



TOWN OF CARLISLE, MASSACHUSETTS

Town Moderator Update Protocols for June 6, 2021 Annual Town Meeting (as of May 24, 2021)

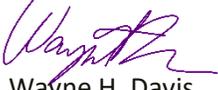
To provide a safe environment for the conduct of our Annual Town Meeting and encourage everyone's participation, the following protocols and procedures will be implemented.

All the usual standards and accommodations of our Town Meetings will continue, other than where noted.

- 1. Location.** We will meet at the Carlisle Public School parking lot, underneath the solar canopies. This will provide protection from sun and the risk of light rain.
- 2. Masks.** Regardless of your vaccination status, we ask that everyone wear a mask while entering and exiting the area or moving around, unless a medical condition or disability prevents you from doing so. If you are two weeks beyond your final vaccination shot, you may remove your mask when seated. If you have not been vaccinated, we ask that you remain masked at all times, except when speaking. These rules will apply, notwithstanding any changes in state or federal guidelines, to provide a safe environment for all and to avoid discouraging participation.
- 3. Seating.** As was done for last year's Annual and Special Town Meetings, we will provide both single seats and pairs of seats, socially distanced.
- 4. Water, Clothing.** Since we will be outdoors, please dress comfortably for the weather and bring your own water. Please bring your own mask and, if you wish, hand sanitizer.
- 5. Meeting Procedures.** Most of the usual Town Meeting procedures will be used. Voters are encouraged to review the Town Meeting [Quick Start Guide](#), available at the Town website. Additional information (especially useful for first-time attendees) may be found at the [About Town Meeting](#) page at CarlisleMa.gov. The only significant changes will be:
 - a. All voting will be by show of voting cards, rather than voice vote.
 - b. There will be no slide presentations. Please be sure to pick up handouts on the way in.
 - c. No childcare will be provided.
 - d. To expedite the meeting, the Moderator will move the main motion under each article. The Moderator will **not** read the full text of longer motions. The Motions Handout will be available for pick-up after check in or may be downloaded on or after June 4 from the home page of www.CarlisleMA.gov.
- 6. Moving About.** Please follow directional signs and instructions from Carlisle police and EMTs. While the temptation to greet and socialize with friends and neighbors may be great, we ask that you not gather in large groups and be careful not to block anyone's pathway.
- 7. Special Accommodations.** Audio headphones will be available, and the site is wheelchair-accessible. If anything else would facilitate your participation, please contact the Town Clerk's office in advance. The rest rooms in the school cafeteria will be open.

Thank you for your cooperation and participation.

Respectfully,



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Town Moderator

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