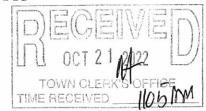


# WARRANT FOR SPECIAL TOWN MEETING TOWN OF WARE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

HAMPSHIRE, ss

To any of the Constables of the Town of Ware, in said County,



## **GREETINGS:**

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby required to notify and warn all of the inhabitants of the Town of Ware, Precincts A, B and C qualified to vote on Town affairs to meet at the Ware High School Auditorium, 237 West Street Ware, on Monday November 14, 2022, at six thirty (6:30 PM) o'clock in the evening, then and there to act on the following articles:

- **ARTICLE 1.** To see if the town will vote to appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money to pay unpaid bills from prior fiscal years, and to determine the manner of meeting said appropriation, whether by taxation, transfer of available funds, borrowing or any other means or any combination thereof, or take any other action relative thereto.
- ARTICLE 2: To see if the Town will vote to amend or adjust any of the line items of the Fiscal Year 2023 Town Budget, including debt and interest, and to determine what sums of money the Town will appropriate for any such adjustments or amendments and to determine the manner of meeting said appropriation, whether by transfer from available funds, transfer from other items or appropriations, borrowing, or any other means or combination thereof, or take any other action relative thereto.
- Article 3.

To see if the Town will vote to pursuant to MGL Chapter 41, Section 110A, that the Office of the Town Clerk may remain closed on any or all Saturdays, and where the last day for performance of any act in any such office falls on a Saturday when said office is closed, the act may be performed on the next succeeding business day, or take any action relative thereto, or take any other action relative thereto

Article 4.

To see if the Town will vote to create the Rural Residential Business (RRB) Overlay District, as indicated on the map presented during the Planning Board Public Hearing, and to amend sections 3.4 (Overlay Districts) and 4.9 (Overlay District Regulations) of the Zoning Bylaws.

Article 5.

To see if the Town will vote to alter the district boundary of the Residential Business (RB) Zoning District at 256 West Street (a property

currently split into two separate zoning districts) as indicated on the map shown at the Planning Board Public Hearing.

Article 6

To see if the Town will vote to include language in the Zoning Bylaw prohibiting the use of Contaminated Sediments and Soil as Fill Material (otherwise known as Urban Fill), and amending sections 2.2 (Definitions), 4.7 (Prohibited Uses), and 4.9.2 (Aquifer Protection) of the Zoning Bylaws.

Article 7.

To see if the Town will vote to approve the Scenic Road General Bylaw, to designate the list of roads in Appendix A as "Scenic Roads", and to accept the Scenic Road Map in Appendix B.

Article 8

To see if the Town will vote to change the position of Tree Warden to an appointed position, pursuant to MGL Chapter 41, Section 106, and further, to authorize the Selectboard to provide for the appointment of such office for a term not to exceed three years, unless otherwise provided by law, or take any other action related thereto.

Article 9

To see if the Town will vote to: (a) raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds, and/or borrow the sum of \$120,000.00, and authorize the Treasurer with the approval of the Selectboard to borrow said sum under the provisions to G.L. Chapter 44, Sections 7, 8, 8C and/or any other enabling authority, for the purpose of planning, designing, improving, renovating and/or equipping, including, but not limited to, irrigation, a reconstructed basketball court with lights and furniture, at the park known as Memorial Field, at 31 Monroe Street, containing a total of \_\_\_\_\_ acres of land, more or less, and identified on Assessors Map \_\_\_\_ as Lots \_, including, without limitation all costs incidental or related thereto; (b) transfer the care, custody and control of the Memorial Park to the Ware Parks Commission for, and to dedicate said Park to park and active recreation purposes under the provisions of G.L. Chapter 45, Section 3; and (c) authorize the Board of Selectmen and/or its designee to apply for and accept on behalf of the Town funds granted under the PARC Grant Program and/or any other funds, gifts, grants, under any federal and/or other state program in any way connected with the scope of this this article, and enter into all agreements and execute any and all instruments as may be necessary or convenient to effectuate the foregoing project, or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 10

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, borrow or transfer from available funds the sum of \$200,000 or some such sum for the purpose of funding a lead service line inventory and development of a

replacement plan, including all costs incidental or related thereto, and further, to authorize the Selectboard and Town officers to take all related actions necessary or appropriate to carry out the purpose of this article, including the execution of contracts in excess of three years to undertake or assist with the inventory and plan, and the submission, on behalf of the Town, of any and all applications deemed necessary for grants and/or reimbursements from any state or federal programs and to receive and accept such grants or reimbursements for this purpose, or take any other action relative thereto.

### Article 11

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$175,000 for the Ware Wastewater Asset Management Project which was submitted to be on the Massachusetts 2023 Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Asset Management Planning Project List. If awarded the grant by MassDEP, the total project cost of \$175,000 is comprised of a \$105,000 grant (60% of the total project cost) which the Town will be reimbursed for in two payments of approximately \$52,500 each at approximately the 50% and 100% project completion stage by MassDEP and the Massachusetts Clean Water Trust. The balance of the project will be comprised of in-kind services provided by Town valued at \$35,000 and a cash contribution valued at \$35,000; and to authorize the Selectboard and Town officers to take all related actions necessary or appropriate to carry out the purpose of this article, including the execution of contracts in excess of three years to undertake or assist with said assessment, and the submission, on behalf of the Town, of any and all applications deemed necessary for grants and/or reimbursements from any state or federal programs and to receive and accept such grants or reimbursements for this purpose or take any action thereon.

#### Article 12

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectboard to acquire, by purchase, gift or eminent domain, a fee simple interest in property located at 73 and 75 Main Street, being Assessor's Map 61, Lots 314, 315, 316 and 323, containing \_\_\_\_\_ acres, more or less, for general municipal purposes, including public safety use and municipal offices, and further to raise and appropriate, borrow, or transfer from available funds, a sum of money for the purpose of funding said acquisition and costs incidental or related thereto, and to meet this appropriation, to authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectboard, to borrow a sum of money under G.L. Chapter 44, Sections 7 or 8, and/or any other enabling authority and to issue bonds or notes of the Town therefor; and to authorize the Selectboard to enter into all agreements and execute any and all instruments on behalf of the Town as may be necessary or appropriate to effectuate said acquisition, or take any other action in relation thereto.

### Article 13

To see if the Town will vote to establish the Opioid Settlement Stabilization Account in accordance with M.G.L. Chapter 40, Section 5B, said Stabilization Fund is being established for the purpose of future expenditures related to opioid recovery, or take any other action relative thereto.

### Article 14

To see if the Town will vote to purchase a 10-wheel dump truck for the Department of Public Works, and further to raise and appropriate, borrow, or transfer from available funds, a sum of money for the purpose of funding said acquisition and costs incidental or related thereto, , or take any other action relative thereto.

And you are directed to serve up this Warrant by posting attested copies thereof at the Town Hall, at the Post Office calling the same at least fourteen (14) days before the time of said meeting and also by publishing a copy of the warrant on the Town of Ware website at least seven days before said meeting and make due return of this Warrant with doings thereon, to the Town Clerk of Ware on or before the time of said meeting.

Given under our hand at Ware this 18th day of October, 2022.

SELECTBOARD OF WARE  John J. Morrin  Caitlin M. McCarthy	Keith J. Kruckas Joshua A. Kusnierz
Caitlin M. McCarthy Thomas H. Barnes	Joshua A Kusnierz

HAMPSHIRE ss.

By virtue of this Warrant I have posted two attested copies; one at the Post Office, and one at the Town Hall. I have also caused to be posted one attested copy on the Ware website.

Signed this Javy Day of October, 2022.

Constable of Ware