

**Town of Whately
Special Town Meeting Warrant
March 14, 2016**

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Franklin, SS.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Whately 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 said town, qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs, to meet at the **Whately Town Office Building, #4 Sandy Lane, Whately, on the Fourteenth day of March** next, at **seven in the evening**, then and there to act on the following articles:

ARTICLE 1: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds, the sum of **\$9,940** to be added to Account # 001-192-5400, Town Building Operations, to pay the expenses related to the upgrade of the HVAC software at the new Sandy Lane Town Office Building, or take any other action relative thereto.

Majority vote required

***Recommended by the Selectboard
Recommended by the Finance Committee***

ARTICLE 2: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds, the sum of **\$8,000** to pay for the cost of meeting room chairs, tables, and furnishings at the new Sandy Lane Town Office Building, or take any other action relative thereto.

Majority vote required

***Recommended by the Selectboard
Recommended by the Finance Committee***

ARTICLE 3: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds, the sum of **\$3,960** to be added to Account #001-192-5400, Town Building Operations, to pay for the cost of necessary roof repairs at the new Sandy Lane Town Office Building, or take any other action relative thereto.

Majority vote required

***Recommended by the Selectboard
Recommended by the Finance Committee***

ARTICLE 4: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds, the sum of **\$26,939** to account # 501-300-4540, to restore the balance of the Elementary School Circuit Breaker Grant Account, or take any other action relative thereto.

Majority vote required

***Recommended by the Selectboard
Not Recommended by the Finance Committee***

ARTICLE 5: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds, the sum of **\$5,000** to fund a salary survey and study of the Town's current salaries, job descriptions, and personnel policies, or take any other action relative thereto.

Majority vote required

***Recommended by the Selectboard
Recommended by the Finance Committee***

ARTICLE 6: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds, the sum of **\$15,000** for electrical upgrades and safety improvements at the Highway Garage, or take any other action relative thereto.

Majority vote required

***Recommended by the Selectboard
Recommended by the Finance Committee***

ARTICLE 7: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds, the sum of **\$7,000** for additional unemployment insurance, to be added to account #001-913-5400, or take any other action relative thereto.

Majority vote required

***Recommended by the Selectboard
Recommended by the Finance Committee***

ARTICLE 8: To see if the Town will vote to transfer from account number 001-1230-212 (the FY 2012 Overlay account), the following sums: **\$631.12**, to account number 001-1230-204 (FY 2004 Overlay account), **\$377.72** to account number 001-1230-205 (FY 2005 Overlay account), and **\$315.56** to account number 001-1230-207 (FY 2007 Overlay account), or take any other action relative thereto.

Majority vote required

***Recommended by the Selectboard
Recommended by the Finance Committee
Recommended by the Board of Assessors***

ARTICLE 9: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds, the sum of \$151.75 for payment a prior fiscal year electric bill of the Police Department, or take any other action relative thereto.

9/10 vote required

***Recommended by the Selectboard
Recommended by the Finance Committee***

ARTICLE 10: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds, the sum of **\$23.09** for the cost of outstanding postage receipts from the prior fiscal year (FY2015), said sum to be added to the Treasurer-Collector expense account #001-145-5400, or take any other action relative thereto.

9/10 vote required

***Recommended by the Selectboard
Recommended by the Finance Committee***

ARTICLE 11: To see if the Town will vote to release its rights in the easement granted to the inhabitants of the Town of Whately by easement deed dated August 24, 2009 and recorded in the Franklin County Registry of Deeds at Book 5783, Page 327, or take any other action relative thereto.

Majority vote required

***Recommended by the Selectboard
Recommended by the Planning Board***

ARTICLE 12: To see if the Town will vote to transfer from the Water Department Enterprise Fund Retained Earnings (Free Cash), the sum of **\$16,400** for the debt service payment on the water meter installations for the fiscal year 2016, or take any other action relative thereto.

Majority vote required

***Recommended by the Selectboard
Recommended by the Finance Committee
Recommended by the Water Commissioners***

ARTICLE 13: To see if the Town will vote to transfer from the Water Department Enterprise Fund Retained Earnings (Free Cash), the sum of **\$15,000** to pay expenses related to Manganese management, or take any other action relative thereto.

Majority vote required

***Recommended by the Selectboard
Recommended by the Finance Committee
Recommended by the Water Commissioners***

ARTICLE 14: To see if the Town will vote to transfer from the Water Department Enterprise Fund Retained Earnings (Free Cash), the sum of **\$1,650** to pay for expenses related to excavations needed for water line repairs and installations, or take any other action relative thereto.

Majority vote required

*Recommended by the Selectboard
Recommended by the Finance Committee
Recommended by the Water Commissioners*

ARTICLE 15: To see if the Town will vote to transfer from the Water Department Enterprise Fund Retained Earnings (Free Cash), the sum of **\$11,000** to pay for the additional expenses related to water meter replacements and installations, or take any other action relative thereto.

Majority vote required

*Recommended by the Selectboard
Recommended by the Finance Committee
Recommended by the Water Commissioners*

ARTICLE 16: To see if the Town will vote to transfer from the Water Department Enterprise Fund Retained Earnings (Free Cash), the sum of **\$6,500** to be added to account #610-450-5110, to cover the additional unforeseen expenses in the Water Commissioner salary account for the balance of FY16, or take any other action relative thereto.

Majority vote required

*Recommended by the Selectboard
Recommended by the Finance Committee
Recommended by the Water Commissioners*

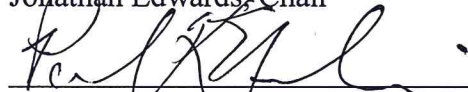
And you are directed to serve this Warrant by posting up attested copies thereof at the Town Hall, Town Office Building, Post Office, and the S. W. Dickinson Library in said Whately, fourteen days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

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 aforesaid.

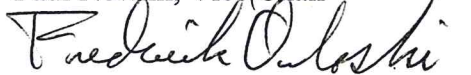
Given under our hands this *twenty-third day of February in the year two thousand and sixteen.*

Selectboard
of
Whately

Jonathan Edwards, Chair



Paul Newlin, Vice Chair



Frederick Orloski, Clerk

A true copy.

Attest:

Constable

Franklin, SS:

Pursuant to the within warrant, I have notified and warned the inhabitants of the Town of Whately by posting attested copies of the same at the Town Hall, Town Office Building, Post Office and S. W. Dickinson Library in said Town, fourteen days at least before the date of the meeting as within directed.

Constable of Whately

Date