

**COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
TOWN OF WESTFORD
WARRANT**

Middlesex, ss.

To the Constable of the Town of Westford, in said County,

GREETINGS:

You are required in the name of the Commonwealth aforesaid, to notify and warn all inhabitants of said Town qualified to vote in elections, and also in Town affairs, to meet at the Abbot School Gymnasium at Depot Street on the following date:

Monday, October 19, 2015

(voter registration deadline, Friday, October 9, 2015 at 8:00pm)

at 7:30 in the evening, then and there to act upon the following articles:

FINANCIAL

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| ARTICLE 1: | Approve Unpaid Bills from Previous Fiscal Year(s) | <i>Town Manager</i> |
| | To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, borrow, or transfer from available funds, or any combination thereof; a sum of money to pay for unpaid bills of prior fiscal years for various Town departments in accordance with the provisions of <u>Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 44, Section 64</u> ; | |
| | Or act in relation thereto. | |
| ARTICLE 2: | Approve Fiscal Year 2016 Budget Adjustments | <i>Town Manager</i> |
| | To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, borrow, or transfer from available funds sums of money in order to adjust the Fiscal Year 2016 Operating Budgets; | |
| | Or act in relation thereto. | |
| ARTICLE 3: | Approve Fiscal Year 2016 Budget Transfers | <i>Town Manager</i> |
| | To see if the Town will vote to transfer various sums of money between and among various accounts for the Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2016; | |
| | Or act in relation thereto. | |
| ARTICLE 4: | Appropriate to the Stabilization Fund | <i>Town Manager</i> |
| | To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, borrow, or transfer a sum of money to be deposited into the Stabilization Fund, established under Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 40, Section 5B; | |
| | Or act in relation thereto. | |
| ARTICLE 5: | Purchase Two Storage Trailers for Emergency Shelters and Emergency Response Supplies | <i>Board of Health</i> |
| | To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, borrow, or transfer from available funds, or any combination thereof a sum of money in order to purchase two storage trailers for emergency shelters and emergency response supplies; | |
| | Or act in relation thereto. | |

ARTICLE 6: Reduce Amount Raised by Taxes in Fiscal Year 2016

Board of Selectmen

To see if the Town will vote to take specific amounts from available funds and to direct the Assessors to reduce the net amount to be raised for Fiscal Year 2016;

Or act in relation thereto.

COMMUNITY PRESERVATION

ARTICLE 7: Approve Community Preservation Committee Recommendations

Community Preservation Committee

To see if the Town will vote to hear and act on the report of the Community Preservation Committee on the Fiscal Year 2016 Community Preservation budget and to appropriate from the Community Preservation Fund a sum of money not exceeding 5% of the FY2016 estimated annual revenues to meet the administrative expenses and all other necessary and proper expenses of the Community Preservation Committee for Fiscal Year 2016; and further to reserve for future appropriation a sum of money from the Community Preservation Fund for open space, historic resources, and community housing purposes, and further to appropriate from the Community Preservation Fund or borrow pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 44B, Section 11, or any other enabling authority, a sum or sums of money for Community Preservation projects or purposes, including acquisition of interests in land, all as recommended by the Community Preservation Committee;

Or act in relation thereto.

CITIZENS' PETITION

ARTICLE 8: ADA Compliant Sidewalks on a Portion of Main Street

Citizens' Petition

To see if the Town will vote to incorporate five foot (5') wide sidewalks, compliant with the American With Disabilities Act, along one side of Main Street for the entire length of Main Street between Depot Street and Tadmuck Road while the Town is fixing Main Street water main, or act in relation thereto.

LAND USE

ARTICLE 9: Authorize Board of Selectmen to Accept Easement on Depot Street

Board of Selectmen

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to acquire by gift, purchase or eminent domain an easement, for general municipal purposes, including, but not limited to, for the site of the Westford Knight carving and related signage and enhancements, on such terms and conditions as the Board of Selectmen deems appropriate, upon a portion of the property located at 17 Depot Street, Westford, being Map 26, Lot 88, described in a deed recorded with the Middlesex North Registry of Deeds In Book 23235, Page 268, all as shown on a sketch plan on file with the Town Clerk, and further to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into all agreements and execute on behalf of the Town any and all instruments as may be necessary or convenient to effectuate the purpose of this Article;

Or act in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 10: Authorize the Board of Selectmen to Acquire by Gift a Vacant Parcel of Land Located off of 64 Main Street and Transfer Said Parcel From the Board of Selectmen to the Conservation Commission

Board of Selectmen

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to acquire by gift from David A. Guthrie and Christopher H. Finneral, for general municipal purposes, on such terms and conditions as the Selectmen deem appropriate, a vacant parcel of land shown as Parcel A on a plan of land entitled

"Plan of Land 64 Main Street, Westford, MA," prepared by ALAN Engineering, L.L.C., which plan is recorded with the Middlesex North District Registry of Deeds at Plan Book 240, Plan 9, said parcel containing 19.485 acres, more or less; and, the Board of Selectmen having determined that said property is surplus, that the Town further vote to transfer the care, control and custody of said property from the Board of Selectmen to the Conservation Commission, to be held pursuant to Chapter 40, Section 8C, and further to authorize the Board of Selectmen to execute any and all documents and instruments as may be necessary or convenient to effectuate the purpose of this Article;

Or act in relation thereto.

STREET ACCEPTANCE

ARTICLE 11: Accept Aldrich Lane as Public Way

Board of Selectmen

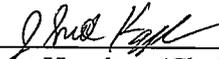
To see if the Town will vote to accept the layout of Aldrich Lane as a Town public way pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 82;

Or act in relation thereto.

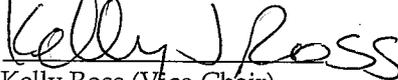
And you, Constable, are directed to serve this warrant by posting a true and attested copy thereof at the Town Hall, Library and at each Post Office in said Town of Westford at least fourteen (14) days prior to the time of holding said meeting.

THEREOF FAIL NOT and make return of this warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, at the time and place of holding the meeting aforesaid.

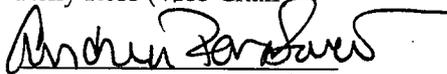
Given under our hands this 8th day of September in the Year of our Lord 2015.



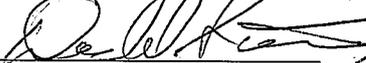
Scott Hazelton (Chair)



Kelly Ross (Vice-Chair)



Andrea Peraner-Sweet (Clerk)



Donald Siriani



Mark Kost

A TRUE COPY

ATTEST:

Constable of Westford

DATE:

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT I HAVE SERVED THE FOREGOING WARRANT BY POSTING A TRUE AND ATTESTED COPY THEREOF AT THE TOWN HALL, LIBRARY AND AT EACH POST OFFICE IN THE SAID TOWN OF WESTFORD AT LEAST FOURTEEN DAYS PRIOR TO THE TIME OF HOLDING SAID MEETING.