COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS TOWN OF GRAFTON ANNUAL TOWN MEETING WARRANT OCTOBER 21, 2019 7:30 PM

Worcester, ss:

To Either of the Constables of the Town of Grafton, in the County of Worcester.

GREETINGS:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify and warn the Inhabitants of the Town of Grafton, qualified to vote in elections and Town affairs, to meet in the Grafton High School located at 24 Providence Road on Monday, the Twenty First (21) Day of October, 2019 at Seven Thirty (7:30) PM to act on the following articles, to wit:

ARTICLE 1. ADJUST FY20 OPERATING BUDGET

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer from available funds a sum of money for the purpose of adjusting certain line items within the operating budget for FY20, or to take any other action relative thereto.

Submitted by: Town Administrator

Article 1. Adjust FY20 Operating Budget

Recommendation of the Finance Committee for Town Meeting Article 1.

The Finance Committee, by a vote of 4 in favor and 3 against, recommends passage of this Article 1 in the amount of \$174,600.00 as follows:

To Transfer \$4,500.00 from Town Administrator Expenses to Town Administrator Personnel; To raise and appropriate to support various departmental appropriations, except funding for the Board of Health Expenses as follows:

\$11,400.00 for Town Clerk Personnel;

\$75,000.00 for Health Insurance Personnel

\$6,200.00 for Elections & Registration Expenses

\$50,000.00 for Municipal Expenses

\$32,000.00 for School Department Expenses

Finance Committee opposes joining the Central Massachusetts Mosquito Control Project (see explanation under Article 25) and, therefore, does not support adding funding in the amount of \$17,750.00 to the Board of Health Expenses portion of the budget to support this effort.

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ARTICLE 2. PRIOR FISCAL YEAR BILLS

To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds a sum of money to pay bills incurred in a prior fiscal year, or to take any other action relative thereto.

Submitted by: Town Administrator

Article 2. Prior Fiscal Year Bills

Recommendation of the Finance Committee for Town Meeting Warrant Article 2.

Finance Committee recommends passage of Article 2 in the amount of \$493.00.

This article provides raised and appropriated funds to pay DPW bills from Verizon (\$289) and Gatehouse Media (\$204) incurred in the prior fiscal year.

Passage of Article 2 requires a 9/10 majority vote on Town Meeting Floor.

ARTICLE 3. FIRE DEPARTMENT RETIREMENT

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer from available funds a sum of money to the Fire Department Retirement Account, or to take any other action relative thereto.

Submitted by: Town Administrator

Article 3. Fire Department Retirement

Recommendation of the Finance Committee for Town Meeting Warrant Article 3.

Finance Committee recommends passage of Article 3 as written in the amount of \$25,000.00. The Town adopted a practice of providing a one-time reward of \$100.00 per year to recognize and reward volunteer fire fighting service.

ARTICLE 4. SICK AND VACTION BUYBACK

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer from available funds a sum of money to fund the accumulated sick and vacation leave buyback for retiring employees pursuant to the Town By-Laws and/or collective bargaining agreements, or to take any other action relative thereto.

Submitted by: Town Administrator

Article 4. Sick and Vacation Buyback

Recommendation of the Finance Committee for Town Meeting Warrant Article 4.

The Finance Committee opposes passage of Article 4 as written.

This Article will be passed over at Town Meeting.

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ARTICLE 5. CISCO HOMESTEAD

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of forty-five thousand dollars (\$45,000) from the Historical Reserve Account for the purpose of creating interior plans, drawings, and architectural specifications for the interior restoration of the Cisco Homestead located on the Nipmuc Reservation, 80 Brigham Hill Rd, Grafton, MA with such funds to be expended by June 30, 2021, or to take any other action relative thereto.

Submitted by: Community Preservation Committee

ARTICLE 5. CPC Cisco Homestead

Recommendation of the Finance Committee for Town Meeting Warrant Article 5

Finance Committee recommends passage of Article 5 as written in the amount of \$45,000.00. This article allows for the creation of interior plans, drawings, and architectural specification for the interior restoration of the Cisco Homestead located on the Nipmuc Reservation. The goal of this project is to create a future museum. Funds to be appropriated from the Historical Reserve Account and to be expended by June 30, 2021.

ARTICLE 6. CPC AFFORDABLE HOUSING RESERVE

To see if the Town will vote to reserve fifty two thousand and nine dollars (\$52,009) from FY2020 Community Preservation Fund revenues for Affordable Housing, or take any other action relative thereto.

Submitted by: Community Preservation Committee

Article 6. CPC Affordable Housing Reserve

Recommendation of the Finance Committee for Town Meeting Warrant Article 6.

Finance Committee recommends passage of Article 6 in the amount of \$53.957.00.

This article satisfies the Community Preservation Act requirement to reserve 10% of Community Preservation Act funds for Affordable Housing Reserve purposes. The dollar amount change is a result of a slightly larger than expected State match.

ARTICLE 7. CPC OPEN SPACE RESERVE

To see if the Town will vote to reserve fifty two thousand and nine dollars (\$52,009) from FY2020 Community Preservation Fund revenues for Open Space, or take any other action relative thereto.

Submitted by: Community Preservation Committee

Article 7. CPC Open Space Reserve

Recommendation of the Finance Committee for Town Meeting Warrant Article 7.

Finance Committee recommends passage of Article 7 in the amount **of** \$53.957.00 This article satisfies the Community Preservation Act requirement to reserve 10% of Community Preservation Act funds for Open Space Reserve purposes. The dollar amount change is a result of a slightly larger than expected State match.

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ARTICLE 8. CPC HISTORIC PRESERVATION RESERVE

To see if the Town will vote to reserve fifty two thousand and nine dollars (\$52,009) from FY2020 Community Preservation Fund revenues for Historic Preservation, or take any other action relative thereto.

Submitted by: Community Preservation Committee

Article 8. CPC Historic Preservation Reserve

Recommendation of the Finance Committee for Town Meeting Warrant Article 8.

Finance Committee recommends passage of Article 8 in the amount of \$53.957.00

This article satisfies the Community Preservation Act requirement to reserve 10% of Community Preservation Act funds for Historical Preservation Reserve purposes.

The dollar amount change is a result of a slightly larger than expected State match.

ARTICLE 9. FUND FOR CPC PURPOSES

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate two hundred and sixty thousand one hundred and ten dollars (\$260,110) from FY2020 Community Preservation Fund purposes or take any other action relative thereto.

Submitted by: Community Preservation Committee

Article 9. Fund for CPC Purposes

Recommendation of the Finance Committee for Town Meeting Warrant Article 9.

Finance Committee recommends passage of Article 9 in the amount **of** \$273,750.00 This article satisfies the Community Preservation Act requirement to reserve 10% of Community Preservation Act funds for open space purposes. The dollar amount change is a result of a slightly larger than expected State match.

ARTICLE 10. CPC BASELINE REPORTS

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate four thousand dollars (\$4,000) from the Open Space Reserve Account for the purpose of creating baseline reports for Conservation Restrictions held by the Grafton Land Trust on the Great Meadows Gateway parcel and the Robinson Chapter 61B withdrawal purchase recently added to the Silver Lake Conservation Area, with funds to be expended by June 30, 2021, or take any other action relative thereto.

Submitted by: Community Preservation Committee

Article 10. CPC Baseline Reports

Recommendation of the Finance Committee for Town Meeting Warrant Article 10.

Finance Committee recommends passage of Article 10 as written in the amount of \$4,000.00. A conservation restriction limits the use of land in order to protect specified conservation values including the natural, scenic or open condition of the land. A baseline report is required at the initiation of the conservation. The Great Meadows Gateway parcel is off George Hill Road. The Robinson parcel is part of the Silver Lake conservation area.

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ARTICLE 11. BASELINE REPORTS FOR CPC

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer from available funds, four thousand dollars (\$4,000) for the purpose of creating baseline reports for Conservation Restrictions held by the Grafton Land Trust on the Webber and Mazza Farm parcels, with such funds to be expended by June 30, 2021 or to take any other action relative thereto.

Submitted by: Community Preservation Committee

Article 11 Baseline Reports for CPC

Recommendation of the Finance Committee for Town Meeting Warrant Article 11.

Finance Committee recommends passage of Article 11 in the amount of \$4,000.00. This article raises and appropriates \$4,000.00 for the purpose of creating baseline reports for Conservation Restrictions held by the Grafton Land Trust on the Webber and Mazza Farm parcels.

ARTICLE 12. BORROWING TO PAY ADDITIONAL COSTS OF COMPLETING THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS FACILITY PROJECT.

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money to pay costs of completing the Department of Public Works facility project, which project was originally authorized by vote of the Town under Article 11 of the Warrant at the Annual Town Meeting held on May 8, 2017; to determine whether this amount should be raised by taxation, transfer from available funds, borrowing or otherwise, or to take any other action relative thereto.

Submitted by: Town Administrator

Article 12. Borrowing To Pay Additional Costs Of Completing The Department Of Public Works Facility Project

Recommendation of the Finance Committee for Town Meeting Warrant Article 12.

Finance Committee recommends passage of Article 12.

The Department of Revenue has approved the Town's DE-2 application to be allowed to borrow up to, but not to exceed, \$1 million in excess of the amount that was approved on May 8, 2017 for the debt exclusion for the DPW project. This article will be funded by adding to the already-approved debt exclusion for the new DPW facility.

Due to the unforeseen cost incurred by the ledge encountered in the project, exceeding the available contingency funds, this additional money is necessary to complete the DPW project, and covers the **estimated** cost of equipment (\$500K), paving (\$170K), and the replacement of the aging gas pump at the former police station (\$220K).

Finance Committee does not anticipate that there will be a net increase to the property tax rate for both projects. The library project cost came in significantly lower than estimated and thus it will be borrowing less than originally planned, reducing its tax rate impact. It is important to note that no money is being taken away from the library project, leaving it with its full borrowing capacity.

Passage of this article requires a 2/3 majority vote.

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ARTICLE 13. ROAD IMPROVEMENT STABILIZATION FUND

To see if the Town will vote to transfer \$1,500,000 from the Road Improvement Stabilization fund to the Road Improvement Capital Expenditures fund for road improvement projects consistent with Chapter 90 rules and regulations as recommended by the DPW Advisory committee and approved by the Select Board, or take any other action relative thereto.

Submitted by: Town Administrator

Article 13. Road Improvement Stabilization Fund

Recommendation of the Finance Committee for Town Meeting Warrant Article 13.

Finance Committee recommends passage of Article 13 as written in the amount of \$1,500,000.00.

Funds raised for road repair through the 2014 override are accumulated in the Road Stabilization Fund. These funds cannot be put to work repairing roads until they are transferred out of this Stabilization Fund to the Road Improvement Capital Expenditures Fund. Article 13 transfers \$1,500,000.00 to the Road Improvement Capital Expenditures Fund.

Passage of Article 13 requires a 2/3 majority vote.

ARTICLE 14. LONG RANGE TREE REMOVAL/REPLACEMENT ACCOUNT

To see if the Town will vote to establish a Long Range Tree Removal/Replacement Account, to be spent at the direction of the Select Board, and to raise and appropriate and/or transfer from available funds, a sum of money for the purposes of removing and replacing trees throughout town, or take any other action relative thereto.

Submitted by: Town Administrator

Article 14. Long Range Tree Removal/Replacement Account

Recommendation of the Finance Committee for Town Meeting Warrant Article 14.

Finance Committee recommends passage of Article 14 as written in the amount of \$200,000.00. The establishment of a long range tree removal and replacement account allows the Town to remove trees to improve public safety and allows for funding to replace them to improve treescapes along Town roadways.

ARTICLE 15. DEROSIERS LANDING ROADWAY ACCEPTANCE

To see if the Town will vote to accept the roadways and associated utilities and easements in the Dendee Acres Subdivision known as Derosiers Landing, or to take any other action relative thereto.

Submitted by: Town Administrator

Article 15. Desrosiers Landing Roadway Acceptance

Recommendation of the Finance Committee for Town Meeting Warrant Article 15.

Finance Committee recommends passage of Article 15 as written.

The roadways have met all the requirements, including a Certificate of Completeness granted by the Planning Board, for being accepted as Town Ways. The Select Board has reviewed the Certificate of Completeness and has voted to accept these road ways.

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ARTICLE 16. ELECTRIC AGGREGATION ADDER REVOLVING ACCOUNT

To see if the Town will vote to amend Article 39 of the Grafton General Bylaws as previously approved in Article 9A of the May 2018 Annual Town Meeting Warrant to include an account entitled "Electric Aggregation Energy Adder", to be spent at the direction of the Town Administrator for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2019, to be expended in accordance with the bylaws heretofore approved.

Board/Department/Officer authorized to expend:	Revenue Source	Funds may be expended only for:	FISCAL YEARS
Town Administrator	Electric aggregation energy adder	Sustainability initiatives	Fiscal Year 2020 and subsequent years

Submitted by: Town Administrator

Article 16. Electric Aggregation Adder Revolving Account Recommendation of the Finance Committee for Town Meeting Warrant Article 16.

Finance Committee recommends passage of Article 16 as written.

This article creates an account within the Town's General Ledger for tracking the receipt and expenditure of funds associated with the Town's electric aggregation agreement.

ARTICLE 17. ELECTRIC AGGREGATION ADDER REVOLVING ACCOUNT SPENDING LIMIT

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the total expenditures for the following revolving funds pursuant to G.L. c. 44 Section 53E ½ for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2019, to be expended in accordance with the bylaws heretofore approved.

Board/Department/Officer authorized to expend:	Spending Limit
Town Administrator	\$75,000

Submitted by: Town Administrator

Article 17. Electric Aggregation Adder Revolving Account Spending Limit Recommendation of the Finance Committee for Town Meeting Warrant Article 17.

Finance Committee recommends passage of Article 17 as written.

This article sets a maximum spending limit of \$75,000.00 that can be spent from the Electric Aggregation Adder Revolving Account in FY 2020.

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ARTICLE 18. DRAINAGE EASEMENTS, ADAMS ROAD

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Select Board to acquire by gift, purchase, or taking, certain temporary and permanent easements to real property abutting Adams Road and in Lot 38, that are necessary for laying sewers or drains, the survey and legal descriptions of which are shown on the plan on file at the Office of the Town Clerk and available on the Town's website, or take any other action relative thereto.

Submitted by: Town Administrator

Article 18. Drainage Easements, Adams Road

Recommendation of the Finance Committee for Town Meeting Warrant Article 18.

Finance Committee opposes passage of Article 18.

If the value of the easement is determined prior to Town Meeting, Finance Committee will reconsider recommendation of this article.

ARTICLE 19. ADAMS ROAD DRAINAGE PROJECT

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer from available funds, a sum of money, to be spent at the direction of the Select Board, for the purposes of upgrading and installing drainage along Adams Road, or take any other action relative thereto.

Submitted by: Town Administrator

Article 19. Adams Road Drainage Project

Recommendation of the Finance Committee for Town Meeting Warrant Article 19.

Finance Committee opposes passage of Article 19.

Finance Committee will reconsider recommendation of this article if the recommendation for Article 18 changes.

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ARTICLE 20. TOWN CHARTER AMENDMENTS

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Town Charter pursuant to the Town Meeting's vote on Article 35 of the May 13, 2019 Annual Town Meeting Warrant by replacing the words "Board of Selectmen" wherever those words appear with the words "Select Board" as shown on the revised copy of the Town Charter on file at the Town Clerk's Office, or take any other action relative thereto.

Submitted by: Town Administrator

Article 20. Town Charter Amendments

Recommendation of the Finance Committee for Town Meeting Warrant Article 20.

Finance Committee recommends passage of Article 20 as written.

This article is a housekeeping measure to amend the Town Charter due to the of the replacement of the wording Board of Selectmen to Select Board. Passage of this article requires 2/3 majority vote.

ARTICLE 21. TOWN GENERAL BYLAW AMENDMENTS

To see if the Town will vote to amend the General By Law pursuant to the Town Meeting's vote on Article 35 of the May 13, 2019 Annual Town Meeting Warrant by replacing the words "Board of Selectmen" wherever those words appear with the words "Select Board", as shown on the revised copy of the General Bylaws on file at the Town Clerk's Office, or take any other action relative thereto.

Submitted by: Town Administrator

Article 21. Town General Bylaw Amendments

Recommendation of the Finance Committee for Town Meeting Warrant Article 21.

Finance Committee recommends passage of Article 21 as written.

This article is a housekeeping measure to amend the General By-Law due to the replacement of the wording Board of Selectmen to Select Board. Passage of this article requires a majority vote.

ARTICLE 22. TOWN ZONING BYLAW AMENDMENTS

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning By Law pursuant to the Town Meeting's vote on Article 35 of the May 13, 2019 Annual Town Meeting Warrant by replacing the words "Board of Selectmen" wherever those words appear with the words "Select Board", as shown on the revised copy of the Zoning Bylaws on file at the Town Clerk's Office, or take any other action relative thereto.

Submitted by: Town Administrator

Article 22. Town Zoning Bylaw Amendments

Recommendation of the Finance Committee for Town Meeting Warrant Article 22.

Finance Committee recommends passage of Article 22 as written.

This article is a housekeeping measure to amend the Zoning By-Law due to the replacement of the wording Board of Selectmen to Select Board. Passage of this article requires a 2/3 majority vote.

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ARTICLE 23. ADDITIONAL COMPENSATION FOR TOWN CLERK

To see if the Town will vote to accept MGL Ch. 41, Sec. 19k, allowing for additional compensation for Town Clerk's based on the requirements set forth in the law, or take any other action relative thereto.

Submitted by: Town Clerk

Article 23. Additional Compensation For Town Clerk

Recommendation of the Finance Committee for Town Meeting Warrant Article 23.

The Finance Committee recommends passage of Article 23 as written not to exceed \$1,000.00. By adopting Section 19k, once the town clerk has completed the necessary courses of study and training and has been awarded a certificate by the MA Town Clerks' Association as a certified MA municipal clerk, the Town will agree to compensate the town clerk additional compensation of up to \$1,000 annually. The Committee believes that to properly carry out the duties of town clerk, it is necessary to have completed this training.

ARTICLE 24. CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLANNING COMMITTEE BYLAW

To see if the Town will vote to enact the following Town General Bylaw:

Capital Improvement Planning Committee

Purpose

The committee shall study the requirements and needs for Capital Improvement in the Town of Grafton. The committee shall advise the Town Administrator, Select Board, and Finance Committee on the results of its work.

Establishment and Membership

There shall be a Capital Improvement Planning Committee, henceforth abbreviated CIPC, comprising seven (7) members. Three (3) members shall be chosen by their respective boards as follows: one member each from the Finance Committee, School Committee and Board of Selectmen; and four citizens at-large appointed by the Town Moderator. Each citizen-at-large member shall serve a two (2) year term. The Town Administrator and Superintendent of Schools, or their designated representatives, will be non-voting members. All voting members shall be registered voters of the Town of Grafton. Said Committee shall choose its own officers, set its own rules and shall serve without pay. Any vacancies shall be filled in the same manner as the original appointment and persons appointed to fill vacancies shall serve for the remainder of his predecessor's term of office.

Definitions

A. Capital Improvement.

Any acquisition, lease or transfer of land; or building

Any acquisition, lease or transfer of motor vehicles

Any acquisition or lease of any single item of equipment with a total cost of \$10,000 or more, and a substantial useful life of at least five (5) years

Any construction, reconstruction, replacement, extension or other improvement of public buildings, highways, sidewalks, storm drains, sewerage installations, playgrounds, parks and substantially similar public works, or for a facility, structure or a utility appurtenant to any of the same with a total cost of \$10,000 or more.

- B. Capital Budget. A one (1) year plan of estimated capital improvements and the method of financing them.
- C. CIPC Five Year Plan. An annual report assembled by the committee including recommendations for capital improvements for the following five (5) fiscal years. The report shall be submitted by December 1st to Finance Committee, the Select Board and Town Administrator for consideration and preparation of the Capital Budget.

ARTICLE 24. Continued

D. Capital Package. All capital project submission forms completed by departments and submitted to the Town Administrator to be reviewed by Capital Improvement Planning Committee.

Charge

The Capital Improvement Planning Committee is charged with carrying out the following duties, as appropriate, to fulfill its purpose:

- A. Maintain the CIPC Five Year Plan
- B. Review proposed capital projects in the Capital Package, or as necessary outside the budget process
- C. Recommend an annual capital budget
- D. Monitor the delivery of approved projects
- E. Research published best practices related to capital improvement planning
- F. Recommend tools, processes, and policies that relate to capital planning and budgeting that can be approved by the Select Board
- G. Any other relevant initiatives related to capital planning

Capital Request Submission Requirements

- A. All proposed capital improvements shall be submitted by departments in writing to the Town Administrator for inclusion in the capital improvement program. All submissions must be received no later than August 15 for consideration in the capital budget for the following fiscal year.
- B. The Town Administrator compiles all submission requests into a comprehensive capital package. The capital package is given to the Capital Improvement Planning Committee for review, including all original submission forms received from departments. The capital package shall be provided by the Town Administrator to CIPC by September 1.

...or take any other action relative thereto.

Submitted by: Capital Improvement Bylaw Study Committee

Article 24. Capital Improvement Planning Committee Bylaw Recommendation of the Finance Committee for Town Meeting Warrant Article 24.

The Finance Committee recommends passage of Article 24 as written.

Finance Committee believes that there are significant gaps in our current capital planning process. The Committee strongly supports improved long term capital planning, increased visibility of capital spending prioritization and the increased financial controls that are represented in this Article.

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ARTICLE 25. MOSQUITO CONTROL

To see if the Town will vote to become a member of the Central Massachusetts Mosquito Control Project, pursuant to MGL c. 252, § 5A and other applicable sections of said law, or take any other action relative thereto.

Submitted by: Board of Health

Article 25. Mosquito Control

Recommendations of the Finance Committee for the Town Meeting Warrant Article 25.

Finance Committee opposes passage of Article 25 as written.

To join this program would commit an expenditure of \$71,000.00 a year for the next three years. Given the financial outlook for FY21 in which the Town Administrator has projected a revenue shortfall of over \$800,000.00, the Finance Committee does not believe that this expenditure is a high priority and could negatively impact other budgets. The effectiveness of this program is uncertain and the funding needed for this program could be better utilized supporting other essential Town functions.

ARTICLE 26. 7 INSTITUTE ROAD REAR CELL TOWER LEASE/PURCHASE

To see if the Town will vote to dispose of 7 Institute Road Rear by sale, lease of up to 30 years, or other terms deemed in the Town's best interests by the Select Board, for purposes of locating a cellular tower thereon, or take any other action relative thereto.

Submitted by: Town Administrator

Article 26. Institute Road Rear Cell Tower Lease/Purchase

Recommendation of the Finance Committee for Town Meeting Warrant Article 26.

Finance Committee recommends passage of Article 26.

This will allow the Town to seek opportunities to obtain revenue from the use of the property for a cell tower.

ARTICLE 27. SEWER DEPARTMENT MAJOR EQUIPMENT REPAIR/REPLACEMENT

To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of \$100,000 from Sewer Retained Earnings Account #25-045-1-3590-5-0 to account entitled "Major Equipment Repair/Replacement" Account #25-800-6440-6069, or take any other action relative thereto.

Submitted by: Board of Sewer Commissioners

Article 27. Sewer Department Major Equipment Repair/Replacement Recommendation of the Finance Committee for Town Meeting Warrant Article 27.

Finance Committee recommends passage of Article 27 as written in the amount of \$100,000.00. This article transfers needed funds to the Major Equipment Repair/Replacement Account from the Sewer Retained Earnings Account in order to maintain the necessary equipment needed to perform daily operations at the Sewer Plant. Note that the funding source comes from the Sewer Enterprise Account, is paid for through wastewater (sewer) rate payers and is NOT paid through town taxes.

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ARTICLE 28. SEWER DEPARTMENT PLANT UPGRADE/EXPANSION

To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of \$400,000 from Sewer Retained Earnings Account #25-045-1-3590-5-0 to account entitled "Plant Upgrade/Expansion" #25-800-6440-6068, or take any other action relative thereto.

Submitted by: Board of Sewer Commissioners

Article 28. Sewer Department Plant Upgrade/Expansion

Recommendation of the Finance Committee for Town Meeting Warrant Article 28.

Finance Committee recommends passage of Article 28 as written in the amount of \$400,000.00. This article transfers needed funds to Plant Upgrade/Expansion Account from the Sewer Retained Earnings Account. \$150,000.00 will provide funds to complete and close out the project. The remaining funds will provide for upgrades needed to perform daily operations at the Sewer Plant. Note that the funding source comes from the Sewer Enterprise Account, is paid for through wastewater (sewer) rate payers and is NOT paid through town taxes.

ARTICLE 29. SEWER DEPARTMENT INFLOW & INFILTRATION INSPECTION & **REPAIR**

To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of \$100,000 from Sewer Retained Earnings Account #25-045-1-3590-5-0 to account entitled "Inflow & Infiltration and Repair" #25-800-6440-6288, or take any other action relative thereto.

Submitted by: Board of Sewer Commissioners

Article 29. Sewer Department Inflow & Infiltration Inspection & Repair Recommendation of the Finance Committee for Town Meeting Warrant Article 29.

Finance Committee recommends passage of Article 29 as written in the amount of \$100,000.00. The purpose of this transfer is to fund the ongoing project to examine existing wastewater pipes for leaks and repair any leaks or damage found. Note that the funding source comes from the Sewer Enterprise Account, is paid for through wastewater (sewer) rate payers and is NOT paid through town taxes.

ARTICLE 30. FUND VARIOUS STABILIZATION ACCOUNTS

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer from available funds, a sum of money, to be placed into various stabilization accounts, or take any other action relative thereto.

Submitted by: Town Administrator

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Article 30. Funding Various Stabilization Accounts Recommendation of the Finance Committee for Town Meeting Warrant Article 30. Finance Committee recommends passage of Article 30 as written in the amount of \$100,000.00. Replenishing stabilization accounts is necessary to maintain adequate fiscal resiliency.

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And you are directed to serve this Warrant by posting up an attested copy thereof in some conspicuous place in each of the precincts of the Town at least fourteen days before said meeting.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this Warrant, with your doings thereon to the town Clerk, at the time and place of meeting as aforesaid.

Given under our hands the 1/21 day of September in the year of our Lord Two Thousand Nienteen.

Edward Prisby, Chairman

Jannife Thomas, Vice Chairman

Peter Carlson, Clerk

Doreen DeFazio

A TRUE COPY, ATTEST:

September 17, 2019

I have complied with the requirements of the above Warrant and with the Town of Grafton Bylaws by posting an attested copy of the Warrant in some conspicuous place in each of the precincts of the Town on the above date.

Constable of Graffon