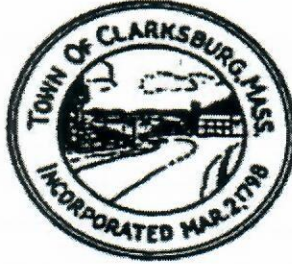


TOWN OF CLARKSBURG
Clarksburg, Massachusetts 01247

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING
WARRANT



COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Berkshire ss:

To any of the Police Officers of the Town of Clarksburg in the County of Berkshire:

Greetings:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town qualified to vote in Town Meeting to meet at the Clarksburg Community Center at 712 West Cross Road in said Town on **Wednesday, May 26, 2021** at 6:30 p.m. with a rain date of **Thursday, May 27, 2021** at 6:30 p.m. then and there to vote on the following articles to wit:

FISCAL YEAR 2022 ARTICLES to be voted on:

ARTICLE ONE: (majority vote)

To receive the printed annual report of the Town Officers for Fiscal Year 2020, or take any action related thereto.

ARTICLE TWO: (majority vote)

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectboard, to borrow money from time to time in the Fiscal Year beginning July 1st, 2021, in accordance with the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws (MGL), Chapter 44, Section 4, 6A and 7, and to issue a note or notes thereof in accordance with MGL, Chapter 44, Section 17, or take any action related thereto.

ARTICLE THREE: (majority vote)

To see if the Town will authorize the Town Treasurer to enter into compensating balance agreements during the fiscal year beginning July 1st, 2021 as permitted by MGL, Chapter 44, Section 53F, or take any action related thereto.

ARTICLE FOUR: (majority vote)
To see if the Town will vote to take the sum of \$5,000.00 from available fines and forfeitures collected by the Clarksbury Police Department and deposited into a special revolving fund in accordance with the provisions of MGL Chapter 44, Section 53E ½. Said funds may be used by the Police Department for Police Officer training, equipment, and fuel, or take any action related thereto.

ARTICLE FIVE: (majority vote)
To see if the Town will vote, in accordance with MGL Chapter 41, Section 108, to set the Annual Compensation for Elected Officials as follows:

	FY 2021	FY 2022
Moderator	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00
Selectboard Chair	\$ 600.00	\$ 600.00
Selectboard Members (2 X \$500.00)	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00
Planning Board Chair	\$ 300.00	\$ 300.00
Planning Board Members (4 X \$250.00)	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00
Board of Health Chair	\$ 280.00	\$ 280.00
Board of Health Members (2 X \$230.00)	\$ 460.00	\$ 460.00
School Committee Chair	\$ 280.00	\$ 280.00
School Committee Members (2 X \$230.00)	\$ 460.00	\$ 460.00
Representative to McCann Tech School	\$ 230.00	\$ 230.00
Tree Warden	\$ 150.00	\$ 150.00
Town Clerk	\$ 10,789.00	\$ 16,126.00
Total	\$ 15,649.00	\$ 20,986.00

ARTICLE SIX: (majority vote)
To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or take from available funds in the Town Treasury the amount of \$2,709,705.00 to pay for charges, expenses, and outlays of the School Department for the ensuing Fiscal Year July 1st, 2021 to June 30th, 2022, or take any action related thereto.

ARTICLE SEVEN: (majority vote)
To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or take from available funds in the Town Treasury, the amount of \$347,942.00 to pay for the Town's share of the Northern Berkshire Vocational School District budget for the ensuing Fiscal Year July 1st, 2021 to June 30th, 2022, or take any action related thereto.

ARTICLE EIGHT: (majority vote)
To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectboard to accept and expend any monies provided pursuant to MGL Chapter 90, or any other transportation program, and enter into contracts with the Massachusetts State Highway Department (a/k/a Massachusetts Department of Transportation) for the construction and maintenance of public highways for the ensuing Fiscal Year July 1st, 2021 to June 30th, 2022, or take any action related thereto.

ARTICLE NINE: (majority vote)

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or take from available funds in the Town Treasury, the following sums of money for salaries, expenses, charges, and other purposes including loans and debts, for the ensuing Fiscal Year beginning July 1st, 2021 to June 30th, 2022, or take any action related thereto.

OPERATING	FY 2021 Appropriated	FY 2022 Requested	\$ Inc./ (Dec.)	% Inc./ (Dec.)
TOWN				
EXECUTIVE	\$2,300	\$2,300	\$0	0%
FINANCE	\$118,116	\$125,380	\$7,264	6%
TOWN COUNSEL	\$10,000	\$15,000	\$5,000	50%
ADMINISTRATION	\$152,029	\$152,748	\$719	0.47%
TOWN CLERK	\$15,069	\$20,406	\$5,337	35%
ELECTION & REGISTRATION	\$5,300	\$4,100	(\$1,200)	-23%
CONSERVATION COMMISSION	\$940	\$940	\$0	0%
PLANNING BOARD	\$3,190	\$3,160	(\$30)	-1%
APPEALS BOARD	\$375	\$375	\$0	0%
OPERATION OF TOWN HALL	\$37,000	\$47,800	\$10,800	29%
REPORTS & WARRANTS	\$1,500	\$1,500	\$0	0%
COMMUNICATIONS (PHONE, INTERNET)	\$7,500	\$7,500	\$0	0%
POLICE	\$95,931	\$104,939	\$9,008	9%
FIRE DEPARTMENT	\$18,215	\$18,761	\$546	3%
INSPECTION SERVICES	\$15,673	\$15,673	\$0	0%
E911 EXPENSES	\$6,000	\$9,000	\$3,000	50%
EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT EXPENSES	\$1,288	\$2,634	\$1,346	105%
ANIMAL CONTROL	\$2,770	\$2,770	\$0	0%
TREE WARDEN	\$150	\$150	\$0	0%
ADA COMMISSION	\$1,250	\$1,250	\$0	0%
SCHOOL COMM. STIPENDS	\$970	\$970	\$0	0%
HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT	\$245,075	\$273,053	\$27,978	11.42%
SNOW & ICE	\$52,500	\$55,000	\$2,500	4.76%

	FY 2021	FY 2022		
	Appropriated	Requested	\$ Inc./(Dec.)	%Inc./(Dec.)
STREETLIGHTS	\$21,000	\$21,000	\$0	0%
LANDFILL MONITORING	\$5,450	\$5,000	(\$450)	-8.26%
WATER SUPPLY MONITORING	\$700	\$700	\$0	0%
SOLID WASTE DIST.	\$4,780	\$4,876	\$96	2.01%
CEMETERY EXP	\$850	\$850	\$0	0%
RECREATION AREA EXPENSES	\$1,810	\$3,000	\$1,190	65.75%
BOARD OF HEALTH	\$4,350	\$4,490	\$140	3.22%
COMMUNITY CENTER	\$5,200	\$5,200	\$0	0%
COUNCIL ON AGING	\$800	\$800	\$0	0%
VETERANS' SERVICES	\$58,500	\$58,500	\$0	0%
LIBRARY	\$78,192	\$79,349	\$1,157	1.48%
MEMORIAL & VETERANS DAY	\$800	\$800	\$0	0%
HISTORICAL COMM	\$500	\$500	\$0	0%
BEAUTIFICATION COMM.	\$75	\$75	\$0	0%
DEBT SERVICE	\$290,046	\$272,206	(\$17,840)	-6.15%
COUNTY RETIREMENT	\$158,982	\$162,121	\$3,139	1.97%
SUTA & FICA	\$22,000	\$22,000	\$0	0%
HEALTH & LIFE INSURANCE	\$194,948	\$208,497	\$13,549	6.95%
GENERAL INSURANCE	\$44,273	\$44,500	\$227	0.51%
OPEB	\$500	\$500	\$0	0%
TOTAL TOWN	\$1,686,897	\$1,760,373	\$73,476	4.36%
EDUCATION				
CLARKSBURG ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	\$2,507,086	\$2,709,705	\$202,619	8.08%
NBVHS	\$371,727	\$347,942	(\$23,785)	-6.40%
TOTAL EDUCATION	\$2,878,813	\$3,057,647	\$178,834	6.21%
TOTAL REQUESTED	\$4,565,710	\$4,818,020	\$252,310	5.53%

ARTICLE TEN: (majority vote)

To see if the Town will vote, pursuant to MGL Chapter 44, Section 53E ½ to take from fees from permit issuance(s) from various Inspectors and Boards, money collected by the Treasurer, to be recorded and deposited into a Special Revolving Account(s), a sum of not to exceed \$15,000.00 under MGL Chapter 44, section 53E ½ to be used for the payment of said Inspectors and Board Inspections, or take any action related thereto.

ARTICLE ELEVEN: (majority vote)

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate for the expenses of the Sewer Enterprise Fund, to be raised from sewer user fees, for the ensuing Fiscal Year beginning July 1st, 2021 to June 30th, 2022, as listed below, in accordance with MGL Chapter 40, Section 39K, and Chapter 44, Section 53F ½, or take any action related thereto:

	FY 2021	FY 2022
Debt Service	\$ 19,740	\$ 0
Sewer Operations		
Maintenance & Operations	\$ 23,000	\$ 23,000
Inter-departmental Services	\$ 17,940	\$ 18,390
Inter-Municipal Charges		
City of North Adams Fee	\$ 209,139	\$ 219,220
Capital Expense Payment	\$ 40,447	\$ 40,447
GRAND TOTAL SEWER:	\$ 310,266	\$ 301,057

ARTICLE TWELVE: (majority vote)

To see if the Town will vote to transfer \$27,200.00 from the Sewer Enterprise Fund Free Cash to comply with the MassDEP Administrative Consent Order for the Hoosac Water Quality District Wastewater Treatment Plant permit, or take any action related thereto.

ARTICLE THIRTEEN: (majority vote)

To see if the Town will vote to transfer \$110,000.00 from Free Cash to purchase a backhoe for the Department of Public Works, or take any action related thereto.

ARTICLE FOURTEEN: (majority vote)

To see if the Town will vote to transfer \$52,000.00 from Free Cash to purchase a new police cruiser for the Police Department, or take any action related thereto.

ARTICLE FIFTEEN: (majority vote)

To see if the Town will vote to transfer \$65,000 from Free Cash for improvements to the Recreation Field Area & Pavilion, or take any action related thereto.

ARTICLE SIXTEEN: (majority vote)

To see if the Town will vote to transfer \$60,000.00 from Free Cash to reduce the tax rate, or take any action related thereto.

ARTICLE SEVENTEEN: (majority vote)

To see if the Town will vote to transfer \$50,000.00 from Free Cash to the Town Stabilization Fund, or take any action related thereto.

ARTICLE EIGHTEEN:

To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

To any of the Police Officers for the Town of Clarksburg, you are hereby directed to serve this Warrant by posting two or more attested copies of the same, in the Town of Clarksburg at least SEVEN (7) days before the time of holding said meeting.

Given under our hands this 14th of May, 2021.

CLARKSBURG SELECT BOARD

Ronald Boucher Ronald Boucher, Chair
Danielle Luchi Danielle Luchi
Allen Arnold Allen Arnold

Attest: Jessica Sweeney Jessica Sweeney, Temporary Town Clerk
Date: May 14, 2021

I have served the above Warrant, therein directed, by posting two or more attested copies in two public places to wit: Clarksburg Town Hall and the Clarksburg Elementary School in said Town of Clarksburg on this _____ day of May, 2021.

Chief of Police Michael Williams Date: 05/14/21