

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
TOWN OF WEST BOYLSTON
SEMI-ANNUAL TOWN MEETING WARRANT

OCTOBER 15, 2018

Worcester ss.

To the Constables of the Town of West Boylston.

GREETINGS:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of West Boylston qualified to vote in elections and Town affairs, to meet in the Auditorium of the Middle/High School in said Town (at 125 Crescent Street) on Monday, October 15, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. in the evening, then and there to act on the following articles.

ARTICLE 1 - AUTHORIZATION TO HEAR THE REPORTS OF OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES OF THE TOWN

To see if the Town will vote to hear the reports of the officers and standing committees of the Town; or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 2 - AUTHORIZATION TO BAN ADULT USE MARIJUANA

To see if the Town will vote to amend the West Boylston General Bylaws by adding a new Article XL, "Marijuana Not Medically Prescribed", that would provide as follows, and further to amend the Table of Contents to add Articles XL, "Adult Use Marijuana":

Article XL – Adult Use Marijuana

Consistent with MGL Ch. 94G, Section 3 (a)(2), all types of adult use "Marijuana Establishments" as defined in MGL Ch. 94G, Section 1 and 935 CMR 500.02, including all Marijuana Cultivators, Craft Marijuana Cooperatives Independent Testing Laboratories, Marijuana Product Manufacturers, Marijuana Retailers, Marijuana Research Facilities, Marijuana Transporters or any other type of licensed adult use marijuana businesses, shall be prohibited within the Town of West Boylston.

Or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 3 – REGULATION OF SALE AND DISTRIBUTION OF ADULT USE MARIJUANA

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Town's Zoning Bylaw by deleting, Section 3.13 Temporary Moratorium on Adult Use Marijuana Establishments, and replacing it with a new Section 3.13 – “Adult Use Marijuana Establishments” for purposes of imposing reasonable time, place and manner restrictions on Adult Use Marijuana Establishments within the Town, and further, to amend the Table of Use Regulations to designate the zoning districts in which Adult Use Marijuana Establishment may locate, by special permit; or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 4 – ESTABLISH SALES TAX ON ADULT USE MARIJUANA RETAIL SALES

To see if the Town will vote to accept MGL Ch. 64N, Section 3 to impose an excise on the retail sales of marijuana for adult use at the rate of 3 percent (3%); or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 5 - AUTHORIZATION TO AMEND THE PERSONNEL BYLAW AND TO AMEND THE CLASSIFICATION AND COMPENSATION PLAN FOR FY2019

To see if the Town will vote to amend Section 5, Part AA, Classification and Compensation Plan, of the Personnel Bylaw to reflect necessary adjustments in grade assignments and related wages associated with the grade assignments for various positions per the recently completed updating of employee job descriptions and related grading of the positions; or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 6 –AUTHORIZATION TO MODIFY FISCAL YEAR 2019 APPROPRIATIONS AND OTHER NECESSARY ADJUSTMENTS TO THE FISCAL YEAR 2019 BUDGET

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds or from any unexpended balances of Fiscal Year 2019 appropriations hitherto made, to Fiscal Year 2019 appropriation accounts; or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 7 - APPROPRIATE COMMONWEALTH TRANSPORTATION INFRASTRUCTURE FUNDS

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$613.50, said amount being the funds received from the Commonwealth Transportation Infrastructure Fund, to be used for transportation-related projects by the Department of Public Works; or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 8 - APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR A GATEWAY SIGN

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money to construct and install a second gateway sign; or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 9 - VOTE TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR COMMUNITY PRESERVATION FUND PROJECTS

To see if the Town will vote that the following amount shall be appropriated from Community Preservation Fund Revenues, or transferred from prior year reserves for Community Preservation purposes:

	Project	Total Appropriation	Source of Appropriation
A	To Fund for Affordable Housing Purposes: A grant to pay for community housing services to assist with affordable senior and veteran housing needs. Submitted by the West Boylston Affordable Housing Trust; to be expended under the direction of the Town Administrator.	\$25,000	\$25,000 from the fund balance designated for affordable housing.

Or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 10 - APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR POLICE PHYSICAL FITNESS PROGRAM EQUIPMENT

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money to purchase exercise equipment for the police station to support the physical fitness requirements established under the new union contract; or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 11 – TRANSFER OF CEMETERY FUNDS

To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of Seven Thousand, Three Hundred Dollars and No Cents (\$7,300.00) from the Sale of Lots Account for necessary cemetery maintenance and improvements; or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 12 – APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR PARKS AND GROUNDS MAINTENANCE

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money to purchase additional fertilizer and pesticides for use at parks and other Town owned properties as appropriate; or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 13 – VOTE TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PURCHASES

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money to purchase or repair capital items, with each appropriation being treated as a separate item; or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 14 – AUTHORIZATION TO PAY BILLS FROM A PREVIOUS FISCAL YEAR

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money to pay bills from a previous fiscal year being held by the Town Accountant for which no encumbered funds are available; or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 15 – REACCEPT MGL TO ESTABLISH OPEB FUND

To see if the Town will vote to reaccept the provisions of Chapter 32B, Section 20 of the Massachusetts General Laws, as amended by Chapter 218, Section 15 of the Acts of 2016 (the “Act”), under which the Town has established an Other Post-Employment Benefits Liability Trust Fund (the “OPEB Fund”), for which the Treasurer serves as Custodian (“Custodian”); designate the Treasurer/Custodian as the Trustee of the OPEB Fund, with all the powers and responsibilities identified under the Act and this vote; authorize the Treasurer/Custodian, as Trustee, to employ investment consultant(s), as well as outside custodial service(s) to hold the monies in the Fund, and to pay for those services from the OPEB Fund; authorize the investment of the OPEB Fund under the prudent investor rule established under G.L. c.203C; and authorize the Treasurer/Custodian, as Trustee, to execute any and all documents necessary to utilize outside custodial service(s) and/or investment consultant(s), including but not limited to trust agreements, participation agreements, investment agreements, and administrative services agreements; and designate the Treasurer/Custodian as the “Plan Administrator”, as may be necessary to utilize outside custodial service(s) and authorize the Treasurer/Custodian acting as Plan Administrator to take any other actions permitted or required by law; or take any action relative thereto.


ARTICLE 16 – CITIZEN PETITION: APPROVE RAINBOW CROSSWALKS AT SCHOOLS AND PRIDE PARK

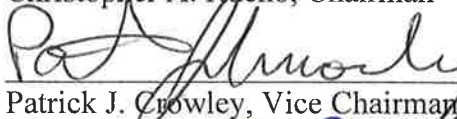
To see if the Town will vote to paint rainbow crosswalks, as a sign of inclusion, near the schools and Pride Park through the use of raised funds which will be donated to the Town for this purpose.

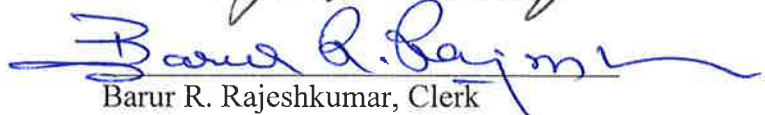
And you are directed to serve this Warrant by posting an attested copy thereof at the place of said meeting as aforesaid and at the Post Office in said Town seven (7) days at least before the time of said meeting.

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

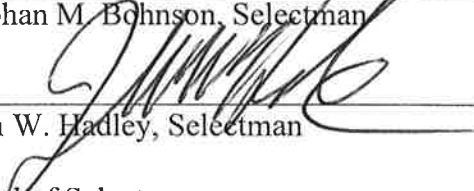
Given under our hands this 26th day of September in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Eighteen.


Christopher A. Rucho, Chairman


Patrick J. Crowley, Vice Chairman



Barur R. Rajeshkumar, Clerk


Siobhan M. Bohannon, Selectman


John W. Hadley, Selectman

Board of Selectmen
Town of West Boylston

A true copy attest:


Elaine S. Novia, Town Clerk

Honorable Board of Selectmen:

I have served this Warrant by posting duly attested copies thereof at the following places:

Municipal Office Building 1:57 PM
West Boylston Middle/High School 1:42 PM
West Boylston Post Office 1:17 PM

Pruneau's Barber Shop 1:24 PM
Municipal Lighting Plant 1:38 PM
Beaman Memorial Library 1:32 PM


Constable

9/28/18
Date

Any resident seeking assistance in participating at town meeting due to any disability is encouraged to contact the Town Clerk's Office at 774.261.4020 in advance of town meeting.