

**COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
TOWN OF GRANBY
ANNUAL TOWN MEETING**

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To one of the constables of the Town of Granby in the County of Hampshire:

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 elections and town affairs, to meet at the Granby Junior-Senior High School on East State Street in said Town on Monday, the fourteenth day of May next, 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 conduct the business of the meeting as follows; on May 14, 2018 consider articles two through eighteen and on June 11, 2018 consider articles nineteen through twenty-four, or take any other action in regard thereto.
- ARTICLE 2.** To see if the Town will hear the reports of Town Officers and all standing and special committees and act thereon.
- ARTICLE 3.** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Select Board to conduct the following activities for fiscal year 2019:
- A.** To sell, after first giving notice of time and place of sale by posting such notices of sale in some convenient and public place in the Town 14 days at least before the sale, property taken by the Town under tax title land of low value procedure, provided the Select Board or whomever they authorize to hold such public auction, may reject any bid they deem inadequate.
 - B.** To apply for and accept Federal or State grants or monies as may be made available and to allow the Select Board to expend any funds received as set forth in the appropriate application.
 - C.** To enter into a contract with the Massachusetts Highway Department for the construction and maintenance of public highways for the ensuing year.
- , or take any other action in regard thereto.
- ARTICLE 4.** To see if the Town will authorize the various departments to receive compensation for services rendered for fiscal year 2019 as follows:
- A.** The Cemetery Commissioners to dig graves and maintain the equipment and grounds in the cemeteries at a wage rate that is no less than the minimum wage.
 - B.** The members of the Board of Assessors to be compensated \$15 per parcel for necessary fieldwork and data collection for services rendered in connection with the revaluation and re-certification process involving one-sixth of the improved parcels in town.
 - C.** The members of the Board of Health, or their consultants, to receive compensation at a wage rate of \$35 per inspection or specific required activity.

D. The members of the Planning Board, or their appointees, to receive compensation at a wage rate of \$65 per inspection.

, or take any other action in regard thereto.

ARTICLE 5. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Conservation Commission to charge a fee of \$65 for each site inspection deemed necessary by a quorum of the Commission. Fees shall be payable to the Town of Granby Conservation Commission and deposited in the Conservation Hatch Fund, or take any other action in regard thereto.

ARTICLE 6. To see if the Town will vote to accept the following gifts in calendar year 2017 for perpetual care of cemetery lots:

Sergey & Tatyana Tishchenko	\$1,555.
Madeleine J Bachand	\$ 765.
Curtis Osgood	\$ 775.

, or take any other action in regard thereto.

ARTICLE 7. To see if the Town will vote to authorize expenditures from these revolving funds for fiscal year 2019 without further appropriation:

A. A Parks Oversight Revolving Fund from which the Parks Oversight Ad-Hoc Committee may spend \$40,000 in revolving fund monies in fiscal year 2019.

B. A Charter Day Revolving Fund from which the Charter Day Ad-Hoc Committee may spend \$50,000 in revolving fund monies in fiscal year 2019.

C. A Planning Board Fees Revolving Fund from which the Planning Board may spend \$50,000 in revolving fund monies in fiscal year 2019.

D. An After School Activities Program Revolving Fund from which the Superintendent of Schools may spend \$20,000 in revolving fund monies in fiscal year 2019.

E. A Dog Revolving Fund from which the Police Chief may spend \$12,605 in revolving fund monies in fiscal year 2019.

F. A Library Revolving Fund from which the Library Commissioners may spend \$2,000 in revolving fund monies in fiscal year 2019.

, or take any other action in regard thereto.

ARTICLE 8. To see if the Town will vote to authorize Town departments to enter into agreements in accordance with M.G.L. Chapter 40 Section 4A for the fiscal year 2019, or take any other action in regard thereto.

ARTICLE 9. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Bylaws of The Town of Granby, Volume II, Chapter XIX Personnel Bylaw, APPENDIX D Compensation Plan Pay Schedules, and substituting a new APPENDIX D, showing the nine pay grades and ten steps to be effective July 1, 2018, or take any other action in regard thereto.

(Copies of Chapter XIX, Appendix D are available at the Select Board's Office.)

- ARTICLE 10.** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate as offset receipts fire permit fees in the amount of \$1,420, or a greater or lesser amount, for Forest Fire Warden Expense, or take any other action in regard thereto.
- ARTICLE 11.** To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds the sum of \$279,714, or a greater or lesser amount, authorized under Chapter 291 of the Acts of 2004 for highway construction and improvements defined under Chapter 90 of the General Laws, or take any other action in regard thereto.
- ARTICLE 12.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds, transfer from the stabilization fund, borrow or bond \$175,000, or a greater or lesser amount, for the purpose of funding the Town's Other Post-Employment Benefits (OPEB) liability or take any other action in regard thereto.
- ARTICLE 13.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$307,795, or a greater or lesser amount, as its apportioned share of the fiscal year 2019 budget for the Pathfinder Regional Vocational Technical High School District, or take any other action in regard thereto.
- ARTICLE 14.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$34,532, or a greater or lesser amount, for the purpose of funding the tuition for a Smith Vocational and Agricultural High School student, or take any other action in regard thereto.
- ARTICLE 15.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds, transfer from the stabilization fund, borrow or bond \$44,022, or a greater or lesser amount, for the purpose of purchasing a marked cruiser for the Police Department, or take any other action in regard thereto.
- ARTICLE 16.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds, transfer from the stabilization fund, borrow or bond \$225,000, or a greater or lesser amount, for the purpose of purchasing a Mini Pumper / Rescue vehicle for the Fire Department, or take any other action in regard thereto.
- ARTICLE 17.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds, transfer from the stabilization fund, borrow or bond \$150,000, or a greater or lesser amount, for the purpose of purchasing a dump truck for the Highway Department, or take any other action in regard thereto.
- ARTICLE 18.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds, transfer from the stabilization fund, borrow or bond \$80,500, or a greater or lesser amount, for the purpose of purchasing a Durapatcher for the Highway Department, or take any other action in regard thereto.
- ARTICLE 19.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds \$403,112, or a greater or lesser amount, to operate the municipal solid waste department, or take any other action in regard thereto.
- ARTICLE 20.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds \$266,457, or a greater or lesser amount, to operate the sewer department, or take any other action in regard thereto.
- ARTICLE 21.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds \$305,137, or a greater or lesser amount, to operate the ambulance department, or take any other action in regard thereto.

ARTICLE 22. To see if the Town will vote to raise, appropriate, or transfer from available funds such sums of money as may be necessary to defray the expense of the Town including debt and interest for the ensuing year and to carry out any vote passed under this article.

ARTICLE 23. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from the Capital Equipment Needs Stabilization Fund \$120,800, or a greater or lesser amount, for the purpose of reducing the funding from tax levy for the fiscal year 2019 appropriations, or take any other action in regard thereto.

ARTICLE 24. To see if the Town will vote to assess the amounts raised and appropriated under these articles and warrants on the estates and personal property of the Town of Granby.

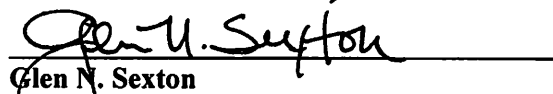
And you are hereby directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof at five or more public places as of the bylaws before the time of said meeting.

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 aforesaid.

Given under our hands this seventeenth day of April in the year of our Lord two thousand and eighteen.


Mark L. Bail


Stephen A. Chojnacki


Glen N. Sexton
Board of Selectmen

I have posted this warrant as of the bylaws of the Town of Granby.

4/23/2018
Date


Constable