

Establish Dates for Annual Town Meeting Warrant Submissions

To see if the Town will vote to amend the General Bylaws § 30-110 and § 40-200 as follows:

(a) Amend Section 30-110 by inserting the following as a new section A and renumber lettering of the existing subsequent sections accordingly:

A. The warrant for the Annual Town Meeting shall be considered open from the first Monday in January through the second Monday in March each year. Prior to the opening of the Annual Town Meeting Warrant each year, the Select Board shall announce in a public meeting of the Select Board, publish on the Town website, and distribute to Town Meeting Members, the dates for the open and close of the Annual Town Meeting warrant as established by this §30-110.A. During the period the warrant is open, the Select Board may include in the warrant any articles of its own initiative and shall receive, and shall include in the warrant, articles by (i) citizen petition pursuant to MGL c. 39, §10, (ii) written request of a Town Board (as defined in §40-100.B, and including requests pursuant to §40-410.D and §40-400.E), and (iii) written request of an Elected or Appointed Official (as identified in chapter 20). After that period, the Select Board may also include in the warrant for the Annual Town Meeting articles that could not reasonably have been presented during that period.

(b) Amend Section 40-200.E by replacing the existing 40-200.E with the following:

E. The Select Board shall specify the dates when the warrant for any Special Town Meeting shall be considered open and shall close, and shall set the date for any Special Town Meeting or Special Town Election. Prior to the opening of a Special Town Meeting Warrant, the Select Board shall announce in a public meeting of the Select Board, publish on the Town website, and distribute to Town Meeting Members, the dates for the open and close of the Special Town Meeting warrant as established by this §40-200.E.

Added text is underlined.

Or in any way act thereon.