

**COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS  
TOWN OF WESTFORD  
WARRANT**

Middlesex, ss.

To the Constable of the Town of Westford, in said County,

**GREETINGS:**

You are required in the name of the Commonwealth aforesaid, to notify and warn all inhabitants of said Town qualified to vote in elections, and also in Town affairs, to meet at the Abbot School Gymnasium at Depot Street on the following date:

**Monday, October 20, 2014**

*(voter registration deadline, Friday, October 10, 2014 at 8:00pm)*

at 7:30 in the evening, then and there to act upon the following articles:

**FINANCIAL**

**ARTICLE 1: Fiscal Year 2015 Budget Adjustments** *Town Manager*

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, borrow, or transfer from available funds in order to supplement the Fiscal Year 2015 Operating Budgets and the 640 Ambulance Enterprise Personal Services Budget and to pay debt service on obligations of the Town;

Or act in relation thereto.

**ARTICLE 2: Fiscal Year 2015 Budget Transfers** *Town Manager*

To see if the Town will vote to transfer various sums between and among various accounts for the Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2015;

Or act in relation thereto.

**ARTICLE 3: Capital Appropriations for Fiscal Year 2015** *Capital Planning Committee*

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, borrow, or transfer from available funds, or any combination thereof; the sum of \$89,260 (EIGHTY NINE THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED SIXTY DOLLARS) to provide for the following capital requests:

| <i>DEPARTMENT</i> | <i>AMOUNT</i> | <i>PURPOSE</i>                 |
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| FIRE DEPARTMENT   | \$89,260      | RESCUE TOOLS FOR RESCUE PUMPER |

Or act in relation thereto.

**ARTICLE 4: Amend the Wage and Classification Plan** *Town Manager*

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Pay Classification Plan for non-unionized municipal employees, effective July 1, 2014;

Or act in relation thereto.

**ARTICLE 5: Reduce Amount Raised by Taxes in Fiscal Year 2015** *Board of Selectmen*

To see if the Town will vote to take specific amounts from available funds and to direct the Assessors to reduce the net amount to be raised for Fiscal Year 2015;

Or act in relation thereto.

COMMUNITY PRESERVATION FUNDS - ACQUISITION OF LAND

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| <b>ARTICLE 6:</b> | <b>Appropriate Community Preservation Funds to Acquire Two Parcels of Land on Tenney Road and Wing Road Known as the Timberlake Property, Authorize Selectmen to Receive Grant Funds From the Local Acquisitions for Natural Diversity (LAND) Program (M.G.L. Chapter 132A § 11), and Authorize the Selectmen to Grant Conservation Restriction on Aforementioned Property.</b> | <i>Community Preservation Committee</i> |
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To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$350,000.00 in land purchase expense, to enable the Town to acquire for open space, passive outdoor recreation and conservation purposes, and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to accept the deed to the Town of a fee simple interest or less, in two parcels of land on Tenney Road and Wing Road, Westford, Middlesex County, Massachusetts, being a portion of the property known as the Timberlake property, and shown as "Parcel A, 1,547,250 S.F., 35.52 Ac." and "Parcel B, 383,000 S.F., 8.79 Ac." on a plan entitled "Plan of Land to be Offered to the Town of Westford, 9 & 15 Wing Road, Westford, MA" dated January 6, 2014 by ALAN Engineering, L.L.C., Westford, MA and being a portion of the premises described in deeds recorded in the Middlesex North Registry of Deeds in Book 26386 Page 16, Book 4551 Page 300 and Book 2637 Page 603. Said Parcel A is a portion of Parcel 6 on Westford Assessors Map 40 and said Parcel B is portions of Parcels 6 and 7 on Westford Assessors Map 40;

that said land be conveyed to the Town under the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 40, Section 8C, and as it may hereafter be amended and other Massachusetts statutes relating to conservation, to be managed and controlled by the Conservation Commission on behalf of the Town;

and that to fund said purchase, to transfer \$350,000.00 from the Undesignated Community Preservation Fund balance; the Town's intention is to fund the remaining \$550,000.00 needed for the purchase through expenditure of Community Preservation Funds previously appropriated to the Conservation Fund as authorized under Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 40 Section 8C and other non-Community Preservation funds donated or previously appropriated to said Conservation Fund;

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 under the Local Acquisitions for Natural Diversity (LAND) Program (M.G.L. Chapter 132A § 11) and/or any other state or federal programs including those in aid of conservation land acquisition; and/or any others in any way connected with the scope of this Article; and to enter into any necessary contracts therefor; 38.89% of said gifts or grants to be deposited in the Undesignated Community Preservation Fund balance and 61.11% of said gifts or grants to be deposited in the General Fund;

and that the Board of Selectmen be authorized to grant a perpetual conservation restriction in said parcels of land meeting the requirements of M.G.L. Chapter 44B, § 12 and M.G.L. Chapter 184, §§ 31-33, as may be deemed appropriate, and to enter into all agreements and execute any and all instruments as may be necessary on behalf of the Town to effect said purchase, said funds to be expended by the Conservation Commission and the Community Preservation Committee;

Or act in relation thereto.

ACQUISITION OF LAND

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| <b>ARTICLE 7:</b> | <b>Authorize Acquisition of Parcels Located at 66-68 Boston</b> | <i>Board of Selectmen</i> |
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To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to exercise its rights of first refusal under the provisions of three Agricultural Preservation Restrictions recorded with the Middlesex North Registry of Deeds in Book 8569, Page 242, Book 9155, Page 170 and Book 10124, Page 169, respectively, and to acquire by gift, purchase or eminent domain, two parcels of land located at 66-68

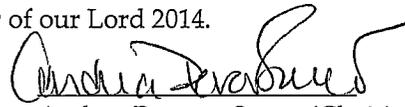
Boston Road, Westford, Massachusetts, described in a Notice of Intent to Sell dated July 9, 2014, the first parcel containing 2.00 acres of "land classified as Store with a(n) Store building built about 1972," more particularly described in a deed recorded with said Registry of Deeds, and shown on the Town of Westford's Assessor's Map 022 as Parcel 0116, Lot 0000, which parcel is further shown on a plan entitled "Plan of Land in Westford, Mass. Owned by Benjamin W. & Sarah W. Drew," dated June 14, 1976 and the second parcel containing 6.97 acres of land and buildings thereon, more particularly described in a deed recorded with said Registry of Deeds in Book 11422, Page 170, and shown on the Town of Westford's Assessor's Map 022 as Parcel 0115, Lot 0000, which parcel is further shown as "Parcel 'B'" on a plan entitled "Plan of Land in Westford, Mass. Owned by Drew Farms Inc.," dated November 15, 1979, copies of which plans are on file with the Town Clerk, for agricultural and farming purposes, and for purposes of leasing the property to third parties for agricultural and farming purposes, which shall include the right of the Town or such third party to engage in commercial agricultural activities and to erect such buildings or other structures related to such activities for the storage of agricultural products and for retail sale, on such terms and conditions as the Board of Selectmen shall deem appropriate; and further to see if the Town will appropriate by taxation, by transfer from available funds, by borrowing, or any combination, a sum of money for the acquisition of said parcels and costs and expenses related thereto, including, without limitation, funds under the Community Preservation Act, and authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, to issue any bonds or notes that may be necessary for that purpose pursuant to the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws c. 44, §7, Massachusetts General Laws c. 44B, §11, or any other enabling authority, and further to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into all agreements, apply for and accept any gifts, and execute on behalf of the Town any and all instruments as may be necessary or convenient to effectuate the purpose of this Article;

Or act in relation thereto.

And you, Constable, are directed to serve this warrant by posting a true and attested copy thereof at the Town Hall, Library and at each Post Office in said Town of Westford at least fourteen (14) days prior to the time of holding said meeting.

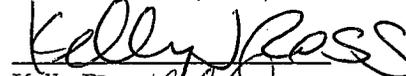
THEREOF FAIL NOT and make return of this warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, at the time and place of holding the meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands this 16th day of September in the Year of our Lord 2014.

  
Andrea Peraner-Sweet (Chair)

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Jim Sullivan (Vice-Chair)

  
Scott Hazelton (Clerk)

  
Kelly Ross

  
Donald Siriani

A TRUE COPY  
ATTEST:

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Constable of Westford

DATE:

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT I HAVE SERVED THE FOREGOING WARRANT BY POSTING A TRUE AND ATTESTED COPY THEREOF AT THE TOWN HALL, LIBRARY AND AT EACH POST OFFICE IN THE SAID TOWN OF WESTFORD AT LEAST FOURTEEN DAYS PRIOR TO THE TIME OF HOLDING SAID MEETING.