

**SCITUATE TOWN WARRANT
WARRANT FOR ANNUAL TOWN MEETING, 2007
To be held on March 3 for the Transaction of Business
COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS, PLYMOUTH SS**

**To either of the constables of the Town of Scituate, in said County GREETINGS:
In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby required to
notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town qualified to vote in Elections and
Town Affairs therein, to meet at the Scituate High School Gymnasium, 606 Chief
Justice Cushing Highway on**

SATURDAY, THE THIRD DAY OF MARCH 2007 NEXT

At nine o'clock in the morning, then and there to act on the following articles:

**Article 1
Compensation of Certain Elected Officials**

To see if the Town will vote to establish the salaries and compensation of all elected
Town officials; or take any other action relative thereto.

SELECTMEN:	Chairman & Legitimate Expenses	\$1,500
SELECTMEN:	Members & Legitimate Expenses	\$2,000 (4 @ \$500)
ASSESSORS:	Chairman & Legitimate Expenses	\$1,200
ASSESSORS:	Members & Legitimate Expenses	\$ 800 (2 @ \$400)

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**Article 2
Compensation of Elected Town Clerk**

To see if the Town will vote to establish the salary and compensation of the following
elected Town official; or take any other action relative thereto.

TOWN CLERK:	\$54,078.00
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Article 3
Free Cash

To see if the Town will vote to transfer \$500,000 from Free Cash to be used by the Assessors to reduce the tax rate; or take any other action relative thereto.

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Article 4
Capital Improvement Plan

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, borrow or transfer from available funds the following sums of money, or any other sums as may be necessary to defray the costs of the Fiscal Year 2008 Capital Improvement Plan submitted in accordance with Section 6-6 of the Scituate Home Rule Charter and outlined as follows; or take any other action relative thereto.

1. Highway Improvement	337,660
2. School Buildings	150,000
3. School Vehicles	105,000
4. DPW Vehicles	71,000
5. Seawalls	544,000
6. Fire Stations Renovations	155,000
7. Refurbish 1995 Pumper	70,000
8. Police Computer System	125,000
9. Town Hall Repairs	93,772
10. Library Study/Repairs	100,000
11. Water Department Vehicles	40,000
12. Dam Repairs	150,000
13. Sea Street/Julian Street Water Mains	50,000
14. Storm Water Flow Study	173,000
15. Sewer Department Equipment	75,000
16. Waterways Patrol Boat	85,000
17. Marina Expansion	1,630,000

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Article 5
FY 2008 Operating Budget

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 expenses estimated for the ensuing Fiscal Year commencing July 1, 2007; or take any other action relative thereto.

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Article 6
Waterways Enterprise Fund

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, borrow or transfer from available funds such sums of money as may be necessary to defray expenses of the Waterways estimated for the ensuing fiscal year commencing July 1, 2007; or take any other action relative thereto.

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Article 7
Golf Course Enterprise Fund

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, borrow or transfer from available funds such sums of money as may be necessary to defray expenses of the Golf Course estimated for the ensuing fiscal year commencing July 1, 2007; or take any other action relative thereto.

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Article 8
Wastewater Enterprise Fund

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, borrow or transfer from available funds such sums of money as may be necessary to defray expenses of the Wastewater Treatment Plant estimated for the ensuing fiscal year commencing July 1, 2007; or take any other action relative thereto.

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Article 9
Transfer Station Enterprise Fund

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, borrow or transfer from available funds such sums of money as may be necessary to defray expenses of the Landfill /Transfer Station estimated for the ensuing fiscal year commencing July 1, 2007; or take any other action relative thereto.

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Article 10
Water Enterprise Fund

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, borrow or transfer from available funds such sums of money as may be necessary to defray expenses of the Water Division estimated for the ensuing fiscal year commencing July 1, 2007; or take any other action relative thereto.

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Article 11
Stabilization Fund

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the difference between the levy net and the levy limit to the Stabilization Fund, in accordance with General Laws, Chapter 40, Section 5B; or take any other action relative thereto.

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Article 12
MGL Chapter 91 Liability

To see if the Town will vote to assume liability in the manner provided by General Laws, Chapter 91, Section 29, as amended, for all damages that may be incurred by work to be performed by the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection for the improvement, development, maintenance and protection of tidal and non-tidal rivers and streams, great ponds, harbors, tidewaters, foreshores and shores along a public beach in accordance with Section 11 of said Chapter 91 and to authorize the Selectmen to execute and deliver a bond on indemnity therefore to the Commonwealth; or take any other action relative thereto.

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Article 13
Conservation Fund

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$5,500 of which \$3,500 is to be added to the Conservation Fund established pursuant to General Laws, Chapter 40, Section 5, and \$2,000 to be added to the Driftway Park Maintenance Fund; or take any other action relative thereto.

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Article 14
Revolving Fund-Council On Aging

To see if the Town will vote to accept the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 53 E 1/2 to establish a revolving fund to which will be credited programming funds to be expended under the direction of the Council on Aging Director with the total amount to be expended in the ensuing fiscal year not to exceed \$35,000; or take any other action relative thereto.

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Article 15
Revolving Fund – Planning Board

To see if the Town will vote to accept the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 53 E 1/2 to establish a revolving fund to which shall be credited only administrative application fees received by the Planning Board, which may be expended solely for postage, legal advertising and other administrative expenses connected with specific applications. The Planning Board and Town Planner shall be authorized to initiate expenditures from this fund for these purposes, with the total amount to be expended in the ensuing fiscal year not to exceed \$50,000; and further any balance exceeding \$10,000 at the end of the fiscal year shall revert to the general fund; or take any other action relative thereto.

Sponsored By: Planning Board

Article 16
Revolving Fund – Board of Health

To see if the Town will vote to accept the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 53 E 1/2 to establish a revolving fund to which will be credited food establishment inspection funds to be expended under the direction of the Director of the Health Department with the total amount to be expended in the ensuing fiscal year not to exceed \$7,000; or take any other action relative thereto.

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Article 17
Collective Bargaining Agreements

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds a sum of money to implement the collective bargaining contracts, to be apportioned by the Town Accountant to the applicable line items voted under Article 5; or take any other action relative thereto.

Sponsored By: Board of Selectmen

Article 18
Community Preservation

To see if the Town will vote to hear and act on the report of the Community Preservation Committee on the Fiscal Year 2008 Community Preservation Budget and to appropriate a sum of money to meet the administrative expenses, rehabilitation of historic resources and all other necessary and proper expenses of the Community Preservation Committee for Fiscal Year 2008; and further to reserve for future appropriation the following amounts as recommended by the Community Preservation Committee; a sum of money for the acquisition, creation and preservation of open space excluding land for recreational use, a sum of money for acquisition and preservation of historic resources, and a sum of money for the creation, preservation and support of community housing:

A. Driftway Coastal Access	255,000
B. Egypt Park	100,000
C. Country Way Open Space	15,000
D. Affordable Housing Plan	15,000
E. Housing Authority Affordable Housing Initiative	18,000
F. Hatherly School Field	57,500
G. Tennis Courts at Gates Middle School	136,000
H. Burial Site Survey	10,000
I. Local Historical Survey	10,000
J. Atlas and Navigation Workbook Restoration	11,000
K. Little Red Schoolhouse Renovations	135,000
L. Archival Restoration	40,000
M. Administrative Expense	77,000
N. Community Housing Bank	157,000
O. Open Space Bank	157,000
P. Transfer	

or take any other action relative thereto.

Sponsored By: CPC

Article 19
Para-transit

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$20,000 to fund the Para-transit program in the Town of Scituate, or take any other action relative thereto.

Sponsored By: Board of Selectmen

Article 20
Group Insurance Study

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds \$15,000 to conduct a study of the Town's unfunded health insurance liability; or take any other action relative thereto.

Sponsored by: Board of Selectmen

Article 21
Peggotty Beach Management Study

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to conduct a beach management study on Peggotty Beach and Town Way Extension; or take any other action relative thereto.

Sponsored By: Board of Selectmen

Article 22
Senior Center

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$3,500,000, or any other sum of money, for designing, constructing, originally equipping, permitting and furnishing a new Senior Center building to be located at 75 Branch Street; to determine whether this appropriation shall be raised by borrowing or otherwise; to see if the Town will vote to provide that the amount of the authorized borrowing under such vote be reduced by the amount received from the sale of the existing Senior Center building pursuant to Article 19 of the October 17, 2005 special town meeting prior to the issuance of bonds or notes under such vote; to see if the Town will vote to provide that the total cost for the new Senior Center project authorized under such vote shall not exceed \$3,500,000; to determine whether this appropriation shall be made contingent upon a Proposition 2½ debt exemption vote; and to see if the Town will vote to rescind the vote of the Town taken pursuant to Article 5 of the September 27, 2004 special town meeting appropriating and authorizing a borrowing of \$1,900,000 for a senior center project; or to take any other action relative thereto.

Sponsored By: Board of Selectmen

Article 23
Zoning Bylaw Review

To see if the Town will vote to transfer \$10,745.08 from Article 4J of the 1999 Annual Town Meeting to review the Town's Zoning Bylaws, or take any other action relative thereto.

Sponsored By: Planning Board

Article 24
Property Revaluation

To see if the Town will vote to transfer \$75, 000 from Overlay Surplus for the purpose of conducting the 2009 property revaluation.

Sponsored By: Board of Selectmen

Article 25
Revolving Fund School Bus Transportation

To see if the Town will vote to accept the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 53E1/2 to establish a revolving fund to which will be credited only school bus transportation fees received by the School Department, which may be expended solely for expenses associated with the transportation of students. The School Department shall be authorized to initiate expenditures from this fund for these purposes, with the total amount to be expended in the ensuing fiscal year not to exceed \$300,000; or take any other action relative thereto.

Sponsored By: School Committee

Article 26
School Furnishings/Books

To see if the Town will vote to borrow a sum of money to purchase furniture, data processing equipment and/or books for the elementary schools, and further to authorize the Treasurer with the approval of the Board of Selectmen to borrow said sum, and that the appropriation of these funds be subject to passage of a debt exclusion override; or take any other action relative thereto.

Sponsored By: School Committee

Article 27
Parker Avenue Extension Easement

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to acquire any and all temporary and permanent easements, and any property in fee simple by gift, purchase, eminent domain, or otherwise such interests as may be held by the abutters in and to the private way known as Parker Avenue Extension as further described and shown on a plan entitled “ Easement Plan of Land for Parker Avenue Extension” dated January 23, 2007 and prepared by Mr. Surveying, Inc, copies of which are on file in the office of the Town Clerk and are incorporated herein by reference, for the purpose of constructing and maintaining sewer mains and all other appurtenances thereto; or take any other action relative thereto.

Sponsored By: Board of Selectmen

Article 28
Fees of the Town Clerk

To see if the Town will vote to accept the provisions of MGL Chapter 40, Section 22F Licenses Fees; Service Charges; and further to amend the Town Bylaws by deleting Section 10430 in its entirety, or take any other action relative thereto.

Sponsored By: Town Clerk

Article 29
General Bylaw

To see if the Town will vote to amend it's General Bylaws by deleting "Treasurer/Collector" from Section 20410 and adding "Treasurer/Collector" to Section 20420.

Sponsored By: Board of Selectmen

Article 30
Food and Beverage Contract

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into a ten year contract for the food and beverage operation at Widow's Walk Golf Course or take any other action relative thereto.

Sponsored By: Board of Selectmen

Article 31
Boat Yard Lease

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into a lease of up to ten years with optional ten year extensions at the Town's discretion for the operation of a boat yard at Scituate Marine Park, or take any other action relative thereto.

Sponsored By: Board of Selectmen

Article 32
Date of Annual Town Meeting

To see if the Town will vote to amend its General Bylaws Section 20140 by deleting the word "March" and substituting the word "April", or take any other action relative thereto.

Sponsored By: Board of Selectmen

Article 33
Fire Stations

To see if the Town will vote to rescind action taken under Article 11 of the March 22, 2000 Annual Town Meeting, and further to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, borrow or transfer from available funds, a sum of money to design, permit, and construct a fire station to be located at lot 12-6-2 on Chief Justice Cushing Highway, and further to transfer to the care and custody of the Board of Selectmen for the purpose of said fire station lot 12-6-2 and to direct the Board of Selectmen to petition the Legislature for approval to use a portion of the land for a fire station, or take any action relative thereto.

Sponsored By: 10 Registered Voters

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting up attested copies thereof, one at each of the Post Offices in said Town and one at the Town Hall, thirty 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 the time and place of the meeting as aforesaid.

Given under our hands this first day of February, in the year two thousand and seven.

Paul T. Reidy, Chairman

Shawn Harris

Richard W. Murray

Joseph P. Norton

James E. Pollard

BOARD OF SELECTMEN