

**The meeting was called to order by the Moderator at 7:14 pm who declared a presence of a 5% quorum, there being 156 qualified voters present. All articles were duly moved, seconded and voted upon. There were three floor amendments.
The meeting was adjourned at 7:53 pm.**

**WEST TISBURY
COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS**

**WARRANT FOR
SPECIAL TOWN MEETING**

County of Dukes County, SS
To Either of the Constables of the Town of West Tisbury,

GREETINGS:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of West Tisbury qualified to vote in elections and in Town affairs to meet in the **West Tisbury Elementary School**, Old County Road, in said Town on **Tuesday the first day of November, two thousand and sixteen**, at **seven o'clock** in the evening; then and there to act on the articles of this Warrant.

ARTICLE 1: To see if the Town will vote to Raise & Appropriate the sum of Nine Thousand Dollars (\$9,000) to cover the cost of surveying and engineering work associated with developing a project plan in order to obtain permits from various agencies for the purpose of Outlet Channel Maintenance for Sea Fish passage in James Pond. **(RECOMMENDED 5-0)**
PASSED UNANIMOUSLY AS AMENDED-Change from "Raise and Appropriate to Appropriate from Free Cash"

ARTICLE 2: To see if the Town will vote to Raise & Appropriate the sum of Twenty-two Thousand Dollars (\$22,000) to purchase a chipper for the highway department. **(RECOMMENDED 5-0)**
PASSED UNANIMOUSLY AS AMENDED-Change from "Raise and Appropriate to Appropriate from Free Cash"

ARTICLE 3: To see if the Town will vote to Raise & Appropriate the sum of Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000) for the purpose of removing dead trees in town. **(NO ACTION 5-0)**

Motion to postpone indefinitely PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

ARTICLE 4: To see if the Town will vote to Appropriate the sum of Nine Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$900,000) to assist the Island Housing Trust in the development of the Fire Station Lot Affordable Housing Project which consists of a maximum of seven buildings (excluding non-habitable outbuildings), with a maximum of eighteen bedrooms on Town owned land at 565 Edgartown Road, part of Assessors Map 31, lot 36, with \$50,000 to be appropriated from the Community Preservation Community Housing reserve and \$850,000 to be appropriated from the Community Preservation Undesignated reserve.
PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

ARTICLE 5: To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning Bylaw by adding the following new definitions, definition language changes, and section revisions:

New Definitions:

Caregiver: Caregiver is an adult who resides on site for the purpose of caring for an elderly, chronically sick or disabled person.

Electric Generators: A device that converts mechanical energy to electrical energy.

Habitable Space: A space in a building for living, sleeping, eating and cooking.

Non-Habitable Space: Bathrooms, lavatories, closets, hall storage or utility spaces and similar areas are non-habitable spaces.

Storage Containers: An object used for, or capable of holding items for transport or storage.

Definition Language Changes:

New language

Bedroom, Detached: Any bedroom that is located within a structure not physically connected with the main house. Such bedroom shall not have a kitchen, or *kitchen appliances*, but may include a bathroom that may share septic facility with the main house. Detached bedrooms, with or without a bathroom, be limited to a maximum area of 400 square feet.

Craft Workshop: *see "Studio."*

Studio/Craft Workshop: A non-habitable structure or portion of a structure used for hobbies or a home occupation. A studio/craft workshop may have a bathroom.

Section Revisions:

Section 6.3-3C: remove "fire hydrant".

Section 8.6-2C: change: No lamp/light shall be mounted higher than the eave line of a structure without a special permit from the Zoning Board of Appeals. All lamp/lights are required to be facing downward. **(REQUIRES 2/3 VOTE, NO ACTION 4-1)**

PASSED AS AMENDED Yes 155 No 1

Under definitions; Habitable Space; 'A space in a building for living, sleeping, eating and/or cooking.'

Remove the entire definition of 'Bedroom, Detached'

There was a 'sense of the meeting' vote taken on behalf of the Board of Selectmen whether or not the voters wished the Town to pursue construction of bike lanes on State Road. A voice vote was noted in favor.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant by posting attested copies thereof in not less than six (6) public places in West Tisbury fourteen days at least before the holding of such meeting.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this Warrant with doings thereon to the Town Clerk at the time and place of Meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands this **28th** Day of September in the Year Two Thousand Sixteen.

Richard R. Knabel, Chairman

Jeffrey S. Manter

Cynthia E. Mitchell

WEST TISBURY SELECTMEN

DATE:

I have posted attested copies of the above Warrant in not less than six (6) public places in West Tisbury fourteen (14) days before such meeting.

Timothy Barnett
Constable

A true copy, attest:

Tara J. Whiting
Town Clerk