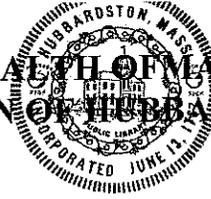


COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
TOWN OF HUBBARDSTON



ANNUAL TOWN MEETING June 7, 2011 • 7:30 p.m. CENTER SCHOOL

Worcester, ss.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Hubbardston in the County of Worcester:
In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Hubbardston qualified to vote in elections and Town affairs to meet at the **Center School in said Hubbardston on Tuesday, June 7, 2011 at 7:30 o'clock** in the evening, then and there to act on the following articles:

ARTICLE 1. To choose all necessary officers.

ARTICLE 2. To hear the reports of the Town Officers and Committees and act thereon.

ARTICLE 3. To see if the Town will vote to **authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into agreements with the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Highway Department** for the construction and maintenance of public highways for the twelve month period beginning July 1, 2011 or take any other action relative thereto.
(Submitted by Board of Selectmen) (Fin Com Recommends)

ARTICLE 4. To see if the Town will vote to **accept educational grants and aid for Fiscal Year 2012**, to be expended for authorized purposes by the Montachusett Regional Vocational Technical School and the Quabbin Regional School District, or take any other action relative thereto.
(Submitted by Board of Selectmen) (Fin Com Recommends)

ARTICLE 5. To see if the Town will vote to **authorize the continuation of the following Holden Hospital Accounts for Fiscal Year 2012**, or take any other action relative thereto:

a. Vehicle Replacement Assistance Account

Funded by monies received from the establishment of a \$2,500,000.00 trust fund under a settlement between Medical Center of Central Massachusetts (MCCM) and the eleven communities formerly served by Holden Hospital. This fund would be used to assist in funding the replacement of a RESCUE VEHICLE for the Town of Hubbardston. Fund would accumulate, and would supplement any town funds utilized for the purchase. Any purchases to be presented for payment from this Account, shall be preauthorized by the Board of Selectmen with voucher authorized by the Board of Selectmen.

b. Education and Training Account

Funded by monies received from the establishment of a \$2,500,000.00 trust fund under a settlement between Medical Center of Central Massachusetts (MCCM) and the eleven communities formerly served by Holden Hospital. This fund would be used to reimburse Hubbardston residents for successfully completing EMT training only after one full year of active service with the Hubbardston EMS Division of the Fire Department. Fund would also be used to reimburse EMTs for successfully completing advanced training in the same manner. Any purchases to be presented for payment from this Account, shall be preauthorized by the Board of Selectmen with voucher authorized by the Board of Selectmen.

c. Health Related Account

Funded by monies received from establishment of a \$2,500,000.00 trust fund under a settlement between Medical Center of Central Massachusetts (MCCM) and the eleven communities formerly served by Holden Hospital. This fund would be utilized for other Health related programs within the Town of Hubbardston, under the direction of the Board of Health, or other health related agencies. Funds to be withdrawn by voucher submitted by the Board of Health or other Town Health related agencies, co-signed by the Board of Selectmen.

d. Excess Investment Surplus Account

Funded by monies received from the establishment of a \$2,500,000.00 trust fund under a settlement between Medical Center of Central Massachusetts (MCCM) and the eleven communities formerly served by Holden Hospital. Any return on investment above 8% will be placed in this account which will accumulate and can be used for any special project or acquisition associated with any of the above three categories of distribution, or any other health related projects deemed compatible with the fund's design, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen. Funds may be withdrawn by voucher submitted by the Board of Selectmen.
 (Submitted by Board of Selectmen) (Fin Com Recommends)

ARTICLE 6. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the following Revolving Accounts for Fiscal 2012 under MGL Ch. 44 §53E ½, as shown on the following chart, or take any other action relative thereto:
 (Submitted by Board of Selectmen) (Fin Com Recommends)

Recommended change from prior year use is noted in bold within chart.

Fund	Authorization By	Revenue Source	Use of Fund	Limit
Wiring Fund	Wiring Inspector	Electrical Permit Fees and Applications	Pay inspector for inspection services and clerical wages	\$ 20,000
Gas Fund	Gas Inspector	Gas Permit Fees and Applications	Pay inspector for inspection services	\$ 3,000
Plumbing Fund	Plumbing Inspector	Plumbing Permit Fees and Applications	Pay inspector for inspection services	\$ 6,000
Recycling Fund	Board of Health	Fees collected for use of center and drop-off of recyclables	Costs associated with programs and facilities needed to recycle materials, including employee wages	\$ 5,000
Grave Fund	Cemetery Commissioners	Payments for grave openings	Payment to party hired to open grave	\$ 5,000
Haz Mat Fund	Fire Chief	Service charges for clean-up and disposal of hazardous materials	Expenditures related to clean-up and disposal of hazardous materials	\$ 3,000
Septic Fund	Board of Health	Fees for septic system plan review, agent inspections, and perc tests	Payments to septic system plan review engineers and to agents witnessing perc tests or performing inspections	\$ 20,000
Vaccine Administration Account	Board of Health	Fees, health insurance reimbursements and receipts for vaccine related services	Payments for vaccine, supplies, and services deemed necessary by the Board of Health	\$ 5,000
Con Com Fund	Conservation Commission	Receipts from fees for site inspections and plan review	Payment to member performing site inspection and expenses relating to such inspections or plan review	\$ 3,000

Open Burn Fund	Fire Chief	Receipts for fees for open burning	Payment of expenses related to fighting brush fires in town, including payment of part-time wages, forest fire fighting equipment and other costs of fighting such fires	\$ 11,000
Late fee Dog License Fund	Town Clerk	Fees for late licensing of dogs and kennels	Payment of costs associated with the regulation of dogs, including ACO capital expense.	\$ 10,000

BUDGET ARTICLE

ARTICLE 7. To see if the Town will vote to **raise such sums of money** as may be necessary to defray Town charges and expenses for the year ensuing (July 1, 2011 through June 30, 2012) and to fix the salary and compensation for all the elected officers of the Town, as provided by MGL Ch. 41 §108, as amended, and to **make appropriations** therefor, or take any other action relative thereto.
 (Submitted by Board of Selectmen) (Fin Com will report at Town meeting)

DEPARTMENTAL ARTICLES

ARTICLE 8. To see if the Town will vote to **transfer a sum not to exceed \$650.00** (Six Hundred Fifty and 00/100 Dollars) **from the Library Dog Fund (#24-210-5200) to the Library Books and Materials Account (#610-5400)**, or take any other action relative thereto.
 (Submitted by the Library Trustees) (Fin Com Recommends)

ARTICLE 9. To see if the town will vote to **transfer from Overlay Surplus (#01-00-3130-000) the sum of \$25,903.77** (Twenty-Five Thousand Nine Hundred Three and 77/100 Dollars) **to the 2009 Overlay Account (#01-000-1230-2009)**, or take any other action relative thereto.
 (Submitted by the Board of Assessors) (Fin Com Recommends)

ARTICLE 10. To see if the Town will vote to **transfer a sum not to exceed \$92,426.00** (Ninety-Two Thousand Four Hundred Twenty-Six and 00/100 Dollars) from the **Ambulance Receipts Reserved Account (#28-000-5200) to the Ambulance Wage Account (#01-220-5104)** and a **sum not to exceed \$46,290.00** (Forty-Six Thousand Two Hundred Ninety and 00/100 Dollars) from the **Ambulance Receipts Reserved Account (#28-000-5200) to the Ambulance Expense Account (#01-220-5201)** to cover costs of operating the ambulance service for Fiscal Year 2012, **with any unused portion from transfer reverting back to said Ambulance Receipts Reserved Account at year end**, or take any other action relative thereto.
 (Submitted by the Fire Chief) (Fin Com Recommends)

ARTICLE 11. To see if the Town will **purchase, accept by gift or take by eminent domain** a parcel of land abutting Town Recreation land contingent on approval by and funding from the Community Preservation Committee or take any other action relative thereto.
 (Submitted by the Parks Commission) (Fin Com Recommends)

MCSA ARTICLES

ARTICLE 12. To see if the Town will vote to **transfer the balance of funds currently held in the Property Value Update Account**, so called for the purposes of triennial revaluations, **to the Municipal Capital Stabilization Account**, or take any other action relative thereto.
 (Submitted by Board of Selectmen) **2/3 Vote Required** (Fin Com Recommends)

ARTICLE 13. To see if the Town will vote to **raise and appropriate or transfer** from other funds in the hands of the Treasurer **\$204,123.00** (Two Hundred Four Thousand One Hundred Twenty-One and 00/100 Dollars) to the **Municipal Capital Stabilization Account**, or take any other action relative thereto.
 (Submitted by Board of Selectmen) **2/3 Vote Required** (Fin Com Recommends)

ARTICLE 14. To see if the Town will vote to **transfer** from the **Municipal Capital Stabilization Account**, a sum not to exceed **\$132,856.00** (One Hundred Thirty-Two Thousand Eight Hundred Fifty-Six and 00/100 Dollars) to pay for the following:

EXISTING OBLIGATIONS

Rehabilitation of 1993 Ford Truck	\$ 7,000.00
HPD Police Cruiser #1	\$ 10,929.00
HPD Police Cruiser #2	\$ 8,500.00
Slade Building Rehabilitation Project	\$ 17,000.00
Hubbardston Fire Department Engine #3 Principal	\$ 50,078.00
Hubbardston Fire Department Engine #3 Interest	\$ 5,258.00
<u>Short Term Interest</u>	<u>\$ 9,000.00</u>
Sub Total	\$107,765.00

FY2012 OBLIGATIONS

Hubbardston Fire Department Forestry Unit	\$ 12,500.00
Parks Commission Lawn Cutting Equipment	\$ 5,000.00
HPD Police Computer Secure Server	\$ 5,875.00
<u>Tax Collection Printing Equipment</u>	<u>\$ 1,716.00</u>
Sub Total	\$ 25,091.00

TOTAL **\$ 132,856.00**

or take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by Board of Selectmen) **2/3 Vote Required** (CIPC & Fin Com Recommends)

ARTICLE 15. To see if the Town will **authorize the borrowing** of **\$1,300,000.00** (One Million Three Hundred Thousand and 00/100 Dollars) for a period of 10 years to be used for the engineering, design, Project Management, rehabilitation and construction (including the acquisition of any necessary easements) of the streets and roads within the Town of Hubbardston and to **appropriate from the Municipal Capital Stabilization Account** the amount of **\$165,000.00** (One Hundred, Sixty Five Thousand and 00/100 Dollars) to pay the first year's interest and principal or take any other action relative thereto.
 (Submitted by the Board of Selectmen) **2/3 Vote Required** (CIPC & Fin Com Recommends)

ARTICLE 16. To see if the Town will **authorize the four-year lease** of a 6-Wheel Dump Body Truck with the use of Chapter 90 State Aid Funds or take any action relative thereto.
 (Submitted by the Board of Selectmen) **2/3 Vote Required** (Fin Com Does Not Recommend)

CPA ARTICLES

ARTICLE 17. To see if the Town will vote to **appropriate and/or reserve from the Community Preservation annual revenues** in the amounts recommended by the Committee Preservation Committee for committee administrative expenses, community preservation projects and other expenses in Fiscal Year 2012, with each item to be considered a separate appropriation:

Appropriations:
 From FY 2012 estimated revenues for Committee Administrative Expenses (5%) \$2,960.63

Reserves:

From FY 2012 estimated revenues for Historic Resources Reserve (10%)	\$5,921.25
From FY 2012 estimated revenues for Community Housing Reserve (10%)	\$5,921.25
From FY 2012 estimated revenues for Open Space Reserve (10%)	\$5,921.25
From FY 2012 estimated revenues for Budgeted Reserve (65%)	\$38,488.12

or take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by Community Preservation Committee)

(Fin Com will report at Town meeting)

ARTICLE 18. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$4,253.60 (Four Thousand Two Hundred Fifty-Three and 60/100 Dollars) from the **Community Preservation Open Space Reserve Account (#24-600-5030)** and \$10,746.40 (Ten Thousand Seven Hundred Forty-Six and 40/100 Dollars) from the **Budgeted Reserve Account (#24-600-5040)** to cover year four (of five) for the borrowing associated with the Malone Road Project approved Article 8 at the Special Town Meeting December 4, 2007, or take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Community Preservation Committee)

(Fin Com will report at Town meeting)

ARTICLE 19. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$4,253.60 (Four Thousand, Two Hundred Fifty Three and 60/100 Dollars) from the **Community Preservation Historic Reserve Account (#24-600-5010)** and \$6,746.40 (Six Thousand, Seven Hundred and Forty Six and 40/100 Dollars) from the **Budgeted Reserve Account (#24-600-5040)** to cover year three (of five) for the borrowing associated with the Steeple, Bell Tower, Roof and for masonry work and painting of the First Parish Unitarian Church of Hubbardston approved Article 14 of the Annual Town Meeting June 3, 2008, or take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Community Preservation Committee)

(Fin Com will report at Town meeting)

ZONING ARTICLE

ARTICLE 20. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Town of Hubbardston Zoning Bylaws by adding Article 21 – IPOD Integrated Planning Overlay District and to amend Article 5.1 Table of Dimensional Requirements by inserting “Article 5.1.c. For development within an Integrated Planning Overlay District, the requirements of Section 21.C shall govern regarding Lot Area, Frontage, Front and Rear Side Yards, Lot coverage, and building dimensions, rather than those contained above in Section 5.1.” Creation of the IPOD would allow an applicant to file for a Special Permit and Plan with the Hubbardston Planning Board for the development of land for multiple uses including residential, recreational, retail, service commercial, manufacturing or industrial use. Each proposed use would require a minimum of 10 acres of area. The IPOD District shall be defined as that area of Hubbardston that is on the West side of Gardner Road lying between the North side of both Pitcherville Road and Shady Lane and the Town boundaries with the Town of Templeton and the City of Gardner. **A complete text of this proposal and map is on file with the Town Clerk and available for viewing during normal office hours and is on the Town’s website at www.hubbardstonma.us,** or take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by Property Owner)

2/3 Vote Required

(Fin Com Offers No Opinion)

ARTICLE 21. To see if the Town will vote to accept by gift or take by Eminent Domain a parcel of land shown on Assessors Map 12W Lot 590 and further identified as located on Chicopee Drive in Hubbardston, Massachusetts or act to do anything relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Board of Selectmen)

(Fin Com will report at Town meeting)

PETITION ARTICLES

ARTICLE 22. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum not to exceed \$225,000.00 (Two Hundred Twenty-Five Thousand and 00/100 Dollars) for support of the first year of a multi-year road upgrade plan with this expenditure to be **contingent on a Capital Exclusion Ballot Question**, or take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by Resident Petition)

(Fin Com & CIPC will report at Town meeting)

ARTICLE 23. To see if the Town will vote to allow retired full-time and part-time town employees with benefits who have been employed by the Town for a minimum of ten years to continue to purchase health insurance through the Town by accepting the provisions of M.G.L. Ch 32b Sec. 9e. Further that the Town contribute to said insurance at the applicable premium rate offered to current employees. At age 65 the retiree (and spouse at age 65) must sign up for Medicare Part A & B, or act or transact anything therefore.

(Submitted by Resident Petition)

(Fin Com Does NOT Recommend)

ARTICLE 24. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Hubbardston General Bylaws, Chapter XXIV – Public Safety, Section 2, Paragraph 4, to add: *any property owner may appeal their change of number or address to the Town Building Inspector*, or take any action relative thereto.

(Submitted by Resident Petition)

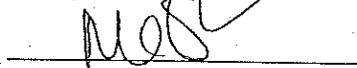
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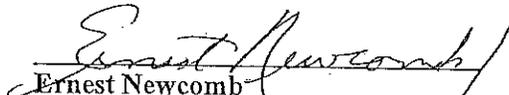
You are hereby directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof at the Place of Meeting, Hubbardston Center School, "Mr. Mike's" convenience store, the Town Office and the Post Office fourteen days, at least, before the day of said meeting. Hereof, fail not, and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk at the time and place of meeting as aforementioned.

Given under our hands this 16th day of May 2011:

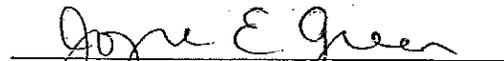
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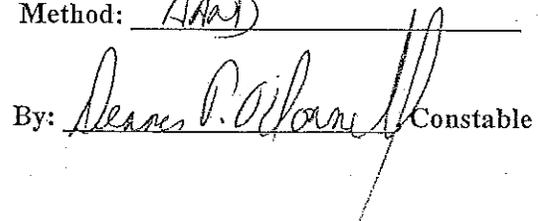

Ernest Newcomb

A true copy, Attest:


Joyce E. Green, Town Clerk

Date of Posting: 5/24/11

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