

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

HAMPSHIRE, SS.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Chesterfield in the County of Hampshire,

GREETING.

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 Community Center, 400 Main Road, in said Chesterfield on the Twenty-fifth day of January next, at 7:00 o'clock in the evening, then and there to act on the following articles:

In the case of inclement weather, the alternative date will be the First day of February next, at 7:00 o'clock in the evening.

ARTICLE 1:

To see if the Town will vote to transfer from Free Cash, now in the Treasury, the sum of \$193.20 to pay Eversource for a Town streetlights bill from FY23, or take any other action relative thereto.

Select Board Note: This bill was overlooked by the Town Administrator in FY23 due to the timing of the close of the fiscal year and could not be paid in FY24 unless approved at Town Meeting. This vote requires a 9/10 approval.

ARTICLE 2:

To see if the Town will vote to transfer from Free Cash, now in the Treasury, the sum of \$329.27 to reimburse Peter Fappiano for paint and painting supplies from FY23, or take any other action relative thereto.

Select Board Note: Receipts were turned over by the Police Department to be paid. The painting took place in late June and early July. The receipts are dated June 2023, the books for FY23 were closed, and they could not be paid in FY24 unless approved at Town Meeting. This vote requires a 9/10 approval.

ARTICLE 3:

To see if the Town will vote to transfer from Free Cash, now in the Treasury, the sum of \$145.51 to reimburse Konica Minolta Business Solutions for services from FY22 and FY23, or take any other action relative thereto.

Select Board Note: These bills were misaddressed to the Town, so the Town never received these bills for copy billing in FY22 and FY23. This vote requires a 9/10 approval.

ARTICLE 4:

To see if the Town will vote to transfer from Free Cash, now in the Treasury, the sum of \$800.00 to allow the Farm & Forest Committee to purchase “Right To Farm Community” signs, or take any other action relative thereto.

This request is to purchase eight signs (Two large and six smaller signs) to be placed at the Town lines where streets enter Chesterfield.

ARTICLE 5:

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to acquire, by gift, purchase, eminent domain, or otherwise, upon such terms and conditions and for such consideration as the Selectmen deem appropriate, for cemetery purposes, a parcel of land and improvements thereon located on Mount Road containing approximately 1.119 acres as depicted on a plan placed on file with the Town Clerk entitled: “Approval Not Required Plan of Land in Chesterfield, Massachusetts Prepared for the J. Robert Osborne Subchapter S Trust Indenture Agreement,” dated July 25, 2023, prepared by Holmberg & Howe, said parcel being a portion of the land identified as Assessors’ Map 8, Lot 4 and believed to be described in that deed recorded with the Hampshire County Registry of Deeds in Book 8915, Page 65, and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into all agreements and take any and all actions as may be necessary or convenient in furtherance of this acquisition; or take any other action relative thereto.

Select Board Note: This piece of land is generously being donated to the Town by the Osbornes. It will be used to expand the Mount Cemetery. Requires 2/3 approval.

ARTICLE 6:

To see if the Town will vote to accept and confirm North Street and Damon Pond Road as public town ways in the locations ordered by the Select Board and placed on file with the Town Clerk as required by law, and further to authorize the Select Board to acquire, by gift, purchase, or eminent domain, upon such terms and conditions as the Select Board may determine, rights in the land within said layouts and abutting lands sufficient to provide for the use and maintenance of said ways for all purposes for which public ways are used in the Town of Chesterfield; or take any other action relative thereto.

Select Board Note: This layout acceptance by the Town is required to move the North Road and Damon Pond Road project forward in order to receive state funding for the reconstruction of these roads. Requires 2/3 approval.

ARTICLE 7:

To see if the Town will vote, pursuant to the provisions of M.G.L. Chapter 40 §5B, to create a new special purpose stabilization fund, to be known as the Opioid Settlement Stabilization Fund, which may be expended for all the purposes allowed by law, including those outlined in applicable opioid-litigation settlement documents, a document prepared by the Substance Abuse Bureau of the Commonwealth’s Office of Health and Human Services Department, found at <https://www.mass.gov/doc/massachusetts-abatement-terms/download> entitled

“Abatement Strategies”, and consistent with any state guidelines or regulations further clarifying allowable uses of opioid litigation settlement funds; and further to adopt the last paragraph of said §5B and dedicate such fund, without further appropriation, 100% of the opioid litigation settlement funds received by the Town; and further, to transfer available funds a sum of money equal to that received or to be received by the Town from opioid litigation settlements resulting from the Town’s participation in the national Opioid Multi-District Litigation into said Opioid Settlement Stabilization Fund, or take any other action relative thereto.

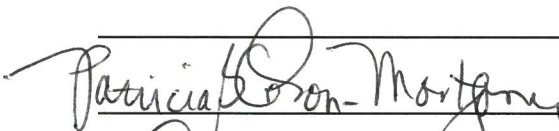
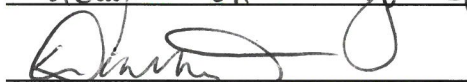
Select Board Note: The Town signed on to the Opioid Litigation Settlement at the recommendation of Town Counsel. The State requires that any money received be put into a separate fund for accounting purposes. Requires 2/3 approval.

ARTICLE 8: To take up any other matter which may legally be brought before this meeting.

And you are hereby directed to serve this Warrant, by posting up attested copies thereof at the Chesterfield Post Office and the Town Office Building in said Town, fourteen days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

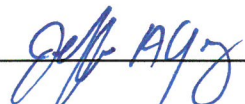
HEREOF FAIL NOT, and make due return of this Warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, at the time and place of meeting, as aforesaid.

Given under our hands this 8th of January in the year of our Lord Two Thousand Twenty-four.

Roger A. Fuller, Co-Chair

Patricia G. Colson-Montgomery, Co-Chair

Donald Willard

Select Board of Chesterfield

A true copy. Attest:



Constable.
Hampshire, SS.

PURSUANT TO THE WITHIN WARRANT, I have notified and warned the inhabitants of the Town of Chesterfield by posting up attested copies of the same at the Chesterfield Post Office and the Town Office fourteen days before the date of the meeting, as within directed.

Constable of Chesterfield

Posted 1-11-2024

Returned _____