



TOWN OF LAKEVILLE

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FROM THE OFFICE OF
LILLIAN M. DRANE
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PUBLIC NOTICE

March 11, 2024

TO: Daryl Mackiewicz, Constable

In the name of the Town of Lakeville, you are hereby required to notify the inhabitants of the Town of Lakeville of the **APPROVAL** by the Attorney General of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts of **Warrant Articles #6 and #7 (General Bylaws) and Articles #9 and #10 (Zoning Bylaws)** voted on at the **Special Town Meeting** held on November 13, 2023.

You are further directed to serve this notice by posting attested copies thereof at the following places:

- **Town Office Building**
- **Star Liquor Market**
- **Clark Shores Association Bulletin Board**
- **Apponequet Regional High School**
- **Senior Center**
- **Assawompset School**

Any claims that these by-laws are invalid because of a defect in the procedure by which they were adopted or amended, may only be made within **90 days** of this posting. Copies of these by-laws may be examined and obtained at the Town Clerk's office.

Attest:

Lillian M. Drane
Lillian M. Drane, MMC/CMMC
Town Clerk

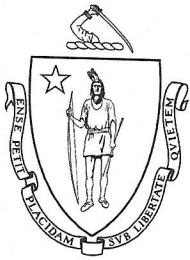
Plymouth ss:

Lakeville, Massachusetts

March 11, 2024

I have this day posted the Approved Bylaw Notice as directed, in the following places: *Town Office Building, Star Liquor Market, the Clark Shores Assn. Bulletin Board, Apponequet Regional High School, the Senior Center and the Assawompset School.*

Daryl Mackiewicz
Constable



THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

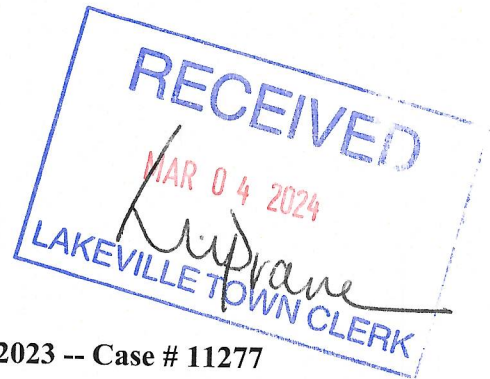
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ANDREA JOY CAMPBELL
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March 1, 2024

Lillian M. Drane, Town Clerk
Town of Lakeville
346 Bedford Street
Lakeville, MA 02347



Re: Lakeville Special Town Meeting of November 13, 2023 -- Case # 11277
Warrant Articles # 9 and 10 (Zoning)
Warrant Articles # 6 and 7 (General)

Dear Ms. Drane:

Articles 6, 7, 9 and 10 – We approve Articles 6, 7, 9 and 10 voted at the Lakeville November 13, 2023 Special Town Meeting.

Note: Pursuant to G.L. c. 40, § 32, neither general nor zoning by-laws take effect unless the Town has first satisfied the posting/publishing requirements of that statute. Once this statutory duty is fulfilled, (1) general by-laws and amendments take effect on the date these posting and publishing requirements are satisfied unless a later effective date is prescribed in the by-law, and (2) zoning by-laws and amendments are deemed to have taken effect from the date they were approved by the Town Meeting, unless a later effective date is prescribed in the by-law.

Very truly yours,

ANDREA JOY CAMPBELL
ATTORNEY GENERAL

Kelli E. Gunagan

By: Kelli E. Gunagan
Assistant Attorney General
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10 Mechanic Street, Suite 301
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cc: Town Counsel Gregg J. Corbo

Form 2- Submission #2

Town of Lakeville

Town Meeting Action:

Article 6:

I move that the Town vote to amend Chapter II of the Town's General Bylaws, Town Meetings (*Chapter 74 in the Town Code voted at the May 8, 2023 Annual Town Meeting*), to change the date of the annual Town Meeting to the second Monday in June and to change the date for submission of warrant articles for the annual Town Meeting to the second Monday of April, as shown below, with additions in **bold** and deletions in ~~striketrough~~, said change to take effect for the 2024 Annual Town Meeting, and further that the Town Clerk be permitted to make nonsubstantive changes to the numbering of this bylaw in order that it be in compliance with the numbering format of the Code of Lakeville (as voted at the May 8, 2023 Annual Town Meeting) when said Code takes effect, or take any other action relative thereto.

TOWN MEETINGS

Section 2: All business of the *Annual Town Meeting*, except the election of said officers and determination of such matters as are required by law to be elected or determined by ballot, shall be considered at an adjournment of such meeting, to be held on the second Monday of ~~May~~ June at 7:00 p.m.

Section 4: Any article shall be received for insertion in the annual warrant by the Select Board up to 4:00 p.m. on the second Monday of ~~March~~ **April**.

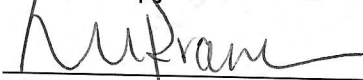
Or take any action relative thereto;

Sponsor: Select Board

Select Board Chairman, Brian Day, made a motion to approve the article as printed in the warrant.

Motion was seconded and PASSED unanimously at the **Special Town Meeting of November 13, 2023.**

A True Copy Attest:



Lillian M. Drane, MMC/CMMC,
Town Clerk

Town of Lakeville

Town Meeting Action:

Article 7:

I move that the Town vote to amend the Lakeville General By-Laws by adding the following new section Fire Alarm System By-Law, to provide as follows and further that the Town Clerk be permitted to assign such numbering and make nonsubstantive changes to the format of this bylaw in order that it be in compliance with the numbering format in the version of the Town Bylaws currently in effect and/or in the Code of Lakeville (as voted at the May 8, 2023 Annual Town Meeting) when said Code takes effect:

Definitions.

The following definitions shall apply to this bylaw:

BURN-IN-PERIOD — A period of time when a newly installed or modified alarm system is placed in service. System faults and malfunctions are commonly identified and corrected during this time.

COMBINATION SYSTEM — An alarm system that provides different monitoring functions such as fire, intrusion, and mechanical functions.

FIRE ALARM SYSTEM — A system or portion of a combination system that consists of components and circuits arranged to monitor and annunciate the status of fire alarm or supervisory signal-initiating devices and to initiate the appropriate response to those signals, capable of transmitting a fire alarm signal to the emergency response officials via telephone or radio.

FIRE ALARM SYSTEM MALFUNCTION — The transmittal of a fire alarm to the Lakeville Fire Department via the telephone or radio, which alarm is caused by a malfunction. For the purposes of this bylaw, a "malfunction" is defined as the failure of a fire alarm system to operate in the normal or usual manner due to improper installation or maintenance and/or mechanical defect(s) in the system, resulting in the transmittal of a needless alarm signal to the Lakeville Fire Department.

FIRE ALARM SYSTEM OWNER — An individual or entity who or which owns the title to and/or has on their property or its business a fire alarm system equipped to send a fire alarm signal to the Lakeville Fire Department. Excluded from this definition are single-family residential properties, two-family residential properties, municipal, county, state and federal properties.

HALF-YEAR PERIOD — January 1 through June 30 or July 1 through December 31, as the case may be, of any calendar year.

MALICIOUSLY INDUCED ALARM — The intentional activation of a Fire Alarm System without knowledge of fire or other emergency warranting an emergency response.

RADIO MASTER BOX OWNER — An individual or entity who or which has on their property or its business a fire alarm system equipped to send a fire alarm signal directly to Lakeville emergency response officials via a master box.

Administrative rules.

The Fire Chief may promulgate such rules as may be necessary for the implementation of this bylaw.

Connection of fire alarm systems to Fire Department via radio master box.

- A. Before the fire alarm system is connected to the Lakeville Fire Department, the master box owner shall provide the Fire Chief or their designee with the following information:
- (1) The name, address, and home and work telephone numbers of the master box owner;
 - (2) The street address where the radio master box is located;
 - (3) The names, addresses and telephone numbers of the persons or businesses protected by the fire alarm system connected to the radio master box; and
 - (4) The names, addresses and home and work telephone numbers of at least two persons other than the owner who can be contacted 24 hours a day, who are authorized by the master box owner to respond to an alarm signal and who have access to the premises in which the radio master is located.
- B. If at passage of this bylaw a fire alarm radio system has already been connected to the Lakeville Fire Department via a master box, the master box owner shall comply with the requirements of this section. Any master box owner found to be not in compliance with this section shall become compliant within 30 days of receipt of written notice of a citation for non-compliance. If a master box owner fails to comply with this section, they shall be punished by a fine of \$50 for each day of noncompliance.

Connection of station operating companies to Fire Department.

- A. Before the central station operating company is connected with the Lakeville Fire Department, it shall provide the Fire Chief or their designee with the following information:
- (1) The name, address and telephone numbers of the central station operating company;
 - (2) The name, addresses and telephone numbers of the persons or businesses protected by the fire alarm system connected by the central station operating company;
 - (3) A copy of the central station operating company's certification from a nationally recognized listing company as a central station operating company;
 - (4) The names, addresses, and home and work telephone numbers of at least two persons who can be contacted 24 hours a day, who are authorized by the central station operating company to respond to an alarm signal and who have access to the premises from which the alarm signal is emitting to the central station operating company; and
 - (5) The name, address, home and work telephone numbers, and the location of the premises of each customer of the central station operating company who has a fire alarm system equipped to send a fire alarm signal to the central station operating company.
- B. If at the passage of this bylaw a central station operating company already has a direct connection to the Lakeville Fire Department, the operating company shall comply with the

requirements of this section. Any operating company found to be not in compliance with this section shall become compliant within 30 days of receipt of written notice of a citation for non-compliance.

- C. If a central station operating company fails to comply with this section, the Fire Chief or their designee may assess a fine of \$50 for each day of noncompliance.

Updating information.

Every radio master box owner and every central station operating company shall be responsible for updating the information herein required to be provided to the Fire Chief or their designee. If the information provided changes, the radio master box owner and the central station operating company shall provide the Fire Chief or their designee information within 30 days. If a radio master box owner or a central station operating company fails to comply with this section, the Fire Chief or their designee shall assess a fine of \$50 for each day of noncompliance.

Testing of equipment.

No alarm system designed to transmit emergency messages directly to the Fire Department via radio master box shall be worked on, tested or demonstrated without obtaining permission from the Fire Department. Permission is not required to test or demonstrate alarm devices not transmitting emergency messages directly to the Fire Department. An unauthorized test shall constitute a false alarm.

Burn-in period.

A burn-in period of 30 days from final inspection will be granted, during which time no fines will be assessed.

Enforcement.

The Fire Chief Shall be the enforcement authority under this Bylaw and any regulations promulgated hereunder.

Violations and penalties.

- A. Upon receipt of three or more false alarms within a six-month period from multifamily residential or from commercial/industrial properties, the Fire Chief or their designee may assess a fine pursuant to MGL c. 40, § 21D, against the fire alarm system owner.
- B. The following acts and omissions shall constitute violations of this bylaw punishable by the fines as herein provided:
 - (1) An alarm user whose alarm system transmits or otherwise causes more than three false alarms in a six-month period shall be assessed a fine according to the following schedule:
 - (a) Fourth false alarm: \$100.
 - (b) Fifth false alarm: \$150.
 - (c) Sixth false alarm: \$200.
 - (d) Seventh false alarm: \$250.

- (e) Eighth and any subsequent false alarms: \$300.
- (2) An alarm user who fails to comply with any of the requirements of this bylaw relative to the testing of equipment shall be punished by a fine of \$300.

Severability.

If any clause, sentence, paragraph, or part of this bylaw or the application thereof to any persons or circumstances shall for any reason be adjudged by a court to be invalid, such judgment shall not affect, impair or invalidate the remainder and the application thereof to other persons or circumstances, but shall be confined in its operation to the clause, sentence, paragraph or part thereof directly involved in the controversy in which such judgment shall be rendered, and to the person or circumstances involved.

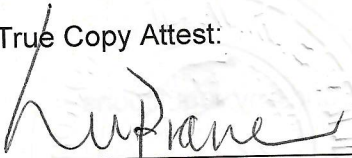
Or take any action relative thereto;

Sponsor: Fire Chief

Fire Chief, Michael O'Brien, made a motion to approve the article as printed in the warrant.

Motion was seconded and PASSED unanimously at the **Special Town Meeting of November 13, 2023.**

A True Copy Attest:



Lillian M. Drane, MMC/CMMC,
Town Clerk

Form 2- Submission #2

Town of Lakeville

Town Meeting Action:

Article 9:

I move that the Town vote to amend the Lakeville Zoning By-Laws, 6.6, Sign Regulations (Section 270.6.6.F, by adding the following text in bold to subsection 6.6.6.3, Special Permits, and further to authorize the Town Clerk to make nonsubstantive changes to the numbering of this bylaw in order that it be in compliance with the numbering format of the Code of Lakeville (as voted at the May 8, 2023 Annual Town Meeting) when said Code takes effect:

6.6.6.3 Changeable copy signs, electronic message board signs, and internally illuminated or the portion of a sign that is changeable copy, an electronic message board or internally illuminated shall require a special permit **by the Zoning Board of Appeals.**

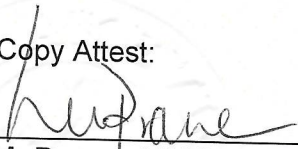
Or take any action relative thereto;

Sponsor: Planning Board

Mark Knox, Planning Board Chairman, made a motion to approve the article as printed in the warrant.

Motion was seconded and PASSED unanimously by the 2/3rds requirement at the **Special Town Meeting of November 13, 2023.**

A True Copy Attest:



Lillian M. Drane, MMC/CMMC,
Town Clerk

Form 2- Submission #2

Town of Lakeville

Town Meeting Action:

Article 10:

I move that the Town vote to amend the Lakeville Zoning By-Laws, Section by adding the following new section relative to the requirements for obtaining a Special Permit for certain types of signs, as shown below, and further to authorize the Town Clerk to assign such numbering and to make nonsubstantive changes to the format of this bylaw in order that it be in compliance with the numbering format in the version of the Zoning Bylaw currently in effect and/or the Code of Lakeville (as voted at the May 8, 2023 Annual Town Meeting) when said Code takes effect:

Signs - Changeable copy signs, electronic message board signs, and internally illuminated signs.

These signs must meet the following standards in order to receive a Special Permit by the Zoning Board of Appeals.

- (a) The parcel where the sign is proposed shall not abut properties on either side or across the street that are zoned Residential.
- (b) If the property cannot meet the above standard (a) a special permit may still be issued only if the sign is for a use that identifies municipal or public safety buildings, medical facilities, or retail stores that sell medical supplies.
- (c) It must be determined that the sign is not detrimental to the character of the neighborhood.

Or take any action relative thereto;

Sponsor: Planning Board

Mark Knox, Planning Board Chairman, made a motion to approve the article as printed in the warrant but with the following amendment, it was seconded and the motion to amend Article 10 PASSED by majority.

AMENDMENT:

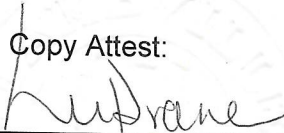
ADD the words "or contain a single-family dwelling."

So that the sentence reads:

- (a) "The parcel where the sign is proposed shall not abut properties on either side or across the street that are zoned Residential or contain a single-family dwelling."

Motion was seconded and PASSED unanimously by the 2/3rds requirement at the **Special Town Meeting of November 13, 2023.**

A True Copy Attest:



Lillian M. Drane, MMC/CMMC,
Town Clerk

