

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Worcester County

To either of the Constables of the Town of OAKHAM in the county of Worcester, 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 in Town Affairs, to meet at the *Oakham Center School*, on the 12th day of June 2019 at 7:00 p.m. then and there to act on the following articles:

Article 1: To see if the Town will accept reports of Town Officers as printed in the Annual Town Report; or take any action relative thereto.

Article 2: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, to borrow in anticipation of revenue for the twelve-month period beginning July 1, 2019, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year; or take any action relative thereto.

Article 3: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into agreements with the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Department of Transportation for the construction, reconstruction, and improvement of Town roads; or take any action relative thereto.

Article 4: To see what compensation the Town will allow for men and equipment used in repairing highways and opening roads for enginemen and/or firemen employed for the purpose of fire protection and for police officers employed for the purpose of police protection, during the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2019; or take any action relative thereto.

Article 5: To see if the Town will vote to accept any sum of money received from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 90 of the Massachusetts General Laws and authorize the Treasurer to expend such funds for the purposes authorized, including maintaining, repairing, improving and constructing ways, up to the reimbursable amount according to the provisions of said Chapter 90, said funds to be spent with the approval of the Board of Selectmen and Mass. Department of Transportation; or take any action relative thereto.

Article 6: To see if the Town will vote pursuant to G.L. c. 44 §53E½ as most recently amended, to establish annual expenditure limits for fiscal year 2020 for all revolving funds listed in Section (f) of the Revolving Fund bylaw, Chapter 23 of the General Bylaws, as set forth below, with such expenditure limits to be applicable from fiscal year to fiscal year unless the Town Meeting votes, prior to July 1 in any year, to revise such expenditure amounts:

Board of Health	\$10,000
Building Inspector	\$50,000
Plumbing Inspector	\$5,000
Wire Inspector	\$50,000
Deputy Collector	\$8,000

Planning Board	\$5,000
Zoning Appeals Board	\$3,000

And, further, to amend the following rows in said Section (f) of Chapter 23 of the General Bylaws by inserting the bold text as show below:

F. Authorized Revolving Funds

<u>Revolving Fund</u>	<u>Department, Committee, Board Authorized to Spend from Fund</u>	<u>Fees, Charges, or Other Receipts Credited to Fund</u>	<u>Program or Activity Expenses Payable from Fund</u>
Building Commissioner	Board of Selectmen	70% of building permit fees collected;	<b>Wages for Inspector; provided, however, that wages paid in connection with solar and wind projects shall be based upon an hourly rate determined by the Board of Selectmen</b>
Plumbing Inspector	Board of Selectmen	Permit fees collected less \$10.00 each permit	<b>Wages for Inspector; provided, however, that wages paid in connection with solar and wind projects shall be based upon an hourly rate determined by the Board of Selectmen</b>
Wire Inspector	Board of Selectmen	Permit fees collected less \$10.00 each permit	<b>Wages for Inspector; provided, however, that wages paid in connection with solar and wind projects shall be based upon an hourly rate determined by the Board of Selectmen</b>

or take action relative thereto.  
(Submitted by the Board of Selectmen)

Article 7: To see if the Town will vote to accept the provisions of Chapter 44 Section 53F3/4 and establish a separate revenue account known as the PEG Access and Cable Related Fund, into which may be deposited funds received in connection with a franchise agreement between a cable operator and the Town; all monies in said fund shall be subject to appropriation only for cable related purposes consistent with the franchise agreement, include but not limited to (i) support of public educational or governmental access cable television services, (ii) monitor compliance of the cable operator with the franchise agreement or (iii) prepare for renewal of the franchise license; or take any action relative thereto.  
(Submitted by the Board of Selectmen)

Article 8: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds, and appropriate from Ambulance Receipts reserved for Appropriation a sum of money to defray charges and expenses of the Town for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2019; or take any action relative thereto.

DEPARTMENT	FY 2019 BUDGET	FY2020 REQUESTED BUDGET	FY 2020 SELECTMEN RECOMMEND	FY2020 FINCOM RECOMMEND
<b>Ambulance</b>				
Salaries, Part-Time	28,051	28,051	29,454	29,173
Expense	36,180	36,180	30,880	36,180
<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>64,231</b>	<b>64,231</b>	<b>60,334</b>	<b>65,353</b>
<b>Board of Assessors</b>				
Salaries, Elected (3)	3,672	3,672	3,856	3,819
Salaries, Part-Time	17,143	17,143	18,000	17,829
Expense	18,569	7,733	6,733	7,733
Revaluation	2,500	2,500	2,500	2,500
Full List and Measure	-	-	-	-
Cyclical Inspections	2,700	2,700	2,700	2,700
<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>44,584</b>	<b>33,748</b>	<b>33,789</b>	<b>34,581</b>
<b>Board of Health</b>				
Salaries, Elected (3)	1,500	1,500	1,800	1,872
Expense	400	400	400	400
<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>1,900</b>	<b>1,900</b>	<b>2,200</b>	<b>2,272</b>
<b>Board of Selectmen</b>				
Salaries, Elected (3)	4,244	4,244	4,244	4,414
Salaries, Part-Time	25,468	25,468	26,741	26,487
Expense	71,325	73,925	74,125	73,925
Legal	15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000
Town Report Printing	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
Web Site / Townwide IT Support	11,700	11,700	14,520	14,520
<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>128,737</b>	<b>131,337</b>	<b>135,630</b>	<b>135,345</b>
<b>Building Inspector</b>				
Salary	2,241	2,500	2,353	2,331
Expense	555	700	700	555
<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>2,796</b>	<b>3,200</b>	<b>3,053</b>	<b>2,886</b>
<b>Cemeteries</b>				
Salaries, Elected	83	83	300	300
Expense	9,300	9,300	9,300	9,300
<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>9,383</b>	<b>9,383</b>	<b>9,600</b>	<b>9,600</b>
<b>Council on Aging</b>				
Director Stipend	1,267	1,267	1,330	1,318
Expense	5,400	5,600	5,600	5,600
<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>6,667</b>	<b>6,867</b>	<b>6,930</b>	<b>6,918</b>
<b>Dispatch</b>	<b>56,000</b>	<b>54,000</b>	<b>54,000</b>	<b>54,000</b>
<b>Dog/Animal Control Officer</b>				
Salary	4,572	4,572	4,801	4,755
Supplies	1,207	1,207	1,207	1,207
<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>5,779</b>	<b>5,779</b>	<b>6,008</b>	<b>5,962</b>

DEPARTMENT	FY 2019 BUDGET	FY2020 REQUESTED BUDGET	FY 2020 SELECTMEN RECOMMEND	FY2020 FINCOM RECOMMEND
<b>Emergency Management</b>				
Salary	1,143	1,143	1,200	1,189
Expense	400	400	400	400
<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>1,543</b>	<b>1,543</b>	<b>1,600</b>	<b>1,589</b>
<b>Finance Committee</b>				
Expense	1,945	1,000	1,000	1,000
Reserve Fund	28,207	40,000	30,000	40,000
<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>30,152</b>	<b>41,000</b>	<b>31,000</b>	<b>41,000</b>
<b>Fire Department</b>				
Chief Salary	17,144	17,144	18,001	17,830
Wages, Part-Time	31,524	31,524	33,100	32,795
Expense	28,980	29,705	29,705	29,705
<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>77,648</b>	<b>78,373</b>	<b>80,806</b>	<b>80,330</b>
<b>Highway</b>				
Superintendent Salary	65,476	68,750	68,750	68,095
Salaries and Wages	90,142	103,063	103,063	93,748
Expense	48,745	53,615	53,615	53,615
Road Details	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000
Snow and Ice	89,859	90,951	90,951	90,574
<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>296,222</b>	<b>318,379</b>	<b>318,379</b>	<b>308,032</b>
<b>Historical Commission</b>	<b>500</b>	<b>500</b>	<b>500</b>	<b>500</b>
<b>Library</b>				
Trustees Stipend, Elected (3)	50	50	50	300
Salaries, Part-Time	34,263	38,971	40,920	40,530
Expense	27,772	28,417	28,417	28,417
<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>62,035</b>	<b>67,388</b>	<b>69,387</b>	<b>69,247</b>
<b>Land Use</b>				
CMRP Assessment	532	545	545	545
Conservation Commission Expens	510	569	569	510
Zoning Appeals Board Expense	150	150	150	150
<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>1,192</b>	<b>1,264</b>	<b>1,264</b>	<b>1,205</b>
<b>Moderator Salary Elected (1)</b>	<b>160</b>	<b>160</b>	<b>300</b>	<b>300</b>
<b>Municipal Building</b>				
Utilities	69,350	69,350	69,350	69,350
<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>69,350</b>	<b>69,350</b>	<b>69,350</b>	<b>69,350</b>
<b>Parks and Recreation</b>	<b>4,250</b>	<b>4,250</b>	<b>4,250</b>	<b>4,250</b>
<b>Police Department</b>				
Chief Salary	35,291	35,997	37,056	36,703
Wages	131,076	133,698	137,630	136,319
Expense	57,450	57,450	57,450	57,450
<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>223,817</b>	<b>227,145</b>	<b>232,136</b>	<b>230,472</b>

DEPARTMENT	FY 2019 BUDGET	FY2020 REQUESTED BUDGET	FY 2020 SELECTMEN RECOMMEND	FY2020 FINCOM RECOMMEND
<b>Street Lights</b>	2,200	2,200	2,200	2,200
<b>Town Accountant</b>				
Salary	19,788	19,788	20,777	20,580
Expense	3,888	4,100	4,100	4,100
<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>23,676</b>	<b>23,888</b>	<b>24,877</b>	<b>24,680</b>
<b>Town Clerk</b>				
Salary, Elected (1)	8,380	8,380	8,799	8,715
Expense	875	1,475	975	975
<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>9,255</b>	<b>9,855</b>	<b>9,774</b>	<b>9,690</b>
<b>Town Clerk Elections</b>				
Salary, Registrar	256	256	300	266
Wages, Part-Time	4,500	4,500	4,500	4,680
Expense	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500
<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>6,256</b>	<b>6,256</b>	<b>6,300</b>	<b>6,446</b>
<b>Town Clerk Census</b>				
Salaries, Part-Time	909	909	954	945
Expense	500	650	650	650
<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>1,409</b>	<b>1,559</b>	<b>1,604</b>	<b>1,595</b>
<b>Town Hall</b>				
Wages, Part-Time	2,966	2,966	3,114	3,085
Expense	35,000	35,000	35,000	35,000
<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>37,966</b>	<b>37,966</b>	<b>38,114</b>	<b>38,085</b>
<b>Treasurer/Collector</b>				
Salary	27,969	27,969	29,367	29,088
Expense	11,850	12,950	12,350	12,350
Foreclosure Expenses	2,800	2,800	2,800	2,800
<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>42,619</b>	<b>43,719</b>	<b>44,517</b>	<b>44,238</b>
<b>Treasurer Employee Benefits</b>	<b>125,335</b>	<b>135,159</b>	<b>133,835</b>	<b>135,159</b>
<b>Treasurer - Debt Service</b>				
Municipal Building - Principal	18,125	18,125	18,125	18,125
Municipal Building - Interest	18,080	17,219	17,219	17,219
Short Term Interest & Costs	1,300	1,300	1,300	1,300
<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>37,505</b>	<b>36,644</b>	<b>36,644</b>	<b>36,644</b>
<b>Tree Warden</b>				
Salary, Elected (1)	253	253	300	300
Expense	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000
Police Details	-	1,400	1,400	2,000
<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>10,253</b>	<b>11,653</b>	<b>11,700</b>	<b>12,300</b>
<b>Veterans Agent</b>				
Salary	1,734	1,706	1,821	1,803
Expense	13,995	15,000	10,000	10,000
<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>15,729</b>	<b>16,706</b>	<b>11,821</b>	<b>11,803</b>
<b>Total Operating</b>	<b>1,399,149</b>	<b>1,445,402</b>	<b>1,441,902</b>	<b>1,446,031</b>

Article 9: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money for Educational Costs for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2019; or take any action relative thereto.

DEPARTMENT	FY 2019 BUDGET	FY2020 REQUESTED BUDGET	FY 2020 SELECTMEN RECOMMEND	FY2020 FINCOM RECOMMEND
School Assessment	2,202,620	2,288,380	2,257,686	2,285,392
Middle High School Roof Project	15,928	15,250	15,250	15,250
Oakham Center School Roof Bond	36,820	35,910	35,910	35,910
Pathfinder Reg Voc Tech School	231,092	214,908	214,908	214,908
Smith Northhampton	52,898	48,000	48,000	31,965
<b>Total Schools</b>	<b>2,539,358</b>	<b>2,602,448</b>	<b>2,571,754</b>	<b>2,583,425</b>

Article 10: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,250 to the Assessors Revaluation Stabilization Fund; or take any action relative thereto.  
(Submitted by Board of Selectmen)

Article 11: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds the sum of \$1,000 as a grant for Wachusett Greenways Inc., an eight-town collaborative, to continue its work to create and maintain trails for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2019, and in connection therewith, to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into a grant agreement with such collaborative for the purposes set forth herein; or take any action relative thereto.  
(Submitted by Wachusett Greenways)

Article 12: To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of \$20,000 from Overlay Surplus to the Capital Stabilization Fund, or take any action relative thereto.  
(Submitted by Board of Selectmen)

Article 13: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds the sum of \$7,630 for the purchase and installation of fire panels at the Oakham Center School, including all incidental and related expenses; or take any action relative thereto.  
(Submitted by QRSD)

Article 14: To see if the Town will vote to borrow a sum of money to purchase a new 2019 Ford F-550 Dump truck including a 9ft snow plow and all other costs incidental and related thereto, for the Highway Department; provided, however, that the appropriation made hereunder shall be expressly contingent on approval by the voters of a Proposition 2 ½ debt exclusion ballot question to assess additional real estate and personal property taxes for such purposes under Chapter 59, Section 21c(k); or take any action relative thereto.  
(Submitted by the Highway Superintendent)

Article 15: To see if the Town will vote to amend the General Bylaws of the Town by inserting the following new Chapter and Section, Chapter XXIII / 23 Browning Pond Regulation Section 23.1. Engine Size Limitation for Water Craft

No person shall operate a boat or other watercraft using an internal combustion engine greater than twenty (20) horsepower on Browning Pond. Each separate offense of this section shall be considered a separate violation subject to the following fines:

- |                                       |       |
|---------------------------------------|-------|
| a. First offense:                     | \$50  |
| b. Second offense:                    | \$100 |
| c. Third and each subsequent offense: | \$150 |

For purposes of this bylaw, the "enforcing person" shall be as defined in Section 21.2 of the General Bylaws.

or take any other action in relation thereto.  
(Submitted by the Board of Selectmen)

Article 16: To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning By-Laws, Chapter XIV Section 6.6 Large Scale Ground-mounted Solar Photovoltaic Installations, by adding a new Section 6.6.10 Temporary Moratorium, to read as follows:

#### 6.6.10 Temporary Moratorium

Notwithstanding any other provision in the Town of Oakham Zoning Bylaw to the contrary, the Town hereby adopts a temporary moratorium on the new use of land for Large Scale Ground-mounted Solar Photovoltaic Installations. The purpose of this temporary moratorium is to allow sufficient time for the Planning Board to engage in a planning process to address the effects of such structures and uses in the Town and to consider amendments to the Zoning Bylaw for purposes of allowing this use in a manner consistent with sound land use planning goals and objectives.

No application for a special permit for a Large Scale Ground-mounted Solar Photovoltaic Installation shall be accepted by the Planning Board for a period of six months from the effective date of this temporary moratorium.

Completed applications for a special permit for Large Scale Ground-mounted Solar Photovoltaic Installations filed with the Town Clerk prior to the effective date of this temporary moratorium will be exempt from the moratorium.

Small Scale Solar Photovoltaic Installations under 100 kilowatt nameplate capacity will be exempt from the moratorium.

This amendment shall not apply to solar facilities constructed by and/or for the Town on municipal premises, solely for the use of municipal facilities.

or take any action relative thereto.  
(Submitted by the Planning Board)

Article 17: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds the sum of \$1,950 for building repairs to the Fobes Memorial Library; or take any action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Finance Committee)

And you are directed to serve this Warrant by posting up attested copies thereof at:

**Oakham Town Hall - Public Posting Board**  
**Town Website- [www.oakham-ma.gov](http://www.oakham-ma.gov)**

In said Town, **Seven** 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 that time and place of meeting, as aforesaid. Given under our hands this this fourth day in June in the year of our Lord **Two Thousand and Nineteen**

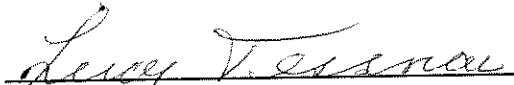
Selectmen:



Steven Labarre, Chairman


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Bradford Taylor, Vice Chairman



Lucy Tessari, Clerk

A true Copy: Attest:

  
Constable

6-4-19  
Date