

**TOWN OF SCITUATE
SPECIAL TOWN MEETING
NOVEMBER 14, 2017
WARRANT**

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS, PLYMOUTH SS

To the constable of the Town of Scituate, in said County

GREETINGS: In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town qualified to vote in Elections and Town Affairs therein, to meet at the Center for Performing Arts at Scituate High School, 606 Chief Justice Cushing Highway on

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 2017 NEXT

At seven o'clock in the evening, then and there to act on the following articles:

ARTICLE 1. Unpaid Bills

To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of \$275.51, or a greater or lesser sum, for the purpose of paying Fiscal Year 2016 and 2017 unpaid bills, or take any other action relative thereto.

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ARTICLE 2. Fiscal Year 2018 Budget Reconciliations

To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds in the Treasury the sum of \$120,000, or a greater or lesser sum, for the purpose of balancing the Fiscal Year 2018 Operating Budget pursuant to Articles 4 and 9 of the April 26, 2017 Annual Town Meeting warrant, or take any other action relative thereto:

| <u>TO</u> | <u>AMOUNT</u> | <u>REASON</u> |
|-------------------------------------|---------------|---|
| Street Lighting | \$60,000 | To cover costs while awaiting credit for LED conversion. |
| Water Enterprise Technical Services | \$60,000 | For design and engineering of repairs to chemical holding tanks |

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ARTICLE 3. Fiscal Year 2018 Enterprise Fund Reconciliation

To see if the Town will vote to amend the transfer of Widows Walk Enterprise fund receipts into the Widows Walk Capital Stabilization vote taken as Article 3 of the April 26, 2017 town meeting by reducing it from \$185,000 to \$15,000, or take any other action relative thereto.

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ARTICLE 4. Assessors Property Revaluation

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$75,000 from available funds for the cyclical revaluation of property; or take any other action relative thereto.

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ARTICLE 5. Community Preservation Act Reconciliations

To see if the Town will vote to rescind the balance of funds authorized but unexpended from prior Community Preservation projects, totaling \$273,319.55, and transfer said funds into the Community Preservation Committee reserve or General Fund Balance from which they were originally appropriated as the case may be, in accordance with the Community Preservation Act as follows:

| Description/Project | ATM Authorization | Amount |
|-------------------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------|
| Crosbie Land Acquisition | 2011 | \$216,787.05 |
| Higgins McAllister Land Acquisition | 2012 | \$ 2,000.00 |
| Bates Lane Parking | 2012 | \$ 43,500.50 |
| Damon Preserve Acquisition | 2014 | <u>\$ 11,032.00</u> |
| Total | | \$273,319.55 |

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ARTICLE 6. Community Preservation Act

To see if the Town will vote to hear and act on recommendations from the Community Preservation Committee (the CPC) to appropriate the sums of money as indicated below. Appropriations for the items below are to be expended first from any existing reserves for the purposes of such item, with any excess to be appropriated from Community Preservation unreserved funds. All such sums appropriated are further to be expended subject to all terms and conditions of the applications regarding such projects filed with the CPC and the votes of the CPC regarding approval of such items.

1. \$197,814.50 from Community Housing: Central Park Housing Window Replacement
2. \$ 79,850.50 from Unreserved Funds: Central Park Housing Window Replacement
3. \$528,500.00 from Open Space: Parking and Access to CPC-acquired land
4. \$ 52,000.00 from Open Space: Mapping, Trails and signage for CPC and Town Conservation land

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ARTICLE 7. Acceptance of Loan – Seawall Repairs Oceanside Drive

To see if the Town will authorize the Treasurer to borrow, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 44, or any other applicable law,

\$500,000.00, or a greater or lesser sum, in the form of a low interest loan from the Commonwealth's Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs Dam and Seawall Loan Fund, to fund the replacement of a portion of the seawall at Oceanside Drive, or take any other action relative thereto.

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ARTICLE 8. Supplement prior borrowing votes to permit the application of sale premium to pay project costs

To see if the Town will vote to supplement each prior vote of the Town that authorizes the borrowing of money to pay costs of capital projects to provide that, in accordance with Chapter 44, Section 20 of the General Laws, the premium received by the Town upon the sale of any bonds or notes thereunder, less any such premium applied to the payment of the costs of issuance of such bond or notes, may be applied to pay project costs and the amount authorized to be borrowed for each such project shall be reduced by the amount of any such premium so applied.

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ARTICLE 9. Amend General Bylaws – Waterways

To see if the Town will amend the General By-Laws of the Town under Waterway at Section 31000 by replacing the current section as follows:

“Whoever violates any provision of this chapter, any rule or regulation adopted under Section 30920C hereof or any applicable General Law or Federal Law, or regulations thereunder, and whoever fails to obey the lawful and reasonable orders of the harbormaster or resists him in the execution of his duties shall be fined one hundred dollars and/or may have their mooring dockage or commercial privileges revoked. This chapter shall be enforced by the harbormaster or his designees.”

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ARTICLE 10. Local Option Acceptance – Building Rental Revolving Funds

To see if the Town will accept MGL Chapter 40 Section 3 to establish revolving funds for the rental of town and school buildings and to further allow those funds to carry forward to the following fiscal year; or take any other action relative thereto.

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ARTICLE 11. Conservation Land

To see if the Town will authorize the Board of Selectmen (1) to designate presently owned real estate for conservation purposes, and (2) to impose a conservation restriction on such property; and raise and appropriate a sum of money for such purposes; or take any other action relative thereto.

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ARTICLE 12. Public Consumption of Marijuana or Tetrahydrocannabinol (THC) Bylaw

To see if the Town will amend the General Bylaws by adding a new Section 30190 as follows:

PUBLIC CONSUMPTION OF MARIJUANA OR TETRAHYDROCANNABINOL (THC)

No person shall consume marijuana or tetrahydrocannabinol (THC) as defined in MGL 94C, s. 1, as amended, while upon any public property owned by, under the control of, or maintained, by the town of Scituate, including, but not limited to, streets, sidewalks, public ways, footways, passageways, stairs, bridges, parks, playgrounds, recreation areas, boat landings, public buildings, schoolhouses, school grounds, cemeteries, parking lots, beaches and sand spits. This bylaw may be enforced pursuant to MGL c. 40, s. 21 and s. 21D and punishable by a fine of \$300.00 for each offense.

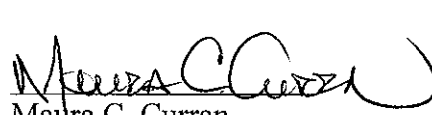
Or take any action relative thereto.

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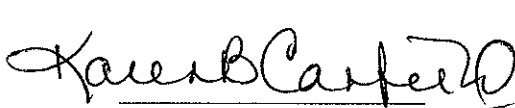
And you are directed to serve this Warrant by posting attested copies thereof, one at each of the Post Offices in Town and one at Town Hall fourteen (14) days at least before holding said meeting.

HEREOF fail not and make due return of the Warrant with your doings thereon unto the Town Clerk, on or before the time of holding said meeting


Given under our hands this 17th day of October 2017


Maurya C. Curran
Chairman


Anthony V. Vegnani
Vice-Chairman


Karen B. Canfield
Member


Shawn Harris
Member


John F. Danehey
Clerk

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