



TOWN OF FREETOWN

WARRANT  
FOR THE SPECIAL TOWN MEETING  
MONDAY, JUNE 06, 2016 – 7:00 P.M.

FREETOWN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL AUDITORIUM  
43 BULLOCK ROAD, EAST FREETOWN, MASSACHUSETTS

Bristol, ss:

To either of the Constables in the Town of Freetown, Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Freetown who are qualified to vote in Town Affairs to meet in the Freetown Elementary School, Auditorium, 43 Bullock Road, East Freetown, Massachusetts, the Sixth day of June, 2016, at 7:00 P.M., then and there to act on the following Articles, viz:

**ARTICLE 1:** To see if the Town will vote to transfer \$20,000 from property insurance (Dept 193) to workers compensation insurance (Dept 912) for the purpose of funding premiums for police & fire special high risk deductible accident insurance, and/or take any action relative thereto

Submitted by Town Accountant for the Town Administrator Requires Majority Vote

**EXPLANATION OF ARTICLE:** *The Town purchased Special High Risk Deductible insurance for police and fire fighters to supplement gaps in existing coverage. The cost for this insurance was incorrectly budgeted as liability insurance and should be part of the workers compensation insurance. This transfer will move budget funding from the wrong department to the right department.*

**ARTICLE 2:** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and transfer from the Insurance Recovery account the sum of Forty Thousand Five Hundred Thirty and 00/100 Dollars (\$40,530.00) to purchase and equip one new or late model police vehicle, and/or take any action relative thereto.

Submitted by Chief of Police Requires Majority Vote

**EXPLANATION OF ARTICLE:** *Approval needed to transfer funds received from the town's insurer, and being held in the insurance recovery account, to replace a 2011 police cruiser that was deemed a total loss resulting from an accident.*

**ARTICLE 3:** To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds the sum of Five Thousand One Hundred Dollars (\$5,100.00) to pay for contracted bus services from Durham Bus Company during the months of October, November, and December 2015, and/or take any action relative thereto.

Submitted by Freetown-Lakeville Regional School District Frederick Baker, Director of Finance

Requires Majority Vote

***EXPLANATION OF ARTICLE: The Richmond Road detour required additional contracted bus services from Durham Bus Company, the school bus contractor. This occurred in October, November, and December.***

**ARTICLE 4:** To see if the Town will vote to establish a Capital Stabilization Fund, pursuant to MGL Chapter 40 section 5B, for the purpose of funding capital assets, either by direct purchase of such asset or indirect payment of related debt service of such asset, and to transfer the sum of \$500,000.00 from free cash and/or \$1,000,000.00 from the Stabilization Fund for such purpose, and/or take any action relative thereto.

Submitted by Town Accountant for the Board of Selectmen

Required 2/3 Vote

***EXPLANATION OF ARTICLE: The Town needs to provide funding for new or replacement of capital assets, significant renovation of capital assets, or cover the cost of debt service payments on the same. The creation of a Capital Stabilization Fund will allow funding to be set aside for long term capital planning. The fund will be invested and all interest will become part of the fund. Any proposed use of the fund will require a 2/3 vote from town meeting.***

**ARTICLE 5:** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money from free cash for the purpose of supplementing the Stabilization Fund, and/or take any action relative thereto.

Submitted by Town Accountant for the Board of Selectmen

Required 2/3 Vote

***EXPLANATION OF ARTICLE: This appropriation would add funds to the Stabilization Fund for the Town to be used as a "rainy day" fund. Any proposed use of the fund would require a 2/3 vote of town meeting.***

**ARTICLE 6:** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$27, 810.30 from the Sewer Enterprise Fund for the purpose of paying a prior fiscal year bill for sewer usage charges, said amount to be funded with a transfer from Retained Earnings of the Sewer Enterprise Fund, and/or take any action relative thereto.

Submitted by Town Accountant for the Board of Water and Sewer Commissioners

Requires 9/10 Vote

***EXPLANATION OF ARTICLE: The invoice from the City of Fall River for FY11 was never submitted for payment. The Sewer Department certifies the service was received and payment is outstanding.***

***ARTICLE 7:*** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$1,500 from the Water Enterprise Fund for the purpose of paying a prior fiscal year bill for a water meter technical support contract, said amount to be funded with a transfer from the Water Enterprise Emergency Reserve Fund, and/or take any action relative thereto.

Submitted by Town Accountant for the Board of Water and Sewer Commissioners

Requires 9/10 Vote

***EXPLANATION OF ARTICLE: The invoice from Master Meter Systems Inc. for FY15 was never submitted for payment. The Water Department certifies the service was received and payment is outstanding.***

And you are hereby directed to serve this Warrant by posting attested copies thereof at the following places: Assonet Post Office, East Freetown Post Office, the stores of Quick Pic in East Freetown, Junior's Convenience Store and Freetown Town Hall, and the Freetown Communications Center.

Hereof, fail not and make return of the original Warrant with your doings thereon immediately after making service thereof to the Town Clerk of the Town of Freetown, Massachusetts.

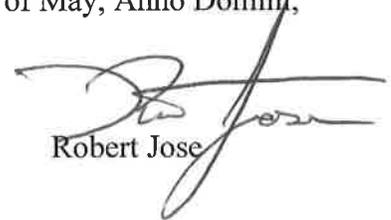
Given under our hands and seal of the Town of Freetown, this 18<sup>th</sup> day of May, Anno Domini, Two Thousand Sixteen.



Paul G. Sadeck  
Chairman



Lisa A. Pacheco



Robert Jose

**FREETOWN BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

