

**2022 ANNUAL TOWN WARRANT
COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS**

FRANKLIN, SS:

To either of the Constables of the **Town of Sunderland** in the County of Franklin,

GREETINGS:

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 the elections and in town affairs, to meet at ONE SWAMPFIELD DRIVE in said SUNDERLAND on Friday this TWENTY-NINETH Day of April, TWO THOUSAND AND TWENTY-TWO at **7:00** p.m. and act on the following articles:

All articles on this warrant require a simple majority unless otherwise indicated or required by the motion.

ARTICLE 1. To see if the Town will vote to hear the reports of the Selectboard, the Sunderland School Committee and all other Town Officers, Boards, Committees and Commissions, or take any vote or votes in relation thereto.

Majority Vote (no statutory reference)

SUBMITTED BY: Selectboard
SELECTBOARD RECOMMENDATION:

ARTICLE 2. To see if the Town will vote, under the provisions of M.G.L. Chapter 41, Section 108, to set the salaries and compensation of all its elected officials connected therewith for Fiscal Year 2023, or take any vote or votes in relation thereto.

Assessors: Chair \$2,994.21 annually Clerk \$2,994.21 annually Member \$ 2,994.21 annually

Board of Health: Chair \$1,500. Member \$1,200. Member \$1,200.

Moderator: \$200.00 annually

Planning Board: Chair \$1,000.00 annually Clerk \$1,000.00 annually
Members each \$550.00 annually

Town Clerk: \$53,928. annually

Selectboard: Chair \$3,275.00 annually Vice Chair \$2,850.00 annually Clerk \$2,850.00 annually

Majority Vote - G.L. c.41, §108

SUBMITTED BY: Selectboard
SELECTBOARD RECOMMENDATION:
FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

ARTICLE 3. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds or otherwise provide a sum or sums of money for the Town and general municipal purposes connected therewith for Fiscal Year 2023 or take any vote or votes in relation thereto.

Majority Vote - G.L. c. 40, §5, and G.L. c.71, §16B (NOTE: 2/3 vote required if: borrowing pursuant to G.L. c. 44, §§7 or 8 and G.L. c.59, §21C; or transfer from stabilization pursuant to G.L. 40, §5B)

SUBMITTED BY: Selectboard
SELECTBOARD RECOMMENDATION:
FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

ARTICLE 4. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum or sums of money for the Fiscal Year 2023 Capital Budget, specifically for the capital equipment, buildings, facilities and other capital projects as shown on a document entitled, "FY23 CAPITAL BUDGET BY FUNDING SOURCE" on file with the Town Clerk, and posted on the Town website at www.townofsunderland.us, and as may be necessary in connection therewith, to authorize one or more lease purchase agreements for terms of up to or in excess of three years, or take any vote or votes in relation thereto.

Majority Vote - G.L. c. 40, §5 (NOTE: 2/3 vote required if: borrowing pursuant to G.L. c. 44, §§7 or 8 and G.L. c.59, §21C; transfer from stabilization pursuant to G.L. 40, §5B; or authorization of lease/purchase agreement pursuant to G.L. c.44 §21C)

SUBMITTED BY: Selectboard
SELECTBOARD RECOMMENDATION:
FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:
CAPITAL PLANNING COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

ARTICLE 5. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds or otherwise provide a sum of money to fund the accumulated sick and vacation leave buy back for Sunderland Elementary School employees pursuant to the Town By-laws and/or collective bargaining agreements, or take any other action relative thereto.

Majority Vote - G.L. c. 40, §5 (NOTE: 2/3 vote required if: borrowing pursuant to G.L. c. 44, §§7 or 8 and G.L. c.59, §21C; transfer from stabilization pursuant to G.L. 40, §5B; or authorization of lease/purchase agreement pursuant to G.L. c.44 §21C)

SUBMITTED BY: Selectboard
SELECTBOARD RECOMMENDATION:
FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

ARTICLE 6. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds or otherwise provide a sum of money to fund Sunderland’s 25% share of Phase II of the Senior Center Needs Assessment.

Majority Vote-G.L. c.40, §21; G.L. 41, §108C

SUBMITTED BY: South County Senior Center Board of Oversight
SELECTBOARD RECOMMENDATION:
FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

ARTICLE 7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds or otherwise provide a sum of money for the membership fee for the Pioneer Valley Mosquito Control District or take any other action relative thereto.

Majority Vote-G.L. c.40, §21; G.L. 41, §108C

SUBMITTED BY: Selectboard
SELECTBOARD RECOMMENDATION:
FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

ARTICLE 8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds or otherwise provide a sum of money for Sunderland’s share to replace the walk-in cooler for the Frontier Regional School District, or take any other action relative thereto.

Majority Vote-G.L. c.40, §21; G.L. 41, §108C

SUBMITTED BY: Frontier Capital Improvement Committee
SELECTBOARD RECOMMENDATION:
FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

ARTICLE 9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds or otherwise provide a sum of money to the Capital Stabilization Fund.

Majority Vote-G.L. c.40, §21; G.L. 41, §108C

SUBMITTED BY: Frontier Capital Improvement Committee
SELECTBOARD RECOMMENDATION:
FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

ARTICLE 10. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and transfer the amount of \$166,500 from CPA Funds, as requested by the Town of Sunderland. Monies will be used for the renovation of the restroom building to increase accessibility and replace the recreation storage shed for the purpose of enhancing recreation in the park. Said funds to be expended under the direction of the Community Preservation Committee, or take any other action thereto.

Majority Vote - G.L. c. 44B, §5

SUBMITTED BY: Community Preservation Committee

SELECTBOARD RECOMMENDATION:
FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:
CPC RECOMMENDATION: 6-0

ARTICLE 11. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and transfer the amount of \$100,000 from CPA Funds to the Town's Conservation Trust for the acquisition of a parcel or parcels of land in the Town of Sunderland and to authorize the Conservation Commission to acquire said interests in land upon such terms and conditions and for such consideration as it deems appropriate and to authorize the Selectboard to grant a permanent restriction on said parcels pursuant to and meeting the requirements of Section 12 of Chapter 44B of the General Laws, or take any other action thereto.

Majority Vote - G.L. c. 44B, §5

SUBMITTED BY: Community Preservation Committee
SELECTBOARD RECOMMENDATION:
FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:
CPC RECOMMENDATION: 6-0

ARTICLE 12. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and reserve from the **Community Preservation Fund** annual revenues in the amounts recommended by the Community Preservation Committee for committee administrative expenses, community preservation projects and other expenses in fiscal year 2023.

Appropriations:

From FY 2023 estimated revenues* for Committee Administrative Expenses	\$6,000
Community Preservation Debt Service	\$24,749.21

Reserves:

FY 2023 estimated revenues for Historic Resources Reserve	\$32,875
FY 2023 estimated revenues for Community Housing Reserve	\$32,875
FY 2023 estimated revenues for Open Space Reserve	\$32,875
FY 2023 estimated revenues for CPA Undesignated Budgeted Reserve	\$118,125

or take any other action thereon.

Majority Vote - G.L. c. 44B, §5

SUBMITTED BY: Community Preservation Committee
SELECTBOARD RECOMMENDATION:
FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:
CPC RECOMMENDATION: 6-0

ARTICLE 13. To see if the Town will vote pursuant to the provisions of General Laws c.44, §53E½, as most recently amended, to establish FY2023 fiscal year spending limits for the revolving funds listed in Section 35-6 of the General Bylaws, and to authorize such expenditure limits to remain in place from fiscal year to fiscal year unless revised by Town Meeting prior to July 1 for the ensuing fiscal year, as follows:

Authorized Revolving Funds	Fiscal Year Expenditure Limit
Wiring Inspector	\$ 9,000
Plumbing Inspector	\$ 3,000
Board of Health	\$16,500
Sunderland Public Library Community Room	\$ 5,000
Fire Inspector	\$ 7,000
Highway Shared Equipment	\$23,000

; Or take any vote or votes in relation thereto.

Majority vote - G.L. c.44, §53E 1/2.

SUBMITTED BY: Selectboard
SELECTBOARD RECOMMENDATION:
FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

ARTICLE 14. To see if the Town will vote to amend §31-19(A) of the Code of Sunderland, Personnel Bylaw, as follows (Delete ~~text-strikethrough~~ and new text in ***bold italics***):

The following days shall be recognized as legal holidays within the meaning of this chapter, and regular employees will receive these days off with pay:

- New Year's Day
- Martin Luther King Day
- President's Day
- Patriots Day
- Memorial Day
- Independence Day
- Labor Day
- Columbus Day
- Veteran's Day
- Thanksgiving Day
- Christmas Day

And insert:

“All holidays enumerated in M.G.L. c. 4, sec. 7, cl. 18 that are applicable to Sunderland shall be recognized as legal holidays within the meaning of this chapter, and regular employees will receive these days off with pay.”

Or take any vote or votes in relation thereto.

Majority Vote-G.L. c.40, §21; G.L. 41, §108C

SUBMITTED BY: Personnel Committee
SELECTBOARD RECOMMENDATION:
FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

Articles 15 through 20, inclusive, are so called Consent Articles

SELECTBOARD RECOMMENDATION to Consent Articles:
FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION to Consent Articles:

ARTICLE 15. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Treasurer/Collector to enter into compensating balance agreements during Fiscal Year 2023, as permitted by G.L. Chapter 44, Section 53F, or take any vote or votes in relation thereto.

Majority Vote-G.L. c.44, §53F

SUBMITTED BY: Treasurer/Collector
SELECTBOARD RECOMMENDATION:

ARTICLE 16. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectboard to apply for, accept and expend any grants or donations from State or Federal governments or private agencies, individuals or institutions, or take any vote or votes in relation thereto.

Majority Vote (no statutory reference; see G.L. c. 44, §§53, 53A)

SUBMITTED BY: Selectboard
SELECTBOARD RECOMMENDATION:

ARTICLE 17. To see if the Town will vote to accept and expend any sum or sums of money which may be available from the State for Chapter 90 work for road improvement and equipment expense, or take any vote or votes in relation thereto.

Majority Vote (no statutory reference; see G.L. c. 44, §53A and G.L. c.90, §34)

SUBMITTED BY: Selectboard and Highway Superintendent
SELECTBOARD RECOMMENDATION:

ARTICLE 18. To see if the Town will vote under the provisions of G.L. Chapter 40, Section 4A to authorize the Selectboard to enter into inter-municipal agreements or take any vote or votes in relation thereto.

Majority Vote - G.L. c. 40, §4A

SUBMITTED BY: Selectboard
SELECTBOARD RECOMMENDATION:

ARTICLE 19. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectboard to enter into contracts for goods and services with duration in excess of three years pursuant to the provisions of G.L. Chapter 30B, Section 12 (b), or take any vote or votes in relation thereto.

Majority Vote - G.L. c. 30B, §12(b)

SUBMITTED BY: Selectboard
SELECTBOARD RECOMMENDATION:

ARTICLE 20. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectboard, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning July 1, 2022 in accordance with the provisions of G.L. Chapter 44, Section 4 and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with G.L. Chapter 44, Section 17, or take any vote or votes in relation thereto.

Majority Vote - G.L. c.44, §§4 and 17

SUBMITTED BY: Selectboard/Treasurer
SELECTBOARD RECOMMENDATION:


You are hereby directed to warn the inhabitants of said Sunderland qualified to vote in Town elections to bring in and cast their votes for the following offices to be filled for the year 2022 on Saturday, the Seventh of May 2022 at the Sunderland Elementary School at One Swampfield Drive, Sunderland from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.:


Office	Term	
• MODERATOR	1 FOR	1 YEAR
• SELECTBOARD	1 FOR	3 YEAR
• ASSESSOR	1 FOR	3 YEAR
• BOARD OF HEALTH	1 FOR	3 YEAR
• RIVERSIDE CEMETERY TRUSTEE	1 FOR	3 YEAR
• PLANNING BOARD	1 FOR	5 YEAR
• LIBRARY TRUSTEES	3 FOR	3 YEAR
• LIBRARY TRUSTEES	1 FOR	1 YEAR
• ELEMENTARY SCHOOL COMMITTEE	1 FOR	3 YEAR
• FRONTIER REGIONAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE	1 FOR	3 YEAR
• TOWN CLERK	1 FOR	3 YEAR
• TOWN PARK TRUSTEE	1 FOR	3 YEAR


You are directed to serve this Warrant by posting up attested copies thereof at the Town Office Building, the Sunderland Public Library and the Sunderland Post Office in said Sunderland seven days, at least, before the holding of said Meeting.

Hereof fail not and make due 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 ____th day of April 2022.

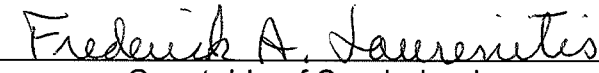

Thomas D. Fydenkevez, Chair


David J. Pierce, Vice Chair


Christyl L. Drake-Tremblay, Clerk
Sunderland Selectboard

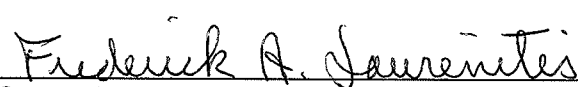
A True Copy ATTEST:

REC'D SUNDERTLAND CLERK
APR 20 '22 PM 1:20


Constable of Sunderland

Date and Time

FRANKLIN, SS:
Pursuant to the within Warrant, I have notified and warned the Inhabitants of the Town of Sunderland by posting up attested copies of the same at the Town Office Building, the Sunderland Public Library and the Sunderland Post Office seven days, at least, before the date hereof, as within directed


Constable of Sunderland

Date and Time

REC'D SUNDERTLAND CLERK
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