

**SPECIAL TOWN MEETING
TOWN OF MONTAGUE
COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
February 28, 2013**

Franklin, ss.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Montague in the County of Franklin:

GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the Inhabitants of the Town of Montague qualified to vote in Town affairs to meet in the Turners Falls High School Cafeteria on Thursday, February 28, 2013 at 6:30 P.M. and to act on the following articles and any motions which may be presented.

ARTICLE 1. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds, borrow or otherwise provide the sum of \$7,000, or any other amount, for the purpose of replacing the drive and control system of #1 return activated sludge pump at the Water Pollution Control Facility, or to pass any vote or votes in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 2. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds, borrow or otherwise provide the sum of \$3,621.80 for the purpose of paying prior year bills of the Water Pollution Control Facility or to pass any vote or votes in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 3. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds, borrow or otherwise provide the sum of \$17,200, or any other amount, for the purpose of paying off the amount owed on the John Deere 84 Loader, or to pass any vote or votes in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 4. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds, borrow or otherwise provide the sum of \$9,600, or any other amount, for the purpose of hiring a consultant to prepare the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit renewal for the Water Pollution Control Facility, or to pass any vote or votes in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 5. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds, borrow or otherwise provide the sum of \$11,000, or any other amount, for the purpose of installing handicapped access at the rear entrance to the Town Hall, or to pass any vote or votes in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 6. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds, borrow or otherwise provide the sum of \$4,239.46 for the purpose of paying prior year bills of the town, or to pass any vote or votes in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 7. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds, borrow or otherwise provide the sum of \$100,000, or any other amount, for the purpose of increasing the Town Stabilization Fund, or to pass any vote or votes in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 8. To see if the town will vote to accept the provisions of MGL Chapter 32 Section 20(6), which provides a stipend of not less than \$3,000 and not more than \$4,500 for members of the Retirement Board, or to pass any vote or votes in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 9. To see if the town will vote to accept Section 23 of Chapter 176 of the Acts of 2011, a local option which increases the minimum monthly member-survivor allowance from \$250 to \$500, or to pass any vote or votes in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 10. To see if the town will vote to accept Section 65 of Chapter 139 of the Acts of 2012, the provisions of which would increase the annual pension of a surviving spouse of a disability retiree who retired prior to November 7, 1996 from \$9,000 to \$12,000, or to pass any vote or votes in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 11. To see if the town will vote to accept the provisions of MGL Chapter 32 Section 9 (2) (d) (ii), which provides for cost of living increases to the accidental death benefit for surviving children, or to pass any vote or votes in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 12. To see if the town will vote to amend the Town Bylaws Article II, Section 2, relating to the Town's appropriation committee by replacing "consisting of 9 residents" with "consisting of not less than 3 but not more than 7 residents" in the first sentence or to pass any vote or votes in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 13. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds, borrow or otherwise provide the sum of \$1,400, or any other amount, for the purpose of increasing the FY 2013 Town Accountant's budget, or to pass any vote or votes in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 14. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds, borrow or otherwise provide the sum of \$11,000, or any other amount, for the purpose of increasing the Fiscal 2013 Dispatch Budget, or to pass any vote or votes in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 15. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds, borrow or otherwise provide the sum of \$24,500, or any other amount, for the purpose of increasing the FY 2013 Police Budget, or to pass any vote or votes in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 16. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds, borrow or otherwise provide the sum of \$5,500, or any other amount, for the purpose of increasing the FY 2013 Board of Assessors Budget, or to pass any vote or votes in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 17. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds, borrow or otherwise provide the sum of \$30,000, or any other amount, for the purpose of increasing the FY 2013 Veterans' Benefits Budget, or to pass any vote or votes in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 18. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds, borrow or otherwise provide the sum of \$2,500, or any other amount, for the purpose of purchasing flags and accessories, or to pass any vote or votes in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 19. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds, borrow or otherwise provide the sum of \$17,500, or any other amount, for the purpose of increasing the FY 2013 Legal Budget, or to pass any vote or votes in relation thereto.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof in some conspicuous place in each of the Post Offices, Libraries, and Town Hall of the Town, at least fourteen days before said meeting.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this document with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk fourteen days before said meeting.

Given under our hand this ____ day of February in the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand and Thirteen.

Christopher Boutwell

Patricia A. Allen

Mark Fairbrother

Selectmen, Town of Montague

Franklin, ss Montague, MA February , 2013

Pursuant to the within warrant, I have warned the Inhabitants of the Town of Montague by posting attested copies of the same in a conspicuous place in each of the Post Offices, Libraries, and Town Hall of the Town of Montague at least fourteen days before said meeting as within directed.

Constable of Montague