

**TOWN WARRANT  
SPECIAL TOWN MEETING  
COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS  
October 28, 2019**

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, Georgetown, Massachusetts, on Monday, October 28, 2019 at 7 o'clock in the evening then and there to act on the following articles:

**Article 1: Adjustments to the Fiscal Year 2020 Operating Budget (STM19-01)**

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

**Article 2: To Establish a SPED Reserve Fund (STM19-02)**

To see if the Town will vote to accept the provisions of G.L. c.40, §13E, thereby authorizing the Town to create a reserve fund to be utilized in the upcoming fiscal years, to pay, without further appropriation, for unanticipated or unbudgeted costs of special education, out-of-district tuition or transportation; and further, to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money to said fund, or take any other action in relation thereto.

*A Reserve Fund would be established for the purpose of supporting unanticipated and unbudgeted special education costs that might arise from year to year. Precise special education funding is difficult to predict or project given that the changing nature of needs of mandated special education services, and especially for students in out-of-district placements that encumber tuition charges and transportation costs. Students with special needs periodically move into Georgetown School District subsequent to approval of the annual budget. Establishment of the Fund requires a majority vote of both the school committee and the local legislative body. Distributions from the Fund for Special Education expenditures requires a majority vote of the school committee and the board of selectman.*

**ARTICLE 3: Equipment and Final Payment Fire Truck (STM19-08)**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of \$100,000 (One hundred thousand dollars) for the equipment and final payment of a fire truck, including any costs incidental or related thereto, or take any other action in relation thereto.

**ARTICLE 4: Utility Vehicle, Boat, and Rescue Equipment-Fire Department (STM19-09)**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of \$75,000 (Seventy-five thousand dollars) for the purchase of a Utility Vehicle, Boat and Rescue Equipment, including any costs incidental or related thereto, or take any other action in relation thereto.

**Article 5: Stabilization Fund (STM19-04)**

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 6: Capital Fund (STM19-05)**

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 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 related thereto.

**Article 7: Other Post-Employment Benefits Trust Fund (STM19-06)**

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 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 8: Community Teen Center Funding (STM19-10)**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of \$45,000 (Forty-five thousand dollars) for the Community Teen Center, including any costs incidental or related thereto, or take any other action in relation thereto.

**Article 9: Street Acceptance-Palmer Lane (STM19-03)**

To see if the Town will vote to accept as a public way the roadway known as "Palmer Lane", as heretofore laid out by the Board of Selectmen in the location depicted on the plan entitled: "Definitive Subdivision Plan 'Palmer Lane' - A Public Lane Serving Four Single Family Residences - Assessors Map 10, Lot 15, 2 Tenney Street, Georgetown, MA," dated Feb. 2016, last rev. 6-23-16, prepared by Civil Construction Management, Inc. and recorded with the Essex County Registry of Deeds in Plan Book 455, Plan 80, a copy of which has been placed on file with the Town Clerk, and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to acquire, by purchase, gift, eminent domain or otherwise, and upon such terms and conditions as the Board deems appropriate, interests in land sufficient to establish and provide for the use of said Palmer Lane for all purposes for which public ways are used in the Town of Georgetown, or take any other action in relation thereto.

**Article 10: Acquisition of Easements-55-65 Central Street (STM19-07)**

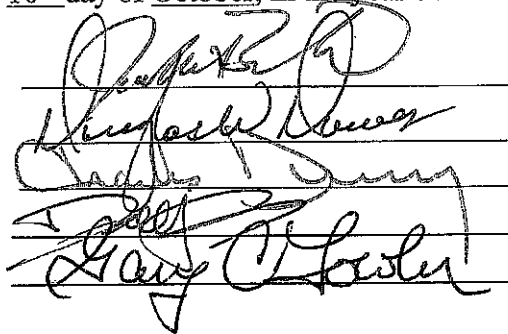
To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to acquire, by purchase, gift, eminent domain or otherwise, and upon such terms and conditions as the Board deems appropriate, interests in land at 55-65 Central Street, identified as Assessors Map 10B, Lots 3 & 4, for general municipal purposes, or take any other action in relation 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 10<sup>th</sup> day of October, in the year of our Lord 2019.

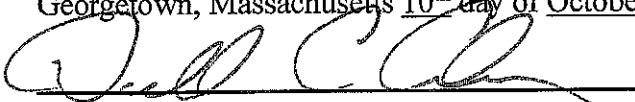


Selectmen  
of  
Georgetown

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 10<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2019.



Constable of Georgetown

A true copy of the Warrant and return.

Attest: Kenn A. McManus  
Town Clerk

