

## **SPRING ANNUAL TOWN MEETING WARRANT**

Saturday, April 2, 2022

To the Town Clerk of the Town of Plymouth, Commonwealth of Massachusetts:

### **GREETINGS:**

In the name of the Commonwealth, you are directed to notify and warn the Inhabitants of Plymouth, qualified to consider and vote on articles at the Spring Annual Town Meeting of the Town of Plymouth, to meet virtually by remote participation, on Saturday, the Second Day of April, 2022, at 8:00 AM, with information necessary for the Moderator, Town Meeting members, Town officials and interested members of the public to access and witness the deliberations and actions taken at the Town Meeting remotely as follows:

Town Meeting members will be using telecast through Zoom Webinar videoconferencing platform for their deliberations and they will be using V-Voter to take actions.

Town Officials will provide information through the Zoom Webinar videoconferencing platform.

Interested members of the public will be able to view the meeting through PACTV, Channel 15 (Comcast) or Channel 47 (Verizon) or [pactv.org/live](http://pactv.org/live). Individuals not otherwise lawfully entitled to speak will have the opportunity to speak through the Zoom Webinar videoconferencing platform with 48-hours advanced notice given to and permission granted by the Town Moderator.

Registered Town of Plymouth voters wishing to participate in the remote Spring Annual Town Meeting shall submit a request to participate in the Meeting to the Town Clerk not less than forty-eight (48) hours in advance of the Town Meeting scheduled for Saturday, April 2, 2022 commencing at 8:00 AM. Upon receipt of the request and verification of the requester's voter registration status, the Town Clerk shall provide to the requester instructions for participating in the remote Town Meeting.

To act on the following articles to wit:

### **ARTICLE 1: Reserved**

#### **SELECT BOARD**

**ARTICLE 2: Reports of Boards, Officers and Committees.** To hear the reports of the several Boards and Officers and Committees of the Town thereon, or take any other action relative thereto.

#### **SELECT BOARD**

**ARTICLE 3: Revolving Fund Spending Limits.** To see if the Town will vote pursuant to G.L. c. 44, §53E 1/2 to establish the fiscal year 2023 spending limits for each revolving fund established by Chapter 143 of the General By-laws, Departmental Revolving Funds, or take any other action relative thereto.

## **SELECT BOARD**

**ARTICLE 4: Continuation of Committees.** To see what action the Town will take pursuant to Chapter 173 of the General By-Laws regarding the formation, reformation, organization, continuation or discharge of existing Committees created by vote of Town Meeting, or take any other action relative thereto.

## **SELECT BOARD**

### **ARTICLE 5:**

Withdrawn

## **SELECT BOARD**

**ARTICLE 6: Salaries of Elected Town Officials.** To see what action the Town will take pursuant to G.L. c.41, §108 with regard to fixing the salaries of elected Town Officials, or take any other action relative thereto.

## **SELECT BOARD**

**ARTICLE 7A: General Fund Operating Budget.** To see what action the Town will take to provide a reserve fund and to determine what sums of money the Town will raise and appropriate, including appropriations from available funds, toward defraying charges and expenses of the Town, including debt and interest, for the ensuing twelve-month period beginning July 1, 2022, or take any other action relative thereto.

## **SELECT BOARD**

**ARTICLE 7B: Water Enterprise Operating Budget.** To see what action the Town will take to determine what sums of money the Town will raise and appropriate, including appropriations from available funds, toward defraying charges and expenses of the Town for the water enterprise and debt and interest, for the ensuing twelve-month period beginning July 1, 2022, or take any other action relative thereto.

## **SELECT BOARD**

**ARTICLE 7C: Sewer Enterprise Operating Budget.** To see what action the Town will take to determine what sums of money the Town will raise and appropriate, including appropriations from available funds, toward defraying charges and expenses of the Town for the sewer enterprise and debt and interest, for the ensuing twelve-month period beginning July 1, 2022, or take any other action relative thereto.

## **SELECT BOARD**

**ARTICLE 7D: Solid Waste Enterprise Operating Budget.** To see what action the Town will take to determine what sums of money the Town will raise and appropriate, including appropriations from available funds, toward defraying charges and expenses of the Town for the solid waste enterprise and debt and interest, for the ensuing twelve-month period beginning July 1, 2022, or take any other action relative thereto.

## **SELECT BOARD**

**ARTICLE 7E: Airport Enterprise Operating Budget.** To see what action the Town will take to determine what sums of money the Town will raise and appropriate, including appropriations from available funds, toward defraying charges and expenses of the Town for the airport enterprise and debt and interest, for the ensuing twelve-month period beginning July 1, 2022, or take any other action relative thereto.

## **SELECT BOARD**

**ARTICLE 7F: Cable Public Access Enterprise Operating Budget.** To see what action the Town will take to determine what sums of money the Town will raise and appropriate, including appropriations from available funds, toward defraying charges and expenses of the Town for the cable public access enterprise and debt and interest, for the ensuing twelve month period beginning July 1, 2022, or take any other action relative thereto.

## **SELECT BOARD**

### **ARTICLE 8:**

**Withdrawn**

## **SELECT BOARD**

**ARTICLE 9: Capital Improvements.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds or borrow a sum of money for the construction and/or repair and/or purchase and/or lease and/or replacement of departmental buildings and/or equipment and/or capital facilities for various departments of the Town and/or for feasibility and other types of studies, and to authorize contracts or lease/purchase agreements for such purposes for terms of three or more years, as follows:

<b>ITEM</b>	<b>DEPARTMENT</b>	<b>PROJECT DESCRIPTION</b>
A1	Information Technology	Battery Replacement for Server Room
A2	Information Technology	AssessPro AP5 Server Upgrade
A3	Information Technology	Upgrade/Normalize Active Directory Structure
A4	Information Technology	VOIP Implementation Completion
A5	Police Department	Mobile Data Terminal (MDT) Replacement
A6	Fire Department	Replacement of Tanker 1 Pumping Tanker
A7	Fire Department	Rehab 2011 E-One Cyclone 1500GPM Pumping Engine
A8	Fire Department	Replace Air Compressor & Air Tank Refill Station
A9	School Building Repair Program	Roof Assessment with ADA Review - MES, CSES, HES, SES
A10	School Building Repair Program	Siding Assessment - SES, FFES
A11	School Building Repair Program	Repair Entryway - WES
A12	School Building Repair Program	Phase III Window Replacement - FFES
A13	School Building Repair Program	Window Replacement - IBES
A14	DPW - Engineering	Pavement Management & ADA Compliance Program
A15	DPW - Highway	Replace Truck H335 - 2002 Volvo

A16	DPW - Fleet	Update Truck Radios
A17	DPW - Facilities	Police Station HVAC Replacement
A18	DPW - Facilities	Town Building Plumbing Upgrades
A19	DPW - Facilities	Town Building Painting Repairs
A20	DMEA	Re-Power MU-5
A21	DMEA	T-Wharf/Town Wharf Inspection
A22	DPW - Sewer	CMOM Program
A23	DPW - Sewer	Effluent Baffle Wall
A24	DPW - Sewer	Replace 2003 Ford F250
A25	DPW - Sewer	Surf Rake 600HD
A26	DPW - Water	Pump Station Upgrades
A27	DPW - Water	Replace Pickup W42
A28	DPW - Solid Waste	Office Container
A29	DPW - Solid Waste	Containers/Dumpsters
A30	Municipal Airport	Runway Environment Assessment (EA)
A31	Municipal Airport	Airport Hangar Insulation Replacement
B1	School Department	HVAC Replacement - SES
B2	DPW - Engineering	Court Street & Cherry Street Traffic Signal Improvements
B3	DPW - Water	Infrastructure Improvements

or take any other action relative thereto.

#### **SELECT BOARD**

**ARTICLE 10: Public and Unaccepted Road and Bridge Improvements.** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of Five Million Dollars (\$5,000,000), to pay costs of improving various public and unaccepted roads, and bridges, and for the payment of all costs incidental and related thereto, including but not limited to reconstructing, resurfacing, crack sealing, drainage, engineering, sidewalks, lighting, traffic control, bridges, tree planting and landscaping and to determine whether this amount shall be raised by taxation, transfer from available funds, borrowing or otherwise; or to take any other action relative thereto.

#### **SELECT BOARD**

#### **ARTICLE 11:**

**Withdrawn**

#### **SELECT BOARD**

**ARTICLE 12: Chapter 90 Roads.** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from available funds a sum of money as the State's share of the cost of work under the state's so-called Chapter 90 roads program, or take any other action relative thereto.

#### **DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS—ENGINEERING DIVISION**

**ARTICLE 13: Town Promotion Fund.** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from the Town Promotion Fund created pursuant to Chapter 4 of the Acts of 1993, a sum of money for programs and projects that enhance the beautification, recreational resources, public safety, promotional and marketing activities, events, services and public improvements, or take any other action relative thereto.

**SELECT BOARD**

**ARTICLE 14: Amend Bylaw – Agricultural Commission.** To see if the Town will vote, consistent with the vote under Article 27 of the October 16, 2021 Fall Annual Town Meeting to adopt the provisions of G.L. c. 40, sec. 8L, to amend the Town’s General Bylaws, Section 63, Right to Farm, by 1) deleting in Ch. 63, Section 2, Definition, the language, “containing at least 5 acres”; 2) defining the composition, responsibilities and duties of the Agricultural Commission; and 3) replacing reference to the Agricultural Committee with reference to an Agricultural Commission, a copy of which amended Bylaw is on file in the office of the Town Clerk, or take any other action relative thereto.

**AGRICULTURAL COMMITTEE**

**ARTICLE 15:**  
**WITHDRAWN**  
**SELECT BOARD**

**ARTICLE 16A: Stephens Field Land Development Supplemental Appropriation (Amendment to Article 16B passed April 11, 2015).** To see if the Town will vote to amend the vote taken under Article 16B of the 2015 Spring Annual Meeting by increasing the amount appropriated thereunder by a sum of money to be used for the creation and/or restoration and rehabilitation of recreational land known as Stephens Field in accordance with the Stephens Field Modified Plan approved by the Stephens Field Planning and Design Committee dated January 22, 2022, as such plan may be revised by said Committee, said creation, restoration and rehabilitation to be undertaken by the Department of Public Works and Office of Marine and Environmental Affairs; and to appropriate from Community Preservation Fund Fiscal Year 2023 Revenues, transfer from Community Preservation available funds or borrow for such purposes, or to take any other action relative thereto.

**COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE**

**ARTICLE 16B: Jenny Pond Dredging.** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from Community Preservation Fund Fiscal Year 2023 Revenues, transfer from Community Preservation available funds or borrow a sum of money for dredging Jenny Pond to improve the water flow through Jenny Pond along Town Brook on the property located off Summer Street, Plymouth MA, pursuant to M.G.L. c.44B Section 12 and G.L. c.184 Sections 31-33 and further to authorize the Select Board to grant an open space restriction or take any other action relative thereto.

## **COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE**

**ARTICLE 16C: FY23 Annual Budget.** To see if the Town will vote to hear and act on the report of the Community Preservation Committee on the Fiscal Year 2023 Community Preservation Budget and to appropriate from the Community Preservation Fund Fiscal Year 2023 estimated annual revenues a sum of money to meet the administrative expenses and all other necessary and proper expenses of the Community Preservation Committee for Fiscal Year 2023, and to set aside sums for future appropriation for the following purposes as recommended by the Community Preservation Committee: a sum of money for the acquisition, creation, and preservation of land for open space, including restoration and rehabilitation of land for recreational use; a sum of money for acquisition, preservation, restoration and rehabilitation of historic resources; and a sum of money for the acquisition, creation, preservation and support of community housing, or take any other action relative thereto.

## **COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE**

**ARTICLE 17: Amend Zoning Bylaw § 203-3 Signs.** To see if the Town will vote to amend its Zoning Bylaws by repealing the existing Section 203-3, Signs, and replacing it with a new Section 203-3, Signs, which includes amended sections as follows:

- A. Intent;
- B. Definitions applicable to signs ;
- C. Prohibited Signs and Appurtenances including billboards, moving signs, non-municipal signs on public property, certain types of illumination and animated signs;
- D. General Regulations applicable to all signs, unless exempted, including the number, type, maximum area, size, location and lighting of allowed signs according to zoning district;
- E. Special Regulations applicable to filling stations, uses or activities above the first floor and iconographic signs;
- F. Pre-existing Signs;
- G. Special Permit for Master Planned Signage; and
- H. Maintenance;

or take any other action relative thereto. The full text of this amendment is on file at the Office of Planning and Development at Town Hall during normal business hours and is posted on the Town's website at [https://www.plymouth-ma.gov/sites/g/files/vyhlif3691/f/uploads/sign\\_bylaw\\_current\\_with\\_edits\\_v6.pdf](https://www.plymouth-ma.gov/sites/g/files/vyhlif3691/f/uploads/sign_bylaw_current_with_edits_v6.pdf)

## **PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT**

**ARTICLE 18: Planning & Permitting – Long Beach Pier.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds, or borrow a sum of money, for the payment of engineering and permitting costs for the rehabilitation and/or replacement and construction of a pier, seasonal gangway with support lift and associated float, located on the northwest side of Plymouth Long Beach to provide recreational opportunities for the public, including increased boat access and fishing access, or take any other action relative thereto.

**BY PETITION: William S. Abbott, et al**

**ARTICLE 19: Plympton Road ADA Compliant Sidewalks.** To see if the Town will vote to request funding and staff time from the Town of Plymouth to coordinate with the Massachusetts Department of Transportation for the design and construction of ADA compliant sidewalks along

Route 80 (Plympton Road) between Commerce Way and Kristin Road. We ask that the Town provide the estimated \$1,500,000 of needed funding to move this project towards completion or to take any other action relative thereto.

**BY PETITION: Judith A. Barber, et al**

**ARTICLE 20: Prohibit Fur Products.** To see if the Town will vote to...

Section 1. Purpose and findings. To protect the health and welfare of the inhabitants of this town, this bylaw will restrict trade in fur products. Fur farms are reservoirs and transmission vectors for dangerous zoonotic diseases, including SARS coronaviruses, that threaten public health, including in the Town of Plymouth. In addition, the fur production process is energy intensive and has a significant environmental impact, including air and water pollution, and animals that are slaughtered for their fur endure tremendous suffering. Eliminating the sale of fur products in the Town of Plymouth will decrease the demand for these cruel and environmentally harmful products and promote community health and wellbeing as well as animal welfare, and, in turn, will foster a more humane environment in the Town and enhance the reputation of the Town.

Section 2. Definitions. As used in this Chapter, the following terms shall have the meanings indicated: FUR: Any animal skin or part thereof with hair, fleece, or fur fibers attached thereto, either in its raw or processed state. FUR PRODUCT: Any article of clothing or covering for any part of the body, or any fashion accessory, including, but not limited to handbags, shoes, slippers, hats, earmuffs, scarves, shawls, gloves, jewelry, keychains, toys or trinkets, and home accessories and décor, that is made in whole or part of fur. "Fur product" does not include any of the following: A. An animal skin or part thereof that is to be converted into leather, or which in processing will have the hair, fleece, or fur fiber completely removed; B. Cowhide with the hair attached thereto; C. Lambskin or sheepskin with the fleece attached thereto; or D. The pelt or skin of any animal that is preserved through taxidermy or for the purpose of taxidermy.

NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION: Any corporation that is organized under 26 U.S.C. Section 501(c)(3) that is created for charitable, religious, philanthropic, educational, or similar purposes.

RETAIL TRANSACTION: Any transfer of title of a fur product for consideration, made in the ordinary course of the seller's business, to the purchaser for use other than resale or further processing or manufacturing. TAXIDERMY: The practice of preparing and preserving the skin of an animal that is deceased and stuffing and mounting it in lifelike form. ULTIMATE

CONSUMER: An individual who buys for their own use, or for the use of another, but not for resale or trade. USED FUR PRODUCT: A fur product that has been worn or used by an ultimate consumer.

Section 3. Prohibition. Notwithstanding any other provision of the bylaws, no person shall sell, offer for sale, display for sale, trade, or otherwise distribute for monetary or nonmonetary consideration a fur product in the Town of Plymouth.

Section 4. Exceptions. The prohibitions set forth in Section 3 of this Chapter do not apply to the sale, offer for sale, displaying for sale, trade, or distribution of: A. A used fur product by an individual (excluding a retail transaction), non-profit organization, or second-hand store, including a pawn shop; B. A fur product required for use in the practice of a religion; C. A fur product used for traditional tribal, cultural, or spiritual purposes by a member of a federally recognized or state recognized Native American tribe; or D. A fur product where the activity is

expressly authorized by federal or state law. Section 5. Penalty. Any person violating this bylaw shall be liable to the Town in the amount of \$300. Each fur product and every day upon which any such violation shall occur shall constitute a separate offense. Section 6. Effective date. This bylaw shall take effect

**BY PETITION: Lauren Nessralla, et al**



And you are hereby required to serve this warrant in the manner prescribed by vote of the Town by posting notice thereof fourteen (14) days at least before such meeting in the Town Hall, in the Town's Libraries and posted on the Town's website, and make return thereof with your doings thereon at the time and places above mentioned.

Given under our hands this \_\_\_\_ day of March 2022.

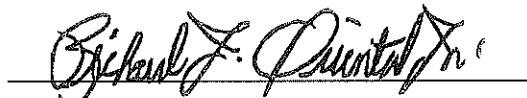
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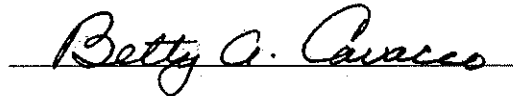
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Town Counsel



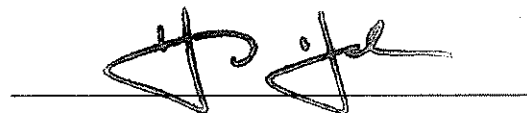
Richard Quintal, Chairman



Betty Cavacco, Vice Chairman



Patrick Flaherty



Harry Helm



Charlie Bletzer

Plymouth, ss.

Pursuant to the foregoing Warrant, I have this day notified and warned the Inhabitants of Plymouth qualified to vote in elections and Town affairs to meet virtually by remote participation on Saturday, the Second Day of April, 2022, at 8:00 AM to conduct the Annual Business Meeting of the Town of Plymouth, by posting copies of this Warrant in the Town Hall in the town's libraries and posted on the town's website seven days at least before such meeting.

Pearl M. Sears March 3, 2022

Signature

Date & Time

Town Clerk

Posted