



**Town of Littleton, Massachusetts**

**TOWN MEETING REPORT**

**VOTER INFORMATION**

*Please bring this with you to the*

**JUNE 26, 2019**

**SPECIAL TOWN MEETING**

**Wednesday, June 26, 2019 at 7:00 PM**

**Charles Forbes Kaye Gymnasium**

**Littleton Middle School**

**55 Russell Street, Littleton, MA 01460**

TOWN OF LITTLETON, MASSACHUSETTS

This Town Meeting Report is prepared by the

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## June 26, 2019 Town Meeting Article

### **SPECIAL TOWN MEETING at 7:00 PM – *beginning on Page 7***

1. Voter Petition - Rental or Use of Town Owned Property

## Board of Selectmen: Town Meeting Report

*To the Voters of Littleton:*

The Board of Selectmen is pleased to present this *Town Meeting Report*.

Town Code §41-3 provides that

For every annual and special town meeting, the Board of Selectmen shall mail to each occupied dwelling at least fourteen (14) days prior to said meeting a Town Meeting Report containing the full text of the articles as posted in the warrant; proposed motions and town board recommendations, if any; and concise explanations of each article, including the fiscal impact of any financial articles. The Town Meeting Report for the annual town meeting shall include the Finance Committee's report to the voters.

Here is the format in which information is presented for each article in this Report:

ARTICLE #
Article Sponsor/Inserter
Title of the Article

Full text of the warrant article as printed in the Town Meeting warrant, as posted.

**[Brief explanation of the article.]**

***Motion*** proposed by the sponsor, as reviewed by Town Counsel.  
**Recommendations of Town Boards.**

The Board of Selectmen welcomes your feedback. Thanks very much.

– Littleton Board of Selectmen  
Joseph S. Knox, Chair  
Cindy Napoli, Vice Chair  
Chase Gerbig, Clerk  
Charles DeCoste  
Paul Glavey

## **Town Moderator: Town Meeting Procedures**

In our continuing effort to streamline and improve the efficiency of Town Meeting, and after having discussed ways to improve the process with the Board of Selectmen, the Town Clerk and Town Counsel; as Town Moderator I am proposing to continue the following procedures introduced at the October 30, 2017 Special Town Meeting:

- **Presentations** - The individual, board or committee responsible for placing an article on the warrant will be permitted ten (10) minutes to make a presentation once the main motion is properly before Town Meeting. A single presenter is greatly preferred and in the event of multiple presenters no additional time shall be granted. Presentations in opposition will likewise be limited to 10 minutes and must be approved in advance of Town Meeting by the Moderator. The Moderator reserves the right to grant no more than two minutes of additional time to presentations that he believes Town Meeting would benefit from hearing in their entirety.
- **Limits on length/number of speeches** - Speakers shall be limited to no more than four (4) minutes and no one shall speak more than once per article except for the following situations: responses to questions posed by and through the Moderator, brief clarification of a previous statement with the permission of the Moderator, or by majority vote of Town Meeting.
- **Time limit for consideration of new business** – The Town Meeting shall not begin consideration of any new warrant article after 10:30 p.m., unless the Moderator determines that there is a reasonable likelihood of concluding the Town Meeting prior to 11:00 p.m. and a majority of the Town Meeting votes to continue its business later into the evening.
- **Call of the Articles** – There will be no “Call of the Articles” as there is only one article to be considered.

More information about Town Meeting is available online at  
<https://www.littletonma.org/town-meetings>

Thank you for your cooperation in implementing these procedures and allowing me the privilege of serving as your Moderator.

*Timothy D. Goddard, Town Moderator*

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# June 26, 2019 Special Town Meeting

7:00 p.m. *Charles Forbes Kaye Gymnasium*  
*Littleton Middle School*

<b>ARTICLE 1</b> <b>Voter Petition</b> <b>Rental or Use of Town Owned Property</b>
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To see if the Town will vote to amend the Code of the Town of Littleton, Massachusetts to include an Article providing that:

The board or committee with the care, custody, and control of any Town-owned property, including without limitation, any park, playground, public building, schoolhouse, school grounds, or parking lot may rent or allow the use of any Town-owned property to members of the public, individuals and groups, both profit and non-profit, for reasonable uses at reasonable times. The board or committee with the care, custody, and control of any Town-owned property will grant priority in the rental or use of the Town-owned property to non-profit organizations and particularly encourage the use of Town-owned property by community groups and particularly those groups which serve the needs of the youth of the region. The above provisions shall apply to any schoolhouse or school grounds to the extent that the School Committee has delegated care, custody and control to another Town board or committee. That an event or program that is similar to any Parks, Recreation & Community Education offerings or events shall not be grounds to deny the use or rental of any Town-owned property, provided however, that the rental of any park, playground, public building, schoolhouse or school grounds will be not be allowed if it directly interferes with student activities, school related functions or any Parks, Recreation & Community Education offerings or events.

**[Article 1 is a petitioned article submitted by over 200 registered voters.]**

***Motion:*** Moved and seconded by the petitioner that the Town vote to approve Article 1 as printed in the warrant.

**Board of Selectmen do not support Article 1.**

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