

**WARRANT
FOR THE SPECIAL TOWN MEETING
TO BE HELD
NOVEMBER 9, 2015**

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Plymouth, SS

To either of the Constables of Mattapoisett, in said County of Plymouth:

Greetings:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Mattapoisett qualified to vote in Elections and Town Affairs to meet at the Old Rochester Regional High School located at 135 Marion Road in said Mattapoisett on Monday November ninth at six thirty in the evening, then and there to act on the following articles:

Article 1 Prior Year Bills 9/10 VOTE

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$13,928 from Free Cash to pay prior year bills, or take any action relative thereto.

Sponsor: Board of Selectmen

Finance Committee Recommends

Article 2 Appropriation for Town Road Improvements MAJORITY VOTE

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$150,000 from Free Cash for the purpose of funding the repair and improvements of the town roads and streets, or take any action relative thereto.

Sponsor: Board of Selectmen

Finance Committee Recommends

Article 3 Appropriation to Stabilization Fund 2/3 VOTE

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$300,000 from Free Cash to the Capital Improvement Stabilization Fund, or take any action relative thereto.

Sponsor: Board of Selectmen

Finance Committee Recommends

Article 4**Authorization of Easement****2/3 VOTE**

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into agreement for the purpose of negotiating an easement along the eastern most exit from Shipyard Park along the boundary with property owned by Randall and Daune Smith more specifically as shown on the Mattapoissett Assessor's Maps as Map 9 Lot 183, for the purpose of maintaining the current width of this town access road which currently encroaches on the property of Randall and Daune Smith, all as shown on a Map entitled and dated, on file with the Mattapoissett Town Clerk's Office or take any action relative thereto.

Sponsor: Board of Selectmen**Finance Committee Recommends****Article 5****Amendment of General Bylaws****MAJORITY VOTE**

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Mattapoissett General Bylaws by the following:

The Mattapoissett Board of Selectmen in consultation with the Police Chief may institute parking bans in Mattapoissett in the event of a snow emergency. Authority to authorize fines and ticketing of violation of snow parking bans shall be set by the Board of Selectmen with consultation with the Police Chief, or take any action relative thereto.

Sponsor: Board of Selectmen**Finance Committee Recommends****Article 6****Petition for a Home Rule Amendment****MAJORITY VOTE**

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to file a Home Rule Petition that would require any addition, amendment, modification, or deletion to the Mattapoissett General Bylaws to require a two thirds majority vote of Town Meeting, or take any action relative thereto.

Sponsor: Board of Selectmen**Article 7****Funding for Marion Road Water Main Re-lining****2/3 VOTE**

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$450,000 by borrowing for the purpose of funding the re-lining of water mains on Marion Road, including all costs incidental and related thereto, and to meet this appropriation the Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, is authorized to borrow said sum pursuant to M.G.L. Ch. 44, section 8(7C), or any other enabling authority, and to issue bonds and notes therefor, or take any action relative thereto.

Sponsor: Water and Sewer Commission**Finance Committee Recommends**

Article 8 Rescinding of Borrowing Authorizations 2/3 VOTE

To see if the Town will vote to rescind the following borrowing authorizations:

Town Meeting Date	Article	Authorization	Purpose	Unissued
05-10-2010	2	6,800,000	Sewer Extension	491,000
05-13-2013	20	65,000	Water Land Acq.	65,000
11-13-2013	18	337,500	Land Acquisition	337,500
11-13-2013	19	481,000	Land Acquisition	481,000
05-12-2014	27	200,000	Sewer Improvement	36,000

Or take any action relative thereto.

Sponsor: Town Treasurer

Article 9 Appropriation to Town Reserve Fund MAJORITY VOTE

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$25,000 from Free Cash to the Town's Reserve Fund or take any action relative thereto.

Sponsor: Board of Selectmen

Finance Committee Recommends

Article 10 FY16 Supplemental Budget Funding, Water Department MAJORITY VOTE

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$6,620.00 from Water Retained Earnings of the Water Enterprise Fund, to the Salaries line item of the Water Department FY16 Annual Budget, or take any action relative thereto.

Sponsor: Water and Sewer Commission

Finance Committee Recommends

Article 11 FY16 Budget Transfer-Assessor's to Highway MAJORITY VOTE

To see if the Town will vote to transfer within the FY16 Annual Budget as voted under Article 2 of the May 2015 Annual Town Meeting the amount of \$15,000 from Assessors Line Item Other Professional Services to Highway Department Part-Time Salaries or take any action relative thereto.

Sponsor: Assessing Department

Finance Committee Recommends

Article 12**Village Road Engineering****MAJORITY VOTE**

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$40,000 from Free Cash for the purpose of funding the design, engineering, permitting and bidding of road reconstruction work to take place during the 2016 Construction Season in the Village area of Mattapoisett, or take any action relative thereto.

Sponsor: Highway Department**Finance Committee Recommends****Article 13****Bridge and Culvert Design****MAJORITY VOTE**

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$25,000 from Free Cash for the purpose of performing assessment of the condition of all culvert, stream, river and water body crossings as to their condition and the development of a prioritized list with cost estimates of and repairs or remediation work that may be needed, or take any action relative thereto.

Sponsor: Highway Department**Finance Committee Recommends****Article 14****Water Main Grant Funding****MAJORITY VOTE**

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$78,000 from Water Enterprise Retained Earnings to be used as the Town's match in a grant application for the replacement of a water main transmission line that crosses the Mattapoisett River, said funds to be used only if the grant is received, or take any action relative thereto.

Sponsor: Water and Sewer Commission**Finance Committee Recommends****Article 15****Library Roof Repairs****MAJORITY VOTE**

To see if the town will vote to appropriate a sum of money from Free Cash, for the purpose of replacing the roof system on the north and south wings of the Public Library, present shingles have had a product failure recognized by the manufacturer and replacement is necessary to alleviate a safety hazard, any funds received as part of a litigation settlement, or class action against the manufacturer shall be used as an off-set towards the cost of the replacement, or take any action relative thereto.

Sponsor: Library

Article 16

Replacement of Damaged Police Cruiser

MAJORITY VOTE

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money from Free Cash for the purpose of funding the replacement of a Police Cruiser damaged in an accident, or take any action relative thereto.

Sponsor: Police Department

Article 17

Funding Design and Engineering of Bike Path

MAJORITY VOTE

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$17,000 from Free Cash for the purpose of funding work related to Phase 1B of the Mattapoisett Bike Path, involving engineering, design, and permitting, or take any action relative thereto.

Sponsor: Board of Selectmen

Article 18

Bike Path Borings

MAJORITY VOTE

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money from Free Cash for the purpose of performing geological borings along the route of Phase 1B of the proposed bike path, or take any action relative thereto.


Sponsor: Bike Path Committee

You are hereby notified to serve this Warrant by posting attested copies thereof at the places designated in the Town Bylaws, namely the Post Office and Town Hall at least fourteen (14) days before the day appointed for said meeting.

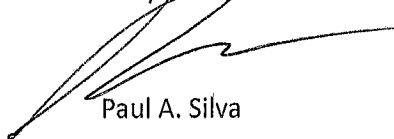
Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doing thereon to the Town Clerk at the time and place of meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands this 23rd day of October in the year Two Thousand Fifteen.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN



Jordan C. Collyer, Chairman

R. Tyler Mazallister


Paul A. Silva

RETURN OF SERVICE

I, Kenneth Pacheco, being a duly elected Constable of the Town of Mattapoisett, in the County of Plymouth, hereby make affidavit that legal notice of the meeting called under this Warrant has been served on the voters of said Town of Mattapoisett by posting attested copies of this Special Town Meeting Warrant in two public places in said Town of Mattapoisett namely the Town Hall and the Post Office on October 26, 2015, said date being at least fourteen days before the date of the meeting, in accordance with Section 10 of Chapter 39 of the General Laws of Massachusetts.


CONSTABLE

CERTIFIED TO BE A TRUE COPY,

ATTEST:


CONSTABLE