

**TOWN OF EASTHAM
SPECIAL TOWN MEETING WARRANT
AND FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT AND
RECOMMENDATIONS**

7:00 P.M.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 1, 2007

NAUSET REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AUDITORIUM

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www.eastham-ma.gov**

Please bring this warrant to Town Meeting

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ANNUAL TOWN MEETING WARRANT**

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
Barnstable, ss. ~

To: Either of the Constables of the Town of Eastham
in the County of Barnstable

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 Elections and Town affairs to meet at the Nauset Regional High School Auditorium Monday, the first day of October, Two Thousand and Seven, at Seven o'clock in the evening, then and there to act on the following articles in this Warrant:

ARTICLE 1

To see if the Town will vote to **establish a water supply and water distribution system** for the Town and to appropriate a sum of money for establishing such a system for the Town, including, without limitation, the taking or purchase of water sources or water or flowage rights, the taking or purchase of land for the protection of the water system, the construction and development of wells, the construction of water towers, the construction of buildings for water treatment and pumping stations, the laying and relaying of water mains, the purchase and installation of water meters, fire hydrants and other water department equipment, and design and engineering and other costs incidental thereto; to determine whether this appropriation shall be raised by borrowing from the Massachusetts Water Pollution Abatement Trust or otherwise; to determine whether the Board of Selectmen should be authorized to act as water commissioners and to exercise all of the powers of waters commissioners pursuant to General Laws chapter 41, section 69B; and to determine whether the Town should accept the provisions of General Laws chapter 40, sections 42A through 42I and 42K to authorize the collection of water rates and to permit the assessment of betterments for the water supply and water distributing system; or to take any other action relative thereto.

By Board of Selectmen

Summary:

This article if approved by this vote, will begin the formal permitting process for a municipal water system. This article requests authorization to bond \$76 million over the eighteen-year installation period. The bonds will be issued in six parts. The initial \$4.5 million bond expenditure will be used for all well testing, development, permitting and detailed plans. The next expenditure of \$16.3 million will complete the installation of two water tanks and provide service to approximately 1245 parcels. There will be four additional bonds issued in varying amounts. One bond for \$13.5 million, issued in 2015, will provide service to approximately 1827 parcels. The next bond for \$13.5 million, issued in 2018, will provide service to approximately 1206 parcels. The fifth bond for \$13.5 million will provide service to approximately 906 parcels and may be issued in 2021. The final bond for \$12.1 million issued in 2024, will provide service to approximately 904 parcels. While the exact dates of bonding, amounts and the exact number of properties served in each issue may change, in general, all bonds will be issued by 2024 for a total amount of no more than \$76 million, and the system is expected to be complete by 2026. The proposed system would be town wide. The system then will be available to every lot within the Town of Eastham including private roads,

public roads, and properties within the Cape Cod National Seashore. Permitting through Department of Environmental Affairs (DEP) is expected to take four to five years. Installation of the water piping is expected to begin in the fall of 2013. The town system is designed to provide 1.8 million gallons per day peak capacity with extra design capacity to reach 2.5 million gallons per day. This article also provides for the Board of Selectmen to act as the Water Commissioners and therefore make decisions as necessary to implement the system, establish a water department once operational, to assess charges and collect fees. For detailed explanation of financial and operational aspects of this article see a supplemental information booklet available at all town buildings, and at www.eastham-ma.gov, or by calling Krystal Boyd at 508-240-5900 M-F 8-4.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN: 4-0

FINANCE COMMITTEE: 7-0

(2/3rds vote required)

ARTICLE 2

To see if the Town will vote to transfer and appropriate the sum of **Thirty-six Thousand Eight Hundred and 00/100 (\$36,800.00)** Dollars from the **Community Preservation Fund historic resources** reserve for the purpose of preservation, restoration and rehabilitation of the old portion of the Schoolhouse Museum located at 25 Schoolhouse Road, Eastham, including Twelve thousand and 00/100 (\$12,000.00) Dollars for roof restoration, Ten Thousand and 00/100 (\$10,000.00) Dollars for window replacement, Four Thousand Four Hundred and 00/100 (\$4,400.00) Dollars for interior and exterior trim repair and painting, One Thousand Two Hundred and 00/100 (\$1,200.00) Dollars for insulating the attic roof, Four Thousand and 00/100 (\$4,000.00) Dollars for completing the alarm system and Five Thousand Two Hundred and 00/100 (\$5,200.00) Dollars for potbellied stove purchase and installation, and further, to authorize the Board of Selectmen, in consultation with the Community Preservation Committee, to enter into an agreement with the Eastham Historical Society, Inc., which agreement shall provide that the funds are used for such purposes, and further, to authorize appropriate Town officials to take all other action necessary to effectuate the purposes of this article, or take any action relative thereto.

By Board of Selectmen/Community Preservation Committee

COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE:4-0-1

BOARD OF SELECTMEN: 4-0

FINANCE COMMITTEE: 7-0

(majority vote required)

You are directed to serve this Warrant by posting attested copies thereof at the Post Office in Eastham and North Eastham fourteen days at least before the date of holding said meeting.

Hereof, fail not and make due return of this Warrant and your doings thereon to the Town Clerk at the time and place of holding said meeting.

Given under our hands and seals this ___th day of September in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Seven.

Linda S. Burt
Chair

Martin McDonald
Vice Chairman

David Schropfer
Clerk

Carol F. Martin

Kenelm N. Collins
BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Greetings:

In a pursuance of the conditions of the foregoing warrant, I have posted attested copies, one each at the Post Office in Eastham and North Eastham fourteen days before time of said meeting.

Constable

A True Copy Attest:

Lillian Lamperti, Town Clerk

PROCEDURES FOR ALL TOWN MEETINGS

In accordance with Section 2-8-2 of the Eastham Town Charter the following procedures will be followed at all future Special and Annual Town Meetings:

1. The Open Town Meeting shall be the Legislative branch of the municipal government of the Town of Eastham, as set forth in the Charter, Section 1-6.
2. Every person wishing to speak at Town meeting shall proceed to one of the available microphones. Once recognized the person shall give his or her name and address, speak to the question for not more than five minutes, and shall not speak again until all those wishing to speak thereon have done so. See Section 2-8-3 of the Charter for exceptions—persons making the motion, and persons required to be in attendance under Section 2-8-1.
3. Discussion on each article in the Town Warrant shall terminate when there is no one wishing to speak on said article or the discussion becomes redundant in the opinion of the moderator, or someone is recognized and moves the question, or a motion to limit or extend debate has been approved by a 2/3 vote of Town meeting.
4. Votes may be taken by voice (Majority to be determined by the Moderator), or by show of hands. Articles or motions requiring a 2/3 vote will be by hand count unless unanimous. It takes seven town meeting members to question the results of a voice vote. If seven so question the results of a voice vote, we will move to an immediate hand count.
5. Only one who has voted on the prevailing side may move to reconsider an article and may do so at any time during Annual or Special Town Meeting. Reconsideration of an article may occur only once.
6. Amendments to an article must be made in writing and presented to the Moderator.
7. Eastham taxpayers who are not registered voters, may only speak at Town Meeting if permitted by a majority consent of voters. Consent will be requested on specific articles when any non resident has identified himself/herself in advance, to the Moderator.
8. TOWN MEETING TIME, A Handbook of Parliamentary Law, Third Edition, 2001, published by and for the Massachusetts Moderators Association, is the parliamentary handbook that will be used to guide Eastham Town Meetings.
9. Voters who sit in the Non-voter Section will not have their votes counted.
10. The only persons allowed in the foyer at Town Meeting will be Registrars, Checkers and voters.
11. Persons with handouts of any nature must be outside.

These provisions address issues that commonly arise at Town Meeting, but do not purport to address all issues that may arise.

PLEASE BE COURTEOUS BY ALLOWING EACH SPEAKER TO PRESENT THEIR IDEAS WITHOUT INTERRUPTION.