



**SPECIAL TOWN MEETING WARRANT  
COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS  
November 18, 2019**

Plymouth, ss.

To the Constable(s) of the Town of Rochester 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 said Town qualified to vote in elections and in Town affairs to meet at the Rochester Memorial School, 16 Pine Street in said Town on Monday, the 18th of November 2019 at seven p.m. (7:00 p.m.) in the evening to act on the following articles:

**ARTICLE 1: PARKS DEPARTMENT**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000) to complete the concrete carport pad, install a handicap sidewalk, and purchase two picnic tables, or take any other action relative thereto.

***MAJORITY***

***Board of Selectmen recommends***

***Finance Committee recommends***

**ARTICLE 2: USED HIGHWAY DUMP SANDER TRUCK**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000) to purchase a used Dump Sander Truck for the Highway Department, or take any other action relative thereto.

***MAJORITY***

***Board of Selectmen recommends***

***Finance Committee recommends***

***Capital Planning Committee Recommends***

### **ARTICLE 3: TOWN MAPS**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of Eight Thousand Dollars (\$8,000) for tax map layout, alignment and improvement as a result of conversion to GIS format, or take any other action relative thereto.

#### ***MAJORITY***

***Board of Selectmen recommends***

***Finance Committee recommends***

### **ARTICLE 4: DEXTER LANE OVERFLOW PARKING AREA**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of Seventeen Thousand Dollars (\$17,000) for site work on Town land located on Dexter Lane for an overflow parking area, or take any other action relative thereto.

#### ***MAJORITY***

***Board of Selectmen recommends***

### **ARTICLE 5: PILOT AGREEMENT**

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into an agreement for payments in lieu of taxes (“PILOT”) pursuant to M.G.L. Chapter 59, Section 38H(b), and Chapter 164, Section 1, or any other enabling authority, in a value equivalent of property taxes assessed on a full and fair cash valuation basis and on such terms and conditions as the Board of Selectmen may deem in the best interest of the Town, for real and personal property attributable to a solar photovoltaic facility located on privately owned land 61 Mendell Road (Rochester Assessors Map 34, Lot 1H), and to do all things necessary to implement such agreement; or take any other action in relation thereto.

#### ***MAJORITY***

***Board of Selectmen recommends***

### **ARTICLE 6: PILOT AGREEMENT**

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into an agreement for payments in lieu of taxes (“PILOT”) pursuant to M.G.L. Chapter 59, Section 38H(b), and Chapter 164, Section 1, or any other enabling authority, in a value equivalent of property taxes assessed on a full and fair cash valuation basis and on such terms and conditions as the Board of Selectmen may deem in the best interest of the Town, for real and personal property attributable to a solar photovoltaic facility located on 16 Pine Street (Rochester Memorial School), and to do all things necessary to implement such agreement; or take any other action in relation thereto.

#### ***MAJORITY***

***Board of Selectmen recommends***

## **ARTICLE 7: TRANSFER OF TOWN LAND**

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to transfer 16.8 +/- acres of Town-owned land, known as “Dexter Lane Recreation Area”, shown as the “Limits of Land in Recreational Use” on a plan of land prepared by G.A.F. Engineering, entitled “Proposed Improvements Dexter Lane Recreational Area, Rochester, Massachusetts, prepared for the Town of Rochester”, dated June 24, 2008, to the Rochester Park Commission to hold said property for open space, parks and recreational uses, or take any other action relative thereto.

### ***2/3 VOTE***

***Board of Selectmen recommends***

## **ARTICLE 8: CITIZEN’S PETITION**

To see if the Town of Rochester will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds, the sum of Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000) to support the Old Rochester Athletic Booster Club, Inc. in their services to Old Rochester Regional High School to provide a handicap access system, contingent to the Towns of Marion and Mattapoisett taking similar action, or take any other action relative thereto.

### **Comment:**

The Town of Rochester is being asked to invest \$20,000 in a handicap ramp/lift access system for a new press box being constructed by the ORR Athletic Boosters at the main field at Old Rochester High School. The press box was torn down during the school renovation project in 2002 and despite being on the plans, was never built.

### ***MAJORITY***

***Board of Selectmen does not recommend***

***Finance Committee does not recommend***

***Capital Planning Committee does not recommend***