



Warrant for Annual Town Meeting

June 8, 2020

County of Dukes County, ss.

To the Constables of the Town of Chilmark,

Greetings:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to warn and notify the inhabitants of the Town of Chilmark, qualified to vote in elections and town affairs, to assemble at the Chilmark Community Center 520 South Road in said Town of Chilmark on Monday, the eighth day of June in the year Two Thousand and Twenty A.D. at five thirty o'clock in the evening 5:30 P.M., there and then to act on the Articles in this Warrant, with the exception of Article One.

And to meet again in the Chilmark Community Center 520 South Road, in said Town of Chilmark on Wednesday, the tenth day of June in the year Two Thousand and Twenty A. D. 12 Noon, there and then to act on Article One of the Warrant by the election of Town Officers and action on Questions on the Official Ballot.

The polls for voting on the Official Ballot will be open at 12:00 P.M. Noon, and shall close at Six o'clock in the evening, 6:00 P.M.

ARTICLE 1. To elect the following officers on the Official Ballot:

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| One Member of the Board of Selectmen | for three years |
| One Member of the Board of Assessors | for three years |
| One Member of the Board of Health | for three years |
| One Trustee of the Public Library | for three years |
| Two Members of the Finance Advisory Committee | for three years |
| One Member of the Cemetery Commission | for three years |
| One Member of the Planning Board | for five years |
| One Fence Viewer | for three years |
| One Surveyor of Wood, Lumber and Bark | for three years |
| One Tree Warden | for one year |

Question 1. Shall the Town of Chilmark be allowed to assess an additional \$169,136.00 in real estate and personal property taxes for the purposes of funding the replacement of windows at the Chilmark Elementary School for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2020? Yes No

Question 2. Shall the Town of Chilmark be allowed to assess an additional \$5,216.00 in real estate and personal property taxes for the purposes of funding the installation of a dust collection system at the Martha's Vineyard Regional High School for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2020? Yes No

ARTICLE 2. To hear the reports of the Town Officers and Committees and act thereon.

ARTICLE 3. To see if the town will vote to raise such sums of money as will be necessary to defray town charges and to make the appropriations for the ensuing year, as printed under Departmental Budgets - Salaries and Expenses totals, and that the amount set forth under the Community Preservation Committee (Dept. 179) shall be funded from the Community Preservation FY2021 Budgeted Reserve Fund Balance.

Recommended by the Finance Advisory Committee - 6 Ayes - 0 Nays - 1 Absent

ARTICLE 4. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$5,000.00** and

further appropriate the sum of \$5,000.00 to be received from the Chilmark Town Affairs Council, subject to receipt, which amounts are to be added to the maintenance account of the Chilmark Community Center.

Recommended by the Finance Advisory Committee - 6 Ayes - 0 Nays - 1 Absent

ARTICLE 5. To see if the town will vote to transfer from available funds in the treasury the sum of **\$40,000.00** for a Reserve Fund to be administered by the Finance Advisory Committee, for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2020.

Recommended by the Finance Advisory Committee - 6 Ayes - 0 Nays - 1 Absent

ARTICLE 6. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$15,000.00** to fund the Reserve Fund for the Future Payment of Accrued Liabilities for Compensated Absences.

Recommended by the Finance Advisory Committee - 6 Ayes - 0 Nays - 1 Absent

ARTICLE 7. To see if the town will vote to transfer from available funds in the treasury the sum of \$280,000.00 to the town's stabilizations funds as follows:

\$130,000.00 to be placed in the General Stabilization Fund,

\$25,000.00 to be placed in the Fire Department Stabilization Fund, with the intent that it be put towards the replacement costs for fire apparatus which is over twenty-five (25) years in age,

\$25,000.00 to be placed in the Police Vehicle Stabilization Fund,

\$100,000.00 to be placed in the Highway Stabilization Fund.

Recommended by the Finance Advisory Committee - 6 Ayes - 0 Nays - 1 Absent

ARTICLE 8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$8,990** to pay the Town's share of the Up-Island Regional School District's roofing design project at the West Tisbury School providing for an Owner's Project Manager, designer fees, and any costs incidental and relative thereto. Provided, however, the other two member Towns of the District approve in their share of the total project costs of \$69,316.

Submitted by: Up-Island Regional School District

Recommended by the Finance Advisory Committee - 6 Ayes - 0 Nays - 1 Absent

ARTICLE 9. To see if the town will vote to vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$169,136.00** to pay the Town's share of the Up-Island Regional School District's Phase 1 window replacement project at the Chilmark School providing design, procurement, installation, project management, and any costs incidental and relative thereto, provided that this appropriation be contingent on the approval of a Proposition 2½ capital outlay expenditure exclusion under General Laws Chapter 59, § 21C(i½). Further provided, however, the other two member Towns of the District approve in their share of the total project costs of \$211,420.00

Submitted by: Up-Island Regional School District

Recommended by the Finance Advisory Committee - 6 Ayes - 0 Nays - 1 Absent

ARTICLE 10. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$21,560.00** to fund the FY2021 costs for two school programs:

- **\$10,780.00** to fund the Town's share of the administrative expenses of the All Island School Committee's contract for Adult and Community Education in Fiscal Year 2021.

Recommended by the Finance Advisory Committee - 6 Ayes - 0 Nays - 1 Not Present

- **\$10,780.00** to pay to the MV School Superintendent Union as the Town's appropriate share (11.4%) of 50 % of the net cost of the Martha's Vineyard Youth Task Force, to collaborate with police, schools, parents, providers and businesses

in a community wide youth substance abuse prevention program for fiscal year 2021.

Submitted by MV Superintendent's Office, ACE-MV, and MV Youth Task Force
Recommended by the Finance Advisory Committee - 6 Ayes - 0 Nays - 1 Absent

ARTICLE 11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$5,216** to be paid to the Martha's Vineyard Regional High School District as the Town's share of the costs of the District's capital project for the replacement of the dust collection system in Building Trades, including without limitation design, engineering, installation, and any other costs incidental and relative thereto, provided, however, that this appropriation shall not be effective unless each of the other member Towns of the District approve a corresponding appropriation for their respective share of the total project costs; further provided that this appropriation be contingent on the approval of a Proposition 2½ capital outlay expenditure exclusion under General Laws Chapter 59, § 21C(i½), or to take any other action relative thereto.

Recommended by the Finance Advisory Committee - 6 Ayes - 0 Nays - 1 Absent

ARTICLE 12. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$32,828.00** to pay the FY2021 operating costs of five regional services provided through Dukes County:

- **\$5,539.00**, as the Town's proportionate share of the Fiscal Year 2021 cost to fund the **Dukes County Social Services**, based on the "50/50" formula.
- **\$8,624.00** to fund the **CORE** program under the supervision of the Up Island Council on Aging.
- **\$12,057.00**, as the Town's proportionate share of the Fiscal Year 2021 cost to fund the **Healthy Aging Martha's Vineyard** for planning, community building and advocacy work for all Island elders, based on the "50/50" formula.
- **\$3,234.00**, as the Town's proportionate share of the Fiscal Year 2021 cost to fund the **Dukes County Substance Use Disorder** prevention programs, based on the "50/50" formula.
- **\$3,374.00**, as the Town's proportionate share of the Fiscal Year 2021 cost to fund the Healthy Aging Task Force **FIRST STOP**, based on the "50/50" formula.

Submitted by the Dukes County Commissioners
Recommended by the Finance Advisory Committee - 6 Ayes - 0 Nays - 1 Absent

ARTICLE 13. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$9,276** to cover the County of Dukes County FY2021 budget shortfall.

Recommended by the Finance Advisory Committee - 6 Ayes - 0 Nays - 1 Absent

ARTICLE 14. To see if the town will vote to transfer from available funds in the treasury the sum of **\$6,000.00** to pay bills of a prior fiscal year.-

Recommended by the Finance Advisory Committee - 6 Ayes - 0 Nays - 1 Absent

ARTICLE 15. To see if the Town of Chilmark will raise and appropriate the sum of **\$33,470.79** of the Town's proportionate share of the fiscal year 2021 maintenance cost of the State-funded development and upgrades of the Dukes County Regional Emergency Communication Center and Radio System, such share based on 50% call volume per town and 50% 1/6th equal share of the total request; provided that no funds shall be expended hereunder unless and until all six towns appropriate for

this request.

Recommended by the Finance Advisory Committee - 6 Ayes - 0 Nays - 1 Absent

ARTICLE 16. To see if the town will vote to transfer from available funds in the treasury the sum of **\$1,700.00** to restore the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Recycling Dividend Grant.

Recommended by the Finance Advisory Committee - 6 Ayes - 0 Nays - 1 Absent

ARTICLE 17. To see if the town will vote to transfer from available funds in the treasury the sum of **\$9,900.00** to fund the purchase of (3) three firefighting personal protective equipment sets.

Recommended by the Finance Advisory Committee - 6 Ayes - 0 Nays - 1 Absent

ARTICLE 18. To see if the Town will vote to approve the following four requests of the Community Preservation Committee:

- (1) To see if the Town will vote to reserve from the Community Preservation Fund FY 2021 estimated annual revenues up to the following amounts for community preservation projects: **\$36,000.00** for the Community Preservation Reserve for Open Space; **\$36,000.00** for the Community Preservation Reserve for Historic Resources; **\$36,000.00** for the Community Preservation Reserve for Community Housing; and **\$252,000.00** for the Community Preservation Budget Reserve.
- (2) To see if the Town will vote to approve the following request of the Community Preservation Committee: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from the existing Community Preservation Reserve for Open Space and park and recreation use the sum of **\$25,000.00** to the Field Fund, Inc. for the purpose of restoring the baseball field at the Chilmark School. The final installation and maintenance plan shall be approved by the Chilmark Community Center Advisory Committee and Board of Selectmen before any work begins.
- (3) To see if the Town will vote to approve the following request of the Community Preservation Committee: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from the FY 2021 Community Preservation Reserve for Community Housing the sum of **\$50,000.00** as Chilmark's share toward the acquisition of future housing for homeless residents earning up to approximately 30 percent county median income. The home will be purchased by the Island Housing Trust and leased to Harbor Homes of Martha's Vineyard, Inc. for its exclusive use to serve homeless individuals. The funds shall not be released until a closing date is scheduled for the property. An appropriate affordable housing deed restriction shall also be filed with the deed to the property. If the property is sold or its use changes, 100 percent of the funds shall be reimbursed to the Town of Chilmark Community Preservation Reserve for Community Housing. If the Town has repealed the CPA the funds shall be reimbursed to the Town's Molly Flender Affordable Housing Trust. To fund this request \$50,000 will be transferred from the Community Preservation Undesignated Fund to the Community Preservation Reserve for Community Housing.
- (4) To see if the Town will vote to reserve from the Community Preservation Fund FY 2019 estimated annual revenues up to the following additional amounts for

community preservation projects: **\$6,449.00** for the Community Preservation Reserve for Open Space; **\$6,449.00** for the Community Preservation Reserve for Historic Resources; **\$6,449.00** for the Community Preservation Reserve for Community Housing. Our state matching amount was slightly higher than estimated and budgeted. This will bring the total FY 2019 reserve amounts to the minimum 10 percent of total FY 2019 CPA revenue as required by the Community Preservation Act.

NO ACTION taken by the Finance Advisory Committee - 7 Ayes - 0 Nays

You are hereby directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies in three public places in said Town of Chilmark at least seven days before the time of said meeting, and to publish said warrant in one newspaper having general circulation in the Town of Chilmark during the week before said meeting.

Given under our hands this 5th day of May, A.D. 2020.

Chilmark Board of Selectmen

Warren M. Doty, Chairman

William N. Rossi

James M. Malkin

I have notified the inhabitants of the Town of Chilmark qualified to vote in town affairs, by posting three (3) attested copies of this warrant in three (3) public places and by publishing said warrant in one newspaper having general circulation in said Town of Chilmark and made due return of this warrant at the time and place of said meeting. God save the Commonwealth.

Posted: 5-15-20

By: Marshall E. Carroll III

Constable Marshall E. Carroll, III

