

TOWN OF WILLIAMSBURG
Annual Town Meeting
June 6, 2011

Articles 1 through 17 of the Annual Town Meeting.

Hampshire SS:

To the Constable of the Town of Williamsburg

Greetings:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of said town, qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs, to meet at the Earl F. Tonet Gymnasium in the Anne T. Dunphy School in said town on Monday, the sixth of June next, at seven o'clock in the evening, then and there, to act on the following articles.

Article 1 **To see if the town will vote** to empower the Board of Selectmen, Board of Water/Sewer Commissioners, Board of Assessors, Board of Health, Board of Appeals, Finance Committee, and the Trustees of Libraries to appoint their own members to town departments at such salaries or wage rates as shall be established by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 2 **To authorize** the Moderator to choose a committee to expend the income from the Whiting Street Fund.

Article 3 **To see if the Town will vote** to accept the provisions of Chapter 138 Sections 33A and 33B, concerning the hours of operation of liquor license holders, or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 4 **To see if the town will vote** to adopt a Capital Improvement Plan, as prepared by the Capital Planning Committee and whose budget has been accepted by the Finance Committee, including recommended capital improvements for the following five fiscal years, or take any other action relative thereto.

Accepted by the Finance Committee

Article 5 **To see if the Town will vote** to amend Section Three of the Williamsburg Town Caucus rules adopted at the Annual Town Meeting on March 2, 1964, and amended at the Annual Town Meeting on April 5, 1982, by reducing the number of persons necessary for a quorum from 40 to 25 persons.

Article 6 **To see if the town will vote** to rescind the vote taken at the Annual Town Meeting of May 4, 1998 on Article 26 that set up The Brassworks Recreation Trust Fund, specifically the language:

THE BRASSWORKS RECREATION TRUST FUND

This fund shall be established at the level of \$ 100,000 of which \$ 50,000 shall be spent on recreational activities, including but not limited to maintenance of existing facilities, purchase of new structures, and purchases of supplies and materials related to any recreational activities. Those expenditures under \$ 10,000 may be authorized by the Brassworks Reuse Committee. Those expenditures equal to and over \$ 10,000 shall be authorized by a vote of Town Meeting.

Additionally, up to \$ 50,000 of this account can be spent on long range projects, including but not limited to the purchase or lease of land to be used for recreational purposes, the purchase or lease of equipment for recreational purposes, improvements to recreational land. Items up to \$ 10,000 can be authorized by the Brassworks Reuse Committee with expenditures equal to and over \$ 10,000 to be authorized by a vote of Town Meeting;

and to appropriate any remaining funds to be expended under the direction of the Recreation Commission to enhance recreational facilities in the Town and to terminate this trust fund, or take any other action relative thereto.

Recommended by the Finance Committee

Article 7 **To see if the town will vote** to fix a salary and compensation of all elected and appointed officers of the town for the twelve month period ending June 30, 2012, as provided in Section 108, Chapter 41, General Laws as amended, and to see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate such sums of money as shall be deemed necessary to defray the expenses of the period as follows, or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 8 **To see if the Town will vote** to accept monies from the Massachusetts Department of Transportation, and to expend said monies, including but not limited to Chapter 90 funds, for the maintenance and reconstruction of Town roads and bridges without further appropriation, or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 9 **To see if the town will vote** to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money for the Stabilization Fund and determine whether said sum shall be raised by taxation, taken from available funds, or take any other action relative thereto.

Recommended by the Finance Committee

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Article 10 Departmental Revolving Funds Authorization. To see if the town will vote to authorize revolving funds for certain town departments under Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 44 §53E1/2 for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2011, or take any other action relative thereto.

Recommended by Finance Committee

Revolving Fund	Authorized to Spend Fund	Revenue Source	Use of Fund	FY12 Spending Limit
Gas Inspector Revolving Fund	Gas Inspector	Fees charged for inspections required under the permit process	Salary of the Inspector and expenses related to the issuance of permits.	\$ 1,500.00
Electrical Inspector Revolving Fund	Electrical Inspector	Fees charged for inspections required under the permit process	Salary of the Inspector and expenses related to the issuance of permits.	\$ 7,500.00
Plumbing Inspector Revolving Fund	Plumbing Inspector	Fees charged for inspections required under the permit process	Salary of the Inspector and expenses related to the issuance of permits.	\$ 3,500.00
Transfer Station Open Box Revolving Fund	Board of Health	Fees and charges for services related to the Transfer Station and disposal areas.	Disposal costs of the open box and management of the Transfer Station and disposal areas.	\$18,000.00
Planning Board Revolving Fund	Planning Board	Fees charged specific to proposed sub-divisions within Williamsburg and new construction	Expenses associated with proposed sub-divisions within Williamsburg and other related expenses associated with new buildings	\$30,000.00
Dog Control Revolving Fund	Town Clerk	Fees specific to dogs	Expenses associated with licensing and controlling dogs and to pay the Dog Officer salary.	\$ 5,000.00
Recreation Commission Revolving Fund	Recreation Commission	Fees specific to recreation programs	Pay cost of operating recreation programs.	\$30,000.00
Council on Aging Revolving Fund	Council on Aging Executive Director	Fees specific to advertising in the newsletter	Pay for printing and distribution of the Council on Aging newsletter	\$ 2,000.00
Conservation Commission Revolving Fund	Conservation Commission	Fees specific to NOI/WPA Filing fees.	Pay expenses associated with WPA filing fees for administration and Enforcement of Wetlands Protection Act.	\$ 5,000.00
Board of Appeals Revolving Fund	Board of Appeals	Fees specific to applications	Pay expenses associated with processing of applications, purchase of laptop computer and software for record keeping	\$ 6,000.00
Fire Dept Revolving Fund	Fire Chief	Fees specific to inspections (smoke, CO, etc.)	Salary of the Inspector and expenses related to the issuance of permits.	\$ 3,000.00
Total Spending	Limit			\$111,500.00

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Article 11 **To see if the town will vote** to raise and appropriate the sum of \$242,890.00 composed of the amounts listed below, for the purpose of operating and maintaining the town’s water system, including the laying of mains for fiscal year 2012, and take said sum from Water Enterprise Revenue, or take any other action relative thereto.

Recommended by Finance Committee

Salaries	\$ 2,800.00
Expenses	\$ 89,370.00
<u>Debt Service</u>	<u>\$ 150,720.00</u>
Total	\$ 242,890.00

Article 12 **To see if the town will vote** to raise and appropriate \$162,095.00 composed of the amounts listed below, for the purpose of operating, maintaining and constructing the town sewer system for fiscal year 2012, and take said sum from Sewer Enterprise Revenue, or take any other action relative thereto.

Recommended by Finance Committee

Salaries	\$ 2,800.00
Operation & Maintenance	\$ 130,295.00
<u>Debt Service</u>	<u>\$ 29,000.00</u>
Total	\$ 162,095.00

Article 13 **To see if the Town will vote** to adopt the “Stretch Energy Code” set forth in the State Building Code at 780 CMR 115.AA (*i.e.*, Appendix 115.AA), as may be amended from time to time, a copy of which is on file with the Town Clerk, and to amend the Town’s General Government By-law by inserting a new provision, entitled “Stretch Energy Code”, as set forth below, or to take any other action relative thereto:

ADD after the Right-to-Farm By-law:

Stretch Energy Code

Section 1. Adoption. The Town of Williamsburg 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 and 51.00. Buildings not included within the scope of the Stretch Energy Code shall comply with the applicable provisions of the State Building Code.

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.

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Article 14 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of \$35,000 for the purchase of a Ford Explorer for the police department to replace cruiser #22, or take any other action relative thereto.

Recommended by Finance Committee

Article 15 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of \$25,000 for the purchase and installation of a computer server system and wiring for the Town Offices, or take any other action relative thereto.

Recommended by Finance Committee

Article 16 To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of \$30,000 for architectural, assessment and cost estimating services and other planning and design services related to the preservation and repair of the Old Town Hall at 8 Main Street, or take any other action relative thereto.

Not Recommended by Finance Committee

Article 17 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of \$31,000 for the purchase and installation of an air conditioning system for the Meekins Library, or take any other action relative thereto.

Recommended by Finance Committee

And you are hereby directed to serve this warrant by posting up attested copies hereof in at least five places in said town seven days before the date thereof, as within directed.

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 aforesaid.

Given under our hand this _____ day of May, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand Eleven.

Board of Selectmen

Hampshire SS:

Pursuant to the within warrant, I have notified and warned the inhabitants of the Town of Williamsburg by posting up attested copies of the same in at least five places in said town seven days before the date thereof, as within directed.

Date: _____

Constable of Williamsburg