

(9) ANNUAL TOWN MEETING 2018

DATE: June 5, 2017
TO: BOARD OF SELECTMEN
FROM: NAN BALMER, TOWN ADMINISTRATOR
SUBJECT: DISCUSSION ON SPRING 2018 ANNUAL TOWN MEETING DATE

Recommended Action: Discussion on potential dates for Annual Town Meeting to allow for a vote to set the date at a future meeting.

Selectman C. Karlson assisted with gathering the information below. She contacted the Moderator, Town Clerk, Facilities, Assessors, Finance Director and Finance Committee Chair, and School Department (HS, Fine Arts, Athletics). Information is pending from the local Clergy Association.

Current Constraints on Setting the First Day of 2018 Annual Town Meeting *

By Town Code: Warrant closes on January 15th
Town Meeting must start between April 1 – May 15th
Annual town election is held 2-7 days before the start of ATM

Friday, March 30 – Saturday, March 31	1 st and 2 nd Nights of Passover
Sunday, April 1	Easter
Friday, April 6 – Saturday, April 7	7 th and 8 th Nights of Passover
Sunday, April 8	Greek Orthodox and Coptic Easters
Saturday, April 14 – Sunday, April 22	School April Vacation Week
Monday, May 7 – Friday, May 18	HS AP Exams in the Field House
Sunday, May 13	Mother's Day

Fine Arts Events – not held in the Field House, but community wide events

Tuesday, April 10; Wed, April 11	HS Orchestra and Chorus Concerts
Tuesday, April 24	A Cappella Concert
Thursday, April 26	HS Band Concert
Thurs, May 3 – Sat, May 5	HS Spring Play
Thurs, May 17 – Sat, May 19	Window Dance Ensemble

**The local Clergy Association will respond as soon as possible to confirm other religious holidays. The High School is checking the need to use the Field House for the second week of AP exams.*

Possible 2018 Annual Town Meeting Schedules

1. Election: Tuesday March 27
Town Meeting begins: Monday April 2, continues that week

2. Election: Tuesday April 3
Town Meeting begins: Monday April 9, then Tues and Wed (If more than 3 nights, then last day of ATM may be after school vacation week)

3. Election: Tuesday April 24
Town Meeting Begins: Thursday, April 26 OR Sunday, April 29 OR Monday April 30

4. Election: Tuesday May 8
Town Meeting begins: Monday, May 14th (IF the Field House is available the second week of AP exams), continuing that week