

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

**Town of Alford
Annual Town Meeting
June 23, 2020
6 pm**

GREETINGS:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Alford, qualified to vote in Town affairs, to meet at the Alford Town Hall in said Town on Tuesday June 23, 2020 6 P.M. then and there to act on the following Articles:

ARTICLE 1. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen and the Board of Health to appoint any member of the Board of Selectmen, or Board of Health, respectively, to another office or position for the term provided by law, if any, otherwise for a term not to exceed one year, in accordance with Section 4A of Chapter 41 of the General Laws or to take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 2. To see if the Town will vote to accept any and all funds being provided by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Division of Transportation (Mass DOT), under the provisions of Chapter 90 of the General Laws, to pay for such costs as allowed by appropriate legislation in connection with the maintenance, repair, and construction of Town ways and bridges, or to take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 3. To see if the Town will vote to fix the maximum amount that may be spent during fiscal year 2021, beginning on July 1, 2020, for the revolving funds established in the Town's by-laws for certain departments, boards, committees, agencies and officers in accordance with M.G.L. Chapter 44, Section 53E1/2, as follows, or take any other action relative thereto.

Revolving Fund	Department, Board, Committee, Agency or Officer	FY 2021 Spending Limit
Inspectional Services		
	Fire Inspector	\$5,000
	Sanitation Inspector	\$5,000
	Electrical Inspector	\$5,000
	Plumbing Inspector	\$5,000

ARTICLE 4. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds, \$40,000.00 to increase the Stabilization Fund in accordance with the provisions of Section 5B of Chapter 40 of the General Laws or to take any other action relative thereto

ARTICLE 5. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$150,000.00, or any other sum of money, to pay cost of repairs and improvements to Alford Highways and to determine whether this appropriation shall be raised by taxation, transferred from available funds or to take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 6. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectboard to enter into up to a ten (10) year contract with the option for a five (5) year extension, commencing on July 1, 2020 with the qualified vendor selected by MassDEP through a competitive bid process for recycling processing services for the Town, subject to the Select board's determination that the contract is in the best interests of the Town and subject to Town Meeting approval for funding for these services.

ARTICLE 7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds, \$ 50,300.00 to the pay the cost of debt service on the 7 Alford Road Property or to take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$ 2,563.00 for emergency medical services provided by the Southern Berkshire Volunteer Ambulance or to take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 9. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds, \$ 30,000.00 to the Alford Link Enterprise Stabilization Fund in accordance with the provisions of Section 5B of Chapter 40 of the General Laws or to take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 10. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from receipts of Alford Link the following sums to operate the Alford Link Enterprise fund.

	Broadband Enterprise fund	FY 2020	FY 2021
1	ISP Subscription Fees	158,674	150,000
2	Salaries	10,000	10,000
3	Repairs, Maintenance	40,000	40,000
4	Contracted Services	14,400	32,400
5	CAF II Fees	1,500	1,500
6	Poles Fees	9,384	10,000
7	Insurance	3,555	10,000
8	Debt Service	90,000	90,000
9	Capital Replacement/Improvements	14,286	14,000
10	Reserve Fund	20,000	20,000
	TOTAL EXPENSES	361,799	377,900

ARTICLE 11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to defray the charges and Expenses of the Town described in the Feature Accounts on these Pages, including the salaries of the Town Officers and Employees for FY **2021**

		FY 2020	FY 2021
1	SBRSD-Operating/Transp.	454,070	444,966
2	SBRSD-Capital	12,322	9,490
2A	SBRSD-bond	12,923	9,677
3	Insurance	39,910	39,910
4	Community Health Program	1,000	1,000
5	Berkshire Mental Health	177	177
6	Visiting Nurse Association	600	600
7	Debt Service	117,000	117,000
8	Veteran's Service	1,942	1,894
9	So. Berkshire Solid Waste	1,902	zero
10	Berkshire Regional Retirement	43,429	45,423
11	Berkshire Regional Planning	894	904
12	Veteran's Benefits	4,800	4,800
13	Insect Pest Control	1,000	1,000
14	Emergency Reserve	16,000	16,000
15	Town Buildings	67,000	60,000
16	Street Lighting	350	350
17	Sanitation	58,000	58,000
18	Snow & Ice Overtime Fund	10,000	12,500
19	Public Works Highway	60,000	60,000
20	Rd. Superintendent Salary	69,909	72,007
21	Employee Benefits	64,790	72,640
22	Public Works Employee 2	50,644	52,164
23	Public Works Employee 3	19,422	37,584
24	Public Works Snow & Ice	60,000	60,000

25	Machinery & Maintenance	15,000	15,000
26	Fire Department	15,500	15,500
27	Alford firefighter stipends	17,200	17,200
28	Fire Chief Expense	300	300
29	Police Department	31,000	31,000
30	Emergency MGMT Coordinator	1,000	1,000
31	Board of Health Agent		3,000
32	911	8,956	9,224
33	Reverse 911	2,500	2,500
34	Medicare	4,500	4,500
35	Division of Employment	3,500	3,500
36	Eagle Fund	1,000	1,000
37	Grant Writer	2,000	2,000
	TOTAL	1,270,540	1,283,810
		FY 2020	FY 2021
	GENERAL GOVERNMENT		
38	Assessor's Expense	18,230	23,230
39	Assessor's Clerk Salary	9,992	10,292
40	Selectmen's Expense	5,000	5,000
41	Admin Assts Salaries	28,501	30,170
42	Accountant's Salary	10,740	11,062
43	Accountant's Expense	1,000	1,000
44	Tax Collector's Expense	3,420	3,400
45	Town Clerk's Expense	1,650	2,000
46	Treasurer Expense	2,000	2,000
47	Board of Registration Expense	1,200	2,900
48	Board of Appeals Expense	250	250
49	Planning Board Expense	2,000	2,000
50	Moderator's Expense	50	50
51	SBRSD-Rep Expense	800	800
52	Council on Aging Expense	920	950
53	Building Inspector Expense	2,455	2,455
54	Conservation Commission expense	2,000	2,000
55	Library Trustee's Expense	700	700
56	Hazardous Waste Commission	663	zero
57	Hazardous Waste Center	1,869	1,002
58	Town Counsel Expense	1,500	1,500
59	Town Counsel Salary	11,000	11,000
60	Animal Control Officer Salary	2,141	3,000
61	Animal Control Officer/Inspector Expense	500	500
62	Alford news Letter	1,200	zero
63	Finance Committee	150	150
64	Tree Warden's Expense	10,000	10,000
65	Historic Commission	7,775	4,000
66	GB-Library	1,100	1,500
67	IT Support Salary	3,378	3,480
68	IT Maintenance	19,500	20,500
69	SBETC	5,035	5,136
	TOTAL	156,719	162,027
		FY 2020	FY 2021
	TOWN OFFICER'S SALARY		
70	Assessor, Chairman	4,000	2,800
71	Assessor	2,200	2,800

72	Assessor	2,200	2,800
73	Animal Inspector	795	2,000
74	Building Inspector Salary	14,473	14,907
74A	Alternate Building Insp.	-	500
75	Constable	790	250
76	Librarian Salary	790	815
77	Moderator's Salary	163	200
78	Clerk of Registrars Salary	163	200
79	Selectmen. Chairman	4,000	4,000
80	Selectmen	2,200	2,200
81	Selectmen	2,200	2,200
82	Tax Collector	8,143	8,387
83	Treasurer	8,143	8,387
84	Town Clerk	8,143	8,387
84A	Asst. Town Clerk	-	2,000
85	Police Chief	3,246	3,343
	TOTAL	61,649	66,176
	TOTALS	1,488,908	1,512,013

And you are required to serve this Warrant with your doings thereon to the Clerk of said Town on or before the time of said Meeting.

POSTED: _____ **DATE:** _____

Constable

SELECTMEN TOWN OF ALFORD

Charles F. Ketchen, Chairman

Peggy Rae Henden-Wilson

Peter Puciloski