

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

Wednesday, September 14, 2022

Time: 7:00 PM

Location: 1 Care Drive, Erving, MA 01344

Please bring this copy with you to the Special Town Meeting.

Anyone who requires an auxiliary aid or service for effective communication, or a modification of policies or procedures to participate in a program, service, or activity of the Town of Erving, should contact the office of the Select Board as soon as possible but no later than 48 hours before the scheduled event. The office of the Select Board is located at 12 East Main Street, Erving, MA 01344. Email: administrator@erving-ma.gov | Phone: (413) 422-2800



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SPECIAL TOWN MEETING WARRANT

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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Franklin, ss.

Town of Erving Constables, Town Clerk, and Administrative Assistant: In the name of the Commonwealth, you are directed to notify and warn the said inhabitants qualified to vote in Town affairs to meet on the grounds of the Erving Senior & Community Center located at 1 Care Drive, Erving, Massachusetts 01344 on

Wednesday, September 14, 2022 at 7:00 PM

Qualified inhabitants will meet then and there to vote on the following articles in the Warrant:

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE OF A PRIOR YEAR: FY2022

ARTICLE 1: APPROPRIATION FOR FY2022 EXPENSES

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Seven Thousand One Hundred Seventy-three Dollars and Thirty-nine Cents (\$7,173.39) for the purpose of paying Fiscal Year 2022 invoices from the identified line items, as listed below, or take any other action relative thereto.

| Line | Department/ Agency | Vendor | Amount |
|------|---------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------|
| 1 | Benefits | New Salem/Wendell School District | \$2,094.91 |
| 2 | Wastewater | Cintas Corp | \$263.29 |
| 3 | Treasurer | Jennifer Eichorn | \$38.03 |
| 4 | Library | Eversource | \$3,868.08 |
| 5 | Town Buildings | Eversource | 28.25 |
| 6 | Solid Waste | Franklin County Solid Waste | \$880.83 |
| | | Grand Total | \$7,173.39 |

SUBMITTED BY: Town Administrator

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS: Approval [Vote: Aye (4), Nay (0), Absent (1)]

Article Information: In the above listed instances, invoices were identified and/or received after the start of Fiscal Year 2023 and after the books for FY2022 were closed. Approval of this article will authorize the Town to pay the above referenced vendors in the amounts indicated. Approval for expenditures in a previous fiscal year requires a 9/10 approval at Special Town Meeting per MGL Chapter 44 Section 64.

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

ARTICLE 2: TO APPROPRIATE FOR PUBLIC WORKS WHEEL LOADER

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of Sixty Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$60,000.00) for the purchase and/or lease of a wheel loader with accessories, and related expenses, by transferring Twenty Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$20,000.00) from the Hwy Ford F550 Truck Special Article and by transferring Forty Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$40,000.00) from the Capital Stabilization Fund, or take any other action relative thereto

| Line | Account # | Description | Amount |
|------|-----------|---------------------------|-------------|
| 1 | TBD | Public Works Wheel Loader | \$60,000.00 |

SUBMITTED BY: Select Board

CAPITAL PLANNING COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS: Approval [Aye (5), Nay (0)] FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS: Approval [Aye (4), Nay (0), Absent (1)]

Article Information: Approval of this article would authorize the procurement of a new wheel loader. The Town's current wheel loader is 16 years old and there is significant deterioration of the rollover protection system which is a safety concern. The Capital Planning Committee has reviewed options to repair the current loader versus leasing with the option to buy a new wheel loader and has recommended that the Town consider leasing a new wheel loader for a term of four (4) years with the option to buy after year 4 for one dollar. The Select Board and the Finance Committee have reviewed the recommendation and concur. Approval of this article requires a 2/3 vote.

ARTICLE 3: TO APPROPRIATE FOR ELEMENTARY SCHOOL WALK-IN FREEZER/REFRIGERATOR

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of Twenty-two Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$22,000.00) by transferring from the Capital Stabilization Fund into Special Article Fund 01-301-914-57800 Walk-in Freezer / Refrigerator Upgrade or Replace, or take any other action relative thereto.

SUBMITTED BY: School Committee CAPITAL PLANNING COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS: Approval [Aye (5), Nay (0)] FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS: Approval [Aye (4), Nay (0), Absent (1)]

Article Information: Approval of this article would appropriate an additional \$20,000 to the Elementary School walk-in freezer / refrigerator replacement project. \$45,000 had been previously appropriated by the voters. With the current bidding environment, the lowest responsive bid was \$66,810.00. Approval of this article requires a 2/3 vote.

FY2023 APPROPRIATION FOR FRANKLIN COUNTY TECHNICAL SCHOOL

ARTICLE 4: AMEND FY 2023 FRANKLIN COUNTY TECHNICAL SCHOOL FUNDING To see if the Town will vote to amend Article 9 of the Annual Town Meeting Warrant, held on May 11, 2022, that raised and appropriated the sum of Five Hundred Thirty Thousand, Eight Hundred Seventy-five Dollars and No Cents (\$530,875.00) for secondary education and expenses at the Franklin County Technical School for fiscal year 2023 by changing the beginning date to July 1, 2022, or take any other action relative thereto.

SUBMITTED BY: Select Board FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS: Approval [Aye (4), Nay (0), Absent (1)]

Article Information: Approval of this article amends article 9 of the Annual Town Meeting warrant for the Meeting held on May 11, 2022, that funds Erving's assessment to the Technical School and establishes the salary for Erving's representative to the Technical School Committee. Article 9 had included a clerical error that gave a beginning date of "July 1, 2023" and this article will change that date to "July 1, 2022." Approval of this article requires a majority vote.

MULTI-YEAR CONTRACT AUTHORIZATIONS

ARTICLE 5: AUTHORIZATION TO SIGN Four YEAR CONTRACT FOR WHEEL LOADER

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Select Board to enter into a four (4) year contract, with a qualified vendor for the lease and/or purchase of a wheel loader equipment for the Town, subject to the Select Board's determination that the contract is in the best interests of the Town and subject annually to Town Meeting approval for funding for these services, or take any other action relative thereto.

SUBMITTED BY: Select Board CAPITAL PLANNING COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS: Approval [Aye (5), Nay (0)] FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS: Approval [Aye (4), Nay (0), Absent (1)]

Article Information: Approval of this article would authorize the Select Board to sign a four (4) year contract with a vendor to lease and/or purchase a wheel loader to be used in the public works departments. Approval of this article requires a majority vote.

In addition, you are hereby directed to serve the above warrant and to post attested copies as directed by vote of the Town at least fourteen (14) days before said meeting. Fail not and make do return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk for the day of said meeting.

Given under our hands this 29th day of August 2022,

Scott Bastarache

Jacob A. Smith, Chairman

Erving Select Board

William A. Bembury

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POSTING REQUIREMENT CERTIFICATION

FRANKLIN SS TOWN OF ERVING

I have served the above warrant by posting up attested copies, as directed by vote of the Town, at least fourteen (14) days before time of holding said meeting.

8/31/2022 Date

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Erving Constable