



TOWN OF WHITMAN ANNUAL TOWN MEETING WARRANT

PLYMOUTH SS:

To either of the Constables of the Town of Whitman

Greetings:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Whitman qualified to vote in elections and Town affairs to meet in the Town Hall in said Whitman on

MONDAY, THE 2nd day of May, 2022 at 7:30 pm then and there to act upon the following articles:

The following Articles are requests that pertain to the current Fiscal Year budget (07/01/2021 to 6/30/2022) and the Article numbers are preceded with a 'P'; these articles are expenditures or approvals that take effect immediately on vote.

Article P-1 Prior Fiscal Year Bills

To see if the Town will vote to pay the following Fiscal Year 2020 and 2021 bills from free cash, or take any other action relative thereto:

PowerOptions	\$550.00
Industrial Protection Services, LLC	\$1,125.00
AllOne Health Resources, Inc.	\$157.50
Motorola Solutions, Inc.	\$494.00
Stryker Medical	\$7,201.76

Proposed by the Town Administrator and the Town Accountant
Finance Committee voted 9-0 to recommend

Article P-2 Public Safety Ballistic Vests

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from free cash \$60,319 to purchase ballistic vests for members of the police and fire departments, or take any other action relative thereto.

Proposed by the Town Administrator, Police Chief, and Fire Chief

Capital Committee voted to recommend
Finance Committee voted 9-0 to recommend

Article P-3 Fiscal Year 2022 Budget Adjustments

To see if the Town will vote to transfer \$3,000 from budget line “Legal Services” to budget line “Zoning Board of Appeals: Salaries,” \$20,000 from budget line “Employee Health & Life Insurance” to budget line “Building Inspector’s Office: Salaries,” \$28,340 from budget line “Veterans Services: Expenses” to budget line “Fire: Salaries,” and \$10,000 from budget line “Veterans Services: Expenses” to budget line “Fire: Expenses,” all of the June 2, 2021 Annual Town Meeting, or take any other action relative thereto.

Proposed by the Town Administrator
Finance Committee voted 8-0-1 to recommend

Article P-4 Police Collective Bargaining Contract

To see if the Town will vote to approve a collective bargaining agreement between the Town and the Whitman Police Union, MassCOP Local #494 for the period commencing July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022, with the cost items funded through monies appropriated as part of the Fiscal Year 2022 Operating Budget, or take any other action relative thereto.

Proposed by the Board of Selectmen

Article P-5 Department of Public Works Building

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$1,098,100 to create “shovel-ready” architectural drawings so as to allow for the procurement of a new Department of Public Works building to be located at 100 Essex Street, said amount to be expended at the direction of the Whitman Public Works Building Committee or the Town Administrator. Said funds shall be used in part to hire an Owner’s Project Manager for the project, and shall be appropriated as follows: \$713,765 from water-sewer retained earnings, \$234,335 from free cash, and \$150,000 from the capital stabilization fund, or take any other action relative thereto.

Proposed by the Town Administrator
Department of Public Works Building Committee voted to recommend
Capital Committee voted to recommend
Finance Committee voted 9-0 to recommend

Article P-6 Community Preservation Reconciliation

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from Fiscal Year 2022 Community Preservation Fund estimated annual revenues the amounts recommended by the Community Preservation Committee for committee administrative expenses, community preservation projects and other expenses in Fiscal Year 2023, with each item to be considered a separate appropriation:

Appropriations:

From Fiscal Year 2022 estimated revenues for Committee Administrative Expenses: \$9,000

Reserves:

From Fiscal Year 2022 estimated revenues for Historic Resource Reserve: \$25,000

From Fiscal Year 2022 estimated revenues for Community Housing Reserve: \$25,000

From Fiscal Year 2022 estimated revenues for Open Space Reserve: \$25,000

or take any other action in relation thereto.

Proposed by the Community Preservation Committee

Finance Committee voted 9-0 to recommend

The following Articles are approvals and appropriations that are effective on July 1, 2022, for the Fiscal Year beginning on July 1, 2022 and ending June 30, 2023:

Article 1 Annual Town Election

To see if the Town will bring in their vote for the following Town Officers:

Two Selectmen for Three Years; One Assessor for Three Years; Two PK-12 Whitman-Hanson Regional School District Committee Members for Three Years; Two Department of Public Works Commissioners for Three Years; Two Public Library Trustees for Three Years; One Public Library Trustee for One Year to fill a vacancy; One Planning Board Member for Five Years; One Board of Health Member for Three Years, and to choose all other necessary officers.

The polls for the election of officers will be opened in said Town Hall at nine o'clock in the forenoon on said Saturday, the 21st day of May, 2022, and kept open until five o'clock in the evening. Both of which days will constitute the Annual Meeting and this call is issued in accordance with the vote of the Town passed January 29, 1902.

Proposed by the Board of Selectmen

Article 2 Operating Budget

To determine how much money the Town will raise and appropriate for General Government, Protection of Persons and Property, Health and Sanitation, Public Works, Veterans' Benefits, Education, Library, Recreation and Unclassified, as follows:

<i>Reference Number</i>	<i>Department</i>	<i>FY2022 Appropriated</i>	<i>FY2023 Board of Selectmen Proposed</i>	<i>FY2023 Finance Committee Recommended</i>	<i>% Change from FY2022 to FinComm Recommended</i>
1	Town Meetings & Elections	\$20,000	\$35,000	\$35,000	75.0%
2	Board of Selectmen and Town Administrator:				
	Salaries	\$311,278	\$325,508	\$318,748	2.4%
	Expenses	\$43,475	\$46,175	\$46,175	6.2%
3	Finance Committee:				
	Salaries	\$2,300	\$2,346	\$2,346	2.0%
	Expenses	\$695	\$695	\$695	0.0%
4	Reserve Fund	\$35,000	\$35,000	\$35,000	0.0%
5	Town Accountant's Office:				
	Salaries	\$115,810	\$118,488	\$118,488	2.3%
	Expenses	\$1,100	\$1,100	\$1,100	0.0%

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6	Assessing:				
	Salaries	\$158,831	\$163,722	\$163,722	3.1%
	Expenses	\$40,000	\$40,000	\$40,000	0.0%
7	Treasurer/Collector's Office:				
	Treasurer/Collector's Salary	\$102,000	\$108,091	\$108,091	6.0%
	All Other Salaries	\$195,757	\$202,522	\$202,522	3.5%
	Expenses	\$37,500	\$37,500	\$37,500	0.0%
8	Technology:				
	Salaries	\$132,745	\$200,400	\$200,400	51.0%
	Expenses	\$240,000	\$269,955	\$269,955	12.5%
9	Town Clerk's Office:				
	Town Clerk's Salary	\$77,670	\$83,037	\$83,037	6.9%
	All Other Salaries	\$90,066	\$89,828	\$89,828	-0.3%
	Expenses	\$6,450	\$6,450	\$6,450	0.0%
10	Board of Registrars of Voters:				
	Salaries	\$7,202	\$7,346	\$7,346	2.0%
	Expenses	\$4,145	\$4,145	\$4,145	0.0%
11	Conservation Commission:				
	Salaries	\$1,367	\$1,367	\$1,367	0.0%
	Expenses	\$580	\$580	\$580	0.0%
12	Planning Board:				
	Salaries	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$3,000	0.0%
	Expenses	\$400	\$400	\$400	0.0%
13	Zoning Board of Appeals:				
	Salaries	\$4,500	\$6,000	\$6,000	33.3%
	Expenses	\$500	\$500	\$500	0.0%
14	Facilities:				
	Salaries	\$124,408	\$145,000	\$145,000	16.6%
	Expenses	\$99,500	\$99,500	\$99,500	0.0%
15	Police:				
	Salaries	\$3,032,012	\$3,193,108	\$3,193,108	5.3%
	Expenses	\$303,562	\$346,699	\$346,699	14.2%
16	Fire:				
	Salaries	\$3,393,585	\$3,547,699	\$3,547,699	4.5%

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	Expenses	\$407,500	\$413,550	\$413,550	1.5%
17	Building Inspector's Office:				
	Salaries	\$146,432	\$171,152	\$171,152	16.9%
	Expenses	\$9,100	\$9,600	\$9,600	5.5%
18	Weights & Measures:				
	Salaries	\$4,805	\$4,901	\$4,901	2.0%
	Expenses	\$925	\$925	\$925	0.0%
19	Animal Control:				
	Salaries	\$47,600	\$48,552	\$48,552	2.0%
	Expenses	\$11,500	\$11,500	\$11,500	0.0%
20	Vocational Education:				
	South Shore Vocational Technical High School	\$1,660,531	\$1,636,552	\$1,636,552	-1.4%
	Norfolk County Agricultural High School	\$385,600	\$385,600	\$385,600	0.0%
	Student Transportation	\$52,000	\$52,000	\$52,000	0.0%
21	Whitman-Hanson Regional School District:				
	Operating Assessment	\$16,104,903	\$16,741,119.30	\$16,741,119.30	4.0%
	Capital Assessment	\$428,682	\$419,385.41	\$419,385.41	-2.2%
	Crossing Guards	\$40,604	\$41,416	\$41,416	2.0%
22	Highways & Parks:				
	Salaries	\$671,346	\$712,180	\$712,180	6.1%
	Expenses	\$1,643,563	\$1,712,117	\$1,712,117	4.2%
	Snow & Ice	\$120,000	\$120,000	\$120,000	0.0%
23	Water & Sewer Enterprise:				
	Salaries	\$668,389	\$681,402	\$681,402	1.9%
	Expenses	\$4,154,229	\$4,297,649	\$4,297,649	3.5%
24	Health:				
	Salaries	\$96,050	\$108,721	\$108,721	13.2%
	Expenses	\$19,150	\$20,000	\$20,000	4.4%
25	Council on Aging:				
	Salaries	\$213,492	\$215,122	\$215,122	0.8%
	Expenses	\$14,500	\$14,500	\$14,500	0.0%
26	Veterans Services:				
	Salaries	\$55,000	\$56,100	\$56,100	2.0%

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	Expenses	\$216,000	\$225,000	\$225,000	4.2%
27	Library:				
	Salaries	\$357,971	\$365,227	\$365,227	2.0%
	Expenses	\$92,021	\$92,497	\$92,497	0.5%
28	Recreation:				
	Salaries	\$30,005	\$34,075	\$34,075	13.6%
	Expenses	\$7,500	\$10,900	\$10,900	45.3%
29	Miscellaneous Community Services:				
	Whitman WILL	\$9,000	\$9,000	\$9,000	0.0%
	Plymouth County 4-H	\$500	\$500	\$500	0.0%
30	Historical Commission	\$500	\$500	\$500	0.0%
31	Capital Committee:				
	Salaries	\$1,500	\$1,500	\$1,500	0.0%
	Expenses	\$200	\$200	\$200	0.0%
32	Bylaw Study Committee	\$800	\$800	\$800	0.0%
33	Debt Service	\$810,362	\$710,216	\$710,216	-12.4%
34	Other Post-Employment Benefits Trust Fund Contribution	\$140,000	\$140,000	\$140,000	0.0%
35	Town-Wide Expenses:				
	Plymouth County Retirement	\$2,407,960	\$2,602,185	\$2,602,185	8.1%
	Employee Health & Life Insurance	\$1,617,697	\$1,666,228	\$1,666,228	3.0%
	General Liability Insurance	\$375,500	\$383,010	\$383,010	2.0%
	Legal Services	\$175,000	\$175,000	\$175,000	0.0%
	Medicare Payroll Taxes	\$150,000	\$155,000	\$155,000	3.3%
	All Other	\$164,515	\$155,515	\$155,515	-5.5%
	TOTAL ARTICLE 2 APPROPRIATION	\$42,098,370	\$43,722,559	\$43,715,799	3.8%

or take any other action relative thereto.

Proposed by the Board of Selectmen with recommendations from the Finance Committee

Article 3 Revolving Fund Limits

To see if the Town will vote to authorize spending limits for Fiscal Year 2023 for the following revolving accounts approved under the Town's by-laws, or take any other action relative thereto:

Revolving Account	Spending Limit
Animal Control	\$5,000
Council on Aging	\$10,000
Library Fines and Fees	\$20,000
Passport and Photo Fees	\$3,000
Planning Board	\$75,000
Police Department	\$20,000
Recreation Department	\$65,000
Street Lighting Receipts	\$15,000

Proposed by the Town Administrator
 Finance Committee voted 9-0 to recommend

Article 4 Appropriate Excess Levy to Capital Stabilization Fund

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the difference between the levy net and the levy limit to the Capital Stabilization Fund, in accordance with M.G.L. Chapter 40 Section 5B, or take any other action relative thereto.

Proposed by the Town Administrator
 Capital Committee voted to recommend
 Finance Committee voted 9-0 to recommend

Article 5 Non-Mandated Busing

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$216,059 from available funds and transmit such funds to the Whitman Hanson Regional School District to pay the cost of busing the Town’s Whitman-Hanson Regional School District students who live less than 1.5 miles from the school they attend, or take any other action relative thereto.

Proposed by the Board of Selectmen
 Finance Committee voted 6-2-1 to recommend

Article 6 Accept Chapter 90 Road Grant Monies

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen and the Town Administrator to accept such sums of money as may be distributed by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts through the Chapter 90 highway grant program, so-called, funds to be expended by the Department of Public Works in accordance with the guidelines and requirements of the Massachusetts Highway Department, or take any other action relative thereto.

Proposed by the Town Administrator
 Capital Committee voted to recommend
 Finance Committee voted 9-0 to recommend

Article 7 Water/Sewer Tool Truck

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$160,000 from Water-Sewer Retained Earnings to purchase and equip a tool truck, or take any other action relative thereto.

Proposed by the Water/Sewer Superintendent
Capital Committee voted to recommend
Finance Committee voted 9-0 to recommend

Article 8 Water/Sewer Tow-Behind Generator

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$42,000 from Water-Sewer Retained Earnings to purchase and equip a tow-behind generator, or take any other action relative thereto.

Proposed by the Water/Sewer Superintendent
Capital Committee voted to recommend
Finance Committee voted 9-0 to recommend

Article 9 DPW Front End Loader

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$201,333 from Water-Sewer Retained Earnings and \$100,667 from Chapter 90 funds to purchase and equip a front end loader, or take any other action relative thereto.

Proposed by the Public Works Commission
Capital Committee voted to recommend
Finance Committee voted 9-0 to recommend

Article 10 Highway/Park 4X4 Pickup Truck

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$54,000 from free cash to purchase and equip a 4X4 pickup truck with snowplow, or take any other action relative thereto.

Proposed by the Public Works Commission
Capital Committee voted to recommend
Finance Committee voted 9-0 to recommend

Article 11 Large Dump Truck

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$192,731 from free cash to purchase and equip a 39,000 lb. GVW Dump Truck with snowplow, or take any other action relative thereto.

Proposed by the Highway/Park Superintendent
Capital Committee voted to recommend
Finance Committee voted 9-0 to recommend

Article 12 Street Resurfacing

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$200,000 from free cash for the purpose of resurfacing and /or installing surface treatments, engineering services, granite purchases and line painting various Town streets, or take any other action relative thereto.

Proposed by the Public Works Commission and the Town Administrator
Capital Committee voted to recommend
Finance Committee voted 9-0 to recommend

Article 13 Sidewalk Repair

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$100,000 from free cash for the purpose of repairing, replacing, or installing Sidewalks on various Town Streets or take any other action relative thereto.

Proposed by the Public Works Commission and the Town Administrator
Capital Committee voted to recommend
Finance Committee voted 9-0 to recommend

Article 14 Information Technology Upgrades

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$25,000 from free cash for information technology upgrades, including Microsoft Office Pro Plus licenses, surface tablets for police cruisers, and network switches, or take any other action relative thereto.

Proposed by the Information Technology Director
Capital Committee voted to recommend
Finance Committee voted 9-0 to recommend

Article 15 Town Park Security Cameras

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$50,000 from free cash to purchase and equip security cameras for the Town Park, or take any other action relative thereto.

Proposed by the Board of Selectmen
Capital Committee voted to recommend
Finance Committee voted 5-3-1 to recommend

Article 16 Fire Department Kitchen

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$40,000 from free cash to pay for the cost of remodeling the kitchen at Fire Department Headquarters, or to take any other action relative thereto.

Proposed by the Fire Chief
Capital Committee voted to recommend

Finance Committee voted 9-0 to recommend

Article 17 Police Vehicle

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$62,620 from free cash to purchase and equip one police vehicle, or take any other action relative thereto.

Proposed by the Police Chief
Capital Committee voted to recommend
Finance Committee voted 9-0 to recommend

Article 18 Police Department Boilers

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$48,500 from free cash to replace and equip two boilers at Police Department headquarters, or take any other action relative thereto.

Proposed by the Facilities Manager and Town Administrator
Capital Committee voted to recommend
Finance Committee voted 9-0 to recommend

Article 19 Facilities Department Pickup Truck

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$55,000 from free cash to purchase and equip a pickup truck for the Facilities Department, or take any other action relative thereto.

Proposed by the Facilities Manager and Town Administrator
Capital Committee voted to recommend
Finance Committee voted 7-2 to recommend

Article 20 New Conley School Playground

To see if the town will vote to appropriate \$250,000 from free cash to purchase and equip new equipment for the pre-kindergarten and kindergarten playground in the Conley School courtyard, or take any other action relative thereto.

Proposed by the School Committee
Capital Committee voted to recommend
Finance Committee voted 8-0-1 to recommend

Article 21 Conley School Playground Repair

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$50,000 from free cash to repair and retrofit the Conley School playground, or take any other action relative thereto.

Proposed by the School Committee

Capital Committee voted to recommend
Finance Committee voted 8-0-1 to recommend

Article 22 New Duval School Playground

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$235,000 from Article 15 of the December 11, 2017 Special Town Meeting (Duval School Roof) and \$165,000 from free cash to purchase and equip a new playground at the Duval School, or take any other action relative thereto.

Proposed by the School Committee and the Town Administrator
Capital Committee voted to recommend
Finance Committee voted 7-1-1 to recommend

Article 23 High School Roadway/Faculty Parking Lot Replacement

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$180,000 (60% of the total cost of \$300,000) from free cash to pay Whitman’s share of the cost to replace the High School’s main roadway up to the faculty parking lot, or take any other action relative thereto.

Proposed by the School Committee
Capital Committee voted to recommend
Finance Committee voted 9-0 to recommend

Article 24 Whitman Middle School Fans and HVAC Upgrade

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$100,000 from free cash to purchase ceiling fans for the Middle School gymnasiums, and retrofit the existing HVAC system, or take any other action relative thereto.

Proposed by the School Committee
Capital Committee voted to recommend
Finance Committee voted 8-1 to recommend

Article 25 Conley School Fans

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$45,000 from free cash to purchase ceiling fans for the Conley School cafeteria and gymnasium, or take any other action relative thereto.

Proposed by the School Committee
Capital Committee voted to recommend
Finance Committee voted 9-0 to recommend

Article 26 School District Pickup Trucks

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$78,780 (60.6% of the total cost of \$130,000) from free cash to pay Whitman's share of the cost of two F-250 pickup trucks with plows and sanding equipment, or take any other action relative thereto.

Proposed by the School Committee
Capital Committee voted to recommend
Finance Committee voted 9-0 to recommend

Article 27 High School HVAC Evaluation

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$6,060 (60.6% of the total cost of \$10,000) from free cash to pay Whitman's share of the cost of evaluating the ten rooftop HVAC units at the High School, or take any other action relative thereto.

Proposed by the School Committee
Capital Committee voted to recommend
Finance Committee voted 9-0 to recommend

Article 28 High School Rooftop HVAC Unit Drive Replacement

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$13,181 (60.6% of the total cost of \$21,750) from free cash to pay Whitman's share of the cost of replacing the High School rooftop HVAC unit drives, or take any other action relative thereto.

Proposed by the School Committee
Capital Committee voted to recommend
Finance Committee voted 9-0 to recommend

Article 29 Community Preservation

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate or reserve from Fiscal Year 2023 Community Preservation Fund estimated 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, with each item to be considered a separate appropriation:

Appropriations:

From Fiscal Year 2023 estimated revenues for Committee Administrative Expenses: A sum of money (not to exceed 5% of Fiscal Year 2023 estimated revenues)

Reserves:

From Fiscal Year 2023 estimated revenues for Historic Resource Reserve: A sum of money (representing at least 10% of Fiscal Year 2023 estimated revenues plus \$7000 from the state match of Fiscal Year 2022 collections)

From Fiscal Year 2023 estimated revenues for Community Housing Reserve: A sum of money (representing at least 10% of Fiscal Year 2023 estimated revenues plus \$7000 from the state match of Fiscal Year 2022 collections)

From Fiscal Year 2023 estimated revenues for Open Space Reserve: A sum of money (representing at least 10% of Fiscal Year 2023 estimated revenues plus \$7000 from the state match of Fiscal Year 2022 collections);

or take any other action in relation thereto.

Proposed by the Community Preservation Committee
Finance Committee voted 9-0 to recommend

Article 30 Cable Access Funds

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$282,988 from the Reserve for Appropriation Cable Access Account to fund PEG access services in accordance with MGL C44 §53F¾, or take any other action relative thereto.

Proposed by the Town Administrator
Finance Committee voted 9-0 to recommend

Article 31 Recreation Commission Adjustment

To see if the Town will vote to amend Article 12 of the 1969 Annual Town Meeting by striking the words “The advisory members shall not have the right to vote on business before the commission nor to expend commission funds.” and inserting in place thereof the following:

“When at a duly called meeting of the recreation commission a quorum of the commission’s members is not present, an advisory member shall have the right to vote on any business before the commission.”

or take any action relative thereto.

Proposed by the Town Administrator
Recreation Commission voted to recommend

Article 32 Weights and Measures Fees

To see if the Town will vote to adopt the following fee schedule for Weights and Measures effective July 1, 2022, with such fees to replace those in effect pursuant to Article 34 of the 2010 Annual Town Meeting:

The fee schedule for Weights and Measures shall be as follows:

Scales & Balances

Over 10,000 pounds	\$140.00
5,000 to 10,000 pounds	\$90.00
1,000 to 4,999 pounds	\$60.00
100 to 999 pounds	\$50.00
10 to 100 pounds	\$30.00

Under 10 pounds	\$30.00
<u>Individual Weights</u>	
Avoirdupois	\$5.00
Metric	\$5.00
Apothecary	\$5.00
Troy	\$15.00
<u>Vehicle Tanks</u>	
Each Indicator	\$25.00
Each 100 Gallons or fraction thereof	\$5.00
<u>Liquid</u>	
1 Gallon or less	\$2.00
More than 1 Gallon	\$3.00
<u>Liquid Measuring Meters</u>	
Inlet ½ inch or less – Oil, Grease	\$10.00
Inlet more than ½ to 1 inch – Gasoline or Diesel	\$30.00
Inlet more than 1 inch – Vehicle Tank Pump	\$35.00
Vehicle Tank Gravity	\$35.00
Bulk Storage / Oil Trucks	\$60.00
Company Supplies Prover	\$30.00
<u>Pumps</u>	
Each Stop on Pump	\$2.50
<u>Other Devices</u>	
Taxi Meters	\$30.00
Odometer / Hubodometer	\$30.00
Leather Measuring	\$15.00
Fabric Measuring	\$10.00
Wire / Rope / Cordage	\$10.00
Container Redemption Machines	\$10.00
<u>Linear Measures</u>	
Yard Sticks	\$10.00
Metal Rules	\$10.00
Tapes	\$10.00
<u>Scanner Systems</u>	
1 to 2 Scanners	\$75.00
4 to 11 Scanners	\$150.00
12 or more Scanners	\$250.00
<u>Additional Fees</u>	
Re-inspection Fee	½ of first-time fee
Adjustment or Repair Fee	\$10.00

or take any other action relative thereto.

Proposed by the Sealer of Weights and Measures and the Town Administrator
Finance Committee voted 9-0 to recommend

Article 33 Revocation of Enhanced Retirement Incentive

To see if the Town will revoke its approval of Article 21 of the 2004 Special Town Meeting, which provides as follows with respect to the elected Town Clerk and Treasurer/Collector’s pay:

1. Beginning the first payroll period after June 1, 2004, and thereafter on the first pay day following July 1st of each succeeding fiscal year, a longevity stipend, provided the elected official has at least the minimum number of years service to the Town in a paid capacity, as follows:

<u>Length of Service</u>	<u>Stipend</u>
Upon completion of 10 years of service	\$250.00
Upon completion of 15 years of service	\$50.00
Upon completion of 20 years of service	\$1,000.00

Upon completion of twenty years of compensated service to the Town, the official holding one of the aforementioned positions, may, upon notice to the Finance Committee not later than December 1st of the current fiscal year, request a longevity salary increase, effective July 1st of the next fiscal year, of five (5) percent of the current fiscal year’s salary provided such increase is approved by Town Meeting. This same increase may be requested in the next two succeeding fiscal years, subject to appropriation. On completion of the third years’ longevity, the elected official’s salary shall be reduced by the amount of the longevity salary increase received in the prior three years.

The revocation of Article 21 of the 2004 Special Town Meeting would not affect the incumbent officeholders as of July 1, 2022, but only their successors in these offices.

Proposed by the Board of Selectmen

Article 34 Fire Collective Bargaining Contract

To see if the Town will vote to approve a collective bargaining agreement between the Town and Local 1769 International Association of Firefighters, AFL-CIO for the period commencing July 1, 2022 through June 30, 20__, with the cost items in Fiscal Year 2023 funded in part through monies appropriated as part of the Fiscal Year 2023 Operating Budget (Article 2), and to appropriate a sum of money to fund the remaining cost items, or take any other action relative thereto.

Proposed by the Board of Selectmen

Article 35 Library Collective Bargaining Contract

To see if the Town will vote to approve a collective bargaining agreement between the Town and the Whitman Public Library Employees SEIU, Local 888, for the period commencing July 1, 2022 through July 1, 20__, with the cost items in Fiscal Year 2023 funded in part through monies appropriated as part of the Fiscal Year 2023 Operating Budget (Article 2), and to appropriate a sum of money to fund the remaining cost items, or take any other action relative thereto.

Proposed by the Board of Selectmen

Article 36 Police Collective Bargaining Contract

To see if the Town will vote to approve a collective bargaining agreement between the Town and the Whitman Police Union, MassCOP Local #494 for the period commencing July 1, 2022 through June 30, 20__, with the cost items in Fiscal Year 2023 funded in part through monies appropriated as part of the Fiscal Year 2023 Operating Budget (Article 2), and to appropriate a sum of money to fund the remaining cost items, or take any other action relative thereto.

Proposed by the Board of Selectmen

Article 37 Department of Public Works Collective Bargaining Contract

To see if the Town will vote to approve a collective bargaining agreement between the Town and the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees, AFL-CIO, State Council 93, Local 1700 for the period commencing July 1, 2022 through June 30, 20__, with the cost items in Fiscal Year 2023 funded in part through monies appropriated as part of the Fiscal Year 2023 Operating Budget (Article 2), and to appropriate a sum of money to fund the remaining cost items, or take any other action relative thereto.

Proposed by the Board of Selectmen

Article 38 Town Hall Workers Collective Bargaining Contract

To see if the Town will vote to approve a collective bargaining agreement between the Town and the Office and Professional Employees International Union, Local 6, AFL-CIO for the period commencing July 1, 2022 through June 30, 20__, with the cost items in Fiscal Year 2023 funded in part through monies appropriated as part of the Fiscal Year 2023 Operating Budget (Article 2), and to appropriate a sum of money to fund the remaining cost items, or take any other action relative thereto.

Proposed by the Board of Selectmen

Article 39 Lease of Town Buildings

To see if the Town will vote to petition the General Court to adopt the following special legislation relating to the lease of Town buildings for a term exceeding 20 years; provided, however, that the Legislature may make clerical or editorial changes of form only to the bill; provide further, that substantive changes shall be subject to the approval of the Board of Selectmen, which Board is hereby authorized to approve amendments within the scope of the general public objectives of the petition.

An Act Relative to the Lease of Buildings in the Town of Whitman

Notwithstanding the provisions of section 14C of chapter seventy-one of the General Laws or any other general or special law to the contrary, the Town of Whitman is hereby authorized to enter into property lease agreements for a term in excess of twenty years.

or take any other action relative thereto.

Proposed by the Board of Selectmen and the Town Administrator

Article 40 Lower Special Town Meeting Quorum

To see if the Town will vote to amend section 1-5 of the General Bylaws to read as follows:

“These bylaws may be repealed, altered or amended by a majority of those present and voting, or by such other proportion as may be required by law in special instances, at any Annual Town Meeting with a quorum of 50 voters present or any Special Town Meeting with a quorum of 100 voters present; provided, however, that the proposed changes in the bylaws shall be specified in the warrant for said meeting.”

And to amend section 70-5 of the General Bylaws to read as follows:

At a Special Town Meeting at which less than 100 registered voters of the Town have been admitted to the meeting, no vote shall be taken on any articles which, if adopted, would have the effect of increasing the salary or wage rate of any Town officer or employee or which would increase the total amount of the appropriations made at the meeting above \$25,000. If this situation shall arise, then such article shall be passed over and the meeting shall proceed to take up whatever other business shall then come before it.”

or take any other action relative thereto.

Proposed by the Board of Selectmen
Bylaw Study Committee voted to recommend

Article 41 Marijuana Businesses

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Town’s General Bylaws by striking Chapter 173, Article II, Marijuana Establishments, and the Town’s Protective Zoning By-Law by striking Chapter 240, Section 240-5.5. Marijuana establishments prohibited, in their entirety and inserting in the Town’s Protective Zoning By-Law a new Chapter 240, Article XV, MARIJUANA BUSINESSES, to read as follows, or take any action relative thereto:

ARTICLE XV

Marijuana Businesses

§ 240-15.1. Purpose; scope.

- A. The purpose of this Article is to allow for the placement of recreational and medical marijuana businesses in suitable locations within the Town of Whitman in accordance with and subject to the provisions of M.G.L. c. 40A, M.G.L. c. 94G, and M.G.L. c. 94I, and to impose reasonable safeguards to minimize potential adverse impacts of marijuana businesses on adjacent properties, residential neighborhoods, schools and other places where children congregate and other land uses potentially incompatible with adult use marijuana activities, and to ensure proper consideration of public health, safety, well-being, and undue impacts on the built and natural environments.
- B. This Article shall not restrict the cultivation of industrial hemp as is regulated by the Massachusetts Department of Agricultural Resources pursuant to M.G.L. c. 128, §§ 116-123. Nothing in this Article shall be construed to supersede federal and state laws governing the possession, sale and/or distribution of marijuana.

§ 240-15.2. Definitions.

The terms used in this Article shall have the definitions set forth in M.G.L. c. 94G, § 1 and M.G.L. c. 94I, § 1, as may be amended from time to time, which are incorporated herein by reference, unless a contrary definition clearly applies or is otherwise specified herein. In addition, the following terms used in this Article are further defined as follows:

“Recreational marijuana establishment”, a “marijuana establishment” as defined by M.G.L. c. 94G, § 1.

“Recreational marijuana retailer”, a “marijuana retailer” as defined by M.G.L. c. 94G, § 1.

“Marijuana business”, includes both “marijuana establishments” as defined by M.G.L. c. 94G, § 1 and “medical marijuana treatment centers” as defined by M.G.L. c. 94I, § 1.

§ 240-15.3. Designated locations for marijuana businesses.

The locations designated by the Town of Whitman where marijuana businesses may be sited are as follows:

- A. Marijuana businesses may be sited in the Highway Business District and that portion of the Industrial District to the north of South Avenue, as shown on the Zoning Map pursuant to M.G.L. c. 40A, § 4, subject to the issuance of a special permit in accordance with § 240-12.7.E (2) and site plan approval in accordance with § 240-7.2.
- B. Marijuana businesses are prohibited in all other zoning districts within the Town of Whitman.
- C. The total number of recreational marijuana establishments under M.G.L. c. 94G and medical marijuana treatment centers under M.G.L. c. 94I permitted to be located within the Town shall not exceed a maximum of five, of which no more than three may be recreational marijuana retailers under M.G.L. c. 94G.

§ 240-15.4. General requirements.

The following general requirements are established for all proposed operations of marijuana businesses:

- A. Permanent location. Each marijuana business and any part of its operation, including, but not limited to, cultivation, processing, packaging, and sales, shall be operated from a fixed location within a fully enclosed building and its operations shall not be visible from the exterior of the premises. No marijuana business shall be permitted to operate from a movable, mobile or transitory location.
- B. Outside storage. No outside storage of marijuana, marijuana products, related supplies, or educational materials is permitted.
- C. Hours of operation. Hours of operation of marijuana businesses shall be specified in the Host Community Agreement required by § 240-15.8.D. Set hours of operation shall apply to all sales, delivery, and dispensing activities for the business.
- D. Signage. Marijuana businesses may develop a logo to be used in labeling, signage, and other materials. Use of medical symbols, images of marijuana, related paraphernalia, and colloquial references to cannabis and marijuana are prohibited from use in signs visible from the exterior of the building.

A marijuana business shall not display on the exterior of the facility advertisements for marijuana or any brand name, and may only identify the building by the registered name.

A marijuana business shall not utilize graphics related to marijuana or paraphernalia on the exterior of the marijuana business or the building in which the marijuana business is located.

All signage and advertising for marijuana businesses shall comply with all applicable state laws, as well as the provisions of § 240-9 of this Chapter and all other applicable provisions of this Code and any relevant regulations promulgated by the Cannabis Control Commission. All signs shall also be subject to approval by the Board of Appeals.

- E. On-site consumption of marijuana. The use, consumption, ingestion or inhalation of marijuana or marijuana products on or within the premises of any marijuana business is prohibited.
- F. Visibility of activities. All activities of any marijuana business including any recreational marijuana retailer or marijuana product manufacturer, shall be conducted indoors.
- G. Paraphernalia. Devices, contrivances, instruments and paraphernalia for inhaling or otherwise consuming marijuana, including, but not limited to, rolling papers and related tools, water pipes, and vaporizers, may lawfully be sold at a recreational marijuana retailer. No retail marijuana, marijuana products, or paraphernalia shall be displayed or kept in a retail marijuana store so as to be visible from outside the licensed premises.
- H. Control of emissions. Sufficient measures and means of preventing smoke, odors, debris, dust, fluids and other substances from exiting a marijuana business must be provided at all times. In the event that any odors, debris, dust, fluids or other substances exit a retail marijuana store or marijuana manufacturing or testing facility, the owner of the subject premises and the licensee shall be liable for such conditions and shall be responsible for immediate, full clean-up and correction of such condition. The licensee shall properly dispose of all such materials, items and

other substances in a safe, sanitary and secure manner and in accordance with all applicable federal, state and local laws and regulations.

- I. Special permit and site plan approval. Marijuana businesses shall be required to obtain a special permit and site plan approval in accordance with the provisions of this Article and § 240-7.2 and § 240-12.7.E(2). Applications for special permits and site plan approvals for marijuana businesses will be processed in the order that they are filed with the Town. Special permits and site plan approvals shall be transferable to another marijuana business owner only with the approval of the Board of Selectmen.
- J. Contacts. Prior to the commencement of the operation or services provided by a marijuana business it shall provide the Board of Selectmen, Police Department, Fire Department, Zoning Enforcement Officer and the Board of Appeals with the names, phone numbers and email addresses of all management staff and keyholders, including a minimum of two (2) operators or managers of the facility identified as contact persons to whom one can provide notice if there are operating problems associated with the business. The marijuana business shall provide to such official a written update to such contact information immediately upon any changes to keep it current and accurate.
- K. Notification. The marijuana business shall notify the Board of Selectmen, Zoning Enforcement Officer, Board of Health, Police Department, Fire Department and Board of Appeals in writing immediately following a violation or potential violation of any law or any criminal or potential criminal activities or attempts of violation of any law at the marijuana business.
- L. Violations. Any violation will be corrected within 30 days and if not corrected within the required time, all operations of the marijuana business shall be suspended until the violation is corrected.

§ 240-15.5. Special permit required.

No recreational marijuana retailer or independent testing laboratory shall be operated without first obtaining a special permit in accordance with this section. The special permit granting authority for purposes of this Article shall be the Board of Appeals. In addition to the standard requirements for the issuance of a special permit, issuance of a special permit under this Article is subject to the following:

- A. Prior to the issuance of a special permit hereunder, the Board of Appeals must find:
 - (1) the marijuana business is consistent with and does not derogate from the purposes, intent, conditions and requirements of this Article and the Protective Zoning By-Law;
 - (2) the marijuana business meets or exceeds all the applicable permitting requirements of all applicable agencies within the Commonwealth of Massachusetts;
 - (3) the marijuana business facility is designed to minimize any adverse visual or economic impacts on abutters and other parties in interest;
 - (4) the marijuana business provides adequate security measures to ensure that no customers will pose a direct threat to the health or safety of other individuals, and that the storage and/or location of cultivation is adequately secured on-site or via delivery; and,

- (5) the marijuana business facility adequately addresses issues of traffic demand, circulation flow, parking and queuing, particularly at peak periods at the facility, and its impact on neighboring uses.

- B. In the event that the Commonwealth's licensing authority suspends the license or registration of a marijuana business operating under a special permit, the special permit shall be so suspended by the Town until the matter is resolved to the satisfaction of said licensing authority.

§ 240-15.6. Site plan required.

All proposed uses under this Article shall be subject to the Board of Appeals' site plan approval process pursuant to § 240-7.2. In addition to the standard application requirements for site plan approval, such applications for marijuana businesses shall include the following:

- A. The name and address of each owner of the facility/operation.
- B. A copy of an approved Host Community Agreement.
- C. A copy of the license or registration as a recreational marijuana establishment or medical marijuana treatment center, as applicable, from the Massachusetts Cannabis Control Commission or documentation that demonstrates that said facility and its owner/operators qualify and are eligible to receive a certification of registration and meet all of the requirements of a recreational marijuana establishment or medical marijuana treatment center, as applicable, in accordance with the regulations adopted by the Commission, as amended.
- D. Evidence that the applicant has site control and the right to use the site for a marijuana business.
- E. As part of the applicant's site plan, details showing all proposed exterior security measures for the premises, including lighting, fencing, gates and alarms, etc. ensuring the safety of employees, patrons, and the public and to protect the premises from theft or other criminal activity.
- F. The proposed plan shall provide appropriate landscaping and urban design features to harmonize the proposed project with abutting uses so as to protect and enhance the aesthetics and architectural look and character of the surrounding neighborhood.
- G. The Board of Appeals may require a traffic study that includes an analysis of on-site circulation and parking demand to justify the number of proposed parking spaces and the optimum configuration for site ingress and egress.
- H. An odor control plan detailing the specific odor-emitting activities or processes to be conducted on-site, the source of those odors, the locations from which they are emitted from the facility, the frequency of such odor-emitting activities, the duration of such odor-emitting activities, and the administrative of odor control including maintenance of such controls.
- I. A Management Plan including a description of all activities to occur on site, including all provisions for the delivery of marijuana and related products to the marijuana business or off-site direct delivery

§ 240-15.7. End of use.

- A. Special permits and site plan approvals under this Article shall lapse/expire if:
- (1) the marijuana business ceases operation (not providing the operation or services for which it is permitted) for 365 days, and/or
 - (2) the marijuana business's registration/license by the Cannabis Control Commission expires or is terminated.
- B. Any marijuana business under this Article shall be required to remove all material, marijuana products, equipment, signs, and other paraphernalia in compliance with regulations established by the Cannabis Control Commission prior to expiration of its license or immediately following the lapse, cessation, discontinuance, expiration or revocation of its use, licensure and/or registration. The license holder shall notify the Whitman Board of Selectmen's Office, the Zoning Enforcement Officer, and the Board of Appeals in writing within 48 hours of such lapse, cessation, discontinuance, expiration or revocation.

§ 240-15.8. Other laws remain applicable.

- A. Business license required. At all times while a permit is in effect the licensee shall possess a valid business license as required by the Whitman Town bylaws.
- B. To the extent the state has adopted or adopts in the future any additional or stricter law or regulation governing the sale, distribution or testing of retail marijuana or retail marijuana products, the additional or stricter regulation shall control the business or operation of any recreational marijuana retailer in the Town. Compliance with any applicable state law or regulation shall be deemed an additional requirement for issuance or denial of any license under this Article, and noncompliance with any applicable state law or regulation shall be grounds for revocation or suspension of any license issued hereunder.
- C. The issuance of any license pursuant to this Article shall not be deemed to create an exception, defense or immunity to any person in regard to any potential criminal liability the person may have for the cultivation, possession, sale, distribution or use of marijuana.
- D. Prior to the issuance of a special permit or site plan approval, the marijuana business must have entered into a Host Community Agreement with the Town. If, upon review by the Board of Selectmen, the marijuana business is found to not be fully in compliance with the Host Community Agreement, any local licenses and/or permits may be suspended or rescinded.

Proposed by the Bylaw Study Committee
Planning Board voted to recommend
Finance Committee voted not to recommend, by a 3-4-2 vote

Article 42 Recreational Marijuana Excise Tax

To see if the Town will vote to accept M.G.L. c.64N, Section 3(a) as amended by Section 13 of Chapter 55 of the Acts of 2017, and impose a sales tax upon sale or transfer of marijuana or marijuana

products by a marijuana retailer operating within the Town, at the rate of 3% of the total sales price received by the marijuana retailer as a consideration for the sale of marijuana or marijuana products.

Proposed by the Board of Selectmen
Finance Committee voted 5-3-1 to recommend

Article 43 Accessory Apartments I

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Town's Protective Zoning By-Law by striking Chapter 240, Section 240-6.6, Accessory apartments within single-family dwellings., in its entirety and inserting in the Town's Protective Zoning By-Law a new Chapter 240, Section 240-6.6, Accessory apartments., to read as follows, or take any action relative thereto:

§ 240-6.6 Accessory apartments.

- A. Definition. An accessory apartment is a subsidiary dwelling unit created within or as an extension to a single-family dwelling or above a structure accessory thereto, complete with its own means of egress, sleeping, cooking and sanitary facilities.
- B. The construction of accessory apartments, as defined by the Protective Zoning Bylaw, can be commenced only with the issuance of a special permit by the Board of Appeals.
- C. The owner must occupy either the principal residence or the accessory apartment.
- D. There shall be not more than one accessory apartment on any lot.
- E. The accessory apartment shall be designed so that the appearance of the structure remains that of a one family dwelling, subject further to the following conditions:
 - (1) All additional stairways to second or third stories shall be enclosed within the exterior walls of the dwelling or to the rear and side of an accessory structure.
 - (2) Any enlargements or extensions of the dwelling in connection with any accessory apartment must comply with building, safety and health codes and Town bylaws.
 - (3) Any new entrance shall be located on the side or in the rear of the dwelling.
 - (4) Where there are two or more existing entrances on the front facade of a dwelling, if modifications are made to any entrance, the result shall be that one appears to be the principal entrance and other entrances appear to be secondary.
 - (5) The principal residence and the accessory apartment shall be serviced and monitored by common gas, electric and water meters.
 - (6) There shall be provided at least two off-street parking spaces for the main dwelling and at least one off-street parking space for the accessory apartment. The additional parking shall be accessed by the driveway serving the main dwelling. Parking shall be designed in accordance with Article VIII of this Protective Zoning Bylaw.

- F. Regulations of the Board of Health and other boards as required must be met and the Massachusetts State Building Code regulations must be met.
- G. A special permit for a single-family dwelling with an accessory apartment shall terminate upon any of the following events:
 - (1) Sale of the premises, excluding if the family member resides at the premises.
 - (2) Residence by any other than a family member in either the main dwelling or accessory apartment.
 - (3) Violation of any special permit restrictions imposed by the Board of Appeals.
- H. Zoning districts in which the special permit may be granted are A-1, A-2 General Residence. A special permit may also be granted as to any single-family residence in existence prior to August 1, 2001.
- I. No accessory apartment shall be permitted prior to the issuance of a special permit by the Board of Appeals and a building permit by the Building Commissioner/Inspector of Buildings.
- J. Occupancy permit shall only be issued upon confirmation that both the main dwelling and the accessory apartment are in compliance with the approved plans, all applicable provisions of this Protective Zoning Bylaw, the terms and conditions of the special permit and all applicable state and local building, health, fire and safety codes and regulations.
- K. When a structure which has received a special permit for an accessory apartment is sold, the new owners, if they wish to continue to exercise the special permit, must, within 90 days of the sale, apply to the Board of Appeals for a new special permit issued in their name stating that they will occupy one of the dwelling units in the structure as their permanent/primary residence, and shall conform to all of the criteria and conditions for accessory apartments and the approved special permit.
- L. The Board of Appeals may waive requirements for a floor plan, elevation and plot plan.

Proposed by Petition

Planning Board voted to recommend

Bylaw Study Committee voted that it has no objection to this proposed zoning bylaw change

Article 44 Accessory Apartments II

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Town's Guidelines for Accessory Apartments by striking section 6-6 Guidelines for Accessory Apartment within a Single Family Dwelling in its entirety and inserting in place thereof a new section 6-6 Guidelines for Accessory Apartment, to read as follows, or take any action relative thereto:

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"Guidelines for Accessory Apartment"

Definition

An accessory apartment is a subsidiary dwelling unit created within or as an extension to a single-family dwelling or above a structure accessory thereto, complete with its own means of egress, sleeping, cooking, and sanitary facilities.

The construction of accessory apartments, as defined by the Zoning By-laws, can be commenced only with the issuance of a Special Permit by the Board of Appeals.

- A. The owner must occupy either the principal residence or the accessory apartment.
 1. At least one of the tenants living in the premises during the term of the special permit, must bear one of the following relationships to at least one of the owner(s)- occupant(s) or to a spouse, a former spouse, or a deceased spouse of an owner- occupant: mother, father, stepmother, stepfather, child, stepchild, grandparent, grandchild, aunt, uncle, niece, nephew.
- B. There shall be not more than one accessory apartment on any lot
- C. The accessory apartment shall be designed so that the appearance of the structure remains that of a one family dwelling, subject to further to the following conditions:
 1. All additional stairways to the second or third stories shall be enclosed within the exterior walls of the dwelling or to the rear and side of an accessory structure.
 2. Any enlargements or extensions of the dwelling in connection with any accessory apartment must comply with building, safety, and health codes and Town By-Laws.
 3. Any new entrance shall be located on the side or in the rear of the dwelling
 4. Where there are two or more existing entrances on the front facade of a dwelling, if modifications are made to any entrance, the result shall be that one appears to be the principal entrance and other entrances appear to be secondary.
 5. The principal residence and the accessory apartment shall be service and monitored by common gas, electric and water meters.
 6. There shall be provided at least two (2) off-street parking spaces for the main dwelling, and at least one (1) off-street parking space for the accessory apartment. The additional parking shall be accessed by the driveway serving the main dwelling. Parking shall be designed in accordance with Section VIII of this Protective Zoning By-Law.
- D. Regulations of the Board of Health and other Boards as required must be met and the Massachusetts State Building Code regulations must be met.
- E. A Special Permit for a single family dwelling with an accessory apartment shall terminate upon any of the following events:
 1. Sale of the premises excluding if the family member resides at the premises.
 2. Residence by any other than a family member in either the main dwelling or accessory apartment.
 3. Violation of any Special Permit restrictions imposed by the Board of Appeals
- F. Zoning Districts in which the Special Permit may be granted are A-1, A-2 General Residence. A special permit may also be granted as to any single family residence in existence prior to August 1, 2001.

- G. No accessory apartment shall be permitted prior to the issuance of a Special Permit by the Board of Appeals and a Building Permit by the Building inspector.
- H. Occupancy Permit shall only be issued upon confirmation that both the main dwelling and the accessory apartment are in compliance with the approval plans, all applicable provisions of the Zoning By-Laws, the terms and conditions of the Special Permit, and all applicable state and local building, health, fire, and safety codes and regulations.
- I. When a structure which has received a Special Permit for an Accessory Apartment Is sold, the new owners, if they wish to continue to exercise the Special Permit, must, within ninety (90) days of the sale, apply to the Board of Appeals for a new Special Permit issued In their name stating that they will occupy one of the dwelling units in the structure as their permanent/primary residence, and shall conform to all of the criteria and conditions for Accessory Apartments and the approved Special Permit.
- J. The Board of Appeals may waive requirement for a Floor Plan, Elevation, and Plot Plan.

Proposed by Petition

Article 45 Increase Income-Based Senior Citizen Real Estate Tax Exemption

To see if the Town will vote, pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 59 Section 5 Clause 41C, to increase the exemption amount granted to eligible seniors from \$750.00 to \$1,250.00, to be effective for exemptions granted for any fiscal year beginning on or after July 1, 2022, or take any other action relative thereto.

Proposed by the Town Administrator
Board of Assessors voted to recommend
Finance Committee voted 9-0 to recommend

Article 46 Property Tax Exemption for Gold Star Parents

To see if the Town will vote to accept Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 59 Section 5 Clause 22H, which authorizes a full exemption for surviving parents and/or guardians of soldiers and sailors, members of the National Guard and veterans who: (i) during active duty service, suffered an injury or illness documented by the United States Department of Veterans Affairs or a branch of the armed forces that was a proximate cause of their death; or (ii) are missing in action with a presumptive finding of death as a result of active duty service as members of the armed forces of the United States, to be effective for exemptions granted for any fiscal year beginning on or after July 1, 2022, or take any other action relative thereto.

Proposed by the Town Administrator
Board of Assessors voted to recommend
Finance Committee voted 9-0 to recommend

Article 47 Senior Citizen Property Tax Work-Off Program Expansion

To see if the Town will vote to accept the provision of Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 59 Section 5K permitting the Town to allow a maximum reduction of the real property tax bill for the Senior Citizen Property Tax Work-Off Program to be based on 125 volunteer service hours each year, or take any other action relative thereto.

Proposed by the Town Administrator
Board of Assessors voted to recommend
Finance Committee voted 9-0 to recommend

Article 48 Transfer to Ambulance Purchase Receipts Reserved Fund

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$150,000 from free cash to the Ambulance Purchase Receipts Reserved Fund, or take any other action relative thereto.

Proposed by the Town Administrator
Capital Committee voted to recommend
Finance Committee voted 9-0 to recommend

Article 49 Transfer to Capital Stabilization Fund

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$50,000 from free cash to be added to the Capital Stabilization Fund, or take any other action relative thereto.

Proposed by the Town Administrator
Finance Committee voted 9-0 to recommend

Article 50 Town Ban on Roosters

There shall be no raising or ownership of Roosters allowed in the town of Whitman.

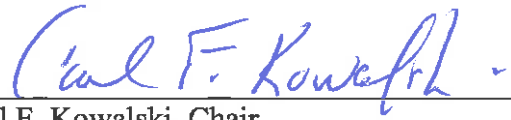
Due to the nature of roosters loudly crowing throughout the day from early morning till evening, rooster create a Disturbance of Peace to the surrounding community.

The town of Whitman will be responsible for the removal of any rooster present within the town of Whitman.

Proposed by Petition

And you are hereby directed to serve this Warrant by posting up attested copies thereof in not less than eight public places in the Town, seven days at least before the day of said meeting. Hereof, fail not, and make due return of the Warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk at the time and place of holding said meeting.

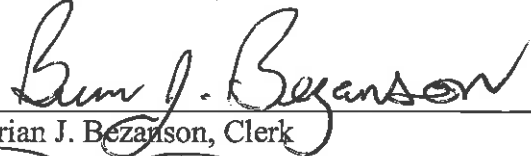
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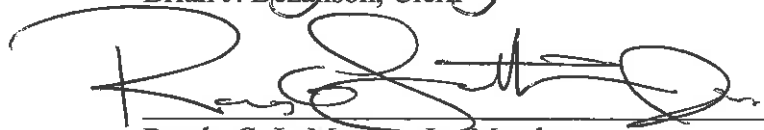
Dr. Carl F. Kowalski, Chair



Daniel L. Salvucci, Vice Chair



Brian J. Bezanson, Clerk



Randy G. LaMattina, Jr., Member



Justin R. Evans, Member

WARRANT ATTESTATION:

I hereby certify that by virtue of the written Warrant, I have posted eight (8) copies of said Warrant in various sections of the Town, with two copies in each precinct.

Date: _____

Attest:

Constable