each member of said Committee. The Advisory Committee shall give opportunity to town boards, departments, officers and residents to be heard at an information gathering referred to as pre-town meeting. Notice of such meeting shall be posted on the Town website. 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 all Town Meetings.**

#### § 9-5 Access to information

~~In the discharge of its duty, the Advisory Committee shall 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 four business days of any request. The Advisory Committee may require the Town Administrator, Select Board 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. Each member of the Advisory Committee shall be provided the proposed budget book for each fiscal year, all quarterly reports, financial and otherwise, monthly expenditure reports of the Town Accountant as well as the report of the Town Administrator as often as it is presented, so as to enable said committee to have the information to make recommendations to any Town Meeting. Whenever a request for a change in spending limit of a revolving fund is sought, end of year transfer or request of transfer from Town reserve fund, the committee will receive all pertinent information for those requests.~~

#### § 9-6 Annual Report Meetings

~~It shall be the duty of the Advisory Committee to make an annual report of its 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. The Advisory Committee shall meet jointly with the Select Board whenever there is a request to consider adjusting spending limits on any Revolving fund, any end of year financial transfer or any request of transfer from the Town reserve fund.~~

#### § 9-6.1 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.~~

#### § 9-7 Annual Report

**It shall be the duty of the Advisory Committee to make an annual report of its 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.**

### **§ 9-8 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 take any other action related thereto.

**Submitted by the Select Board**

**Majority Vote Required**

**A motion was duly made and seconded to waive the reading of Article 3.**

**Passed/May 11<sup>th</sup> @ 6:21pm**

On a motion duly made and seconded the town voted to amend Chapter 9 of the General Bylaws as follows:

#### § 9-1 Membership; eligibility

There shall be an Advisory Committee consisting of **five** registered voters of the Town. **None of whom shall be an elected Town officer, an appointed official receiving a salary or a Town employee.** Committee members shall be entitled to serve upon any other committee for which membership is specifically provided for in these bylaws. In addition, members may serve on temporary ad hoc committees convened for a single purpose, such as screening of applications for employment or appointment and examination of policy when such bodies will be dissolved upon completion of their work.

#### § 9-2 Appointment; terms; officers; compensation

**Upon the effective date of this revised article of the town bylaws, the terms of all existing members of the Advisory Committee shall terminate at the next town meeting, the Moderator shall then appoint five members to serve until the conclusion of the next annual town meeting.** The Moderator of the **Annual** Town Meeting shall, within 30 days after **said meeting**, appoint **one** member of said Committee for terms of one year, two members for terms of two years, and **two** members for terms of three years. After the term of these initial appointments, the Moderator shall within 30 days after the adjournment of every Annual Town Meeting, appoint for a term of three years the number of persons as may be necessary, to provide a committee of **five** members. The terms of office of said members shall commence immediately upon 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. The Advisory Committee

shall choose its own officers and its members shall serve without pay, and it shall cause to be kept a true record of its proceedings.

#### § 9-3 Vacancies

If a member resigns or 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 shall notify the **Town Administrator, who will first check to determine if there are any interest forms of Town registered voters on file to fill the vacancy. If none, Town Administrator will ensure the vacancy is posted to Town web site. The Select Board shall thereupon fill such vacancy of the committee and this appointment shall expire at the final adjournment of the next succeeding Annual Town Meeting. The Select Board shall instruct the Town Administrator to notify the Town Clerk and the Advisory Committee of any such appointment. The Moderator, at the next annual Town Meeting, shall appoint a successor to complete the unexpired term.**

#### § 9-4 Review of Warrant Articles

**All articles of any warrant for a Town Meeting shall be referred to the Advisory Committee for its consideration. The Select Board, after drawing any such warrant, shall transmit immediately a copy to each member of said Committee. The Advisory Committee shall give opportunity to town boards, departments, officers and residents to be heard at an information gathering referred to as pre-town meeting. Notice of such meeting shall be posted on the Town website. 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 all Town Meetings.**

#### § 9-5 Access to information

**Each member of the Advisory Committee shall be provided the proposed budget book for each fiscal year, all quarterly reports, financial and otherwise, monthly expenditure reports of the Town Accountant as well as the report of the Town Administrator as often as it is presented, so as to enable said committee to have the information to make recommendations to any Town Meeting. Whenever a request for a change in spending limit of a revolving fund is sought, end of year transfer or request of transfer from Town reserve fund, the committee will receive all pertinent information for those requests.**

#### § 9-6 Meetings

**The Advisory Committee shall meet jointly with the Select Board whenever there is a request to consider adjusting spending limits on any Revolving fund, any end of year financial transfer or any request of transfer from the Town reserve fund.**



### **§ 9-7 Annual Report**

**It shall be the duty of the Advisory Committee to make an annual report of its 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.**

### **§ 9-8 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.**

**Passed/May 11<sup>th</sup> @ 6:23pm**

### **ARTICLE 4: DELETE BYLAW Ch. 22-6**

Chapter 22-6 of the Bylaws shall be deleted, and the remaining section shall be renumbered in sequential order.

Or take any other action related thereto.

**Submitted by the Select Board**

**Majority Vote Required**

On a motion duly made and seconded the town voted that Chapter 22-6 of the Bylaws shall be deleted and the remaining section shall be renumbered in sequential order.

**Passed/May 11<sup>th</sup> @ 6:25pm**

### **ARTICLE 5: AMENDING THE BYLAWS RE: CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS COMMITTEE**

To see if the Town will vote to amend § 9-7 of the Bylaws as follows:

A. There is hereby authorized a Capital Improvements Committee, to be composed of five members, as follows:

- (1) One from the Select Board (~~Board~~);
- (2) One from the Advisory Committee;
- (3) Two from the community at large to be appointed by the Select Board; and
- (4) The Town Treasurer/Collector.

B. The Town Administrator, or designee, shall serve as a non-voting ex-officio member; provided, however, that this person shall be designated by the Chairman as a voting member whenever the Committee lacks a quorum because of a recusal of a member or to provide a sufficient number of members to establish a quorum and conduct business.

- C. The Committee shall choose its own officers; provided, however, that an ex-officio member may not serve as an officer of the Committee.
- D. The members of the Committee shall be appointed ~~at the first business meeting of each body~~ **prior to September 15<sup>th</sup>** and serve until the Annual Town Meeting of the following year is dissolved. **The Chair of the Committee shall, after presenting the report to the Select Board, approve the minutes of the proceedings.** Should a vacancy occur in any of the above seats, the appointment to fill such vacancy shall be for the balance of the term.

Or take any other action related thereto.

**Submitted by the Select Board**

**Majority Vote Required**

On a motion duly made and seconded the town voted to amend § 9-7 of the Bylaws as follows:

- A. There is hereby authorized a Capital Improvements Committee, to be composed of five members, as follows:
  - (1) One from the Select Board
  - (2) One from the Advisory Committee
  - (3) Two from the community at large to be appointed by the Select Board; and
  - (4) The Town Treasurer/Collector.
- B. The Town Administrator, or designee, shall serve as a non-voting ex-officio member; provided, however, that this person shall be designated by the Chairman as a voting member whenever the Committee lacks a quorum because of a recusal of a member or to provide a sufficient number of members to establish a quorum and conduct business.
- C. The Committee shall choose its own officers; provided, however, that an ex-officio member may not serve as an officer of the Committee.
- D. The members of the Committee shall be appointed **prior to September 15<sup>th</sup>** and serve until the Annual Town Meeting of the following year is dissolved. **The Chair of the Committee shall, after presenting the report to the Select Board, approve the minutes of the proceedings.** Should a vacancy occur in any of the above seats, the appointment to fill such vacancy shall be for the balance of the term.

**Passed/May 11<sup>th</sup> @ 6:30pm**

**ARTICLE 6: SALE OF PARCEL OF TOWN LAND**

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Select Board to dispose of certain property, as follows:

19 Central Street; Land containing 6,534<sup>+/-</sup> s.f. [Board of Assessor’s Maps, Parcel 1-4.1-275. Worcester County Registry of Deeds Bk. 4368 Pg. 288.]

And further to authorize the Select Board to execute, deliver, and grant such deeds, with 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 Select Board**

**Majority Vote Required**

On a motion duly made and seconded the town voted to authorize the Select Board to dispose of certain property, as follows:

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And further to authorize the Select Board to execute, deliver, and grant such deeds, with 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 Unanimously/May 11<sup>th</sup> @ 6:36pm**

**ARTICLE 7: FUNDING OF COMMUNITY PRESERVATION ACCOUNT(S)**

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of Four Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$450,000.00) to the several accounts of the Community Preservation Committee, as recommended by the Community Preservation Committee, as follows:

	Amount	% of Total
Administrative Account	\$22,500	5%
Historic Resources Reserve	\$45,000	10%
Community Housing Reserve	\$45,000	10%
Open Space & Recreation Reserve	\$45,000	10%
General Reserve	<u>\$292,500</u>	65%
Total	\$450,000	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 November 2022 state match for CPC permissible expenses.

Or take any other action related thereto.

**Submitted by the Select Board on behalf of the Community Preservation Committee**

**Majority Vote Required**

On a motion duly made and seconded the town voted to appropriate the sum of Four Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars and No Cents (**\$450,000.00**) to the several accounts of the Community Preservation Committee, as recommended by the Community Preservation Committee, as follows:

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Total	\$450,000	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 November 2022 state match for CPC permissible expenses.

**Passed/May 11<sup>th</sup> @ 6:38pm**

**ARTICLE 8: COMMUNITY PRESERVATION ACT STUDY APPROPRIATION**

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of Nine Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$9,000.00) for various activities and special articles as follows:

<b>Item Agent to Expend</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Purpose</b>	<b>CPA Fund/Source</b>
Select Board	\$9,000	Study <sup>1</sup>	\$9,000 Undesignated

<sup>1</sup> Study will include an architect for specifications, estimates, and plan for the Emergency Management building. The building used to be a Fire Station which is considered a historic structure.

Or take any other action related thereto.

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

On a motion duly made and seconded the town voted to appropriate the sum of Nine Thousand Dollars and No Cents (**\$9,000.00**) for various activities and special articles as follows:

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<sup>1</sup> Study will include an architect for specifications, estimates, and plan for the Emergency Management building. The building used to be a Fire Station which is considered a historic structure.

**Passed Unanimously/May 11<sup>th</sup> @ 6:39pm**

**ARTICLE 9: 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 Select Board for the Templeton Scholarship Committee**

**Majority Vote Required**

On a motion duly made and seconded the town voted 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.

**Passed Unanimously/May 11<sup>th</sup> @ 6:40pm**

#### **ARTICLE 10: PROPERTY VALUATION ACCOUNT**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds, or otherwise provide the sum of Twenty Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$20,000.00) from the FY23 tax levy and other general revenues of the Town to be spent by the Board of Assessors for Full Valuation, Interim Statistical Updates, Cyclical Inspections and the Purchase of Supportive Upgrades.

Or take any other action related thereto.

**Submitted by the Select Board for the Board of Assessors**

**Majority Vote Required**

On a motion duly made and seconded the town voted to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds, or otherwise provide the sum of Twenty Thousand Dollars and No Cents (**\$20,000.00**) from the FY23 tax levy and other general revenues of the Town to be spent by the Board of Assessors for Full Valuation, Interim Statistical Updates, Cyclical Inspections, and the Purchase of Supportive Upgrades.

**Passed/May 11<sup>th</sup> @ 6:50pm**

#### **ARTICLE 11: FY 2023 SEWER DEPARTMENT OPERATING BUDGET**

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of One Million Three Hundred Sixty Nine Thousand Seven Hundred Fifty Dollars and No Cents (\$1,369,750.00) to operate the Sewer Department for Fiscal Year 2023 and to meet said appropriation by a transfer of Fourteen Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$14,000.00) 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 Select Board for the Sewer Commission**

**Majority Vote Required**

On a motion duly made and seconded the town voted to appropriate the sum of One Million Three Hundred Sixty Nine Thousand Seven Hundred Fifty Dollars and No Cents (**\$1,369,750.00**) to operate the Sewer Department for Fiscal Year 2023 and to meet said appropriation by a transfer of Fourteen Thousand Dollars and No Cents (**\$14,000.00**) 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.

**Passed Unanimously/May 11<sup>th</sup> @ 6:52pm**

**ARTICLE 12: SEWER CAPITAL PROJECT – FY 2023**

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Ten Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$210,000.00) toward a program of capital purchases, improvements, and special articles as generally illustrated below:

Tractor / bucket, flail mower & finish mower	\$45,000
Crotty Ave. pump station design	\$130,000
Additional for Transformer	\$15,000
Additional for Recirc Water System	\$20,000

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 Select Board for the Sewer Commission**

**Majority Vote Required**

On a motion duly made and seconded the town voted to appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Ten Thousand Dollars and No Cents (**\$210,000.00**) toward a program of capital purchases, improvements, and special articles as generally illustrated below:

Tractor / bucket, flail mower & finish mower	\$45,000
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Additional for Transformer	\$15,000
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and to meet said appropriation by a transfer of said sum from the certified retained earnings of the Sewer Fund.

**Passed Unanimously/May 11<sup>th</sup> @ 6:53pm**

**ARTICLE 13: FY 2023 CABLE DEPARTMENT OPERATING BUDGET**

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Seventy Two Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$272,000.00) to operate the Cable Department for Fiscal Year 2023 and to meet said appropriation by a transfer of One Hundred Forty Seven Thousand Dollars and No

Cents (\$147,000.00) 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 take any other action related thereto.

**Submitted by the Select Board**

**Majority Vote Required**

On a motion duly made and seconded the town voted to appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Seventy-Two Thousand Dollars and No Cents **(\$272,000.00)** to operate the Cable Department for Fiscal Year 2023 and to meet said appropriation by a transfer of One Hundred Forty-Seven Thousand Dollars and No Cents **(\$147,000.00)** 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/May 11<sup>th</sup> @ 6:54pm**

**ARTICLE 14: SET THE SALARIES OF ELECTED TOWN OFFICIALS (OPEX)**

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 2023 as follows:

Town Clerk	\$	66,000	Yearly
Select Board (Each)	\$	500	Yearly

Or take any other action related thereto.

**Submitted by the Select Board**

**Majority Vote Required**

**An amended motion was duly made and seconded to change line**

**Select Board (Each) to \$ 3,750 Yearly**

**Defeated/May 11<sup>th</sup> @ 6:58pm**

A motion duly made and seconded that the town vote, in accord with MGL Ch. 41 § 108, to fix or maintain the salaries of certain elected officials for Fiscal Year 2023 as follows:

Town Clerk	\$	66,000	Yearly
Select Board (Each)	\$	500	Yearly

**Was passed/May 11<sup>th</sup> @ 6:59pm**

**A motion was duly made and seconded to reconsider Article 14.**

**Passed by hand count (Y-46, N-26)/May 11<sup>th</sup> @ 7:31**

**A motion was duly made and seconded to amend Article 14.**

**Passed/May 11<sup>th</sup> @ 7:38**

**On an amended motion that was 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 2023 as follows:**

Town Clerk	\$	66,000	Yearly
Select Board (Each)	\$	3,750	Yearly

**Passed/May 11th @ 7:39**

**ARTICLE 15: SET THE SALARIES OF ELECTED TOWN OFFICIALS (ENTERPRISE)**

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 2023 as follows:

Water Commissioner (Each)	\$	2,550	Yearly
Sewer Commissioner (Each)	\$	3,000	Yearly

Or take any other action related thereto.

**Submitted by the Select Board**

**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 2023 as follows:

Water Commissioner (Each)	\$	2,550	Yearly
Sewer Commissioner (Each)	\$	3,000	Yearly

**Passed Unanimously/May 11<sup>th</sup> @ 7:02pm**

**ARTICLE 16: SET THE SALARIES OF ELECTED TOWN OFFICIALS (LIGHT)**

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 2023 as follows:

Light Commissioner (Each)	\$	2,550	Yearly <sup>1</sup>
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<sup>1</sup> Paid for by the Light Department.

Or take any other action related thereto.

**Submitted by the Select Board**

**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 2023 as follows:

Light Commissioner (Each)	\$	2,550	Yearly <sup>1</sup>
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<sup>1</sup> Paid for by the Light Department.



**Passed Unanimously/May 11<sup>th</sup> @ 7:03pm**

**ARTICLE 17: FUNDING FOR AMBULANCE DEPARTMENT OPERATIONS**

To see if the Town will vote to transfer Two Hundred Ninety Thousand Two Hundred Fifty Dollars and No Cents (\$290,250.00) from the Fire Department/Ambulance – Receipts Reserved for Appropriation, to be spent by the Fire Chief to pay for the operation of the ambulance service within the Fire Department during FY 2023, with any unexpended monies in the ambulance budget being returned to the Receipts Reserved for Appropriation Account and with any unexpended balances in the Receipts Reserved for Appropriation account being carried forward to the subsequent fiscal year.

Or take any other action related thereto.

**Submitted by the Select Board**

**Majority Vote Required**

On a motion duly made and seconded the town voted to transfer Two Hundred Ninety Thousand Two Hundred Fifty Dollars and No Cents (**\$290,250.00**) from the Fire Department/Ambulance – Receipts Reserved for Appropriation, to be spent by the Fire Chief to pay for the operation of the ambulance service within the Fire Department during FY 2023, with any unexpended monies in the ambulance budget being returned to the Receipts Reserved for Appropriation Account and with any unexpended balances in the Receipts Reserved for Appropriation account being carried forward to the subsequent fiscal year.

**Passed/May 11<sup>th</sup> @ 7:04pm**

**ARTICLE 18: FY 2023 GENERAL FUND OPERATING (OPEX) BUDGET**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Nine Million Nine Hundred Forty Five Thousand Three Hundred Ninety Five Dollars and No Cents (\$9,945,395.00) for the operations of General Government for Fiscal Year 2023.

Or take any other action related thereto.

**Submitted by the Select Board**

**Majority Vote Required**

A motion duly made and seconded the town voted to raise and appropriate the sum of Nine Million Nine Hundred Forty Five Thousand Three Hundred Ninety Five Dollars and No Cents (\$9,945,395.00) for the operations of General Government for Fiscal Year 2023.

<b>Dept Code</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>FY 23 Budget</b>
120	Select Board (1)	\$ 309,250
130	Advisory Committee (2)	\$ 41,855
135	Town Accountant	\$ 191,900
141	Assessor	\$ 111,000
147	Treasurer/Collector	\$ 149,850
155	IT & Communications	\$ 100,000
161	Town Clerk	\$ 119,250

200	Police & Dispatch	\$	1,442,950
220	Fire	\$	905,350
230	Emergency Management	\$	1,750
250	Development Services	\$	196,250
400	Highway	\$	701,500
410	Building & Grounds	\$	363,980
420	Snow & Ice (2)	\$	148,503
500	Veterans Service	\$	108,214
600	Senior Services	\$	96,063
610	Library	\$	86,835
620	Recreation & Culture	\$	5,521
700	Debt Service	\$	2,228,235
900	Insurance & Benefits	\$	<u>2,637,139</u>
		\$	<b>9,945,395</b>

(1) Contains Reserve Transferrable by Select Board for Merit & Equity Raises for Non-Union Personnel/CBAs

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

**Was passed Unanimously/May 11<sup>th</sup> @ 7:15pm**

**A motion was duly made and seconded to reconsider Article 18.  
Passed/May 11<sup>th</sup> @ 8:00pm**

**A motion was duly made and seconded to amend Article 18.  
Passed Unanimously/May 11<sup>th</sup> @ 8:08pm**

**On an amended motion that was duly made and seconded the town voted to raise and appropriate the sum of Nine Million Nine Hundred Forty-Five Thousand Three Hundred Ninety Five Dollars and No Cents (\$9,945,395.00) for the operations of General Government for Fiscal Year 2023.**

<b>Dept Code</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>FY 23 Budget</b>
120	Select Board (1)	\$ <b>325,500</b>
130	Advisory Committee (2)	\$ 41,855
135	Town Accountant	\$ 191,900
141	Assessor	\$ 111,000
147	Treasurer/Collector	\$ 149,850

155	IT & Communications	\$	100,000
161	Town Clerk	\$	119,250
200	Police & Dispatch	\$	1,442,950
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600	Senior Services	\$	96,063
610	Library	\$	86,835
620	Recreation & Culture	\$	5,521
700	Debt Service	\$	2,228,235
900	Insurance & Benefits	\$	<u>2,637,139</u>
		\$	<b>9,961,645</b>

(1) Contains Reserve Transferrable by Select Board for Merit & Equity Raises for Non-Union Personnel/CBAs

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

**Passed Unanimously/May 11<sup>th</sup> @ 8:11pm**

**ARTICLE 19: INFRASTRUCTURE STABILIZATION FUND**

To see if the Town will vote, pursuant to MGL Ch. 40 § 5B, to establish an Infrastructure Stabilization Fund for the purpose of constructing, maintaining and repairing roads, bridges and sidewalks, and further, to raise and appropriate, borrow or transfer from available funds a sum of money for the Infrastructure Stabilization Fund, or take any other action related thereto.

Or take any other action related thereto.

**Submitted by the Select Board**

**Two-Thirds Vote Required**

On a motion duly made and seconded the town voted to pursuant to MGL Ch. 40 § 5B, to establish an Infrastructure Stabilization Fund for the purpose of constructing, maintaining and repairing roads, bridges and sidewalks, and further, to raise and appropriate, borrow or transfer from available funds a sum of money for the Infrastructure Stabilization Fund, or take any other action related thereto.

**Passed Unanimously/May 11<sup>th</sup> @ 7:17pm**

**ARTICLE 20: DEPOSITS TO GENERAL FUND STABILIZATION & OPEB ACCOUNTS**

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Seven Thousand Five Hundred Dollars and No Cents (\$207,500.00) to make deposits into its Operations (OPEX) and Capital (CAPEX) stabilization accounts and the OPEB reserve account as follows:

OPEX	\$145,000
CAPEX	\$42,500
OPEB	\$20,000

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 Select Board**

**Majority Vote Required**

On a motion duly made and seconded the town voted to appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Seven Thousand Five Hundred Dollars and No Cents (**\$207,500.00**) to make deposits into its Operations (OPEX) and Capital (CAPEX) stabilization accounts and the OPEB reserve account as follows:

OPEX	\$145,000
CAPEX	\$42,500
OPEB	\$20,000

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

**Passed Unanimously/May 11<sup>th</sup> @ 7:18pm**

**ARTICLE 21: ADDITIONAL DEPOSIT TO CAPEX**

To see if the Town will vote to deposit the sum of Four Thousand Five Hundred Seventy-Seven Dollars and Eight Cents (\$4,577.08) to the Capital (CAPEX) Stabilization Fund (these funds were left over after the purchase of a trackless multi-purpose vehicle).

Or take any other action related thereto.

**Submitted by the Select Board**

**Majority Vote Required**

On a motion duly made and seconded the town voted to deposit the sum of Four Thousand Five Hundred Seventy-Seven Dollars and Eight Cents (**\$4,577.08**) to the Capital (CAPEX) Stabilization Fund (these funds were left over after the purchase of a trackless multi-purpose vehicle).

**Passed Unanimously/May 11<sup>th</sup> @ 7:19pm**

**ARTICLE 22: AMEND THE FY21 CAPITAL BUDGET**

To see if the Town will vote to amend the FY21 capital budget accepted as Article 21 at the 2020 Annual Town Meeting by striking “Royalston Rd. Title Work” and inserting in its place “Royalston Rd. Title/Appraisal Work.”

Or take any other action related thereto.

**Submitted by the Select Board**

**Majority Vote Required**

On a motion duly made and seconded the town voted to amend the FY21 capital budget accepted as Article 21 at the 2020 Annual Town Meeting by striking “Royalston Rd. Title Work” and inserting in its place “Royalston Rd. Title/Appraisal Work.”

**Passed Unanimously/May 11<sup>th</sup> @ 7:20pm**

**ARTICLE 23: AMEND THE FY22 CAPITAL BUDGET**

To see if the Town will vote to amend Article 17 of the 2021 Annual Town Meeting (“FY2022 CAPITAL BUDGET – ROLLING STOCK & IMPROVEMENTS”) as follows:

by striking: “Dev. Services - Shared Vehicle. - \$25,000

by amending: “~~Ford Ranger XLT 4WD~~ **Light Duty Pickup** (H1 Replacement) ~~-\$34,500~~ **\$44,500**

**by adding: DPW-B&G – Improvements to Gilman Waite Building - \$15,000**

Or take any other action related thereto.

**Submitted by the Select Board**

**Majority Vote Required**

On a motion duly made and seconded the town voted to amend Article 17 of the 2021 Annual Town Meeting (“FY2022 CAPITAL BUDGET – ROLLING STOCK & IMPROVEMENTS”) as follows:

by striking: “Dev. Services - Shared Vehicle. - \$25,000

by amending: **Light Duty Pickup** (H1 Replacement) **\$44,500**

**by adding: DPW-B&G – Improvements to Gilman Waite Building - \$15,000**

**Passed/May 11<sup>th</sup> @ 7:24pm**

**ARTICLE 24: FY 2023 CAPITAL BUDGET – ROLLING STOCK & IMPROVEMENTS**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifty Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$50,000.00) toward a capital purchase and improvement as generally illustrated below:

<b>Police</b>	Police Vehicle	\$50,000
	<b>Total</b>	<b>\$50,000</b>

and to meet said appropriation by a transfer of Fifty Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$50,000.00) from certified free cash.

Or take any other action related thereto.

**Submitted by the Select Board**

**Majority Vote Required**

On a motion duly made and seconded the town voted to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifty Thousand Dollars and No Cents (**\$50,000.00**) toward a capital purchase and improvement as generally illustrated below:

<b>Police</b>	Police Vehicle	\$50,000
	<b>Total</b>	<b>\$50,000</b>

and to meet said appropriation by a transfer of Fifty Thousand Dollars and No Cents (**\$50,000.00**) from certified free cash.

**Passed/May 11<sup>th</sup> @ 7:51**

**ARTICLE 25: FY 2023 SPECIAL ARTICLES**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$10,000.00) toward a program of special articles as generally illustrated below:

<b>DPW – Highway</b>	Street Sign Replacement	\$7,500
<b>Select Board / Planning</b>	Start Laurel View Road Engineering/Title Examination	\$2,500
	<b>Total</b>	<b>\$10,000</b>

and to meet said appropriation by a transfer of Ten Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$10,000.00) from certified free cash.

Or take any other action related thereto.

**Submitted by the Select Board**

**Majority Vote Required**

On a motion duly made and seconded the town voted to raise and appropriate the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars and No Cents (**\$10,000.00**) toward a program of special articles as generally illustrated below:

<b>DPW – Highway</b>	Street Sign Replacement	\$7,500
<b>Select Board / Planning</b>	Start Laurel View Road Engineering/Title Examination	\$2,500
	<b>Total</b>	<b>\$10,000</b>

and to meet said appropriation by a transfer of Ten Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$10,000.00) from certified free cash.

**Passed/May 11<sup>th</sup> @ 7:58pm**

**ARTICLE 26: SENIOR COMMUNITY CENTER ROOF REPLACEMENT**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Forty Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$140,000.00) or any lower sum, to be expended under the direction of the

Building and Grounds Department, with Select Board approval, to replace the Senior Community Center Roof, and to meet said appropriation by a transfer from the Capital (CAPEX) Stabilization Fund the sum of One Hundred Forty Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$140,000.00).

Or take any other action related thereto.

**Submitted by the Select Board**

**Two-Thirds Vote Required**

On a motion duly made and seconded the town voted to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Forty Thousand Dollars and No Cents (**\$140,000.00**) or any lower sum, to be expended under the direction of the Building and Grounds Department, with Select Board approval, to replace the Senior Community Center Roof, and to meet said appropriation by a transfer from the Capital (CAPEX) Stabilization Fund the sum of One Hundred Forty Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$140,000.00).

**Passed Unanimously/May 11<sup>th</sup> @ 8:19pm**

#### **ARTICLE 27: WATER PLANT DEBT AUTHORIZATION**

To see if the Town of Templeton will vote to appropriate the sum of two million two hundred thousand dollars (\$2,200,000) for the purposes of financing the design and construction of (1) a replacement road culvert on Old Royalston Road in Baldwinville, MA 01436 leading to the Water Plant's "Maple Street Well #2" for five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000), (2) a replacement water main as part of a total bridge reconstruction on Main Street in Otter River, MA 01436 for five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000), and (3) a replacement water main on Maple Street in Baldwinville, MA 01436 which will include School Street in Baldwinville, MA 01436 for one million two hundred thousand dollars (\$1,200,000), including, without limitation, all costs thereof as defined in Section 1 of Chapter 29C of the General Laws; that to meet this appropriation, the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, is authorized to borrow two million two hundred thousand dollars (\$2,200,000) and issue bonds or notes thereof under Chapter 44 or Chapter 29 of the General Laws as most recently amended; that such bonds or notes are expected to be paid from the Water Plant Enterprise Fund Revenues (water receipts), but nevertheless shall be general obligations of the Town of Templeton and that any Federal or State grants awarded prior to issuance of bonds will be used to reduce the amount by the Town of Templeton;

Or to take any action in relation thereto.

**Submitted by the Select Board for the Water Department**

**Two-Thirds Vote Required**

On a motion duly made and seconded the town voted to appropriate the sum of two million two hundred thousand dollars (**\$2,200,000**) for the purposes of financing the design and construction of (1) a replacement road culvert on Old Royalston Road in Baldwinville, MA 01436 leading to the Water Plant's "Maple Street Well #2" for five hundred thousand dollars (**\$500,000**), (2) a replacement water main as part of a total bridge reconstruction on Main Street in Otter River, MA 01436 for five hundred thousand dollars (**\$500,000**), and (3) a replacement water main on Maple Street in Baldwinville, MA 01436 which will include School Street in Baldwinville, MA 01436 for one million two hundred thousand dollars (**\$1,200,000**), including, without limitation,

all costs thereof as defined in Section 1 of Chapter 29C of the General Laws; that to meet this appropriation, the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, is authorized to borrow two million two hundred thousand dollars (\$2,200,000) and issue bonds or notes thereof under Chapter 44 or Chapter 29 of the General Laws as most recently amended; that such bonds or notes are expected to be paid from the Water Plant Enterprise Fund Revenues (water receipts), but nevertheless shall be general obligations of the Town of Templeton and that any Federal or State grants awarded prior to issuance of bonds will be used to reduce the amount by the Town of Templeton.

**Passed Unanimously/May 11<sup>th</sup> @ 8:21pm**

**ARTICLE 28: MONTACHUSETT REGIONAL VOCATIONAL TECHNICAL SCHOOL**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Six Hundred Three Thousand Five Hundred Thirty Five Dollars and No Cents (\$603,535.00) as the amount assessed upon the Town for the Fiscal Year 2023 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 2023.

Or take any other action related thereto.

**Submitted by the Select Board for the Montachusett Regional Vocational Technical School District**

**Majority Vote Required**

On a motion duly made and seconded the town voted to raise and appropriate the sum of Six Hundred Three Thousand Five Hundred Thirty Five Dollars and No Cents (**\$603,535.00**) as the amount assessed upon the Town for the Fiscal Year 2023 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 2023.

**Passed/May 11<sup>th</sup> @ 8:27pm**

**ARTICLE 29: NARRAGANSETT REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Seven Million Three Hundred Twenty Two Thousand Four Hundred Thirty Three Dollars and No Cents (\$7,322,433.00) as the amount assessed upon the Town for the Fiscal Year 2023 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 2023.

Or take any other action related thereto.

**Submitted by the Select Board 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 Seven Million Three Hundred Twenty Two Thousand Four Hundred Thirty Three Dollars and No Cents (**\$7,322,433.00**) as the amount assessed upon the Town for the Fiscal Year 2023 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 2023.

**Passed Unanimously/May 11<sup>th</sup> @ 8:31pm**

**ARTICLE 30: RESCISSION OF AUTHORIZED BUT UNISSUED DEBT**

To see if the Town will vote to rescind authorized but un-issued debt pursuant to the following Town Meeting approval(s):

<u>Purpose</u>	<u>Meeting Date</u>	<u>Warrant Article</u>	<u>Amount Rescinded</u>
Sewer Phase IV-8	October 27, 1988	13	\$79,000
Sewer	May 15, 2001	25	\$600,000
Wastewater Treatment CW-04-06	November 19, 2003	6	\$469,853

Or take any other action related thereto.

**Submitted by the Select Board**

**Majority Vote Required**

On a motion duly made and seconded the town voted to rescind authorized but un-issued debt pursuant to the following Town Meeting approval(s):

<u>Purpose</u>	<u>Meeting Date</u>	<u>Warrant Article</u>	<u>Amount Rescinded</u>
Sewer Phase IV-8	October 27, 1988	13	\$79,000
Sewer	May 15, 2001	25	\$600,000
Wastewater Treatment CW-04-06	November 19, 2003	6	\$469,853

**Passed Unanimously/May 11<sup>th</sup> @ 8:32pm**

**ARTICLE 31: CITIZENS PETITION: CHANGE TAX EXEMPTION AGE**

To see if the Town of Templeton will vote to accept a change of age requirement to be less restrictive as elderly persons age in M.G.L. Chapter 59 Section 5 clause's 41C, 17D and all its law clauses within as to elderly persons age by striking out the age 70 years replacing such with age 65 years allowing said eligibility to Elderly persons within Chapter 59 Section 5, includes all its clauses under the Acts 1989 in Chapter 73.

**A citizens petition submitted by Steven Drury and 12 others.**

**A motion was duly made and seconded to move the article.**

**Passed/May 11<sup>th</sup> @ 8:46pm**

A motion was duly made and seconded to see if the town would vote to accept a change of age requirement to be less restrictive as elderly persons age in M.G.L. Chapter 59 Section 5 clause's 41C, 17D and all its law clauses within as to elderly persons age by striking out the age 70 years replacing such with age 65 years allowing said eligibility to Elderly persons within Chapter 59 Section 5, includes all its clauses under the Acts 1989 in Chapter 73.

**Defeated/May 11<sup>th</sup> @ 8:47pm**

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

**Passed/May 11<sup>th</sup> @ 8:47pm**

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.

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Given under our hands this 6<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2022.

SELECT BOARD

\_\_\_\_\_  
Michael Currie, Chair

\_\_\_\_\_  
Tim Toth, Vice Chair

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Terry Griffis, Clerk

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Julie Richard, Member

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Jeff Bennett, Member

**OFFICER'S RETURN**

WORCESTER, SS

April 21, 2022

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, 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 Brown  
Printed Name of Constable Signing Above

A True Copy, ATTEST:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Carol A. Harris  
Town Clerk of Templeton

Meeting Attendance 05-11-2022  
Voters Total 114