

## Motions for 2026 Town Meeting

### MOTION FOR CONSENT CALENDAR

Move that the Consent Calendar, being Articles 5, 6, 7, 8, 10, 11, 12, 14, 15, 23, 25, 29, 30, 31 be moved as set forth in the list on Page x of the Official Warrant Book for the Monday, May 4, 2026 Annual Town Meeting.

Consent Article Changes from what was printed in the warrant

- Article 8 Snow & Ice Deficit– the sum of \$750,000 to be transferred from Free Cash
- Article 11 Stabilization Fund- the sum of \$300,000 to be transferred from Free Cash
- Article 12 Capital Stabilization Fund- the sum of \$275,000 to be transferred from Free Cash
- Article 23 Animal General Bylaw Chapter 117, Animals - The definition of “Personal Kennel” on page 18 of the warrant shall not be amended and shall continue to read:
  - “PERSONAL KENNEL — A pack or collection of more than four (4) dogs, three months old or older, owned or kept under single ownership, for private personal use;”
- Article 29 Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus Replacement - the sum of 550,000 to be transferred from Free Cash
- Article 30 Lincoln Sudbury Regional High School Wastewater Treatment Facility Control Panel - the sum of \$147,679 to be transferred from Free Cash
- Article 31 School Classroom Instructional Equipment Replacement - the sum of 100,000 to be transferred from Free Cash
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### ARTICLE 1 - HEAR REPORTS

Move to accept the reports of the Town boards, commissions, officers, and committees as printed in the 2025 Town Report or as otherwise presented, subject to the correction of errors, if any, where found.

### ARTICLE 2 - FY26 BUDGET ADJUSTMENTS

Move to indefinitely postpone.

**ARTICLE 3 - FY27 BUDGET**

*Limiting Motion:* Move that the amount appropriated under the Fiscal Year 2027 budget not exceed the sum of \$131,763,603.

Main Motion: Move that the Town vote to appropriate \$131,763,603 for expenditures in the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2026 (FY2027), as printed in the warrant with said sums to be raised by taxation, except that the following items to be raised and designated, by transfer from available fund balances and interfund transfers:

- to transfer from Ambulance Reserve for Appropriation Account to item 200: Public Safety, \$780,000;
- to transfer from Free Cash - \$325,000, to item 1000 OPEB Trust Contribution;

And to authorize the Town Manager to transfer, within the FY27 budget, \$1,774,250 from item 900: Employee Benefits (Town and SPS) and \$500,000 from item 1000: OPEB Trust Contribution (Town and SPS) to the OPEB Trust established to meet expenses for post-employment health and life insurance benefits for eligible retirees and to expend such funds for that purpose;

and further, to authorize multi-year contracts in excess of three years by renewal, extension, or purchase options in accordance with the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws chapter 30B, section 12 upon determination by the Chief Procurement Officer to be the most advantageous option.

**ARTICLE 4 - FY27 CAPITAL BUDGET**

Move to appropriate the sum of \$1,195,600 for the purchase or acquisition of capital items including but not limited to capital equipment, construction, engineering, design, and renovation to buildings, including equipping of vehicles and all incidental and related expenses for projects; with the sum of \$1,195,600 to be raised by taxation; and to authorize the Town Manager to allocate funds as needed between the underlying departments as shown in the following chart:

<b>OPERATING CAPITAL BUDGET</b>	<b>FY27 Recommended</b>
Sudbury Public Schools	\$ 195,000
Lincoln Sudbury Regional High School	221,600
Informational Technology	210,000
Fire	84,000
Public Works	145,000
Police	35,000
Building	55,000
Facilities - Town	250,000
<b>TOTAL OPERATING CAPITAL BUDGET</b>	<b>\$ 1,195,600</b>

**ARTICLE 5 - FY27 TRANSFER STATION ENTERPRISE FUND BUDGET (CONSENT CALENDAR)**

Move to appropriate the sum of \$358,825 for the Transfer Station Enterprise Fund for FY27, and further to authorize use of an additional \$20,000 for indirect costs; such sums to be raised from \$315,825 in FY27 receipts from the Transfer Station Enterprise Fund and \$43,000 from Retained Earnings, as set forth in the article.

**ARTICLE 6 - FY27 ATKINSON POOL ENTERPRISE FUND BUDGET (CONSENT CALENDAR)**

Move to appropriate the sum of \$579,697 for the Atkinson Pool Enterprise Fund for FY27, and further to authorize use of an additional \$45,000 for indirect costs; said sums to be raised from \$469,697 in FY27 receipts from the Pool Enterprise Fund and \$110,000 from retained earnings, as set forth in the article.

**ARTICLE 7 - FY27 RECREATION FIELD MAINTENANCE ENTERPRISE FUND BUDGET (CONSENT CALENDAR)**

Move to appropriate the sum of \$254,895 for the Recreation Field Maintenance Enterprise Fund for FY27, and further to authorize use of an additional \$34,500 for indirect costs; said sums to be raised from \$233,895 in FY27 receipts from the Recreation Field Maintenance Enterprise Fund and \$21,000 from retained earnings, as set forth in the article.

**ARTICLE 8 - SNOW AND ICE TRANSFER (CONSENT CALENDAR)**

Move to appropriate the sum of \$750,000 from Free Cash to fund the FY2026 snow and ice deficit.

**ARTICLE 9 - UNPAID BILLS**

Move to indefinitely postpone.

**ARTICLE 10 - CHAPTER 90 HIGHWAY FUNDING (CONSENT CALENDAR)**

Move in the words of the article as printed in the Warrant.

**ARTICLE 11 - STABILIZATION FUND (CONSENT CALENDAR)**

Move in the words of the article as printed in the Warrant, with the sum of \$300,000 to be transferred from Free Cash.

**ARTICLE 12 - CAPITAL STABILIZATION FUND (CONSENT CALENDAR)**

Move in the words of the article as printed in the Warrant, with the sum of \$275,000 being transferred from Free Cash.

**ARTICLE 13 – VOCATIONAL EDUCATION STABILIZATION FUND**

Move that the Town create, in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 40, Section 5B of the Massachusetts General Laws, a Vocational Education Stabilization Fund; with said amount of \$200,000 being transferred from Free Cash into the Vocational Education Stabilization Fund.

**ARTICLE 14 - FY27 REVOLVING FUND SPENDING LIMITS (CONSENT CALENDAR)**

Move in the words of the article as printed in the Warrant.

**ARTICLE 15 - TERMINATE REVOLVING FUNDS AND AMEND GENERAL BYLAWS (CONSENT CALENDAR)**

Move in the words of the article as printed in the Warrant.

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## **ARTICLE 16 - RESOLUTION: SUDBURY 250TH**

Whereas: Our nation is celebrating and commemorating the 250th anniversary of the commencement of the American Revolution with the Battles of Lexington and Concord on 19th of April 1775 and the Declaration of Independence on 4th of July 1776

Whereas: The Town Meeting on 10th of January 1774, in response to the Boston Tea Party, the Town of Sudbury wrote a strong letter of condemnation including the sentiment of no taxation without representation and the promise of all in our power to aid and assist Boston

Whereas: The Town Meeting (continued from 6/20/1774) on 4th of July 1774, the Town of Sudbury asked its Ministers to arrange a Contribution to defray the Town's part of the Charges of the Committee of Congress

Whereas: The Town Meeting (continued from 6/20/1774) on 12th of September 1774, voted to purchase gun powder, rifles, bayonets, and flints, and at a Town Meeting (continued from 10/3/1774) on 17th of October 1774, the Town voted to reimburse Ezekiel Howe for purchase of the arms voted in the September meeting

Whereas: Two Sudbury men, 81-year-old Deacon Josiah Haynes and 22-year-old Asahel Reed, were killed during the Battles of Lexington and Concord

Whereas: Sudbury arguably sent more fighting men to the Battle of Concord than any other town

Whereas: The Declaration of Independence says at the outset "... We hold these Truths to be self-evident, that all Men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among those are Life, Liberty, and the Pursuit of Happiness – That to secure these Rights, Governments are instituted among Men, deriving their just Powers from the Consent of the Governed, ..."

Whereas: The Declaration of Independence concludes with "... And for the support of this Declaration, with a firm Reliance on the Protection of divine Providence, we mutually pledge to each other our Lives, our Fortunes, and our sacred Honor."

Whereas: The Constitution of the United States begins with "We the People of United States, in Order to form a more perfect Union, establish Justice, insure domestic Tranquility, provide for common defense, promote the general Welfare, and secure the Blessings of Liberty to ourselves and our Posterity, do ordain and establish this Constitution for the United States of America."

Whereas: President Abraham Lincoln in a speech delivered at the dedication of the Soldiers' National Cemetery at Gettysburg, Pennsylvania, on 19th of November 1863, said "Four score and seven years ago our fathers brought forth, on this continent, a new nation, conceived in Liberty, and dedicated to the proposition that all men are created equal. ... It is for us the living, rather, to be dedicated here to the unfinished work which they who fought here have thus far so nobly advanced. It is rather for us to be here dedicated to the great task remaining before us – that from these honored dead we take increased devotion to that cause for which they gave the last full measure of devotion – that we here highly resolve that these dead shall not have died in vain – that this nation, under God, shall have a new birth of freedom – and that government of the people, by the people, for the people, shall not perish from the earth."

Whereas: When in the course of commemorating the 250th anniversary of the commencement of the American Revolution, it became necessary for the Sudbury Select Board to establish the Sudbury 250 Committee on 5th of December 2023

Therefore, Be It Hereby Resolved:

that this Town Meeting celebrates our enduring Democracy on the eve of the 250th anniversary of the Declaration of Independence

Be it Further Resolved:

that this Town Meeting expresses its firm conviction that the Town and the Nation will come together for the Tricentennial, for the 350th, and every fifty years hence in celebration of our continually inclusive and continuous Democracy that shall be, in words attributed to John Winthrop, “a city upon a hill – the eyes of all people are upon us.”

#### **ARTICLE 17 - RESOLUTION: FULL INCLUSION AND ACCESSIBILITY**

Move in the words of the article as printed in the Warrant.

#### **ARTICLE 18 - FUNDING FOR TRANSPORTATION PROGRAMS**

Move in the words of the article as printed in the Warrant, with the sum of \$100,000 being transferred from Free Cash.

#### **ARTICLE 19 - QUALIFIED CONSULTANT SERVICES FOR LIBERTY LEDGE/SEWATARO VISIONING**

Move in the words of the article as printed in the Warrant, with the sum of \$20,000 being transferred from Free Cash.

#### **ARTICLE 20 - AMEND GENERAL BYLAW CHAPTER 11, CAPITAL PLANNING**

Move to vote to amend General Bylaw Chapter 11, Capital Planning by deleting the text shown in strikethrough and inserting the bolded text in section 11.2 where indicated:

§ 11-2 Duties.

The CIAC shall study all capital proposals **for construction, asset maintenance, infrastructure, major equipment purchases, land and open space acquisitions, and new rolling stock costing** ~~which involve major tangible items with a total project cost of more than \$100,000 in a single year or over \$200,000 in multiple years~~ **\$250,000, no matter the funding source. Infrastructure shall include roads, walkways, culverts, and similar assets; construction shall mean new, replacement, renovation, or addition and shall include design, bid, and construction, whether in one year or over multiple years,** and which would likely require an article at Town Meeting for the project's authorization. The CIAC shall make a report with recommendations to the Finance Committee and the Select Board . **The CIAC's purview shall not include capital items costing \$250,000 or less, and the replacement of existing rolling stock.**

#### **ARTICLE 21 - AMEND GENERAL BYLAW CHAPTER 5, COUNCIL ON AGING**

Move in the words of the article as printed in the Warrant.

**ARTICLE 22 - MODIFICATION OF ZONING BYLAW SECTION 4300 WIRELESS SERVICES OVERLAY DISTRICT**

Move in the words of the article as printed in the Warrant.

**ARTICLE 23 - AMEND GENERAL BYLAW CHAPTER 117, ANIMALS (CONSENT CALENDAR)**

Move in the words of the article as printed in the Warrant, with the following correction:

The definition of "Personal Kennel" on page 18 of the warrant shall not be amended and shall continue to read:

"PERSONAL KENNEL — A pack or collection of more than four (4) dogs, three months old or older, owned or kept under single ownership, for private personal use;"

**ARTICLE 24 - AMEND REGIONAL AGREEMENT LINCOLN-SUDBURY REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT (LSRSD)**

Move in the words of the article as printed in the Warrant.

**ARTICLE 25 - DIGITAL PUBLICATION OF LEGAL NOTICES HOME RULE PETITION (CONSENT CALENDAR)**

Move in the words of the article as printed in the Warrant.

**ARTICLE 26 - ACCEPTANCE OF EASEMENTS FOR RAIL TRAIL PARKING AND DRAINAGE**

Move in the words of the article as printed in the Warrant.

**ARTICLE 27 - PUBLIC WORKS CONSOLIDATED CAPITAL ARTICLES**

Move to appropriate the following projects and amounts

<b>Item</b>	<b>Project Description</b>	<b>Amount</b>
27-DPW-1	Roads, Culvert, Drainage, Consultant & Construction, Design & Drain Replacement	\$ 950,000
27-DPW-2	6-Wheel 26,000+ GVW Combo Body Dump Truck w/Plow and Spreader - Unit 6	\$ 350,000
27-DPW-3	10-Wheel 40,000+ GVW Dump Truck - Unit 10	\$ 335,000
27-DPW-4	Large Construction / Excavation / loader equipment - Unit 15	\$ 300,000
27-DPW-5	Light/Medium Duty Pick Up truck with spreader and plow	\$ 135,000
27-DPW-6	Town Owned Parking Lots - Pavement Project	\$ 100,000

**Total DPW Capital Projects**

**\$ 2,170,000**

for the Public Works Consolidated Capital Projects as printed in the warrant, with said amount of each item being transferred from Free Cash.

**ARTICLE 28 – COMBINED FACILITIES TOWN & SCHOOL CONSOLIDATED CAPITAL PROJECTS**

Move to appropriate the following projects and amounts

<b>Item</b>	<b>Project Description</b>	<b>Amount</b>
27-FAC-1	Haynes & Nixon Elementary School Communications and Security Fire Alarm	\$ 660,500
27-FAC-2	School Safety All Buildings	\$ 450,000
27-FAC-3	Building Management System SPS Capital Repairs	\$ 110,000
27-FAC-4	ADA Self-Assessment Transition Plan Town/School	\$ 200,000
27-FAC-5	Flynn Building Offices Pump, Hot Water Circulation & Boiler Replacement	\$ 150,000
27-FAC-6	DPW Garage Communications and Security Fire Alarm, Panels & Design	\$ 132,000
27-FAC-7	Fire Department 2 Roof Covering Asphalt Shingle Replacement	\$ 119,200
<b>Total Combine Facilities Town/School</b>		<b><u><u>\$ 1,821,700</u></u></b>

for the Combined Facilities Town & School Consolidated Capital Projects as printed in the warrant, with said amount of each item being transferred from Free Cash.

**ARTICLE 29 – SELF-CONTAINED BREATHING APPARATUS REPLACEMENT (CONSENT CALENDAR)**

Move in the words of the article as printed in the Warrant, with the sum of \$550,000 being transferred from Free Cash.

**ARTICLE 30 – LINCOLN-SUDBURY REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL WASTEWATER TREATMENT FACILITY CONTROL PANEL (CONSENT CALENDAR)**

Move to appropriate the sum of \$147,679 for the purchase of Lincoln-Sudbury Regional High School Wastewater Treatment Facility Control Panel as printed in the warrant, with said amount being transferred from Free Cash.

**ARTICLE 31 – SCHOOL CLASSROOM INSTRUCTIONAL EQUIPMENT REPLACEMENT (CONSENT CALENDAR)**

Move in the words of the article as printed in the Warrant, with the sum of \$100,000 being transferred from Free Cash.

**ARTICLE 32 – DPW GARAGE CONCRETE FLOOR REPLACEMENT**

Move to appropriate \$2,200,000 to be expended under the direction of the Town Manager, to pay costs of replacing the DPW Garage full concrete deck, improved safety/modification of the current truck washing bay catwalk, replacement of non-operational/obsolete truck washing equipment, and equipping including all incidental and related equipment and expenses, and that to meet this appropriation, the Treasurer, with the approval of the Select Board, is authorized to borrow said amount under and pursuant to G.L. c. 44, §7(1) or any other enabling authority, and to issue bonds or notes of the Town therefor.

**ARTICLE 33 - AUTHORIZATION TO PROCEED WITH THE EPHRAIM CURTIS MIDDLE SCHOOL SOLAR CANOPY**

Move in the words of the article as printed in the Warrant.

**ARTICLE 34 - AUTHORIZATION TO PROCEED WITH THE HASKELL FIELD SOLAR CANOPY**

Move in the words of the article as printed in the Warrant.

**ARTICLE 35 - AUTHORIZATION TO PROCEED WITH THE POLICE STATION SOLAR CANOPY**

Move in the words of the article as printed in the Warrant.

**ARTICLE 36 - COMMUNITY PRESERVATION ACT FUND CONSOLIDATED BUDGET**

Move to appropriate or reserve the following projects and amounts from the Community Preservation Fund

<b>Item</b>	<b>Project Description</b>	<b>Amount</b>
27-CPA-1	Mass Central Rail Trail	\$ 270,000
27-CPA-2	Art Installations Along the Bruce Freeman Rail Trail	\$ 71,000
27-CPA-3	Dr. Bill Adelson Smile Playground Improvements	\$ 337,700
27-CPA-4	Haskell Field Bathroom Renovation	\$ 66,000
27-CPA-5	Restoring Water Quality in Hop Brook	\$ 49,800
27-CPA-6	Regional Housing Services Office Membership Fee	\$ 38,740
27-CPA-7	Sudbury Housing Trust Allocation	\$ 600,000
27-CPA-8	Broadacres/Featherland Design Cost	\$ 214,000
27-CPA-9	Davis Field Design Cost	\$ 122,000
27-CPA-10	General Budget and Appropriations	\$ 1,085,533
	<i>Debt - \$603,143</i>	
	<i>Administrative Expenses - \$148,050</i>	
	<i>10% Historic Reserves - \$334,340</i>	

**Total Community Preservation Act Fund Articles**

**\$ 2,854,773**

as printed in the warrant, with said amounts of each item being funded from the FY2027 Community Preservation Funds.

**ARTICLE 37 - COMMUNITY PRESERVATION ACT FUND: REVERSION OF UNSPENT FUNDS**

Move in the words of the article as printed in the Warrant.

**ARTICLE 38 - CITIZEN’S PETITION: 10 YEAR PLAN TO FUND & CONSTRUCT WALKWAYS**

**ARTICLE 39 - CITIZEN'S PETITION: APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS FOR THE REPAIRING OF SINGLE-FAMILY HOMES**

I move that the Town vote to appropriate \$500,000 from Free Cash for the purpose of repairing four (4) existing single-family residential properties, or subset thereof, owned by the Sudbury Housing Authority, located at:

- 8 Oakwood Avenue
- 2 Beechwood Avenue
- 21 Great Lake Drive
- 9 Richard Avenue

in order to bring such properties into compliance with applicable state and local building, health, safety, and housing standards, and to make them suitable for occupancy by families in need of affordable or community housing;

and further to authorize the Sudbury Housing Authority to expend such funds, enter into contracts, and take all actions necessary or incidental to carry out this purpose; provided that such actions maintain the aforementioned properties as single-family homes;

and further provided that this authorization shall expire on May 4, 2028 (24 months from approval) unless a construction contract for the repair of one or more of the properties has been executed on or before that date.