

**COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS**

**TOWN OF BELLINGHAM**

**WARRANT FOR FALL TOWN MEETING**

**Norfolk, ss:**

**To either of the Constables of the Town of Bellingham, in the County of Norfolk;**

**GREETINGS:**

**In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town, qualified to vote in elections and in Town affairs to meet at the**

**HIGH SCHOOL AUDITORIUM**

**Located at 60 Blackstone Street in said Bellingham, on Wednesday, the eighteenth day of November 2020, at 7:30 p.m., then and there to act on the following articles:**

**ARTICLE 1. AMEND ANNUAL TOWN MEETING ARTICLE 1 – OPERATING EXPENSES AND SALARIES**

**To see if the Town will vote to amend the vote taken under Article 1 of the June 2020 Annual Town Meeting establishing the FY2021 Town operating budget, by reducing, adding to, deleting, amending appropriations or transferring funds from various sources into items within said Article 1; or act or do anything in relation thereto.**

**(By: Board of Selectmen)**

**ARTICLE 2. AMEND ANNUAL TOWN MEETING ARTICLE 2 – TRASH ENTERPRISE**

**To see if the Town will vote to amend the vote taken under Article 2 of the June 2020 Annual Town Meeting establishing the FY2021 Trash Enterprise Fund budget, by reducing, adding to, deleting, amending appropriations or transferring funds from various sources into said Article 2; or act or do anything in relation thereto.**

**(By: Board of Selectmen)**

**ARTICLE 3. AMEND ANNUAL TOWN MEETING ARTICLE 3 – WATER ENTERPRISE**

To see if the Town will vote to amend the vote taken under Article 3 of the June 2020 Annual Town Meeting establishing the FY2021 Water Enterprise budget, by reducing, adding to, deleting, amending appropriations or transferring funds from various sources into said Article 3; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

(By: Board of Selectmen)

**ARTICLE 4. AMEND ANNUAL TOWN MEETING ARTICLE 4 – SEWER ENTERPRISE**

To see if the Town will vote to amend the vote taken under Article 4 of the June 2020 Annual Town Meeting establishing the FY2021 Sewer Enterprise budget, by reducing, adding to, deleting, amending appropriations or transferring funds from various sources into said Article 4; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

(By: Board of Selectmen)

**ARTICLE 5. AMEND ANNUAL TOWN MEETING ARTICLE 5 – STORMWATER ENTERPRISE**

To see if the Town will vote to amend the vote taken under Article 5 of the June 2020 Annual Town Meeting establishing the FY2021 Stormwater Enterprise budget, by reducing, adding to, deleting, amending appropriations or transferring funds from various sources into said Article 5; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

(By: Board of Selectmen)

**ARTICLE 6. CAPITAL OUTLAY – (Expenditures \$50,000 & Over)**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money and to determine how such appropriation shall be raised, whether by transfer of available funds, by taxation, by borrowing or otherwise, and if by borrowing to authorize the issuance and sale of general obligation bonds or notes of the Town therefore for the purpose of financing the purchase, construction, reconstruction and/or engineering costs associated with various capital outlay items or improvements proposed by Town Departments, Boards or Committees, and, as may be appropriate, to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into lease/purchase agreements of up to or exceeding three years; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

(By: Board of Selectmen)

## **ARTICLE 7. NON-CAPITAL OUTLAY – (Expenditures of Less Than \$50,000)**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money and to determine how such appropriation shall be raised, whether by transfer of available funds, by taxation, by borrowing or otherwise, and if by borrowing to authorize the issuance and sale of general obligation bonds or notes of the Town therefore for the purpose of financing the purchase of various non-capital outlay items or improvements proposed by Town Departments, Boards or Committees, and, as may be appropriate, to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into lease/purchase agreements of up to or exceeding three years; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

(By: Board of Selectmen)

## **ARTICLE 8. CORYN CIRCLE & MONIQUE DRIVE STREET ACCEPTANCE**

To see if that the Town vote to accept as Public Ways the roads, the easements and appurtenant thereto, and the Deed thereto, identified as CORYN CIRCLE and MONIQUE DRIVE being shown on a plan entitled "ROADWAY ACCEPTANCE PLAN For Monique Drive & Coryn Circle In Bellingham, MA", which plan is to be recorded with the Norfolk County Registry of Deeds, and as more particularly described in a deed on file at the Office of the Town Clerk and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to accept the deed thereto; or act or do anything related thereto.

(By: Petitioner Allen Engineering & Associates  
1 Charlesview Road, Suite 2  
Hopedale, MA 01747)

## **ARTICLE 9. SALE OF PROPERTY – PHILLIP DRIVE**

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to convey to Allan S. Elliott and Barbara J. Elliott for the consideration of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00), a portion of a certain parcel of Town owned land on Phillip Drive shown on Assessor's Map 12 as Parcel 25 and more particularly described as Lot 85 and 86 on Land Court Plan 13665J, filed at Norfolk Land Registry with Certificate 91778 at Book 459, Page 178 and to convey to Joseph T. Francesconi and Debra J. Francesconi for the consideration of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00), a portion of a certain parcel of Town owned land on Phillip Drive shown on Assessor's Map 12 as Parcel 25 and more particularly described as Lots 83 and 84 on Land Court Plan 13665J, filed at Norfolk Land Registry with Certificate 91778 at Book 459, Page 178; or act or do anything related thereto.

(By: Petitioner Bruce Lord  
23 Bellwood Circle  
Bellingham, MA 02019)

#### **ARTICLE 10. MAPLE STREET ROADWAY LAYOUT ALTERATION EASEMENTS**

To see if the Town will vote to accept the altered layout of a portion of Maple Street as a public way, as heretofore altered by the Board of Selectmen, to include with said layout a parcel of land shown as "Proposed Roadway Easement Area = 9,399+ S.F." on a plan entitled "Easement Plan of Land", dated October 30, 2018, Kelly Engineering Group, Inc., on file with the Town Clerk, and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to acquire the fee to an/or a permanent easement in said parcel, by gift, purchase, and/or eminent domain, for all purposes for which public ways are used in the Town of Bellingham, and any drainage, utility or other easements related there; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

(By: DPW Director)

#### **ARTICLE 11. CHARLES RIVER GROVE BELLINGHAM DRAINAGE AND ROADWAY PARCEL ACQUISITION**

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to acquire by gift, purchase, and/or eminent domain the parcels of land shown on Assessor's Map 40 as Parcels 82 and being described in a deed recorded with the (Norfolk Registry of Deeds in Book 11216, Page 548) for storm drainage purposes and the fee to and/or easements in First, Second, Third, and Middle Avenue for all purposes for which public ways may be used in the Town of Bellingham, and to acquire by gift, purchase, and/or eminent domain the fee to or permanent easements in said roadways and any drainage, utility and/or other easements related thereto; and to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money for the purposes of this Article including any related expenses; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

(By: DPW Director)

#### **ARTICLE 12. BOX POND DRIVE DRAINAGE EASEMENTS**

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to acquire by gift, purchase, and/or eminent domain permanent drainage easements and temporary construction easements in, on and under a portion or portions of parcels of land located on Box Pond Drive (identified by the Assessor's as Parcels 0038-0009-0003 and 0038-0023-0002) and shown on a plan entitled "Town of Bellingham Box Pond Drive Drainage Easement Plan", dated September 30, 2020, prepared by Land Planning, Inc. and on file with the Town; and to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money for the purposes of this Article including any related expenses, or act or do anything in relation thereto.

(By: DPW Director)

### **ARTICLE 13. WATER MAIN EASEMENT ACQUISITION – NORTH MAIN STREET TO CLIFF ROAD**

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to acquire by gift, purchase, and/or eminent domain permanent water main easements and temporary construction easements in, on and under a portion or portions of the parcels of land located at 115 North Main Street (identified as Assessor's Parcels 0035-077A-0000), as approximately shown on a plan; entitled "North Main Street to Cliff Road Water Mains", a copy of which is on file with the Town; and to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money for the purposes of this Article including any related expenses, or act or do anything in relation thereto.

(By: DPW Director)

### **ARTICLE 14. LEASE OF TOWN LAND**

To see if the Town will vote to transfer the care, custody and control of the property described below from the tax custodian for tax title purposes to the Board of Selectmen for general municipal purposes and for the purpose of leasing, and, further to authorize the Board of Selectmen to negotiate and enter into a lease, as well as a payment in lieu of tax agreement pursuant to G.L. c. 59, §38H(b), and to convey any necessary access or utility easements on, over and under any adjacent Town-owned property, for the development of a solar array and solar electric storage on Town property at 26 Pearl Street, formally known as the Pearl Street Mill site identified as Town of Bellingham Assessor's Map 60, Parcel 4 for a period of up to thirty years on such terms and conditions as the Selectmen deem in the best interests of the Town; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

(By: Board of Selectmen)

### **ARTICLE 15. UPDATE SECTION 205-7 – CONDUCT OF TOWN MEETING**

To see if the Town will vote to modify Section 205-7, sub-sections (J.) and (M.) of the Town bylaws, to specifically recognize and authorize electronic voting at any and all Town Meetings; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

(By: Board of Selectmen)

## ARTICLE 16. AMEND GENERAL BY-LAWS CHAPTER 71-6 REVOLVING FUNDS

To see if the Town will vote, pursuant to Chapter 44, Section 53E½, of the General Laws, to amend Chapter 71-6 of the Town Bylaws, Revolving Funds, by inserting the underlined text, replacing the entire “use of funds” column in its entirety, as shown, and creating a new annual expenditure limit of \$50,000 for the Inspectional Services Revolving Fund, with all such expenditure limits to apply from fiscal year to fiscal year unless amended by vote of Town Meeting prior to July 1 in any year; or take any action in relation thereto.

Fund	Revenue Source	Authority to Spend	Use of Funds	Spending Limit	Fiscal Years
Food Inspections	Gifts, donations, fees and <u>fines</u>	Board of Health	<u>Expenses in support of the Board of Health food inspections program including supplies, materials, equipment, and compensation to employees or contractors</u>	\$35,000	FY2021 and subsequent years
Commission on Disability	Gifts, donations, fees and <u>fines</u>	Commission on Disability	<u>Expenses in support of the Commission on Disability including supplies, materials, equipment, and compensation to employees or contractors</u>	\$10,000	FY2021 and subsequent years
Inspectional Services	Inspectional fees and <u>fines</u>	Building Commissioner	<u>Expenses in support of the Inspectional Services department including supplies, materials, equipment, and compensation to employees or contractors</u>	<u>\$50,000</u>	FY2021 and subsequent years

## ARTICLE 17. SPECIAL EDUCATION RESERVE FUND

To see if the Town will vote to adopt MGL c. 40 § 13E to establish a Special Education Reserve Fund, from which monies may only be distributed after a majority vote of the School Committee and a majority vote of the Board of Selectmen; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

(By: School Committee and Board of Selectmen)

## ARTICLE 18. TRANSFER TO STABILIZATION FUND

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money for the purpose of funding the Stabilization Fund; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

(By: Board of Selectmen)

## ARTICLE 19. UNPAID BILLS

To see if the Town will vote to raise, appropriate or transfer a sum of money for the payment of certain unpaid bills of a prior fiscal year; or act or do anything in relation thereto.


(By: Board of Selectmen)

And you are directed to serve this Warrant, by posting attested copies thereof at Town Hall and in other municipal buildings throughout Town forty-five days, at least, before the time and place of meeting as aforesaid.

Hereof, fail not and make due return of this Warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, at the time and place of meeting as aforesaid.

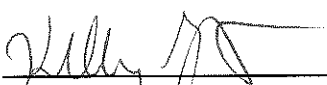
Given under our hands this 30<sup>th</sup> day of September in the year of Our Lord, Two Thousand Twenty.

  
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Michael J. Connor, Chairman

  
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Cynthia L. McNulty, Vice Chairman

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Daniel M. Spencer

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Donald F. Martinis

  
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Kelly H. Grant

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

## RETURN OF THE WARRANT

Norfolk, ss:

Pursuant to the within Warrant, I have notified and warned the inhabitants of the Town of Bellingham by posting attested copies of the same at Town Hall and in other municipal buildings throughout Town, in accordance with Town By-laws.

10/1/2020  
Date

  
Constable of Bellingham