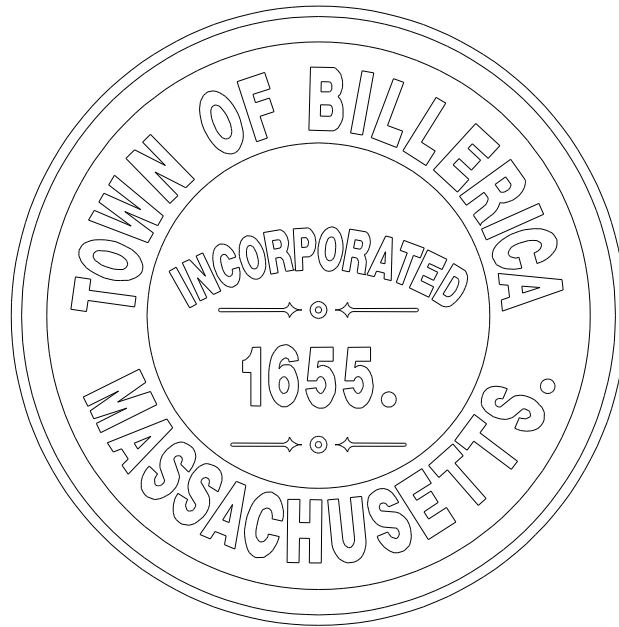


TOWN OF BILLERICA
FINAL WARRANT



SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

Tuesday, October 5, 2021 at 7:00 PM

Billerica Memorial High School Auditorium

Article Number	Purpose	Value	Funding Source	Submitted by:	Finance Committee Recommendation
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Articles

1	To Amend General By-Laws			Daniel Burns, Chairman, Select Board	Reserves Recommendation
2	Petitioner Article			Petitioner	Reserves Recommendation
3	Petitioner Article			Petitioner	Reserves Recommendation

**FINAL WARRANT
OCTOBER 5, 2021
SPECIAL FALL TOWN MEETING**

Middlesex, ss.

To Any Constable in the Town of Billerica

Greetings,

You are hereby authorized and requested to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town of Billerica qualified by law to vote in Elections and Town Affairs, to meet at the Billerica Memorial High School Auditorium located at 35 River Street, Billerica, MA on Tuesday, October 5, 2021 at 7:00 PM and subsequent Tuesdays and Thursdays until all of the business in the Warrant shall have been acted upon, then and there to vote on the following articles:

ARTICLE 1 – TO AMEND GENERAL BY-LAW (ARTICLE 2, SECTION 14, SUBSECTION 14.2)

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Town’s General By-Laws, Article 2, Certain Powers and Duties of Town Officials, section 14, Board of Health, subsection 14.2, which currently reads as follows:

Current wording

14.2 The Board of Health shall consist of five (5) members, appointed by the Town Manager for terms of three (3) years each so arranged that as nearly an equal number of such terms as is possible shall expire each year.

to read as follows:

Amended wording

14.2 The Board of Health shall consist of five (5) members, two members appointed by the Town Manager and three members appointed by the Select Board, each for a term of three (3) years. Terms shall be arranged such that as nearly an equal number of such terms as is possible shall expire each year. Any vacancies arising in the membership shall be filled by the original appointing authority for the remainder of the unexpired term.

And, to implement the provisions of this vote, the first three vacancies occurring after approval of this bylaw shall be filled by the Select Board, with the next two vacancies to be filled by the Town Manager; thereafter, either the Select Board or the Town Manager shall make appointments in accordance with Section 14.2 of the Town Bylaws to fill vacancies in the Board of Health offices they appoint.

Or act in relation thereto.

Submitted by the Daniel Burns, Chairman of the Select Board

Finance Committee has not yet made final recommendation.

Article 1 Explanation: This new language will give balance to the appointments of the Board of Health. By having the Select Board making appointments, it gives resident's a stronger voice and makes for a more transparent appointment process.

The current process is not done in a public setting nor provides for public input as they are strictly appointed by the Town Manager. The Select Board makes all its appointments in a public meeting, in an open and transparent manner where residents can voice their opinions for consideration within the decision-making process.

ARTICLE 2 – PETITIONER ARTICLE

To establish a policy framework for adopting a Code of Conduct for Select Board members and its appointees:

To see if the Town will vote to establish a policy framework for adopting centralized standards under an official Code of Conduct for the Select Board members and its appointees, which shall apply to all members of the Select Board and appointees of the Select Board acting in their official capacity; or act in relation thereto.

Submitted by Dina Favreau and Messrs. Komarinski, Giroux, Lovell, English, Vitale, Deslaurier, Gagliardi, Coughlin, Hrono and Madames Giroux, Komarinksi, English, O'Connor, Lovell and Regan.

Finance Committee has not yet made final recommendation.

Article 2 Explanation: Ethics is an obligation of a moral nature which is voluntarily accepted as a Code of Conduct or behavior by communities of professionals. The driving principles include Autonomy, Beneficence, Non-maleficence, Justice and Fidelity and as such, the Town recognizes that all members of the Select Board and individuals appointed to positions by the Select Board shall maintain respectful discourse with their fellow elected and/or appointed members, employees of the Town, volunteers of the Town and members of the general public.

ARTICLE 3 – PETITIONER ARTICLE

To see if the Town will vote to amend General By-Law, Article II, Section(s) 31.2 as follows; or act in relation thereto.

TERM LIMITS

Current:

31.2 The Board of Selectmen shall consist of five (5) elected members for terms of three (3) years each so arranged that as nearly an equal number of such terms of office as is possible shall expire each year.

Proposed:

31.2 The Select Board shall consist of five (5) elected members for terms of three (3) years each, so arranged that as early an equal number of such terms of office as is possible shall expire each year. No person shall be elected to the Select Board more than six times.

And Article II, Section 33.2 as follows:

Current:

33.2 The School Committee shall consist of five (5) members elected for terms of three (3) years, so arranged that as nearly an equal number of such terms as is possible shall expire each year.

Proposed:

33.2 The School Committee shall consist of five (5) members elected for terms of three (3) years, so arranged that as nearly an equal number of such terms as is possible shall expire each year. No person shall be elected to the School Committee more than six times.

Submitted by Edward Giroux and Messrs. Komarinski, Lovell, English, Vitale, Deslaurier, Gagliardi, Coughlin, Hrono and Madames Giroux, Komarinski, English, O’Connor, Lovell, Regan and Favreau.

Finance Committee has not yet made final recommendation.

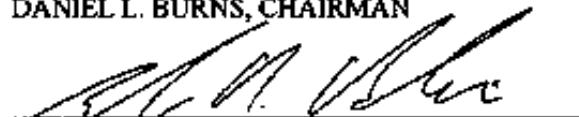
And you are hereby directed to serve this Final Warrant for the Special Town Meeting by posting true and attested copies thereof, one copy at the Town Hall, one copy at the Billerica Public Library, one copy at the Billerica Police Station, one copy at the Belly Buster Diner, one copy at Pinehurst Post Office, one copy at the Center Post Office, Boston Road, one copy at Market Basket, Town Plaza, Boston Road, one copy at the West Billerica Fire Station, one copy at the Nutting Lake Post Office, one copy at Augusta Market, 599 Boston Road, one copy at the Ninety-Nine Restaurant, Lexington Road, one copy at the Pinehurst Fire Station, one copy at the East Billerica Fire Station, one copy at the North Billerica Post Office and one copy at the North Billerica Fire Station.

Given under our hands this 20th day of September 2021.


SELECT BOARD OF BILLERICA



DANIEL L. BURNS, CHAIRMAN



ANDREW N. DESLAURIER, VICE CHAIRMAN



MICHAEL S. ROSA, SECRETARY

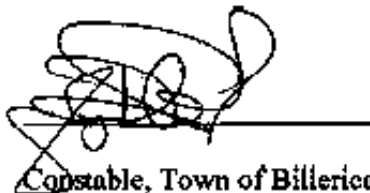


KIMBERLY J. CONWAY, MEMBER



JOHN J. BURROWS, MEMBER

A true copy attest


Constable, Town of Billerica