



TOWN OF MENDON
SPECIAL TOWN MEETING WARRANT
NOVEMBER 17, 2021
THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS WORCESTER, SS

TO EITHER OF THE CONSTABLES OF THE TOWN OF MENDON, IN THE COUNTY OF WORCESTER, 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 **Miscoe Hill School** in said **MENDON** on the **seventeenth day of November** next, at 7:00 o'clock in the evening, then and there to act on the following articles:

ARTICLE 1 (FC) To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer a sum of money from available funds to pay Bills of a Prior Year; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 2 (FC) To see if the Town will vote to raise & appropriate and/or transfer a sum of money from available funds to FY22 Compensation Increases (Line Items as specified below); or act or do anything in relation thereto.

- Zoning Board Salaries (Line Item 176A)
- Town Hall Services Salaries (Line Item 199A1)
- Police Department Salaries (Line Item 210A1)
- Fire Department Full Time Wages (Line Item 220A2)
- Building Inspector Salaries (Line Item 241A1)
- Highway Construction and Maintenance Salaries (Line Item 422A1)
- Highway Surveyor Salary (Line Item 422A2)
- Council on Aging Salaries (Line Item 541A1)
- Library Salaries (Line Item 610A1)

ARTICLE 3 (FC) To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer a sum of money from available funds into the Stabilization Account; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 4 (FC) To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer a sum of money from available funds into the Capital Expenditure Account; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 5 (FC) To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer from available funds, and/or otherwise provide a sum of money to be added to the Other Post-Employment Benefits ("OPEB") Liability Trust Fund; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 6 (FC) To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer from available funds a sum of money to be expended to establish and/or maintain a regional substance abuse outreach program in the Mendon area; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 7 (FC) To see if the Town will vote to take the following actions:
 A. Establish a departmental revolving account for the Police Department in accordance with M.G.L. Ch 44, § 53E½ by amending Chapter 32 of the Town's General Bylaws, by inserting the following entry to the table of funds. The purpose of this fund shall be for the repair and maintenance of police cruisers used on paid detail work. Receipts to this fund shall be monies paid by the contractors and organizations that request a police cruiser on a paid detail. The Police Chief, with approval of the Board of Selectmen, shall be authorized to expend from this fund but at no time may exceed more than the available balance in the revolving fund.

A	B	C	D	E	F	G
Revolving Fund	Spending Authority	Fees, Charges or Other Receipts Credited to Fund	Program or Activity Expenses Payable from Fund	Restrictions or Conditions on Expense	Required Reports	Fiscal Year
	Police Chief, with approval of the Select Board	Monies/Fees related to Police Department Police Cruiser	Repair and maintenance of Police Department Police Cruisers Used on Paid Police Details			Fiscal Years that begin on or after July 1, 2022

B. To see if the Town will vote to set the annual spending limit on this revolving account in accordance with M.G.L. Ch 44, § 53E ½ to \$15,000.

C. or act or do anything in relation thereto.

- ARTICLE 8 (FC)** To see if the Town will vote to set the limits on the Revolving Funds created in Article 7, in accordance with Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 44, § 53E1/2 as follows; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

Revolving Fund	Limit on Spending
Police Department	\$15,000

- ARTICLE 9 (FC)** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer a sum of money from available funds to Town Clerk Salaries for the purpose of certification compensation; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

- ARTICLE 10 (FC)** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer a sum of money to pay for voting equipment and supplies needed to establish a second voting precinct; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

- ARTICLE 11 (FC)** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer a sum of money to pay for wireless dialers for fire alarms in Town buildings; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

- ARTICLE 12 (FC)** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer a sum of money from available funds to pay for improvements to the Town Hall campus; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

- ARTICLE 13 (CPC)** To see if the Town will vote to set aside for later spending from the FY20 Community Preservation Revenues (10%) for open space; (10%) for historic preservation; (10%) for affordable housing, (5%) for administration and (65%) to the Community Preservation Budgeted Reserve; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

- ARTICLE 14 (PB)** To see if the Town will vote to amend the Mendon Zoning Bylaws, adding 5.05 Mendon Age Restricted (AROD) Overlay District. To promote mixed-use development which increases the availability of Over 55 housing alternatives to meet local needs, promotes walkable neighborhoods, takes advantage of compact design, fosters distinctive and attractive village settings, preserves critical environmental assets, including drinking water supply quality and quantity, surface and groundwater quality and quantity, wetlands preservation and air quality, and supports economic revitalization in Mendon; or act or do anything in relation thereto.
A copy of the proposed amendments are available in the Town Clerk's office and on the Town's website www.mendonma.gov/town-meeting.

- ARTICLE 15 (CPC)** To see if the Town will vote to transfer a sum of money from the Community Preservation accounts to fund the costs of conservation, preservation, and archival storage of historic artifacts, documents, textiles, and clothing in the collections of the Historic Society; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

- ARTICLE 16 (CPC)** To see if the Town will vote to transfer a sum of money from the Community Preservation accounts to fund the cost to install security cameras at the Lowell Memorial Field at 29 Millville Street; or act or take any other action in relation thereto.

- ARTICLE 17 (SB)** To see if the Town will vote to transfer the care, custody, management, and control of approximately 23 acres of the 75.8-acre town-owned land at 52 Providence Street from the Select Board for general municipal purposes to the Select Board for affordable housing purposes and to authorize the Select Board to sell said 23 acres of said property for affordable housing purposes and conservation purposes, with 3.2 acres for housing and the remainder covered by a conservation restriction; or act or take any other action in relation thereto.

- ARTICLE 18 (SB)** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer a sum of money from available funds to survey Town owned property on Morrison Drive; or act or take any other action in relation thereto.

- ARTICLE 19 (SB)** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer a sum of money from available funds up to \$50,000 for the purposes of survey work related to Kinsley Lane and Hill Street; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

- ARTICLE 20 (SB)** To see if the Town will vote to amend Mendon's General Bylaws to adopt M.G.L.C 60 §62A, to authorize payment agreements between the treasurer and persons entitled to redeem parcels in tax title; or act or take any other action in relation thereto.

- ARTICLE 21 (SB)** To see if the Town will vote to amend the General By-Laws Chapter II Section 4 – Town Meetings by removing "Copies of all town meeting warrants shall also be delivered by hand or other means to every household" and replacing it with Copies of all town meeting warrants shall also be available in the Town Clerk's office or mailed upon request; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 22 (SB) To see if the Town will vote to amend Article 7 of the May 2021 Annual Town meeting by deleting the following language: “This change shall take effect for the 2022 Annual Election. The candidate receiving the highest number of votes shall serve a (3) year term, the candidate receiving the second highest number of votes shall serve a, (2) year term, and the candidate receiving the third highest number of votes shall serve a (1) year term. Thereafter, as the terms of Select Board expire, successors shall be elected for terms of three (3) years “ to be replaced with “Candidates shall be elected by receiving the highest number of votes for any individual seat. For the 2022 Annual Election, two additional seats shall be added to the Selectboard. One seat will serve a (1) year term and one seat shall serve a (2) year term. Thereafter, all elected terms shall be 3 years in length.”; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 23 (SB) To see if the Town will vote to amend the Town of Mendon General By-Laws, Demolition Delay, Chapter XXIVa. A copy of the proposed amendment is available in the Town Clerk’s office and on the Town’s website www.mendonma.gov/town-meeting; or act or do anything in relation thereto

ARTICLE 24 (SB) To see if the Town will vote to accept Ammidon Road, as laid out by the Select Board, as a public way within the Town, and to further authorize the Select Board to acquire, by gift, purchase, taking or otherwise, any fee, easement or other interest in Ammidon Road; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 25 (SB) To see if the Town will vote to accept Puffer Drive, as laid out by the Select Board, as a public way within the Town, and to further authorize the Select Board to acquire, by gift, purchase, taking or otherwise, any fee, easement or other interest in Puffer Drive; or act or do anything in relation thereto.