

- **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 5th day of November next, at 7:00 o'clock in the afternoon, then and there to act on the following articles:

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| ARTICLE 1
(Fin Com) | To see if the town will vote to rescind the vote on Article 3 of the Annual Town Meeting of May 2, 2014 with respect to the Town Clerk, the Tree Warden and the Highway Surveyor and fix the salaries and compensation of those elected officials of the Town, or act or do anything in relation thereto. |
| ARTICLE 2
(Fin Com) | <p>To see if the town will vote to raise & appropriate and/or transfer a sum of money from available funds to align FY 15 Compensation with the Staffing and Utilization Study completed November 2001 and associated compensation plan (Line Items as specified below), or act or do anything in relation thereto.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Town Treasurer / Collector Salary (Line Item 145A2) • Town Hall Services Salaries (Line Item 199A1) • Police Department Administrative Assistant Salary (Line Item 210A3) |
| ARTICLE 3
(Fin Com) | <p>To see if the Town will vote to raise & appropriate and/or transfer a sum of money from available funds to FY15 Compensation Increases (Line Items as specified below), or act or do anything in relation thereto.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Town Accountant Salaries (Line Item 135A) • Principal Assessor Salary (Line Item 141A2) • Town Treasurer / Collector Salaries (Line Item 145A1) • Town Treasurer / Collector Salary (Line Item 145A2) • Town Clerk Salary (Line Item 161A) • Conservation Salaries (Line Item 171A) • Zoning Board Salaries (Line Item 176A) • Town Hall Services Salaries (Line Item 199A1) • Public Safety Director Salary (Line Item 200A) • Fire Department Full Time Wages (Line Item 220A2) • Building Inspector Salaries (Line Item 241A1) • Building Inspector Account Wages (Line Item 241A2) • Tree Warden Salaries (Line Item 294A) • Highway Construction and Maintenance Salaries (Line Item 422A1) • Highway Surveyor Salary (Line Item 422A2) • Council on Aging Salaries (Line Item 541A1) • Council on Aging Director Salary (Line Item 541A2) • Library Salaries (Line Item 610A1) • Library Director Salary (Line Item 610A2) • Parks and Recreation Department Park Director Salary (Line Item 630A2) |
| ARTICLE 4
(Fin Com) | To see if the town will vote to raise & appropriate and/or transfer a sum of money from available funds to hire a consulting firm to provide a personnel classification and compensation plan, or act or do anything in relation thereto. |
| ARTICLE 5
(Fin Com) | To see if the town will vote to raise & appropriate and/or transfer a sum of money from available funds to Selectmen Expenses (Line Item 122B), or act or do anything in relation thereto |
| ARTICLE 6
(Fin Com) | To see if the Town will vote to raise & appropriate and/or transfer a sum of money from available funds to pay bills of a prior year (Line Item 196B), or act or do anything in relation thereto. |
| ARTICLE 7
(Fin Com) | To see if the town will vote to raise & appropriate and/or transfer a sum of money from available funds to Town Hall Services Expenses (Line Item 199B), or act or do anything in relation thereto. |
| ARTICLE 8
(Fin Com) | To see if the town will vote to raise & appropriate and/or transfer a sum of money from available funds to Town Hall Services New Equipment (Line Item 199C), or act or do anything in relation thereto. |
| ARTICLE 9
(Fin Com) | To see if the town will vote to raise & appropriate and/or transfer a sum of money from available funds to Dog Officer Expenses (Line Item 292B), or act or do anything in relation thereto. |

ARTICLE 10 (Fin Com)	To see if the town will vote to raise & appropriate and/or transfer a sum of money from available funds to Blackstone Valley Vocational School Operational Assessment (Line Item 310B), or act or do anything in relation thereto.
ARTICLE 11 (Fin Com)	To see if the Town will vote to raise & appropriate and/or transfer a sum of money from available funds to Highway Construction and Maintenance Expenses (Line Item 422B), or act or do anything in relation thereto.
ARTICLE 12 (Fin Com)	To see if the Town will vote to accept Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 32B, Section 20, as amended by Chapter 68 of the Acts of 2011, and establish an Other Post Employment Benefits (“OPEB”) Liability Trust Fund (“Trust Fund”) into which appropriations may be made and shall be held in trust to reduce the unfunded actuarial liability of post-employment health care and other post-employment benefits for the Town and to appoint the Town’s Treasurer as Custodian of the assets of the Trust Fund, or take any action in relation thereto.
ARTICLE 13 (Fin Com)	To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds 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 14 (Fin Com)	To see if the town will vote to raise & appropriate and/or transfer a sum of money from available funds to the Stabilization Account, or act or do anything in relation thereto.
ARTICLE 15 (Fin Com)	To see if the town will vote to raise & appropriate and/or transfer a sum of money from available funds to the Capital Expenditure Account, or act or do anything in relation thereto.
ARTICLE 16 (Water Com)	To see if the town will vote to transfer a sum of money from the Special Revenue Fund Balance Reserved for Water and other available funds to purchase an Orion RF Hand-held Meter Reading Package, or act or do anything in relation thereto.
ARTICLE 17 (BoS & Planning Bd)	To see if the town vote to amend the Town’s Zoning Map as referenced in Section 1.03 (Delineation of Districts) of the Town’s Zoning By-law, in order to rezone from the General Residential District to the General Business District that certain parcel of land owned by the Town of Mendon known and identified as 3 North Avenue and referred to as Map 8-189-3 of said plans prepared by Cullinan Engineering dated 1-9-06 and recorded at the Worcester County Registry of Deeds in Book 837, Plan 58 and said plan by Shea Engineering dated 5-19-08 and recorded at the Worcester County Registry of Deeds in Book 868, Plan 57.
ARTICLE 18 (BoS)	To see if the Town will vote to raise & appropriate and/or transfer a sum of money from available funds to purchase cell tower antenna infrastructure, or take any action in relation thereto.
ARTICLE 19 (Community Pres Com)	To see if the Town will transfer a sum of money from the Community Preservation Budgeted Reserve Account and/or the Community Preservation Open Space Account and/or the Community Preservation Fund Balance to acquire a conservation restriction to allow sustainable agriculture and/or open space preservation on a portion or the whole 70 acre +/- of the so-called Pearson property located at 43 Quissett Road in Mendon, MA, shown as “A, B & C” on a plan entitled “Pearson Property, Mendon, Mass., Aerial Map, Department of Fish & Game Division of Fisheries & Wildlife Map Prepared by James McCarthy, Central District Land Agent,” which plan is on file with the Office of the Mendon Town Clerk; or act or do anything in relation thereto.
ARTICLE 20 (Community Pres Com)	To see if the Town will appropriate a sum of money by borrowing to acquire the land in Mendon, Massachusetts known as the Pearson Property at 43 Quissett Road consisting of 70 +/- acres and shown as Assessors Map #27-212-43 for conservation purposes; the amount so appropriated shall also cover all legal fees and other costs of acquisition costs; such land to be under care, control and management of the Mendon Conservation Commission; and to authorize the Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen to issue bonds or notes that may be necessary for that purpose as authorized by M.G.L. c. 44B, Section 11 or any other general or special law, for a period not to exceed twenty years; with the understanding that the cost of repaying such debt shall be transferred from the Community Preservation Fund Balance Account and/or Community Preservation Budgeted Reserve Account and/or the Community Preservation Open Space Account; and to authorize the Conservation Commission and the Board of Selectmen to submit on behalf of the town any and all applications deemed necessary for grants and/or reimbursements from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, or the United States, under the Self-Help Act (M.G.L. Chapter 132A § 11) and/or any other state or federal

programs including those in aid of conservation land acquisition, and said gifts or grants to be deposited in the Undesignated Community Preservation Fund balance; and provided however that this appropriation and debt authorization shall be contingent upon the passage of a Proposition 2 ½ debt exclusion referendum under M.G.L. c. 59, § 21 C (k); or to take an action relative thereto.

**ARTICLE 21
(BoS)**

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to acquire by purchase and to accept the deed to the town of fee simple interest or less, of a parcel so-called Pearson Farm property located at 43 Quissett Road in Mendon, consisting of 70± acres of land identified as Assessors Map #27-212-43 in the records of the Town Assessors; a map being on file with the Town Clerk and that to meet this appropriation, and further to fund such acquisition, that the Town Treasurer be authorized with the approval of the Board of Selectmen to borrow a sum of money, under Chapter 44, Section 7 of the General Laws as amended or any other enabling authority, and to issue bonds or notes therefore, provided that the amount authorized to be borrowed hereunder shall be contingent upon the vote at an election to exempt from the provisions of Proposition 2 ½, so called, the amount required to satisfy the obligations, including principal and interest, under the bonds; and the Board of Selectmen and Town officers be authorized to take all related actions necessary or appropriate to carry out this acquisition.

**ARTICLE 22
(Community
Pres Com)**

To see if the town will transfer a sum of money from the Community Preservation Budgeted Reserve Account to fund the remaining fee for the closing on the Paddock/D'Alessandro property at 52 Providence Road in Mendon, or act or do anything in relation thereto.

**ARTICLE 23
(Community
Pres Com)**

To see if the Town will vote to take all of the following actions to replace the tennis courts and fence around the tennis courts at Memorial Field:

- (a) To rescind the prior appropriation for the same purposes made at the June 25, 2014 Special Town Meeting on Article 24.
- (b) to transfer a sum of money not to exceed \$88,350 from the CPA Budgeted Reserve Account to fund the replacement of the tennis courts and fence around the tennis courts at Memorial Field;
- (c) to authorize the Town Administrator or Board of Selectman to file on behalf of the town any and all applications deemed necessary for grants and/or reimbursements from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts deemed necessary under the PARC (formerly Urban Self-Help) Act (301 CMR 5.00);
- (d) to dedicate as a park under M.G.L. c. 45, sec. 3 the land known as Memorial Park at 29 Millville Street adjoining the Town Beach Property which was purchased by the Town in 1972 and is described in a deed recorded with the Worcester Registry of Deeds in Book 5292. Page 115;

or act or do anything in relation thereto.

**ARTICLE 24
(Community
Pres Com)**

To see if the Town will act on the report of the Community Preservation Committee on the FY15 Community Preservation budget and to appropriate or reserve for later appropriation monies from the Community Preservation Fund annual revenues or available funds for administrative expenses of the Community Preservation Committee, the payment of debt service, the undertaking of Community Preservation projects and all other necessary and proper expenses for the year, or act or do anything in relation thereto.

**ARTICLE 25
(Land Use
Com)**

To see if the Town will vote, pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 40, Section 15A, to authorize the transfer of the care, custody, management and control from its library trustees, the Board of Library Trustees of the Taft Public Library, to its Board of Selectmen, for general municipal purposes, which shall include, but not be limited to agricultural purposes, of a certain parcel of land described as follows:

A certain parcel of land located in Mendon, Worcester County, Massachusetts, on the southeasterly side of Hopedale Street and the northeasterly side of North Avenue, consisting of 29.7 acres, shown as “Assessors Map 3 Assessors Lot #131,” on a plan entitled “Plan of Land in Mendon, MA, Prepared David Lowell” by Shea Engineering & Surveying Co., Inc., which plan is recorded with the Worcester District Registry of Deeds in Plan Book 755, Plan 75 and to which plan reference may be made for a more particular description of said parcel.

Said land is also described in Article 5 of the Special Town Meeting held on November 10, 2004, or act or do anything in relation thereto.

**ARTICLE 26
(Town Forest
Committee)**

To see if the Town will accept, as a gift, walking trail easements situated on Assessor's Maps #20-100-40, #25-219-10, #25-219-6 as set forth in a deed from Brewer Family Realty, LLC to the Town which deed includes the following conditions:

- (a) The Town must defend, hold harmless and indemnify the grantor for any expense or liability arising out to the acts or omissions of the Town or the public in connection with the use of the Easement.
- (b) The Town at its sole expense shall maintain with respect to the easement area commercial general liability insurance of not less than \$1,000,000 per year which amount may be increased by the Grantor every five years.
- (c) Grantor shall have the right to relocate the easement without the consent of the Town.

Or to take an action in relation thereto.

**ARTICLE 27
(Town Forest
Committee)**

To see if the Town will vote to discontinue the section of Tower Road beginning 317 yards northerly from the Millville Town Line and parcel 3, 3 Tower Road and parcel 6, 6 Tower Road as shown on Assessors Map 25, and continuing northeasterly through parcel 203, 203 Millville Street to parcel 189, 189 Millville Street and parcel 197, 197 Millville Street as shown on Assessors Map 26, or take any action in relation thereto.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant, by posting up attested copies thereof at three public places in said Town and on the Town Web Site, 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 29th day of September in the year of our lord two thousand fourteen.

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, Town of Mendon Website, _____,

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

_____, Constable