

- **THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS**
- WORCESTER SS.

**TO EITHER OF THE CONSTABLES OF THE TOWN OF MENDON
IN THE COUNTY OF WORCESTER 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 **Miscoe Hill School** in said MENDON on the **twelfth** day of **May** next, at 7:00 o'clock in the fore noon, then and there to act on the following articles:

Article 1

To bring the in their ballots for the following Town Officers:

- One (1) Moderator for one (1) year
- One (1) Selectman for three (3) years
- One (1) Town Clerk for three (3) years
- One (1) Board of Health member for three (3) years
- One (1) Assessor for three (3) years
- One (1) Park Commissioner for three (3) years
- One (1) Water Commissioner for three (3) years
- One (1) Taft Public Library Trustee for three (3) years
- One (1) Taft Public Library Trustee for two (2) years
- One (1) Mendon-Upton Regional School Committee member for three (3) years
- One (1) Planning Board member for five (5) years
- One (1) Housing Authority member for five (5) years

Question 1 Shall the Town of Mendon be allowed to assess an additional \$1,133,827 in real estate and personal property taxes for the purpose of additional funding for the operational budget of the Mendon-Upton Regional School District for the fiscal year beginning July first Two Thousand Fifteen?

Yes_____ No_____

Question 2 Shall the Town of Mendon be allowed to exempt from the provisions of proposition two and one-half, so-called, the amounts required to pay for the bond issued in order to provide additional funding for the Taft Public Library Renovation Project and incidental and related costs of debt issuance?

Yes_____ No_____

Question 3 Shall the Town of Mendon be allowed to exempt from the provisions of proposition two and one-half, so-called, the amounts required to pay for the bond issued in order to provide funding to purchase a vehicle for the Highway Department and incidental and related costs of debt issuance?

Yes_____ No_____

The polls will Open at 7:00 AM and Close at 8:00 PM

**ARTICLE 2 AND ALL FOLLOWNG ARTICLES ON THIS WARRANT
WILL BE ACTED UPON FRIDAY THE 1ST DAY OF MAY, 2015 A.D. AT
7:00 PM AT THE MISCOE HILL SCHOOL IN MENDON:**

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| ARTICLE 2
(Fin Com) | To see if the Town will vote that any motion or amendment to increase any monetary articles or line items as proposed by the Finance Committee, presented at this Town Meeting Shall be OUT OF ORDER unless such motion, or amendment, states the source of funding as being from available free cash, or the line item or article that will be reduced by the same amount; or take any action in relation thereto. |
| ARTICLE 3
(Fin Com) | To fix the salaries and compensations of the elected officials of the Town. |
| ARTICLE 4
(Fin Com) | To determine what sums of money the Town will raise and appropriate and/or transfer from available funds to defray charges and expenses of the Town including debt and interest and to provide for a reserve fund for the ensuing year, or take any action in relation thereto. |
| ARTICLE 5
(Fin Com) | To see if the Town will vote to appropriate funds provided to the Town by the Commonwealth under so-called Chapter 90 type money and such other funds as the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Department of Transportation (including its Highway |

Division) may provide, and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into contracts with the Massachusetts Department of Transportation (including its Highway Division) for so-called Chapter 90 type money allocated the Town, or take any action in relation thereto.

**ARTICLE 6
(Fin Com)**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer from available sources a sum of money to fund the FY 16 portion of the Update Valuation Account, or take any action in relation thereto.

**ARTICLE 7
(Library)**

To see if the Town will vote to establish a revolving fund as recommended by the Board of Selectmen for the Taft Public Library in accordance with M.G.L. Chapter 44, Section 53E 1/2. The purpose of this fund shall be to replace items lost or damaged by those who borrow materials and to purchase new materials. Receipts to this fund shall be monies paid by borrowers for lost or damaged materials and for overdue fines. The Library Director, with the approval of the Library Board of Trustees, shall be authorized to expend from this fund but at no time exceeding more than the available balance in the revolving fund nor to expend more than six thousand dollars per year.

**ARTICLE 8
(Planning Board)**

To see if the Town will vote to establish a revolving fund as recommended by the Board of Selectmen for the Planning Board in accordance with M.G.L. Chapter 44, Section 53E 1/2. The purpose of this fund shall be to hold deposits made by applicants before the Planning Board for engineering and other applicable fees incurred by the Planning Board for processing the requests of said applicants. The Planning Board Chair, with the approval of the Planning Board, shall be authorized to expend from this fund but at no time exceeding more than the available balance in the revolving fund nor to expend more than thirty thousand dollars per year.

**ARTICLE 9
(Highway)**

To see if the Town will vote to establish a revolving fund as recommended by the Board of Selectmen for the Highway Department in accordance with M.G.L. Chapter 44, Section 53E 1/2. The purpose of this fund shall be to hold all monies related to recycling materials including, but not limited to, metal, tires, light bulbs, batteries, etc. collected at the recycling center located at the Highway Department to maintain and improve the recycling facility. The Highway Surveyor, with approval of the Board of Selectmen, shall be authorized to expend from this fund but at no time exceeding more than the available balance in the revolving fund nor to expend more than twenty-five thousand dollars per year.

**ARTICLE 10
(Con Com)**

To see if the Town will vote to establish a revolving fund as recommended by the Board of Selectmen for the Conservation Commission in accordance with M.G.L. Chapter 44, Section 53E 1/2. The purpose of this fund shall be to hold deposits made by applicants before the Conservation Commission for engineering and other applicable fees incurred by the Planning Board for processing the requests of said applicants. The Conservation Commission Chair, with approval of the Conservation Commission, shall be authorized to expend from this fund but at no time exceeding more than the available balance in the revolving fund nor to expend more than twenty-five thousand dollars per year.

**ARTICLE 11
(Fin Com)**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer a sum of money from available sources for Police Department State/Federal General Matching Grants, or take any action in relation thereto.

**ARTICLE 12
(Fin Com)**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds and/or otherwise provide a sum of money to be added as the initial investment in the Other Post-Employment Benefits (“OPEB”) Liability Trust Fund, as established in accordance with the provisions of Massachusetts General Law, Chapter 32B, Section 20, or take any action in relation thereto.

**ARTICLE 13
(Fin Com)**

To see if the Town will vote to transfer a sum of money from available funds to Showtime Entertainment Counsel Expenses; or take any action in relation thereto.

**ARTICLE 14
(Fin Com)**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer from available sources a sum of money for the purpose of additional funding for the operational budget of the Mendon-Upton Regional School District for the Fiscal Year starting July 1, 2015; provided that such appropriation shall be contingent upon the passage of a Proposition 2 ½ levy limit override ballot vote under Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 59, Section 21C(g); or take any action in relation thereto.

**ARTICLE 15
(Fin Com)**

To see if the Town will raise and appropriate and/or transfer from available sources a sum of money by borrowing to purchase a vehicle for the Highway Department and incidental and related costs of debt issuance, provided that this appropriation and debt authorization shall be contingent upon passage of a Proposition 2 ½ debt exclusion referendum under General Laws Chapter 59, Section 21C(k), and to authorize the Treasurer under the direction of the Board of Selectmen to issue any bonds or notes that

may be necessary for that purpose, as authorized by Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 44, Section 7(9) or any other general or special law; or take any action in relation thereto.

- ARTICLE 16
(Fin Com)** To see if the Town will vote to raise and/or transfer from available sources of money for the purpose of additional funding for the Taft Public Library Renovation Project and incidental and related costs of debt issuance, provided that such appropriation and debt authorization shall be contingent upon the passage of a Proposition 2 ½ debt exclusion referendum under Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 59, Section 21C(k), and to authorize the Treasurer under the direction of the Board of Selectmen to issue any bonds or notes that may be necessary for that purpose, as authorized by Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 44, Section 7(3A) or any other general or special law; or take any action in relation thereto.
- ARTICLE 17
(Fin Com)** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer a sum of money from available funds to the Fiscal Year 2015 Town Hall New Equipment Account (Line Item 199C); or take any action in relation thereto.
- ARTICLE 18
(Land Use Com)** To see if the Town will vote to approve the Mendon Land Use Committee’s Five Year Land Use Plan, copies of which are available in the Town Clerk’s office and on the town website; or take any action in relation thereto.
- ARTICLE 19
(CPC)** To see if the Town will transfer a sum of money from the CPA Historical Preservation Account to fund a request for proposals for repairing the Old Cemetery on 1 Providence Street; or act or do anything in relation thereto.
- ARTICLE 20
(CPC)** To see if the Town will transfer a sum of money from the CPA Community Preservation Budgeted Reserve Account to fund a portion of the FY 16 Fino Land Debt; or act or do anything in relation thereto.
- ARTICLE 21
(CPC)** To see if the Town will transfer a sum of money from the CPA Budgeted Reserve Account to fund a feasibility study for the Paddock/D’Alessandro property at 52 Providence Street; or act or do anything in relation thereto.
- ARTICLE 22
(BOS)** To see if the Town will vote, pursuant to M.G.L. c. 40, § 59, and M.G.L. c. 23A, § 3E and § 3F, to:
- (a) approve a Tax Increment Financing Agreement between the Town and D.C. Bates Equipment Co. Inc. and BLKB Corp. (collectively, the “Company”), on such terms and conditions as the Board of Selectmen may deem appropriate, for property at 5 Morrison Drive shown on Assessors Map 12, Street Code, 186, Parcel 5 (the “TIF Agreement”), which TIF Agreement provides for real estate tax exemptions at the exemption rate schedule set forth therein, and approve a Certified Project application submission to the Massachusetts Economic Assistance Coordinating Council (the “EACC”);
 - (a) authorize the Board of Selectmen to execute the TIF Agreement, and approve submission to the EACC of the TIF Agreement and Certified Project application, all relating to the project as described in the TIF Agreement, and any necessary documents relating thereto, and to take such other actions as are necessary or appropriate to obtain approval of the TIF Agreement and Certified Project application, and related submissions, and to take such other actions as necessary or appropriate to implement those documents; or act or do anything in relation thereto.
- ARTICLE 23
(Moderator)** To see if the Town will vote to adjourn this Annual Town Meeting until 7:00 am on May 12, 2015 in the Miscoe Hill School gymnasium, for the sole purpose of conducting the Annual Town Election and further that this Annual Town Meeting warrant will be dissolved immediately upon the closing of the polls on that date.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant, by posting up attested copies thereof at three or more public places in said Town, 14 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 6th day of April, in the year of our lord two thousand fifteen.

_____ **Selectmen of Mendon**

A True copy. Attest:

_____ **Constable**

Worcester, ss.

PURSUANT TO THE WITHIN WARRANT, I have notified and warned the inhabitants of the Town of Mendon by posting up attested copies of the same at:

Town Hall; _____; _____

_____ **days before the date of the meeting, as within directed.**

_____, **Constable**