

**TOWN OF TYRINGHAM
WARRANT FOR ANNUAL TOWN MEETING**

MAY 14, 2019

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Berkshire SS.

To any of the Constables of the Town of Tyringham in said County

GREETINGS:

IN THE NAME of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Tyringham, qualified to vote in town affairs, to meet at the Town Hall in said Town on Tuesday, May 14, 2019, at 7:00 p.m., then and there to act on the following articles:

ARTICLE 1. To hear and act on the reports of the Town Officers and Town Committees.

ARTICLE 2. To see if the Town will vote to have its Selectmen act as its agents in any suit of law for or against the Town.

ARTICLE 3. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or otherwise provide up to \$55,000.00 or any other amount for the replacement of the police cruiser or take any other action in respect there to.

ARTICLE 4. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or otherwise provide 10,020.00 or any other amount for the Stabilization Fund or take any other action in respect there to.

ARTICLE 5. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or otherwise provide up to \$73,000.00 or any other amount to purchase a 19,000 pound GVW Dump Truck with a plow and sander for the Highway Dept. (to replace the 2012 Dodge 5500) or take any other action in respect there to.

ARTICLE 6. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate or, otherwise provide, the following sums of money or any other sums as listed under:

6.1 Town Administration;

6.2 Roads, Buildings and Grounds;

6.3 Education

6.4 Fire and Safety

6.5 Committees, Commissions and Reserves

6.1 Town Administration

(a) Select Board

1	Selectman - Chairman	4,000
2	Selectman - Clerk	3,500
3	Selectman - Member	3,000

4 Selectman expenses 3,500

Sub-total Select Board: 14,000

(b) Town Hall Offices

1	Town Administrator	58,360
2	Town Secretary	20,592
3	Janitor (4 hrs/week)	5,000
4	Town Clerk salary	10,000
5	Town Clerk expenses	1,700
6	Accounting software support	5,200
7	Town Report printing	1,600
8	Website management and e-mail	4,300
9	Blackboard Connect (Robocall system)	1,100
10	Moderator	250
11	Moderator expenses	200
12	Board of Registrars	400
13	Election of Officers	2,785
14	Town counsel	5,500
15	Professional Services (consulting, legal, other)	6,500
16	Office supplies	1,500
17	Town Administration expenses	2,000
18	Supply Purchase Agreement	800

Sub-total Town Offices: 127,787

(c) Financial Management Expenses

1	Assessor Chairman/Certified (Elected)	2,000
2	Assessor Clerk/Certified (Elected)	1,800
3	Assessor Member/Certified (Elected)	1,800
4	Assessor Consultant	20,400
5	Assessor expenses	4,000
6	Assessor on-line data/maintenance	3,200
7	Revaluation expenses	-
8	Tax Collector salary	10,000
9	Tax Collector certification	1,000
10	Tax Collector expenses	4,500
11	Treasurer (Elected)	10,000
12	Treasurer expenses	2,650
13	Interest Account (short-term loans)	2,000
14	Accounting Officer expenses	1,200

Sub-total Financial Management: 64,550

(d) Employee/Retiree Benefits, Incentives & Other Expenses

1	Berkshire County Retirement	74,738
2	Employee Family Health (3)	52,839
3	Employee Single Health (0)	-
4	Retiree Health (5)	15,660
5	Dental Employees & Retirees	3,228
6	Compensation for Health Waivers (2)	6,570
7	Employee Salary Increases & Incentives	18,000

8 Medicare	8,500
9 Animal Inspector	250
10 Animal Control Officer (formerly Dog Officer)	600
11 Share of Animal Control Officer Health Ins	-
12 Berkshire Regional Planning	261
13 Veterans Services	1,942
14 Mental Health Services	250
15 Women's Service Center (Freeman Ctr)	250
16 Gift and Flowers	325
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Sub-Total Other Expenses:	183,413
Total Town Administration:	389,750

6.2 Roads, Buildings and Grounds

(a) Highway Team

1 Road Superintendent	62,276
2 Laborer	44,783
3 Laborer	41,517
4 Uniforms	900
5 Division of Employment Security	600
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Sub-total Highway Team:	150,076

(b) Roads and Bridges

1 Snow and sand (and overtime)	53,000
2 Summertime overtime	2,000
3 Bridges & Culverts	30,000
4 Road construction	78,000
5 Highway Superintendent expenses	2,000
6 Road mower	1,000
7 Removal of dead trees	16,000
8 Tree planting	1,500
9 Street lights	1,500
10 Highway environmental	5,000
11 Highway debris disposal	5,000
12 Highway police detail	4,000
13 Highway Building Committee	500
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Sub-total Roads and Bridges:	199,500

(c) Equipment

1 Machinery maintenance and fuel	55,000
2 Freightliner Truck loan payments	20,000
3 Equipment Committee	500
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Sub-Total Equipment:	75,500

(d) Town Grounds and Buildings

1 Post Office Staff	23,268
2 Grounds & Buildings (utilities, maintenance, improvements)	49,000
3 Insurance (property, auto, workman's comp.)	31,000
4 Alarm monitoring	1,500
5 Elevator maintenance	5,000
6 Librarian	3,000

7	Library Trustees (2)	200
8	Library expenses	4,500
9	Park and swimming	2,000
10	Cemetery mowing and maintenance	17,500
11	Transfer Station salary	11,500
12	Transfer & disposal of refuse	40,000
13	Hazardous waste collection	787
	Sub-Total Town Grounds and Buildings:	<u>189,255</u>
	Total Roads, Buildings and Grounds Maintenance:	614,331

6.3 Education

(a) Support and Transportation

1	Support of Public Schools	173,264
2	Transportation	94,896
	Sub-Total Support and Transportation:	268,160

(b) School Committee

1	School Committee - Chair	300
2	School Committee - Clerk	250
3	School Committee - Member	250
	Sub-Total School Committee:	<u>800</u>
	Total Education:	268,960

6.4 Fire and Safety

(a) Fire Department

1	Fire Chief	1,500
2	Deputy Fire Chief	500
3	First Assistant to Fire Chief	500
4	Second Assistant to Fire Chief	500
5	Fire Warden	1,500
6	Deputy Fire Warden	500
7	Fire Fighter stipends	10,000
8	Workers comp for Fire Dept.	6,000
9	Fire Protection expenses	9,330
10	Lease Renegotiation/Rent Increase	14,000
11	Forest Fire	270
12	Hearing Officer/city of Pittsfield	200
13	Fire Company equipment	7,600
	Sub-total Fire Dept:	52,400

(b) Police Department

1	Full-time Officer/Chief	60,674
2	Workers Comp Police	2,007
3	Part-time Officer	5,000
4	Fuel and expenses	15,000
5	Berkshire County Sheriff's Office	7,500
	Sub-total Police Dept:	90,181

(c) Emergency Management

1	Emergency Management Director	2,000
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2	Emergency Management expenses	500
3	SBREPC	500
4	Visiting Nurses Association	1,789
5	Lee Ambulance Service	17,185
	Sub-total Emergency Management:	<u>21,974</u>
	Total Fire and Safety:	164,555

6.5 Committees, Commissions and Reserves

(a) Board of Health

1	Chairman/Certified	600
2	Clerk/Uncertified	100
3	Member/Uncertified	100
4	Expenses	2,750
	Sub-Total Board of Health:	<u>3,550</u>

(b) Planning Board

1	Chairman	1,000
2	Members (4)	2,000
3	Expenses	750
	Sub-Total Planning Board:	<u>3,750</u>

(c) Conservation Commission

1	Chairman	1,000
2	Members (4)	800
3	Expenses	450
	Sub-Total Conservation Commission:	<u>2,250</u>

(d) Cemetery, Park, Historical & Cultural

1	Cemetery Committee Members (3)	600
2	Park Commission Members (3)	600
3	Cultural Commission (Chair)	200
4	Historical Commission expenses	1,500
	Sub-Total Cemetery, Park, Cultural & Historical:	<u>2,900</u>

(e) Board of Appeals

1	Chairman	600
2	Alternates (2)	200
3	Members (4)	800
4	Expenses	100
	Sub-Total Board of Appeals:	<u>1,700</u>

(f) Finance Committee

1	Chairman	1,000
2	Members (2)	1,000
3	Expenses	100
4	Reserve Fund (Extraordinary/Unforeseen Exp.)	20,000
	Sub-Total Finance Committee:	<u>22,100</u>

Total Committees, Commissions & Reserves: 36,250

Article 6 Grand Total: 1,473,846

ARTICLE 7. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2019 in accordance with the provisions of Section 4 & 7 of Chapter 44 of the General Laws.

ARTICLE 8. To see if the Town will vote to accept any monies that the Commonwealth of Massachusetts - Mass Highway/Executive Office of Transportation appropriates to the town under the provisions of Chapter 90 or any other lawful provision of the General Laws, to pay for such costs as allowed by appropriate legislation in connection with the maintenance, repair, and construction of Town ways and bridges, or take any other action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 9. To see if the Town will vote to allow: Police Detail rate of \$40.00 per hour; members of the Board of Health to witness Title V inspections or perc tests at \$45.00 per hour; a member of the Library Trustees to be employed as Librarian at \$3,000.00 per year; and a member of the Cemetery Committee to be employed as Cemetery Sexton at \$200.00 per year, pursuant to MGL c. 268A s 21 A and C. 41, s. 4A.

ARTICLE 10. To see if the Town will vote to maintain separate Revolving Funds pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 53E 1/2 for the following fees. Fees received by Town Officials shall be credited to the respective revolving fund and expended for payment only by the authorization of the Town Treasurer. Respective expenditures from said Revolving Funds shall not exceed the amounts shown below for fiscal year 2020 without prior approval from the Board of Selectmen:

Board of Appeals	\$ 1,000.00
Board of Health	\$ 3,000.00
Building Inspector	\$ 10,000.00
Conservation Commission	\$ 5,000.00
Gas Inspector	\$ 1,000.00
Park Commission	\$ 1,000.00
Planning Board	\$ 1,000.00
Plumbing Inspector	\$ 1,500.00
Wiring Inspector	\$ 2,000.00
Cemetery Committee	\$ 1,000.00
Fire Dept. False Alarm	\$ 500.00
Fire Company Fees	\$ 500.00
Police Detail	\$ 5,000.00

ARTICLE 11. To see if the Town will vote to close portions of Webster, Fenn, Brace, and Breakneck Roads and or any other roads at certain times of the year as the Highway Superintendent and Selectmen deem necessary.

- 1.) Webster Road – From Mrs. Stanton’s driveway to Becket town line.
- 2.) Fenn Road – Road to be closed after Yo Yo Ma’s garage driveway.
- 3.) Brace Road – From Ruth Swart’s driveway to Monterey town line.
- 4.) Breakneck Road – To be closed after Peter Curtin’s driveway.

ARTICLE 12. To see if the town will vote, pursuant to the provisions of Section 4A of Chapter 40 of the Massachusetts General Laws, to authorize the Selectmen to enter into an inter-municipal agreement with other cities, town and political subdivisions for the group purchasing of supplies, commodities and services that the Town is authorized by law to purchase and to appropriate funds voted under Article 6.1(b)18 as the Town’s share of the expenses for the administration of the program for Fiscal Year 2020.

ARTICLE 13. To see if the Town will vote to accept the sum of \$800.00 for the interest thereon to be used for the perpetual care of the Henning & Joyce Carlson plots in the Tyringham Cemetery (plot numbers – 36, 37, 38, & 39).

ARTICLE 14. To authorize the Board of Selectmen to acquire the following land parcels and or rights in land parcels for the purpose of obtaining a secure and public right of way. This will allow for the construction and roadway safety improvements for the replacement of the Monterey Road bridge.

	Total # Parcel	Area (Square Feet)
In Fee	_____	_____
Permanent Easements	_____	_____
Temporary Easements	<u>2</u>	<u>15,347</u>

ARTICLE 15. To see if the Town will vote to accept portions of Monterey Road as a public way, as heretofore laid out by the Board of Selectmen and shown on the plans entitled “Layout Plan of Monterey Road over Hop Brook”, dated April 23, 2019, prepared by Green International Affiliates, Inc., Civil and Structural Engineers, as said plan may be amended, and on file with the Town Clerk, for all purposes for which public ways are used in the Town of Tyringham, and any drainage, utility, access, and/or other easements related thereto, all as shown on the plans, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 16. To see if the Town will vote to use \$90,000.00 in FREE CASH or any other amount to reduce the tax rate for fiscal year 2020. (July 1, 2019 – June 30, 2020) or take any other action in respect thereto.

ARTICLE 17. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or otherwise provide \$4,500.00 or any other amount for the Affordable Housing Trust Fund or take any other action in respect there to.

ARTICLE 18. To see if the Town will vote for the Highway Department to plow/sand Lakeside Drive, Ridge Street and Cooper Creek Road.


ARTICLE 19. To conduct any other business that comes before this meeting.

AND YOU ARE HEREBY DIRECTED TO serve this Warrant by posting copies thereof at the Post Office, Union Church, Town Hall and Bulletin Board at Goose Pond, in said Town, not less than seven (7) days before the time of holding said meeting.

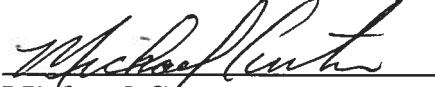
HEREOF FAIL NOT and make due return of this Warrant with your doings there on unto our Town Clerk on or before said day and hour.

Given under our hands at Tyringham, Massachusetts this 7th day of May in the year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Nineteen.

Respectfully,
Tyringham Board of Selectmen,


James Consolati, Chairman


Matthew Puntin, Clerk


Michael Curtin, Member

TRUE COPY ATTEST:

 April Curtin, Town Clerk 03/04/2019 (date) Town Seal

I have served this Warrant by posting attested copies at the Post Office, Union Church, Town Hall and Bulletin Board at Goose Pond, seven (7) before holding said meeting.

, Richard O. Loring, Constable 5-6-19 date