

ANNUAL REPORT & RECOMMENDATIONS

of the

FINANCE COMMITTEE

TOWN OF RAYNHAM

to the

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING
Monday, May 16, 2022 - 7:00 P.M.
at the RAYNHAM MIDDLE SCHOOL

WITH A

INFORMATIONAL PRE-TOWN MEETING
TUESDAY, MAY 10, 2022 – 7:00 P.M.
AT THE RAYNHAM TOWN HALL

FINANCE COMMITTEE

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BRING THIS REPORT WITH YOU TO TOWN MEETING



To All Residents of Raynham:

The attached warrant has been prepared by the combined efforts of the Department Managers, Board of Selectmen, Town Administrator, Town Finance Director, and the Finance Committee.

Department managers were asked to hold the increase for Expenses over the prior year to less than 2.0%, plus negotiated Personnel Expenses (wage and salary increases). Once again, our managers did well in complying with the request. We on the Finance Committee appreciate the efforts of everyone involved and thank all contributors for their dedication to the Taxpayers of Raynham.

The Finance Committee recommends a Total Fiscal Year 2023 General Fund Budget of \$45.5 million, up approximately 3.04% over the prior year. As of this date, the projected revenues meet the recommended expenditures (see the last page for detail).

It is the expectation of the Finance Committee that the expenditures related to Fiscal Year 2023 wage and salary increases now under negotiation will be funded from the budget surplus. We are of the opinion that the voters at the Fall Special Town Meeting will be able to fund the Capital requirements from Fiscal Year 2022 Certified Free Cash and other funding sources.

The budget format is unchanged from the prior years, which complies with the Department of Revenue's recommended Chart of Accounts. The two-line format of Personnel Expenses and Expenses for each department provides our managers greater flexibility in expenditures and allows enhanced analysis of actual and budgeted amounts.

The Fall Town Meeting will be held in late October to consider capital articles, and any adjustments required after the Annual Town Meeting.

Town of Raynham

Finance Committee

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

TOWN OF RAYNHAM

THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

May 16, 2022

BRISTOL, ss

To either of the Constables of the Town of Raynham, in the County of Bristol, **GREETING.**

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 **RAYNHAM MIDDLE SCHOOL** in said Raynham, on Monday, the 16th day of May, Two Thousand and Twenty-Two at **7:00 o'clock** in the evening, then and there to act on the following Articles:

ARTICLE 1. To choose by nomination all minor Town Officers-fence viewers and field drivers, surveyor of lumber and measurer of wood; or take any action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 2. To see if the Town will vote to accept the report of the Town Officers; or take any action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 3. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray Town charges and make appropriations for same; or take any action relative thereto. **RECOMMENDED**

ARTICLE 4. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to sign contracts on behalf of the Town of Raynham upon such terms and conditions as they deem appropriate for any matter which requires a signed contract by the Board of Selectmen; or take any action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Board of Selectmen)

ARTICLE 5. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to accept and enter contracts for the expenditure of any funds allotted or to be allotted by the Commonwealth and/or County for construction, reconstruction, and improvements of the Town infrastructure, and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to borrow in anticipation of reimbursements of funds; or take any action relative thereto. **RECOMMENDED**

(Submitted by the Board of Selectmen)

ARTICLE 6. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer the sum of \$400 for quarters for the American Legion, Post #405; or take any action relative thereto. **RECOMMENDED**

(Submitted by the Board of Selectmen)

ARTICLE 7. To see is the Town will vote to adopt and have the Raynham Planning Board enact the recommendations of the Raynham Master Plan as presented and assembled by the Master Plan Committee with the assistance of SRPEDD; or take any action thereto.

(Submitted by the Building Commissioner)

ARTICLE 8. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer-Collector, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue for the financial year beginning July 1, 2022, in accordance with the provisions of the Gen. Law, Chap. 44, Sec. 4, and to issue note(s) therefore, payable within one year, and to renew any note (s) as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with Gen. Law, Chap. 44, Sec. 17; or take any action relative thereto. **RECOMMENDED**

(Submitted by the Treasurer-Collector)

ARTICLE 9. To see if the Town will vote pursuant to M.G.L Chapter 44, Section 53E 1/2 (Revolving Fund Law) to establish a revolving fund for the purpose of operating “a before and after school day care program” through the Parks and Recreation Department; or take any action relative thereto. (This operation is currently setup under M.G.L Ch. 44, Section 53E - Offset Receipts.)

RECOMMENDED

(Submitted by the Finance Director)

ARTICLE 10. To see if the Town will vote to authorize revolving fund spending limits for use by the following accounts of town departments, boards, committees, agencies, or officers under Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 44, § 53E½; or take any other action relative thereto.

RECOMMENDED

(Submitted by the Finance Director)

Fire Hazardous Material:	\$100,000
Fire Alarm:	\$60,000
Council on Aging Activities:	\$20,000
Parks and Recreation, After School Program	\$300,000

Note: This Article is required to be voted on per M.G.L Ch. 44, § 53E½

ARTICLE 11. To see if the Town will vote to authorize an offset receipts account under MGL, Ch. 44, sec. 53E to fund the operation of the Before and After School Day Care, run by the Parks and Recreation Department, and to authorize expenditures of \$403,570.88 for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2022, as follows:

RECOMMENDED

Salaries/Wages	274,320.88
Expenses	129,250
Total	\$403,570.88

The offset receipts account is to be credited with all fees and charges received during FY 23 from persons using these services; or take any action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Park & Recreation Department)

ARTICLE 12. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from Receipts Reserved for Appropriation account number 220-650 Borden Colony in the amount of \$28,250 to the General Fund to offset the associated Borden Colony expenditures of the general operating budget, any unused funds at the end of Fiscal Year 2023 to be returned to the Borden Colony Receipts Reserved for Appropriation Account; or take any action relative thereto.

RECOMMENDED

(Submitted by the Park & Recreation Commission)

ARTICLE 13. To see if the Town will vote to exempt from the provisions of proposition two and one-half, so-called, the amounts required to pay for the Town’s allocable share of the bond issued by the Bristol-Plymouth Regional Vocational Technical School District for the purpose of paying costs of designing, engineering, constructing and equipping a new District High School to be located at 207 Hart Street in Taunton, Massachusetts, including the payment of all costs incidental; or take any action relative thereto.

RECOMMENDED

(Submitted by the Board of Selectmen)

ARTICLE 14. To see if the Town will vote to reappropriate \$20,000 as previously approved by the Town under Article 2 of the Special Town Meeting October 21, 2019, and \$40,000 as previously approved by the Town under Article 34 of the Special Town Meeting November 19, 2018, for a total reappropriation of \$60,000 to be used for the repair of the interior or exterior of the Council on Aging building; or take any action relative thereto.

RECOMMENDED

(Submitted by the Council on Aging)

ARTICLE 15. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$100,000 for the repair and renovation of the interior or exterior of the Senior Center building; or take any action relative thereto. **NOT RECOMMENDED**

(Submitted by the Council on Aging)

ARTICLE 16. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$2,972,610 to be raised from sewer enterprise revenues, for the operation and maintenance of the Sewer Department, as categorized below; or take any action relative thereto: **RECOMMENDED**

(Submitted by the Sewer Commission)

Note: The Finance Committee recommends that the following sums be appropriated to operate the sewer enterprise:

Salaries and Wages	666,513
Expenses	1,948,600
Health Insurance	138,780
Retirement	113,925
Indirect Costs	104,792
Total	\$ 2,972,610

ARTICLE 17. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$489,022 from the Betterment Reserve Fund for the purpose of paying Sewer Construction Debt; or take any action relative thereto. **RECOMMENDED**

(Submitted by the Sewer Commission)

Note: \$ 1,467,066 is already appropriated in the General Fund from the tax levy for Sewer Construction Dept.

ARTICLE 18. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$60,000 for the Sewer Betterment Fund; or take any action relative thereto. **RECOMMENDED**

(Submitted by the Sewer Commission)

ARTICLE 19. To see if the Town will vote to allow the Sewer Department to set up a Stabilization Account for Sewer Department Capital Expenses or take any action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Sewer Commission)

RECOMMENDED

ARTICLE 20. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from Bond Premiums the sum of \$9,475 for payment of FY 23 Debt Service as described below; or take any action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Finance Director)

RECOMMENDED

General Fund	75%	\$7,106
Sewer Fund	25%	\$2,369

Note: These are funds amortized over the life of the \$9M Phase 6 sewer borrowing to be used to offset the excluded portion of this debt exclusion and benefit the Taxpayer. The amount amortized is \$187,286. Current balance is \$58,047.46.

ARTICLE 21. To see if the Town will vote to transfer \$456,602 as detailed below from the ambulance receipts account to operate the ambulance service through Fiscal Year 2023; any unused funds at the end of FY 2023 to be returned to the ambulance receipts account; or take any action relative thereto.

RECOMMENDED

(Submitted by the Fire Department)

Personnel Expenses	\$291,004
Expenses	\$165,598
Total	\$456,602

ARTICLE 22. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$724,676 for the purpose of paying the debt service on the outstanding bonds and notes for the renovation projects for LaLiberte Elementary School and the Merrill School and for the regional High School; or take any action relative thereto.

RECOMMENDED

(Submitted by the Board of Selectmen)

ARTICLE 23. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$37,000 to carry out state mandated Re-certification/Interim Adjustments of all real and personal property valuations, and Maintenance Services for Fiscal Year 2024. This will be year three of a three-year contract; or take any action relative thereto.

RECOMMENDED

(Submitted by the Board of Assessors)

ARTICLE 24. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$258,000** for the purpose of purchasing capital items, and for repair and renovation projects at the Merrill Elementary School, LaLiberte Elementary School, and the Raynham Middle School; or take any action relative thereto.

RECOMMENDED

\$128,000 (Raynham Middle School – Replace Chiller)

\$130,000 (Raynham Middle School – Replace Boiler #5 and #6)

\$258,000

(Submitted by the Bridgewater-Raynham Regional School District)

NOTE: The Following warrant articles pertain to adopting the renumbering of the General Bylaws and revisions:

ARTICLE 25. To see if the Town will vote to renumber and recaption the General Bylaws of the Town by (a) assigning a chapter/article number to each of the General Bylaws; (b) renumbering each section of each bylaw accordingly; (c) inserting chapter, article, section and subsection titles; and (d) updating internal references to reflect the new numbering system, all as set forth in the Final Draft of the Code of the Town of Raynham, dated August 2021, on file with the Town Clerk; or take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Board of Selectmen)

ARTICLE 26. To see if the Town will vote to adopt the following changes to the General Bylaws as set forth in the Final Draft of the Code of the Town of Raynham, on file with the Town Clerk, by deleting the language that is ~~struck through~~ and adding the language that is underlined; or take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Board of Selectmen)

General Revisions:

References to the Massachusetts General Laws are standardized to the following format: MGL c. __, § ____.

Throughout the General Bylaws, the term "Chairman" is amended to read "Chair"; references to the Building Inspector are amended to read "Building Commissioner"; and references to the Town Treasurer and Town Collector are amended to read "Treasurer/Collector."

The following bylaws are repealed: Section 1/1.2, Building Code Board of Appeals, of the current bylaw compilation; Section 2/39, Outdoor Swimming Pool Fence Required, of the current bylaw compilation, adopted 5-18-2009 ATM by Art. 17; and the Sewer Use Bylaw adopted 5-19-1976 ATM by Art. 58.

Specific Revisions:

Ch. 1. Boards, Commissions and Committees.

Section 10-1 is amended to read as follows: "The Selectmen's office shall maintain a current list of elected and appointed boards, committees, commissions, and councils, which shall be reviewed on an annual basis at the first meeting of the Board of Selectmen after a municipal election."

Section 10-3A and C are amended to change "Capital Improvement Planning Committee" to "Capital Planning Committee."

Section 10-4E is amended as indicated: "The TIFB shall thereupon review the status of each certified project to determine compliance with the terms and conditions included in each executed agreement and submit its annual report to the Town Planner, ~~TIFB~~ and EACC no later than July 31 of each calendar year."

Section 10-5A is amended to change "Commission on Aging established under Chapter 6, Section 73, of the General Laws" to "Department of Elder Affairs established under MGL c. 19A."

Section 10-5B is amended to change "concurrent terms" to "consecutive terms."

Section 10-5E is amended to change "Commission on Aging" to "Department of Elder Affairs."

Section 10-5G is added to read as follows:

The names, addresses, telephone numbers, or other identifying information about elderly persons in the possession of the Council shall not be public records, but the use of these records shall comply with MGL c. 19A, §§ 14 to 24, inclusive, as a condition of receiving a government contract, program grant or other benefit, or as otherwise required by law.

Section 10-10 is amended to change "officers, boards and committees" to "boards, commissions and committees" and to change "board or committee" to "board, commission or committee."

Ch. 37. Elections.

Section 37-5 is amended as indicated:

If not reelected in the recall election, he shall be deemed removed upon the qualifications of his successor, who shall hold office during the unexpired term. If the successor fails to qualify within five days after receiving notification of his election, the incumbent shall thereupon be deemed removed and the office vacant.

Ch. 84. Officers and Employees.

Section 84-1B is amended to delete "MGL c. 40, § 5(16A)" from Subsection B (3); to change "Animal Officer" to "Animal Control Officer" in Subsection B(7); and to delete the following: "State Aid and Burial Agent. MGL c. 114, § 10," "Civil Defense Director Special law. MGL c. 31, § 13" and "Gas Appliances Inspector."

Section 84-3B is amended to delete the reference to MGL c. 41, § 48.

Section 84-6A is amended to read as follows:

At the Town election of 1976 and thereafter, the Town Clerk shall be elected for a term of three years. In the event of a vacancy, the Selectmen shall appoint a temporary Town Clerk to fill the vacancy until the next Town election, at which time a successor will be elected to fill the remainder of the unexpired term, subject to the provisions contained in MGL c. 41, §§ 19D and 19E.

Section 84-7A is amended to read as follows:

The Board of Selectmen shall appoint a Town Treasurer/Town Collector to a term up to three years on or about July 1 of an expiring term. The Town Treasurer/Town Collector shall perform all of the duties of the Town Treasurer as per Subsections B, C and D of this section and any applicable Massachusetts General Laws. The Collector of Taxes shall collect, under the title of Treasurer/Collector, all accounts due the Town, and in such capacity the Treasurer/Collector shall, in the collection of such accounts, have all the remedies provided by MGL c. 60, §§ 35, 36 and 93, for the collection of taxes on personal estate; provided, however, that said duties of the Treasurer/Collector shall not apply to the collection of interest on investments of sinking or trust funds and that all bills for accounts due the Town shall state that all checks, drafts or money orders shall be made payable to or to the order of the Town and to or to the order of any office, board or commission.

Section 84-8 is amended to change "Department of Agriculture" to "Department of Agricultural Resources."

Ch. 98. Reports.

Section 98-1 is amended to change "on or before the 15th day of January" to "on a date set by the Town Clerk."

Ch. 145. Alarm Systems.

Section 145-1 is amended as indicated in the first sentence: "It is determined that the number of false alarms being made to the Police Department hinders the efficiency ~~and promoted safety problems to the Department of the Department and lowers the morale of Department personnel.~~"

Section 145-4A is amended to change \$25 to \$100 and to change "false alarm service fee" to "false alarm fine."

Section 145-4C is amended to read as follows: "Failure to comply with § 145-3A, B, C, D or F shall constitute violations of this bylaw punishable by fines of up to \$100."

Ch. 148. Alcoholic Beverages.

Section 148-1 is amended as indicated:

No person shall drink alcoholic beverages as defined in MGL c. 138, § 1, while on, in or upon any public way, or upon any way to which the public has a right of access, or any place to which the public has access as invitees[,] or licensees, or any park or playground, or private land or place without the consent of the owner or person in control thereof.

Section 148-2B is amended as indicated: "Whoever is found guilty of violating the provisions of this bylaw shall be liable to a fine of not more than ~~\$50~~ \$150 for each violation."

Ch. 153, Animals.

Section 153-1F is amended to revise the last sentence to read as follows: "No fee shall be charged for a license for a service animal as defined by the Americans with Disabilities Act or regulations promulgated thereunder."

Section 153-4E and F are amended to delete "Animal Health Inspector."

Section 153-8A is amended to add the following sentence to the end of the subsection: "This subsection shall not apply to a disabled person who is using a service animal and who is physically unable to comply with the requirements of this subsection."

Section 153-9B is amended to read as follows:

A person who violates this section shall, for a first offense, be issued a written warning or punished by a fine of not more than \$50, for a second offense, be punished by a fine of not more than \$200, and for a third or subsequent offense, be punished by a fine of not more than \$300 and be subject to impoundment of the dog in a local shelter at the owner's, keeper's or guardian's expense pending compliance with this section, or loss of ownership of the dog.

Sections 153-12B and 153-13 are amended to change "Division of Law Enforcement" to "Massachusetts Environmental Police."

Ch. 165. Building Construction.

Section 165-1 is amended to delete Subsection B, Regulations, and Subsection F, Board of Appeals.

Section 165-2A is amended as indicated: "The Board of Selectmen annually in ~~March~~ May shall appoint a Building Inspector to hold office for the term of one year from the first of ~~April~~ July following and until his successor is appointed and qualified."

Section 165-2E is amended to change \$20 to \$200.

Section 165-2H is amended to read as follows: "Any person appointed Building Commissioner shall meet the requirements of MGL c. 143, § 3."

Section 165-3 is amended to change "Highway Surveyor" to "Highway Superintendent."

Section 165-4 is amended to read as follows: "The Town shall follow and enforce the most current State Building Code."

Ch. 169. Buildings and Structures, Numbering of.

Section 169-3K is amended to read as follows: "With the assignment of a number derived from the aforementioned system, all existing numbers, posted or otherwise valid, become invalid, and the assigned number shall become the only recognized building number."

Section 169-3L is amended as indicated:

The owner is responsible for notification of all agencies which will use the assigned number and shall affix to the building in a prominent spot the assigned number in numerals not less than ~~two inches in height and made of durable material~~ what is required as specified under MGL c. 148, § 59.

Section 169-4A is amended to change \$10 to \$100.

Ch. 174. Carbon Monoxide Detectors.

Section 174-1 is amended to read as follows:

The Town of Raynham requires that every dwelling, building or structure, occupied in whole or in part for residential purposes, shall, upon sale or transfer of such dwelling, building or structure, be inspected by the head of the Fire Department for compliance with the requirements of MGL c. 148, §§ 26F and 26F 1/2.

Section 174-2 is added to read as follows: "Failure to provide carbon monoxide detectors as required by this bylaw will result in a fine of up to \$100."

Ch. 197. Hazardous Materials.

Section 197-3A is amended to change "not more than \$20" to "not more than \$200."

Ch. 209. Junk and Secondhand Dealers.

Section 209-1 is amended to add the following sentence to the end thereof: "The license fee shall be established/updated by the Board of Selectmen from time to time."

Section 209-3A is amended to change "At the time every purchase" to "At the time of purchase" at the beginning of the second sentence thereof.

Section 209-3D is amended to add the following sentence to the end thereof: "In addition to revocation of the license, violation of this bylaw shall be subject to a fine of \$20."

Section 209-4 is amended to change "Department" to "Police Department."

Ch. 218. Licenses and Permits.

Section 218-5 is amended to delete "bicycle permits, MGL c. 85, § 11A" following "open burning, MGL c. 48, § 13."

Ch. 224. Marijuana.

Section 224-10 is amended to change "MGL c. 94G, § 1(j)" to "MGL c. 94G, § 1."

Ch. 230. Mobile Homes and Mobile Home Parks.

Throughout Chapter 230 the terms "trailer" and "house trailer" are amended to read "mobile home."

Section 230-2 is amended to read as follows:

In this bylaw, the following terms, unless a contrary meaning is required by the context or is specifically prescribed, shall have the following meanings:

MOBILE HOME— A structure, transportable in one or more sections, which is eight body feet or more in width and is 40 body feet or more in length, and a minimum of 320 square feet, and which is built on a permanent chassis and designed to be used as a dwelling with permanent foundation, when connected to the required utilities, and includes the plumbing, heating, air-conditioning and electrical systems contained therein.

MOBILE HOME PARK—An area approved by the Board of Health under the provisions of this bylaw for the location of three or more house trailers.

Section 230-5B is amended to change "not more than \$20" to "not more than \$100."

The definition of "rules and regulations" in § 230-7 is amended to change "Board" to "Rent Board."

Section 230-14 is amended to change "not more than \$1,000" to "not more than \$300."

Section 230-15 is amended to delete the following from the end thereof: "; additionally, the invalid provision shall be interpreted and applied until amendment by the appropriate body to the fullest extent applicable under Massachusetts law and regulations."

Ch. 244. Pawnbrokers.

Section 244-2A is amended to add the following sentence: " If the seller is not the owner of a registered motor vehicle, the subject's motor vehicle operator license shall be recorded."

Section 224-3 is amended as indicated: "Every pawnbroker shall, at the time of making such loans, deliver to the person who pawns any article a memorandum or note signed by him and containing the substance of the entry required by ~~those set forth in~~ § 244-2A."

Ch. 248. Peace and Good Order.

Section 248-1D is added to read as follows: "Any person violating this section shall be punished by a fine of up to \$100."

Section 248-3 is amended to change "any public way that" to "any public way where."

Section 248-4 is amended to change "a fine of \$20" to "a fine of up to \$100."

Section 248-6B is amended to read as follows:

As used in this section, "paintball gun" means an instrument or implement capable of propelling and projecting a projectile by means of air pressure or other means of propulsion, which projectile leaves a distinguishing mark, stain or color upon impact which may be indelible or may be temporary in nature.

Ch. 251. Peddling and Soliciting.

Article I, Registration, is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

§ 251-1. Registration required.

All transient vendors, hawkers, and peddlers duly licensed by the Deputy Director of Standards of the commonwealth under MGL c. 101 and all hawkers and peddlers of publications except newspapers and peddlers of ice, flowering plants, flowers, fruits, nuts and berries, toys and novelties shall register their name and address with the Chief of Police before doing business in the Town.

§ 251-2. Violations and penalties.

Any person violating this bylaw shall be punished by a fine of up to \$100.

Ch. 257. Property Maintenance.

Section 257-2A is amended as indicated in the first sentence: "Any person who violates the provisions of this bylaw shall be subject to a ~~penalty of \$25 for the first offense, and \$50 for the second and each subsequent offense~~ fine of up to \$100."

Ch. 275. Sewers and Sewage Disposal.

Section 275-2F is amended to read as follows: "The house sewer which will receive discharge from the house drain and conduct it to the disposal system shall be constructed in accordance to the State of Massachusetts Plumbing Code."

Section 275-5 is amended to change "not more than \$20" to "not more than \$100."

Section 275-6 is amended as indicated in the lead-in paragraph: "Note: All the provisions of § 275-6 come under the jurisdiction of the Board of Health, as covered in MGL c. 111, § 31A and 31B, and ~~the State Sanitary Code, Article 11~~ 310 CMR 15.00, the State Environmental Code, Title 5."

Ch. 282. Snow and Ice.

Section 282-1 is amended to change "Town layout" to "Town right-of-way."

Section 282-3A is amended to change the penalty of \$50 to \$100 for second and subsequent offenses.

Ch. 286. Soil, Loam, Sand and Gravel Removal.

Section 286-2B is amended to change "Inland Wetlands or Coastal Wetlands Districts" to "Wetland District."

Section 286-4F is amended as indicated: "Adequate provisions are to be made ~~from~~ for drainage."

Section 286-4M is amended to change "as relating to the site plan and land reuse plan requirements set forth in the paragraphs in triplicate below" to "as relating to the site plan and land restoration plan requirements set forth in §§ 286-5 and 286-6 below."

Section 286-5M is amended as indicated: "Provisions for a substantial fence enclosing the excavation or quarry ~~that~~ where any excavation or quarry will extend under original ground level or will have a depth of 10 feet or more and create a slope of more than one foot in two feet."

Section 286-8A is amended to read as follows: "The penalty for the violation of this bylaw, or the removal of any soil, loam, sand, or gravel within the Town of Raynham without a permit hereunder, except as hereinbefore provided, shall be \$100 and/or revocation of the permit, at the discretion of the Board."

Section 286-9C is amended to change "Water Commission" to "applicable water district commission."

Ch. 290. Solid Waste.

Section 290-5 is amended to read as follows: "This bylaw shall not apply to any area designated by the Board of Health as a landfill or dumping site under the provisions of MGL c. 111."

Ch. 295. Stormwater Management.

The definition of "outfall" in § 295-2A is amended as indicated: "The point at which stormwater flows out from a point source (a discernible, confined and discrete conveyance) into waters of the commonwealth."

Section 295-4B(3) is amended as indicated: "If an illicit connection is found to be from a sump pump or similar discharge, the property owner must eliminate the connection, acquire the proper permit, conform to other requirements stated herein, and complete remediation ~~completed~~ in 90 days."

Section 295-5E is amended to change references to the Department of Public Works to read "Highway Department."

Section 295-8C(3) is amended as indicated in the second sentence thereof: "the costs shall become a special assessment against the property ~~owner of said costs.~~"

Section 295-8E is amended as indicated: "The Board of Health or the Highway Department shall be the enforcing entity. The penalty for the first violation shall be \$100. The penalty for the second violation shall be \$200. The penalty for the third and subsequent violations shall be \$300."

Section 295-10 is amended as indicated: "Residential property owners shall comply with this bylaw."

Ch. 298. Streets and Sidewalks.

Section 298-1 is amended to change "Highway Surveyor" to "Highway Superintendent."

Section 298-3 is amended to change "Selectmen" and "Board of Selectmen" to "Highway Superintendent" and to change "its agent" to "his or her agent."

Section 298-5 is added to read as follows: "Any person violating § 298-3 shall be subject to a fine of up to \$100 per violation, plus the cost of repairs incurred by the Town."

Section 298-7A is amended to change "awarding authority (Raynham Highway Department)" to "awarding authority (Board of Selectmen)."

Section 298-8A is amended as indicated: "(A ~~The current schedule of deposits~~ amount of the refundable deposit for standard work is ~~attached on file with the Highway Department.~~)"

Section 298-12 is amended to revise the last sentence to read as follows: "(See Article IV, Public Works Construction, of this chapter.)"

Section 298-14. Throughout this section, "Diagram" is changed to "Standard Construction Detail."

The lead-in paragraph is amended to change "Massachusetts Highway Department's" to "Massachusetts Department of Transportation's (MassDOT)" and to delete "1995 edition" following "Highways and Bridges."

Subsection A is amended to change "pavement shall be cut" to read "pavement shall be saw cut" and to change "Occupational Safety and Health Act" to "Occupational Safety and Health Administration."

Section 298-15B is amended to change "Department of Telecommunications and Energy" to "Department of Telecommunications and Cable."

Section 298-16 is amended as indicated in the opening paragraph: "If a permit holder or licensed contractor shall be in default ~~as defined herein~~, the awarding authority may" and to add the following to the end of Subsection C: "Remedies may include full reimbursement to the Town for any corrective action required as determined by the Highway Superintendent or authorized designee."

The definition of "license application fee" in § 298-18 is amended as indicated: "An annual \$50 nonrefundable fee set by the Board of Selectmen, payable in cash or by check by money order, credit card, or cashier's check made payable to the awarding authority, each time a license application or renewal is filed."

Section 298-19B is amended to change "Massachusetts Highway Department" to "Massachusetts Department of Transportation."

Section 298-20A is amended as indicated: "Any and all certificates shall accompany the license application, including certificates of insurance demonstrating compliance with § 298-19 hereafter, and other items specified in the application or reasonably requested by the awarding authority."

Ch. 325. Vehicles and Traffic.

Section 325-2A is amended as indicated:

...shall reserve parking spaces in said off-street parking areas for any vehicle owned and operated by a disabled veteran or handicapped person whose vehicle bears the distinguishing license plate authorized by MGL c. 90, § 2, or for any vehicle transporting a handicapped person and displaying the special identification plate authorized by MGL c. 90, § 2, or for any vehicle bearing the official identification of a handicapped person issued by any other state, or any Canadian Province, according to the following formula...

Section 325-2B is amended to replace "shall be 12 feet wide or two eight-foot-wide areas with four feet of cross hatch between them" with the following:

...shall be as near as possible to a building entrance or walkway, shall be adjacent to curb ramps or other unobstructed methods permitting sidewalk access to a handicapped person and shall be at least eight feet wide, not including the cross-hatch access aisle as defined by the Architectural Access Board established in MGL c. 22, § 13A2. The cross-hatch access aisle abutting a handicapped parking space shall be considered part of the handicapped parking space to which it abuts to provide individuals who use wheelchairs or other mobility aids with sufficient space to enter and exit their vehicles. No person shall park in the cross-hatched access aisle.

Section 325-2D is amended as indicated: "The penalty for violation of this bylaw shall be \$100, and the vehicle may be removed in accordance with MGL c. 40, § 22D."

Section 325-4 is amended to change "a fine of \$15" to "a fine of \$50."

Section 325-6 is amended to change "a fine of \$25" to "a fine of \$50."

Ch. 331. Water Resources.

Section 331-3 is added to read as follows: "Violation of this bylaw shall be subject to a fine of \$100 for the initial violation and \$100 per week that the violation is not corrected."

Ch. 336. Wetlands Protection.

Section 336-5B is amended to delete "(Taunton Gazette)" following "general circulation in the Town."

Section 336-6C is amended as indicated: "Due consideration shall be given to demonstrated hardship on the applicant ~~or~~ by reasons of denial, as presented at the public hearing."

Section 336-6F is amended as indicated: "In an appropriate case, the Commission may combine the permit ~~with~~ or other action on an application issued under this bylaw with the order of conditions issued under the Wetlands Protection Act."

Section 336-7L is amended to read as follows:

All BVW within the riverfront of a perennial waterway should have evidence that a 100-foot jurisdictional/protective buffer zone shall be established around the boundaries for all certified and potential vernal pools with a storage volume equal or greater than 1/4 acre-foot during wet seasons (December through April).

Section 336-8.

The lead-in paragraph is amended as indicated: "Failure of the RCC to promulgate such rules and regulations or ~~to have~~ a legal declaration of their invalidity by a court of law shall not act to suspend or invalidate the effect of this bylaw."

Subsection B is amended to change "three copies of the site plan" to "three copies of the site/subdivision plan."

Subsection D is amended to delete "documented in the Fee Schedule" from the end of the subsection.

Subsection E is amended to delete the second-last sentence, which originally read:

Each application filed with the RCC shall be submitted with three copies of the site/subdivision plan(s) for all individual single-family projects; all other projects will require six copies of the plans.

Section 336-13 is amended as indicated in the last sentence thereof: "All ~~applications~~ applicants for certificates of compliance are encouraged to review their orders of conditions prior to filing any request in order to verify they have met the requirements for the ~~filing~~ issuance of a certificate of compliance."

Section 336-14 is amended to change "House Rule Statutes" to "Home Rule Statutes."

Note: Raynham Zoning Bylaw warrant articles adopting renumbering of the Zoning Bylaw and revisions.

ARTICLE 27. To see if the Town will vote to renumber and recaption the Zoning Bylaw of the Town by (a) designating the Zoning Bylaw as Chapter 350 of the Code of the Town of Raynham; (b) renumbering each section and subsection of the bylaw accordingly; (c) inserting article, section and subsection titles; and (d) updating internal references to reflect the new numbering system, all as set forth in the Final Draft of the Code of the Town of Raynham dated August 2021, on file with the Town Clerk; or what it will do in relation thereto.

(Submitted by the Board of Selectmen)

ARTICLE 28. To see if the Town will vote to adopt the following changes to the Zoning Bylaw by deleting the language that is ~~struck through~~ and adding the language that is underlined; or what it will do in relation thereto.

(Submitted by the Board of Selectmen)

General Revisions:

References to the Massachusetts General Laws are standardized to the following format: MGL c. ___, § ___.

Throughout the Zoning Bylaw, references to the Town Treasurer are amended to read "Treasurer/Collector"; the term "occupancy permit" is amended to read "certificate of occupancy"; the term "Board of Appeals" is amended to read "Zoning Board of Appeals"; and the terms "Building Inspector" and "Inspector of Buildings" are amended to read "Building Commissioner."

Specific Revisions:

Section 350-2.1B is amended as indicated: "No building ~~other than a dwelling~~ shall be occupied until a certificate of occupancy has been issued by the Inspector of Buildings."

Section 350-2.1C is amended to change "zoning enforcement officer" to "Inspector of Buildings."

Section 350-2.3C is amended to change "the ordinance or bylaw" to "this bylaw."

Section 350-3.1 is amended to add "Office Development District" and to change "Registered Marijuana Dispensary Overlay District" to "Medical Marijuana Treatment Center Overlay District."

Section 350-4.1B(3)(a) is amended as indicated: "Cluster multifamily developments shall only be permitted in Residential B District (and in no other district, ~~including "General Use" district~~) upon issuance of site plan approval from the Raynham Planning Board."

Section 350-4.1B(3)(b) is amended to change "open space multifamily development" to "cluster multifamily development."

Section 350-4.1B(3)(e)[5] is amended to change "any one building" to "any other building."

Section 350-4.10D is amended as indicated: "Educational, hospital or medical or health-related, athletic/physical fitness or agricultural facility."

Section 350-5.1B is amended as indicated: "Minimum front yard setback to be measured from the right-of-way line where a plan of the way is on file with the Registry of Deeds or, in the absence of such a plan, from a line 20 feet from ~~the~~ and parallel ~~with~~ to the center line of the travelled way."

Section 350-5.1C and D are amended to change "Residence District" to "Residential District."

Section 350-5.4 is amended as indicated in the fourth sentence thereof: "The minimum frontage requirement shall not extend beyond the midpoint of the corner radius ~~(illustrated below)~~."

Section 350-5.6 is amended in the last sentence thereof to change "or a combination of" to "or a combination thereof."

Section 350-6.2A is amended as indicated in the second sentence thereof:

Such prior, lawfully existing nonconforming uses and structures may continue, provided that no modification of the use or structure take place, unless authorized hereunder[;], but this Zoning Bylaw, or any amendment to this Zoning Bylaw, as the case may be, shall apply to any change or substantial extension of such use...

Section 350-6.3C is amended to change references to "storage container" to read "portable storage container."

Section 350-6.6.

The lead-in paragraph is amended to add "shall be permitted" to the end of the first sentence and to add "in any residential district" to the end of the last sentence.

Subsection D(1) is amended as indicated in the second-last sentence thereof: "Such permit shall be issued only if the Sign Officer determines that the sign complies or will comply with all applicable provisions of this section and the State Building Code, ~~Article 14.~~"

Subsection I(1)(d) is amended to read as follows: "A wall-mounted sign shall be no greater than 120 square feet and no longer than 15 feet in length, which includes logos, business name and all other visual and/or written communication."

Subsection I(2)(a) is amended as indicated:

No part of any freestanding sign other than the post or other support structure shall be located lower than eight feet above the ground level (except for signs beyond eight feet from the boundary line), and ~~no sign a freestanding sign shall be no more than 23 feet in height above the ground level and no wider than 15 feet.~~

Subsection I(2)(b) is amended to change "no face of a standing sign" to "no face of a freestanding sign."

Section 350-6.8D is amended to delete the definitions of "rear yard," "side yard," and "front yard."

Section 350-6.10 is amended to change "business, industrial or general use district" to "business or industrial district."

Section 350-6.11H is amended as indicated:

Accessory uses allowed. Accessory uses incidental or subordinate to a permitted main use, including, without limitation, cafeterias, day care, or such other retail or service uses, shall be permitted in an Office Development District, provided such uses primarily service the occupants of the lot or lots so served.

Section 350-6.14 is amended to change "MGL c. 94G, § 1(j)" to "MGL c. 94G, § 1."

Section 350-7.2B is amended to change "within two years" to "within three years" in the second sentence thereof.

Section 350-7.4A(32) is amended to change "registered marijuana dispensary" to "medical marijuana treatment center."

In § 350-7.4A(32)(c) and the definition of "medical marijuana treatment center" in § 350-10.1, references to 105 CMR 725.000 are updated to 935 CMR 501.000.

Section 350-8.3A is amended to delete "(currently Section 744)" from the end of the subsection.

Sections 350-8.3D(4) and 350-9.3D are amended to delete the reference to the Hazardous Waste Board and to delete the reference to MGL c. 21, §§ 52, 57 and 58.

Section 350-10.3 is amended to change "Section 200" to "Chapter 2."

Section 350-11.5 is amended to revise the reference in Note 4 of the Table of Regulated Activities to 310 CMR 32.3-31 to read 310 CMR 32.03 to 32.31.

Section 350-12.2D is amended to change "Massachusetts Aeronautics Commission" to "Aeronautics Division of the Massachusetts Department of Transportation."

Section 350-12.7C is amended to read as follows: "Bush blades instead of dirt blades on bulldozers shall be used in clearing operations where such use will preserve the cover crop of grass, low-growing brush or other vegetation."

Section 350-12.18A is amended to change "National Council for Radiation Protection" to "National Council on Radiation Protection and Measurements."

Section 350-13.1A is amended as indicated: "~~The location of b~~ Buildings, uses and other site development are properly located on a site;"

The third sentence of § 350-13.3B is amended to read as follows: "Site plans will be circulated by the Planning Board agent to the Fire Department, Police Department, Planning Department, Inspector of Buildings, Sewer Department, Water Department, Highway Department, Conservation Commission, and the Board of Health."

Section 350-13.11B is amended to delete the third sentence, which originally read: "A determination that a modification will not require a public hearing shall be made by the Planning Board." In the second-last sentence, "Building Inspector, and Engineering" is changed to "Building Inspector, and the Engineering Department."

Section 350-14.7B is amended to update MGL c. 132A, §§ 11A to 11D, to MGL c. 20, § 23.

Section 350-14.9E(1)(b) is amended to read as follows: "Requiring that the uses allowed in designated open spaces and recreational structures, such as tennis courts, swimming pools, accessory clubhouses, or any other structures, be submitted to the Planning Board for site plan approval."

Article 16, Subdivision Phasing, is repealed.

Section 350-17.6A is amended as indicated: "The lot sizes for the receiving shall ~~must~~ comply with the minimum dimensional requirements below."

The definition of "boulevard" in § 350-18.3 is amended as indicated: "A portion of a street and/or an entire street that is divided by a landscape area."

Section 350-18.16 is amended to change "55-over" to "55 and over."

The definition of "designated location" in § 350-19.2 is amended to change "Forest District II" to "Farm and Forest District II."

The definition of "large-scale ground-mounted solar photovoltaic installation" in § 350-19.2 is amended to change "Taunton Municipal Light TMLP" to "Taunton Municipal Light Plant (TMLP)."

ARTICLE 29. To see if the Town will vote to amend the General Bylaws by adopting a new bylaw, entitled Surplus Property; or take any other action relative thereto:

(Submitted by the Board of Selectmen)

I. Surplus Property

- a. Scope.
 - i. The disposition of tangible property no longer useful to the Town, but having a resale or salvage value, shall be in accordance with this chapter and shall conform to the provisions of the Massachusetts Procurement Act, MGL c. 30B, as it may from time to time be amended. For purposes of this chapter, "property" shall mean all tangible property, including but not limited to motor vehicles, machinery, computers, equipment, furniture, and other supplies. This chapter does not apply to the disposition of real property or interests therein.
- b. Procedures for disposition.
 - i. General provisions.
 - 1. The Town's Chief Procurement Officer shall oversee the disposition of all surplus property.
 - 2. Prior to disposition of surplus property, the department head, official, board, commission, or other Town entity in control of the property shall notify the Chief Procurement Officer, in writing, that it is surplus and no longer needed or useful and shall provide the Chief Procurement Officer with an estimate of its value based upon a reasonable investigation and determination of the value of similar property being offered for resale or salvage by other public or private sellers.
 - 3. Any property determined to be surplus may be transferred by the Select Board to another Town department, officer, board, commission, or other Town entity which has expressed its interest in acquiring the surplus property.
 - 4. Surplus property may be traded in as part of the purchase of other property if it is listed for trade-in in the invitation for bids or requests for proposals for such other property.
 - 5. Surplus property shall be disposed of on an "as is" basis, with no warranty of any kind, either express or implied.
 - 6. All money received from the sale of surplus property shall be deposited into the Town's general fund.
 - ii. Value less than \$5,000.

1. The Chief Procurement Officer shall dispose of surplus property with an estimated net value of less than \$5,000 by using written procedures approved by the Board of Selectmen.
 2. If no purchase offer is made for the surplus property, the Chief Procurement Officer may dispose of it in any commercially reasonable manner.
- iii. Value of \$5,000 or more.
1. The Chief Procurement Officer shall dispose of surplus property with an estimated net value of \$5,000 or more by either competitive sealed bids, public auction, including online auction, or established markets.
 2. Public notice of sale by bid or auction shall:
 - a. Describe the surplus property offered for sale;
 - b. Designate the dates, times, location and method for inspection of such property;
 - c. State the terms and conditions of sale;
 - d. State the place, date and time for the bid opening or auction;
 - e. Remain posted for at least two weeks in a conspicuous place in or near the offices of the Town until the time specified for the bid opening or auction;
 - f. Be published at least once, not less than two weeks prior to the time specified for the bid opening or auction, in a newspaper of general circulation within the area served by the Town;
 - g. Conform to such other notice requirements as are required by MGL c. 30B, § 5; and
 - h. State that the Town retains the right to reject any and all bids.
 3. If the Town rejects the bid of the highest responsive bidder, the Town may:
 - a. Negotiate a sale of such supply as long as the negotiated sale price is higher than the bid price;
or
 - b. Resolicit bids.

(Submitted by the Board of Selectmen)

ARTICLE 30. To see if Town Meeting will vote to amend Chapter 123 of the Town By-laws by deleting the language that is ~~struck through~~ and adding the language that is underlined; or take any action relative thereto:

(Submitted by the Town Moderator)

123-1 Annual Town Meeting

The Annual ~~financial~~-Town Meeting shall be held on the third Monday in May at 7:00P.M. ~~Commencing year 1975. (March 1974 ATM)~~

123-2 Warrant

- A. The Board of Selectmen shall determine at least one week prior to the opening of any warrant the dates the warrant shall be opened and closed. Once determined, said dates shall be publicized to all Town Departments, Boards and Committees.
- B. Every Town Meeting shall be called by a Warrant directed to a Constable, or other duly appointed person, by posting attested copies of said warrant in not less than ~~seven~~ six public places in the Town, at least seven days before the day fixed for the annual town meeting, and at least fourteen days before the day fixed for a special town meeting. ~~In addition, attested copies of Special Town Meeting warrants shall be posted at all polling places.~~
- C. The following are places for posting Town Warrants:
~~Slip's Capeway Marine, Municipal Building~~ Raynham Town Hall, Raynham Center Post Office, Raynham Post Office, ~~Gilmore Hall, Merrill School~~ Raynham Public Library, Senior Center, Middle School. All warrants should also be posted on the town website.
- D. Every article intended for insertion in the warrant for annual or special Town Meetings must be presented in writing to the Selectmen, in accordance with law, on or before the date the Selectmen set to close the warrant. February 10th March 30th in the case of the annual meeting, and not less than

~~two four weeks before a Special Town Meeting.~~ At the same time a copy of each of said articles shall be filed with the Town Attorney for a review of legal compliance. ~~Clerk of the Advisory and Finance Committee.~~ (Amended June 1983 ATM, May 1984 ATM)

123-3 Procedures at Town Meeting

- A. Only registered Raynham voters shall be admitted to the place of meeting or to a defined portion thereof, and ~~the a~~ check list, kept by the Town Clerk, shall be used in enforcement of such order. This does not prohibit the moderator from admitting any person to the town meeting who has business before it so requested by an office holder of the Town or by ten or more voters who shall sign such a request. The moderator shall announce to the Meeting the name of those thus admitted ~~to become~~ becoming a matter of record of the Town Meeting or make the Town Clerks check list readily available for review by voters at the meeting.
- B. All articles in the warrant shall be acted upon in the order of their arrangement, unless the Meeting by vote otherwise determined by a majority vote.
- C. Any report, resolution, motion or appropriation shall be reduced to writing, if the moderator so directs.
- D. No person shall address the meeting unless recognized by the moderator, nor speak more than once on the same subject to the exclusion of any other who may desire to speak.
- E. Any person who is employed as an attorney by another interested in any matter under discussion at a town meeting shall disclose the fact of his employment before speaking thereon.
- F. In accordance with MGL Ch.39 Sec.15, the Moderator shall preside over town meetings, regulate the proceedings, decide all questions of order and make public declarations of all votes. If a two-thirds vote of a town meeting is required by statute, the Moderator shall at his sole discretion determine whether it is necessary to count and record the vote by a show of hands or by electronic vote. If any declaration of vote by the moderator is immediately questioned by seven or more voters rising in place, the Moderator shall verify and record the vote, which shall in such case be taken by electronic vote, show of hands or standing vote. The vote on any motion, provided at least twenty-five voters so order, shall be taken by a "Yes" or No" paper ballot or electronic vote at the moderators discretion.
- G. No reports of committees shall be in order at any special town meeting unless made under an article in the warrant which indicates the subject to be reported upon.
- H. No vote after being once passed at a meeting shall be reconsidered at that meeting or at an adjournment thereof, except by a two-thirds vote.
- I. No motion, the effect of which would be to dissolve the meeting, shall be in order until every article in the warrant has been duly considered and acted upon, but this shall not preclude the postponement of the consideration of any article to an adjournment of the meeting to a stated time and place.
- ~~J.~~ The duties of the moderator, not specially provided by law or by these by-laws, shall be determined by the rules of practice contained in Cushing's Manual of Parliamentary Practice, so far as the same is applicable to a town meeting
- ~~K.~~ J. The duties of the Moderator, not specially provided by law or these by-laws, shall be determined by the rules of practice as set forth in Town Meeting Time, as amended, as far as the same is applicable to a town meeting.

123-5 Quorum

Section 123-5 is amended as indicated: "A quorum at any Town Meeting, except such parts as are devoted to the elections of Town officers ..."

ARTICLE 31. To see if the Town will vote to amend the General Bylaws by adopting a new bylaw, Article II, Ice Cream Vendors, of Chapter 251, Peddling and Soliciting, or take any other action relative thereto:

(Submitted by the Board of Selectmen)

Article II
Ice Cream Vendors

§ 251-3 Purpose.

The Massachusetts Department of Public Safety requires, pursuant to 520 CMR 15.00, each municipality to issue permits to person engaging in ice cream vending.

§ 251-4 Definitions.

For the purpose of this bylaw, the following definitions shall apply:

ICE CREAM

Any frozen dairy or frozen water-based food product.

ICE CREAM TRUCK

Any motor vehicle used for selling, displaying, or offering to sell ice cream.

ICE CREAM TRUCK VENDING

The selling, displaying, or offering to sell ice cream or any prepackaged food product from an ice cream truck.

ICE CREAM TRUCK VENDOR/OPERATOR

Any person who owns, sells, displays, or offers to sell ice cream from an ice cream truck or any person who drives or operates such a vehicle.

§ 251-5 Permit required.

No person shall engage in ice cream truck vending within the Town of Raynham unless the applicant has been issued a valid permit to do so by the Chief of Police or his designee. Said permit shall only be valid for use within the Town limits. A separate permit is required for every person who engages in ice cream truck vending/operation.

§ 251-6 Application for permit.

A. Only the Department of Public Safety's uniform application and permit form will be utilized. The permit shall include a current color photograph of the applicant, encased in plastic. Permits shall be numbered, sequentially, as granted and will also be encased in plastic.

B. In order to obtain an initial permit, or to renew a permit, each applicant shall submit the following to the permitting authority:

- (1) A completed uniform application;
- (2) A copy of his/her fingerprints;
- (3) Two current color photographs (1.5 inches by two inches); and
- (4) A valid driver's license.

C. Upon receipt of the permit application or application for renewal, the Chief of Police or his/her designee shall conduct an investigation into the criminal history of the applicant to determine eligibility. The investigation shall include performing a state and national criminal history records check as authorized by MGL c. 6, § 172B 1/2. As part of this investigation, the Chief of Police or his/her designee shall ensure that the identity of the applicant is true and accurate and, in the case of a renewal, that the applicant is linked to the original permit number.

§ 251-7 Administrative fee.

The Police Department shall collect an administrative fee of \$25 upon issuance of each permit.

§ 251-8 Term of permit.

Both initial and renewal permits shall expire annually on January 1.

§ 251-9 Hours of operation; use of sound devices.

An ice cream vendor holding a permit under this bylaw may sell or offer for sale any ice cream products from his/her vehicle in Town between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 9:00 p.m., provided that he/she shall not

use any sounding devices in his/her business between the hours of 8:00 p.m. and 9:00 p.m.

§ 251-10 Display of permit; revocation; violations and penalties.

- A. All permits issued shall be conspicuously displayed and clearly visible on the windshield dash of any ice cream truck operated or from which ice cream or any prepackaged food product is sold.
- B. The Chief of Police or his/her designee may deny issuance of a permit or revoke a permit for just cause. Pursuant to 520 CMR 15.05, no permit shall be issued to any person who is a sex offender, as defined by MGL c. 6, § 178C. Upon denial of the issuance or revocation of a permit, an applicant shall have the right of appeal to the Board of Selectmen. All such appeals must be made in writing and addressed to the Board of Selectmen. Appeals may be heard in accordance with the scheduling of the Board. The decision of the Board of Selectmen shall be final and binding. No such right of appeal shall attach to the denial of a permit of an applicant who is a sex offender.
- C. Whoever conducts himself/herself as an ice cream vendor/operator with a valid Town of Raynham issued permit or with an expired permit, or whoever improperly displays a permit, shall be subject to a fine of no more than \$100 for the first offense, \$200 for the second offense, and \$300 for a third or subsequent offense.
- D. Every ice cream vendor/operator shall comply with all state motor vehicle laws, regulations specific to the operation of ice cream trucks, Town Bylaws, and health codes, as well as any zoning or Department of Public Works regulations that may restrict or prohibit vending in certain areas. Violation of any such law, regulation, bylaw, or health code shall be grounds for the revocation of the vendor's permit.

ARTICLE 32. To see if the Town will vote to amend the General Bylaws by adopting a new bylaw, Chapter 153, Animal Control, or take any other action relative thereto:

(Submitted by the Board of Selectmen)

Chapter 153

ANIMAL CONTROL

ARTICLE I Organization

§ 153-1. Animal Control Office.

- A. The Animal Control Office is established within the Town of Raynham's Health Department and falls under the supervision and oversight of the Health Director.
- B. The Health Director shall determine the appropriate personnel and operational organization of the Animal Control Office.

ARTICLE II General Regulations and Restrictions

§ 153-2. License and tags.

- A. Any person residing in the Town of Raynham who at the beginning of the license period (April 1 to March 31) or who during the license period becomes the owner or keeper of a dog six months old or over shall cause the dog to be licensed within 30 days. The Town Clerk shall issue dog licenses and tags on a form prescribed and furnished by the Town. Subject to the approval of the Board of Selectmen, the Town may provide licensing to be conducted through the mail.
- B. On the license form, the Town Clerk shall record the name, address, phone number and the date of birth of the owner or keeper of the dog, and the name, license number and description of each dog. Each tag shall include the license number, the name of the Town and the year of issue.
- C. The owner or keeper shall cause each dog to wear around its neck or body a collar or harness to which he shall securely attach the license tag. If any tag is lost, defaced or destroyed, a substitute tag shall be obtained by the owner or keeper from the Town Clerk at the cost of \$1. Such moneys shall be transmitted to the Town of Raynham's general fund in the same manner as license fees.
- D. The Town Clerk shall not issue a license for any dog unless the owner or keeper provides the Town Clerk with a veterinarian's certificate verifying that the dog is currently vaccinated against rabies.
- E. Any exemption from the requirement of having to produce a valid rabies vaccination certificate in order to obtain a dog license shall be granted if the owner or keeper presents a signed statement from a veterinarian indicating that, because of infirmity, other physical condition or regimen of therapy, inoculation is thereby deemed inadvisable.
- F. The fee for each dog license shall be \$15 unless a certificate from a veterinarian stating that the dog has been spayed or neutered, or a statement from a veterinarian indicating that because of age, infirmity or other physical condition spaying or neutering is deemed inadvisable, is presented to the Clerk, in which case the fee shall be \$10. No fee shall be charged for a dog license of a state registered dog specially trained to be a service dog, or an emotional support dog with a letter from a Massachusetts licensed and registered physician or psychiatrist, upon presentation of documentation to the Town Clerk.
- G. The Clerk shall collect a late fee of \$10 for every dog license issued after the thirty-day period, as defined in § 153-2A of this article.
- H. Any owner or keeper of a dog who moves into the Town of Raynham and has a valid dog license for his/her dog from another city or town in the commonwealth shall within 30 days obtain a dog license for a fee of \$1 upon producing evidence of the previous license.
- I. No license fee or part thereof shall be refunded because of subsequent death, loss, spaying, neutering, or removal from the Town of Raynham or any other disposal of said dog.
- J. Any person who violates the provisions of § 153-2A through I shall be subject to a written warning

for the first offense and for each subsequent offense shall be subject to payment of a fine of \$75.

§ 153-3. Vaccination of dogs and cats against rabies.

- A. The owner or keeper of a dog or cat six months of age or older housed or sheltered in the Town of Raynham shall cause such dog or cat to be vaccinated against rabies by a licensed veterinarian using a licensed vaccine approved by the Massachusetts Department of Public Health. Unvaccinated dogs and cats acquired or moved into the Town of Raynham shall be vaccinated within 30 days after the acquisition or arrival into Raynham or upon reaching the age of six months, whichever last occurs. Such owner or keeper shall procure a veterinarian's certification that such animal has been so vaccinated and setting forth the date of such vaccination and the duration of immunity, or a notarized letter from a veterinarian that a certification was issued.
- B. The veterinarian shall issue a tag with each certificate of vaccination. The tag shall be secured by the owner or keeper of such dog or cat to a collar or harness made of suitable material to be worn by the dog or cat; provided, however, that the owner of a cat may choose not to affix a tag to his cat but shall have the tag available for inspection upon demand by the Animal Control Officer, police officers or other such authorized officials of the Town.
- C. Vaccinated animals shall be revaccinated periodically in accordance with the rules and regulations adopted by and promulgated by the Massachusetts Department of Public Health.
- D. Any person who violates the provisions of § 153-3A through C shall be subject to a written warning for the first offense and for each subsequent offense shall be subject to payment of a fine of \$75.

§ 153-4. Limit on number of dogs and cats per residence.

- A. No person shall keep more than six cats being over the age of six months at any premises within the Town of Raynham. No person shall keep four or more dogs being over the age of six months at any premises within the Town of Raynham unless that person has a kennel license.
- B. Any person who violates the provisions of § 153-4A shall be subject to payment of a fine of \$45 per animal in excess per day of violation.

**ARTICLE III
Restraint and Control**

§ 153-5. Leashing and restraining.

- A. Any person owning, keeping, or being responsible for a dog shall not allow or permit said dog to run at large on any of the streets or public places in the Town of Raynham or upon any private property, unless the owner or lawful occupant of such property grants permission therefor.
- B. No dog shall be allowed or permitted in any public place or street within the Town unless it is effectively restrained and controlled by a chain or other form of leash that is sufficient to hold the dog, or unless it is under the immediate and effective voice control of a handler, or unless it is within and confined to a motor vehicle.
- C. Order to restrain or muzzle. In addition to the fines outlined in this article, on receipt of a complaint of an alleged violation of this article, the Animal Control Officer shall investigate and is also authorized and empowered to order the owner or keeper of a dog to muzzle and/or restrain a dog as the officer deems necessary, pending a hearing under MGL c. 140, § 157.
- D. Failure to identify to Animal Control Officer/law enforcement. All owners/keepers of dogs or cats shall not refuse to identify or provide false information regarding their name, date of birth, address and animal information to the Animal Control Officer, Constable, or police officer.

§ 153-6. Barking dogs.

No person owning, keeping, or otherwise responsible for a dog shall allow or permit said dog to annoy another person's reasonable right to peace or privacy by making loud or continuous noise, where such noise is plainly audible at 150 feet from the building, premises, vehicle, or conveyance housing said dog, or such noise is continuous more than 30 minutes. The fact that such noise is plainly audible at said distance or continuous more than 30 minutes shall be prima facie evidence of a violation.

§ 153-7. Violations and penalties.

Any person who violates the provisions of Article III shall be subject to a written warning for the first offense and shall be subject to payment of the following fines: \$50 for the second offense, \$100 for the

third offense, and \$200 for the fourth and each subsequent offense.

ARTICLE IV
Emergency Treatment or Disposal

§ 153-8. Payment to veterinarians.

Any veterinarian registered under the provisions of MGL c. 112, § 55 or 56A, who renders emergency care or treatment to, or disposes of, a dog or cat that is injured in any way within the Town of Raynham, and brought to a veterinarian by the Animal Control Officer or police personnel, shall receive payment from the owner of such dog or cat, if known, or if not known, from the Town in an amount not to exceed \$225 for such care, treatment or disposal; provided, however, that such emergency care, treatment, or disposal shall be for the purpose of maintaining life, stabilizing the animal, or alleviating suffering until the owner or keeper of such dog or cat is identified or for a period of 24 hours, whichever is sooner. Any veterinarian who renders such emergency care or treatment to, or disposes of, such a dog or cat shall notify the Animal Control Officer, and, upon notification, said Animal Control Officer shall assume control of such dog or cat.

ARTICLE V
Enforcement

§ 153-9. Impoundment; record of impoundment; reclamation.

- A. It shall be the duty of the Animal Control Officer, and any Assistant Animal Control Officer appointed by the Board of Selectmen, to apprehend any dog found running at large and to impound such dog in the Town kennel or other boarding facility.
- B. The Animal Control Officer or other impounding officer shall keep a register and make a complete record of each impounding. The record shall contain the following information:
 - (1) The breed, color, and sex of each dog.
 - (2) Whether or not the dog is licensed.
 - (3) The license number, if any.
 - (4) The date and place of apprehension.
 - (5) The location where the dog is being kept.
 - (6) The name and address of the owner, if known.
- C. The owner of an impounded dog, when known, shall be notified verbally or in writing of such impoundment, or, if the owner is unknown, written notice shall be posted with the Police Department and on the Town's website. Notice shall contain a description of the dog, date and place of apprehension, and location where the dog is being kept.
- D. The owner, keeper, or responsible person may reclaim the dog so impounded upon payment of the license fee, if unpaid, the payment of impoundment and board at the pound, and the costs relevant to such impoundment.
- E. Duration of impoundment and disposition of unclaimed dogs. Any dog which has been picked up and housed at the Raynham Animal Shelter, Massachusetts state law requires that when a dog picked up by owner must have an up-to-date rabies certificate and proof of ownership. If no rabies certificate is available, the dog will not be released. If dog has not been redeemed by the owner within seven (7) days it shall be disposed of or made available for adoption, as provided by MGL c. 140, § 151A, and any amendment thereto.

ARTICLE VI
Dog Waste Removal

§ 153-10. Removal of dog waste from public property or property of others.

No person owning or having the care, custody, or control of any dog shall permit such dog to soil or defile or commit any nuisance upon any sidewalk, street, thoroughfare, beach, or wetland, in or upon any public property or in or upon the property of persons other than the owner or persons having the care, custody, or control of such dog, unless said person picks up any such waste and disposes of the same in a sanitary manner.

§ 153-11. Violations and penalties.

Any person found in violation of Article VI by the Animal Control Officer or Assistant Animal Control Officer shall be subject to payment of a fine of \$50 for each offense.

ARTICLE VII

Adequate Shelter; Chaining, Tethering and Outdoor Confinement

§ 153-12. Standards for shelter and confinement.

- A. Any person owning, keeping, or otherwise responsible for a companion animal or pet or farm animal or livestock who confines that animal by tethering, fencing, or other means shall provide for that animal access to adequate shelter from the elements of weather such as rain, cold, or sun. Potable water must be always available to the animal.
- B. The raising of livestock shall not exceed one per 15,000 square feet and the raising of fowl shall not exceed one fowl per 2,500 square feet. Excluded from the definition of "fowl" are roosters, peacocks, and/or guinea hens.
- C. No person owning or keeping a dog shall chain or tether a dog for longer than five hours in a twenty-four-hour period and outside from 10:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m., unless the tethering is for not more than 15 minutes and the dog is not left unattended by the owner, guardian, or keeper. A tethering employed shall not allow the dog to leave the owner's, guardian's, or keeper's property. The tether shall be designed for dogs, and no logging chains or other lines or devices not designed for tethering dogs shall be used. No chain or tether shall weigh more than 1/8 of the dog's body weight. Nothing in this section shall be construed to prohibit a person from walking a dog on a hand-held leash. No dog under the age of six months shall be tethered outside for any length of time.
- D. A person owning or keeping a dog may confine such dog outside, subject to the restrictions in this section, through the use of any of the following methods:
 - (1) Inside a pen or secure enclosure, if the following conditions are met:
 - (a) The pen or secure enclosure shall have adequate space for exercise with a dimension of at least 100 square feet; provided, however, that commercial dog kennels with pens intended for the temporary boarding of dogs shall be exempt from this requirement.
 - (b) The pen or secure enclosure is constructed with chain link or other similar material as determined by the Animal Control Officer or Building Commissioner, with all four sides enclosed; and
 - (c) The minimum height of the fence shall be adequate to successfully confine the dog;
 - (2) A fully fenced, electronically fenced or otherwise securely enclosed yard, wherein a dog has the ability to run but is unable to leave the enclosed yard; or
 - (3) A trolley system or a tether attached to a pulley in a cable run, if the following conditions are met:
 - (a) Only one dog shall be tethered to each cable run.
 - (b) The tether shall be attached to a properly fitting collar or harness worn by the dog, with enough room between the collar and the dog's throat through which two adult fingers may fit; provided, however, that a choke collar and a pinch collar shall not be used to tether a dog to a cable run.
 - (c) There shall be a swivel on at least one end of the tether to minimize tangling of the tether.
 - (d) The tether and cable run must each be at least 10 feet in length. The cable must be mounted at least four feet but not more than seven feet above ground level; and
 - (e) The length of the tether from the cable run to the dog's collar or harness shall allow continuous access to clean water and appropriate shelter at all times as described in § 153-12E; provided, however, that a trolley system or tether shall be of appropriate configuration to confine the dog to the owner's, guardian's or keeper's property, to prevent the trolley system or tether from extending over an object to an edge that could result in injury to or strangulation of the dog and to prevent the trolley system or tether from becoming tangled with other objects or animals.

- E. A person owning or keeping a dog confined outside in accordance with § 153-12D shall provide the dog with access to clean water and appropriate dog shelter. The dog shelter shall allow the dog to remain dry and protected from the elements and shall be fully enclosed on at least three sides, roofed and have a solid floor. The entrance to the shelter shall be flexible to allow the dog's entry and exit, and sturdy enough to block entry of weather elements. The shelter shall contain clean bedding and shall be small enough to retain the dog's body heat and large enough to allow the dog to stand, lie down and turn comfortably. The enclosure shall be structurally sound and in good repair. Suitable drainage shall be provided so that water, ice or waste is not standing in or around the shelter.
- F. A person shall not leave a dog outside when a weather advisory, warning or watch is issued by a local, state or federal authority or when outside environmental conditions, including, but not limited to, extreme heat, cold, wind, rain, snow or hail, pose an adverse risk to the health or safety of the dog based on the dog's breed, age or physical condition, unless the tethering is for not more than 15 minutes.
- G. No person owning or keeping a dog shall subject the dog to cruel conditions or inhumane chaining or tethering at any time. For the purposes of this subsection, "cruel conditions or inhumane chaining or tethering" shall include, but not be limited to, the following conditions:
 - (1) Filthy and dirty confinement conditions, including but not limited to exposure to excessive animal waste, garbage, dirty water, noxious odors, dangerous objects that could injure or kill a dog upon contact or other circumstances that could cause harm to a dog's physical or emotional health;
 - (2) Taunting, prodding, hitting, harassing, threatening, or otherwise harming a tethered or confined dog; and
 - (3) Subjecting a dog to dangerous conditions, including attacks by other animals.

§ 153-13. Violations and penalties.

- A. A person who violates Article VII shall, for a first offense, be issued a written warning or punished by a fine of \$50 or a written warning at the discretion of the Animal Control Officer; for a second offense be punished by a fine of \$200, and for a third or subsequent offense be punished by a fine of \$500 and be subject to impoundment of the dog in a local shelter at the owner's, keeper's or guardian's expense pending compliance with this article, a cruelty investigation, or loss of ownership of the dog.
- B. Each day the violation exists shall be deemed a separate offense. This article may be enforced through any means available in law or in equity, including a noncriminal disposition in accordance with MGL c. 40, § 21D.

**ARTICLE VIII
Personal Kennels**

§ 153-14. Personal kennel licenses, inspection, and regulation.

- A. Any owner or keeper of four or more dogs, six months of age or older, shall obtain a personal kennel license.
- B. **The maximum number of dogs allowed to be kept under a personal kennel license is six.**
- C. Any application for a personal kennel license shall be submitted to the Town Clerk's office on a form provided by the Town Clerk.
- D. New applicants requesting a license must notify direct abutters by certified mail or Constable. Proof of notification must be submitted with the application.
- E. Issuance of a kennel license shall be contingent upon inspection and approval by the Animal Control Officer to ensure that basic standards of cleanliness and proper care and confinement of said dogs exist on the premises. The name and address of the owner of each dog and a veterinarian's certificate verifying that each dog six months of age or older is currently vaccinated against rabies shall be kept on file thereat and available for inspection by the Animal Control Officer or any authorized persons.
- F. No new personal kennel license will be issued unless the Raynham Animal Control Officer, Raynham Board of Selectmen, and Town Clerk review and approve the application. All kennels must be inspected by the Raynham Animal Control Officer before a kennel license can be renewed.
- G. Such license shall be in a form prescribed by the Town Clerk. Such license shall be in lieu of any other license for any dog while kept at such kennel during any portion of the period for which such

kennel license is issued. The holder of a license for a kennel shall cause each dog kept therein to wear, while it is at large, a collar or harness of leather or other suitable material, to which shall be securely attached a tag upon which shall appear the number of such kennel license, the year of issue, and the inscription "Raynham."

- H. The personal kennel license fee shall be \$75. The Town Clerk shall, upon application, issue without charge a kennel license to any domestic charitable corporation incorporated exclusively for the purpose of protecting animals from cruelty, neglect, or abuse and for the relief of suffering among animals. A veterinary hospital shall not be considered a kennel unless it contains an area for the selling or boarding of dogs for other than medical purposes, in which case it shall apply for a kennel license. The license period for a kennel license shall be from January 1 to December 31, inclusive.
- I. The Animal Control Officer, Animal Health Inspector, or any agent authorized by the Town may at any time during the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. inspect any kennel or premises for which a personal kennel license has been issued.
- J. If the Animal Control Officer, Animal Health Inspector, or other authorized agent, after inspection, determines that the kennel or premises that is the subject of a kennel license is not kept in a sanitary or humane condition, or if records are not kept as required by law, the Selectmen may, by order after hearing, revoke or suspend such license. If a license has been revoked or suspended, the license may be reinstated after inspection and in accordance with the procedure set forth below in § 153-14K.
- K. Upon written petition of 25 Raynham residents, filed with the Selectmen, setting forth that they are aggrieved or annoyed to an unreasonable extent by one or more dogs at the kennel because of excessive barking or vicious disposition of said dogs, or other conditions connected with such kennel constituting a public nuisance, said Selectmen, within seven days after the filing of such a petition, shall give notice to the owner or keeper of the kennel, the petitioner(s), and any other person the Selectmen determine should be given notice of a public hearing to be held within 14 days after the date of such notice. Said notice shall also be posted on a Town bulletin board.
- L. Within seven days after such public hearing, said Selectmen shall make an order either revoking or suspending such kennel license, or otherwise regulating said kennel or premises, or dismissing said petition.
- M. The holder of such license or other person who is the subject of an order under § 153-14L may petition the District Court for relief in accordance with MGL c. 140, § 137C.

§ 153-15. Violations and penalties.

- A. Any person who violates the provisions of § 153-14A through L shall be subject to a written warning for the first offense and for each subsequent offense shall be subject to payment of a fine of \$25.
- B. Any person maintaining a personal kennel after the license has been so revoked, or while such license is so suspended, may be punished by a fine of \$100 for each day in violation of said revocation or suspension.
- C. Each day the violation exists shall be deemed a separate offense. This article may be enforced through any means available in law or in equity, including a noncriminal disposition in accordance with MGL c. 40, § 21D.

**ARTICLE IX
Commercial Kennels**

§ 153-16. Commercial kennel licenses, inspection, and regulation.

- A. Any owner or keeper of four or more dogs, six months of age or older, or of a premises maintained for the boarding, day care, or in-residence training of dogs, shall obtain a commercial kennel license.
- B. In addition to meeting all the requirements of MGL c. 140, §§ 137A to 137C, applications for a new commercial kennel license shall be submitted to the Town Clerk's office, on a form provided by the Town Clerk, along with two copies of interior and exterior plans of the kennel, as well as a plot plan.
- C. No new kennel license will be issued until proof is submitted by the applicant that the location and operation of the kennel are in compliance with the Town of Raynham's zoning and land use regulations.
- D. New applicants must notify all direct property abutters in writing of the applicant's intent to operate a commercial kennel, and evidence of notification by certified mail or Constable must be submitted with the application.

- E. No new kennel license will be issued unless the Raynham Animal Control Officer, Raynham Health Department, Raynham Building Department, Raynham Board of Selectmen, and Town Clerk review and approve the application. All kennels must be inspected by the Raynham Animal Control Officer before a kennel license can be renewed. No new or renewed kennel license will be issued until the kennel has passed a kennel inspection.
- F. The commercial kennel license fee shall be \$300. The Town Clerk shall, upon application, issue without charge a kennel license to any domestic charitable corporation incorporated exclusively for the purpose of protecting animals from cruelty, neglect, or abuse and for the relief of suffering among animals. A veterinary hospital shall not be considered a kennel unless it contains an area for the selling or boarding of dogs for other than medical purposes, in which case it shall apply for a kennel license. The license period for a kennel license shall be from January 1 to December 31, inclusive.
- G. Pursuant to MGL c. 140, § 137C, the Health Director, Building Commissioner, Chief of Police or Animal Control Officer may at any time inspect a kennel or cause the inspection of a kennel. Said inspection may include examination of any pertinent records pertaining to this article. Refusal to comply with an inspection may be grounds for an emergency suspension or revocation. Random compliance inspections can occur on an annual basis or other time period as deemed appropriate for such facility. At the time of the inspection, or promptly thereafter, the inspecting authority will document any violations found.
- H. If the Animal Control Officer, Animal Health Inspector, or other authorized agent, after inspection, determines that the kennel or premises that is the subject of a kennel license is not kept in a sanitary or humane condition, or if records are not kept as required by law, the Selectmen may, by order after hearing, revoke or suspend such license. If a license has been revoked or suspended, the license may be reinstated after inspection and in accordance with the procedure set forth below in § 153-16I. This article may also be enforced through appropriate criminal or civil process under Massachusetts General Laws.
- I. Upon written petition of 25 Raynham residents, filed with the Selectmen, setting forth that they are aggrieved or annoyed to an unreasonable extent by one or more dogs at the kennel because of excessive barking or vicious disposition of said dogs, or other conditions connected with such kennel constituting a public nuisance, said Selectmen, within seven days after the filing of such a petition, shall give notice to the owner or keeper of the kennel, the petitioner(s), and any other person the Selectmen determine should be given notice of a public hearing to be held within 14 days after the date of such notice. Said notice shall also be posted on a Town bulletin board.
- J. Within seven days after such public hearing, said Selectmen shall make an order either revoking or suspending such kennel license, or otherwise regulating said kennel or premises, or dismissing said petition
- K. The holder of such license or other person who is the subject of an order under § 153-16J may petition the District Court for relief in accordance with MGL c. 140, § 137C.

§ 153-17. Commercial kennel license requirements.

- A. Housing facilities for dogs shall be maintained in good repair and in a sanitary condition in such as manner as to protect the dogs from injury or disease, to contain the dogs, and to restrict the entrance of other animals, and the location, construction, arrangement, and operation of commercial kennels shall not constitute a nuisance.
- B. Reliable and adequate utilities are required (i.e., electric power, natural gas, oil, water, and sewer/septic). Adequate potable water shall be provided.
- C. Supplies of food and bedding shall be stored in facilities which adequately protect such supplies against infestation or contamination by vermin or other contaminant. Refrigeration shall be provided for supplies of perishable food or medication.
- D. Provision shall be made for the removal and disposal of dog and food wastes, bedding, and other debris. Waste facilities shall be provided and operated as to control vermin infestation, odors and disease hazards.
- E. Facilities, such as washrooms, basins or sinks, shall be provided in the kennel to maintain cleanliness among dog caretakers; hot and cold running water, soap, and towels shall be provided. Toilet facilities shall be provided in the kennel or nearby on the premises and shall be kept clean, sanitary, and in good repair.
- F. Premises shall be kept clean, sanitary and in good repair in order to protect the dogs from injury or disease. Premises shall remain free of accumulations of trash, feces, and the overgrowth of

vegetation up to the property line or within 20 feet of the facility. Insects, parasites, rodents, and other pests shall be controlled effectively.

- G. All commercial kennels shall have an appropriately stocked animal first aid kit that will be always available and easily accessible.
- H. All commercial kennels shall post Red Cross or similar animal CPR guidance in a conspicuous spot within the kennel.
- I. All commercial kennels shall only administer medication to animals if it is in the original veterinary prescribed bottle or container.
- J. All commercial kennels shall have an on-call veterinarian on file that they may consult with for medical advice.
- K. Commercial kennels that offer grooming shall keep boarded dogs and groomed dogs always separate, unless proof of rabies vaccination is available. No dog shall be groomed that is not current on rabies vaccination.

§ 153-18. Indoor commercial kennel requirements.

- A. Indoor dog facilities shall be provided for all pet shops, shelters, and kennels in order to protect the dogs from adverse weather condition.
- B. Indoor housing facilities for dogs shall be sufficiently heated when necessary to protect the dogs from cold and to provide for their health and comfort. Adequate heat shall mean enough heat necessary to prevent physical damage to a dog from hypothermia. The dogs' age, physical condition and hair coat shall be taken into consideration. The temperature at the height level of the dogs shall not be allowed to fall below 55° F. in any indoor primary enclosures where dogs are housed.
- C. Indoor housing facilities for dogs shall be adequately ventilated to always provide for the health and comfort of the animals. Such facilities shall be provided with fresh air either by means of windows, doors, vents, or air conditioning and shall be ventilated to minimize drafts, odors and moisture condensation. Auxiliary ventilation, such as exhaust fans and vents or air conditioning, shall be provided when the ambient temperature is 80° F. or higher.
- D. Indoor housing facilities for animals shall have ample light, by natural or artificial means, or both, of good quality and well distributed. Such lighting shall provide uniformly distributed illumination or sufficient light intensity to permit routine inspection and cleaning during the entire working period.
- E. Primary enclosures shall be so placed as to protect the animals from excessive sunlight.
- F. The interior building surfaces of indoor housing facilities at commercial kennels shall be constructed and maintained so that they are impervious to moisture and may be readily cleaned and sanitized.
- G. Commercial kennels shall have a suitable method to eliminate excess wash water from indoor housing facilities. Drains, when used, shall be properly constructed, and kept in good repair to avoid foul odors and backup. Facilities which are not connected to a municipal sewerage system shall have a system for the disposal of dog excrement that meets all applicable state and local standards.
- H. Commercial kennels shall always have personnel on site when dogs are present, unless adequate security measures are available to ensure the safety of the animals present, such as a security/fire protection system or live video.
- I. Commercial kennels shall always have one person on site during normal business hours that is trained in Red Cross or similar dog CPR and first aid.

§ 153-19. Outdoor commercial kennel requirements.

- A. When sunlight is likely to cause overheating or discomfort, sufficient shade shall be provided to allow dogs kept outdoors to protect themselves from the direct rays of the sun.
- B. Whenever dogs are kept outdoors, they shall be provided with access to shelter to allow them to remain dry during rain, snow, or other adverse weather condition.
- C. A suitable method shall be provided to drain surface water rapidly.
- D. Surfaces of outdoor enclosures of pet shops, shelters and kennels shall be constructed and maintained so that they are impervious to moisture and may be readily cleaned and sanitized; runoff from outdoor enclosures shall be disposed of in accordance with all applicable regulations.

- E. Outdoor facilities shall be adequately secured to protect the dogs from predators, as well as to contain the dogs.
- F. All commercial kennels shall post the signs/symptoms of heat stroke and hypothermia in dogs within outdoor and indoor play areas.
- G. Clean water shall always be supplied at outdoor kennels.

§ 153-20. Primary enclosures for commercial kennels.

- A. Primary enclosures shall be structurally sound and maintained in good repair so as to contain the dogs; protect dogs from injury; keep predators out; enable dogs to remain dry and clean; permit dogs convenient access to food and water as required in these rules; provide sufficient space for each dog to turn about freely and to stand, sit and lie in a comfortable normal position; and have no sharp points or edges accessible to the dogs that could cause injury.
- B. Animals housed in the same enclosure shall be maintained in compatible groups.
- C. Sexually intact males and females shall not be housed in the same enclosure, except for breeding purposes requested by the owner in writing.
- D. Any dog exhibiting a vicious or aggressive disposition shall be housed individually in a primary enclosure.
- E. Immature dogs shall not be housed in the same primary enclosure with adults other than their mother.
- F. Animals of different species shall not be housed in the same primary enclosures.
- G. Dogs shall not be placed in empty primary enclosures previously inhabited by other animals unless the enclosure has first been cleaned and disinfected.
- H. Animals showing signs of contagious illness shall be removed from rooms and enclosures containing healthy animals and housed in a separate isolation room.
- I. The floors of primary enclosures shall be constructed to protect the dogs' feet and legs from injury. Enclosures may have grid-type flooring, provided that the grid material is of adequate gauge to prevent sagging under the weight of the dog and that the mesh is small enough to prevent their feet from passing through or to cause cutting injuries to foot pads.
- J. Dogs confined in a primary enclosure shall be exercised in runs or walked on a leash at least three times a day, totaling 60 minutes of exercise.
- K. Dogs shall not be tied to fences or cages in lieu of being housed in primary enclosures.

§ 153-21. Commercial kennel care requirements.

- A. Dogs being boarded overnight shall be fed at least once each day except as otherwise might be required to provide adequate care. Food from the previous day shall be discarded and fresh food supplied daily except when self-feeders are used.
- B. The food shall be free from contamination, wholesome, palatable, and of sufficient quantity and nutritional value to meet the normal daily requirements for the condition and size of the dogs.
- C. Immature dogs shall be fed in accordance with generally accepted procedures; those animals less than three months of age shall be fed three times daily; those three to six months of age shall be fed twice daily.
- D. Containers of food shall be accessible to animals and shall be located so as to minimize contamination by excreta or other contaminants and sources of filth.
- E. Feeding pans shall be durable, cleaned and sanitized daily.
- F. Disposable food receptacles may be used but must be discarded after each feeding.
- G. Self-feeders may be used for the feeding of dry food, and they shall be cleaned regularly to prevent molding, deterioration or caking of feed.
- H. Potable water must be always accessible to dogs unless contraindicated by a written veterinarian order. Receptacles for such purposes shall be cleaned daily.

§ 153-22. Sanitation of commercial kennels.

- A. Primary enclosures for animals shall be physically cleaned often enough to prevent an accumulation of debris, excretions, and agents that may cause injury to animals or humans.
- B. Cages, floors, and hard-surfaced pens or runs shall be sanitized at least once per day by washing them with hot water (180° F.) and soap or detergent as in a mechanical cage washer, or by washing all soiled surfaces with a detergent solution followed by a safe and effective disinfectant.
- C. Premises shall be kept clean, sanitary, and in good repair in order to protect the animals from injury and disease, to facilitate the prescribed sanitary practices as set forth in these rules, and to prevent nuisances.
- D. An effective program for the control of insects, parasites, rodents, and other pests shall be established and maintained.
- E. Excretions shall be removed from the primary enclosures as often as necessary to prevent contamination of the dogs contained therein and to control disease hazards and odors. When cleaning, any dog contained therein shall be removed from such enclosures during the cleaning process, and adequate measures shall be taken to protect the dogs in other such enclosures from being contaminated with water and other wastes.

§ 153-23. Disease control and vaccination requirements for commercial kennels.

- A. Each animal shall be observed daily for signs of communicable disease or stress. Sick, diseased, injured or lame dogs shall be provided with at least prompt, basic veterinary care (that is, to alleviate pain and suffering), unless such action is inconsistent with the purposes for which the dog was obtained and is being held.
- B. Any dog under confinement for, or with signs of, a communicable disease shall be separated from other healthy animals and placed in an isolation area in order to minimize dissemination of such disease. Caretakers shall wash their hands after handling these dogs and follow procedures which control the dissemination of disease.
- C. Cleaning utensils for the isolation area shall be separate from those used for cleaning the general animal population area; such utensils shall be washed separately from, or after, those used for the general population.
- D. All dogs within the kennel shall have current vaccinations for rabies, distemper and Bordetella.
- E. If, in the opinion of the Raynham Animal Control Officer or the Health Director, additional vaccinations are necessary due to animal or public health concerns, additional vaccinations may be required. If additional vaccinations are required, license holders will be notified in writing by the Animal Control Officer or Health Director.

§ 153-24. Administrative and record requirements for commercial kennels and private shelters.

- A. There shall be kept at each kennel or private shelter a record of all dogs received. Such record shall state the date each animal was received, a description of the animal, the breed, age and sex of the animal, the name, address, and contact information for the owner of the animal or for the person from whom the animal was acquired, and vaccination records for each animal being kept in the kennel showing that they are current on all vaccinations per § 153-23D. These records shall be kept for two years and shall be readily available for inspection by the Animal Control Officer or other authorized person.
- B. All commercial kennels shall maintain a list of all dogs' medical conditions, as well as medications.
- C. Each commercial kennel or private shelter shall have an adequate written emergency plan for the emergency medical treatment of its dogs, as well as in the case of a natural disaster. The kennel shall maintain proof that all employees have read, understood, and know the whereabouts of this document.
- D. A licensee shall promptly notify the licensing agency of any change in his or her name and address or any change in operations which may affect his or her status.
- E. Any incident involving dog bites or any injuries requiring veterinarian care to a dog shall be reported to the Raynham Animal Control Officer within four hours of the incident.
- F. Any dog found deceased at a kennel must be reported to the Raynham Animal Control Officer or Raynham Police Department immediately after the dog is found.

- G. Any kennel that boards dogs trained in personal protection, guard dogs, military dogs, police K9s, or dogs that have previously been deemed dangerous by any city/town within the Commonwealth of Massachusetts must notify Raynham Animal Control, the Raynham Police Department, and the Raynham Fire Department that such dogs will be boarded on the property. The licensee must provide their emergency contact information to the above-listed departments and the dogs must be kenneled, labelled, and handled in accordance with any applicable Massachusetts General Laws.

§ 153-25. Violations and penalties.

Violation of any provision of §§ 153-16 through 153-24 may result in the following fines and/or suspension or revocation of the kennel license:

- A. Any person that is found to be maintaining or operating a commercial kennel without a commercial kennel license shall be subject to a fine of \$100 for the first offense and \$300 for the second and each subsequent offenses, in accordance with MGL c. 140, § 137A.
- B. Any person maintaining or operating a kennel with a current kennel license that violates the provisions of §§ 153-16 through 153-24 shall be subject to a written warning for the first offense and for each subsequent offense shall be subject to payment of a fine of \$75.
- C. Any person that operates a commercial kennel after the license has been so revoked, or while such license is so suspended, may be punished by a fine of \$100 for the first offense and \$300 for the second and subsequent offenses, in accordance with MGL c. 140, § 137C.
- D. Each day the violation exists shall be deemed a separate offense. This article may be enforced through any means available in law or in equity, including a noncriminal disposition in accordance with MGL c. 40, § 21D.

ARTICLE X
Feeding or Baiting Waterfowl

§ 153-26. Feeding or baiting prohibited; emergency feeding.

- A. No person, except the Director of the Massachusetts Division of Fisheries and Wildlife or his or her agent or designee, as authorized pursuant to MGL c. 131, shall feed or bait any waterfowl of the family Anatidae (including but not restricted to ducks, geese and swans) on any public property within the Town of Raynham. As used in this subsection, "feeding" and "baiting" shall mean the placing, exposing, depositing, distributing or scattering, directly or indirectly, of shelled, shucked or unshucked corn, wheat or other grains, bread, salt or any other feed or nutritive substances, in any manner or form, so as to constitute for such birds a lure, attraction or enticement to, on or over any such areas where such feed items have been placed, exposed, deposited, distributed or scattered.
- B. Notwithstanding any of the above, the Director of the Massachusetts Division of Fisheries and Wildlife or his or her agent or designee may authorize the emergency feeding of waterfowl and other birds when, in his or her opinion, such action is necessary in order to alleviate undue losses and suffering of such birds due to unusual weather conditions and other circumstances. The Director may authorize such action by such means as he or she deems necessary and expedient, but such means shall include the immediate notification of the Selectmen.

§ 153-27. Violations and penalties; enforcement.

- A. Any person who violates the provisions of Article X shall be subject to a penalty of \$75 for the first offense and \$100 for the second and each subsequent offense.
- B. This article shall be enforced and administered pursuant to the provisions of MGL c. 40, § 21D, for the use of noncriminal disposition of violations. The persons who are empowered to enforce the provisions of this bylaw are Town of Raynham police officers, agents of the Town of Raynham Board of Health, agents of the Town of Raynham Park and Recreation Department and enforcement officers of the Massachusetts Environmental Police.

§ 153-28. Copies to state officers.

Upon approval of this article, the Selectmen shall cause one copy thereof to be mailed to the Director of the Division of Fisheries and Wildlife and one copy to be mailed to the Director of the Massachusetts Environmental Police.

ARTICLE XI
Definitions

§ 153-29. Definitions.

For the purposes of this chapter, the following terms shall have the following definitions:

ADEQUATE SHELTER — A structure that is large enough for the animal, whether it be livestock or pet, to stand naturally, turn around and lie down inside of the structure without being exposed to the elements of weather. The roof and walls of the structure are waterproof and windproof. Bedding must be kept dry and changed regularly to preserve insulating qualities. Insulation and an inner wall must be included in shelter for dogs with short fur (example: pointers, Staffordshire terriers, boxers, and Labrador retrievers) to provide adequate protection from cold. During cold weather a moveable flap must be placed over the entrance to a dog shelter to preserve the dog's body heat. Adequate shelter from sun may be provided by a tarp placed in a manner to provide deep shade and allow air to pass through for ventilation.

COMPANION ANIMAL or PET — Any dog or cat, and shall also mean any other domesticated animal normally maintained in or near the household of the owner or keeper who cares for such other domesticated animal. "Pet" or "companion animal" shall not include a farm animal as defined in this section.

FARM ANIMAL or LIVESTOCK — Any poultry, ungulate, species of cattle, sheep, swine, goats, llamas, equine, or other fur-bearing animals which are raised for commercial or subsistence purposes.

KENNEL, COMMERCIAL — Any premises maintained for the boarding, day care, or in-residence training of dogs, or where four or more dogs six months of age or older are kept.

KENNEL, PERSONAL — One pack or collection of dogs on a single premises, whether maintained for companionship, breeding, sale, training, hunting or other purposes, and also including every pack or collection of four or more dogs six months of age or older owned or kept by a person on a single premises irrespective of the purpose for which they are maintained.

OWNER or KEEPER — Any person possessing, harboring, keeping, having an interest in, or having control or custody of a dog. If the animal is owned by a person under the age of 18, that person's custodial parents or legal guardian shall be responsible for complying with all requirements of this chapter.

ARTICLE 33. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Raynham Zoning By-Laws; or take any action relative thereto, by amending Article 6 to add Section 6.14, entitled "Associate Member of the Planning Board," to create the position of an Associate Member for the Planning Board, as a Special Permit Granting Authority, in accordance with M.G.L. Chapter 40A, §9, as follows:

Associate Member of the Planning Board. The Associate Planning Board Member is a two (2) year position that shall be appointed by a joint vote of the Board of Selectmen and the Planning Board. The Chairman of the Planning Board must designate the Associate Member to sit on the board for the purposes of acting on a special permit application or site plan approval, in the case of absence, inability to act, or conflict of interest, on the part of any member of the planning board or in the event of a vacancy on the board. Any vacancy in the office of the Associate Member will be filled by a majority joint vote of the Board of Selectmen and the Planning Board.

Term of Associate Member. The term of appointment shall be two (2) years from the date of appointment. Any vacancy in the position of associate member shall be filled for the balance of the term of the associate member when the position becomes vacant.

(Submitted by the Planning Board)

ARTICLE 34. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to acquire, by purchase, gift, and/or eminent domain and on such terms as the Board of Selectmen deems appropriate, the fee to and/or permanent easements in, on, under and over the portions of properties located off Mill Street, Raynham, Massachusetts and known as Raynham Assessor's Maps 8-239-A (0 Mill Street), 8-240-A (291 Mill Street), 8-225-3 (290 Mill Street), 8-225-4 (0 Mill Street), 8-225-6 (260 Mill Street), 8-225-7 (250 Mill Street), for Mill Street Roadway and Bridge Improvements Project and shown on a plan on file with the Town Clerk, and further to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into all agreements and take any and all actions as may be necessary, and upon such terms and conditions as it deems appropriate to acquire such interests in said land sufficient to use said land for all purposes for which public ways are used in the Town of Raynham, or take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Board of Selectmen)

ARTICLE 35. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to acquire, by purchase, gift, and/or eminent domain and on such terms as the Board of Selectmen deems appropriate, the fee to and/or permanent easements in, on, under and over the portions of properties located off Mill Street, Raynham, Massachusetts and known as Raynham Assessor's Maps 8-225-0 (272 Mill Street), 8-205-0 (200 Mill Street), 8-243-B-1A (0 Mill Street), 8-243-B (225 Mill Street), 8-242-A (197 Mill Street), for Mill Street Roadway and Bridge Improvements Project and shown on a plan on file with the Town Clerk, and further to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into all agreements and take any and all actions as may be necessary, and upon such terms and conditions as it deems appropriate to acquire such interests in said land sufficient to use said land for all purposes for which public ways are used in the Town of Raynham, or take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Board of Selectmen)

ARTICLE 36. To see if the Town will vote to amend the General By-laws by repealing/rescinding/deleting the General By-law entitled "Reduction of Single-Use Plastic Bags" in its entirety; or take any action relative thereto.

(Submitted by Citizen's Petition)

ARTICLE 37. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Town of Raynham General By-Laws by adding a new section, Section 2/46 SINGLE-USE STYROFOAM PACKAGING; or take any action relative thereto:

Section 2/46 **SINGLE-USE STYROFOAM PACKAGING**

2/46 - Subsection 1 Definitions.

1. "Packaging" shall mean all food and beverage related wrappings, bags, boxes and containers.
2. "Styrofoam" shall mean single-use expandable polystyrene foam products including but not limited to cups, bowls, plates, takeout containers and trays.
3. "Retail Food and/or Beverage Establishment" shall mean any restaurant, food operation public or private, or any other place, other than a private residence, where food and drink is prepared or served, with or without charge, for consumption on or off the premises, including any catering establishment or any eating place, whether fixed or mobile, restaurant, bar, cafe, cafeteria, public or private school, hospital, private club, coffee shop, sandwich stand, or any other type of food service operation.
4. "Prepared food" shall mean ready for immediate consumption.
5. "Board of Health" shall mean any entity serving as such or their authorized agent

2/46 - Subsection 2. Prohibition.

No retail food and/or beverage establishment located and doing business within the Town of Raynham shall sell or convey prepared food or beverage directly to consumers within the Town of Raynham if such food and/ or beverage is placed, packaged, or wrapped in Styrofoam.

2/46 - Subsection 3. Temporary Waiver.

The Board of Health may grant a one-time temporary waiver of 6 months if the applicant can show, in writing, that compliance would create an undue financial hardship, or practical difficulty, not generally applicable to other persons in similar circumstances, and good cause is shown.

2/46 - Subsection 4. Enforcement.

Enforcement of this bylaw shall be the responsibility of the Board of Health.

2/46 - Subsection 5. Regulations.

The Board of Health may issue and promulgate such rules and regulations as may be necessary to implement and carry out the provision of this law.

2/46 - Subsection 6. Violation.

Violation of the SINGLE-USE STYROFOAM PACKAGING By-law shall result in the following penalties payable to the Town of Raynham:

1st offense - Written Warning; 2nd offense - \$200 per day; 3rd and each subsequent offense - \$400 per day

2/46 – Subsection 7. Effective Date.

This by-law shall take effect on January 1, 2023,

(Submitted by Citizen’s Petition)

ARTICLE 38. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to file a Home Rule petition with the General Court of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, on behalf of the Town of Raynham, for a special act as set forth below; and further, to authorize the General Court to make clerical or editorial changes of form only to the bill, unless the Board of Selectmen approves amendments to the bill before enactment by the General Court, and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to approve amendments which shall be within the scope of the general public objectives of this petition; or take any other action relative thereto.

AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF RAYNHAM TO GRANT ADDITIONAL LICENSES FOR THE SALE OF ALL ALCOHOL BEVERAGES, NOT TO BE DRUNK ON THE PREMISES.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

SECTION 1. Notwithstanding the provisions of section 17 of chapter 138 of the General Laws or any other general or special law to the contrary, the licensing authority of the Town of Raynham may grant one (1) license for the sale of all alcohol beverages not to be drunk on the premises under the provisions of section 15 of said chapter 138. The license shall be located at **300 New State Highway, US- 44**. Such license shall be subject to all of the provisions of said chapter 138 except section 17; provided, however, that said licensing authority shall not approve the transfer of said license within one year after the date of issuance of such license by said licensing authority; and provided further, that such use is allowed by right or by special permit in such applicable zoning district.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage; or take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by Citizen’s Petition)

ARTICLE 39. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Town's General Bylaws to add the following By-law; or take any action relative thereto:

Hours of Operation By-law

Section 1. Closing Hours.

No shop, store, or other place of trade, commerce, or entertainment, nor any place of commercial or industrial business use, shall be kept open or operate between 11:00 p.m. and 5:00 a.m., except as hereinafter provided.

Section 2. Exceptions.

(A) The provisions of this By-law shall not apply to any place of business that is established pursuant to a special permit issued in accordance with the Town's Zoning Bylaw when such special permit directly specifies hours of operation.

(B) The provisions of this By-law shall not apply to any hotel, motel, convenience store, gas station, grocery store, laundromat, pharmacy, medical clinic, hospital, premises that is licensed to serve or sell alcohol under Chapter 138 of the General Laws, or restaurant.

(C) The Board of Selectmen may issue permits to approve other places of commercial or industrial business use to keep open or operate between the hours of 11:00 p.m. and 5:00 a.m., provided that the operations at such locations during said hours shall not cause or create a nuisance or disturb or cause the disturbance of the peace and quiet of the neighborhood in which such business is located. The Board of Selectmen shall determine whether to issue a permit under this By-law at a duly noticed public meeting.

Section 3. Permit fee.

The initial fee for a permit to operate a place of business between the aforesaid hours shall be established by the Board of Selectmen. After payment of the initial permit fee no annual fees will thereafter be required for such business.

Section 4. Rules and regulations.

The Board of Selectmen may establish rules and regulations governing nighttime operations of businesses permitted pursuant to this By-law in order to avoid nuisances and disturbances of the peace.

Section 5. Suspension or revocation of permit.

The Board of Selectmen may, for good cause and after reasonable notice and opportunity to be heard, suspend or revoke any permit issued pursuant to this By-law.

Section 6. Responsibility for violations.

The owner of any business who operates such business in a manner contrary to the provisions of this Bylaw shall be deemed guilty of a violation of this article.

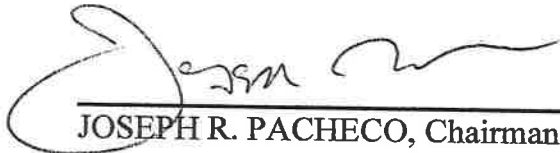
Section 7. Conflicting provisions.

To the extent that any other Town By-law conflicts with this By-law, or any permit granted under the authority of the Town of Raynham acting through any board, commission, agency, or authority conflicts with the requirements of this By-law, the requirements of this By-law shall prevail.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant by posting up attested copies thereof at the six (6) places directed by vote of the Town, in said Town, seven (7) days before the time of holding said meeting.

HEREOF FAIL NOT, and make do return of this Warrant, with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk, at the time and place of meeting, as aforesaid.

Given under our hands this 29th day of March in the year of our Lord Two Thousand and Twenty-Two.



JOSEPH R. PACHECO, Chairman



RICHARD G. SCHIAVO, Vice Chairman



PATRICIA A. RILEY, Clerk

SELECTMEN OF RAYNHAM

A true copy. Attest:

CONSTABLE

Date: _____

Bristol, ss

PURSUANT TO THE WITHIN WARRANT, I have notified and warned the inhabitants of the Town of Raynham by posting up attested copies of the same at six (6) places directed by vote of the Town, seven (7) days before the date of the meeting, as within directed.

Constable

**TOWN OF RAYNHAM
GENERAL FUND BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2023
BUDGET SUMMARY**

Expenditures

FY2023 Operating Budgets

General Government	\$ 2,346,318.61	5.15%
Public Safety	9,984,017.77	21.91%
Education	22,778,258.00	50.00%
Public Works & Facilities	2,122,317.90	4.66%
Human Services	571,938.68	1.26%
Culture & Recreation	636,126.29	1.40%
Debt Service	1,615,339.80	3.55%
Employee Benefits	5,421,480.61	11.90%
Liability Insurance	82,284.72	0.18%
Total FY 2023 General Fund as Recommended	45,558,082.38	100.00%

FY2023 Annual Town Meeting Articles

Total Annual Town Meeting Articles **1,672,034.00**

FY2023 Other Expenditures

Assessors Overlay	\$ 281,300.00	
Snow & Ice Deficit	212,161.00	
State & County Charges	455,948.00	
Total Other Expenditures	949,409.00	

Total to be Raised or Transferred **\$ 48,179,525.38**

FY2023 Estimated Revenues

Real & Personal Property Taxes

FY 22 Tax Levy Limit	37,932,638.00
FY 23 2 1/2% Tax Levy Increase	948,315.95
FY 23 New Growth - estimated	225,000.00
Debt Exclusion - Town	1,608,340.80
Debt Exclusion - School Construction Bonds	724,676.00
Total Tax Levy	41,438,970.75

State & Local Receipts

State Receipts (Cherry Sheet) Less Offsets	
Motor Vehicle Excise (Net of Refunds)	1,535,054.00
Vessel Excise (Net of Refunds)	2,265,063.00
Meals Excise Tax	1,750.00
Room Excise	400,000.00
Penalties & Interest on Taxes & Excises	266,000.00
Payments in Lieu of Taxes - Solar Pilot	325,000.00
Charges for Services-Trash Disposal	35,000.00
Fees	400,000.00
Rental Receipts	180,000.00
Other Departmental Revenue	3,500.00
Licenses & Permits	22,500.00
Fines & Forfeits	525,000.00
Earnings on Investments	90,000.00
Miscellaneous Revenue - Recurring	25,000.00
Miscellaneous Revenue - Non Recurring	70,000.00
Total State & Local Receipts	6,143,867.00

Transfer from Other Funds

Other Financing Sources

11 Ambulance Fund (RRAP)	456,602.00
14 Sewer Enterprise - Indirect Costs	104,792.00
19 Bond Premiums - General	7,106.00
21 Bordon Colony (RRAP)	28,250.00

Total Other Financing Sources 596,750.00

Total Estimated Revenues **48,179,587.75**