

**TOWN WARRANT
FOR THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING
2022
THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS**

FRANKLIN SS.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Shelburne in the County of Franklin

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 at the **Buckland-Shelburne Elementary School, 75 Mechanic Street** in said **Shelburne on Saturday, June 12, 2021, at 1:00 o'clock in the afternoon**, then and there to act on the following articles:

ARTICLE 1. To hear the annual reports of the officers of the Town and to act thereon.

ARTICLE 2. To see if the Town will vote to set the salaries of the Elected Officials within the Town in accordance with MGL. Chapter 41, Section 108 as follows, or take any other action relative thereto.

Moderator	\$180	Town Clerk	\$23,858
Chairman, Selectboard	\$3,135	Tree Warden	\$975
Selectboard Member	\$2,824	School Committee	\$396
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Chairman, Board of Assessors	\$1,600		
Assessor	\$1,350		
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ARTICLE 3. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to enter into compensating balance agreements for Fiscal Year 2022, pursuant to M.G.L. c.44, section 53F, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 4. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectboard to apply for, execute contracts and expend Massachusetts Small Cities Program grants or monies, or any Federal or State grants or monies, received as set forth in the appropriate application, or take any action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 5. To see if the Town will vote to accept and appropriate any and all funds provided to the Town by the State under Chapter 90 and such other funds as the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Department of Transportation may provide, and to authorize the Selectboard to enter into contracts with Commonwealth of Massachusetts Department of Transportation for Chapter 90 monies allocated to the Town by the State, or take any action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 6. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate sums of money for the following purposes and to raise the required amounts by taxation, or otherwise provide, or take any other action relative thereto.

Omnibus Article #6

	5/25/2021	2021	2021	2021	2022	2022	Increase
		Request	Adjusted	Final	Request	Final	Decrease
GENERAL GOVERNMENT		858,827	10,587	854,421	879,895	879,895	3.0%
114 5100 Moderator's Salary		175		175	180	180	2.9%
122 5100 Selectmen's Salaries		8,569		8,569	8,783	8,783	2.5%
122 5110 General Government Salaries		142,475		168,850	169,137	169,137	0.2%
840 919 4540 Other Post Employ Benefits Trust Fund		15,000		10,000	15,000	15,000	50.0%
122 5400 Selectmen's Expense		1,930		1,930	1,930	1,930	0.0%
131 5400 Finance Committee Expense		140		140	140	140	0.0%
132 5400 Reserve Account		2,700		2,700	2,700	2,700	0.0%
135 5401 Accounting Services		25,944		25,944	26,999	26,999	4.1%
135 5402 Audit Town Records		14,500		14,500	14,500	14,500	0.0%
141 5110 Assessor's Salary		7,510		7,510	4,300	4,300	-42.7%
141 5400 Assessor's Expense		8,570		8,570	8,977	8,977	4.7%
141 5403 Assessor's Contracted Services		15,500		15,500	25,500	25,500	64.5%
145 5400 Treasurer/Coll. Expense		8,243		8,243	11,256	11,256	36.6%
145 5405 Payroll Expense		3,300		3,300	3,400	3,400	3.0%
145 5404 Tax Title		10,000		10,000	10,000	10,000	0.0%
146 5100 Town Collector's Salary		31,118		0	0	0	0.0%
146 5111 Staff Certifications		2,500		2,500	2,500	2,500	0.0%
146 5400 Town Collector's Expense		4,255		4,255	0	0	0.0%
146 5406 Town Collection Software Maint.		5,589		5,589	5,866	5,866	5.0%
151 5400 Legal Expense		9,500		9,500	9,500	9,500	0.0%
161 5100 Town Clerk's Salary		22,728		22,728	23,858	23,858	5.0%
161 5400 Town Clerk's Expense		1,080		1,080	1,200	1,200	11.1%
161 5407 Town Reports		1,100		1,100	1,100	1,100	0.0%
161 5408 Preservation of Town Records		5,000		3,000	6,000	6,000	50.0%
162 5400 Election Expense		9,950	4,500	14,450	9,950	9,950	-31.1%
162 5409 Registrars		1,320		1,320	1,591	1,591	20.5%
171 5400 Conservation Commission		3,020		3,020	3,020	3,020	0.0%
172 5429 APR Local Match		1,250		1,250	1,250	1,250	0.0%
172 5431 Land Preservation		1,250		0	1,250	1,250	100.0%
175 5400 Planning Board		6,109		6,109	6,746	6,746	10.4%
176 5400 Zoning Board Expense		2,577		2,577	2,577	2,577	0.0%
182 5400 S.F. Village Partnership		0		0	0	0	0.0%
182 5442 S.F. Beautification Account		1,000		1,000	1,000	1,000	0.0%
192 5400 Town Office Expense		13,730		13,730	13,730	13,730	0.0%
192 5411 Computer Account		15,788	1,500	17,288	17,542	17,542	1.5%
192 5412 Town Web Site		1,080		1,080	1,200	1,200	11.1%
192 5430 Memorial Hall Expense		16,295		16,295	16,295	16,295	0.0%
192 5450 Memorial Hall Internet Access		3,000		3,000	3,000	3,000	0.0%
192 5460 Elevator Maintenance Account		8,000		6,000	6,000	6,000	0.0%
192 5470 Town-Wide Notification Sys.		2,463		2,463	2,586	2,586	5.0%
193 5400 Property & Liability Insurance		39,200	1,587	40,787	41,807	41,807	2.5%
193 5413 Officers Bonding		1,000		1,000	1,000	1,000	0.0%
199 5400 Longevity Pay		3,000		3,000	3,000	3,000	0.0%
752 5900 Interest Expense		2,000	3,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	0.0%
830 5310 FRCOG - Core		15,519		15,519	14,660	14,660	-5.5%
830 5340 FRCOG - Highway		2,464		2,464	2,426	2,426	-1.5%
830 5350 FRCOG - Reg. Health Services		11,541		11,541	13,850	13,850	20.0%
911 5400 County Retirement		113,896		113,896	120,432	120,432	5.7%
912 5400 Worker's Compensation		32,046		32,046	32,847	32,847	2.5%
913 5400 Un-Employment Insurance		1,009		1,009	1,040	1,040	3.1%
914 5436 Health Insurance		189,453		189,453	189,453	189,453	0.0%
914 5437 Life Insurance		895		895	895	895	0.0%
916 5400 Medicare		12,546		12,546	12,922	12,922	3.0%

	2021	2021	2021	2022	2022	Increase
	Request	Adjusted	Final	Request	Final	Decrease
PUBLIC SAFETY	346,878	0	346,878	347,212	347,212	0.1%
210 5110 Police Department Salaries	255,077		255,077	255,985	255,985	0.4%
210 5400 Police Department Expense	56,288		56,288	55,650	55,650	-1.1%
210 5130 Constable	125		125	125	125	0.0%
220 5110 Fire Marshal	60		60	62	62	3.3%
220 5414 Forest Fires	50		50	50	50	0.0%
291 5100 Emergency Management Dir.	1,538		1,538	1,576	1,576	2.5%
291 5400 Emergency Mgmt Expense	1,675		1,675	1,675	1,675	0.0%
292 5100 Animal Control Officer	6,178		6,178	6,178	6,178	0.0%
292 5400 Animal Control Expense	800		800	800	800	0.0%
294 5110 Tree Warden	951		951	975	975	2.5%
294 5415 Shade Tree Maintenance	7,000		7,000	7,000	7,000	0.0%
294 5416 Shade Tree Replacement	625		625	625	625	0.0%
424 5400 Street Lights	16,511		16,511	16,511	16,511	0.0%
EDUCATION	2,558,761	41,781	2,573,014	2,779,926	2,779,926	8.0%
310 5100 School Committee Stipends	1,188		1,160	1,188	1,188	2.4%
310 5400 Mohawk Trail Reg. School	2,300,001	41,781	2,341,782	2,452,089	2,452,089	4.7%
320 5438 Vocation Tuition & Transport	27,500		0	58,000	58,000	100.0%
320 5417 Franklin County Tech School	\$230,072		230,072	268,649	268,649	16.8%
HIGHWAYS	474,117	0	474,117	489,636	489,636	3.3%
422 5120 Highway Salaries	246,817		246,817	258,880	258,880	4.9%
422 5400 Highway Maintenance	89,000		89,000	87,700	87,700	-1.5%
423 5400 Snow & Ice Removal	114,300		114,300	114,300	114,300	0.0%
422 5418 Buildings & Grounds	21,000		21,000	25,756	25,756	22.6%
422 5420 EV Charging Stations	3,000		3,000	3,000	3,000	0.0%
HEALTH-SANITATION	105,524	2,880	108,404	116,586	116,586	7.5%
241 5400 Building Inspection Program	7,600		7,600	7,600	7,600	0.0%
293 5400 Animal Inspector	854		854	875	875	2.5%
439 5419 Solid Waste Management Dist.	7,774		7,774	8,348	8,348	7.4%
433 5400 Refuse Collection	81,011		81,011	87,926	87,926	8.5%
439 5439 Hazardous Waste Day	2,474		2,474	2,474	2,474	0.0%
440 5100 Sewer Commissioner Salaries	939		939	963	963	2.6%
512 5100 Board of Health Salaries	1,400		1,400	1,400	1,400	0.0%
512 5400 Board of Health Expense	3,472	2,880	6,352	7,000	7,000	10.2%
RECREATION	22,348	0	22,348	22,404	22,404	0.3%
630 5428 Recreation	1,881		1,881	1,928	1,928	2.5%
630 5427 Cowell Gym Maintenance	19,000		19,000	19,000	19,000	0.0%
692 5434 Bridge of Flowers	367		367	376	376	2.5%
692 5433 Military Band	1,100		1,100	1,100	1,100	0.0%
HUMAN SERVICES	211,564	0	206,564	212,872	212,872	3.1%
491 5400 Care of Hill Cemetery	9,200		9,200	9,950	9,950	8.2%
543 5422 Care of Veteran's Graves	825		825	825	825	0.0%
543 5400 Veteran's Benefits	20,000		15,000	15,000	15,000	0.0%
543 5423 Veteran's Center	4,193		4,193	5,225	5,225	24.6%
541 5400 Council on Aging	106,578		106,578	109,378	109,378	2.6%
610 5424 Shelburne Free Public Library	34,746		34,746	35,615	35,615	2.5%
610 5425 Arms Library	34,289		34,289	35,146	35,146	2.5%
610 5426 Pratt Building Maintenance	883		883	883	883	0.0%
692 5432 Memorial Day	850		850	850	850	0.0%
BUDGET SUMMARY TOTALS	4,578,019	55,248	4,585,746	4,848,531	4,848,531	5.7%
General Government	858,827	10,587	854,421	879,895	879,895	3.0%
Public Safety	346,878	0	346,878	347,212	347,212	0.1%
Education	2,558,761	41,781	2,573,014	2,779,926	2,779,926	8.0%
Highways	474,117	0	474,117	489,636	489,636	3.3%
Health & Sanitation	105,524	2,880	108,404	116,586	116,586	7.5%
Recreation	22,348	0	22,348	22,404	22,404	0.3%
Human Services	211,564	0	206,564	212,872	212,872	3.1%

ARTICLE 7. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$91,540 to be used to fund the Mohawk Trail Regional School District capital budget for fiscal year 2022; to meet this obligation transfer \$500 from the Quintus Allen Trust Fund and raise and appropriate the balance of \$91,040 (*debt exclusion applies*) or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 8. To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum \$35 from the Ozro Miller Trust Fund Account, said sum to be placed in the Memorial Day Expense Account # 001-692-5432, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 9. To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of \$1,292 from the Cowell Gym User Fee Account #245-630-5400; said sum to be added to the Recreation Account #001-630-5428 and shall be used to supplement the Cowell Gym Director’s Salary, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 10. To see if the Town will vote to approve the following Revolving Fund Accounts in accordance with the Town of Shelburne Town By-laws Section 8 entitled: Departmental Revolving Funds or take any other action relative thereto.

Police Department	\$6,000	Recreation Committee	\$2,000
Town Clerk	\$2,500	Open Space Committee	\$2,000
Board of Health	\$2,000	Agricultural Commission	\$4,000
Zoning Board	\$1,000	Conservation Commission	\$1,000

ARTICLE 11. To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of \$262,420 from the Stabilization Account #830-919-5400 to fund the following capital expenditures, or take any other action relative thereto.

- **Franklin County Technical School Capital Budget** **\$ 6,649.00**
Second Year Payment on Capital Improvement Projects
- **Roof Replacement/Repair Stabilization Account #831-919-4540** **\$ 5,000.00**
For future repair of replacement of town-owned roofs
- **Municipal Vehicle Stabilization Account #832-919-4540** **\$35,000.00**
For replacement of town-owned vehicles.
- **Highway Equipment Stabilization Account #833-919-4540** **\$35,000.00**
For purchase of Highway Equipment in subsequent years.
- **Police Station/Municipal Building** **\$46,813.00**
Payment 3 of 9 for purchase of building.
- **QDS Core Billing & Collection Software** **\$21,558.00**
Software package to improve interface & efficiency among Treasurer, Collector, Accountant, & Assessing functions.
- **Roadside Boom Mower – Highway Department** **\$60,000.00**
To replace 2007 roadside mower.
- **2018 Western Star Highway Department Truck** **\$32,400.00**
Borrowed \$120,000 - Payment 1 of 4
- **Memorial Hall Renovation of 2nd Floor** **\$20,000.00**
Offset costs of proposed Memorial Hall Theater Renovation

ARTICLE 12. To see if the Town will vote to transfer \$31,670 from the Highway Equipment Stabilization Account #833-919-4540 to cover payment 3 of 5 on the Highway Department's JCB Backhoe, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 13. To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of \$65,000 from the Vehicle Stabilization Account #832-919-4540 for the purchase of a new ¾ Ton Pickup with Plow and Sander for the Highway Department (replaces 2008 pickup), or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 14. To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of \$51,000 from the Vehicle Stabilization Account #832-919-4540 for the purchase of a 2021 Police Interceptor Cruiser for the Police Department (replaces 2013 cruiser), or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 15. To see if the Town will vote to authorize \$60,000 in Chapter 90 funds for the purchase of a new Brush Chipper for the Highway Department (replaces a 1988 chipper – parts are obsolete), or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 16. To see if the Town will vote to transfer \$20,000 in from Free Cash (film production permit fees) and place said sum in the Village Beautification Account # 001 182 5442. Said sum to be earmarked for a future project Village Improvement Project, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 17. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$55,000 for the purchase and installation of a new boiler at the Cowell Gymnasium and to meet this obligation, transfer \$35,000 from the Stabilization Account # 830-919-5400 and \$20,000 from the Cowell Gym User Fee Reserve Account # 245-630-5400 , or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 18. To see if the Town will vote to transfer \$225,565 in Free Cash to the Unrestricted Stabilization Account # 830-919-5400, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 19. To see if the Town will vote to raise, appropriate, or otherwise provide, the sum of \$135,000, said sum is the Town of Shelburne's share of the cost of Operation & Maintenance of the Shelburne Falls Wastewater Treatment Facility which, will be raised by anticipated revenue from Shelburne User Assessments, or take any other action relative thereto. *(Reflects 0% increase over FY'21 budget)*

ARTICLE 20. To see if the Town will vote to raise, appropriate, or otherwise provide the sum of \$15,000, said sum is the Town of Shelburne's share of Operation & Maintenance of the Shelburne Pumping Station which, will be raised by anticipated revenue from Shelburne User Assessments, or take any other action relative thereto. *(Reflects 0% increase over FY'21 budget)*

ARTICLE 21. To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of \$37,800 from the Sewer Enterprise Account #610-001-3550; said sum to be added to the Wastewater Treatment Expense Account #610 440 5850 to pay the Town's share of the repair of the Sewer Trunk Line for the Shelburne Falls Wastewater Treatment Facility, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 22. To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of \$20,000, from the Sewer Enterprise Fund account # 610-001-3550, said sum to be added to the Inflow & Infiltration Expense Account # 610-440-5836, for Shelburne's share of remediation of portions of the sewer lines and manholes, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 23. To see if the Town will vote to become a member in the Pioneer Valley Mosquito Control District pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 252, §5A and other applicable sections of said law; and to meet this obligation, raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000 from taxation to fund the annual membership fee or, take any other action relative thereto

ARTICLE 24. To see if the town will vote to allow the Mohawk Trail Regional School District to borrow a sum of money, not to exceed \$382,850 for work at Buckland Shelburne Elementary in Shelburne, Massachusetts, to include rebuilding or resurfacing of parking lots and certain walkways; replacement of the fire alarm control panel and related sensors; replacement of a pneumatic heating control system; replacement of a heating system boiler and domestic hot water tanks; and replacement of restroom exhaust fans; and including costs incidental or related thereto, which purpose of the projects will materially extend the useful life of the school and preserve the asset capable of supporting the required educational program. Said sum is to be expended under the approval of the School Committee's Building Subcommittee, and to meet said appropriation, the District Treasurer, with the approval of the Chair, is authorized to borrow said sum under MGL Ch. 44 or any other enabling authority.

ARTICLE 25. To see if the town will vote to allow the Mohawk Trail Regional School District to borrow a sum of money, not to exceed \$665,000 for work at Mohawk Trail Regional School in Buckland, Massachusetts, to include replacement of the heating boiler control system; resealing of parking lots; replacement of the fire alarm control panel and related sensors; replacement of/upgrades to certain domestic hot water heaters, condenser units, heating system hot water control valves, and freeze prevention system; construction of a second means of egress from the main electrical switchgear room; installation of additional safety railings to sections of the outside bleachers; replacement of the movable gymnasium partition; and replacement of floor covering in the library; and including costs incidental or related thereto, which purpose of the projects will materially extend the useful life of the school and preserve the asset capable of supporting the required educational program. Said sum is to be expended under the approval of the School Committee's Building Subcommittee, and to meet said appropriation, the District Treasurer, with the approval of the Chair, is authorized to borrow said sum under MGL Ch. 44 or any other enabling authority.

ARTICLE 26. To see if the Town will vote to adopt the following changes to the Town of Shelburne, Massachusetts, Zoning Bylaws that include revisions to: Section 16 Shelburne, Massachusetts Telecommunications Bylaw, relative to 5G Small Cell Installations, as described below or take any other action relative thereto:

[Note: *Proposed revision in red and/or italic and bold typeface. Requires a two-thirds majority vote.*]

SECTION 16.0 Shelburne, Massachusetts Telecommunications By-law

16.2 DEFINITIONS:

“Commercial Radio Service (CRS) facility: a facility consisting of one or more of the following: a radio frequency configuration, wireless antenna (regardless of size), support structures (including telephone/electricity/cable poles as well as Commercial Radio Service (CRS) towers), equipment storage shelters, and accessory equipment required for the reception, switching, and/or transmission of wireless telecommunications including, but not limited to, paging, enhanced specialized mobile radio, personal communications services, cellular telephones, so called “small cell installations” – and similar technologies, but excluding personal and/or small business cell phone

systems. *For the purposes of this by-law, “CRS Facility” includes “Small Cell Installation, except for those sections of this Section 16 listed below in subsection 16.3.25.”*

“Small Cell Installation” means all equipment required for the operation and maintenance of so-called “small cell” wireless communications systems that transmit and/or receive signals – designed to provide network coverage to small areas as opposed to tall, high-power, “macro” towers which serve a wide area”.

16.3 GENERAL REQUIREMENTS:

“16.3.25 Notwithstanding any other provision of this Section 16, the following subsections of this Section 16 shall not apply to Small Cell Installations: 16.3.8; 16.3.0; 16.3.16; 16.7.”

“16.3.26. Small Cell Installations may not be co-located with other CRS facilities.”

“16.3.27. All CRS facilities shall comply with applicable FCC rules regarding acceptable limits on radio frequency radiation exposure to the general public as determined by a qualified radio frequency engineer.”

16.5 FACILITIES OUTSIDE THE CRSOD:

16.5. B. FACILITIES PERMITTED OUTSIDE THE CRSOD:

*“c. The installation of building, roof or wall-mounted CRS facilities, **other than Small Cell Installations, which are** subject to Subsection 16.3 and Subsection 4.1 of this bylaw provided that: No equipment, antennae, or structures associated with the CRS facility shall exceed 10 feet above the height of the building or 100 feet above the ground, whichever is less; AND all antennas and accessory equipment shall be fully screened to be harmonious and architecturally compatible with the building, including but not limited to painting equipment to match the building.”*

16.5. C. FACILITIES REQUIRING A SPECIAL PERMIT OUTSIDE THE CRSOD:

*“Outside the CRSOD, a special permit shall be required for all new CRS facilities, except as set forth in Subsections 16.5.B and 16.6 of this bylaw. **However, because each individual Small Cell Installation will have unique impacts on the Town depending on its specific location, each such installation shall require a separate special permit.**”*

16.12.C. PERFORMANCE GUARANTEES AND FEES:

*C. Prior to issuance of a Building Permit for a CRS facility, the applicant is required to post with the Town Treasurer a bond or other form of financial security for an amount up to \$50,000.00, as set forth by the ZBA. The bond will be to cover demolition in the event that the Building Inspector condemns the tower or parts thereof or accessory facilities and structures or deems it unused continuously for more than a year. The Building Inspector shall give the applicant 90 days written notice in advance of any demolition action. **In addition, a separate \$10,000.00 bond shall be required for each Small Cell Installation. This bond(s) will be held as a guarantee that no such installation exceeds or will exceed the allowable FCC limits for radio frequency radiation exposure to the general public as determined by a qualified radio frequency engineer.**”*

ARTICLE 27: To see if the Town will vote to adopt the following change to the Town of Shelburne, Massachusetts, Zoning Bylaws, that includes a revision to SECTION 6.2 SPECIAL PERMITS-Rules and Regulations, as described below or take any other action relative thereto:

[**Note: *Proposed revision in red and/or italic and bold typeface. Requires a two-thirds majority vote.***]

6.2 Rules and Regulations: Pursuant to Section 9 of Chapter 40A of the Massachusetts General Laws, the SPGA shall adopt rules relative to the issuance of Special Permits. The SPGA's Rules and Regulations may relate to the size, form, content and style of the plans, fees, and procedures for submission and approval of such Special Permits, and shall not be inconsistent with the General Laws and provisions of this Bylaw. The SPGA shall from time to time amend these rules. Copies of the rules shall be on file and available for review at the office of the Town Clerk. Copies of Special Permit Applications and related documents shall be submitted to the Board of Health, the Planning Board, ~~and~~ the Conservation Commission, *and the Select Board* who shall have 35 days within which to comment.

ARTICLE 28. PETITION ARTICLE

HAPS: Human and Pollinator Sanctuary Resolution *a Hilltown Health Initiative*

To see if the town will vote to declare itself a human and pollinator sanctuary (HAPS) free of microwave radiation from low-altitude satellites and additional wireless infrastructure until a panel of independent MD's and scientists familiar with long term patterns of disease in populations completes a risk and environmental assessment for these additional layers of microwave radiation exposure.

- Whereas the Federal Communication Commission (FCC), a "captured agency"¹ has approved more than 13,000 low altitude 5G satellites and appears ready to approve many more.
 - Whereas corporations like SpaceX and OneWeb have already launched more than 1,400 such satellites and along with Telesat, AST and Science, Lynk, Amazon, Omnispace and Facebook are planning to launch approximately 100,000 in total.
 - Whereas the majority of independent studies on this type of radiation indicate significant biological harm to humans, pollinators and other flora and fauna.²
 - Whereas the increased number of rocket launches required for this deployment will likely increase air pollution, deplete the ozone layer and accelerate global warming according to researchers.³
 - Whereas we have not consented to be part of any biological experiment conducted by any corporation or government entity.
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- Whereas our taxpayer dollars are currently being given to Big Wireless by the FCC to build cell towers in rural areas which require pollinators to continue farming and which are already served by broadband internet, often at additional taxpayer expense.

- Whereas rural areas are the last and final refuge for millions of people around the world suffering from electrical sensitivity, aka electro-hypersensitivity (EHS) aka microwave sickness, a debilitating condition recognized under the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA).

- Whereas fiber to the home is a secure, safe, energy-efficient and future-proof way of insuring everyone has access to the digital economy.

- Whereas the FCC and Big Wireless are currently facing multiple lawsuits for failure to protect public health and/or willfully obscuring relevant scientific studies.⁴

If adopted, the town clerk is directed to communicate the results of this resolution to local, state and national elected officials.

¹ <https://ehtrust.org/key-issues/harvard-press-book-telecom-industry-influence-us-fcc-captured-agency/>

¹ bioinitiative.org, ehtrust.org, mdsafetech.org, etc.

¹ <https://www.nature.com/news/2010/101022/full/news.2010.558.html>

<https://www.theverge.com/2018/5/31/17287062/rocket-emissions-black-carbon-alumina-particles-ozone-layer-stratosphere>

<https://eos.org/features/the-coming-surge-of-rocket-emissions>

¹ <https://www.activistpost.com/2021/04/new-federal-court-lawsuit-family-of-pastor-sues-telecoms-for-hiding-known-health-risks-of-cell-phone-radiation.html>
