SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

PLYMOUTH COUNTY, SS.

To either of the Constables of West Bridgewater, in the County of Plymouth

Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of West Bridgewater qualified to vote in Elections and Town Affairs to meet at the West Bridgewater Middle/Senior High School Auditorium.

IN SAID TOWN ON
October 26, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.

Then and there to act on the following Articles, to wit:

Article 1: To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds a sum of money to be expended by the Director of Public Works to purchase up to two commercial trucks, or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 2: To see if the Town will vote to permanently designate the portion of land at 99 West Center Street (Map 39 Parcel 003) as municipal recreation/park land or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 3: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum not to exceed $60,000 from the West Bridgewater Community Preservation Fund, of which up to $21,245 shall be appropriated from the Open Space Reserve Fund and up to $38,755 shall be appropriated from the undesignated fund balance as of June 30, 2017, in accordance with Chapter 44B of the Massachusetts General Laws, as recommended by the Community Preservation Committee under the categories of Open Space and Recreation to be expended to create a 9/11 Memorial Park on municipal/park land at 99 West Center Street (Map 39 Parcel 003) as approved in Article 2 of this Special Town Meeting, or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 4: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum not to exceed $12,207 from the West Bridgewater Community Preservation Fund, of which up to $12,207 shall be appropriated from the undesignated fund balance as of June 30, 2017, in accordance with Chapter 44B of the Massachusetts General Laws, as recommended by the Community Preservation Committee under the category of Historic Preservation to be expended for the restoration of eight historic bronze plaques, seven currently located in the War Memorial Park and one to be relocated to the park from the Town Hall, or any other action relative thereto.
Article 5: To see if the Town will vote to expend out of the Fiscal Year 2018 Fire Department budget 2200 a sum of $1,943.17 to provide for a previous fiscal year’s committed expenditures of the Fire Department.

Article 6: To see if the Town will vote to accept, in accordance with Chapter 82, Sections 22 and 24 of the Massachusetts General Laws, Brescia Lane as a Town way as approved by the Planning Board, filed with the Town Clerk and recorded in the Registry of Deeds, or to take any other action relative thereto.

Article 7: To see if the Town will vote to amend Article 9 of the Town’s General By-Laws by adding a new section as proposed:

Section 6. The Town Clerk, after consulting with the Town Administrator, shall have the authority to establish the format of Town bylaws and require that the format of proposed additions or amendments be altered to make the format of the additions to amendments consistent with the Town bylaw format. Such formatting as required should be accomplished prior to presentation to Town Meeting. Further, the Town Clerk shall be responsible for reviewing the format of all existing and proposed Town bylaws, exclusive of zoning by laws, or amendments thereto and shall make appropriate formatting changes. Such change may include changes to spacing, capitalization, font and font size, the use of underlining or italics. These changes shall not in any way alter the language/intent of the bylaw. The Town Clerk is also authorized to renumber sections or subsections of the bylaws where such renumbering may include reordering of bylaw sections or subsections and may include changing from numeric numbering to alphabetic numbering, or the reverse.

Article 8: To see if the Town will vote to modify the qualifications of the membership of the Agricultural Commission established in Article 31 of the June 7, 2010 Annual Town Meeting to require that the commission shall consist of not less than three (3) but no more than seven (7) members who shall be residents of the Town, a majority of which shall be farmers or employed in an agriculture-related field, and further that if farmers or persons employed in agriculture are not available to serve on the commission, then the commission shall include a majority of members with knowledge and experience in agricultural practices or knowledge of related agricultural business, or to take any other action relative thereto.
And you are directed to serve this Warrant, by posting attested copies thereof, as directed by the By-Laws of the Town, at least fourteen days before the time of holding the aforesaid meeting.

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

Given under our hands and seal this 5th day of October, in the year of our Lord two thousand and seventeen

A true record. Attest:

Anne G. Iannitelli, Town Clerk

Selectmen of the Town of West Bridgewater

Jerry D. Lawrence, Chairman

Anthony J. Kinahan, Vice Chairman

Eldon F. Moreira, Clerk

Constable of West Bridgewater

BRUCE L. HOLMQVIST

Pursuant to the within Warrant, I have this day notified and warned the inhabitants of the Town of West Bridgewater qualified to vote in elections and Town Affairs to meet at the time and place within mentioned by posting fifteen attested copies of within Warrant at various location throughout precincts one and two fourteen days at least before the aforesaid Special Town Meeting.

Bruce L. Holmquist, Constable
Town of West Bridgewater

Oct 12, 2017

Date

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