

**WARRANT AND REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE  
FOR THE SPECIAL TOWN MEETING  
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 9, 2014 AT 7:00 P.M.  
AT THE ELIZABETH I. HASTINGS MIDDLE SCHOOL**

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

BRISTOL, s.s

To the Constable of the Town of Fairhaven in said county:

GREETINGS:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Fairhaven qualified to vote on town affairs to meet as follows:

On Tuesday, the ninth day of December 2014 at 7:00 p.m. in the Walter Silveira Auditorium at the Elizabeth I. Hastings Middle School, then and there, to act upon the following articles:

**ARTICLE 1 – TOWN CHARGES**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, borrow or transfer from available funds a sum of money to fund additional salary and operating expenses for the following departments. Said sum to be added to previously voted appropriations for FY 2015, or to take any other action relative thereto.

**GENERAL GOVERNMENT**

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|----|-----------------------------|-------------|------------|-------------|
| 1. | <u>Audit Expenses</u>       |             |            |             |
|    | Request:                    | \$4,000.00  | Recommend: | \$4,000.00  |
| 2. | <u>Police Department</u>    |             |            |             |
|    | b. Purchase of Services     |             |            |             |
|    | Request:                    | \$11,700.00 | Recommend: | \$11,700.00 |
| 3. | <u>Shellfish Inspection</u> |             |            |             |
|    | b. Purchase of Services     |             |            |             |
|    | Request:                    | \$2,000.00  | Recommend: | \$2,000.00  |

**ARTICLE 2 – FUNDING LABOR CONTRACTS – FY14 AND FY15**

- A. To see if the Town will vote to supplement the appropriations of Article 4 of the Annual Town Meeting, May 4, 2013 for the purpose of funding the cost in FY 2014 only, of the Collective Bargaining agreement between the Town and the following labor groups, said agreement signed and dated prior to this Town Meeting, or take any other action relative thereto.
- B. To see if the Town will vote to supplement the appropriations of Article 4 of the Annual Town Meeting, May 3, 2014 for the purpose of funding the cost in FY 2015 only, of the

Collective Bargaining agreement between the Town and the following labor groups, said agreement signed and dated prior to this Town Meeting, or take any other action relative thereto.

1. Dispatcher Union - New England Police Benevolent Association, Local 64
  - a. Salaries and Wages

A.	Request:	\$2,761.00	Recommend:	\$2,761.00
B.	Request:	\$2,990.00	Recommend:	\$2,990.00

**ARTICLE 3 – BILLS OF PRIOR YEAR**

**9/10 VOTE**

A.	<u>LexisNexis Matthew Bender &amp; Co.</u> Petitioned by: Town Clerk Request: \$372.31	Recommend:	\$372.31
B.	<u>Media Image Productions, Inc.</u> Petitioned by: Town Clerk Request: \$30.00	Recommend:	\$30.00
C.	<u>Hawthorn Medical Associates, LLC</u> Petitioned by: Veteran’s Agent Request: \$101.39	Recommend:	\$101.39

**ARTICLE 4 – ROGERS SCHOOL TRANSFER OF CUSTODY**

**2/3 VOTE**

To see if the Town will vote to transfer the care, custody, management and control of the following parcels of land and the buildings thereon, constituting the Rogers School and the Rogers School Playground:

- a) Assessors’ Map 8, Lot 9 and
- b) Assessors’ Map 8, Lot 68 and
- c) that parcel of land bounded on the north by Map 8, Lot 9, on the east by Pleasant Street, on the south by Map 8, lot 68, and on the west by Chestnut Street, being that portion of Union Street which was discontinued as a public way by act of the Special Town Meeting of October 15, 1955;

from the School Committee to the Board of Selectmen, for sale or other disposition, subject to further approval by Town Meeting, or to take any other action relative thereto.

*Petitioned by:* Board of Selectmen  
*Request:* Adoption  
*Recommend:* Adoption

**ARTICLE 5 – OXFORD SCHOOL TRANSFER OF CUSTODY**

**2/3 VOTE**

To see if the Town will vote to transfer the care, custody, management and control of the following parcels of land and the buildings thereon, constituting the Oxford School:

- a) Assessors’ Map 22A, Lot 192 and
- b) Assessors’ Map 22A, Lot 193;

from the School Committee to the Board of Selectmen, for sale or other disposition, subject to further approval by Town Meeting, or to take any other action relative thereto.

*Petitioned by:* Board of Selectmen  
*Request:* Adoption  
*Recommend:* Adoption

**ARTICLE 6 – ROGERS AND OXFORD SCHOOL DISPOSITION PROPOSALS**

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from general revenues or transfer from available funds the sum of \$9,000.00 for use by the Board of Selectmen for the purpose of publishing requests for proposals, the surveying and preparation of plans of land and/or easements, the approval and recording of such plans, and for professional services and other related costs, with regard to the disposition of the Rogers and Oxford Schools, or to take any other action thereon.

*Petitioned by:* Board of Selectmen  
*Request:* \$9,000.00  
*Recommend:* \$9,000.00

**ARTICLE 7 – LAND PURCHASE – 211 MILL ROAD**

**2/3 VOTE**

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to acquire by purchase, gift, and/or eminent domain any and/or all of the parcel shown as Fairhaven Assessors’ Map 38 Lot 14, containing 31.72 acres more or less, for general municipal purposes, and for the purpose of conveyance and/or lease, and further to authorize the Board of Selectmen to convey or lease (which lease may be for a term of ninety-nine years or more) any and/or all of such parcel on such terms and conditions as the Board may deem in the best interest of the Town, and, further, to authorize the Board of Selectmen to grant such easements and/or restrictions on all of such parcel or portions thereof as may be required by the Department of Environmental Protection and/or the Environmental Protection Agency; and to appropriate for that purpose the sum of one million four hundred sixty-five thousand dollars (\$1,465,000.00) to be paid from general revenues, borrowing, and/or transfer from reserves or to take any other action relative thereto.

*Petitioned by:* Board of Selectmen  
*Request:* Adoption and \$1,465,000.00, Borrow  
*Recommend:* Indefinite Postponement

**ARTICLE 8 – MUNICIPAL AGGREGATION OF ELECTRICITY**

To see if the Town will vote to grant the Board of Selectmen authority to research, develop and participate in a contract, or contracts, to aggregate the electricity load of the residents and businesses in the Town and for other related services, independently, or in joint action with other municipalities, retaining the right of individual residents and businesses to opt-out of the aggregation, or take any other action relative thereto.

*Petitioned by:* Board of Selectmen  
*Request:* Adoption  
*Recommend:* Adoption

**ARTICLE 9 – STABILIZATION – SEWER BETTERMENTS**

- A. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Treasurer to transfer \$170,761.68 from account 029-000-3242-0000 into the Scoticut Neck Sewer Betterment Stabilization Fund account 084-000-3282-0200
- B. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Treasurer to transfer \$33,288.00 from account 029-000-3245-0000 into the West Island Sewer Betterment Stabilization Fund account 084-000-3282-0400
- C. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Treasurer to transfer \$8,723.98 from account 029-000-3244-0000 into the Nancy Street Sewer Betterment Stabilization Fund account 084-000-3282-0300
- D. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Treasurer to transfer \$966.00 from account 029-000-3212-0000 into the Boulder Park Sewer Betterment Stabilization Fund account 084-000-3282-0100

Or take any other action thereto.

<i>Petitioned by:</i> Finance Director		<i>Recommend:</i>	
<i>Request:</i>			
A.	\$170,761.68	A.	\$170,761.68
B.	\$33,288.00	B.	\$33,288.00
C.	\$8,723.98	C.	\$8,723.98
D.	\$966.00	D.	\$966.00

**ARTICLE 10 – SCONTICUT NECK SEWER DEBT**

To see if the Town will authorize the Treasurer to transfer \$1,850,000.00 from the Scoticut Neck Sewer Betterment Stabilization Fund to pay down a portion of the principal amount of the June 8, 2002 borrowing or take any other action thereto.

*Petitioned by:* Finance Director  
*Request:* \$1,850,000.00  
*Recommend:* \$1,850,000.00

**ARTICLE 11 – NANCY STREET SEWER DEBT**

To see if the Town will authorize the Treasurer to transfer \$195,000.00 from the Nancy Street Sewer Betterment Stabilization Fund to pay down a portion of the principal amount of the June 8, 2002 borrowing or take any other action thereto.

*Petitioned by:* Finance Director  
*Request:* \$195,000.00  
*Recommend:* \$195,000.00

**ARTICLE 12 – COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE FY14 TRANSFER**

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and to authorize the Community Preservation Committee to expend, \$10,000 from the Community Preservation Fund – Unrestricted Funds to the Community Preservation Community Housing Reserve; to meet the FY2014 minimum requirement. Additional money was received from the State in FY2014; therefore, the minimum 10% reserve was not met for the Community Housing Category for FY2014.

Or take any other action thereto.

*Petitioned by:* Community Preservation Committee  
*Request:* Adoption  
*Recommend:* Adoption

**ARTICLE 13 – TOWN ADMINISTRATOR**

To see if the town will vote to accept the provisions of c. \_\_\_\_\_ of the Acts of 2014, or to take any other action thereon.

*Petitioned by:* Board of Selectmen  
*Request:* Adoption  
*Recommend:* Recommend at Town Meeting

**ARTICLE 14 – OTHER BUSINESS**

To act upon any other business which may legally come before this meeting.