

**SPECIAL TOWN MEETING
TOWN OF RAYNHAM
THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS**

November 15, 2022, 7:00 PM

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 **Tuesday, the 15th day of November, Two Thousand and Twenty-Two at seven o'clock in the evening**, then and there to act on the following Articles:

ARTICLE 1. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$1,832.03 for the purpose of paying unpaid bills of prior fiscal years:

Vendor	Department	Amount	Fiscal Year
Secure Restore LLC	Data Processing/MIS	\$ 1,549.80	2021
W.B. Mason	Town Clerk	\$ 57.38	2021
W.B. Mason	Town Clerk	\$ 224.85	2022
TOTAL		\$ 1,832.03	

Or take any action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Board of Selectmen)

ARTICLE 2. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and transfer \$456,602 as detailed below from the Ambulance Receipts Reserved for Appropriation account to operate the ambulance service for the 2nd half of Fiscal Year 2023; any unused funds at the end of FY 2023 to be returned to the ambulance receipts account.

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

Or take any action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Fire Department)

ARTICLE 3. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$86,934 for the purposes of amending the FY 2023 General Fund Operating Budget as voted in Article 3 of the Annual Town Meeting of May 16, 2022 by supplementing the following budgets:

\$21,600 to the Personnel Expenses account of the Conservation Commission (Dept. # 171) in order to properly account for costs related to department budget consolidation

\$16,000 to the Expenses account of the Planning Board (Dept. #175) that were inadvertently not included in the number voted at the Annual Town Meeting

\$4,500 to the Expenses account of the Library (Dept. #610) for added costs to upgrade the library public internet and Wi-Fi hot spots

\$44,834 to the Expenses account of Liability Insurance (Dept. #945) for costs related to a cyber insurance policy not considered in the original budget request

Or take any action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Board of Selectmen)

ARTICLE 4. To see if the Town will vote to implement the collective bargaining agreement, if any, entered into between the Town and Raynham Employees Union, Highway Department Unit by raising and appropriating \$_____ to fund FY 2023, including retro payments, and to concurrently authorize the Finance Director to make the adjustments within the FY 2023 General Fund Operating Budget that are necessitated by this implementation and funding, or take any action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Board of Selectmen)

ARTICLE 5. To see if the Town will vote to implement the collective bargaining agreement, if any, entered into between the Town and the International Association of Firefighters Local 2894, Professional Firefighters of Raynham by raising and appropriating \$_____ to fund FY 2023, including retro payments, and to concurrently authorize the Finance Director to make the adjustments within the FY 2023 General Fund Operating Budget that are necessitated by this implementation and funding, or take any action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Board of Selectmen)

ARTICLE 6. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$_____ for the purpose of establishing and funding a Stabilization Fund for Collective Bargaining pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 40, Section 5B; said fund is intended to set aside monies to cover the incremental costs for FY 2023 of collective bargaining agreements, if any, to be entered into between the Town and the Raynham Employees Union, Highway Department and/or the Town and the International Association of Firefighters Local 2894, Professional Firefighters of Raynham; appropriations from this fund are subject to approval at a future Town Meeting; or take any action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Board of Selectmen)

ARTICLE 7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500,340 for the purpose of purchasing capital items and for repair and renovation projects at the Merrill Elementary School, LaLiberte Elementary School, and Raynham Middle School as well as the town share of district-wide capital items and repair and renovation projects at the Bridgewater-Raynham Regional High School, all as follows:

Man Lift Replacement (1) - LaLiberte Elementary School	\$ 11,000
Existing Phone System Replacement - LaLiberte Elementary School	\$ 40,000
Camera System Upgrade - LaLiberte Elementary School	\$ 50,000
Projectors/Interactive Panels Upgrade - LaLiberte Elementary School	\$ 70,000
Camera System Upgrade - Merrill Elementary School	\$ 45,000
Projectors/Interactive Panels Upgrade - Merrill Elementary School	\$120,000
F250 W/Utility Body & Plow Setup (1) - Town Share of District-Wide	\$ 27,720
F250 Standard Pickup (1) - Town Share of District-Wide	\$ 23,760
Light Controls Replacement - Town Share of High School	\$ 35,640
PA System Schedule Bells Upgrade - Town Share of High School	\$ 7,920
Auditorium Phase 2 - Town Share of High School	\$ 9,900
Security Camera System Upgrade - Town Share of District-Wide	\$ 59,400
TOTAL	\$500,340

Or take any action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Bridgewater-Raynham Regional School District)

ARTICLE 8. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and transfer the sum of \$250,000 from Sewer Enterprise retained earnings for engineering, bidding, purchase and installation of an emergency backup generator system to include transfer switch and all necessary equipment for the Sewer Department's office and garage facility; or take any action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Sewer Commission)

ARTICLE 9. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and transfer the sum of \$90,000 from Free Cash for the purchase of a 1-ton dump truck to replace an 18-year-old vehicle at the end of its useful life, or take any action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Cemetery Commission)

ARTICLE 10. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and transfer the sum of \$65,000 with \$48,425 from Free Cash and \$16,575 from the Fire Alarm Revolving Fund for the purchase of a pickup truck, including equipment, to be utilized by the shift commanders, with the truck currently used by the shift commanders being repurposed as the replacement to the CERT pickup truck, or take any action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Fire Department)

ARTICLE 11. To see if the Town will vote to amend one of the funding sources for the purchase of a new fire/pumper truck as voted in Article 25 of the Special Town Meeting of November 1, 2021 by rescinding the appropriation of \$274,736 from the Ambulance Receipts Reserved for Appropriation account (Ambulance Fund) and instead appropriating and transferring \$274,736 from Free Cash, or take any action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Fire Department)

ARTICLE 12. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and transfer the sum of \$100,000 from Free Cash for the purchase and replacement of the chain link fence at McKenney Baseball Field, or take any action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Park & Recreation Commission)

ARTICLE 13. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$222,000 for the purchase of three (3) police patrol vehicles, including equipment, consistent with the Police Department's vehicle replacement cycle, or take any action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Police Department)

ARTICLE 14. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$2,000,000 for the design, engineering, construction, and equipping of an addition and renovation of the Senior Center at 2215 King Phillip Street, including the payment of all costs incidental and related thereto, and that to meet this appropriation, the Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, is authorized to borrow said amount under and pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 44, §7(1) or any other enabling authority, and to issue bonds or notes of the Town therefor for a term not in excess of 20 years, exclusive of the term of any temporary notes issued in anticipation thereof, provided, however, that this appropriation be contingent upon the passage of a Proposition 2½ debt exclusion question pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 59, § 21C(k); this appropriation shall be expended in addition to the \$500,000 in American Rescue Plan monies already allocated by the Board of Selectmen and \$160,000 in monies previously appropriated by Town Meeting towards the repair and renovation of the Senior Center; or take any action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Board of Selectmen)

ARTICLE 15. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$2,500,000 for the design, construction, and replacement of Kings Pond Dam and Bridge (Gardiner Street) and for the payment of all other related roadway and sidewalk improvements, and all other costs incidental and related thereto, and that to meet this appropriation, the Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, is authorized to borrow said amount under and pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 44, §7(1) or any other enabling authority, and to issue bonds or notes of the Town therefor for a period not to exceed 20 years, exclusive of the term of any temporary notes issued in anticipation thereof, provided, however, that this appropriation is contingent upon the passage of a Proposition 2½ debt exclusion question pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 59, § 21C(k); this appropriation shall supplement the \$768,000 in various grant monies previously made available for design and construction of this project; or take any action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Highway Department)

ARTICLE 16. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and transfer the sum of \$450,000 from Free Cash for the design, construction and replacement of the Mill Street Bridge and other related roadway and sidewalk improvements; said appropriation supplements \$1,150,000 in monies previously appropriated by Town Meeting for this purpose; or take any action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Highway Department)

ARTICLE 17. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and transfer the sum of \$650,000 from Free Cash for the purpose of supplementing Chapter 90 funds for the repair and maintenance or reconstruction of various infrastructure projects including roadway resurfacing and reconstruction, sidewalk construction, ADA compliance, bridges, culverts, drainage, intersection improvements, signage, traffic signals, and guardrails; or take any action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Highway Department)

ARTICLE 18. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and transfer the sum of \$110,000 from Free Cash for the purchase and replacement of a Trackless MT 7 multi-purpose tractor with snowblower, or equal; said appropriation supplements a \$50,000 grant towards the total purchase; or take any action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Highway Department)

ARTICLE 19. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and transfer the sum of \$13,000 from Free Cash for the purchase of a salt spreader, or take any action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Highway Department)

ARTICLE 20. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and transfer the sum of \$22,000 from Free Cash for the purchase and replacement of a John Deere 997 mower and accessories, or equal; or take any action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Highway Department)

ARTICLE 21. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and transfer the sum of \$50,000 from Free Cash for the purpose of supplementing the OPEB (Other Post-Employment Benefits) Trust Fund as had been established pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 32B, Section 20 to offset future health insurance costs for retirees, or take any action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Finance Director)

ARTICLE 22. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and transfer the sum of \$975,000 from Free Cash for the purpose of supplementing the General Stabilization Fund pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 40, Section 5B, or take any action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Finance Director)

ARTICLE 23. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and transfer the sum of \$300,000 from Sewer Enterprise retained earnings to the Stabilization Fund for Sewer Department Capital Expenses pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 40, Section 5B, or take any action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Sewer Commission)

ARTICLE 24. To see if the Town will vote to accept Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 41, Section 110A which reads as follows: "Any public office in any city or town may remain closed on any or all Saturdays as may be determined from time to time, in a city by the city council, subject to the provisions of the city charter, or, in a town by vote of the town at a special or regular town meeting, and the provisions of section nine of chapter four shall apply in the case of such closing of any such office on any Saturday to the same extent as if such Saturday were a legal holiday"; or take any action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Town Clerk)

ARTICLE 25. To see if the Town will vote to amend the General Bylaws by deleting in its entirety the bylaw entitled Surplus Property, as had been voted in Article 29 at the Annual Town Meeting of May 16, 2022, or take any action relative thereto.


(Submitted by the Board of Selectmen)

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, fourteen (14) days before the time of holding said meeting.

Given under our hands this 25th day of October in the year of our Lord Two Thousand Twenty-Two.


RICHARD G. SCHIAVO, Chair


PATRICIA A. RILEY, Vice Chair


JOSEPH R. PACHECO, Clerk
SELECTMEN OF RAYNHAM

A true copy. Attest:


Constable

Date: 10/31/22
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, fourteen days before the date of the meeting, as within directed.


Constable