



TOWN OF WINCHENDON ANNUAL TOWN MEETING WARRANT

TOWN MEETING SUMMARY SHEET

ARTICLE	DESCRIPTION	COST	SOURCE	PROP 2 ½ ¹
1	Finance Committee Report	N/A	N/A	-
2	Other Committee Reports	N/A	N/A	-
3	Establish Committees	N/A	N/A	-
4	Discharge Committees	N/A	N/A	-
5	Revolving Funds Article	N/A	N/A	-
6	FY13 General Gov. Budget	\$9,675,809	Appropriate and Transfer	-
7	Water Enterprise Budget	\$969,587	User Fees/Retained Earnings	-
8	Wastewater Enterprise Budget	\$1,117,979	User Fees/Betterment	-
9	Transf. Station Enterprise Budget	\$187,486	User Fees	-
10	FY13 School Budget	\$13,185,291	Appropriate	-
11	FY13 School Transportation	\$1,190,000	Appropriate	-
12	Senior Work-Off Program	\$9,000	Overlay Surplus	-
13	Non-Profit Support	\$28,000	?	-
14	Capital Bylaw Amendment	N/A	N/A	-
15	Capital Funding via PILOT Payments	N/A	N/A	-
16	DPW Capital-Septic, Drain, Tractor	\$34,500	Raise & Appropriate	-
17	School Capital- Security Cameras	\$71,963	Capital Exclusion	\$10.27 x 1
18	Fire Dept. Capital-4x4 and Software	\$57,000	Capital Exclusion	\$8.13 x 1
19	DPW Capital-1 ton truck w/plow sander	\$60,000	Capital Exclusion	\$8.56 x 1
20	DPW Capital- Water Box Utility Truck	\$55,000	Water Retained Earnings	-
21	DPW Capital- Garage Roof Project	\$180,000	Debt Exclusion	\$2.93 x 10
22	DPW Capital- Sidewalk Tractor	\$115,000	Debt Exclusion	\$1.69 x 5
23	Fire Department Capital- Aerial Tower	\$850,000	Debt Exclusion	\$7.28 x 20
24	Stabilization Fund	N/A	N/A	-
25	Redevelopment Authority Land	N/A	N/A	-
26	General Bylaw- Littering	N/A	N/A	-
27	General Bylaw- Historical Society	N/A	N/A	-
28	Stretch Energy Code	N/A	N/A	-

¹ Amounts shown are an estimate of the monetary increase on a home valued at \$100,000 x the number of years of the impact.

TOWN OF WINCHENDON
ANNUAL TOWN MEETING
MAY 20, 2013

Worcester, ss:

To either of the Constables in the Town of Winchendon, in the County of Worcester,

GREETINGS:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Winchendon qualified to vote in town elections and town affairs to meet at the MURDOCK MIDDLE/HIGH SCHOOL, 3 Memorial Drive, off Elmwood Road in said Winchendon on

MONDAY, MAY 20, 2013
AT 7:00 P.M.

then and there to act on the following articles:

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Moderator, Richard L. Morin Sr.

REPORTS AND COMMITTEES
(majority vote required)

ARTICLE 1

To see if the Town will vote to hear and act on the report of the Finance Committee, or act in relation thereto. (usual and customary article)

BOARD OF SELECTMEN: 4-0 Recommend

FINANCE COMMITTEE: 5-0 Recommend

VOTED: (unanimously to approve the report read by Ulysses Maillet, Chairman of the Finance Committee.

ARTICLE 2

To see if the Town will vote to hear the annual report of the Selectmen and of any other officers or committees required to report to the Town, or act in relation thereto. (usual and customary article)

PASS OVER: (unanimously) approved. No reports available.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN: 4-0 Recommend

FINANCE COMMITTEE: 5-0 Recommend

ARTICLE 3

To see if the Town will vote to choose all other Town officers or committees that may be required or deemed necessary to the Town for the ensuing year and give any instructions to same, or to any other town officer or officers, or act in relation thereto. (usual and customary article)

BOARD OF SELECTMEN: 4-0 Recommend

FINANCE COMMITTEE: 5-0 Recommend

PASS OVER: (Unanimously) approved. No appointments necessary.

ARTICLE 4

To see if the Town will vote to discharge any committees, which have completed their duties, or act in relation thereto. (usual and customary article)

BOARD OF SELECTMEN: 4-0 Recommend

FINANCE COMMITTEE: 5-0 Recommend

PASS OVER: (Unanimously) approved. No Committees to be discharged.

REVOLVING FUNDS AUTHORIZATION ARTICLE **(majority vote required)**

ARTICLE 5

To see if the Town will vote to establish the following revolving accounts as provided for under the provisions of section 53E ½ of Chapter 44 of the Massachusetts General Laws, for the purposes specified and each not to exceed \$20,000.00 in fiscal year 2014:

Hazardous Materials Fees under G.L. c.21E, §4 - the Fire Chief shall be authorized to expend said fund for the purchase of supplies and material relating to hazardous material recovery;

Student Parking Fees- the Winchendon Public Schools shall be authorized to expend said fund for establishing and operating parking permit program and maintenance of parking lot and/or proposed parking lot expansion;

Land Use Restitution and/or Insurance Reimbursement Receipts - the Land Use Office shall be authorized to expend said fund for any lawful purpose relating to its department;

Athletics Advertising Fees- the School Athletic Department shall be authorized to expend said fund for any lawful purpose relating to its department;

Agricultural Commission Fees- the Agricultural Commission shall be authorized to expend said fund for any lawful purpose relating to its department;

Public Health Clean-up Lien Receipts Received in Connection with Board of Health Property Clean-up - the Board of Health shall be authorized to expend said fund for any lawful purpose relating to such clean-ups; and

Planning and Development Large Format Copier and Plotter Fees - the Office of Planning and Development shall be authorized to expend said fund for any lawful purpose relating to the Large Format Copier and Plotter.

or act in relation thereto. (submitted by the Town Manager)

BOARD OF SELECTMEN: 4-0 Recommend

FINANCE COMMITTEE: 5-0 Recommend

VOTED: (Unanimously) approved the article as printed.

GENERAL GOVERNMENT BUDGET ARTICLE (majority vote required)

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and transfer from other available funds* the sum of \$9,675,809 for the operating budget of the Town for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2013, or act in relation thereto. (usual and customary article)

BOARD OF SELECTMEN: 4-0 Recommend

FINANCE COMMITTEE: 5-0 Recommend

VOTED: (Unanimously) approved the article as printed.

*Other Available Funds:

Cemetery Trust	\$ 5,000.00
Cemetery Sale of Lots	\$ 9,000.00
Dog Fees	\$ 14,000.00
Title V Liens Redemption	\$ 7,810.00
Infrastructure Fund	<u>\$ 72,300.00</u>
	\$ 108,110.00

FISCAL YEAR 14 GENERAL GOVERNMENT BUDGET

As has been practice, the format of the Fiscal Year 2014 budget that follows depicts the proposed expenditures for the various major components and then the total of the General Government budget. They are as follows:

1. Administration, Finance and Benefits
2. Regulatory Boards, Commissions and Departments
3. Public Safety
4. Public Works
5. Human Services
6. Debt Service
7. Regional Expenses
8. Total FY14 General Government Budget

The total for each component, numbers 1-8, appears in the budget in numbered and gray shaded lines. These are the budget numbers before you for your consideration and vote.

Additional detailed information depicting the subcomponents within each major component also appears in the following budget. These subcomponent budget numbers provide a more detailed look into what makes up the expenditure of each major component. These numbers appear without shading, with asterisks (*) and are for informational purposes only.

ACCOUNT		FY13 APPROVED	FY14 PROPOSED	% CHANGE	COMMENTS:
1 ADMINISTRATION, FINANCE AND BENEFITS:					
*	SELECTMEN OFFICE	\$ 24,000.00	\$ 24,000.00	0%	No Change
*	TOWN MANAGER OFFICE	\$ 259,671.00	\$ 259,671.00	0%	No Change
*	FINANCE COMMITTEE	\$ 47,860.00	\$ 47,860.00	0%	No Change
*	ACCOUNTING OFFICE	\$ 94,698.00	\$ 86,469.00	-9%	Retirement-Reduced Salary
	STM	\$ (5,000.00)		-4%	
*	ASSESSORS OFFICE	\$ 77,605.00	\$ 77,889.00	0%	No Change
*	COLLECTOR/TREASURER	\$ 164,353.00	\$ 166,217.00	1%	New Hire Rate
*	AUDIT EXPENSE	\$ 28,500.00	\$ 34,000.00	19%	Actual Expense
*	LEGAL EXPENSE	\$ 60,000.00	\$ 60,000.00	0%	No Change
*	DATA PROCESSING	\$ 39,300.00	\$ 39,300.00	0%	No Change
*	TECHNOLOGY	\$ 17,904.00	\$ 17,904.00	0%	No Change
*	COMM. COMMITTEE	\$ 33,500.00	\$ 33,500.00	0%	No Change
	STM	\$ (6,000.00)		22%	Temporary Change
*	TOWN CLERK OFFICE	\$ 84,986.00	\$ 89,043.00	5%	New Hire Rate
	STM	\$ (3,000.00)		9%	
*	REGISTRAR OF VOTERS	\$ 25,585.00	\$ 18,610.00	-27%	Fewer Elections
*	TOWN HALL	\$ 120,276.00	\$ 115,268.00	-4%	Utility Cost Decreases
*	PENSIONS	\$ 834,891.00	\$ 958,573.00	15%	Actual Assessment
*	COMP & UNEMPLOYMENT	\$ 195,944.00	\$ 131,372.00	-33%	Actual Expense
	STM	\$ (35,000.00)		18%	
*	HEALTH INSURANCE	\$ 1,761,590.00	\$ 1,731,594.00	-2%	Projected Expense
*	LIFE INSURANCE	\$ 25,300.00	\$ 25,300.00	0%	Actual Expense
*	MEDICARE	\$ 198,000.00	\$ 196,050.00	-1%	Projected Expense
*	PROPERTY/LIABILITY INS.	\$ 170,574.00	\$ 177,905.00	4%	Actual Expense
*	SEPARATION BENEFITS	\$ -	\$ 78,848.00		Actual Expense
TOTAL ADMIN. AND					
1	FINANCE	\$ 4,215,537.00	\$ 4,369,373.00	4%	\$153,836.00

2 REGULATORY						
*	CONSERVATION	\$	15,589.00	\$	15,515.00	0% No Change
*	PLANNING BOARD	\$	6,000.00	\$	6,000.00	0% No Change
*	ZONING BOARD	\$	1,918.00	\$	1,918.00	0% No Change
*	COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT	\$	65,406.00	\$	99,224.00	52% Funding Salaries
*	LAND USE OFFICE	\$	92,654.00	\$	93,472.00	1% Salary Accrual
2	TOTAL REGULATORY	\$	181,567.00	\$	216,129.00	19% \$34,562.00
3 PUBLIC SAFETY DEPARTMENTS						
*	POLICE/DISPATCH/ACO	\$	1,232,328.00	\$	1,326,925.00	8% Funded Detective
	STM	\$	(9,000.00)			8%
*	FIRE/AMBULANCE	\$	672,964.00	\$	676,257.00	0% New Hire Rate
*	CIVIL DEFENSE	\$	3,877.00	\$	4,877.00	26% Misc. Minor Increases
*	BOARD OF HEALTH	\$	58,095.00	\$	55,381.00	-5% Misc. Minor Cuts
3	TOTAL PUBLIC SAFETY	\$	1,958,264.00	\$	2,063,440.00	5% \$105,176.00
4 PUBLIC WORKS						
*	ADMINISTRATION	\$	72,465.00	\$	53,262.00	-26% Reallocate Expenses
*	HIGHWAY	\$	391,218.00	\$	301,009.00	-23% Reallocate Expenses
	STM	\$	(94,500.00)			1%
*	FLEET MAINTENANCE	\$	273,660.00	\$	223,307.00	-18% Reallocate Expenses
*	CEMETERY	\$	89,411.00	\$	89,962.00	1% Payroll Accrual
*	SNOW AND ICE	\$	101,000.00	\$	101,000.00	0% No Change
*	STREET LIGHTS	\$	48,000.00	\$	58,500.00	22% Utility Cost Increases
*	LANDFILL EXPENSE	\$	35,000.00	\$	23,000.00	-34% Monitoring Schedule Chg.
	STM	\$	(12,000.00)			0%
*	TREE TRIMMING	\$	5,000.00	\$	5,000.00	0% No Change
4	TOTAL PUBLIC WORKS	\$	909,254.00	\$	860,240.00	-5% (\$49,014.00)

5	HUMAN SERVICES				
*	COUNCIL ON AGING	\$ 143,833.00	\$ 140,411.00	-2%	Utility Decreases
*	VETERANS	\$ 316,304.00	\$ 341,390.00	8%	Increased Veteran Benefits
*	LIBRARY	\$ 163,541.00	\$ 164,601.00	1%	Payroll Accrual
*	RECREATION COMMITTEE	\$ 3,400.00	\$ 3,400.00	0%	No Change
*	HISTORICAL COMMISSION	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	0%	No Change
5	TOTAL HUMAN SERVICES	\$ 627,578.00	\$ 650,302.00	4%	\$22,724.00
6	DEBT SERVICE				
*	DEBT SERVICE	\$ 996,017.00	\$ 852,274.00	-15%	Actual Expense
6	TOTAL DEBT SERVICE	\$ 996,017.00	\$ 847,074.00	-15%	(\$148,943.00)
7	REGIONAL EXPENSES				
*	REGIONAL PLANNING	\$ 2,959.00	\$ 3,033.00	3%	Actual Assessment
*	MONTY TECH	\$ 556,991.00	\$ 666,218.00	20%	Actual Assessment
7	TOTAL REGIONAL EXPENSES	\$ 559,950.00	\$ 669,251.00	20%	\$109,301.00
8	TOTAL RAISE & APPROPRIATE	\$9,448,167.00	\$9,675,809.00	2.4%	\$227,642.00

WATER ENTERPRISE ARTICLE

(majority vote required)

ARTICLE 7

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$969,587.00 (Water Receipts- \$800,000 and Water Retained Earnings- \$169,587) for the operating budget of the Water Department enterprise fund for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2013, or act in relation thereto. (usual and customary article)

BOARD OF SELECTMEN: 4-0 Recommend

FINANCE COMMITTEE: 5-0 Recommend

VOTED: (Unanimously) to approve the article as written.

WASTEWATER ENTERPRISE ARTICLE

(majority vote required)

ARTICLE 8

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$1,117,979.00 (Sewer Receipts- \$847,979 and Betterment Revenues- \$270,000) for the operating budget of the Wastewater Treatment Department enterprise fund for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2013, or act in relation thereto. (usual and customary article)

BOARD OF SELECTMEN: 4-0 Recommend

FINANCE COMMITTEE: 5-0 Recommend

VOTED: (Unanimously) to approve the article as written.

TRANSFER STATION ENTERPRISE ARTICLES

(majority vote required)

ARTICLE 9

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$187,486.00 from Transfer Station Receipts for the operating budget of the Transfer Station enterprise fund for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2013, or act in relation thereto. (submitted by the Town Manager)

BOARD OF SELECTMEN: 4-0 Recommend

FINANCE COMMITTEE: 5-0 Recommend

VOTED: (Unanimously) to approve the article as written.

EDUCATION BUDGET ARTICLES

(majority vote required)

School Operating Budget Article

ARTICLE 10

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$13,185,291.00 (\$11,216,010.00 Chapter 70 plus \$4,903,651.00 Local Aid (Governor's Proposal) less \$2,934,370.00 Indirect Costs) for the School Department for the operating budget of the Winchendon Public Schools for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2013, or take any action thereon. (Submitted by the School Department)

BOARD OF SELECTMEN: 4-0 Recommend

FINANCE COMMITTEE: 4-0-1 Recommend

VOTED: (Unanimously) to approve the article as printed.

School Transportation Article

ARTICLE 11

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,190,000.00 for School Transportation for the following purposes:

In town Transportation:	\$ 638,840.00
Special Education Transportation:	\$ 540,000.00
Crossing Guards:	\$ 11,160.00

said sum to be expended by the School Committee, or act in relation thereto. (submitted by the Town Manager, usual and customary article)

BOARD OF SELECTMEN: 4-0 Recommend

FINANCE COMMITTEE: 4-0-1 Recommend

VOTED: (Unanimously) to approve the article as printed.

USUAL AND CUSTOMARY FINANCIAL ARTICLES

(majority and/or two-thirds vote required)

ARTICLE 12

To see if the Town will vote to transfer from overlay surplus funds the sum of nine thousand dollars (\$9,000) for the Senior Tax Work-off Program, or act in relation thereto. (submitted by the Town Manager)

BOARD OF SELECTMEN: 4-0 Recommend

FINANCE COMMITTEE: 5-0 Recommend

VOTED: (Unanimously) to approve the article as printed.

ARTICLE 13

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of \$28,000.00 as grants to the following non-profit entities in consideration of the numerous services provided to the Town:

\$18,000- Community Action Committee from _____
\$10,000- Clark Memorial YMCA from water retained earnings.

or act in relation thereto. (submitted by the Town Manager)

BOARD OF SELECTMEN: 3-1 Recommend with amending to raise & appropriate

FINANCE COMMITTEE: 5-0 Recommend

VOTED: (two-thirds) to approve \$10,000 for the Clark Memorial YMCA from water retained earnings. The Community Action committee was passed over until the fall town meeting.

CAPITAL ARTICLES
(majority and/or two-thirds vote required)

ARTICLE 14

To see if the town will amend its general bylaws by striking out the present section 2.9, CAPITAL PLANNING ADVISORY COMMITTEE, and inserting in the place thereof the following:

SECTION 2.9: CAPITAL PLANNING COMMITTEE

A. Appointments. Consistent with the Winchendon Home Rule Charter, Section 2.3(d), the Committee shall be composed of five registered voters of the Town - one to be appointed by the moderator and one to be appointed by each of the following: Board of Selectmen, School Committee, Finance Committee and Planning Board. The Committee shall choose a chairman. Appointments shall be made following the Annual Town Meeting, for the period beginning July 1 through June 30 of each year. Vacancies shall be filled in the manner of the original appointment for the remainder of the unexpired term; provided, however that if 30 days pass after notice of the vacancy has been provided to the respective appointing authority, the committee may fill the position under Section 7-8 of the Town Charter. Each appointing authority shall consider the qualifications of applicants for appointment, and who will best be able to represent both Town employees and taxpayers. If possible, appointees shall include registered voters who are familiar with and experienced with financial principles.

B. Duties and Responsibilities. The Committee shall consider the capital needs of the Town including both long term and more immediate needs. It shall evaluate, coordinate and prioritize proposed capital improvements and other outlays involving major assets and projects, including proposed gifts to the Town that would incur future operating costs. It shall determine the method of funding for each capital need. It shall advise the Town Manager and Town Meeting.

C. Characteristics of a Capital Project. A “capital project” is one that:

1. Will have a useful life of three or more years or will not recur within three years
2. Will cost at least \$10,000, whether spread over one or more years; provided further that large projects shall not be divided into smaller projects to avoid this threshold.
3. May include but not be limited to: the purchase of land; the erection of new buildings and alterations to existing buildings; the construction of and major repairs to infrastructure such as highways, water mains and stormwater systems; the purchase of vehicles, machinery and heavy equipment; or the purchase and installation of technology and communications equipment.

D. Review of Capital Projects. All proposed Capital Projects shall be reviewed by the Committee, and requests therefor may be submitted at any time. Such review is not necessarily dependent on the annual budget cycle, and shall occur regardless of whether the project is included within the annual Town operating budget, will be funded through a grant, or is a proposed gift that will later incur operating or maintenance costs. The Committee in examining the need for capital improvements shall evaluate the

need for the project, the urgency of the need, and the affordability of the project. The Town Manager and the Finance Committee shall be invited to all meetings where Capital Projects are reviewed.

E. Project Requests and Financial Impact Statements. Capital Project requests may be submitted by any Town agency or as set forth in a petitioned warrant article, and shall, if submitted by a Town agency, be accompanied by an estimated initial capital cost and a financial impact statement detailing increased operating costs reasonably necessary for the project to accomplish its intended purpose. The Committee may request, but not require, additional information or that the project proponent attend a meeting of the committee.

F. Recommendations. The Committee shall recommend to the Town Manager a proposed annual capital budget and five year capital plan, prioritizing the capital budget requests it has reviewed, and proposing funding sources therefor. Such recommendation shall, to the extent possible, be submitted well in advance of the deadline for submission of a capital budget as required by Section 5-7 of the Town Charter. Notwithstanding the provisions of this bylaw, however, failure of the Committee to review a proposed Capital Project or to make a recommendation with respect to the same, shall not prohibit inclusion of the same in the capital budget prepared by the Town Manager or action of the Town Meeting with respect thereto. The Committee shall report at Town Meeting its recommendation on each capital project included in the warrant.

Submitted by the Capital Planning Committee

BOARD OF SELECTMEN: 4-0 RECOMMEND

FINANCE COMMITTEE: 4-1-0 RECOMMEND

VOTED: (Unanimously) to approve the article as printed.

ARTICLE 15

To see if the town will vote that one half of the revenue received in accordance with Payment in Lieu of Taxes (PILOT) agreements will henceforth be placed in the Capital Stabilization Fund; or act in relation thereto. (Submitted by the Capital Planning Advisory Committee)

BOARD OF SELECTMEN: (Tabled for next meeting)

FINANCE COMMITTEE: 5-0 Recommend

VOTED: (Unanimously) to approve the article as printed.

ARTICLE 16

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, borrow or transfer from available funds the sum of \$34,500 to be used to replace the existing septic system (\$15,000), a Tight Tank for the floor drain system (\$10,000) both for the fleet maintenance garage, and to purchase a diesel tractor with mowing deck (\$9,500) for the cemetery department; or act in relation thereto. (Submitted by the Capital Planning Advisory Committee)

BOARD OF SELECTMEN: 4-0 Recommend amended to raise and appropriate by borrowing

FINANCE COMMITTEE: 5-0 Recommend

VOTED: (Unanimously) to approve the article as printed.

ARTICLE 17

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the total sum of \$71,963.00, for the purposes shown below; provided that the amounts appropriated hereunder shall be expressly contingent upon approval by the voters of a Proposition 2 ½, so-called, capital exclusion question pursuant to G.L. c.59, §21C (i 1/2):

\$18,714 - School Department - Additional surveillance cameras for Murdock Middle High School
\$10,000 - School Department - Additional surveillance cameras for Toy Town Elementary School
\$43,249 - School Department - Surveillance camera system for Memorial School;

or act in relation thereto. (Submitted by the Capital Planning Advisory Committee)

BOARD OF SELECTMEN: 3-1 Recommend

FINANCE COMMITTEE: 4-0-1 Recommend

VOTED: (Two-thirds) to approve the article as printed.

ARTICLE 18

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the total sum of \$57,000.00, for the purposes shown below; provided that the amounts appropriated hereunder shall be expressly contingent upon approval by the voters of a Proposition 2 ½, so-called, capital exclusion question pursuant to G.L. c.59, §21C (i 1/2):

\$42,000 - Fire Dept. - Purchase a 4x4 pickup truck for fighting brush fires

\$15,000 - Fire Dept. - Purchase additional software licenses for Ambulance and Office;

or act in relation thereto. (Submitted by the Capital Planning Advisory Committee)

BOARD OF SELECTMEN: 4-0 Recommend

FINANCE COMMITTEE: 5-0 Recommend

VOTED: (Two-thirds) to approve the article as printed.

ARTICLE 19

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the total sum of \$60,000.00, for the purposes shown below; provided that the amounts appropriated hereunder shall be expressly contingent upon approval by the voters of a Proposition 2 ½, so-called, capital exclusion question pursuant to G.L. c.59, §21C (i 1/2):

\$60,000 - Public Works - One ton dump truck with plow and sander; or act in relation thereto.
(Submitted by the Capital Planning Advisory Committee)

BOARD OF SELECTMEN: 4-0 Recommend

FINANCE COMMITTEE: 5-0 Recommend

VOTED: (Unanimously) to approve the article as printed.

ARTICLE 20

To see if the Town will vote to transfer \$55,000 from Water Enterprise retained earnings for the purchase and equipping of a one-ton, four-wheel drive utility truck and snow plow to replace the existing 1999 utility truck, or act in relation thereto. (Submitted by Public Works Director)

BOARD OF SELECTMEN: 4-0 Recommend

FINANCE COMMITTEE: 5-0 Recommend

VOTED: (Two-thirds) to approve the article as printed.

ARTICLE 21

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$180,000 for the purposes shown below; and as funding therefor, that the Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, be authorized to borrow said sum and issue bonds and notes therefor pursuant to G.L. c.44, §7 or any other enabling authority; provided, however, that the amounts appropriated hereunder shall be expressly contingent upon approval by the voters of a Proposition 2 ½, so-called, debt exclusion question pursuant to G.L. c.59, §21C (k),

\$180,000.00 – Replace and insulate the roof on the Public Works Garage, including all costs incidental and related thereto,

or act in relation thereto. (Submitted by Public Works Director)

BOARD OF SELECTMEN: 4-0 Not Recommend

FINANCE COMMITTEE: 5-0 Not Recommend

VOTED: (Unanimously) to DISAPPROVE the article.

ARTICLE 22

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$115,000 for the purpose shown below; and as funding therefor that the Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, be authorized to borrow said sum and issue bonds and notes therefor pursuant to G.L. c.44, §7 or any other enabling authority; provided, however, that the amounts appropriated hereunder shall be expressly contingent upon approval by the voters of a Proposition 2 ½, so-called, debt exclusion question pursuant to G.L. c.59, §21C (k),

- \$115,000.00 – Purchase of municipal tractor for sidewalk snow removal

and provided further that the funds appropriated hereunder shall not be expended unless the Town receives a grant for the purposes set forth herein in the amount of \$60,000;

or act in relation thereto. (Submitted by Public Works Director)

BOARD OF SELECTMEN: 4-0 Recommend

FINANCE COMMITTEE: 5-0 Recommend

VOTED: (two-thirds) to approve the article as printed.

ARTICLE 23

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$850,000 for the purpose shown below; and as funding therefor that the Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, be authorized to borrow said sum and issue bonds and notes therefor pursuant to G.L. c.44, §7 or any other enabling authority;

provided, however, that the amounts appropriated hereunder shall be expressly contingent upon approval by the voters of a Proposition 2 ½, so-called, debt exclusion question pursuant to G.L. c.59, §21C (k),

- \$850,000.00 –Purchase and equip a new aerial tower to replace our antique 1984 E-One ladder, including all costs incidental and related thereto

or act in relation thereto. (Submitted by Fire Chief)

BOARD OF SELECTMEN: 4-0 Not Recommend

FINANCE COMMITTEE: 5-0 Not Recommend

VOTED: (Two-thirds) to approve the article as printed.

STABILIZATION FUND ARTICLE

(two-thirds vote required)

ARTICLE 24

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money to the Stabilization Fund, or act in relation thereto. (Submitted by the Town Manager)

BOARD OF SELECTMEN: 4-0 Recommend

FINANCE COMMITTEE: 5-0 Recommend

VOTED: (Two-thirds) to pass over article.

GENERAL BUSINESS ARTICLES

(majority vote required)

ARTICLE 25

To see if the Town will vote to transfer the property described below from the Board of Selectmen for the purposes for which it is currently held to the Board of Selectmen for purposes of conveyance, and further, to authorize the Board of Selectmen to convey to the Winchendon Redevelopment Authority, on such terms and consideration as the Board of Selectmen deems appropriate, a portion of property shown as Assessor's Map 5B2, Parcel 295 consisting of approximately .53 acres and further described in deed recorded in Book 2386 Page 356 of the Registry of Deeds, Worcester District, for the purpose of resale to further promote community/economic development, or act in relation thereto. (Submitted by the Winchendon Redevelopment Authority)

BOARD OF SELECTMEN: 4-0 Recommend

FINANCE COMMITTEE: 5-0 Recommend

VOTED: (Two-thirds) to approve article as printed.

GENERAL BYLAW ARTICLES

(majority vote required)

ARTICLE 26

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Town's Bylaws by inserting the following new article:

Littering By-Law

No person shall throw, discard, deposit, or abandon upon any public way or other property owned by the Town or on the property of another any litter, except in a designated waste receptacle or as may otherwise be directed by the Town or the property owner. For purposes of this bylaw, the term "litter" shall include but is not limited to: paper wrappers; paper bags; paper towels or napkins; paper or plastic cups; cup lids; plastic bags; plastic or glass bottles; beverage cans; cigarette butts; cigarette packs; gum packs; tissues; fruit skins and containers; and any other items that would be considered trash. Enforcement: The provisions of this bylaw may be enforced by the Agent of the Board of Health and any Police Officer of the Town of Winchendon, by any available means in law or equity, including but not limited to enforcement by non-criminal disposition pursuant to M.G.L. c. 40 § 21D. Each day a violation exists shall constitute a separate offense. For the purposes of non-criminal disposition, the following fine schedule shall apply:

First offense: \$ 50.00

Second offense: \$ 250.00

Third and each subsequent offense: \$ 300.00

or act in relation to. (Submitted by DPW Superintendent)

BOARD OF SELECTMEN: 4-0 Recommend

FINANCE COMMITTEE: 5-0 Recommend

VOTED: (Two-thirds) to approve the article as printed.

ARTICLE 27

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Historic District Bylaw of the Town of Winchendon by deleting Section 15.3(b) and re-lettering the remaining sections of Section 15.3 accordingly, or act in relation thereto. (submitted by the Historical District Commission/Historic Commission)

BOARD OF SELECTMEN: 4-0 Recommend

FINANCE COMMITTEE: 5-0 Recommend

VOTED: (Two-thirds) to approve the article as printed.

ARTICLE 28

To see if the Town will vote to adopt the "Stretch Energy Code" set forth in the State Building Code at 780 CMR 120.AA (i.e., Appendix 120.AA) as it may be amended from time to time, for the purpose of regulating the design and construction of buildings for the effective use of energy, a copy of which is on file with the Town Clerk, and to amend the Town Bylaws by inserting a new Chapter ____, "Stretch Energy Code Bylaw", as follows:

Stretch Energy Code

Section 1 - Adoption

The Town of Winchendon has adopted the provisions of 780 CMR 115.AA (i.e., Appendix 115.AA of the State Building Code or the “Stretch Energy Code”), as may be amended from time to time, in place of the provisions set forth under 780 CMR 13.00, 34.00, 61.00 and 93.00.

Section 2 - Purpose

The purpose of the Stretch Energy Code shall be to provide the Town with a more energy efficient alternative to the base energy code otherwise set forth under the State Building Code.

or take any action in relation thereto.

(submitted by the Town Manager)

BOARD OF SELECTMEN: 4-0 Recommend

FINANCE COMMITTEE: 5-0 Recommend

VOTED: (Two-thirds) to approve the article as printed.

It was moved, seconded to adjourn the meeting at 8:46 p.m.

Attest:

Judy A. Ruschioni

Judy A. Ruschioni
Winchendon Town Clerk

You are hereby directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof at the several places designated by the bylaws of the town of Winchendon seven days at least before the time of holding such meeting and by mailing a copy of this warrant to each household in Winchendon in which a registered voter resides or by publication of the same in a newspaper of local distribution as required by said bylaws.

Hereof, fail not and make due return of said warrant with your doings thereon at the time and place of the meeting aforesaid. Given under our hands and seal this 16th day of April 2013.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN:

Robert M. O'Keefe

Robert M. O'Keefe, Chair

Elizabeth R. Hunt, Vice Chair

C. Jackson Blair

C. Jackson Blair

Keith R. Barrows

Keith R. Barrows

Guy Corbosiero

Guy Corbosiero

I have this day posted the within warrant as therein directed:

Fred Cloutier

PRINT CONSTABLE NAME

Fred Cloutier

SIGN CONSTABLE NAME

May 1, 2013

DATE:

<p>FINANCE COMMITTEE PUBLIC HEARING April 16, 2013 at 7:00 PM 4th Floor Robinson-Broadhurst Conference Room</p>

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