The meeting was called to order on April 9, 2019 at 7:20 pm by the Moderator who declared the presence of a 5% quorum, there being 352 qualified voters present. All considered articles were duly moved, seconded and voted upon. There was one floor amendment. At 10:50 pm the meeting was continued to April 10, 2019 at 7 pm.
The meeting was called to order on April 10, 2019 at 7:15 pm by the Moderator who declared the presence of a 5% quorum, there being 155 qualified voters present. All considered articles were duly moved, seconded and voted upon. There were eight floor amendments. At 10:15 pm the meeting was continued to April 30, 2019 directly following the Special Town Meeting.
The meeting was called to order on April 30, 2019 at 7:41 pm by the moderator who declared the presence of a 5% quorum, there being 182 qualified voters present. All considered articles were duly moved, seconded and voted upon with two articles being voted in reconsideration. There were two floor amendments. The meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm.

WEST TISBURY
COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

WARRANT FOR
ANNUAL 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 School**, Old County Road, in said Town on **Tuesday** the **Ninth day of April, Two Thousand Nineteen**, at **Seven O'Clock** in the evening; then and there to act on the articles of this Warrant.

And to meet again in the West Tisbury Public Safety Building (North Tisbury Fire Station) in said West Tisbury on **Thursday, the Eleventh Day of April, at Seven O'Clock in the Morning** at the Polling Place, then and there to act on Article 1 of the Warrant by the election of Officers on the Official Ballot.

The polls for voting on the Official Ballot will be **opened at Seven O'Clock in the Morning** and shall be closed **at Eight O'Clock in the Evening.**

ARTICLE 1: To elect the following Officers on the Official Ballot:

One Moderator for One Year
One Member of the Board of Selectmen for Three Years
One Member of the Board of Health for Three Years
One Member of the Board of Assessors for Three Years
One Town Clerk for One Year
One Tree Warden for One Year
One Member of the Finance Committee for One Year
Two Members of the Finance Committee for Three Years
Two Library Trustees for Three Years
One Member of the Planning Board for Five Years
One Member of Parks and Recreation for Three Years

PASSED **(RECOMMENDED 5-0)**

ARTICLE 2: To hear reports of the Town Officers and Committees and act thereon.
PASSED **(RECOMMENDED 5-0)**

ARTICLE 3: To see if the Town will vote to approve the following bylaw and take any other action relative thereto:

Plastic Water and Soft Drink Bottle Bylaw

Section 1: Findings and Purpose

Water and soda bottles made of plastic are hazardous to health, economy, and the environment. The purpose of this bylaw is to restrict the sale and distribution of such bottles.

For example:

1. Plastic bottle waste is overwhelming society's ability to manage it. Americans discard an estimated 30 million tons of plastic annually, with only 8 percent recycled.

2. Chemical components of plastic are detected in biological systems, including human beings. Exposure comes through food, water, and clothing, and has been associated with a range of health effects.

3. More than 8 million tons of plastic flows into our oceans annually, impacting wildlife and breaking down into smaller and smaller pieces, called micro-plastics.

4. Micro-plastics are found in the fish and shellfish we eat, and in the bottled water we drink.

5. Action is occurring worldwide to address this problem. Regionally, Nantucket and several MA towns have banned plastic water bottles.

6. Action on Martha's Vineyard includes placement of water bottle refill stations in every school and in public places. More are planned.

7. This Island community has an opportunity to provide leadership to reduce reliance on plastic. It is the right thing to do for the sake of our food, our water, our health, and our planet.

Section 2: Regulated Conduct

2.1 It shall be unlawful to sell or distribute (a) non-carbonated, unflavored water, and (b) soft drinks in plastic (including polyethylene terephthalate – PET) bottles of less than 34 ounces in the Town of West Tisbury. For the purposes of this bylaw, 'soft drink' means any beverage containing carbonated water, a sweetener (including fruit juice) and/or a flavoring.

2.2 Sales or distribution of drinking water in plastic bottles occurring subsequent to a declaration (by the Emergency Management Director or other duly authorized Town, County, Commonwealth or Federal official) of an emergency affecting the availability and/or quality of drinking water to residents of the Town shall be exempt from this bylaw until seven days after the declaration has ended.

Section 3: Enforcement Process and Violations

3.1 Enforcement of this bylaw shall be the responsibility of the Board of Health or its designee(s). The Board of Health shall determine the inspection process and shall incorporate the process into other Town duties as appropriate.
3.2 Any person, individually or by his servant or agent, who violates any provision of this bylaw may be penalized by a non-criminal disposition pursuant to G.L. Chapter 40, Section 21D and the Town's non-criminal disposition bylaw. The following penalties apply:

- first violation: written warning
- second violation: $50 fine
- third and subsequent violations: $100 fine

Each day the violation continues constitutes a separate violation.

Section 4. Suspension of the Bylaw

4.1 If the Board of Health determines that the cost of implementing and enforcing this bylaw has become unreasonable, the Board of Health shall so advise the Board of Selectmen, and the Board of Selectmen shall conduct a Public Hearing to inform the citizens of such costs. Subsequent to the Public Hearing, the Board of Selectmen may continue this bylaw in force or may suspend it permanently or for such length of time as the Board of Selectmen may determine.

Section 5: Effective Date

5.1 This bylaw takes effect on January 1, 2020 **(RECOMMENDED 5-0)**
PASSED UNANIMOUSLY AS AMENDED
Effective date: May 1, 2020.

ARTICLE 4: To see if the Town will vote to Raise and Appropriate such sums of money as may be necessary to defray Town Charges and Expenses for Fiscal Year 2020. (see the Budget published in the Town Report) **(RECOMMENDED 5-0)**
PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

ARTICLE 5: To see if the Town will vote to amend the Personnel By-law at Sections 27.3 and 27.4 (Pay Schedule Year Round and Seasonal) to reflect a wage adjustment of 2.3% effective July 1, 2019. **(RECOMMENDED 5-0)**
PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

ARTICLE 6: To see if the Town will vote to Raise and Appropriate the sum of Fifty Thousand Dollars ($50,000) for repairs and upgrades to Town buildings as prioritized by the Facilities Maintenance Committee and the Board of Selectmen. **(RECOMMENDED 5-0)**
PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

ARTICLE 7: To see if the Town of West Tisbury will vote to Raise and Appropriate the sum of Thirty Two Thousand Four Hundred Eighty-Four Dollars and Twenty-One Cents ($32,484.21) of the Town's proportionate share of the fiscal year 2020 maintenance cost of the State-funded development and upgrades of the Dukes County Regional Emergency Communication Center and Radio System ("RECC"), such share based on the apportionment formula equal to an average of 16.67% fixed share of Island-wide maintenance costs of $237,313.11 plus 10.71% variable share of such costs based on dispatch volume, for the total share of 13.69%, with the corresponding Fiscal Advisory Committee representation; and to authorize the Selectmen to negotiate and execute a Cooperative Agreement with Dukes County Sheriff's Office for annual payment of such costs. The funding is contingent on all Island Towns paying for such maintenance costs in FY20 according to their agreed upon proportionate shares and the creation of an Inter-Governmental Agreement, mutually acceptable to the Towns and the Sheriff, to address the governance of the RECC.
(RECOMMENDED 5-0)
PASSED

ARTICLE 8: To see if the Town will vote to amend Section 27.1 the Personnel Bylaw to make the following changes to the Year Round Town Classification Plan.

Add Shellfish Agent at Grade 3
Delete the Reference and Technology Librarian at Grade 3 and move it to Grade 4.
Delete the Treasurer at Grade 8

The amended text appearing in **Bold:**

I27. 0 <u>Classification and Compensation Plans (November 17, 2015 Revised April 10, 2018 and effective immediately)</u>

27.1 Year Round Classification Plan

GRADE 1 Circulation Assistant

	Substitute Circulation Assistant (4/10/18)
	Custodian
	Kitchen Manager
GRADE 2	Administrative Clerk
	Building Maintenance Worker
GRADE 3	Administrative Assistant
	Assistant Animal Control Officer
	~~**Reference and Technology Librarian**~~
	Programming Coordinator/Administrative Assistant (4/12/16)
	Highway Department Laborer (4/10/18)
	Shellfish Agent
GRADE 4	Associate Assessor/Data Collector
	Assistant Librarian/Children's Librarian/Youth Librarian
	Executive Assistant
	Outreach Coordinator
	Animal Control Officer (4/10/18)
	Reference and Technology Librarian
GRADE 5	Head of Circulation/Assistant Library Director (4/12/16)
	Highway Department Foreman (4/10/18)
	Assistant Treasurer/Collector (4/10/18)
GRADE 6	Board Administrator
	Local Building Inspector
	Patrol Officer
GRADE 7	Council on Aging Director
	Health Agent
	Library Director
GRADE 8	Inspector of Buildings/Zoning Enforcement Officer
	Police Sergeant
	Principal Assessor
	Town Accountant
	~~**Treasurer**~~
GRADE 9	Police Lieutenant
	Treasurer/Collector
GRADE 10	Town Administrator
GRADE 11	None

(RECOMMENDED 5-0)
PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

ARTICLE 9: To see if the Town will vote to Appropriate from Free Cash the sum of Eight Thousand Dollars ($8,000) to employ a Shellfish Agent for the Shellfish Department for the remainder of the current fiscal year ending June 30, 2019. **(RECOMMENDED 5-0)**
PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

ARTICLE 10: To see if the Town will vote to Appropriate the sum of Eighteen Thousand Six Hundred Seventy Five Dollars ($18,675) from the Reserved for Appropriation funds received from the County of Dukes County for the purpose to promote tourism and economic development to be expended by the West Tisbury Shellfish Department for start-up equipment and supplies to include, but not limited to, a storage container or shed, a hoisting winch, cages, ropes, buoys, shackles, markers and protective clothing.
(RECOMMENDED 5-0)
PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

ARTICLE 11: To see if the Town will vote to Raise and Appropriate the sum of Thirty Thousand Dollars ($30,000) to put towards the purchase and equipping of one all-wheel drive police cruiser in FY 2021 and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to dispose of a 2012 Ford Crown Victoria in the best interest of the Town at that time. In the event of unforeseen major repairs to the 2012 Ford Crown Victoria a portion of the $30,000 may be used towards those repairs. **(RECOMMENDED 5-0)**
PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

ARTICLE 12: To see if the Town will vote to Appropriate from the Sale of Cemetery Lots the sum of Five Thousand Dollars ($5,000) for the purpose of repairing headstones in the Town cemeteries. **(RECOMMENDED 5-0)**
PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

ARTICLE 13: To see if the Town will vote to Raise and Appropriate the sum of Sixty Thousand Dollars ($60,000) for the purpose of procuring a new phone system for all municipal buildings. The total cost of the project is expected to be $120,000, and there will be a second request for the remaining funds next year. **(RECOMMENDED 5-0)**
PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

ARTICLE 14: To see if the Town will vote to Appropriate from Free Cash the sum of Two Thousand Seven Hundred Dollars ($2,700) for the purpose of funding the Town picnic.
(RECOMMENDED 5-0)
PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

ARTICLE 15: To see if the Town will vote to Raise and Appropriate the sum of Nine Thousand Nine Hundred Ninety-Five Dollars ($9,995) to fund the Town of West Tisbury's share of the expenses of the All Island School Committee's contract for Adult and Community Education in Fiscal Year 2020. **(NOT RECOMMENDED 3-2)**
PASSED UNANIMOUSLY AS AMENDED

Add: 'Provided it does not exceed 14.28% of the total monies appropriated by all six (6) island towns to a maximum of Nine Thousand Nine Hundred Ninety-Five dollars ($9,995).

ARTICLE 16: To see if the Town will vote to Raise and Appropriate the sum of Twenty Two Thousand Dollars ($22,000) for the purpose of purchasing an all-wheel drive vehicle for use by Town departments. **(RECOMMENDED 5-0)**
PASSED

ARTICLE 17: To see if the Town will vote to Raise and Appropriate the sum of One Hundred Thirty-Eight Thousand One Hundred Thirty-Eight Dollars and Eighty-Three Cents ($138,138.83) to be paid to the Martha's Vineyard Regional School District to fund the Town's share of feasibility study and schematic design work in connection with possible new construction of and/or renovations to the high school located at 100 Edgartown – Vineyard Haven Road, Oak Bluffs, Massachusetts, such feasibility study and schematic design work to include, but not be limited to, the hiring of architects, engineers, and an owner's project manager; such sum is to be in addition to the sums paid by the Town pursuant to the Regional High School Assessments under the FY2019 and FY2020 budgets for the School District; and such sum to be expended under the direction of the School Committee for the District; or to take any other action relative thereto. **(RECOMMENDED 4-1)**
PASSED

ARTICLE 18: To see if the Town will vote to Raise and Appropriate the sum of Twenty-Four Thousand Dollars, ($24,000) to be used by the Board of Assessors for the valuation update of real and personal property to meet the certification of values as required by Massachusetts state law. **(RECOMMENDED 5-0)**
PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

ARTICLE 19: Vote to amend the Town Bylaw governing Town Meeting Dates to read as follows, the amended text appearing in **Bold Print**, and deleted text appearing ~~struck through~~.

~~Annual~~ Town Meeting Date**s**

The Annual Town Meeting shall be held on the second ~~Tuesday~~ **Saturday** of April, at **10 AM at** such ~~time and~~ place as the Selectmen shall determine. **In the event the 2nd Saturday in April coincides with a significant holiday, the Selectmen may elect to reschedule that Meeting to 10 AM of a later Saturday by posting appropriate notice.** At the Annual Town Meeting ~~on said second Tuesday of April,'~~ articles of the Warrant shall be acted upon, except that article which provides for the election of Town Officers as provided by law. On the Thursday following the **scheduled Annual Town Meeting** ~~second Tuesday of April~~ there shall be an election of Town Officers by official ballot, the polls to be opened and closed at such times as the Selectmen shall determine consistent with the statute in such case made and provided.

All articles or subjects to be acted upon at the Annual Town Meeting to be held on the second ~~Tuesday~~ **Saturday** of April shall be filed with the Selectmen on or before the first Tuesday in February proceeding said second **Saturday** ~~Tuesday~~ of April when the warrant shall be

closed. **No rescheduling of the Annual Town Meeting shall effect the filing date for articles and subjects, or the closing date of the Warrant.** All warrants for the Town Meeting shall be published in two newspapers of general circulation or posted in three or more conspicuous places in town at least seven days before the date of meeting called.

No adjournment of the Meeting held on the second ~~Tuesday~~ **Saturday** of April **or its rescheduled date** shall affect the election of Officers to be held the following Thursday. (See Acts of 1959, Ch. 64.) **(BY PETITION, RECOMMENDED 4-1)**
FAILED

ARTICLE 20: To see if the Town will vote to accept Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 64G Section 3A to impose a local room excise at the rate of 6% percent.
(RECOMMENDED 5-0)
PASSED

ARTICLE 21: To see if the Town will vote to accept the fourth paragraph of Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 40, Section 5B, which allows the dedication, without further appropriation, of all, or a percentage not less than 25 percent, of a particular fee, charge or other receipt to any stabilization fund established pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 40, Section 5B, to be effective for the fiscal year beginning on July 1, 2019, or take any other action relative thereto. **(RECOMMENDED 3-1-1)**
PASSED

ARTICLE 22: To see if the Town will vote to dedicate 30 percent (30%) of the local room excise funds received under Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 64G, Section 3A to the Road Construction and Paving Stabilization Fund established under Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 40, Section 5B, effective for fiscal year 2020 beginning on July 1, 2019 or take any other action relative thereto. **(REQUIRES A 2/3 VOTE, NOT RECOMMENDED 4-1)**
FAILED YES 3 NO 253

ARTICLE 23: To see if the Town will vote to dedicate 30 percent (30%) of the local room excise funds received under Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 64G, Section 3A to the Municipal Vehicle Stabilization Fund established under Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 40, Section 5B, effective for fiscal year 2020 beginning on July 1, 2019 or take any other action relative thereto. **(REQUIRES A 2/3 VOTE, NOT RECOMMENDED 4-1)**
MOTION TO POSTPONE INDEFINITELY PASSED

ARTICLE 24: Martha's Vineyard Housing Bank

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to petition the General Court, in compliance with Clause (1), Section 8 of Article LXXXXIX of the Amendments of the Constitution, to the end that legislation be adopted precisely as follows. The General Court may make clerical or editorial changes of form only to the bill, unless the Board of Selectmen approves amendments to the bill before enactment by the General Court. The Board of Selectmen is hereby authorized to approve amendments that shall be within the scope of the general public objectives of this petition.

AN ACT CREATING THE MARTHA'S VINEYARD HOUSING BANK

Chapter ___ of the Acts of ____

Section 1.	There is hereby established a Martha's Vineyard Housing Bank (the "Housing Bank"), the purpose of which shall be to provide for the preservation and creation of year-round housing on the Island of Martha's Vineyard. The Housing Bank is hereby constituted a body politic and corporate and a public instrumentality and the exercise of the powers herein conferred upon the Housing Bank shall be deemed to be the performance of an essential governmental function.
Section 2.	The Housing Bank shall be administered by a Housing Bank Commission consisting of seven (7) persons. 2.1 Membership: There shall be one (1) person who is a legal resident of each of the towns of Aquinnah, Chilmark, Edgartown, Oak Bluffs, Tisbury and West Tisbury, each person to be elected to a 3-year term, in the same manner as other elected town officials. The initial terms, drawn by lot by the initial six (6) appointed members, shall be staggered so that two (2) members are elected each year, following the initial election of members, and each of the six (6) town boards of selectmen shall, respectively, appoint the initial six (6) members to serve from the effective date of this act until the first elections of the regular members at each town's regular or special town election after the effective date of this act. One (1) member shall be appointed to a 3-year term by the Dukes County Regional Housing Authority. 2.2 Vacancies: Should a vacancy occur during the term of the elected town commissioner, the town's Municipal Housing Trust ("MHT") and the board of selectmen shall jointly appoint an interim member to serve until the next scheduled town election. 2.3 Administration: Members shall serve without compensation. The initial appointed members shall adopt temporary rules and regulations to the extent necessary to conduct business until the regular members are elected. The Housing Bank Commission shall elect from among its regular members a chairman and a vice chairman and a secretary and a treasurer who may be the same person. The members of the Housing Bank Commission shall adopt, after holding a public hearing and after requesting recommendations from the Board of Selectmen of the six member towns that comprise the commission, rules and regulations for conducting its internal affairs and procedural guidelines for carrying out its responsibilities under this act. 2.4 Quorum: A quorum shall be four (4) or more members. Decisions

	of the Housing Bank Commission shall be by majority vote at a meeting where a quorum is present. The Housing Bank Commission shall make rules regarding attendance. The Housing Bank Commission shall keep accurate records of its meetings and actions and shall file an annual report that shall be distributed with the annual report of each member town. 2.5 Conflict of interest: When members of the Housing Bank Commission hold other public offices and have to act in dual public positions, no conflict of interest shall be assumed in as much as both positions are serving the public interest and no compensation is received. However, if a Housing Bank Commission member or an MHT member also represents an organization that may benefit from a project being considered for a grant from the Housing Bank Commission, the member must declare a possible conflict of interest and shall not participate in the consideration and action on that grant application.
Section 3.	Each Town's MHT shall assist the Housing Bank Commission in reviewing projects in their respective towns.
Section 4.	The Housing Bank Commission shall, subject to this act, have the power and authority to: accept and receive real property, personal property or money, by gift, grant, contribution, devise or transfer from any person, firm, corporation or other public or private entity, including but not limited to money, grants of funds or other property tendered to the Housing Bank in connection with any ordinance or bylaw or any general or special law or any other source, including money from Chapter 44B, provided, however that any such money received pursuant to Chapter 44B shall be used exclusively for community housing and shall remain subject to all rules, regulations and limitations of that chapter; purchase and retain real or personal property, including without restriction investments that yield a high rate of income or no income; sell, lease, exchange, transfer or convey any personal, mixed, or real property at public auction or by private contract for such consideration and on such terms as to credit or otherwise, and to make such contracts and enter into such undertaking relative to Housing Bank property as the Housing Bank Commission deems advisable notwithstanding the length of any such lease or contract; execute, acknowledge and deliver deeds, assignments, transfers, pledges, leases, covenants, contracts, promissory notes, releases and other instruments sealed or unsealed, necessary, proper or incident to any

	transaction in which the Housing Bank Commission engages for the accomplishment of the purposes of the Housing Bank; employ regular staff, advisors and agents, such as accountants, appraisers and lawyers, as the Housing Commission deems necessary; purchase and retain and/or lease real property for the Housing Bank's internal administrative purposes and to dispose of same as and when the Housing Commission deems advisable. pay reasonable compensation and expenses to all employees, advisors and agents and to apportion such compensation between income and principal as the Housing Commission deems advisable; apportion receipts and charges between income and principal as the Housing Commission deems advisable, to amortize premiums and establish sinking funds for such purpose, and to create reserves for depreciation, depletion or otherwise; participate in any reorganization, recapitalization, merger or similar transactions; and to give proxies or powers of attorney with or without power of substitution to vote any securities or certificates of interest; and to consent to any contract, lease, mortgage, purchase or sale of property, by or between any corporation and any other corporation or person; deposit any security with any protective reorganization committee, and to delegate to such committee such powers and authority with relation thereto as the Housing Commission may deem proper and to pay, out of Housing Bank property, such portion of expenses and compensation of such committee as the Housing Commission may deem necessary and appropriate; carry property for accounting purposes other than acquisition date values; borrow money on such terms and conditions and from such sources as the Housing Commission deems advisable, to mortgage and pledge Housing Bank assets as collateral; make distributions or divisions of principal in kind; comprise, attribute, defend, enforce, release, settle or otherwise adjust claims in favor or against the Housing Bank, including claims for taxes, and to accept any property, either in total or partial satisfaction of any indebtedness or other obligation, and subject to the provisions of this act, to continue to hold the same for such period of time as the Housing

	Commission may deem appropriate; hold all or part of the Housing Bank property uninvested for such purposes and for such time as the Housing Commission may deem appropriate; extend the time for payment of any obligation to the Housing Bank; and adopt such regulations and procedures as it deems necessary or appropriate to provide funding for the implementation of any and all programs cited in section 4A of this act.
Section 4A.	The Housing Bank may provide funding as described in this Act. Upon applications from non-profit and for-profit corporations and organizations and public entities in a competitive process which will include public notice of funding availability, and in a form prescribed by the Housing Bank, funding in the form of grants, loans, loan guarantees, lines of credit, interest subsidies, rental assistance or any other means determined to further the goals of the Housing Bank for eligible housing activities might be provided. Eligible activities shall include, but not be limited to, the following: Purchase and rehabilitation of existing structures for rental or home ownership; Construction of rental or home ownership housing and necessary infrastructure; Purchase of land, and any and all improvements including infrastructure and easements to be used for qualified housing; Down payment assistance, grants and soft second loans; Rental assistance programs; Modernization and capital improvements of existing rental and ownership housing; Housing counseling, predevelopment costs and technical assistance associated with creating housing projects and programs.
Section 4B.	Each member town is hereby authorized to appropriate money to be deposited in the Fund as provided in section 6.
Section 4C.	The Housing Bank is authorized to issue bonds and notes to further the purposes of the Housing Bank but only if the issuance of these bonds or notes has been approved by a majority of the Trustees of all member towns' MHTs.
Section 4D.	The Housing Bank and all its revenues and income used solely by the Housing Bank in furtherance of its public purposes shall be exempt from taxation and from betterments and special assessments, and the Housing

	Bank shall not be required to pay any tax, excise or assessment to or for the commonwealth or any of its political subdivisions.
Section 5.	All housing units created through funding by the Housing Bank under this act shall be deed restricted in perpetuity for the use approved for funding by the Housing Bank Commission.
Section 6.	The Housing Bank Commission shall meet its financial obligations by drawing upon a fund to be set up as a revolving or sinking account of the Housing Bank Commission (the "Fund"). Deposits into the Fund shall include (a) funds appropriated, borrowed or transferred to be deposited into the Fund by vote of the county commissioners of the county of Dukes County or of town meetings of the towns represented in the Housing Bank Commission; (b) voluntary contributions of money and other liquid assets to the Fund; (c) grants of funds tendered to the Housing Bank by each member town in connection with any ordinance or bylaw or any general or special law or any other source, including without limitation state and/or federal grants. All expenses lawfully incurred by the Housing Bank Commission in carrying out this act shall be evidenced by proper vouchers and shall be paid by the treasurer of the Housing Bank Commission only upon submission of warrants duly approved by the Housing Bank Commission. The Housing Bank Commission treasurer shall prudently invest available assets of the Fund in accordance with the regulations and procedures adopted by the Housing Bank Commission under sections 2.3 and 4(q), and all income from its investments shall accrue to the Fund.
Section 6A.	Money from the Fund may be expended by the Housing Bank Commission, subject to approval of a majority of the Trustees of the MHT of the town in which a project is located. In cases of regional housing projects, money from the Fund may be expended subject the permission of a majority of the Trustees of the MHTs of each town in which the project is located.
Section 7.	The Housing Bank Commission shall keep a full and accurate account of its actions including a record as to when, from or to whom, and on what account money has been paid or received under this act. These records or accounts shall be subject to examination by the director of accounts or the director's agent pursuant to section 45 of chapter 35 of the General Laws.
Section 8.	This act, being necessary for the welfare of the member towns and the island of Martha's Vineyard and their inhabitants, shall be liberally construed to effect its purposes.
Section 9.	Acceptance of this act, by each of the towns of Aquinnah, Chilmark,

	Edgartown, Oak Bluffs, Tisbury and West Tisbury shall be by the affirmative vote of a majority of the voters at any regular or special town election at which the question of acceptance has been placed on the ballot. This act shall become effective on the date on which acceptance by no fewer than three (3) towns has been effected. Additional towns may elect to participate in the Housing Bank after the effective date of this act by affirmative vote of a majority of the voters at any regular or special town election at which the question of acceptance has been placed on the ballot.

Section 10.	Any time after five (5) years from the date on which a town votes to accept this act in accordance with Section 9, any town that is a member of the Housing Bank may withdraw from it by the affirmative vote of a majority of the voters at any regular or special town election. A town that has withdrawn remains liable for any obligations prior to withdrawal. A town that has withdrawn may renew its membership by the affirmative vote of a majority of the voters at any regular or special town election at which the question of acceptance has been placed on the ballot. If the Housing Bank is reduced to fewer than three (3) member towns, the Housing Bank shall be dissolved. Upon dissolution of the Housing Bank, title to all funds and other properties held by the Housing Bank shall vest in the towns of the Island of Martha's Vineyard as herein provided after provision is made for payment of all bonds, notes and other obligations of the Housing Bank.

(BY PETITION, RECOMMENDED 3-2)

PASSED on April 9, 2019
ATM continuation on April 30, 2019; a motion to rescind the vote PASSED
A motion was made 'To see if the town will vote to refer the issue to a committee composed of the Board of Selectmen and Affordable Housing Committee, or their designees, to engage in discussions and negotiations with the Dukes County Regional Housing Authority and the other Island towns to develop a proposed Home Rule Petition in support of the formation of a Martha's Vineyard Housing Bank and to report back to a special or annual town meeting and seek approval prior to submitting any such Home Rule Petition to the Legislature.'
PASSED

ARTICLE 25: Martha's Vineyard Housing Bank
To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to petition the General Court for a Special Act substantially in the form set forth below, provided that the General Court may make clerical or editorial amendments to the form of said proposed Special Act, and provided further that the Selectmen shall have the authority to approve and accept any such amendments that shall be within the scope of the objectives of this petition.

An Act providing funding for the Martha's Vineyard Housing Bank
Chapter __ of the Acts of ___

Section 1
The Town of West Tisbury has elected to impose a local excise tax upon the transfer of occupancy of a room in a short-term rental, as authorized by Section 3A of Chapter 64G of the General Laws and as further set forth in Section 6 of Chapter 337 of the 2018 Acts of Massachusetts. The Town has elected to impose said tax at the rate of __ (__%) percent of the total amount of rent for each such occupancy.

Section 2
The Martha's Vineyard Housing Bank is a body politic and corporate, established under Chapter ___ of the Acts of 20__. Said Housing Bank is established under said Act for the sole purpose of the preservation and creation of year-round housing on the island of Martha's Vineyard, in the County of Dukes, as may be further defined in such Act and the regulations promulgated thereunder. Under Section 4B of said Act, the Town is empowered to appropriate funds for the benefit of said Housing Bank.

Section 3
Fifty (50%) percent of the total amount of tax collected by the Town of West Tisbury under G.L. c. 64, as aforesaid, shall be appropriated and transferred to the Martha's Vineyard Housing Bank, such funds to be restricted for use by the Housing Bank for the preservation and creation of year-round housing on the island of Martha's Vineyard.

Section 4
This Act shall take effect upon both the effectiveness of the Town's election under G.L. c. 64G as aforesaid and the passage of the aforementioned Act creating the Martha's Vineyard Housing Bank. **(BY PETITION, RECOMMENDED 3-2)**
MOTION TO POSTPONE INDEFINITELY PASSED

ARTICLE 26: To see if the Town will vote to Raise and Appropriate the sum of Seven Thousand Four Hundred Ninety-Two Dollars ($7,492) to pay the Town's share of the County's contract for Dukes County Social Services. **(RECOMMENDED 4-1)**
PASSED

ARTICLE 27: To see if the Town will vote to Raise and Appropriate the sum of Four Thousand Four Hundred Ninety-Five Dollars ($4,495) to pay the Town's share of the County's contract for Substance Use Disorder Prevention Programs on Martha's Vineyard. **(RECOMMENDED 4-1)**
PASSED

ARTICLE 28: To see if the Town will vote to Raise and Appropriate the sum of Eleven Thousand Nine Hundred Eighty-Seven Dollars ($11,987) to pay the Town's share of the County's contract for the CORE program, a collaborative program of the Councils on Aging

and MV Community Services, to provide coordinated counseling, outreach, and referral services to residents 55 years and older. **(RECOMMENDED 4-1)**
PASSED AS AMENDED: Reduce amount to $11,416 and add the line; 'These funds shall not be used to pay an administrative fee to the county'.

ARTICLE 29: To see if the Town will vote to Raise and Appropriate the sum of Four Thousand Six Hundred Ninety Dollars ($4,690) to pay the Town's share of the County's contract for the First Stop Information and Referral Service for Island residents of all ages and their families. **(RECOMMENDED 4-1)**
PASSED AS AMENDED: Reduce amount to $4,467 and add the line; 'These funds shall not be used to pay an administrative fee to the county'.

ARTICLE 30: To see if the Town will vote to Raise and Appropriate the sum of Ten Thousand Two Hundred Fifty-Six Dollars ($10,256) to pay the Town's share of the County's contract to support the planning, community building and advocacy work of Healthy Aging Martha's Vineyard for all Island elders. **(RECOMMENDED 4-1)**
PASSED AS AMENDED: Reduce amount to $9,767 and add the line; 'These funds shall not be used to pay an administrative fee to the county'.

ARTICLE 31: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the expenditure in Fiscal Year 2020 from revolving funds previously established by vote of the Town under M.G.L. c.44, §53E1/2 not to exceed the following spending limits respectively:

FUND	REVENUE SOURCE	AUTHORITY TO SPEND FUNDS	USE OF FUNDS	SPENDING LIMITS
Wetlands Protection Bylaw Fund	Conservation Commission By-law Filing Fees	Conservation Commission	To pay for expenses of the Commission related to the administration of the Bylaw	$2,000
Refuse District Local Drop-off Fund	Fees collected at local drop-off by MVRDRRD	Board of Health	Expenses related to operation of the Local Drop-off	$125,000

(RECOMMENDED 5-0)
PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

ARTICLE 32: To see if the Town will vote to Raise and Appropriate the sum of Twenty Thousand Dollars ($20,000) to transfer to the Retired/Separating Employees Compensated Absences Reserve Fund as provided for by M.G.L. c. 40, §13D. **(RECOMMENDED 5-0)**
PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

ARTICLE 33: To see if the Town will vote to Raise and Appropriate the sum of Twelve Thousand Four Hundred Fifty Dollars ($12,450) to fund the County Other Post-Employment Benefits provided all seven (7) towns vote in the affirmative. **(RECOMMENDED 5-0)**
PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

ARTICLE 34: To see if the Town will vote to Raise and Appropriate the sum of Twenty Eight Thousand Four Hundred Ninety-Six Dollars and Eighty-Eight Cents ($28,496.88) to pay the Town's assessed share of the County of Dukes County debt authorized by Chapter 287 of the Acts of 2014 for a building to provide health and human services for county residents. **(RECOMMENDED 5-0)**
PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

ARTICLE 35: To see if the Town will vote to Appropriate from Free Cash the sum of Eight Thousand Dollars ($8,000) to employ a highway laborer for the Highway Department for the remainder of the current fiscal year ending June 30, 2019. **(RECOMMENDED 5-0)**
PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

ARTICLE 36: To see if the Town will vote to Appropriate from Free Cash the sum of Eighteen Thousand Dollars ($18,000) to hire a consultant to conduct a Classification Plan and Compensation Plan Study, in consultation with the Personnel Board.
(RECOMMENDED 5-0)
PASSED

ARTICLE 37: To see if the Town will vote to Appropriate from Free Cash the amount of Twenty Three Thousand Five Hundred Dollars ($23,500) for the purchase, licensing, training and data conversion for new permitting software. **(RECOMMENDED 5-0)**
PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

ARTICLE 38: To see if the Town will vote to Appropriate from Free Cash the sum of Five Thousand Dollars ($5,000) for the purpose of creating wheelchair access on the path beside the road in the North Tisbury Business District. **(RECOMMENDED 5-0)**
PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

ARTICLE 39: To see if the Town will vote to Raise and Appropriate the sum of seven thousand dollars ($7,000.00) to be used by Elections/Board of Registrars to purchase a new Accu-vote tabulating system. **(RECOMMENDED 5-0)**

PASSED AS AMENDED
Replace 'Accu-vote' with ImageCast Precinct Tabulator

ARTICLE 40: To see if the Town will vote to amend Section 8.4-4 L of the West Tisbury Zoning Bylaw by striking a typographical error and adding the language in bold print:

Temporary off-premises signs for events licensed by the Board of Selectmen, provided that such signs are not displayed for more than three days unless the Board of Selectmen specifically authorize a ~~*larger sign*~~ **longer period of time.**

(2/3 VOTE REQUIRED, RECOMMENDED 5-0)

PASSED YES 162 NO 0

ARTICLE 41: To see if the Town will vote to recodify and reorganize Section 6.2-4, Special Ways, of the zoning bylaw, as set forth below. This article adds, deletes, or revises only the substantive text shown below. (Additions are shown in italics and deletions are shown by strikethroughs.) The article does not add or remove any Special Ways. In summary, the article: adds introductory language clarifying that Special Ways are not necessarily open to the public; puts all the regulations in one place in a well-organized list; clarifies that, if some Special Ways are already traveled by vehicle prior to designation, then that prior use may continue; clarifies that the Planning Board may issue a special permit for some changes to a Special Way; and removes a section relating to Special Places that should be in Section 6.3 governing special places.

6.2-4 Special Ways ~~Zone~~

A. Special Ways Definition and Purpose:

The Special Ways designation protects old cart paths and trails that are cultural and historic links to the community's past, recreational resources for the enjoyment of the outdoors, a conservation resource to accommodate and promote non-motorized forms of travel, links to other trails and roads, and spaces of quiet beauty. The goal of the regulation is to preserve the character of the old ways, retain the abutting landscape, and prevent the injurious effects that would accompany development of the Ways as a primary vehicular route.

Special Ways are often old roads which have been abandoned or used infrequently. They are usually unimproved, rustic and narrow, and generally have very little or no vehicular traffic. The oldest Special Ways are among the last vestiges of the travel network of the past. They may provide archeological resources or means for retracing historic accounts of the development of West Tisbury.

Special Ways vary in terms of their present and potential recreational and vehicular use. They may provide or allow for public access or they may be private. Determination of whether the public has the right to use a Special Way often involves complex legal principles but such a determination is not necessary for an old way to be designated a Special Way.

The Special Ways Zone includes the path or road and adjacent land within 20 feet of either side of the centerline.

Special Ways are designated after a process involving a public hearing, approval of the Martha's Vineyard Commission, and a 2/3 vote of Town Meeting.

~~A.~~ Designated Special Ways . . . .

B. Uses Permitted:

Any residential, recreational, agricultural or open space use permitted in the respective zoning district, subject to the regulations ~~and restrictions~~ of Section 6.2-4 ~~Subsection 6.2-3(D) and Section 6.2-5~~, provided that the development does not result in direct vehicular access to the Special Way.

~~C. Uses Requiring Special Permit from the Planning Board:~~

~~Criteria for granting a special permit shall include whether the development will create conflicts with present or future use of the Special Way.~~

~~1. Any uses permitted by Special Permit in the respective zoning district, subject to the regulations and restrictions of Sections 6.2-4(D) and 6.2-5.~~

~~2. Alteration of a Special Way to exceed a width of twelve feet, if first approved by the Martha's Vineyard Commission.~~

~~3. Where direct vehicular access is not allowed on the Special Way, vehicles may cross such a way by a proposed dirt, paved, or otherwise improved roadway at or nearly at right angles but may not travel along the way for any distance to gain access to a development. Consideration of such proposed crossings shall include deliberation of appropriate means to draw attention to the crossing for people's safety, including the surface composition of the crossing.~~

~~4. Other development, uses or structures for which the imposition of regulations would otherwise deprive a landowner of all other reasonable uses, or may be demonstrated by a landowner to be unreasonable.~~

C~~D~~. Regulations:

~~1. Any development, other than for historical preservation, shall be prohibited within forty feet of a Special Place of historic value as listed on the Special Places Register of the Martha's Vineyard Commission.~~

1~~2~~. Development and use within a Special Way Zone shall not block or prevent non-motorized means of travel such as walking, horseback riding, and bicycling along a Special Way.

2~~3~~. There shall be no alteration of the width or surface materials of a Special Way. This provision is not intended to prevent routine maintenance and repair of Special Ways.

3~~7~~. No Special Way shall be paved with any impervious material, *such as bituminous concrete or asphalt*, except for segments that may be approved for crossing over a Special Way.

4. There shall be no removal of existing vegetation within a Special Way Zone other than to keep the Special Way clear of debris and overgrown vegetation, except as permitted as part of a Special Permit ~~issued under 6.2-4.C~~ or where the width of a Special Way Zone extends beyond a pre-existing fence or beyond where a fence may be allowed. ~~under 6.2-4.D.6.~~

5. No stone wall shall be moved, removed or otherwise altered except for repair, except by Special Permit from the Planning Board.

6~~5~~. Fences, walls, structures, excavations, fill or obstructions shall be made, erected, placed or constructed within the Special Way Zone *only by Special Permit from the Planning Board,* except for gates, bars or stiles designed to regulate passage for non-vehicular travel or for vehicular travel *where allowed* ~~where vehicular rights of way exist~~. *However, pre-existing, non-conforming constructions and clearings may be maintained, but may not be expanded.*

Fences exception: Where the Special Way lies within any part of a building lot that is less than one acre in area, fences may be erected within the Special Way as follows:

● Fence must be at least 50% transparent (such as picket fence or split-rail fence).

● If fence height is under 4 feet, the fence must be at least 5 feet from the center line or 1 foot outside the top edge of the physical embankment alongside the Special Way, whichever is greater.

● If fence height is 4 to 6 feet, the fence must be at least 10 feet from the center line.

7~~8~~. *Relocation of a portion of a Special Way may be approved by the Planning Board by Special Permit, after holding a public hearing and finding that the relocation would: preserve the continuity of the Way, create new trail connections, provide increased public trail access, improve safety, or otherwise enhance the Way. Relocation may be considered for the purpose of aligning Ways with property lines. However it is beyond the jurisdiction of the Planning Board to either grant or extinguish public or private rights-of-way by such action.*

(Non-textual note: this section has been slightly re-worded but is almost identical to prior text.)

8. Where direct vehicular access is not allowed on the Special Way, vehicles may cross such a way by a proposed dirt, paved or otherwise improved roadway at, or nearly at, right angles. Vehicles may not use this provision to travel along the Way for any distance to gain access to a property. Consideration of such proposed crossings shall include appropriate means to draw attention to the crossing for people's safety. Proposed crossings must be reviewed and permitted by the Planning Board by Special Permit.

(Non-textual note: this section has been slightly re-worded but is almost identical to existing Section 6.2-4(C)(3).)

D. Special Ways Regulations Relating to Vehicular Use:

1. Vehicular use is permitted by right if the Way was so used prior to acceptance of a Special Way nomination by the Martha's Vineyard Commission. The nature and extent of pre-existing vehicular use may not be increased without a Special Permit from the Planning Board.

2. In planning development along a Special Way resulting in increased vehicular use of the Way, every effort must be made to minimize the length of the Special Way travelled by vehicles, for example through driveway placement.

3. Development or subdivision of land along a Special Way may not use the Special Way for new access if alternative access is reasonably available.

4. Criteria to be used by the Planning Board in review of Special Permit applications for new or increased vehicular use:

a. A landowner wishes to develop or sub-divide his land and no other access is reasonably available. In this case, the access points must be located as close as possible to the end of the Way nearest a road or as close as possible to the nearest portion of the Way already traveled by vehicle.

b. In the case of sub-division of the property, a single access driveway or road onto the Special Way is preferred.

E. Additional Consideration:

1. The Planning Board may grant a Special Permit for other development, uses or structures for which the imposition of regulations would otherwise deprive the landowner of all other reasonable uses. **(REQUIRES A 2/3 VOTE, RECOMMENDED 4-0-1)**
PASSED YES 162 NO 0

ARTICLE 42: To see if the Town will vote to amend Zoning Bylaw Section 8.5-4 Swimming Pools by deleting ~~stricken~~ language and inserting language in **bold** print.

8.5-4 Swimming Pools

A. Pools, General

In-ground swimming pools of any depth and above and on-ground swimming pools, as defined in the applicable provisions of the Massachusetts State Building Code governing swimming pools, in effect at the time the application is submitted, ~~shall be enclosed by a fence at least 4 feet in height~~ ~~which meets~~ **must meet** all requirements of **the** State Building Code ~~CMR 780 Section 421.~~ **as well as the following Zoning Bylaw requirements.**

1. **All pools must be surrounded by a physical barrier meeting all requirements of the State Building Code. Powered Safety Covers do not satisfy this requirement.**

2 Lighting of pools shall comply with the requirements of Section 8.6.

~~Pools must be in compliance with the regulations of State Building Code CMR 780 Section 421.~~

3 In order to minimize noise impacts on neighbors, associated noise-producing pool equipment shall be located as far as possible from abutting properties, and at least the minimum required setback and shall be installed in a sound ~~insulated~~ **insulating** enclosure.

(REQUIRES A 2/3 VOTE, RECOMMENDED 4-0-1)

PASSED AS AMENDED Add back in…'780 CMR' YES 160 NO 0

ARTICLE 43: The undersigned voters of the Town of West Tisbury hereby petition to amend the Town of West Tisbury Zoning Bylaw to:

- Allow the recreational sale of marijuana in the LI-2 (Airport Park) Zone by Special Permit from the Zoning Board of Appeals; and
- Allow the cultivation and product manufacturing of recreational marijuana in the LI Zone by Special Permit form the Zoning Board of Appeal.

(BY PETITION, REQUIRES A 2/3 VOTE, RECOMMENDED 4-0-1)

PASSED YES 125 NO 18

ARTICLE 44: To see if the Town will vote to adopt the following new town bylaw entitled, "West Tisbury Water Resources Protection Bylaw".

A. PURPOSE: The purpose of this bylaw is to protect the water quality and volume of water in the surface water bodies within the Town of West Tisbury by prohibiting the withdrawal of water from surface water bodies for private or commercial use through pumping or other means. The bylaw is intended to prevent changes in the quality and the volume of water due to the withdrawal itself or due to the introduction of nutrients, chemicals, and plant materials caused by contact between the withdrawal devices and the surface water body, as described in and recommended by the "Mill Brook Watershed Study Report and Recommendations, Town of West Tisbury, Mill Brook Watershed Management Planning Committee 2014-2018."

Definitions: The following definitions shall apply in the interpretation and implementation of this bylaw.

Person: Any individual , group of individuals, association, partnership, corporation, company, business organization, or trust, and its legal representatives, agents, and assigns; but not including the commonwealth or a political subdivision thereof, administrative agency, public or quasi-public corporation or body, or the Town of West Tisbury.

Surface Water Body: Any lake, reservoir, pond of any size (excluding Great Ponds), wetland, spring, river, stream, brook and creek, whether perennial or intermittent, as are subject to the jurisdiction of the Conservation Commission under the West Tisbury Wetlands Protection Bylaw.

Withdrawal or diversion of water: The removal, taking or diversion of water from a surface water body.

B. WATER WITHDRAWAL PROHIBITION: Except as herein provided, no person shall withdraw or divert water from any Surface Water Body by means of hoses, pipes or other

devices or means within the Town of West Tisbury without a permit from the Conservation Commission (excepting existing physical structures).

C. EXCEPTION: Prohibitions contained in Paragraph B above shall not apply to withdrawals or diversions associated with the temporary withdrawals or diversions associated with firefighting or training activities associated with firefighting, or flood control.

D. ADMINISTRATION: The West Tisbury Conservation Commission shall administer, implement and enforce this bylaw. Any powers granted to or duties imposed upon the Conservation Commission may be delegated, in writing, by the Conservation Commission to its employees or agents.

1. After public notice and hearing, the Conservation Commission may promulgate rules and regulations to effectuate the purposes of this bylaw. Failure by the Conservation Commission to promulgate such rules and regulations shall not have the effect of suspending or invalidating this bylaw.

E. VIOLATIONS, PENALTIES AND ENFORCEMENT: Any person or entity in violation of the provisions herein shall be punished by a fine of $100 for the first violation, $200 for a second violation and $300 for a third violation as set forth in the town bylaw regarding violations for bylaws and regulations. This bylaw shall be enforced under the non-criminal disposition provisions of the Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 40, Section 21D and may be enforced by the Conservation Commission, the Board of Health, the Fire Department, and/or the Police Department or their designees, but only if authorized by vote of the Conservation Commission. **(RECOMMENDED 4-0-1)**

PASSED AS AMENDED

Section B; Add language 'A permit may be granted based on time of year and flow measurements taken at the proposed water withdrawal location at the time of the application'.

Section B; remove 'excepting existing physical structures' and list in Section C.

Section C now reads;

C. EXCEPTION: Prohibitions contained in Paragraph B above shall not apply to withdrawals or diversions associated with 1). The temporary withdrawals or diversions associated with firefighting or training activities associated with firefighting, 2). Flood control or 3). Existing physical structures.

ARTICLE 45: To see if the Town will vote to Raise and Appropriate the sum of Fourteen Thousand Two Hundred Eighty Dollars ($14,280) as the Town's appropriate share (14.28%) of the All Island School Committee's contract for Youth Task Force Services, to collaborate with police, schools, parents, providers and businesses in a community wide youth substance abuse prevention program for fiscal year 2020. **(NOT RECOMMENDED 4-0-1)**

PASSED AS AMENDED

Add: 'Provided it does not exceed 14.28% of the total monies appropriated by all six (6) island towns to a maximum of Fourteen Thousand Two Hundred Eighty Dollars ($14,280).

ARTICLE 46: To see if the Town will vote to Raise and Appropriate the sum of Nineteen Thousand Seven Hundred Twenty-Five Dollars ($19,725) to pay the Town's share of the Up-Island Regional School District's window replacement project at the Chilmark School providing design, procurement, installation, project management, and any costs incidental and relative thereto. Provided, however, the other two member Towns of the District approve their share of the total project costs of $211,420. **(RECOMMENDED 5-0)**
PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

ARTICLE 47: To see if the Town will vote to Raise and Appropriate the sum of One Thousand Eight Hundred Seventy-Five Dollars ($1,875) to pay the Town's share of the Up-Island Regional School District's flooring project at the Chilmark School providing design, procurement, installation, project management, and any costs incidental and relative thereto. Provided, however, the other two member Towns of the District approve their share of the total project costs of $20,100. **(RECOMMENDED 5-0)**
PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

ARTICLE 48: To see if the Town will vote to Raise and Appropriate the sum of Ninety-One Thousand Sixteen Dollars ($91,016) to pay the Town's share of the Up-Island Regional School District's roofing project at the West Tisbury School (over the bell-wing) providing design, procurement, installation, project management, and any costs incidental and relative thereto. Provided, however, the other two member Towns of the District approve their share of the total project costs of $113,771. **(RECOMMENDED 5-0)**
PASSED

ARTICLE 49: To see if the Town will vote to Raise and Appropriate the sum of Seventy-Five Thousand Fifty-Six Dollars ($75,056) to pay the Town's share of the Up-Island Regional School District's outdoor decking project at the West Tisbury School providing design, procurement, installation, project management, and any costs incidental and relative thereto. Provided, however, the other two member Towns of the District approve in their share of the total project costs of $93,820. **(RECOMMENDED 5-0)**
PASSED

ARTICLE 50: To see if the Town will vote to Raise and Appropriate the sum of Sixteen Thousand Dollars ($16,000) to pay the Town's share of the Up-Island Regional School District's design of a parking lot at the West Tisbury School providing design and project management, and any costs incidental and relative thereto. Provided, however, the other two member Towns of the District approve their share of the total project costs of $20,000.
(RECOMMENDED 5-0)
PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

ARTICLE 51: To see if the Town will vote to accept the provisions of M.G.L. c. 59 §5K, including: 1) allowing an approved representative, for persons physically unable, to provide tax work off services to the Town and 2) allowing the maximum reduction of the real property tax bill to be based on 125 volunteer service hours in a given tax year. Accepting this provision allows the Board of Selectmen to establish a program to allow veterans to volunteer

to provide services to the Town in exchange for a reduction in their real property tax obligations. **(RECOMMENDED 5-0)**
PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

ARTICLE 52: To see if the Town will vote to accept the provisions of M.G.L. c. 59 §5N, including: 1) allowing an approved representative, for persons physically unable, to provide tax work off services to the Town and 2) allowing the maximum reduction of the real property tax bill to be based on 125 volunteer service hours in a given tax year.. Accepting this provision allows the Board of Selectmen to establish a program to allow persons over the age of 60 to volunteer to provide services to the Town in exchange for a reduction in their real property tax obligations. **(RECOMMENDED 5-0)**
PASSED

ARTICLE 53: To see if the Town will vote to Appropriate from Free Cash the sum of Five Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars ($550,000) to reduce the tax levy in Fiscal Year 2020.
(RECOMMENDED 5-0)
PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

ARTICLE 54: To see if the Town will vote to act upon the recommendations of the Community Preservation Committee to Appropriate and set aside for later expenditure from the Community Preservation Fund established pursuant to Chapter 44B of the Mass. General Laws, FY 2020 revenues, in the following amounts to the following:

a. Open Space reserve $50,000 (10% of estimated FY 2020 Community Preservation Fund revenues)

b. Historical Resources reserve $50,000 (10% of estimated FY 2020 Community Preservation Fund revenues)

c. Community Housing reserve $50,000 (10% of estimated FY 2020 Community Preservation Fund revenues)

d. Undesignated reserve $325,000 (65% of estimated FY 2020 Community Preservation Fund revenues)

And to Appropriate for the Administrative Expenditures the sum of Twenty Five Thousand Dollars ($25,000.00) from FY 2020 Community Preservation Fund Revenues.
(RECOMMENDED 4-0-1)
PASSED

ARTICLE 55: To see if the Town will vote to Appropriate the sum of Ninety Eight Thousand Dollars ($98,000.00), as West Tisbury's share of the total project budget of $519,000.00, from the Community Preservation Undesignated Reserve Fund to the Dukes County Regional Housing Authority to support the rental assistance program for West Tisbury residents. **(RECOMMENDED 4-0-1)**
PASSED

ARTICLE 56: To see if the Town will vote to Appropriate the sum of Fifty Thousand Dollars ($50,000.00) from the Community Preservation Housing Reserve Fund and Twenty Five Thousand Dollars ($25,000.00) from the Undesignated Reserve Fund for a total of Seventy Five Thousand Dollars ($75,000.00), to Island Elderly Housing, Inc., as West Tisbury's share of the total project budget of $500,000.00 to fund five new permanently affordable apartment units for the elderly at the Aidylberg III project in Oak Bluffs.

(RECOMMENDED 4-0-1)

PASSED

ARTICLE 57: To see if the Town will vote to Appropriate the sum of Forty Three Thousand Dollars ($43,000.00) from the Community Preservation Undesignated Reserve Fund, to Harbor Homes of Martha's Vineyard, Inc., as West Tisbury's share of the total budget of $815,000.00, to fund the acquisition of future housing for homeless residents earning less than 30% of the County median income. The project will be managed by Harbor Homes of Martha's Vineyard, Inc. The funds shall not be released until the closing on the selected property, and all financing is in place. An appropriate homeless housing deed restriction shall also be filed with the deed to the property. If the property is sold or its use changes, 100% of the funds shall be reimbursed to the Town of West Tisbury CPA fund reserves. If the Town has repealed the CPA, the funds shall be reimbursed to the Town's Municipal Housing Trust Fund. **(RECOMMENDED 4-0-1)**

PASSED

ARTICLE 58: To see if the Town will vote to Appropriate the sum of Forty Five Thousand Dollars ($45,000.00) from the Community Preservation Historic Resources Reserve Fund, to the First Congregational Church of West Tisbury, to fund the first phase of an Accessibility and Kitchen Plan, which will generate schematic design plans and drawings to address the challenge of achieving code compliant accessibility and kitchen architectural plan for an historic building. **(RECOMMENDED 4-0-1)**

PASSED

ARTICLE 59: To see if the Town will vote to Appropriate the sum of Sixty One Thousand Six Hundred Fifty Five Dollars ($61,655.00) as the second installment in a maximum of ten installments, from the Community Preservation Undesignated Reserve Fund to pay down principal on the borrowing for Scott's Grove Affordable Housing development approved in Article #21 at the Annual Town Meeting held on April 11, 2017.

(RECOMMENDED 4-0-1)

PASSED

ARTICLE 60: To see if the Town will vote to Appropriate the sum of Forty Thousand Dollars ($40,000.00) from the Community Preservation Open Space Reserve Fund to fund the first half of a two year implementation of the Mill Brook Watershed Management Plan.

(RECOMMENDED 4-0-1)

PASSED

ARTICLE 61: To see if the Town will vote to Appropriate the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars ($10,000.00) from the Community Preservation Open Space Reserve Fund and Twenty Thousand Dollars ($20,000.00) from the Community Preservation Undesignated Reserve Fund for a total of Thirty Thousand Dollars ($30,000.00) to fund the Maley/Field Gallery Landscape Project, proposed by the Trustees of the Library and the Board of Selectmen.

(RECOMMENDED 4-0-1)

PASSED

ARTICLE 62: To see if the Town will vote to return the unexpended balance of Six Thousand Four Hundred Twelve Dollars and Ninety Four Cents ($6,412.94) from the Electrical service upgrade at the Dukes County Courthouse, under Article #30 approved at the 2013 Annual Town Meeting, with Five Thousand Four Hundred Twelve Dollars and Ninety Four Cents ($5,412.94) to the Community Preservation Undesignated reserve, and One Thousand Dollars ($1,000.00) to the Community Preservation Historic Resources reserve.

(RECOMMENDED 4-0-1)

PASSED

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 13th Day of March in the Year Two Thousand Nineteen.

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Cynthia E. Mitchell
Chair

_____
Kent A. Healy

_____
Jeffrey S. "Skipper" Manter

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 A. Barnett
Constable

A true copy, attest: _____
Tara J. Whiting-Wells
Town Clerk