



COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
TOWN OF HANSON
INFORMATIONAL WARRANT FOR May 6, 2024 SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

MAY SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

PLYMOUTH, SS.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Hanson, in the County of Plymouth

GREETINGS,

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Hanson, qualified to vote in Town affairs, and elections, to meet in the Auditorium of the Hanson Middle School, 111 Liberty Street in said Hanson on **Monday the sixth day of May 2024** at 6:30 o'clock in the afternoon, to act on the following articles, to wit:

ARTICLE 1: To see if the Town will vote to transfer **\$404.06** from Free Cash to pay for unpaid bills from prior fiscal years; or take any other action in relation thereto.

Unpaid Bill #	Department	Vendor	AMOUNT	Funding Source
1	Select Board	Laura Brown, Esquire	\$ 309.50	Free cash
2	Accounting Dept	Crystal Rock/Primo	\$ 94.56	Free cash
	TOTAL		\$ 404.06	

Proposed by the Select Board

Explanation: These funds are needed to pay for prior years' bills received after the close of the fiscal year.

Requires a 9/10 majority vote

Recommendations: *Select Board: Placed and Recommended Voted 5 – 0*
Finance Committee: Recommended Voted 5 – 0

ARTICLE 2: To see if the Town will vote to transfer the following sums of money from the source(s) as more specifically identified below to fund and/or reimburse for the following items; or take any other action relative thereto.

Line	Department	Item	AMOUNT	Funding Source
1	Hanson Fire Department	Ambulance	\$ 448,024.00	ARPA/Plymouth County
2	Select Board	Pond Management Study	\$ 85,000.00	ARPA
3	Pratt Place	Culvert Repair/Replacement	\$ 1,094,215.00	ARPA/Plymouth County
	TOTAL		\$1,627,239.00	



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Proposed by the Select Board

Explanations:

Line 1 & 3 – Plymouth County wants to see that Town meeting approved as part of the grant application process;

Line 2 – This will be reappropriating the Library/Senior Center money to purchase a generator voted at the October 3, 2022 Special Town Meeting, Article 8 as it was not approved by ARPA.

Recommendations: *Select Board: Placed and Recommended Voted 5 – 0*
Finance Committee: Recommended Voted 5 – 0

ARTICLE 3: To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds \$15,000 for improvements of Grading and the filling potholes on Private Roads; or take any action in relation thereto.

Proposed by the Highway Director

Explanation: This will provide funding and authorize the grading of all private gravel roads in the Town of Hanson up to two times per year. These funds would be used to provide for purchasing any material and to properly pitch and grade and the roads to the proper elevations and compact the material which should help to stabilize these roads. These funds are also required for this purpose as well as to fill potholes with suitable materials as necessary for public safety, plowing and emergency access on private roads.

This money should be available immediately after funding approval for Spring Grading.

Recommendations: *Select Board: Placed and Recommended Voted 5 – 0*
Finance Committee: Recommended Voted 5 – 0

ARTICLE 4: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$50,000 from the Community Housing Reserve to the Hanson Housing Authority for the purposes of updating/developing a Housing Production Plan or take any other action in relation thereto.

Proposed by the Community Preservation Committee

Explanation: A Housing Production Plan (HPP) is valid for five years and Hanson's will expire on May 21, 2024. The plan assists Hanson Housing Authority in addressing the town's need for affordable housing. This plan is developed locally and, can influence and inform how, when, and where affordable housing is built in town. An approved Housing Production Plan assists the Town of Hanson in receiving grant funding.



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(Unused funds will be returned to Community Preservation Committee fund).

Recommendations: Select Board: Placed and Recommended Voted 5 – 0
Finance Committee: Not Recommended Voted 4 – 1

ARTICLE 5: To see if the Town will vote to transfer \$6,500 from amount appropriated at the October 2, 2017 Special Town Meeting Article 11 to fund procurement expenses related to Pratt Place Culvert construction.

Proposed by the Select Board

Explanation: The Pratt Place Culvert is in need of repair or replacement; these funds are needed for procurement expenses.

Recommendations: Select Board: Placed and Recommended Voted 5 – 0
Finance Committee: Recommended Voted 5 – 0