

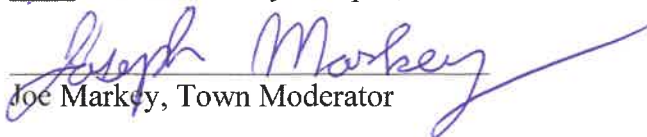
## DECLARATION OF RECESS AND CONTINUANCE

Pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 39, §10A, I declare the Lynnfield Annual Town Meeting scheduled for April 27, 2020, recessed and continued, this 8<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2020. In consultation with the Board of Selectmen, public safety officials, and public health officials I have determined that a public safety emergency may prevent voters from attending the meeting on April 27th.

The nature of the emergency is the outbreak of the 2019 novel Coronavirus (“COVID-19”). In making this Declaration, I note that on March 10, 2020, Governor Charles D. Baker declared a state of emergency in the Commonwealth on account of COVID-19 and prohibited gatherings of more than 250 people throughout Massachusetts. On March 15, 2020, the Governor reduced the number constituting a prohibited gathering to more than 25 people, and on March 23, 2020, the Governor further reduced that number to 10 people. Although the Governor’s orders explicitly exempt any “municipal legislative body” (a term that includes town meetings), turnout for Lynnfield town meetings can be expected to exceed 175 voters (the required quorum), and the logic of the Governor’s orders compels the conclusion that holding the Annual Town Meeting on the scheduled date would pose an unwarranted risk to the health and safety of the people of Lynnfield. In addition to consulting with the Selectmen, Emergency Management Director, and Director of Health, I have reviewed guidance from the Massachusetts Department of Public Health and the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. Given the rapid spread of the disease, the limited testing conducted to date, the present lack of containment, and the risk to vulnerable populations inherent in public gatherings, I conclude that delaying the Annual Town Meeting is in the best interest of the Town and its citizens.

M.G.L. Ch. 39, §10A mandates that the moderator “shall announce the declaration of recess and continuance as far in advance of the town meeting being continued as possible.” It also requires that a town meeting recessed pursuant to the said statute “shall be convened by the moderator not later than 30 days following the date and time of the moderator’s original announcement of the declaration of recess and continuance.” Thus, under the statute, I do not have the authority to continue the Annual Town Meeting for longer than 30 days from the date of this Declaration. I therefore declare that the continued date of the Annual Town Meeting shall be May 27th, 2020, to convene at 7:00 p.m. at the Lynnfield Middle School Auditorium. I intend to declare additional continuances of up to 30 days each as necessary to defer the meeting until it can be held safely. In considering further deferrals, I will continue to consult with the Board of Selectmen and others.

Given at Lynnfield at  
9 a.m. this 8<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2020.

  
Joe Markey, Town Moderator

**LYNNFIELD TOWN WARRANT**

THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

**ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION - ~~APRIL 14, 2020~~ \*JUNE 13, 2020**  
**ANNUAL TOWN MEETING - APRIL 27, 2020**

Essex, ss.

To the Constable of the Town of Lynnfield in the County of Essex, 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 in their respective polling places in said Lynnfield, on Tuesday, April 14, 2020 at 7:00 a.m., then and there to bring in their votes on one ballot for the choice of all necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year, chosen in this manner, viz.: one Board of Selectmen member for three years; one Town Moderator for one year; one Board of Assessor member for three years; one Board of Library Trustees member for three years; one Board of Library Trustees member for the remaining one year of an unexpired term; one School Committee member for three years; one Planning Board member for five years; one Housing authority member for five years; and one Housing Authority member for the remaining two years of an unexpired term.

The Polls in each precinct will open at 7:00 a.m., and will be closed at 8:00 p.m., on said April 14, 2020. The polling places for voters in Precincts 1, 2, 3 and 4 will be at Lynnfield High School, Essex Street, all in said Lynnfield.

And you are further directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Lynnfield qualified to vote in elections and Town affairs, to meet in the Middle School Auditorium, Cafeteria, and the Gymnasium, if necessary, on Monday, April 27, 2020 at 7:00 p.m., then and there to act on the following articles:

\*Postponed per Chapter 45 of the Acts of 2020 until June 13, 2020

Voted April 1, 2020 by the Board of Selectmen at a meeting held in accordance with the Open Meeting Law.

**ARTICLE 1.** To act on reports of Town officers and special committees as published; or to take any other action in connection therewith.

**Submitted by BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

**ARTICLE 2.** To choose all Town officers not required to be chosen by ballot, viz.: three field drivers, one pound keeper and three wood measurers; or to take any other action in connection therewith.

**Submitted by BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

**ARTICLE 3.** To see if the Town will vote to FIX THE COMPENSATION of each of the Elective Officers of the Town as required by General Laws, Chapter 41, Section 108; or to take any other action in connection therewith.

**Submitted by BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

**ARTICLE 4.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or appropriate by transfer from available funds, sums of money to supplement certain accounts in the current 2020 Fiscal Year where balances are below projected expenditures for various reasons; or to take any other action in connection therewith.

**Submitted by BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

**ARTICLE 5.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or appropriate by transfer from available funds, sums of money to pay overdue bills of a prior fiscal year; or to take any other action in connection therewith.

**Submitted by BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

**ARTICLE 6.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or appropriate by transfer from available funds, or otherwise, a sum of money for the necessary Town charges and expenses; or to take any other action in connection therewith.

**Submitted by BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

**ARTICLE 7.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or appropriate by transfer from available funds or by borrowing, or from any or all such sources, sums of money for the purchase of various equipment and items in the nature of capital expenditure and to give authority to credit the value of the various old equipment to be turned in toward the purchase price of said items, said sums of money to be expended under the direction of various Town boards, committees, or officers; or to take any other action in connection therewith.

**Submitted by BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

**ARTICLE 8.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or appropriate by transfer from available funds a sum of money for the town's Stabilization Fund; or to take any other action in connection therewith.

**Submitted by BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

**ARTICLE 9.** To see if the Town will vote to establish, with respect to each of the following revolving funds, the following limits on the total amount that may be expended from each such fund in Fiscal Year 2021:

<u>Revolving Fund</u>	<u>Maximum Expenditure</u>
Council on Aging	\$ 50,000
Board of Health	\$ 15,000
Library	\$ 10,000
Recreation	\$325,000
Public Works – Fields	\$ 75,000
Public Works – Merritt Center	\$ 10,000

or to take any other action in connection therewith.

**Submitted by BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

**ARTICLE 10.** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money from Emergency Medical Service Enterprise receipts to pay expenses and contractual services required to operate the emergency medical service in the Town of Lynnfield, said Enterprise Fund to be credited with all fees and charges received during Fiscal Year 2021 from persons using said service; or to take any other action in connection therewith.

**Submitted by BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

**ARTICLE 11.** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money from Golf Enterprise receipts and/or Golf Enterprise Retained Earnings to pay expenses and contractual services required to operate the Reedy Meadow Golf Course and King Rail Golf Course, said Enterprise Fund to be credited with all fees and charges received during Fiscal Year 2021 from persons using the golf courses; or to take any other action in connection therewith.

**Submitted by BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

**ARTICLE 12.** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate by transfer from available funds, a sum of money for improvements to the Town Common, such funds to be available for expenditure in Fiscal Year 2020, or to take any other action in connection therewith.

**Submitted by BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

**ARTICLE 13.** To see if the Town will vote to amend the General Bylaws by adopting as Chapter 169 thereof the following:

Chapter 169 – Liquor Licensees With Bars

1. Minors Prohibited From Sitting at Bar. In any restaurant, club or other facility where a bar is operated under a liquor license issued by the Board of Selectmen pursuant to G.L. c. 138, it shall be unlawful for the licensee to permit any person under the age of twenty-one (21) years to be seated at the bar at any time.

2. Posted Notice of Prohibition. In any such restaurant, club or other facility, one or more signs shall be prominently posted in such a manner as to be plainly visible to anyone seated at the bar, which sign(s) shall state that persons under the age of twenty-one (21) years may not sit at the bar.

3. Condition of License. The Board of Selectmen may include compliance with this bylaw as a condition of any liquor license for a licensee that operates a bar.

4. Enforcement. This bylaw shall be enforced by the Police Department. Any violation of this bylaw shall be punishable by a fine of three hundred dollars (\$300). In the case of a continuing violation of subsection (2), above, each day during which the violation continues shall be treated as a separate violation. Where compliance with this bylaw has been made a condition of a liquor license, such fines may be assessed notwithstanding that the Board of Selectmen takes action to suspend or revoke the offender's liquor license under G.L. c. 138, § 64.

or to take any other action in action in connection therewith.

**Submitted by BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

**ARTICLE 14.** To amend the Zoning Bylaws, Town of Lynnfield, by adding the following text to the end of Section 1.5 Amendments:

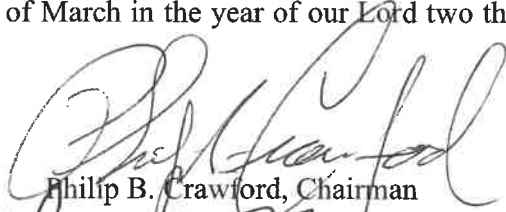
“Regardless of any provisions to the contrary any amendment, adoption, or change to the Zoning Bylaws, Town of Lynnfield, shall require a two-thirds vote of a Town Meeting.”

**Submitted by PETITION**

And you are further directed to serve this warrant, by posting up attested copies thereof, in at least six public places in said Town of Lynnfield, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

HEREOF FAIL NOT, and make due return of this Warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, at the time and place of meeting, or before hand as aforesaid.

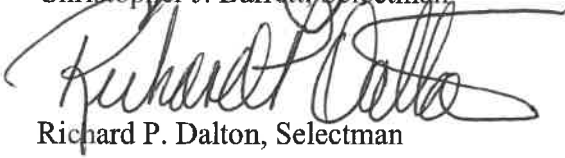
Given under our hands this 23rd day of March in the year of our Lord two thousand and twenty.



Philip B. Crawford, Chairman



Christopher J. Barrett, Selectman



Richard P. Dalton, Selectman



A true copy  
ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_, Constable

Date: April 3, 2020

Pursuant to the within Warrant, I have this day notified and warned the inhabitants of the Town of Lynnfield as herein directed by posting nine (9) attested copies of the Warrant in said Lynnfield seven (7) days before the time and calling of said election.

Paul Minsky  
Constable

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Paul Minsky", written over a horizontal line.

Posted at:  
Center Post Office  
Center Market  
Lynnfield Water District  
Library  
Pump 'n Pantry  
Senior Center  
South Post Office  
South Fire Station  
Town Hall