TOWN OF REHOBOTH

Special Town Meeting WARRANT

Monday, January 23, 2017 7:00 PM

Dighton Rehoboth Regional High School 2700 Regional Road North Dighton, MA 02764

THE REHOBOTH BOY SCOUTS WILL BE COLLECTING
NON-PERISHABLE FOOD ITEMS AT THE SPECIAL TOWN
MEETING FOR THE REHOBOTH FOOD PANTRY

1/23/17 SPECIAL TOWN MEETING WARRANT

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To the Residents of Rehoboth:

This Special Town Meeting was called specifically for putting forth to the voters the opportunity to vote to borrow funds to construct a Municipal Complex Facility at the current Public Safety Building location on Anawan Street. The construction of a municipal complex at this location will serve to locate all municipal operations at one location, including Police, Fire, Ambulance and all Town Office Departments as well as the Building Department. This endeavor will consist of renovation of the Police and Fire Departments and new construction of a Town Offices facility adjacent to these two departments.

Residents of Rehoboth and general public will have easier access to all Town services and departments with the consolidation of all departments into one facility and will prove to save money by providing more cost efficient and effective municipal services in a more centralized and accessible location.

The need to replace the aging, inadequate Town Offices and renovate the Police and Fire Departments are obvious and undeniable. Our current Town Offices facility is out of date, out of space, insufficient and a waste of tax dollars to continue to repair and maintain.

The Board of Selectmen asks for your support of this article to provide funds for a new Municipal Complex facility. As your elected Board of Selectmen, you have empowered us to make some decisions on your behalf. However, this is an important decision, a decision that will help to further identify Rehoboth as a community well into the future. We, therefore, urge you to attend this Special Town Meeting on Monday, January 23, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. at the Dighton Rehoboth Regional High School auditorium to participate and contribute to that meeting as informed voters.

REHOBOTH BOARD OF SELECTMEN

WARRANT FOR SPECIAL TOWN MEETING OF JANUARY 23, 2017

ARTICLE 1: FISCAL YEAR 2017 AMENDED BUDGET

Submitted by: Board of Selectmen

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds such sums of money as may be necessary to defray the expenses of the Town for amending the 2017 fiscal year's budget as follows, and make all appropriations therefore, or take any other action relative thereto.

AMOUNT	INTO LINE	LINE#
	Board of Health Wages PT	015112-51140
\$3,834.00	Other Tuition (for Bristol County Agricultural School)	013933-56650
105.16	Elections-Wages-Part Time	011622-51140
	Elections-Wages-Overtime	011622-51310
300.28		011623-53850
	Elections-Voting Supplies	011623-54210
\$7,937.95		

__Approve ___Disapprove

Finance Committee Recommends: Approval from Free Cash

Comments:

BOH Wages PT: to provide funds to pay wages for temporary part-time clerk for Board of Health office while clerk is out on medical leave.

<u>Other Tuition:</u> FY2017 Other Tuition budget was based on 32 students attending Bristol County Agricultural School and actual students increased to 34 students; this provides funds for additional two students.

Elections: the 2016 Election marked the first time the Commonwealth directed cities and towns to conduct Early Voting sessions. At the October 17, 2016 Special Town Meeting we approved an "estimated costs" article related to Early Voting. The \$1,703.95 represents the difference between the appropriation at Fall Town Meeting and the actual expenses incurred.

ARTICLE 2: PAY PREVIOUS FISCAL YEAR UNPAID BILL

Submitted by: Board of Selectmen

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer or borrow a sum of money to pay prior year (FY2016) bills

as follows, or take any other action relative thereto.

LINE#	LINE NAME	AMOUNT	TO BE PAID TO
012943-52420	Forestry Equipment Repair & Maintenance	\$231.62	Padula Brothers
013913-56640	DR School Assessment	\$300.00	DR School District
019193-51770	Medicare	\$58.22	Medicare
014212-51910	Highway Uniform Allowance	61.84	Cintas Corp.
011253-53000	Contracted Services Professional Technical	\$657.45	ARC Rhode Island
011200 0000	TOTAL	\$1,309.13	

Approve ___Disapprove

Finance Committee Recommends: Approval from Free Cash

Comments: \$231.62 To pay FY16 bill from Padula Brothers for Forestry Department for equipment repairs received after the close of FY16; \$300.00 to pay balance due for the FY2016 2/15/16 DRRSD Operating Capital Assessment which was inadvertently incorrect and short by \$300.00 on assessment notice to Town; \$58.22 Medicare for FY2016 shortage due to a correction of an IOD where medical was pre-tax when it should have been post-tax; and \$61.84 for an outstanding bill from Cintas Corp. for FY16 and not received until after the close of FY16; \$657.45 to pay ARC R.I. for poster design drawings for the new Municipal Complex facility and not received until after the close of FY16.

ARTICLE 3. MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT COMPLEX

Submitted by: Board of Selectmen

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate, by borrowing, the sum of Nine Million Three Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$9,300,000) for the purpose of constructing, originally equipping and furnishing a Municipal Government Complex Facility, which is proposed to house the Town Offices, Police Department, Fire Department, REMA and Ambulance, on Town owned land at the current site of the public safety facility (334 Anawan Street), including all costs incidental and related thereto; that to meet this appropriation the Treasurer with the approval of the Board of Selectmen is authorized to borrow such amount under G.L. c.44, §7(1) or any other enabling authority; that any premium received by the Town upon the sale of any bonds or notes approved by this vote, less any such premium applied to the payment of the costs of issuance of such bonds or notes, may be applied to the payment of costs approved by this vote in accordance with Chapter 44, Section 20 of the General Laws, thereby reducing the amount authorized to be borrowed to pay such costs by a like amount; that the Board of Selectmen is authorized to contract for and expend any federal or state aid available for the project; and that the Board of Selectmen is authorized to take any other action necessary or convenient to carry out this project; provided, however, that this vote shall not take effect until the Town votes to exempt from the limitation on total taxes imposed by G.L. c.59, §21C (Proposition 2½) amounts required to pay the principal of and interest on the borrowing authorized by this vote, or take any other action relative thereto.

Approved	Disapproved

Finance Committee Recommends: Approval

<u>Comments:</u> This will provide the funds for a new municipal government center where all Town departments and emergency/public safety personnel can be housed at one location.

ARTICLE 4: 297 WINTHROP STREET PAYMENT IN LIEU OF TAXES SOLAR "PILOT" AGREEMENT

Submitted by: Board of Selectmen

To see if the town will vote in accordance with G.L. Chapter 59, Section 38H to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into a "Payment in Lieu of Taxes" Agreement with SUNCONNECT MA12LLC or its assign for a period of up to twenty (20) years, and to approve said Agreement under which SUNNECT MA12LLC or its assignee will pay the Town a sum of money per year relative to a 7 acre +/- portion of land located at 297 Winthrop Street, Rehoboth, MA related to the proposed construction and operation of a Large-Scale Ground Mounted Solar Photovoltaic Installation with an expected nameplate capacity of approximately 1.0065 megawatts, said Pilot Agreement being on file in the Town Clerk's Office, and further to allow the Board of Selectmen to negotiate any amendments necessary to said PILOT Agreement to reflect any changes in the size of the parcel of land or size of the system so long as the payments reflected in the PILOT Agreement rise or lower commensurately, or to take any other action relative thereto.

__Approved ___Disapproved

<u>Comments</u>: SUNNCONNECT MA12LLC, pursuant to the Town's Bylaws filed an application and received approval from the Planning Board for the installation of a large-scale ground mounted solar installation at 297 Winthrop Street. This article would authorize the Board of Selectmen to negotiate a tax payment agreement in conjunction with the Board of Assessors and SUNNCONNECT MA12LLC for the siting and installation of a wide array solar electric power generating facility. This Agreement will yield approximately \$14,292.00 annually for the Town.

ARTICLE 5: OTHER BUSINESS

To see if the Town will vote to transact such other business as may legally come before said meeting.

And you are hereby directed to serve this Warrant by posting up attested copies thereof in the Office of the Town Clerk and in not less than three other public places in each of the three precincts of the Town fourteen (14) days at least before the day fixed for the meeting.

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

Given under our hands this 19th day of December in the year two thousand sixteen.

Fredrick E. Vadnais, Jr., Charman

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David A. Perry, Jr., Member

REHOBOTH BOARD OF SELECTMEN

TALENT BANK FORM



DATE:

Town Government needs citizens to give of their time and talents serving the Town of Rehoboth. A Talent Bank has been established as a means of compiling a list of interested citizens willing to serve on a voluntary basis on a variety of boards and committees. Some boards meet often-some require less time-and some are busy at different times of the year. From time to time, there is also a need for advisory committees or sub-committees appointed to work on a specific project.

If you are interested in serving, please indicate your preference below and return the completed form and resume to:

Selectmen's Office, Town of Rehoboth, 148 Peck Street, Rehoboth, MA 02769, email to: hdennen@town.rehoboth.ma.us or FAX to 508-252-5342

Bylaw Study Committee Charter Study Committee Charter Study Committee Communications Committee Conservation Commission Cultural Council Historical Commission Parks Commission Vater Study Committee Zoning Board of Appeals Veterans' Services Foonomic Development Committee Animal Advisory Committee	☐ Council on Aging ☐ Finance Committee ☐ Planning Board (*) ☐ Other (Please describe)
(*)These are elected groups. Selectmen may fill vacancies until next election.	
Name:	
Address:	
F-mail address:	
Home Telephone: Cell or Work Telephone:	
Are you a registered voter? yes no	
Special interests and skills	
Education and experience	
Reasons for wanting toserve	

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Important Official Notice of: January 23, 2017 Special Town Meeting

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Please bring this Warrant with you to the Special Town Meeting

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