

**Finance and Advisory Board  
Annual Report and Recommendations  
For  
Fiscal Year 2022**



**Annual and Special Town Meeting**

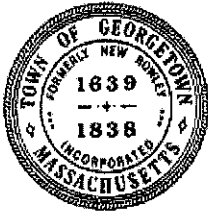
**Monday, June 21, 2021  
7:00 PM**

**Georgetown Middle/Senior High School Auditorium  
11 Winter Street, Georgetown, MA**

**Please bring this book with you to the Annual Town Meeting**

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## Report of the Finance Advisory Committee of the Town of Georgetown Massachusetts

June 21, 2021

To the Citizens of Georgetown:

We hope you and your loved ones are safe and in good health. Herewith, The Finance Advisory Committee presents to you the budget for Fiscal Year 2022.

The Committee is comprised of the following citizen volunteers: Wayne Snow, Eric Burton, Alicia Raspa, Steven Epstein, David Harris, Nicole Coscia, and, myself, Sheila Ruth. We act under the guidance and support of our Town Administrator / Finance Director, Michael Farrell, and Town Accountant, Mary McMenemy, and are appointed by the Town Moderator.

The Committee has met almost weekly since January to receive budget requests from Department heads as well as work on the budget that is presented to you. As you can imagine, this year has presented many challenges in both the current year as well as planning for the budget of the coming year.

In the current budget cycle, the Town experienced overwhelming increased costs to manage the pandemic, for which, fortunately, we received federal and state funding to help offset most of it. The Town has also experienced a revenue shortfall due to many factors such as a loss of meals tax revenue, motor vehicle excise tax decreases, as well as uncollected receipts from citizens facing financial challenges.

Due to the revenue shortfall in the current year, state regulations require us to limit the budget for revenue to only what we have received in the previous year, plus the new tax levy; in essence, we can only budget what we can reasonably expect to receive. For this reason, we began the budget cycle in a deficit, as we had to decrease our expected revenues.

On the expense side, we requested the Departments to "level fund" their budgets for this year and they have worked tirelessly to do so. However, the Town has many contractual obligations as well as state and federal requirements it must meet. Due to this, we were required to increase the salary line items on most Departmental budgets. We also faced personnel changes which caused decision makers to increase some salaries to market rates to fill the positions as well as increase other salaries to market to ensure we keep valuable key employees. The pandemic has also resulted in increased expenses beyond what was reimbursed to us through the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES Act) federal funds as well as State of Massachusetts relief funds.

Due to the resulting revenue shortfall and added expenses as well as our contractual obligations, we are left with a deficit in the budget.

More federal funding has been approved through the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA); however, these funds are unavailable for use to offset the budget deficit at this time. The Board of Selectmen will be managing the terms and use of those funds at a later date.



## Report of the Finance Advisory Committee of the Town of Georgetown Massachusetts

"Under (MA) G.L. c. 40, § 5B, municipalities and districts may create one or more stabilization funds, which are special reserves into which monies may be appropriated and reserved for later appropriation for any lawful municipal purpose." (Bureau of Municipal Finance Law, Informational Guideline Release (IGR) No. 17-20, July 2017) The Town of Georgetown has several stabilization funds its citizens have appropriated monies to for the purpose of saving for unforeseen needs, a savings account or "rainy day fund" to prevent extreme ups/downs in the budget cycles; one such fund is the Tax Stabilization Fund. The pandemic revenue shortfall and increased costs is the "rainy day" we have been saving for.

In order to maintain the level of services we have come to enjoy and expect in our Town, the Finance Advisory Committee requests we utilize the Tax Stabilization Fund to offset the small budget deficit we currently face. If we do not, we will likely see a reduction in services across the board for all town Departments.

Our Town Finance team has and continues to work tirelessly to manage our finances, new grant funds and the requirements, as well as a myriad of other moving parts and I applaud their efforts and am grateful for their expertise and guidance.

Our Town Employees, each and every one, has worked hard to continue to provide us with as much support and continuity of service as they could during such a trying time, and I applaud their efforts. Our Town committees and volunteers have worked diligently as well to ensure continuity of services to us. And, an extra special acknowledgement, to our Board of Health, Council on Aging and Senior Community Center volunteers, members and staff, who ensured the most vulnerable population during this time, our aged Citizens, were protected, safe, and continued to receive the services they need.

This was not an easy year for anyone, and I thank each and every volunteer member of our Finance Advisory Committee for their exhausting efforts during this budget cycle. This was a valiant team effort.

I hope you and your loved ones remain safe and well.

Respectfully,

Sheila K. Ruth  
Chair  
Finance Advisory Committee  
Town of Georgetown

# A VOTER'S GUIDE TO TOWN MEETING

At Town Meeting, the voters approve or disapprove moneys allocated to Town departments necessary for operation throughout the following fiscal year.

The Board of Selectmen, School, Highway, Police, and other departments are then bound by this allocation. If they expect to exceed this limit, then they must go back to the taxpayers at a Special Town Meeting and ask for more. It is a popular misconception that the Board of Selectmen or School Committee control the spending of your tax dollar. This is not true, they only get to spend what you allot to them at Town Meeting.

Other decisions are also reached at Town Meeting that affects your day to day living in Georgetown. All zoning by-laws and changes must be approved at Town Meeting as well as street acceptances, license fees and penalties, and requests for purchase of capital equipment.

## **Who's Who at Town Meeting:**

The **Moderator** presides and regulates the proceedings, decides all questions of order, and makes public declaration of all votes.

The **Finance Committee's** primary duty is to advise and make recommendations to Town Meeting on the budget and other areas of finance. Statutorily, their authority is limited to making transfers from the town's reserve fund to other line items in the budget for extraordinary or unforeseen occurrences.

The **Town Clerk** keeps accurate records of the minutes of Town Meeting and records all votes passed as declared by the Moderator.

**Town Counsel** sees to it that the presented articles are in proper form and is available for consultation with the Moderator on legal questions during the meeting.

The **Board of Selectmen** (or Select board as is more politically correct) is a five person elected board that holds the responsibility of "day to day" operations of the Town. It is this board that sets the time and place for the Town Meeting and prepares and issues the Warrant.

The **Town Administrator** serves as the chief administrative officer and manages the Selectmen's office, prepares for Selectmen's meetings, coordinates with department heads, and is liaison with Town Counsel. At the present time the Town Administrator also serves as the Acting Finance Director.

## **The Order of Business:**

- Meeting called to order
- Return of the Warrant
- Pledge of Allegiance
- Invocation
- Introduction of visitors
- Complimentary Resolutions (appreciation certificates, etc.)
- Reports of committees

- Consideration of the Warrant Articles
  - What are commonly referred to as “stock items” are called early in the meeting and most often consist of:
    - standard operating budgets, such as Light Department
    - Road Machinery Fund continuation
    - cable television revolving Account
  - Articles then normally follow in numerical order an exception may be by a motion to amend that an article be “taken out of sequence.” On occasion there may be circumstances that make this desirable or necessary. A majority of the voters present must be obtained to move the sequence of articles.

### **Procedure for Each Warrant Article:**

- The Moderator will announce the article number.
- The Motion is made by the appropriate board or sponsor of the article.
- The Moderator may repeat the article.
- A “Second” is required to open the discussion.
- Report of Advisory Committees (usually Finance Committee and/or Planning Board).
- Explanation by appropriate board or petition sponsor.
- Discussion:
  - Those who wish to speak must be recognized by the Moderator. Raising your hand should do it or you may proceed to any of the floor microphones to do so.
  - Once recognized, please state your name and address.
  - Address all remarks to the Moderator and all questions through the Moderator.
  - When the Moderator senses that the meeting is ready to vote, the motion will be repeated prior to the vote being taken.

When discussion has come to a close and the motion has been repeated for clarity, the Moderator will call for a vote.

### **Votes:**

**Voice vote:** Most often this process begins with “All in Favor (raise the voting slips you received when checking in at the meeting)”. If the voice vote (raise of voting slips) has obvious results, the Moderator will then state that the motion passed or failed.

### **Standing count/show of hands:**

If the vote (raise of voting slips) seems too close to call by a voice vote (raise of voting slips), or the vote is immediately questioned by seven voters (“I question the vote”), the Moderator will ask the Tellers to come into the meeting and count the votes. Each Teller has a pre-specified area to count. The Moderator will ask those in favor of the motion to hold up their voting slips- they are counted and the results are tabulated and reported to the Moderator. The process is then repeated for those against the motion. The Moderator will then announce whether the motion has passed or failed and the vote tally.

**Ballot vote:** Voting by secret ballot is done if prior to a standing count, a motion is made and carried to count by written secret ballot. The Town Clerk then disburses specific ballot slips and they are collected in an orderly manner in a ballot box and counted. The results are given to the Moderator who will announce the results to the Town Meeting.

**Once a vote is counted - by standing vote/show of hands or ballot vote - it cannot be questioned.**

## Vote Quantum (Proportion) Required:

### Majority

- to pass an affirmative main motion - (budget etc)
- to pass the acceptance of a road if it is part of a subdivision plan

### 2/3 required

- to amend zoning by-laws
- to appropriate from Stabilization fund
- to take or purchase land or easements (generally)
- to take or purchase land for a Public Domain
- to transfer Municipal land (not for park purposes) to another board or municipal purpose
- to sell or abandon land or easements acquired other than by purchase and held for specific purpose (schools, playgrounds...) in charge of a board or committee other than Selectmen
- to make changes or additions to a Town Map prepared or approved by planning board and adopted by town meeting
- road acceptance if NOT part of a subdivision plan

### 4/5 required

- to PAY UNPAID BILLS FROM THE PREVIOUS YEAR which may be unenforceable due to the insufficiency of an appropriation (at special town meeting 9/10)

## Motions & Terminology

For those who have attended many Town Meetings, the “language” of the meeting may be sometimes somewhat confusing. Massachusetts General Laws and the Town of Georgetown By Laws are full of such terminology in “legalese.” The following are some of the most often used motions and a listing of some basic terminology. These are written in, hopefully, an every day understandable language.

### Common Town Meeting Motions:

end the Meeting	“I move to adjourn”	Majority
amending a Motion	“I move to Amend by...”	Majority
end Debate	“I move the Question”	2/3
consider something out of scheduled order	“I move to change the order of business and consider...”	Majority
object to Procedure	“Point of Order”	none - Moderator rules
request another method of voting	“I move that vote be taken by...”	Majority
request counted vote (after vote has been declared)	“I move for a count”	7 voters -
reconsider a vote (must have voted on prevailing side)	“I move to Reconsider.....”	Majority
request information	“I request Point of Information”	none - Moderator rules

# **Terminology:**

## **Appropriation**

- An authorization by Town Meeting to make obligations and payments from the treasury for a specific purpose.

## **Assessed Valuation**

- The value set on real or personal property by the Board of Assessors as a basis for setting the tax rate.

## **Capital Budget**

- A multi year plan of spending for large capital items requested by Town Departments. Most of these are voted on individually as warrant articles.

## **Cherry Sheet**

- Called so due to the cherry pink color paper on which it was originally printed.
- A form from the Massachusetts Department of Revenue showing all of the State and County charges and reimbursements to the Town as certified for the following year.
- Supposed to be received by March 1 of each year from the State Tax Commission.

## **Fiscal Year**

- A 12 month period commencing on July 1 to which the annual town budget applies. The moneys appropriated at the May Town Meeting are for the next fiscal year starting July 1.

## **Free Cash**

- The amount of Surplus Revenue over and above uncollected taxes of prior years.
- Free Cash must be certified by the State Director of Accounts.

## **General Fund**

- The major town fund created with town receipts and tax revenues from which the majority of town expenses are met.

## **Operating Budget**

- A plan of proposed spending and the proposed means of paying for it for the next fiscal year.

## **Reserve Fund**

- This fund is established by voters at Annual Town Meeting.
- To use these monies, transfers may be authorized by the Finance Committee and only for "extraordinary and unforeseen expenditures" that do not warrant calling of a Special Town Meeting.
- Any unexpended balance of this fund is closed out to Surplus Revenue at fiscal year end.

## **Stabilization Fund**

- This fund is designed to accumulate amounts for capital and other future spending.
- These moneys may be invested (and accrue interest) by the town.
- These moneys may be appropriated by a 2/3 vote at any Town Meeting for any legal purpose.

## **Surplus Revenue**

- This fund represents the amount by which Cash, Accounts Receivable, and other assets exceed the town's liabilities and reserves.

## **Transfers**

- The town may by majority at any Town Meeting, transfer any amount previously appropriated to any other use authorized by law.



	2020 Budgeted	2021 Budgeted	FY2022 - In Progress	FY21 vs. FY22 (% Change)
<b>Revenue Source</b>				
<b>Taxes</b>				
<b>Real Estate Taxes</b>				
REAL ESTATE TAXES	\$21,694,150.00	\$22,294,828.00	\$22,875,622.00	0%
<b>Total Real Estate Taxes:</b>	<b>\$21,694,150.00</b>	<b>\$22,294,828.00</b>	<b>\$22,875,622.00</b>	<b>2.6%</b>
<b>Previous Years Taxes</b>				
PREVIOUS YEARS TAXES	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	
<b>Total Previous Years Taxes:</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>0%</b>
<b>Tax Titles Redeemed</b>				
TAX TITLES REDEEMED	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	
<b>Total Tax Titles Redeemed:</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>0%</b>
<b>Community Preservation Revenue</b>				
COMMUNITY PRESERVATION REVENUE		\$175,600.00	\$175,600.00	
<b>Total Community Preservation Revenue:</b>		<b>\$175,600.00</b>	<b>\$175,600.00</b>	<b>0%</b>
<b>Electric Liens Revenue</b>				
ELECTRIC LIENS REVENUE		\$0.00	\$0.00	
<b>Total Electric Liens Revenue:</b>		<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>0%</b>
<b>Motor Vehicle Excise</b>				
MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE	\$1,575,000.00	\$1,590,000.00	\$1,590,000.00	
<b>Total Motor Vehicle Excise:</b>	<b>\$1,575,000.00</b>	<b>\$1,590,000.00</b>	<b>\$1,590,000.00</b>	<b>0%</b>
<b>Local Meals Tax</b>				
LOCAL MEALS TAX	\$80,000.00	\$75,000.00	\$70,000.00	
<b>Total Local Meals Tax:</b>	<b>\$80,000.00</b>	<b>\$75,000.00</b>	<b>\$70,000.00</b>	<b>0%</b>
<b>Int/Penalties P/P Taxes</b>				
INT/PENALTIES P/P TAXES	\$1,038.00	\$784.00	\$784.00	
<b>Total Int/Penalties P/P Taxes:</b>	<b>\$1,038.00</b>	<b>\$784.00</b>	<b>\$784.00</b>	<b>0%</b>
<b>Int/Penalties R/E Taxes</b>				
INT/PENALTIES R/E TAXES	\$23,917.00	\$31,288.00	\$31,288.00	
<b>Total Int/Penalties R/E Taxes:</b>	<b>\$23,917.00</b>	<b>\$31,288.00</b>	<b>\$31,288.00</b>	<b>0%</b>
<b>Int/Penalties Tax Liens</b>				
INT/PENALTIES TAX LIENS	\$93,877.00	\$37,000.00	\$37,000.00	
<b>Total Int/Penalties Tax Liens:</b>	<b>\$93,877.00</b>	<b>\$37,000.00</b>	<b>\$37,000.00</b>	<b>0%</b>
<b>Int/Penalties MVE Taxes</b>				
INT/PENALTIES MVE TAXES	\$6,168.00	\$7,271.00	\$7,271.00	0%
<b>Total Int/Penalties MVE Taxes:</b>	<b>\$6,168.00</b>	<b>\$7,271.00</b>	<b>\$7,271.00</b>	<b>0%</b>
<b>Payment in Lieu of Taxes</b>				
PAYMENTS IN LIEU OF TAXES	\$48,000.00	\$48,000.00	\$48,000.00	
<b>Total Payment in Lieu of Taxes:</b>	<b>\$48,000.00</b>	<b>\$48,000.00</b>	<b>\$48,000.00</b>	<b>0%</b>
<b>Cannabis CHA</b>				
Cannabis CHA		\$220,000.00	\$200,000.00	
<b>Total Cannabis CHA:</b>		<b>\$220,000.00</b>	<b>\$200,000.00</b>	<b>-9.1%</b>
<b>Total Taxes:</b>	<b>\$23,522,150.00</b>	<b>\$24,479,771.00</b>	<b>\$25,035,565.00</b>	<b>2.3%</b>

<b>Fees and Charges</b>				
COLLECTOR'S DEMAND FEES	\$24,000.00	\$26,000.00	\$17,000.00	-34.6%
MUNICIPAL LIEN FEES	\$5,300.00	\$5,300.00	\$10,000.00	88.7%
TREASURERS FEES	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	
OTHER DEPT. REVENUES	\$4,200.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	
TOWN CLERK FEES	\$22,000.00	\$4,200.00	\$1,000.00	-76.2%
TOWN CLERK RECEIPTS	\$4,220.00	\$22,000.00	\$16,000.00	-27.3%
PLANNING BD FILING FEES	\$1,700.00	\$4,220.00	\$6,000.00	42.2%
POLICE X-DUTY/ACCTG FEES	\$800.00	\$1,700.00	\$1,700.00	0.0%
POLICE ACCIDENT REPORTS	\$0.00	\$800.00	\$400.00	-50.0%
ANIMAL CONTROL FEES	\$2,300.00	\$2,300.00	\$0.00	-100.0%
RENTAL INCOME	\$40,000.00	\$40,000.00	\$40,000.00	0.0%
BOARD OF HEALTH FEES	\$37,000.00	\$37,000.00	\$37,000.00	0.0%
COA YOGA REVENUE	\$4,880.00	\$4,880.00	\$0.00	-100.0%
COA VAN REVENUE	\$600.00	\$600.00	\$0.00	-100.0%
<b>Total Fees and Charges:</b>	<b>\$147,000.00</b>	<b>\$149,000.00</b>	<b>\$129,100.00</b>	<b>-13.4%</b>
<b>Other Revenues</b>				
NON-RECURRING MISC REVENUE	\$50,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.0%
MISC- MEDICAID REIMBRUSE	\$220,000.00	\$60,000.00	\$65,000.00	8.3%
MISC DRUG ABUSE - H PHARMS	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$25,000.00	
EARNINGS ON INVESTMENTS	\$25,000.00	\$30,000.00	\$6,000.00	-80.0%
Transfer from Tax Stabilization			\$195,479.00	
Transfer from Free Cash		\$108,163.00	\$0.00	-100.0%
<b>Total Other Revenue:</b>	<b>\$295,000.00</b>	<b>\$198,163.00</b>	<b>\$291,479.00</b>	<b>47.1%</b>
<b>Licenses and Permits</b>				
SELECTMENS BUSINESS LICEN	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00	0.0%
SELECTMENS PERMITS	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.0%
ALCHOLIC BEVERAGE LICS	\$6,000.00	\$6,000.00	\$6,900.00	15.0%
POLICE DEPT PERMIT	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00	\$4,000.00	33.3%
FIRE DEPT PERMITS	\$16,000.00	\$16,000.00	\$16,000.00	0.0%
BLDG INSP. PERMITS	\$102,000.00	\$106,000.00	\$100,000.00	-5.7%
GAS/PLUMB PERMITS	\$11,000.00	\$13,000.00	\$8,000.00	-38.5%
WIRE INSPECTOR PERMITS	\$20,000.00	\$23,000.00	\$19,000.00	-17.4%
<b>Total Licenses and Permits:</b>	<b>\$160,000.00</b>	<b>\$169,000.00</b>	<b>\$155,900.00</b>	<b>-7.8%</b>
<b>State Revenues</b>				
<b>State Owned Land</b>				
STATE OWNED LAND	\$133,850.00	\$140,751.00	\$143,009.00	
<b>Total State Owned Land:</b>	<b>\$133,850.00</b>	<b>\$140,751.00</b>	<b>\$143,009.00</b>	<b>1.6%</b>
<b>Veterans Abatements</b>				
ABATEMENTS TO VETERANS	\$31,539.00	\$30,621.00	\$26,418.00	
<b>Total Veterans Abatements:</b>	<b>\$31,539.00</b>	<b>\$30,621.00</b>	<b>\$26,418.00</b>	<b>-13.7%</b>
<b>Elderly Abatements</b>				
ABATEMENTS TO THE ELDERLY	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	
<b>Total Elderly Abatements:</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>0.0%</b>
<b>School Aid Chapter 70 MGL</b>				
SCHOOL AID CHAPTER 70 MGL	\$5,517,430.00	\$5,527,768.00	\$5,564,938.00	
<b>Total School Aid Chapter 70 MGL:</b>	<b>\$5,517,430.00</b>	<b>\$5,527,768.00</b>	<b>\$5,564,938.00</b>	<b>0.7%</b>
<b>Unrestricted General Govt Aid</b>				
UNRESTRICTED GENERAL GOVT AID	\$1,012,570.00	\$760,692.00	\$787,316.00	
<b>Total Unrestricted General Govt Aid:</b>	<b>\$1,012,570.00</b>	<b>\$760,692.00</b>	<b>\$787,316.00</b>	<b>3.5%</b>

<b>Veterans' Benefits</b>				
VETERANS' BENEFITS	\$30,758.00	\$24,787.00	\$25,973.00	
<b>Total Veterans' Benefits:</b>	<b>\$30,758.00</b>	<b>\$24,787.00</b>	<b>\$25,973.00</b>	<b>4.8%</b>
<b>Total State Revenues:</b>	<b>\$6,726,147.00</b>	<b>\$6,484,619.00</b>	<b>\$6,547,654.00</b>	<b>1.0%</b>
<b>Federal Revenue</b>				
QECB TAX CREDIT	\$38,000.00	\$31,902.00	\$31,902.00	
<b>Total Federal Revenue:</b>	<b>\$38,000.00</b>	<b>\$31,902.00</b>	<b>\$31,902.00</b>	<b>0.0%</b>
<b>Fines and Forfeitures</b>				
REGISTRY MOVING VIOLATION FINE	\$55,600.00	\$32,000.00	\$20,000.00	-37.5%
SOLICITATION FINES	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$0.00	-100.0%
COURT FINES	\$9,000.00	\$6,000.00	\$2,400.00	-60.0%
PARKING CLERK FINES	\$300.00	\$300.00	\$600.00	100.0%
<b>Total Fines and Forfeitures:</b>	<b>\$65,000.00</b>	<b>\$38,400.00</b>	<b>\$23,000.00</b>	<b>-40.1%</b>
<b>Other Financing</b>				
BOND PREMIUM	\$80,125.00	\$75,504.00	\$70,884.00	-6.1%
TRANSFER FROM SRF	\$21,060.00	\$21,060.00	\$21,060.00	0.0%
TRANSFER FROM CPF	\$187,100.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.0%
TRANSFER FROM WATER ENT	\$271,147.00	\$275,147.00	\$271,147.00	-1.5%
TRANSFER FROM ELECTRIC	\$530,000.00	\$530,000.00	\$525,000.00	-0.9%
TRANSFER FROM TRUST		\$0.00	\$0.00	0.0%
TRANSFER FROM AGENCY		\$0.00	\$0.00	0.0%
<b>Total Other Financing:</b>	<b>\$1,089,432.00</b>	<b>\$901,711.00</b>	<b>\$888,091.00</b>	<b>-1.5%</b>
<b>Total Revenue Source:</b>	<b>\$32,042,729.00</b>	<b>\$32,452,566.00</b>	<b>\$ 33,105,724.00</b>	<b>2.0%</b>

		2020 Actual	2021 Budgeted	2022 - Proposed	FY2021-FY 2022 (% Change)
<b>Expenditures</b>					
<b>General Government</b>					
<b>Town Meetings</b>					
	Expenses	\$0.00	\$50.00	\$50.00	0%
	Salaries	\$1,426.00	\$1,800.00	\$1,800.00	0%
<b>Total Town Meetings:</b>		<b>\$1,426.00</b>	<b>\$1,850.00</b>	<b>\$1,850.00</b>	<b>0%</b>
<b>Selectmen</b>					
	Expenses	\$ 742,551.86	\$792,433.00	\$817,433.00	3.2%
	Salaries	\$167,810.04	\$174,855.00	\$179,555.50	2.7%
<b>Total Selectmen:</b>		<b>\$910,361.90</b>	<b>\$967,288.00</b>	<b>\$996,988.50</b>	<b>3.1%</b>
<b>Finan and Advis Comm</b>					
	Expenses	\$0.00	\$500.00	\$500.00	0%
	Salaries	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	
<b>Total Finan and Advis Comm:</b>		<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$500.00</b>	<b>\$500.00</b>	<b>0%</b>
<b>Reserve Fund</b>					
	Expenses	\$0.00	\$136,376.00	\$136,376.00	0%
<b>Total Reserve Fund:</b>		<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$136,376.00</b>	<b>\$136,376.00</b>	<b>0%</b>
<b>Town Accountant</b>					
	Expenses	1822.52	\$3,540.00	\$3,540.00	0%
	Salaries	\$90,971.90	\$95,714.00	\$114,937.84	20.1%
<b>Total Town Accountant:</b>		<b>\$92,794.42</b>	<b>\$99,254.00</b>	<b>\$118,477.84</b>	<b>19.4%</b>
<b>Assessors</b>					
	Expenses	\$ 11,667.77	\$26,425.00	\$26,425.00	0%
	Salaries	\$139,140.00	\$143,423.50	\$151,078.91	5.3%
<b>Total Assessors:</b>		<b>\$150,807.77</b>	<b>\$169,848.50</b>	<b>\$177,503.91</b>	<b>4.5%</b>
<b>Treasurer/Collector</b>					
	Expenses	\$49,025.81	\$53,231.00	\$53,231.00	0.0%
	Salaries	\$153,260.82	\$152,432.00	\$168,892.84	10.8%
<b>Total Treasurer/Collector:</b>		<b>\$202,286.63</b>	<b>\$205,663.00</b>	<b>\$222,123.84</b>	<b>8.0%</b>
<b>Town Counsel Expense</b>					
	Expenses	\$ 74,901.03	\$80,000.00	\$80,000.00	0%
<b>Total Town Counsel Expense:</b>		<b>\$74,901.03</b>	<b>\$80,000.00</b>	<b>\$80,000.00</b>	<b>0%</b>
<b>Tax Title Foreclosure</b>					
	Expenses	\$3,538.64	\$8,000.00	\$8,000.00	0%
<b>Total Tax Title Foreclosure:</b>		<b>\$3,538.64</b>	<b>\$8,000.00</b>	<b>\$8,000.00</b>	<b>0%</b>
<b>Town Clerk</b>					
	Expenses	\$ 7,467.36	\$7,925.00	\$7,925.00	0%
	Salaries	\$62,150.37	\$61,845.60	\$ 87,479.00	41.4%
<b>Total Town Clerk:</b>		<b>\$69,617.73</b>	<b>\$69,770.60</b>	<b>\$ 95,404.61</b>	<b>36.7%</b>
<b>Elections</b>					
	Expenses	\$11,236.71	\$14,500.00	\$ 11,055.47	-23.8%
	Salaries	\$8,903.04	\$13,072.00	\$6,000.00	-54.1%
<b>Total Elections:</b>		<b>\$21,981.62</b>	<b>\$27,572.00</b>	<b>\$17,055.47</b>	<b>-38.1%</b>

<b>Registrars</b>					
	<b>Expenses</b>	\$0.00	\$2,700.00	\$2,700.00	0%
	<b>Salaries</b>	\$888.00	\$1,800.00	\$1,800.00	0%
<b>Total Registrars:</b>		<b>\$888.00</b>	<b>\$4,500.00</b>	<b>\$4,500.00</b>	<b>0%</b>
<b>Conservation Commission</b>					
	<b>Expenses</b>	\$4,412.75	\$2,473.00	\$2,473.00	0%
	<b>Salaries</b>	\$86,971.63	\$68,886.19	\$ 103,218.00	49.8%
<b>Total Conservation Commission</b>		<b>\$91,384.38</b>	<b>\$71,359.19</b>	<b>\$ 105,691.00</b>	<b>48.1%</b>
<b>Planning Board</b>					
	<b>Expenses</b>	\$10,353.96	\$17,127.00	\$16,527.00	-3.5%
	<b>Salaries</b>	\$111,134.62	\$113,377.00	\$115,644.54	2.0%
<b>Total Planning Board:</b>		<b>\$121,488.58</b>	<b>\$130,504.00</b>	<b>\$132,171.54</b>	<b>1.3%</b>
<b>Zoning Board Of Appeals</b>					
	<b>Expenses</b>	\$219.13	\$220.00	\$220.00	0%
	<b>Salaries</b>	\$27,181.89	\$27,725.64	\$28,280.15	2.0%
<b>Total Zoning Board Of Appeals:</b>		<b>\$27,401.02</b>	<b>\$27,945.64</b>	<b>\$28,500.15</b>	<b>2.0%</b>
		<b>\$1,768,877.72</b>	<b>\$2,000,430.93</b>	<b>\$2,066,413.95</b>	<b>3.3%</b>
<b>Police Department</b>					
	<b>Expenses</b>	\$ 182,923.41	\$185,440.00	\$186,150.00	0.4%
	<b>Salaries</b>	\$1,371,315.79	\$1,407,530.52	\$1,444,594.00	2.6%
<b>Total Police Department:</b>		<b>\$1,554,239.20</b>	<b>\$1,592,970.52</b>	<b>\$1,630,744.00</b>	<b>2.4%</b>
<b>Communications Center</b>					
	<b>Salaries</b>	\$263,552.79	\$275,880.00	\$289,674.00	5.0%
<b>Total Communications Center:</b>		<b>\$263,552.79</b>	<b>\$275,880.00</b>	<b>\$289,674.00</b>	<b>5.0%</b>
<b>Police Crossing Guard</b>					
	<b>Salaries</b>	\$18,752.75	\$20,155.20	\$20,558.30	2.0%
<b>Total Police Crossing Guard:</b>		<b>\$18,752.75</b>	<b>\$20,155.20</b>	<b>\$20,558.30</b>	<b>2.0%</b>
<b>Fire Department</b>					
	<b>Expenses</b>	\$90,891.38	\$114,804.00	\$114,804.00	0.0%
	<b>Salaries</b>	\$468,876.09	\$497,387.00	\$507,334.74	2.0%
<b>Total Fire Department:</b>		<b>\$559,767.47</b>	<b>\$612,191.00</b>	<b>\$622,138.74</b>	<b>1.6%</b>
<b>Inspection Services</b>					
	<b>Expenses</b>	\$4,293.53	\$5,807.00	\$5,807.00	0.0%
	<b>Salaries</b>	\$145,482.38	\$149,028.12	\$152,008.68	2.0%
<b>Total Inspection Services:</b>		<b>\$149,775.91</b>	<b>\$154,835.12</b>	<b>\$157,815.68</b>	<b>1.9%</b>
		<b>\$2,546,088.12</b>	<b>\$2,656,031.84</b>	<b>\$2,720,930.73</b>	<b>2.4%</b>
<b>Georgetown Schools</b>					
	<b>Personal Services</b>		\$13,397,167.18	\$14,025,726.00	4.7%
	<b>Purchase of Services</b>		\$2,751,721.15	\$2,609,041.00	-5.2%
<b>Total Georgetown Schools:</b>			<b>\$16,148,888.33</b>	<b>\$16,634,767.00</b>	<b>3.0%</b>



<b>School Assess/Misc</b>					
	Expenses	\$655,628.00	\$735,383.00	\$849,203.00	
<b>Total School Assess/Misc:</b>		<b>\$655,628.00</b>	<b>\$735,383.00</b>	<b>\$849,203.00</b>	15.5%
		\$655,628.00	\$16,884,271.33	\$17,483,970.00	3.6%
<b>Highway and Street</b>					
	Expenses	\$322,399.62	\$367,598.00	\$377,591.00	2.7%
	Salaries	\$445,414.55	\$454,914.00	\$449,211.66	-1.3%
<b>Total Highway and Street:</b>		<b>\$767,814.17</b>	<b>\$822,512.00</b>	<b>\$826,802.66</b>	0.5%
<b>Snow and Ice Control</b>					
	Expenses	\$178,379.15	\$90,000.00	\$90,000.00	0.0%
	Salaries	\$25,936.11	\$14,000.00	\$14,000.00	0.0%
<b>Total Snow and Ice Control:</b>		<b>\$204,315.26</b>	<b>\$104,000.00</b>	<b>\$104,000.00</b>	0.0%
<b>Street Light Assessment</b>					
	Expenses	\$49,183.38	\$56,645.00	\$37,645.00	-33.5%
<b>Total Street Light Assessment:</b>		<b>\$49,183.38</b>	<b>\$56,645.00</b>	<b>\$37,645.00</b>	-33.5%
<b>Tree Warden</b>					
	Expenses	\$12,000.00	\$12,000.00	\$12,000.00	0.0%
	Salaries	\$5,366.00	\$5,473.32	\$5,582.79	2.0%
<b>Total Tree Warden:</b>		<b>\$17,366.00</b>	<b>\$17,473.32</b>	<b>\$17,582.79</b>	0.6%
<b>Total Highway Department</b>		<b>\$1,038,678.81</b>	<b>\$1,000,630.32</b>	<b>986,030.45</b>	-1.5%
<b>Health Department:</b>					
	Expenses	\$ 44,324.08	\$63,756.10	\$63,756.10	0.0%
	Salaries	\$72,997.25	\$75,323.00	\$118,876.00	57.8%
<b>Total Health Department:</b>		<b>\$117,321.33</b>	<b>\$139,079.10</b>	<b>\$182,632.10</b>	31.3%
<b>Council On Aging</b>					
	Expenses	\$ 33,104.66	\$49,017.00	\$41,017.00	-16.3%
	Salaries	\$113,956.47	\$132,199.00	\$134,842.98	2.0%
<b>Total Council On Aging:</b>		<b>\$147,061.13</b>	<b>\$181,216.00</b>	<b>\$175,859.98</b>	-3.0%
<b>Veterans Service</b>					
	Expenses	\$75,016.68	\$88,000.00	\$88,980.00	1.1%
		\$75,016.68	\$88,000.00	\$88,980.00	1.1%
<b>Total Veterans Service:</b>		<b>\$339,399.14</b>	<b>\$408,295.10</b>	<b>\$447,472.08</b>	9.6%
<b>Library</b>					
	Expenses	\$ 148,153.31	\$164,632.00	\$165,744.00	0.7%
	Salaries	\$226,827.92	\$237,035.00	\$241,775.70	2.0%
<b>Total Library:</b>		<b>\$374,981.23</b>	<b>\$401,667.00</b>	<b>\$407,519.70</b>	1.5%
<b>Recreation</b>					
	Expenses	\$ 65,928.86	\$37,500.00	\$ 47,750.00	27.3%
	Salaries	\$14,644.34	\$43,088.00	\$43,020.00	-0.2%
<b>Total Recreation:</b>		<b>\$80,573.20</b>	<b>\$80,588.00</b>	<b>90,770.00</b>	12.6%
<b>Historical Committee</b>					
	Expenses	\$250.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	0%

<b>Total Historical Committee:</b>		\$250.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	0%
<b>Memorial Day Remembrance</b>					
	<b>Expenses</b>	\$1,300.00	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00	0%
<b>Total Memorial Day Remembrance:</b>		\$1,300.00	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00	0%
		\$457,104.43	\$484,755.00	\$510,789.70	5.4%
<b>Debt Service</b>					
		\$3,037,867.31	\$2,787,050.00	\$2,689,528.00	-3.5%
<b>Total Debt Service</b>		\$3,037,867.31	\$2,787,050.00	\$2,689,528.00	-3.5%
<b>State Assessments and Chrgs</b>					
	<b>Expenses</b>	\$396,814.00	\$362,176.00	\$362,176.00	0%
<b>Total State Assessments and Chrgs:</b>		\$396,814.00	\$362,176.00	\$362,176.00	0%
<b>Other Intergovernmental</b>					
	<b>Expenses</b>	\$0.00	\$12,715.00	\$12,715.00	0%
<b>Total Other Intergovernmental:</b>		\$0.00	\$12,715.00	\$12,715.00	0%
		\$396,814.00	\$374,891.00	\$374,891.00	0%
<b>County Retirement</b>					
	<b>Salaries</b>	\$1,772,013.00	\$1,982,235.00	\$2,127,355.00	7.3%
<b>Total County Retirement:</b>		\$1,772,013.00	\$1,982,235.00	\$2,127,355.00	7.3%
<b>Workmen's Comp Insurance</b>					
	<b>Expenses</b>	\$161,312.00	\$176,479.00	\$185,302.95	
<b>Total Workmen's Comp Insurance:</b>		\$161,312.00	\$176,479.00	\$185,302.95	5.0%
<b>Unemployment Insurance</b>					
	<b>Expenses</b>	\$61,424.95	\$73,500.00	\$73,500.00	
<b>Total Unemployment Insurance:</b>		\$61,424.95	\$73,500.00	\$73,500.00	0.0%
<b>Medical Insurance</b>					
	<b>Expenses</b>	\$2,831,597.03	\$2,788,033.00	\$2,556,626.26	
<b>Total Medical Insurance:</b>		\$2,831,597.03	\$2,788,033.00	\$2,556,626.26	-8.3%
<b>Life Insurance</b>					
	<b>Expenses</b>	\$4,541.85	\$4,500.00	\$4,500.00	
<b>Total Life Insurance:</b>		\$4,541.85	\$4,500.00	\$4,500.00	0.0%
<b>Medicare Insurance</b>					
	<b>Expenses</b>	\$277,735.72	\$348,235.00	\$348,235.00	
<b>Total Medicare Insurance:</b>		\$277,735.72	\$348,235.00	\$348,235.00	0.0%
<b>Dental Insurance</b>					
	<b>Expenses</b>	\$164,806.94	\$170,000.00	\$156,400.00	
<b>Total Dental Insurance:</b>		\$164,806.94	\$170,000.00	\$156,400.00	-8.0%
<b>Other Unclassified</b>					
	<b>Expenses</b>	\$262,416.32	\$288,228.00	\$325,050.00	
<b>Total Other Unclassified:</b>		\$262,416.32	\$288,228.00	\$325,050.00	12.8%

<b>Transfers</b>					
Transfers To Other Funds		\$175,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	
<b>Total Transfers:</b>		<b>\$175,000.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	0.0%
<b>Transfer to Special Revenue</b>					
Transfers To Other Funds		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	
<b>Total Transfer to Special Revenue:</b>		<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	0.0%
<b>Transfer To Trust/Agency</b>					
Transfers To Other Funds		\$625,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	
<b>Total Transfer To Trust/Agency:</b>		<b>\$625,000.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	0.0%
<b>TOTAL OTHER</b>		<b>\$6,335,847.81</b>	<b>\$5,831,210.00</b>	<b>\$5,776,969.21</b>	-0.9%
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>		<b>\$16,576,305.34</b>	<b>\$32,427,565.51</b>	<b>\$3,105,724.00</b>	2.1%
		<b>WATER FUND</b>			
		<b>FY '20</b>	<b>FY '21</b>	<b>FY '22</b>	
Salaries		520,000	540,000	558,000	3.3%
Expenses		805,445	815,300	805,000	-1.3%
Indirect Expenses		271,147	271,147	271,147	0.0%
Transfer to Capital Projects				70,000	
Reserve Fund		100,000	100,000	263,478	163.5%
Debt Service		289,017	391,827	281,375	-28.2%
<b>Total Operating Expense</b>		<b>\$1,985,609</b>	<b>\$2,118,274</b>	<b>\$2,249,000</b>	6.2%
<b>Total Water Department Revenues</b>		<b>\$ 1,985,609</b>	<b>\$ 2,118,274</b>	<b>\$ 2,249,000</b>	6.2%
		<b>AMBULANCE FUND</b>			
<b>Ambulance Department</b>		<b>FY 2020</b>	<b>FY2021</b>	<b>FY 2022 Proposed</b>	
Salaries		203,795	242,151	270,703	11.8%
Expenses		159,300	90,804	103,304	13.8%
<b>Total Ambulance Expense</b>		<b>\$ 363,095</b>	<b>\$ 332,955</b>	<b>\$ 374,007</b>	12.3%
<b>TotL Ambulance Revenue</b>		<b>\$ 363,095</b>	<b>\$ 332,955</b>	<b>\$ 374,007</b>	12.3%



**TOWN WARRANT**  
**SPECIAL TOWN MEETING**  
**COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS**  
**June 21, 2021**

ESSEX, ss. To the Constables of the Town of Georgetown, in the County of Essex, 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 the elections and in Town affairs, to meet at the Georgetown Middle/High School, 11 Winter Street, on Monday, June 21, 2021 at 7 o'clock in the evening then and there to act on the following articles:

**Article 1: Adjustments to the Fiscal Year 2021 operating budget (STM21-01)**

To see if the Town will vote to amend the vote taken under Article 2 of the 2020 Annual Town Meeting warrant for the purpose of adjusting line items in the FY 2019 budget, and as necessary, to transfer from available funds a sum of money for the purpose of supplementing departmental expenses, or take any other action in relation thereto.

**Article 2: Appropriation of Free Cash for the Snow and Ice Deficit FY2021 (STM21-02)**

To see if the Town will vote to transfer from free cash a sum of money to be applied to the FY2021 snow and ice deficit, or take any other action in relation thereto.

*FinCom voted in favor of this article 5-0.*

**Article 3: Fund Transfer (STM21-03)**

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate funds in the amount of \$14,000.00 (fourteen Thousand Dollars for the purpose of conducting from free cash a wage salary study.

*FinCom voted in favor of this article 5-0.*

**Article 4: Fund Transfer (STM21-04)**

To see if the Town will vote to transfer from free cash a sum of \$16, 000.00, to fund the preparation of the Town's updated Stormwater Management Program suitable for submittal to the US EPA and MassDEP.

*FinCom voted in favor of this article 5-0.*

**Article 5: Fund Transfer (STM21-05)**

To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds (reserves/stabilization, free cash, overlay) a sum of money to cover revenue deficits occurring in FY 2021.

**Article 6: Accrued Liabilities Fund (STM21-06)**

\* To see if the Town will vote the transfer from the Overlay Surplus Account a sum of money to be added to the Reserve Fund for Accrued Liabilities, or take any other action relative thereto.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant by posting up attested copies thereof at the: Perley School, Memorial Town Hall, Post Office, Erie Engine House and Municipal Light Building

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 this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of June, 2021, in the year of our Lord 2021.

DocuSigned by: <u>Peter J. Kershaw</u> 3168283216073445...	Selectmen of Georgetown
<u>[Signature]</u> 3168283216073445...	
<u>Amy E. Smith</u> 3168283216073445...	

ESSEX, ss.

Pursuant to the within Warrant, I have notified and warned the inhabitants of the Town of Georgetown by posting up attested copies of the same as within directed.

Georgetown, Massachusetts, 3<sup>rd</sup> day of June, 2021.

Donald C. [Signature] Constable of Georgetown

A true copy of the Warrant and return.

Attest: Kathleen Roche  
Asst Town Clerk

## Consent Calendar

The use of a Consent Calendar speeds the passage of warrant articles which the Selectmen and Moderator, in consultation with Town Counsel and the Finance and Advisory Committee, believe should generate no controversy and can be properly voted without debate.

Each year there are a number of warrant articles which past experience suggests that the action taken on the floor of the Town Meeting will be **routine, non-controversial, and predictable.**

At Town Meeting, said list is then read by the Moderator as “”. If any voter has any doubt about passing a motion, or wishes an explanation of any article included in the Consent Calendar, the voter will say “hold” in a loud voice as each article is called out.

The Moderator will then ask if the “hold” is for a question or debate. If it is for a question, an explanation will be given and the article remains on the Consent Calendar. If the “hold” is for debate on the article it is removed from the Consent Calendar and restored to its original place on the warrant to be brought up, debated, and voted in the usual manner.

After calling the individual articles on the Consent Calendar, the Moderator will ask that all articles be passed as a unit by a unanimous vote.

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### **Article 9: Municipal Light Department Continuation of Operation (ATM21-09)**

To see if the Town will appropriate receipts of the Municipal Light Department for the operation of said Department under the direction and control of the Municipal Light Board, as defined in Section 34, Chapter 164, General Laws, for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2021, or take any other action in relation thereto.

### **Article 10: Chapter 90 Reimbursement, Transportation Bond (ATM21-10)**

To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of \$303,295 (Three hundred three thousand two hundred and ninety-five dollars) or any other sum to be reimbursed by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts under the Transportation Bond issue, to be spent by the Highway Surveyor, with approval of the Board of Selectmen, under the provisions of Chapter 90 of the General Laws, or take any other action in relation thereto.

**Town Warrant**  
**Commonwealth of Massachusetts**  
**June 21, 2021**

ESSEX, ss. To the Constables of the Town of Georgetown, in the County of Essex,  
Greetings:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the said Town, qualified to vote in the elections and in Town affairs to meet at the Georgetown Middle/High School, 11 Winter Street on the 21<sup>st</sup> day of June, 2021 (Monday) at 7 o'clock P.M. and there to act on the following articles:

**Article 1: Town Officers and Committee Reports (ATM21-01)**

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

**Article 2: General Operating Budget/Reserve Fund (ATM21-02)**

To see if the Town will raise and appropriate, or appropriate by transfer from available funds, a sum of money to defray charges and expenses of the Town, including debt and interest and including support of the schools, to fix salaries of the several elected offices of the Town, as provided by Section 108, Chapter 41, General Laws, as amended, and to provide for a reserve fund for the ensuing year, as set forth in the Finance and Advisory Board Proposed Budget and Town Meeting Warrant for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2021, or take any other action in relation thereto.

**Article 3: Stabilization Fund (ATM21-03)**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money to be added to the Stabilization Fund, or take any other action in relation thereto.

**Article 4: Capital Fund (ATM21-04)**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money not to exceed \$100,000 to be added to the Capital Fund, a special purpose stabilization fund created by vote of the May 4, 2009 Annual Town Meeting pursuant to the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 40, Section 5B, said funds to be further appropriated by Town Meeting for improvements and/or repairs to municipal buildings and infrastructure, or take any other action in relation thereto.

**Article 5: Other Post-Employment Benefits Trust Fund (ATM21-05)**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money not to exceed \$50,000 (fifty thousand dollars) to be added to the Other Post-Employment Benefits Liability Trust Fund, created by vote of the May 7, 2012 Annual Town Meeting pursuant to the provisions of G.L. c.32B, §20, or take any other action in relation thereto.

**Article 6: Water Department Operating Budget (ATM21-06)**

To see if the Town will appropriate the receipts and available funds, including retained earnings, of the Water Department Enterprise Fund for the operation of the Water Department under the direction of the Water Commissioners for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2021, or take any other action in relation thereto.

*FinCom voted in favor of this article 5-0.*

**Article 7: Fire Department Ambulance Operating Budget (ATM21-07)**

To see if the Town will appropriate the receipts and available funds of the Fire Department Ambulance Enterprise Fund for the operation of the Town's ambulance service under the direction of the Selectmen and Fire Chief for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2021, or take any other action in relation thereto.

*FinCom voted in favor of this article 5-0.*

**Article 8: Local Access Programming (ATM21-08)**

To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of \$75,000 for salaries and \$25,000 for expenses for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2021 from the PEG Access and Cable Related Fund for the purpose of providing PEG access services and oversight and renewal of the cable franchise agreement, or take any other action in relation thereto.

*FinCom voted in favor of this article 5-0.*

{BEGIN CONSENT CALENDAR}

**Article 9: Municipal Light Department Continuation of Operation (ATM21-09)**

To see if the Town will appropriate receipts of the Municipal Light Department for the operation of said Department under the direction and control of the Municipal Light Board, as defined in Section 34, Chapter 164, General Laws, for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2021, or take any other action in relation thereto.

**Article 10: Chapter 90 Reimbursement, Transportation Bond (ATM21-10)**

To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of \$303,295 (Three hundred three thousand two hundred and ninety-five dollars) or any other sum to be reimbursed by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts under the Transportation Bond issue, to be spent by the Highway Surveyor, with approval of the Board of Selectmen, under the provisions of Chapter 90 of the General Laws, or take any other action in relation thereto.

{END CONSENT CALENDAR}

**Article 11: Community Preservation Committee (ATM21-13)** (Submitted by CPC)

A, B, C, D, E, F, G.

*FinCom voted in favor of this article 5-0.*

**Article A: Community Preservation General Budget-**

To see if the Town will vote to hear and act on the report of the Community Preservation Committee for the Fiscal Year 2022 Community Preservation budget and to appropriate, pursuant to G.L. c.44B §6, from the Community Preservation Fund a sum of money to meet the administrative expenses and all other necessary and proper expenses of the Community Preservation Committee for Fiscal Year 2022; and further, pursuant to G.L. c.44B §6, to reserve for future appropriation from Community Preservation Fund estimated annual revenues the following amounts as recommended by the Community Preservation Committee:

a sum of money for open space, including land for recreational use; a sum of money for historic resources; and a sum of money for community housing; as well as sum of money to be placed in the 2022 Budgeted Reserve for general Community Preservation Act projects or purposes recommended by the Community Preservation Committee, as follows:

**Reservations:**

\$100,000 (>10% of the estimated FY revenues) for open space, including land for recreational use; and

\$100,000 (>10% of the estimated FY revenues) for historic resources; and

\$100,000 (>10% of the estimated FY revenues) for community housing.

**Appropriations:**

\$21,000 (less than 5% of the estimated FY revenues) to meet the administrative expenses and all other necessary and proper expenses of the Community Preservation Committee for the Fiscal Year; or take any other action in relation thereto.

**B: Community Preservation Community Housing Category, “Affordable Housing Trust Block Grant”-**

To see if the Town will vote, pursuant to G.L. c. 44B, to appropriate the amount of \$92,000.00 (Ninety-two Thousand dollars) from the Community Preservation Fund Community Housing Reserve Account as a Grant to the Georgetown Affordable Housing Trust for the purposes of Affordable Housing initiatives consistent with the Trust’s Articles of Incorporation and the most recently accepted Town of Georgetown Affordable Housing Production Plan, and to authorize the Board of Selectmen in consultation with the Community Preservation Committee, to enter into a Grant Agreement with the Georgetown Affordable Housing Trust setting the terms for such grant, including a requirement that the owners of any dwellings subsequently receiving any of these appropriated monies from the Trust grant to the Town an Affordable Housing Restriction in said dwellings, and further, to authorize the Board of Selectmen to accept such restrictions; or take any other action in relation thereto.

**C: Community Preservation Historic Resources Category “Brocklebank Museum and Shoe Shop Restoration”**

To see if the Town will vote, pursuant to G.L. c.44B, to appropriate from the Community Preservation Fund Historic Reserve Account, the amount of \$44,000.00 (Forty-four Thousand Dollars) for the replacement and repair of the sill at the Brocklebank Museum, and for interior and exterior restorations, including but not limited to, the repair and/or replacement of the three (3) exterior doors, masonry repairs as needed to prevent water infiltration into the structure, and for the replacement/reinforcement of beams in the ell and attic portion of the Shoe Shop located at 108 East Main Street; to authorize the Board of Selectmen, in consultation with the Community Preservation Committee, to enter into a Grant Agreement with the Georgetown Historical Society setting the terms for such grant, and further, any funds from this appropriation remaining unspent after a period of 3 (Three) years from the date of the approval of this article will be returned to the Community Preservation fund only after a vote by the Community Preservation Committee determining that it is unlikely the remaining appropriated funds will need to be spent to this effect, or take any other action in relation thereto.

**D: Community Preservation Historical Resources Category-Knotweed Eradication at Town Hall**

To see if the Town will vote, pursuant to G.L. c.44B, to appropriate from the Community Preservation Fund Historic Reserve Account the amount of \$4,000.00 (Four Thousand dollars) for the eradication of the exotic invasive Knotweed (Fallopia or Reynoutria Japonica) at the historic Town Hall; and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into all agreements and execute any and all instruments associated with this initiative; any funds from this appropriation remaining unspent after a period of 3 (Three) years from the date of the approval of this article will be returned to the Community Preservation Fund Historic Reserve only after a vote by the Community Preservation Committee determining that it is unlikely the remaining appropriated funds will need to be spent to this effect; or take any other action related thereto.

**E: Community Preservation Historic Resources Category “Union Cemetery Fence Restoration” Revised**

To see if the Town will vote, pursuant to G.L. c.44B, to appropriate from the Community Preservation Fund Historic Reserve Account, the amount of \$21,725 (Twenty – one Thousand seven hundred twenty-five dollars) for the restoration of the Union Cemetery Fence on East Main Street; and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into to all agreements and execute any and all instruments for any grants to defer the costs associated with this initiative; and further, any funds from this appropriation remaining unspent after a period of 3 (Three) years from the date of the approval of this article will be returned to the Community Preservation fund only after a vote by the Community Preservation Committee determining that it is unlikely the remaining appropriated funds will need to be spent to this effect; or take any other action related thereto.

**F: Community Preservation Historic Resources Category “Camp Dennison Improvements to Lodge”**

To see if the Town will vote, pursuant to G.L. c.44B, to appropriate from Community Preservation Fund Historic Reserve Account the amount of \$12,000.00 (Twelve Thousand dollars) for the purpose of providing funding for the costs related to the upgrade of the electrical service at the historic Camp Denison lodge on Nelson Street; any funds from this appropriation remaining unspent after a period of three years from the date of the approval of this article will be returned to the Community Preservation fund only after a vote by the Community Preservation Committee determining that it is unlikely the remaining appropriated funds will need to be spent to this effect; or take any other action related thereto.

*FinCom voted in favor of this article 4-1.*

**Article G: Community Preservation Open Space/Recreational Land Category, “Greenway Preservation”.**

To see if the Town will vote, pursuant to M.G.L. c.44B, to appropriate from the Community

Preservation Fund Community Preservation Open Space/Recreational Land Category Reserve the amount of \$48,000.00 (Forty-Eight Thousand Dollars) for the preservation and rehabilitation of the Wetland Buffer Zone, and the stabilization of the existing walking path (360 Ft) at the East Main Street Recreational Facility, inclusive of permitting and design costs; and further, to authorize the Board of Selectmen, Parks and Recreation Commission, and Conservation Commission to enter into all agreements and execute any and all instruments for any grants to defer the costs associated with this study; any funds from this appropriation remaining unspent after a period of 3 (Three) years from the date of the approval of this article will be returned to the Community Preservation fund only after a vote by the Community Preservation Committee determining that it is unlikely the remaining appropriated funds will need to be spent to this effect; or take any other action in relation thereto.

**Article 12: Citizens Petition; To amend definitions and uses within the Georgetown Zoning Bylaw. (ATM21-14)**

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning Bylaw by inserting into §165-7 – **Definitions and Word Usage** by adding the following definitions:

Transfer Station

The word “transfer station” as used in these regulations shall have the meaning as defined in 310 CMR 19.006.

Small Transfer Station

Means a Transfer Station used for handling, storage, transfer, or processing of solid waste in volumes no greater than fifty (50) tons per day.

Large Transfer Station

Means a Transfer Station used for handling, storage, transfer, or processing of solid waste in volumes greater than fifty (50) tons per day.

And further to amend the Zoning Bylaw §165 Attachment 2 entitled **Town Georgetown Use Regulations Schedule** by inserting the following uses into the **Use Table** with the category of **Industrial Uses**:

	<b>RA</b>	<b>RB</b>	<b>CA</b>	<b>CB</b>	<b>CC</b>	<b>IA</b>	<b>IB</b>	<b>RC</b>
<b>Small Transfer Station</b>	O	O	O	0	O	O	A	O
<b>Large Transfer Station</b>	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O

Not to be added to the amendments bur for informational purposes:

O – an excluded or prohibited use.

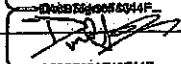
A – a use authorized by special permit granted by the Board of Appeals as provided in § 165-9 and in Article XIII as authorized by law. (MGL C.40A, § 6)



And you are directed to serve this Warrant by posting up attested copies thereof at the: Perley School, Memorial Town Hall, Post Office, Erie Engine House and Municipal Light Building

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.

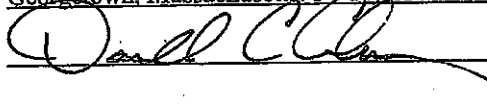
Given under our hands this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of June, 2021, in the year of our Lord 2021.

_____	Doen Signed by:	_____	Selectmen
_____	Peter J. Kershaw	_____	of
_____		_____	Georgetown
_____	Amy E. Smith	_____	
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ESSEX, ss.

Pursuant to the within Warrant, I have notified and warned the inhabitants of the Town of Georgetown by posting up attested copies of the same as within directed.

Georgetown, Massachusetts, 3<sup>rd</sup> day of June, 2021.

 Constable of Georgetown

A true copy of the Warrant and return.

Attest:   
Town Clerk

