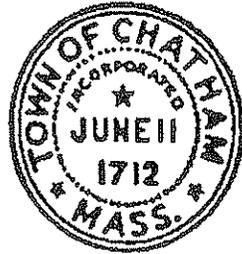


# *Town of Chatham*



ARTICLES IN THE WARRANT  
for the  
2013 SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

Tuesday, January 22, 2013  
6:30 P.M.

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Please bring this report to the meeting for use in the proceedings at the

CHATHAM HIGH SCHOOL  
425 CROWELL ROAD

**COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS**

**TOWN OF CHATHAM  
SPECIAL TOWN MEETING WARRANT  
TUESDAY, JANUARY 22, 2013**

**THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS**

Barnstable, ss.

**GREETINGS:**

To any of the Constables in the Town of Chatham in the County of Barnstable.

IN THE NAME OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS, you are hereby directed to NOTIFY and WARN the INHABITANTS OF THE TOWN OF CHATHAM, qualified to vote in elections and Town affairs to meet in the gymnasium of the Chatham High School on Crowell Road in said Chatham on the 22<sup>nd</sup> day of January, 2013 at 6:30 o'clock in the evening, then and there to act on any business that may legally come before said meeting.

**Resolution:** Resolved that the Town vote to adopt the following rules of procedure for the Special Town Meeting of January 22, 2013.

- A) The Moderator shall have the option of reading each Article in the Warrant verbatim or summarizing the subject matter therein in general terms, at his discretion.
- B) Upon an Article having been disposed of by vote, the Moderator shall entertain a motion to reconsider said Article or to accept a Resolution pertaining to said Article only during the same session during which said vote was acted upon.
- C) A motion to move the previous question shall require a two-thirds vote and may not be debated.
- D) The Moderator shall not accept a motion to move the previous question by any person discussing the Article until after an intervening speaker has discussed the Article.
- E) A non-voter may request the privilege of addressing the meeting on a motion made under any Article or Resolution offered, the request to be granted by the Moderator unless there is an objection by a voter. Upon objection, the Moderator shall poll the meeting by voice or count, at his discretion, and a majority vote in favor shall entitle said non-voter to address the meeting. However, the Moderator may grant the privilege of the floor to any non-resident Town Department Head without necessity of a vote.
- F) The Moderator shall not entertain the question of the presence of a quorum at any point at which a motion to move the previous question has already been voted.
- G) Speakers addressing the meeting shall be limited to five (5) minutes within which to present their remarks. The Moderator will not recognize anyone who has previously spoken on the Article until all persons wishing to address the meeting have had an opportunity to speak. The Moderator may exercise reasonable discretion in enforcement of this rule.

The foregoing rules are not intended to alter or change the traditional conduct of the Town Meetings in Chatham except as specifically stated above.

**Article 1 – Administrative Order**

To vote to direct the Town Manager to comply with the Chatham Home Rule Charter Part V Sec. 5-1 (a) by issuing the required Administrative Order with respect to the Town Manager's merger, consolidation, re-organization so-called of the Harbormaster's Department within the Police Department.

Subsequent to the issuance of the above Administrative Order, the Board of Selectmen will vote to reject any Administrative Order issued by the Town Manager that reorganizes, consolidates, merges or places the Harbormaster or any current responsibilities, duties or functions, currently under the jurisdiction or supervision of the Harbormaster within or supervised by any officer associated with the Police Department.

(By Petition)

**Motion: By Petitioner**  
**Speaker: By Petitioner**

**Board of Selectmen Recommendation: Approve 0-5-0 (Disapprove)**  
**Finance Committee Recommendation: Recommendation from Town Meeting floor.**

***Vote Required: Simple Majority***

**Article 2 – Amend Waterways Bylaw**

To see if the Town will vote to amend the provisions of Chapter 265-1 of the Town of Chatham Waterways Bylaw (Application and regulations) by adding a new Subsection E by inserting the following language: The Harbormaster Department and all current functions and responsibilities will be headed by the Harbormaster which will be a civilian position. This position and all of its current functions and responsibilities will be supervised by the Town Manager or a department with like responsibilities, duties and functions not associated with the Police department.

(By Petition)

**Motion: By Petitioner**  
**Speaker: By Petitioner**

**Board of Selectmen Recommendation: Approve 0-5-0 (Disapprove)**  
**Finance Committee Recommendation: Recommendation from Town Meeting floor.**

***Vote Required: Simple Majority***

**Article 3 – Re-Establish Government Advisory Committee**

To see if the Town will vote to re-establish a Government Advisory Committee which will be responsible for reviewing the actions and/or votes of the Board of Selectmen and Town Manager with respect to the organization of town government and policies of the Board of Selectmen. The committee's responsibility will be: 1) Review any actions or pending actions for consistency with the Town Charter, town bylaws, and rules and regulations. 2) Make recommendations to the Board of Selectmen and Town Manager on actions or pending actions of the executive branch at times that the committee deems appropriate, no less than twice for every fiscal year. 3) Make any recommendations regarding the actions of the executive branch to the annual town meeting. The committee shall consist of seven (7) members who shall be registered voters of the town and serve a three (3) year term, not exceeding two (2) consecutive terms. Members of the each of the following groups shall appoint one (1) member: Finance Committee, Conservation Commission, Economic Development Committee, Board of Health, Waterways Advisory Committee, Community Preservation Committee, and a member elected by the town employees.

(By Petition)

**Motion: By Petitioner**

**Speaker: By Petitioner**

**Board of Selectmen Recommendation: Approve 0-5-0 (Disapprove)**

**Finance Committee Recommendation: Recommendation from Town Meeting floor.**

***Vote Required: Simple Majority***

**Article 4 – Amend General Bylaws**

To see if the town will vote to amend Chapter 15 Section 15-1 (Operating Budget Schedule) of the General Bylaws by adding a subsection E: The Town of Chatham will employ a Fire Chief who will lead the Fire Department separate from a Police Chief and Police Department. The Fire Chief will be responsible for the development and implementation of all Fire Department operations including the operating budget and will be responsible for supervising all the employees, firefighters and expenses related to the Fire Department.

And amend Chapter 15-2 (Capital Improvement Program Schedule) by adding subsection D: The Fire Chief will be responsible for the development of the Fire Department's Capital improvement schedule.

(By Petition)

**Motion: By Petitioner**

**Speaker: By Petitioner**

**Board of Selectmen Recommendation: Approve 0-5-0 (Disapprove)**

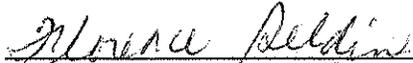
**Finance Committee Recommendation: Recommendation from Town Meeting floor.**

***Vote Required: Simple Majority***

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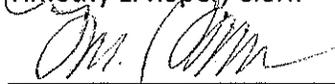
And you are directed to serve this Warrant by posting attested copies thereof at the several Post Offices in said Town, fourteen days at least, before the time of holding said meeting. Hereof fail not and make due return of the Warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, at the time and place of meeting as aforesaid.

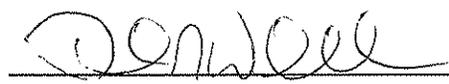
Given under our hands this 18<sup>th</sup> day of December in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twelve.

  
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Florence Seldin, Chairman

  
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Sean Summers, Vice-Chairman

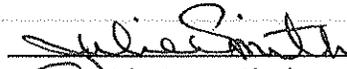
  
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Timothy L. Ropey, Clerk

  
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Leonard M. Sussman

  
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David R. Whitcomb

Board of Selectmen

A True Copy, Attest

  
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Julie Smith, Town Clerk

Barnstable, ss.

Pursuant to the written WARRANT, I have notified and warned the inhabitants of the Town of Chatham by posting attested copies of the same in each of the Post Offices of said Town at least fourteen days before January 22, 2013 on January 4, 2013, 2013.

  
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Constable

January 4, 2013  
Date