

TOWN OF WARREN
COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Worcester ss:

To either of the constables in the Town of Warren in the County of Worcester:

GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify the inhabitants of the Town of Warren qualified to vote in elections and in Town affairs to meet at their respective polling places in said Warren (Polling Place A at the Shepard Municipal Building and Polling Place B at the Senior Center) on the 3rd day of May 2011 at eight o'clock AM then and there to bring their votes to the election officer for: Moderator for a three-year term, one Selectmen for a three-year term, one Board of Health Member for a three-year term, one Assessor for a three-year term, one Park Commissioner for a three-year term, one Sewer Commissioner for a three-year term, one Sewer Commissioner for a two-year term, one Cemetery Commissioner for a three-year term, one Planning Board member for a five-year term, one Housing Authority member for a five-year term, and the following members to the Quaboag Regional District School Committee: two members from Warren each for a three-year term, two members from West Brookfield each for a three-year term, and one member of West Brookfield for a two-year term; (1) Shall the Town of Warren be allowed to exempt from the provisions of proposition two and one-half, so-called, the amounts required to pay for the bond issued by the Quaboag Regional School District in order to pay the costs of remodeling, reconstructing and making extraordinary repairs to the Warren Community Elementary School's technology infrastructure, lighting and mechanical systems and other ancillary facilities related thereto? And (2) Shall the Town of Warren be allowed to exempt from the provisions of proposition two and one-half, so-called, the amounts required to pay for the bond issued by the Quaboag Regional School District in order to pay the costs of remodeling, reconstructing, and making extraordinary repairs to the Quaboag Regional Middle/High School's technology infrastructure, lighting and mechanical systems, and other ancillary facilities related thereto?"

Polls will open at 8:00 A.M. and close at 8:00 P.M.

Also, to meet at Quaboag Regional Middle High School, Warren on Tuesday the 10th day of May, 2011 at 7:00 P.M. to act on the following articles:

ARTICLE 1: To hear reports of Town Officers and all standing and special committees.

ARTICLE 2: To see if the Town will authorize the Board of Selectmen to appoint all necessary Town Officers not previously chosen by ballot, or take any action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 3: To see if the Town will vote to amend Section V, paragraph A of the Personnel By-law in order to increase all wage rates by 2%, or take any action relative thereto.
(Board of Selectmen)

ARTICLE 4: To see if the Town will raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money to fix the salary and compensation of all elective officers of the Town as provided by section 108 of Chapter 41 of the Mass. General Laws as amended, and to raise and appropriate such sums as may be necessary to defray the expenses of the Town for the ensuing year, or take any action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 5: To see if the Town will raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of \$280,000.00 to finance the operations, debt service and post closure reserves of the Sanitary Landfill Enterprise Fund, or take any action relative thereto. (Board of Health)

ARTICLE 6: To see if the Town will transfer the sum of \$440,000.00 to close Phase II of the South Street Sanitary Landfill, or take any action relative thereto. (Board of Health)

ARTICLE 7: To see if the Town will raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of \$443,049.00 to finance the operations, commissioners salaries and debt service of the Sewer Enterprise Fund, or take any action relative thereto. (Sewer Commissioners)

ARTICLE 8: To see if the Town will appropriate \$155,000.00 from the Sewer Enterprise Capital Improvement Account for replacing equipment, electrical conduits and control panels, or take any action relative thereto. (Sewer Commissioners)

ARTICLE 9: To see if the Town will vote to amend Section V of the Personnel by-law to add the position of Selectmen's Assistant to Grade A-1 of the Wage Compensation Plan and to raise

and appropriate \$20,561.58 for compensation of that position for FY 2012, or take any action relative thereto. (Board of Selectmen)

ARTICLE 10: To see if the Town will raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of \$11,000.00 for IT Infrastructure at the Shepard Municipal Building, or take any action relative thereto. (Board of Selectmen)

ARTICLE 11: To see if the Town will vote to amend the Warren Zoning Bylaw Section 4, Dimensional Requirements, by adding a new Section 4.4 entitled "Rear Lots", or take any action relative thereto. Copies of the Zoning By-Law and proposed section 4.4 are available in the offices of the Planning Board, Town Clerk, and Board of Selectmen and on the Town's website www.warren-ma.gov. (Planning Board)

ARTICLE 12: To see if the Town will raise and appropriate \$2,000.00 for the Town's share of a matching grant to the Warren Fire Department by the Massachusetts Department of Conservation and Recreation, or take any action relative thereto. (Fire Chief)

ARTICLE 13: To see if the Town will raise and appropriate \$5,600.00 for the Town's share of a grant to the Warren Fire Department for Homeland Security, or take any action relative thereto. (Fire Chief)

ARTICLE 14: To see if the Town will raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of \$19,000.00 for downtown design improvements, or take any action relative thereto. (Board of Selectmen)

ARTICLE 15: To see if the Town will raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of \$119,495.00 for the operation of the Warren Public Library in FY 2012 and the sum of \$53,611.00 for the operation of the West Warren Library in FY 2012 for a total of \$173,106.00, or take any action relative thereto. (Warren Public Library)

ARTICLE 16: To see if the Town will raise and appropriate \$2,500.00 to purchase supplies and equipment for the town's community baseball, softball, basketball, soccer and football programs, or take any action relative thereto. (Board of Selectmen)

ARTICLE 17: To see if the Town will vote to amend the Warren Zoning Bylaw Section 11 entitled "Open Space Residential Development", or take any action relative thereto. Copies of the Zoning By-Law and proposed changes to section 11 are available in the offices of the Planning Board, Town Clerk, and Board of Selectmen and on the Town's website www.warren-ma.gov. (Planning Board)

ARTICLE 18: To see if the Town will raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of \$5,000.00 to participate in Regionalization of Human Resource Services, or take any action relative thereto. (Board of Selectmen)

ARTICLE 19: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Health to employ a member of said Board to provide secretarial services during Fiscal Year 2012 and to authorize payment from the Board of Health Secretary Account, or take any action relative thereto (Board of Health)

ARTICLE 20: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Tree Warden to be compensated from the Forestry expense account for emergency tree work at a rate of \$20.00 per hour, not to exceed \$1,200.00 during FY 2012, or take any action relative thereto. (Tree Warden)

ARTICLE 21: To see if the Town will vote to amend the Warren Zoning Bylaw, Section 10, Flood Plain District, by adding the following new sections: 10.3.2, 10.3.3, 10.7, and 10.8, or take any action relative thereto. Copies of the Zoning By-Law and proposed sections 10.3.2, 10.3.3, 10.7 and 10.8 are available in the offices of the Planning Board, Town Clerk, and Board of Selectmen and on the Town's website www.warren-ma.gov. (Planning Board)

ARTICLE 22: To see if the Town will authorize the establishment of the following revolving funds in accordance with Mass. General Laws Chapter 44, section 53E½: Building Department: a fund for the purpose of accepting fees for building permits and authorize the Board of Selectmen to pay the Building Inspector compensation and expenses amounting to 50% of said fees with any balance in excess of \$1,000.00 remaining in said fund at close of the fiscal year to be returned to the General Fund; Town Clerk: a fund for the purpose of accepting fees for the licensing of dogs to be expended without further appropriation by the Town Clerk for dog licenses and tags,

Town Clerk fees and other expenses related to licensing of dogs and the enforcement of state and local laws pertaining to dogs with the balance in excess of \$ 500.00 remaining in said fund at the close of the fiscal year to be returned to the General Fund; Board of Health: a fund for the purpose of accepting fees charged for plumbing and gas permits and to authorize the Board of Health to pay plumbing and gas inspectors from that account compensation amounting to one half of fees from inspections with any balance in excess of \$1,000.00 remaining in said fund at close of the fiscal year to be returned to the General Fund; Board of Health: a fund for the purpose of accepting fees for percolation tests and disposal works construction permits and authorize the Board of Health to pay one of its members or its agent for inspections associated with said permits and tests with any balance in excess of \$1,000.00 remaining in said fund at close of the fiscal year to be returned to the General Fund;
Cable Advisory Committee: a fund for the purpose of accepting subscriber fees from Comcast to be expended by the Cable Advisory Committee for the payment of expenses related to the maintenance and operation of the Warren Community Access Cable TV, or take any action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 23: To see if the Town will vote to approve the incurring of debt by the Quaboag Regional School District in the amount of \$517,635.00, as voted by the Quaboag Regional School District Committee on March 21, 2011 for the purpose of remodeling, reconstructing and making extraordinary repairs to the Warren Community Elementary School's, which is located at 51 Schoolhouse Drive, Warren, Ma., technology infrastructure, lighting and mechanical systems, and other ancillary facilities, which proposed repair project will materially extend the useful life of the school and preserve an asset that otherwise is capable of supporting the required educational program; and for which the Quaboag Regional School District may be eligible for a grant from the Massachusetts School Building Authority ("MSBA"), and all incidental costs related thereto, to be spent under the direction of the Warren School Building Committee; that the Town acknowledges that the MSBA grant program is a non-entitlement, discretionary program based on need, as determined by the MSBA, and any project costs the Town incurs in excess of any grant approved by and received from the MSBA shall be the sole responsibility of the Town; and that the amount of borrowing authorized pursuant to this vote shall be reduced by any grant amount set forth in the Project Funding Agreement that may be executed between the Quaboag Regional School District and the MSBA for the purposes set forth herein; or take any action relative thereto. (Quaboag Regional School District)

ARTICLE 24: To see if the Town will vote to approve the incurring of debt by the Quaboag Regional School District in the amount of \$818,879.00, as voted by the Quaboag Regional School District Committee on March 21, 2011 for the purpose of remodeling, reconstructing and making extraordinary repairs to the Quaboag Regional Middle High School's, which is located at 284 Old West Brookfield Road, Warren, Ma., technology infrastructure, lighting and mechanical systems, and other ancillary facilities, which proposed repair project will materially extend the useful life of the school and preserve an asset that otherwise is capable of supporting the required educational program; and for which the Quaboag Regional School District may be eligible for a grant from the Massachusetts School Building Authority ("MSBA"), to be spent under the direction of the Quaboag Regional School Building Committee; that the Town acknowledges that the MSBA grant program is a non-entitlement, discretionary program based on need, as determined by the MSBA, and any project costs the Town incurs in excess of any grant approved by and received from the MSBA shall be the sole responsibility of the Town; and that the amount of borrowing authorized pursuant to this vote shall be reduced by any grant amount set forth in the Project Funding Agreement that may be executed between the Quaboag Regional School District and the MSBA for the purposes set forth herein; or take any action relative thereto. (Quaboag Regional School District)

ARTICLE 25: To see if the Town will vote free use of the Shepard Municipal Building for civic activities, subject to such rules, regulations and restrictions as the Board of Selectmen may promulgate, or take any action relative thereto. (Board of Selectmen)

ARTICLE 26: To see if the Town will vote the free use of the Senior Center for civic activities subject to approval of the Council on Aging upon such terms and conditions as the Council may determine, or take any action relative thereto. (Council on Aging)

ARTICLE 27: To see if the Town will vote to accept funds made available from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts for highway projects approved by the Mass. Highway Department, or take any action relative thereto. (Highway Surveyor)

ARTICLE 28: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Treasurer to enter into compensating balance agreements during Fiscal Year 2012 as permitted by Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 44, section 53F, or take any action relative thereto. (Treasurer)

ARTICLE 29: To see if the Town will accept accounts in trust, the income of which is to be expended for the perpetual care maintenance of burial lots at Pine Grove Cemetery for certain individuals per the 1909 Plan of said cemetery, or take any action relative thereto.

(Treasurer)

And you are directed to serve this Warrant by posting attested copies thereof at each of the Precincts in said Town; one copy on the Town Hall Building, one copy at the Shepard Municipal Building and one copy at the Senior Center seven days at least before the time for holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this Warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk. Given under our hand this 26th day of **April** in the year **Two Thousand Eleven**.

Robert K. Downing, Chairman

David A. Delanski, Vice Chairman

Robert W. Souza, Jr., Clerk

A True Copy Attest:

Worcester ss:

Pursuant to the within warrant, I have notified the inhabitants of the Town of Warren herein described to meet at the time and place and for the purpose within mentioned, by posting up attested copies of this warrant at each of the precincts in said Town; one copy on the Town Hall Building, one copy at the Shepard Municipal Building and one copy at the Senior Center seven days at least before the time for holding said meeting.

CONSTABLE _____ DATE _____