

**SPECIAL TOWN MEETING  
Town of Dennis  
February 29, 2024**

Robert C. Chamberlain, Moderator, called the Special Town Meeting held at the Dennis-Yarmouth Intermediate Middle School to order at 7:00 p.m. He declared a quorum present and noted that the Warrant had been posted by Wayne Bergeron, Constable. Tellers were John Terrio, Jr., Daniel Chamberlain, Katie Clancy, Tracy Monroe and Paul McCormick, Jr., Head Teller.

Moderator Chamberlain asked the assembly to kindly rise and salute the flag.

On motion of Finance Committee Chairman Robert Prall, duly seconded, it was unanimously voted to waive the formal reading of the Warrant.

**ARTICLE 1.** On motion of Select Board member, Jim Plath, duly seconded, it was voted 169 yes to 87 no, in accordance with the Selectmen’s Fee Limitation By-Law, to accept the following department fee changes;

Department	Fee Description	Current Rate	New Rate January 1, 2024	New Rate January 1, 2025
Health	Short-Term Rental Registration Fee	NEW	\$250.00	\$500.00
Harbormaster	Daily Parking Fee - Sesuit Harbor West Car	\$12.00	\$20.00	N/A
Harbormaster	Slip Holder Dock Box	NEW	\$250.00	N/A
Sanitation	Demolition Debris - Asphalt, Brick & Concrete (per ton)	NEW	\$20.00	N/A

**ARTICLE 2.** On motion of Select Board member, Carlyn Carey, duly seconded, it was voted 254 yes to 2 no, to accept the last paragraph of General Laws Chapter 40, Section 5B and dedicate, without further appropriation, 80 percent of the Short-Term Rental Registration Fee to the Wastewater Stabilization Fund, effective for the Fiscal Year beginning on July 1, 2024, with the remaining 20 percent of the Short-Term Rental Registration Fee to be deposited into the General Fund.

**ARTICLE 3.** On motion of Select Board Chair, Christopher Lambton, duly seconded, it was voted 243 yes to 18 no, to authorize the Select Board to acquire by gift, purchase or eminent domain, for affordable housing, open space and recreational, and parking purposes, the fee interest in the property located at 187 Upper County Road, Barnstable County, Massachusetts, shown on Assessor's Map as Assessor's Parcel ID No. 89-28-0 and more particularly described in Certificate of Title No. 15474 filed with the Barnstable Registry District of the Land Court and a deed recorded with Barnstable County Registry of Deeds in Book 1334, Page 32 on such terms and conditions as the Select Board deem in the best interests of the Town, said property to be under the care, custody, management and control of the Select Board; and to meet said appropriation, to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds, or borrow a sum of money for said acquisition, including all costs incidental and related thereto; and further, to authorize the Select Board to enter into all agreements and execute any and all instruments as may be necessary or convenient on behalf of the Town to effect said acquisition; and further to authorize the Select Board to grant a perpetual restriction on said property for affordable housing, open space and recreational and/or parking purposes.

**ARTICLE 4.** On motion of Select Board member, Paul McCormick, duly seconded, it was voted by majority to transfer from free cash \$500,000 for the cost of demolition of a building located at 187 Upper County Road or any other costs related thereto.

**ARTICLE 5.** On motion of Select Board member, John Terrio, duly seconded, it was voted by majority to transfer from free cash \$40,000 for the cost of an assessment, survey and testing for the property located at 187 Upper County Road or any other costs related thereto.

It was unanimously voted to adjourn (dissolve) the meeting at 7:38 pm on February 29, 2024.

A True Copy, Attest:

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Theresa T. Bunce, MMC/CMMC  
Dennis Town Clerk