

**TAKEN FROM THE MINUTES
OF THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING
MAY 1, 2023**

ARTICLE 9

VOTED:

That the Town amend Section 49-4 of the General By-Laws of the Town of Sharon exactly as printed on page 13 of the Warrant for this Annual Town Meeting, excepting the bracketed, strikethrough, italicized language and the words “or take any other action related thereto” **and adding Section C as follows:**

C. The Select Board may adjust either the date of the portion of the Annual Town Meeting for the transaction of business or the date of the portion of the Annual Town Meeting for the election of officers and such other matters as may be voted on the official ballot, or both, provided that the date of the portion of the Annual Town Meeting for the election of officers and such other matters as may be voted on the official ballot may not precede the date of the portion of the Annual Town Meeting for the transaction of business and the timing for each portion of the Annual Town Meeting shall at all times be in compliance with Massachusetts General Laws.

That the Town vote to amend Section 49-4 of the General By-Laws of the Town of Sharon so that the By-Law reads as follows (Bold and underline denotes new language for insertion);

§49-4 Annual Town Meeting; annual election of officers

- A. There shall be an Annual Town Meeting held in the spring, which shall be primarily concerned with the adoption of an annual budget and other warrant articles which have a fiscal effect on the Town. The portion of the Annual Town Meeting for the transaction of business shall be held on the first Monday in May of each year at 7:00 p.m. and shall continue, by adjournment from time to time, until disposition has been made of all articles contained in the warrant. **On or before January 31, the Select Board may vote to change the date of the portion of the next Annual Town Meeting for the transaction of business to within two weeks, both before or after, of the first Monday in May.**
- B. The portion of the Annual Town Meeting for the election of officers and such other matters as may be voted on the official ballot shall be held on the third Tuesday of May of each year. **On or before January 31, the Select Board may vote to change the date of the next Annual Town Meeting for election of officers and such other matters as may be voted on the official ballot to within two weeks, both before or after, of the third Tuesday in May.**

MAJORITY VOTE DECLARED BY MODERATOR.

A True Copy.

ATTEST:

**MARK F. HOGAN
SHARON TOWN CLERK**