

**WARRANT FOR
ANNUAL TOWN MEETING**

ELECTION

Saturday, April 7, 2018



**ANNUAL TOWN MEETING
Monday, April 23, 2018**

TOWN OF ARLINGTON
TOWN WARRANT
THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
Middlesex, ss.

To the Constables of the Town of Arlington, in said County:

GREETINGS:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Arlington qualified to vote in elections, to meet at the polling places designated for the several Precincts in said Town on

SATURDAY
THE SEVENTH DAY OF APRIL 2018

at eight o'clock in the forenoon, to act on the following articles, namely:

ARTICLE 1 TO ELECT BY BALLOT:

- A) **Two Selectmen for three years**
- B) **One Assessor for three years**
- C) **Two School Committee Members for three years**

Also, in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 43A of the General Laws, the number of Town Meeting Members hereinafter specified:

PRECINCT 1 -	Four for three years; One for two years (to fill a vacancy)
PRECINCT 2 -	Four for three years;
PRECINCT 3 -	Four for three years; One for two year (to fill a vacancy)
PRECINCT 4 -	Four for three years;
PRECINCT 5 -	Four for three years; One for one year (to fill a vacancy)
PRECINCT 6 -	Four for three years;
PRECINCT 7 -	Four for three years;
PRECINCT 8 -	Four for three years; One for one year (to fill a vacancy)
PRECINCT 9 -	Four for three years;
PRECINCT 10 -	Four for three years;
PRECINCT 11 -	Four for three years;
PRECINCT 12 -	Four for three years;
PRECINCT 13 -	Four for three years;
PRECINCT 14 -	Four for three years; One for two years (to fill a vacancy)
PRECINCT 15 -	Four for three years; One for one year (to fill a vacancy)
PRECINCT 16 -	Four for three years;
PRECINCT 17 -	Four for three years;
PRECINCT 18 -	Four for three years; One for one year (to fill a vacancy)
PRECINCT 19 -	Four for three years; One for two years (to fill a vacancy)
PRECINCT 20 -	Four for three years;
PRECINCT 21 -	Four for three years.

For these purposes, the polls will be opened at eight o'clock A.M. and remain open until eight o'clock P.M., at each of the polling places designated, viz.:

- Precinct 1 Thompson School, 187 Everett Street
- Precinct 2 Hardy School, 52 Lake Street (entrance on Brooks Avenue)
- Precinct 3 Thompson School, 187 Everett Street
- Precinct 4 Hardy School, 52 Lake Street (entrance on Brooks Avenue)
- Precinct 5 Thompson School, 187 Everett Street
- Precinct 6 Hardy School, 52 Lake Street (entrance on Brooks Avenue)
- Precinct 7 Chestnut Manor, 54 Medford Street (entrance on Chestnut Terrace)
- Precinct 8 Town Hall, 730 Massachusetts Avenue (beside Robbins Library)
- Precinct 9 Chestnut Manor, 54 Medford Street (entrance on Chestnut Terrace)
- Precinct 10 Town Hall, 730 Massachusetts Avenue (beside Robbins Library)
- Precinct 11 Bishop School, 25 Columbia Road (entrance on Stowcroft Road)
- Precinct 12 Brackett School, 66 Eastern Avenue (Left at Water Tower at top of Park Avenue)
- Precinct 13 Stratton School, 180 Mountain Avenue
- Precinct 14 Brackett School, 66 Eastern Avenue (Left at Water Tower at top of Park Avenue)
- Precinct 15 Stratton School, 180 Mountain Avenue
- Precinct 16 Dallin School, 185 Florence Avenue (off Park Avenue)
- Precinct 17 Peirce School, 85 Park Ave. Extension (entrance on Newland Road)
- Precinct 18 Dallin School, 185 Florence Avenue (off Park Avenue)
- Precinct 19 Peirce School, 85 Park Ave. Extension (entrance on Newland Road)
- Precinct 20 Park Avenue Congregational Church, 50 Paul Revere Road (corner of Park Ave. & Wollaston Ave.)
- Precinct 21 Peirce School, 85 Park Ave. Extension (entrance on Newland Road)

You are also required to notify and warn the said inhabitants to meet at the Town Hall in said Town on Monday the 23rd day of April, 2018, at eight o'clock in the evening, at which time and place the following articles are to be acted upon and determined exclusively by Town Meeting Members, in accordance with and subject to the referenda provided for by Chapter 43A of the General Laws.

ARTICLE 2

STATE OF THE TOWN ADDRESS

To hear the Chair of the Board of Selectmen review important events in the past year in Arlington and preview expectations for next year.

(Inserted at the request of Vision 2020)

ARTICLE 3

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

To receive, hear, and act upon the reports of the Board of Selectmen, Finance Committee, Redevelopment Board, School Committee and other committees, commissions, and boards heretofore appointed, or dissolve any inactive committees; and take any action related thereto.

(Inserted at the request of the Town Moderator)

ARTICLE 4

APPOINTMENT OF MEASURER OF WOOD AND BARK

To choose and appoint all the usual Town Officers not hereinbefore mentioned, in such a manner as the Town may determine; or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted by the Board of Selectmen)

ARTICLE 5 **ELECTION OF ASSISTANT TOWN MODERATOR**
To elect a Town Meeting Member as Assistant Moderator for a term of one year, as provided in Title I, Article 1, Section 11.A, of the Bylaws; or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted at the request of the Town Moderator)

ARTICLE 6 **BYLAW AMENDMENT/CAPITAL PLANNING COMMITTEE**
To see if the Town will vote to amend TITLE II, Article 3 by changing the number of registered voters on the Capital Planning Committee from four registered voters of the Town appointed by the Moderator to between four and six registered voters of the Town appointed by the Moderator; to specify the length of their terms as well as the manner of such appointments and reappointments; or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted at the request of the Moderator and the Capital Planning Committee)

ARTICLE 7 **BYLAW AMENDMENT/TOWN MEETING WARRANT DELIVERY**
To see if the Town will vote to amend TITLE I, Article 2 by changing the manner of delivery of the Warrant to every dwelling house in Town and to the Town Meeting Representatives; or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted at the request of the Moderator and the Town Meeting Procedures Committee)

ARTICLE 8 **BYLAW AMENDMENT/ADDITION OF CERTAIN DELINQUENT MUNICIPAL FEES/FINES TO BE A LIEN ON REAL ESTATE TAX ACCOUNT**

To see if the Town will vote to amend Title I, Article 21 ("Municipal Charges Liens") of the Town Bylaws; to include in the placement of a lien or liens onto any real estate tax accounts, any fees, fines, or penalties levied by a Town and/or School department upon a resident property owner and/or non-resident property owner of the Town, where such fee, fine, or penalty is delinquent. Said amended Bylaw is in accordance with Section 58 of Chapter 40 "Municipal Charges Lien" of the Massachusetts General Law; or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted at the request of the Town Treasurer)

ARTICLE 9 **BYLAW AMENDMENT/FINANCIAL INFORMATION**
To see if the Town will vote to amend the Town Bylaws relative to financial information in real estate tax bills, including but not limited to eliminating the provisions of Title I, Article 17 ("Financial Information"); or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted at the request of the Town Treasurer)

ARTICLE 10 **BYLAW AMENDMENT/ANIMAL CONTROL REGULATIONS**
To see if the Town will vote to amend the Town Bylaws to comport with recent changes in state law adopted through Chapter 248 of the Acts of 2016 ("An Act Preventing Animal Suffering and Death"), including but not limited to changes concerning the manner in which dogs may be confined, tethered, and treated; the manner of enforcement and penalties for violation of the Town's Animal Control Bylaws; and the time frame and terms of license applications; or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted at the request of the Town Clerk and the Town Manager)

ARTICLE 11 **BYLAW AMENDMENT/VACANT STORE FRONT REGISTRY**
To see if the Town will vote to amend Title V, Article 17 of the Town Bylaws ("Registration and Maintenance of Vacant Commercial and Industrial Buildings") to extend the period of time a property may not be used or occupied before being considered "vacant," adjust the timing and

manner of collecting annual registration fees, and adjust the timing, criteria, and manner of applying for and receiving waivers; or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted at the request of the Town Manager)

ARTICLE 12 **BYLAW AMENDMENT/BETTERMENT BYLAW REVISION**

To see if the Town will vote to Amend Title III Article 3 of the Town Bylaws: Repairs to Private Ways to revise the criteria, process, and other material terms for the approval and administration of temporary repairs to private ways, including revising the definition of abutters and the number or percentage of abutters required for a betterment petition, providing for limited Town repairs at the Town's sole discretion for the sole purpose of ensuring safe passage of emergency vehicles without incurring liability for same; or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted at the request of the Town Manager)

ARTICLE 13 **BYLAW AMENDMENT/ARLINGTON COMMISSION ON ARTS AND CULTURE**

To see if the Town will vote to amend Title II, Article 8 of the Town Bylaws to change the name of the Arlington Commission on Arts and Culture, alter its membership and composition, and expand and/or alter its duties and responsibilities to include, but not limited to the following: public art, cultural district management, and seeking and distributing arts-related grants; or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted at the request of the Arlington Commission on Arts and Culture)

ARTICLE 14 **BYLAW AMENDMENT/TREE PRESERVATION AND PROTECTION**

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Town Bylaws, Title V Regulations Upon the Use of Private Property, Article 16: Tree Protection and Preservation, Section 4, Procedures and Requirements for the Preservation of Trees, to increase the fees for tree removal or to authorize the Board of Selectmen to set the fees for tree removal, in the interests of reflecting the true cost of tree removal; or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted at the request of the Tree Committee)

ARTICLE 15 **BYLAW AMENDMENT/NOISE ABATEMENT**

To see if the Town will vote to amend Title V, Article 12 of the Town Bylaws to regulate the permissible hours and volume of noise generated by parties and events on residential private property, by reducing the permissible hours of operation and/or decibel levels of loudspeakers and sound amplifying devices used for entertainment, requiring neighbor notifications for parties on residential private property in which noise amplification will be used, and providing for exemptions for certain well known Town-wide events and/or celebrations periods such as "Porch Fest"; or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted at the request of Meredith DiMola and ten registered voters)

ARTICLE 16 **BYLAW AMENDMENT/TIME OF TOWN MEETING SESSIONS**

To see if the Town will vote to amend Title I, Section 1, to change the time of Town Meeting from 8:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.; or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted at the request of Bill Hayner and ten registered voters)

ARTICLE 17 BYLAW AMENDMENT/DEMOLITION OF HISTORIC STRUCTURES

To see if the Town will vote to amend Title VI, Article 6 of the Town Bylaws ("Historically or Architecturally Significant Buildings") to amend the definition of "Significant Building" to include any building more than 50 years of age at the time of inquiry, or any building built on or before January 1, 1968; or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted at the request of Leonard Kardon and ten registered voters)

ARTICLE 18 HOME RULE LEGISLATION/APPOINTMENT OF TOWN COMPTROLLER

To see if the Town will vote to authorize and request the Board of Selectmen to file Home Rule Legislation implementing the recommendations of the 2012 Massachusetts Department of Revenue "Town and School Finance Analysis" report to make the Comptroller an appointment of the Town Manager; or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted at the request of the Town Treasurer)

ARTICLE 19 HOME RULE LEGISLATION/MUNICIPAL FINANCE DEPARTMENT

To see if the Town will vote to authorize and request the Board of Selectmen to file Home Rule Legislation that would allow the creation of a consolidated department of municipal finance; or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted at the request of the Town Treasurer)

ARTICLE 20 HOME RULE LEGISLATION/BYLAW AMENDMENT/CHANGE THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN TO SELECT BOARD

To see if the Town will vote to authorize and request the Board of Selectmen to file Home Rule Legislation to amend the Town Manager Act, and further to amend the Town Bylaws to change the name of the Board of Selectmen to the Select Board in all relevant provisions and variants of presentation in the Act and the Bylaws; or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted at the request of Clarissa Rowe and ten registered voters)

ARTICLE 21 VOTE/ VISION 2020

To see if the Town will vote to further revise Article 41 of the Annual Town Meeting of 1992, which established the Vision 2020 Standing Committee, to amend the name of the committee to "Envision Arlington," provide a new statement of purpose, and revise the length of terms for Standing Committee Members; or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted at the request of the Vision 2020 Standing Committee)

ARTICLE 22 ACCEPTANCE/LOCAL OPTION TAXES

To see if the Town will vote to accept any local option taxes or other revenue raising options, which are made available to cities and towns through enactments of the legislature, by state regulation or court action; or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted at the request of the Finance Committee)

ARTICLE 23 ENDORSEMENT OF CDBG APPLICATION

To see if the Town will vote to endorse the application for Federal Fiscal Year 2019 prepared by the Town Manager and the Board of Selectmen under the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 (PL 93-383) as amended; or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted by the Board of Selectmen and at the request of the Town Manager)

ARTICLE 24

REVOLVING FUNDS

To see if the Town will vote to hear or receive a report concerning the receipts and expenditures of approved revolving funds, amend the Town Bylaws to adopt new revolving funds, and/or to appropriate sums of money to such revolving funds and determine how the money shall be raised or expended; or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted by the Board of Selectmen)

ARTICLE 25

ACCEPTANCE OF LEGISLATION/INCREASE OF SURVIVORS BENEFITS

To see if the Town will vote to accept the provisions of Section 65 of Chapter 139 of the Acts of 2012 to increase the benefit paid to survivors under Massachusetts General Law Chapter 32, Section 101 from \$9,000 to \$12,000 annually; or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted at the request of the Contributory Retirement Board)

ARTICLE 26

POSITIONS RECLASSIFICATION

To see if the Town will vote to make additions, deletions and/or modifications to the Classification and Pay Plan, appropriate a sum of money to fund same if necessary, determine how the money will be raised and expended; or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted at the request of the Town Manager and the Director of Human Resources)

ARTICLE 27

COLLECTIVE BARGAINING

To see if the Town will vote to fund any fiscal items in the event that any are contained in collective bargaining agreements between the Town and the following named collective bargaining units, and to fund for non-union, M Schedule, and elected officials' salaries or fringe benefits, establish a reserve for funding future collective bargaining, determine how the money shall be raised and expended; or take any action related thereto:

- A. Local 680, American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees;
- B. Service Employees International Union;
- C. Robbins Library Professional Association;
- D. Local 1297, International Association of Firefighters;
- E. Arlington Police Patrol Officers' Association (formerly Arlington Patrolmen's Association);
- F. Arlington Ranking Police Officers' Association;
- G. M Schedule and non-union employees; and
- H. Full-time elected officials

(Inserted at the request of the Town Manager)

ARTICLE 28

APPROPRIATION/PARKING OPERATING COSTS

To see if the Town will appropriate or transfer a sum of money to fund appropriate operating costs of new parking equipment and measures from the Special Revolving Parking Fund established under Article 7 of the October 2016 Special Town Meeting; or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted at the request of the Town Manager)

ARTICLE 29

APPROPRIATION/TOWN BUDGETS

To see if the Town will vote to make appropriations to defray Town obligations, liabilities, outlay and expenses and especially for or relating to all or any of the boards, departments, purposes and matters hereinafter mentioned, and to provide for the disposal of motor vehicles and other personal

property belonging to the Town, determine how the money shall be raised and expended; or take any action related thereto: Finance Committee, Board of Selectmen, Town Manager, Human Resources, Comptroller, Information Technology, Town Treasurer and Collector of Taxes, Assessors, Legal and Workers' Compensation, Town Clerk, Registrars, Planning and Community Development, Redevelopment Board, Parking, Zoning Board of Appeals, Public Works, Facilities, Cemeteries, Community Safety, School Department, Libraries, Human Services, Insurance, Non-Contributory Pensions, Contributory Pensions, Town Debt and Interest, Reserve Fund, and/or any other Town Departments, Boards, Commissions or Committees, Water and Sewer Enterprise Fund, Recreation Enterprise Fund, Council on Aging Transportation Enterprise Fund, Veterans' Memorial Rink Enterprise Fund, and Youth Services Enterprise Fund.

(Inserted by the Board of Selectmen and at the request of the Town Manager)

ARTICLE 30

CAPITAL BUDGET

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money to defray the expense of purchasing, leasing, or bonding of capital equipment, infrastructure, buildings or other projects of the Town or to acquire real property for municipal purposes; to appropriate a sum of money to fund previously incurred or future Town debt, to acquire land for said projects where necessary by purchase, eminent domain taking or otherwise, determine how the money shall be raised including the possibility of borrowing any or all of the same, or the transfer of funds from any previous appropriation, determine how such money shall be expended; or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted by the Board of Selectmen and at the request of the Town Manager and the Capital Planning Committee)

ARTICLE 31

RESCIND OR REAPPROPRIATE BORROWING AUTHORIZATIONS FROM PRIOR YEARS

To see if the Town will vote to rescind the authority to borrow or reappropriate funds, from prior years' authorizations, the amounts remaining with regard to any numbered prior Annual and/or Special Town Meeting Warrant Articles; or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted at the request of the Town Treasurer)

ARTICLE 32

APPROPRIATION/FINANCING OF CONSTRUCTION OR RECONSTRUCTION OF SEWERS AND SEWERAGE FACILITIES

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money for the purpose of financing the construction or reconstruction of sewers and sewerage facilities for inflow/infiltration reduction or system rehabilitation, including costs incidental and related thereto, and to determine how the appropriation shall be raised or expended, including the possibility of borrowing all or some of same; or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted at the request of the Town Manager and the Director of Public Works)

ARTICLE 33

APPROPRIATION/FINANCING OF CONSTRUCTION OR RECONSTRUCTION OF WATER MAINS AND WATER FACILITIES

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money for the purpose of financing the construction or reconstruction of water mains and water facilities, including costs incidental and related thereto, and to determine how the appropriation shall be raised and expended including the possibility of borrowing all or some of same; or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted at the request of the Town Manager and the Director of Public Works)

ARTICLE 34

**APPROPRIATION/MINUTEMAN REGIONAL VOCATIONAL
TECHNICAL HIGH SCHOOL & OUT OF DISTRICT
VOCATIONAL PLACEMENTS**

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money for the purpose of paying the Town’s apportioned share of the operating and maintenance costs, including capital costs, tuition, and all of Arlington's other obligations under the Minuteman Regional School District Agreement for the Minuteman Regional Vocational Technical High School, as well as paying the tuition for all other out of district vocational education placements, determine how the money shall be raised and expended; or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted at the request of Minuteman Regional Vocational School District Committee)

ARTICLE 35

APPROPRIATION/COMMITTEES AND COMMISSIONS

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum or sums of money to be expended under the direction of various committees, commissions, and boards of the Town, determine how the money shall be raised; provided that any funds appropriated hereunder shall remain under the jurisdiction of said entities until expended at their direction, unless otherwise appropriated by the Town Meeting; the entities included hereunder, without limitation, are: Arlington Historical Commission, Arlington Recycling Committee, Avon Place Historic District Commission, Broadway Historic District Commission, Central Street Historic District Commission, Mt. Gilboa/Crescent Hill Historic District Commission, Jason/Gray Historic District Commission, Pleasant Street Historic District Commission, Russell Historic District Commission, Conservation Commission, Capital Planning Committee, Commission on Disability, Personnel Board, Public Memorial Committee, Human Rights Commission, Arlington Committee on Tourism and Economic Development, Vision 2020, Transportation Advisory Committee, Arlington Commission on Arts and Culture, Poet Laureate Screening Committee and any other Town Committee or Commission; or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted at the request of the Town Manager)

ARTICLE 36

**APPROPRIATION/TOWN CELEBRATIONS
AND EVENTS**

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum or sums of money to be expended under the direction of the Town Manager for the following celebrations and memorials, determine how the money shall be raised and expended; or take any action related thereto:

- Patriots’ Day Celebration and the Memorial Day Observation
- Display of American Flags on Massachusetts Avenue
- Placing of American Flags on the Graves of Veterans
- Town Day Celebration
- Veterans’ Day Parade

(Inserted at the request of the Town Manager)

ARTICLE 37

APPROPRIATION/MISCELLANEOUS

To see if the Town will vote the following:

Legal Defense – To appropriate a sum of money to replenish the Legal Defense Fund established under Article 13, Section 5 of Title 1 of the Town Bylaws, Indemnification of Medical Costs, to appropriate a sum of money in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 41, Section 100B of the General Laws, to indemnify certain retired Police Officers and Firefighters for all reasonable

medical and surgical expenses which they incurred, determine how the money will be raised and expended; or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted at the request of the Town Manager)

ARTICLE 38

APPROPRIATION/WATER BODIES FUND

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money to the Town's Water Bodies Fund for the maintenance, treatment, and oversight of all the Town's water bodies, said sum to be raised by the general tax and expended under the direction of the Town Manager, who will also report to Town Meeting on the status of the fund; or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted at the request of the Arlington Conservation Commission, the Vision 2020 Standing Committee, and the Spy Pond and Reservoir Committees of the V2020 Environment Task Group)

ARTICLE 39

APPROPRIATION/ COMMUNITY PRESERVATION FUND

To see if the Town will vote to make appropriations from the Community Preservation Fund for eligible community preservation projects; for community preservation reserve accounts for historic preservation, open space and recreation, and affordable housing; for Community Preservation Committee administrative expenses or other eligible expenses; or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted at the request of the Community Preservation Committee)

ARTICLE 40

**APPROPRIATION/HARRY BARBER
COMMUNITY SERVICE PROGRAM**

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$7,500.00 for the Harry Barber Community Service Program for the Council on Aging, to determine how the money will be raised and expended; or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted at the request of the Council on Aging)

ARTICLE 41

**APPROPRIATION/PENSION ADJUSTMENT FOR FORMER
TWENTY-FIVE YEAR/ACCIDENTAL DISABILITY
EMPLOYEES**

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money to implement the provisions of Chapter 32 of Massachusetts General Laws Section 90A, 90C, 90D and 90E, pursuant to which the Town pays up to fifty percent of the maximum salary as set forth in the Compensation and Pay Plan for the position formerly held by retired employees with twenty-five or more years of service to the Town and those employees who retired under an Accidental Disability; provided, however, that no one who retires after May 1, 2010 shall be eligible under this vote unless they qualify for at least a fifty percent pension, without this vote upon their retirement; this adjustment to be paid to those who qualify and administered in accordance with prior practice and understanding relating to the retirement allowance of said retirees; determine how the money shall be raised and expended; or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted at the request of the Contributory Retirement Board)

ARTICLE 42

**APPROPRIATION/OTHER POST EMPLOYMENT
BENEFITS (OPEB) TRUST FUND**

To see if the Town will vote to accept into the Other Post Employment Benefits (OPEB) Trust Fund, established by Chapter 161 of the Acts of 2005, an appropriation of funds and/or the transfer of additional monies that the Town may deem advisable from other sources, including any monies previously deposited into any of the Town's stabilization funds for this purpose, in order to

administer and fund its OPEB obligation as described in the said Chapter 161 of the Acts of 2005; determine how the monies shall be raised and expended; or take any action related thereto.
(Inserted at the request of the Contributory Retirement Board)

ARTICLE 43 **APPROPRIATION/OVERLAY RESERVE**
To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money from previous years overlay reserve surplus accounts, determine to what purpose this appropriation shall be made; or take any action related thereto.
(Inserted at the request of the Finance Committee)

ARTICLE 44 **TRANSFER OF FUNDS/CEMETERY**
To see if the Town will vote to transfer a sum of money to the Cemetery Commissioners for the improvement of Town cemeteries, said sum shall be taken from the Mt. Pleasant Cemetery "Sale of Lots and Graves" and/or "Perpetual Care Funds"; or take any action related thereto.
(Inserted at the request of the Finance Committee)

ARTICLE 45 **USE OF FREE CASH**
To see if the Town will vote to authorize the taking of a sum of money voted for appropriations heretofore made at the Town Meeting under the Warrant and not voted to be borrowed from available funds in the Treasury, and authorize the Assessors to use free cash in the Treasury to that amount in the determination of the tax rate for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2018; or take any action related thereto.
(Inserted at the request of the Finance Committee)

ARTICLE 46 **APPROPRIATION/LONG TERM STABILIZATION FUND**
To see if the Town will make an appropriation to the Long Term Stabilization Fund in accordance with the provisions of the General Laws, Chapter 40, Section 5B, as amended, or other appropriate provisions of law, determine how the money shall be raised and expended; or take any action related thereto.
(Inserted at the request of the Finance Committee)

ARTICLE 47 **APPROPRIATION/FISCAL STABILITY STABILIZATION FUND**
To see if the Town will make an appropriation to or from the Fiscal Stability Stabilization Fund created under Article 65 of the 2005 Annual Town Meeting or any other enabling action of Town Meeting in accordance with the provisions of the General Laws, Chapter 40, Section 5B, as amended, or other appropriate provisions of law, determine how the money shall be raised and expended; or take any action related thereto.
(Inserted at the request of the Finance Committee)

.... (SIGNED)
....A true copy.
Attest:

(SIGNED)
JOSEPH A. CURRO, JR.
KEVIN F. GREELEY
DIANE M. MAHON
DANIEL J. DUNN
CLARISSA ROWE

SELECTMEN
OF THE
TOWN
OF
ARLINGTON

RICHARD BOYLE
CONSTABLE

HOW TO VOTE BY ABSENTEE BALLOT

Reasons for voting absentee

You may vote absentee if you are registered and will be unable to vote at the polls on Election Day because of

Absence from the Town
Physical disability
Religious beliefs

Illegal absentee voting is punishable by a fine of up to \$10,000 and up to five years in prison.

Applying for an absentee ballot

You must apply for an absentee ballot from the Town Clerk no later than noon of the day before the election. Applications may be mailed or hand delivered and you may use any form of written communication (letter or postcard) or the official application form.

Include on the application

Your name as registered
Your registration address
Precinct, if you know it
The precise address to which you wish the ballot sent
Your own signature

Requesting to vote by mail

A ballot will be sent to any address you specify including your own home. Be sure to apply early because the ballots must be sent by mail and may be returned by mail or hand delivered.

Requesting to vote in person

If you prefer, you may request to vote in person before Election Day. You may vote at the Town Hall before Election Day at a time arranged with the Clerk, but application for your ballot must be made no later than noon of the day before the election. A voter may apply for an absentee ballot and then vote over-the-counter during the same visit.

Applying to vote if you are absent from the state, in the armed services or a prisoner

Registered and unregistered residents of Massachusetts outside the state and residents on active duty in the armed forces and merchant marine and their spouses or dependents, and prisoners, may vote absentee. They may request an absentee ballot from the Town where they legally reside (if outside the U.S., where they resided last before leaving). In addition, a close relative may apply on their behalf in person at the Town Clerk's Office.

A parent of a registered voter who is a student at a Massachusetts college or university may apply for an absentee ballot on the student's behalf to the Town Clerk where the student is registered.

In all cases, unregistered voters must register in person when they return to the state, since this does not establish permanent registration.

What if I am permanently physically disabled?

If you are permanently physically disabled and cannot cast your vote at the polling place, you may file a letter from your physician with the Town Clerk, stating that you are permanently unable to cast your vote at the polling place because of physical disability. A completed application for an absentee ballot, for you to sign and return, must be mailed by the Town Clerk to you at least 28 days before every primary and election.

NOTE: Voters who are admitted to a health care facility after noon of the fifth day before an election may apply for an absentee ballot up until the polls close on the day of the election (rather than noon the day before the election) and must designate a person to hand deliver and return the absentee ballot.



JOSEPH A. CURRO, JR., CHAIR
KEVIN F. GREELEY, VICE CHAIR
DIANE M. MAHON
DANIEL J. DUNN
CLARISSA ROWE