

# Town of Rockland

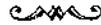
## By-Laws

June, 1993



# TOWN OF ROCKLAND

MASSACHUSETTS 02370



TOWN CLERK

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242 UNION STREET  
ROCKLAND, MASSACHUSETTS 02370

The following article was voted at the Annual Town Meeting, Monday, June 6, 1994.

## ARTICLE NO. 69

The Town voted to amend Article XXII Section 22.01 of the Town By-Laws by deleting the words "first Saturday of March in each year" and replacing them with "second Saturday of April in each year."

A true record, attest:

*Mary Pat Kaszanek*  
Mary Pat Kaszanek  
Town Clerk



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The following article was voted at the Annual Town Meeting, Monday, June 6, 1994.

## ARTICLE NO. 76

The Town voted to amend Article III, Section 3.02 A 4 of the Town By-Laws by deleting the words "A Civil Defense Director" and replacing them with "A Director of Emergency Management."

A true record, attest:

  
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Town Clerk



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The following article was voted at the Annual Town Meeting, Monday, May 19, 1997.

## ARTICLE 32

The Town voted to amend Article X Section 10.02 of the Town By-Laws by adding paragraph B to read the Board of Sewer Commissioners shall also be know as the drainage committee and shall have all of the powers and duties conferred upon it by the Charter, the Town By-Laws, votes of Town Meetings, and General Laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

A TRUE RECORD, ATTEST:

*Mary Pat Kaszaneck*

Mary Pat Kaszaneck, CMC  
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The following article was voted at the Annual Town Meeting, Monday, May 19, 1997.

## ARTICLE 66

The Town voted to amend the By-Laws of the Town by adding the following new sections to Article XXIV, section 24.01

**T. No person shall excavate, remove material or open any Town-owned property without first obtaining a Road and Sidewalk Opening Permit from the Board of Selectmen.**

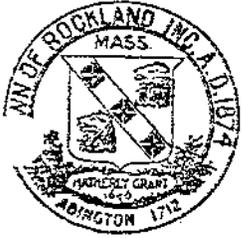
**U. No person shall place or cause to be placed, any vehicle on the public ways in the Town of Rockland which shall interfere with the removing or plowing of snow or the removal of ice. The Highway Superintendent and the Chief of Police and those acting under the orders of either in the lawful performance of their duties for the purpose of removing snow or ice from any way may remove or cause to be removed to some convenient place including in such term a public garage, any vehicle shall thereupon be liable for the cost of such removal and the storage charged, if any, resulting therefrom.**

**V. No person shall plow, shovel, discharge or block a sidewalk, street or public way, place or cause to be placed, snow or ice which could cause an unsafe condition.**

**W. Except as otherwise provided in any Section of this Article, any person violating any of the provisions of this Article shall forfeit not more than twenty dollars (\$ 20.00) for each offense.**

A TRUE RECORD, ATTEST:

  
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*The following article was voted at the Annual Town Meeting, Monday, May 18, 1998.*

## *ARTICLE 19*

The Town voted, as amended to read the business district of Union Street, to adopt a new By-Law to control Skateboard and Roller blade skating as follows:

### ARTICLE XXVIII

#### Section 28.05

#### *Regulations of Skateboard, Roller Blades and Roller Skates*

The Board of Selectmen are authorized to adopt regulations limiting or forbidding the use of skateboards, roller blades, roller skates, or similar devices on public ways and/or sidewalks within the business district of Union Street.

#### ENFORCEMENT:

Violation of this by-law, or regulations promulgated hereunder shall result in a warning for the first offense, impoundment of equipment for a period not to exceed fifteen (15) days for the second offense, a fine or penalty of twenty five dollars (\$25.00) for the third offense, impoundment of equipment for a period of thirty (30) days, and a fifty dollar (\$50.00) fine thereafter.

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The following article was voted at the Second Session of the Annual Town Meeting, Tuesday, May 15, 2001.

## ARTICLE 20

The Town **unanimously voted to amend** the By-Laws of the Town of Rockland by deleting in Article 21, Section 21.03 entitled "Expenditures" the words "*five hundred (500) dollars*" and insert in its place thereof the following words "*five thousand (5,000) dollars*", which is the amount required for purchase orders.

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The following article was voted at the Second Session of the Annual Town Meeting, Tuesday, May 15, 2001.

## ARTICLE 21

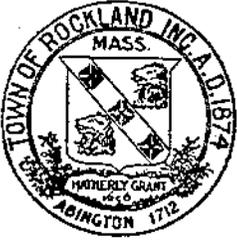
The Town unanimously voted to amend the By-Laws of the Town of Rockland by deleting Article 21, Section 21.04 entitled "Bids" in its entirety and substitute the following;

### Section 21.04-BIDS

*The procurement for all goods and services in the Town of Rockland shall adhere to the specific statutory provisions to include, but not limited to M.G.L. chapter 30B, Chapter 149, and Chapter 30.*

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**The following article was voted at the Second Session of the Annual Town Meeting,  
Tuesday, May 15, 2001.**

## ARTICLE 23

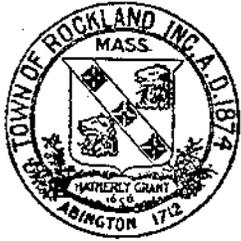
The Town **unanimously voted** to amend the By-Laws of the Town of Rockland by amending Article 20, Section 20.02 (B) as follows.

### Article 20, Section 20.02 (B)

*Section 20.02 (B) is hereby amended by striking the words "forty (40) days before the day of the meeting", and insert in its place thereof the words "fifty (50) days before the day of the meeting".*

**A TRUE RECORD, ATTEST:**

  
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**The following article was voted at the Second Session of the Annual Town Meeting, Tuesday, May 15, 2001.**

## ARTICLE 38

The Town voted (52 for, 117 against) not to pass over, and to adopt the following Water Use Restriction By-Laws as amended.

### Section 1: Authority

This By-Law is adopted by the Town under its police powers to protect public health and welfare and its powers under M.G.L. chapter 40, section 21 et., seq., and implements the Town's authority to regulate water use pursuant to M.G.L. chapter 41, section 69B. This By-Law also implements the Town's authority under M.G.L. chapter 40, section 41A, conditioned upon a declaration of a "Water Supply Emergency" issued by the Department of Environmental Protection.

### Section 2: Purpose

The purpose of this By-Law is to protect and preserve the public health, safety and welfare whenever there is in force a State of Emergency, by providing for enforcement of any duly imposed restrictions, requirements, provisions or conditions imposed by the Town or by the Department of Environmental Protection. This By-Law is also intended to protect and preserve the public health, safety and welfare, by restricting and prohibiting Unauthorized Water Use and/or Unregistered Water Use by Water Users.

### Section 3: Definition

"Persons" shall mean any individual, corporation, trust, partnership, association, or other entity, which uses or is serviced by the Town's public water system.

"State of Water Supply Emergency" shall mean a State of Water Supply Emergency declared by the Department of Environmental Protection under M.G.L. chapter 21G, sections 15-17.

“State of Water Supply Conservation” shall mean a State of Water Supply Conservation declared by the Town pursuant to section 4 of this By-Law.

“Unauthorized Water Use” shall mean all activations of water services, fire hydrants (excluding Fire Department personnel during Fire Emergencies), or other segments of the public water system by any person not authorized by the Water Department.

“Unregistered Water Use” shall mean any water utilized or taken from the public water system without a means of calculating actual consumption.

“Water Users” or “Water Consumers” shall mean any public or private users of the Town’s public water system, irrespective of any person’s responsibility for billing purposes for water used at any particular residence or facility.

#### **Section 4: Declaration of a State of Water Supply Conservation**

The Town, through its Board of Water Commissioners, may declare a State of Water Supply Conservation upon a determination by a majority vote of the Board, at a public meeting, that a shortage of water exists and conservation measures are appropriate to ensure an adequate supply and adequate water pressure to all water consumers. Upon notification to the public that a State of Water Supply Conservation has been declared, no person shall violate any provisions, restrictions or requirements intended to bring about an end to the State of Water Supply Conservation.

#### **Section 5: Restricted Water Uses**

A declaration of a State of Water Supply Conservation shall include one or more of the following restrictions, conditions, or requirements limiting the use of water as necessary to protect the public water supply. The applicable restrictions, conditions, or requirements shall be included in the public notice required under Section 7.

**Step One-Odd/Even Day Outdoor Watering Restrictions.** All outdoor water uses by Water Users with odd numbered addresses is restricted to odd numbered calendar days. All outdoor water uses by Water Users with even numbered addresses is restricted to even number calendar days.

**Step Two-Hand Held Hoses.** All outdoor water uses are restricted to hand held hoses only. The Odd/Even Day Outdoor Watering Restrictions shall also be observed.

**Step Three-Outdoor Watering Hours.** All outdoor water uses are restricted to hand held hoses only between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 8:00 a.m. or 8:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. The Odd/Even Outdoor Watering Restrictions shall also be observed.

**Step Four-Outdoor Watering Ban.** All outdoor water use is prohibited for all uses.

#### **Section 6: State of Water Supply Emergency: Compliance with DEP Orders**

Upon notification to the public that a declaration of a State of Water Supply Emergency has been issued by the Department of Environmental Protection, no person shall violate any provisions, restriction, requirement, condition of any order approved or issued by the Department intended to bring about an end to the State of Emergency.

#### **Section 7: Public Notification of a State of Water Supply Conservation and/or Emergency**

Notification of any provisions, restrictions, requirements or conditions imposed by the Town as part of a State of Water Supply Conservation or by the Department of Environmental Protection as part of a State of Water Supply Emergency, shall be given by the publication of at least one display advertisement in a newspaper of general circulation within the Town, by the posting of removable signs where any state highway crosses the Town line, and by such other means reasonably calculated to reach and inform all Water Users of the declaration of a State of Water Supply Conservation and/or Emergency. Any restrictions imposed shall not be effective until such notification is provided. Notification of the declaration of a State of Water Supply Conservation shall also be simultaneously provided to the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection in writing by the Board of Water Commissioners.

#### **Section 8: Termination of a State of Water Supply Conservation and/or Emergency**

A State of Water Supply Conservation may be terminated by a majority vote of the Board of Water Commissioners, at a public meeting, upon a determination that the water supply shortage no longer exists. A State of Water Supply Emergency shall be terminated by the Department of Environmental Protection upon a determination that the emergency no longer exists. Public notification of the termination of a State of Water Supply Conservation and/or Emergency shall be given by the publication of at least one display advertisement in a newspaper of general circulation within the Town, by removal of all erected Water Supply Conservation and/or Emergency signs, and by such other means reasonably calculated to reach and inform all Water Users of the termination of the State of Water Supply Conservation and/or Emergency.

#### **Section 9: Unauthorized Water Usage**

No person, water user, or water consumer shall activate, or cause to be activated, any water main and/or appurtenances to the public water system without the prior authorization of the Water Department.

#### **Section 10: Unregistered Water Usage**

No person, water user, or water consumer shall activate, or cause to be activated, any water main and/or appurtenances to the public water system without the prior authorization of the Water Department approved metering device installed to calculate

the amount of water utilized. No person, water user, or water consumer shall remove and/or alter any metering device.

### **Section 11: Penalties**

Any person found to have violated Section 5 and/or Section 6 of this By-Law shall receive a warning for the first offense and be liable to the town in the amount of \$300.00 for each subsequent offense within the same calendar year. Any person found to have violated Section 9 of this By-Law shall be liable to the Town in the amount of \$300.00 for each offense. Any person found to have violated Section 10 of this By-Law shall be liable to the Town in the amount of \$300.00 for each offense. All fines shall inure to the Town for such uses as the Board of Water Commissioners may direct. Fines shall be levied and assessed by employees of the Water Department and/or authorized agents of the Board of Water Commissioners upon witnessing any violation in fact occurred. Violators shall be entitled to appeal the assessment of any fines with the Board of Water Commissioners, and said appeal shall be held at a public meeting of the Board. Fines shall be recovered by indictment, or on complaint before the district court, or by non-criminal disposition in accordance with M.G.L. chapter 40, section 21D. Each day on which a violation of Section 5 and/or Section 6 occurred shall constitute a separate offense.

### **Section 12: Severability**

The invalidity of any portion or provision of this By-Law shall not invalidate any other portion or provision hereof.

**A TRUE RECORD, ATTEST:**

  
**MARY PAT KASZANEK, CMC, CMMC**  
**TOWN CLERK**