**TOWN OF TEMPLETON**

**WARRANT FOR ANNUAL TOWN MEETING**

**MAY 17, 2014**

## WORCESTER, ss.

## To either of the Constables of the Town of Templeton in said County:

## In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the precincts of the Town of Templeton, County of Worcester, qualified to vote in elections and Town affairs to meet in the Narragansett Regional Middle School, 460 Baldwinville Road, Baldwinville, in said Templeton on

## Saturday, May 17, 2014 at 9:00 a.m.

## then and there to act on the following articles:

## REPORTS OF TOWN OFFICERS

To see if the Town will vote to accept the reports of the Town Officers as printed in the 2013 Town Report; or take any other action relative thereto.  
***Submitted by the Board of Selectmen***

On a motion duly made and seconded the Town voted to accept the reports of the Town Officers as printed in the 2013 Town Report and placed in the permanent records of the Town.

**Passed/May 17th @ 9:20am**

## REPORTS OF TOWN COMMITTEES

To see if the Town will vote to allow any of the Town Committees to present their reports; or to take any other action relative thereto.   
***Submitted by the Board of Selectmen***

On a motion duly made and seconded the Town voted to allow any of the Town Committees to present their reports.

**Passed Unanimously/May 17th @ 9:21am**

## WORCESTER REGIONAL RETIREMENT SYSTEM ASSESSMENT

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer from available funds a total sum of money for the Worcester Regional Retirement System assessment; or to take any other action relative thereto.   
***Submitted by the Board of Selectmen***

On a motion duly made and seconded the Town voted that Four Hundred Fifty Three Thousand Nine Hundred Twenty Nine Dollars and Twenty Four Cents **($453,929.24)** be appropriated to be spent by the Town Treasurer for the Worcester Regional Retirement System annual assessment; and to meet such appropriation, Forty Four Thousand Seven Hundred Twenty One Dollars and Sixty Nine Cents **($44,721.69)** be hereby transferred from the Sewer Department; and Four Hundred Nine Thousand Two Hundred Seven Dollars and Fifty Five Cents **($409,207.55)** be raised from the FY 2015 tax levy and other general revenues of the town.

**Passed Unanimously/May 17th @ 9:32am**

## PAYMENTS ON LONG TERM DEBT

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds or borrow pursuant to any applicable statute a sum of money to pay the Town’s Maturing Principal and Interest on Long-Term Debt incurred through bonds and notes issued in accordance with Town Meeting votes; or to take any other action relative thereto. ***Submitted by the Board of Selectmen***

On a motion duly made and seconded the Town voted to raise and appropriate One Million Four Hundred Forty Four Thousand and Forty Six Dollars **($1,444,046)** to be spent by the Town Treasurer to pay the Town’s Maturing Principal and Interest on Long-Term Debt incurred through bonds and notes issued in accordance with Town meeting votes.

**Passed Unanimously/May 17th @ 9:37am**

**On an amended motion duly made and seconded the Town voted that One Million Four Hundred Forty Four Thousand and Forty Six Dollars ($1,444,046) be raised and appropriated to be spent by the Town Treasurer to pay the Town’s Maturing Principal and Interest on Long-Term Debt incurred through bonds and notes issued in accordance with Town meeting votes and that an additional Four Hundred Thirty-One Thousand Nine Hundred Sixty-Nine Dollars ($431,969) be raised and appropriated from the FY15 tax levy and other general revenues of the Town to pay for the Town’s share of the Narragansett Regional School District debt.**

**Passed Unanimously/May 17th @ 1:35pm**

## FY 2015 OPERATING BUDGET & SALARIES OF TOWN OFFICIALS

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds, or otherwise provide, a sum of money to pay town charges for municipal operational expenses for fiscal year 2015 and to set the salary and compensation of Elected and Appointed Officers of the Town as provided by Section 108 of Chapter 41 of the Massachusetts General Laws; or to take any other action relative thereto. ***Submitted by the Board of Selectmen***

**A motion was duly made and seconded to go line by line.**

**Passed/May 17th @ 9:46am**

**A motion was duly made and seconded recess the Annual Town Meeting to open the Special Town Meeting.**

**Passed/May 17th @ 10:04am**

**A motion was duly made and seconded to reduce line 13 to $75,000.**

**Defeated/May 17th @ 10:36am**

**A motion was duly made and seconded to remove line item 129-Worcester Regional Retirement system.**

**Passed Unanimously/May 17th @ 11:11am**

**A motion was duly made and seconded to increase line 255 to 47,000 by taking from line 267-$10,000, line 25-$5,000 & line 124-$2,000.**

**Defeated/May 17th @ 12:07pm--By requested hand count y-43, n-102 @ 12:13pm**

**A motion was duly made and seconded to adjust the COA’s budget line items: 265-COA Director-$17,752, COA Salaries-$54,250, & COA Expenses-$26,048 with a total COA budget $98,050.**

**Passed/May 17th @ 12:16pm**

**A motion was duly made and seconded that lines 324, 333 & 346 be reduced to zero.**

**Passed Unanimously/May 17th @ 12:19pm**

**A motion was duly made and seconded to change line 347 to $4,351,266.**

**Passed Unanimously/May 17th @ 12:24pm**

On an amended motion duly made and seconded the Town voted that Four Million, Three Hundred Fifty One Thousand Two Hundred Sixty Six Dollars **($4,351,266)** be hereby appropriated to pay town charges for municipal operating expenses for Fiscal Year 2015 and to set the salary and compensation of all Elected and Appointed Officers of the Town as provided by Section 108 of Chapter 41 of the General Laws, as set forth in a document entitles “Budget FY’15” in the column entitled “Advisory Budget (no override) FY 2015”, and to meet this appropriation from the FY’15 tax levy and other general revenues of the town.

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| Moderator Salary | 0 |
| Moderator Expenses | 0 |
| Selectmen Salaries | 0 |
| Town Administrator | 80,000 |
| Selectmens' Office Salaries | 45,995 |
| Selectmens' Office Expenses | 12,000 |
| Personnel Administration Expense | 500 |
| Audit Expense | 22,000 |
| Grant Writing Fees | 0 |
| Chairman Advisory Committee Salary | 0 |
| Advisory Board Clerical Support | 0 |
| Advisory Committee Expenses | 400 |
| Emergency Reserve | 50,000 |
| Town Accountant Salary | 41,760 |
| Forensic Accounting Support | 1,000 |
| Town Accountant Expenses | 500 |
| Assessors Salaries | 0 |
| Assessors' Office Salary | 44,000 |
| Assessors' Office Expenses | 7,500 |
| Assessors' Property Revaluation | 0 |
| Assessors' Mapping | 0 |
| Town Treasurer Salary | 55,000 |
| CMMT Certification | 0 |
| Assistant Town Treasurer Salary | 0 |
| Town Treasurer Office Expenses | 5,500 |
| Harpers Payroll | 12,000 |
| CMMT Certification | 0 |
| Tax Taxing Expenses | 3,500 |
| Town Collector Salary | 44,000 |
| Clerk | 12,963 |
| Assistant Town Collector Salary | 0 |
| Town Collector Office Expense | 9,000 |
| CMMT Certification | 0 |
| Tax Liens Expenses | 3,500 |
| Town Counsel Expenses | 60,000 |
| Town Clerk Salary | 41,100 |
| Assistant Town Clerk Salary | 0 |
| Town Clerk Office Expense | 24,600 |
| Town Clerk Record Preservation | 0 |
| CMMT Certification | 0 |
| Conservation Commission Chairman Salary | 0 |
| Conservation Commission Dept. Assistant Wages | 0 |
| Conservation Commission Expenses | 500 |
| Conservation Agent | 0 |
| Agricultural Commission Expenses | 0 |
| Open Space Expenses | 0 |
| Planning Board Salaries | 0 |
| Planning Board Dept. Assistant Wages | 15,000 |
| Planner | 0 |
| Planning Board Expenses | 6,400 |
| Board of Appeals Expenses | 100 |
| Town Building Temp. Office Rent | 0 |
| Building Maint. Person Salary | 0 |
| Building Maint. Person Expenses | 0 |
| Town Buildings - Expenses | 40,000 |
| Town Buildings - Repairs and Maintenance | 51,250 |
| Town Report/Street Listing - Wages | 0 |
| Town Report/Street Listing - Expenses | 1,500 |
| Town Vehicles - Gasoline Expense | 59,000 |
| Town Vehicles - Diesel Fuel Expense | 59,000 |
| Town Vehicles - Fuel Expense | 0 |
| Town Travel Expenses | 0 |
| General Insurance Expenses | 217,497 |
| Unemployment Comp Ins Expense | 25,000 |
| Group Insurance Expenses | 799,000 |
| Insurance Deductibles | 0 |
| Town Technology Expense | 34,000 |
| Town Telephone Expenses | 18,000 |
| Town Website Salaries | 0 |
| Town Website Expenses | 2,500 |
| Police Chief Salary | 81,242 |
| Police Department Salaries | 611,349 |
| Police Department Expenses | 55,000 |
| Parking Clerk Stipend | 0 |
| Parking Clerk Expense | 0 |
| Fire Chief Salary | 62,000 |
| Deputy Fire Chiefs' Salaries | 2,005 |
| Captain, Lieutenant | 3,700 |
| Call Fire Department Salaries | 60,000 |
| 2 Full Time Fire/EMS Salaries | 128,800 |
| Fire Department Expenses | 55,000 |
| Maint & update Fire Equip. (ISO) | 0 |
| Forestry Equipment | 0 |
| Fire Dept/EMS Division Expenses | 0 |
| Building Inspector Salary | 23,100 |
| Administrative Assistant/Building | 12,750 |
| Building Inspector Expenses | 1,000 |
| Asst. Building Inspector | 0 |
| Plumbing/Gas Inspector | 6,750 |
| Electrical Inspector | 0 |
| Affordable Housing Coordinator | 0 |
| Affordable Housing Expenses | 0 |
| Building Inspector Demolition A/C | 0 |
| Sealer of Weights & Measure Salary | 0 |
| Sealer of Weights & Measure Expenses | 1,500 |
| Animal Inspector Salary | 0 |
| Animal Inspector Expense | 500 |
| EMD/Civil Defense Director Salary | 0 |
| EMD Deputy Director Salary | 0 |
| EMD/Civil Defense Expenses | 1,000 |
| Animal Control Officer Salary | 7,000 |
| Animal Control Office Expense | 0 |
| Assistant Animal Control Salary | 0 |
| Tree Warden Salaries | 0 |
| Asst. Tree Warden | 0 |
| Tree Warden Expenses | 0 |
| Communication Commission Wages | 190,000 |
| Communication Commission Expenses | 20,814 |
| Communication Commission Training | 2,500 |
| Cell phone expenses | 2,500 |
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| Pest Control Expenses | 0 |
| Right To Know Law Expenses | 300 |
| Public Safety Committee | 0 |
| Highway Superintendent | 58,360 |
| Highway Department Salaries | 273,950 |
| Highway Department Expenses | 50,000 |
| Unknown Overtime Allowance | 0 |
| Town Vehicle maintenance salaries | 0 |
| Mechanic's Salary | 45,143 |
| Unknown Overtime Allowance | 0 |
| Assistant Mechanic's Salary | 0 |
| Town Vehicle/Machinery Maintenance Expense | 102,350 |
| Snow & Ice Removal Expenses | 125,000 |
| Street Lighting Expense | 0 |
| Solid Waste Disposal Expense | 6,360 |
| Cemetery Commissioner's Salaries | 0 |
| Cemetery Supt. Salary | 54,726 |
| Cemetery/Parks Dept Salaries | 66,300 |
| Cemetery/Parks Dept. Assistant Wages | 0 |
| Cemetery/Parks Dept Expenses | 20,000 |
| Cemetery Dept Sold/Sail Grave | 600 |
| Cemetery Firefighter Flag Exp. | 600 |
| Board of Health Salaries | 0 |
| Board of Health Agent | 30,000 |
| Board of Health Office Salaries | 15,174 |
| Board of Health Office Expenses | 2,500 |
| Landfill Monitoring Salary | 0 |
| Landfill Monitoring Expense | 5,000 |
| Brd of Hlth Rabies Control | 0 |
| Brd of Hlth Hazardous Waste & Bulky | 0 |
| Council on Aging Director | 17,752 |
| Council On Aging Salaries | 54,250 |
| Council On Aging Expenses | 26,048 |
| Veterans Services District | 20,000 |
| Veterans Benefits | 60,000 |
| Boynton Library Salaries | 44,871 |
| Boynton Library Expenses | 14,500 |
| Recreation Commission Salaries | 0 |
| Jr. Counselors | 0 |
| Recreation Commission Expenses | 0 |
| Arts Council Salary | 0 |
| Arts Council Expenses | 100 |
| Historical Commission Expenses | 0 |
| Cable Commission Salary | 0 |
| Cable Commission Expenses | 0 |
| Memorial/Veterans Day Expenses | 1,500 |
| Fees and Interest on short-term debt | 15,000 |
| Interest on Tax Anticipation Notes | 4,400 |
| Interest on Highway Chapter 90 Borrowing | 0 |
| Montachusetts Regional Planning Commission | 2,407 |
| School Committee Salaries | 0 |
| **Total Town Charges** | **4,351,266** |

**Passed/May 17th @ 12:25pm**

**A motion was duly made and seconded to recess for lunch.**

**Passed/May 17th @ 12:27pm**

**A motion was duly made and seconded to reconsider article 4.**

**Passed Unanimously May 17th @ 1:32pm**

**A motion was duly made and seconded to reconsider Article 5.**

**Defeated/May 17th @ 1:38pm**

## FUNDING FOR AMBULANCE DEPARTMENT OPERATIONS

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money from the Fire Department, Ambulance Receipts Reserved for Appropriation Account, or to otherwise raise and appropriate a sum of money to fund Ambulance Department operations, with any unexpended balances in the reserve account to be carried forward to the subsequent fiscal year; or to take any other action relative thereto.   
***Submitted by the Board of Selectmen***

On a motion duly made and seconded the Town voted that One Hundred Eighty Thousand Dollars **($180,000)** be hereby appropriated from the Ambulance Department Receipts Reserved for Appropriation Account to be spent by the Fire Chief to pay for the operation of the Ambulance Services within the Fire Department during FY’15, with any unexpected balances in said reserve account at year end to be carried forward to the subsequent fiscal year.

**Passed Unanimously/May 17th @ 1:47pm**

## UNEXPENDED FUNDS FROM THE AMBULANCE BUDGET

To see if the Town will vote to annually return any unexpended monies from the Fire Department Ambulance budget back into the Receipts Reserved for Appropriation account #22-300-3560-3564 that funds the ambulance service; or take any other action relative thereto.  
***Submitted by the Board of Selectmen***

On a motion duly made and seconded the Town voted to annually return any unexpended monies from the Ambulance Department budget back into the Receipts Reserved for Appropriation account #22-300-3560-3564 that funds the ambulance service.

**Passed/May 17th @ 1:48pm**

## EXEMPTION FOR CERTAIN SENIORS, SURVIVING SPOUSES AND MINORS To see if the Town will vote to increase the cost of living adjustment, as provided by the Department of Revenue, to the fiscal year 2015 amount, of  1.37  %  that may be used to increase the exemption granted to certain senior citizens, surviving spouses and minors under M.G.L., Chapter 59, Section 5, Clause 17D., which statute was accepted by the town as voted on May 3, 1999 at the Annual Town Meeting, Article 17; or to take any other action relative thereto.  *Submitted by the Board of Assessors*

On a motion duly made and seconded the Town voted to increase the cost of living adjustment, as provided by the Department of Revenue, for the Fiscal Year 2015 amount of One Point Three Seven Percent (1.37%) to be used to increase the exemption granted to certain senior citizens, surviving spouses and minors under M.G.L., Chapter 59, Section 5, Clause 17D., which statute was accepted by the Town under Article 17 of the May 3. 1999 Annual Town Meeting.

**Passed Unanimously/May 17th @ 1:50pm**

## FUNDING FOR UPDATING ASSESSORS MAPS

To see if the Town will vote to raise or appropriate, transfer from available funds, or borrow pursuant to any applicable statute, the sum of money to update and preserve the Assessors maps; or to take any other action relative thereto.  
***Submitted by the Board of Assessors***

On a motion duly made and seconded the Town voted that Four Thousand Dollars **($4,000.00)** be raised and appropriated from the Fiscal Year 2015 tax levy and other general revenues of the Town to be spent by the Board of Assessors to update and preserve the Assessors’ maps.

**Passed Unanimously/May 17th @ 1:51pm**

## FUNDING FOR VADAR ACCOUNTING SOFTWARE

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds, or borrow pursuant to any applicable statute a sum of money to be spent by the   
Town Administrator for VADAR financial software hosting and support for the Tax Collector, Treasurer, Accountant, and Assessors; or to take any other action thereto.  
***Submitted by the Board of Assessors***

On a motion duly made and seconded the Town voted that Thirteen Thousand One Hundred Forty Five Dollars **($13,145.00)** be raised and appropriated from the Fiscal Year 2015 tax levy and other general revenues of the Town to be spent by the Town Administrator with the approval of the Board of Selectmen for VADAR financial software hosting and software support for the Tax Collector, Treasurer, Accountant, and Assessors.

**Passed Unanimously/May 17th @ 1:53pm**

## FUNDING FOR ASSESSORS’ TRIENNIAL RECERTIFICATION

To see if the Town will vote to transfer from the Stabilization Fund or borrow pursuant to any applicable statute, a sum of money from the FY15 tax levy and other general revenues of the Town to be spent by the Board of Assessors for the Assessors’ 2016 Triennial Recertification; or take any other action relative thereto.  
***Submitted by the Board of Assessors***

On a motion duly made and seconded the Town voted to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirty Thousand Dollars **($30,000.00)** from the Fiscal Year 2015 tax levy and other general revenues of the Town to be spent by the Board of Assessors for 2016 Triennial Recertification.

**Passed/May 17th @ 1:54pm**

## FUNDING FOR CEMETERY DEPARTMENT TRUCK

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds, or borrow pursuant to any applicable statute Eleven Thousand Forty Four Dollars and Forty Seven Cents ($11,044.47) for the fifth and final lease payment for a 2011 Ford one ton dump truck for the Cemetery Department; or to take any other action relative thereto.  
***Submitted by the Board of Selectmen***

On a motion duly made and seconded the Town voted to raise and appropriate the sum of Eleven Thousand Forty Four Dollars and Forty Seven Cents **($11,044.47)** for the fifth and final lease payment for a 2011 Ford one ton dump truck for the Cemetery Department.

**Passed Unanimously/May 17th @ 1:56pm**

**An Amended motion was duly made and seconded to transfer Eleven Thousand Forty Four Dollars and Forty Seven Cents ($11,044.47) from the Stabilization Fund for the fifth and final lease payment for a 2011 Ford one ton dump truck for the Cemetery Department.**

**Passed Unanimously/May 19th @ 7:13pm**

## FUNDING FOR THE TEMPLETON SCHOLARSHIP FUND To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds, or borrow pursuant to any applicable statute a sum of money for the Templeton Scholarship Fund for the purpose of awarding scholarships to eligible applicants from the Town of Templeton; or to take any other action relative thereto. *Submitted by Board of Selectmen*

On an amended motion duly made and seconded the Town voted that Two Thousand Five Hundred **($2,500.00)** be raised and appropriated from the Fiscal Year 2015 tax levy and other general revenues of the Town for the Templeton Scholarship Fund, and to authorize the Templeton Scholarship Committee to award scholarships to eligible applicants from the Town of Templeton.

**Passed Unanimously/May 17th @ 2:01pm**

**A motion was duly made and seconded to recess the Annual Town Meeting until May 19th @ 7:00pm.**

**Passed/May 17th @ 2:02pm**

**A motion was duly made and seconded to reconsider Article 12.**

**Passed Unanimously/May 19th @ 7:11pm**

## FY 2015 MONTACHUSETT R.V.T. SCHOOL ASSESSMENT

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds, or borrow pursuant to any applicable statute a sum of money for the Montachusett Regional Vocational Technical School District assessment for Fiscal year 2015; or to take any other action relative thereto.   
***Submitted by the Board of Selectmen***

On a motion duly made and seconded the Town voted that Five Hundred Eighty Two Thousand Five Hundred and Eight Dollars **($582,508.00)** to be raised and appropriated from the Fiscal Year 2015 tax levy and other general revenues of the Town to pay for the Montachusett Regional Vocational Technical School District assessment for Fiscal year 2015.

**Passed Unanimously/May 19th @ 7:14pm**

## FY 2015 SEWER DEPARTMENT BUDGET

## To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate,  transfer from available funds or borrow pursuant to any applicable statute a sum of money to operate the Sewer Department, said sum is to be used for salaries, operating, maintenance, legal, engineering and other expenses of the Templeton Sewer Department, to be spent by the Sewer Commission, utilizing revenues realized from sewer user charges and fees, entrance fees, tipping fees paid by disposal contractors and other fees and monies collected as per Sewer Department Rules by the Town of Templeton Sewer Department; or to take any other action relative thereto.  *Submitted by the Board of Selectmen for the Sewer Commission*

On a motion duly made and seconded the Town voted that Nine Hundred Seventy Five Thousand Eight Hundred Thirty Six Dollars **($975,836.00)** be hereby appropriated to operate the Sewer Department (Sewer Enterprise Fund) for Fiscal Year 2015, said sum to be used for salaries, operating, maintenance, legal, engineering and other expenses of the Templeton Sewer Department, said sum is to be raised from revenues of sewer user charges and fees, entrance fees, tipping fees paid by disposal contractors and other fees and monies collected as per Sewer Department Rules by the Town of Templeton Sewer Department.

**Passed/May 17th @ 7:23pm**

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## FY 2015 NARRAGANSETT REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT ASSESSMENT

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds, or borrow pursuant to any applicable statute a sum of money to pay its share of the Narragansett Regional School District budget for FY 2015; or take any action relative thereto.   
***Submitted by the Board of Selectmen for the Narragansett Regional School Committee***

An amended motion that was duly made and seconded that Five Million Thirty Thousand Three Hundred and Twenty Eight Dollars **($5,030,328)** be herby appropriated from the Fiscal 2015 tax levy and other general revenues of the Town to pay the Town of Templeton’s share of the Narragansett Regional School District budget for Fiscal Year 2015.

**A motion was duly made and seconded to move the amended motion.**

**Passed/May 19th @ 8:02pm**

**The amended motion was**

**Defeated/May 19th @ 8:03pm**

On a motion duly made and seconded the Town voted that Five Million One Hundred Thirty Thousand Three Hundred and Twenty Eight Dollars **($5,130,328)** be herby appropriated from the Fiscal 2015 tax levy and other general revenues of the Town to pay the Town of Templeton’s share of the Narragansett Regional School District budget for Fiscal Year 2015.

**Passed/May 19th @ 8:07pm**

**A motion was duly made and seconded to reconsider Article 16.**

**Defeated/May 19th @ 8:09pm**

## FY 2015 REVOLVING FUNDS

To see what revolving funds pursuant to Chapter 44, Section 53E1/2 of the General Laws of the Commonwealth the town will authorize or reauthorize for various boards, commissions or departments of the town, for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2014 and ending June 30, 2015; or to take any other action related thereto.   
***Submitted by the Board of Selectmen***

On a motion duly made and seconded the Town voted that pursuant to M.G.L. chapter 44 section 53E ½, the following Fiscal Year 2015 revolving funds be authorized or re-authorized as the case may be, and in the event of reauthorization that the balance in such funds at the end of FY 14 be credited as the opening balance for Fiscal Year 2015, as follows:

1. A Council on Aging Transportation Revolving Fund, into which shall be deposited fees charged from the use of the Council on Aging Van and for which the spending authority is the COA Director, the use of such Revolving Fund shall be for wages and expenses for operation of the van, provided that the amount to be expended in Fiscal Year 2015 shall not exceed Five Thousand Dollars **($5,000.00)**; and
2. A Cemetery Department Burial Revolving Fund, into which shall be deposited fees charged for weekend burials, and for which the spending authority is the Cemetery Commissioner, the use of such funds shall be for wages associated with such burials and for Cemetery capital improvements, provided that the amount to be expended in Fiscal Year 2015 shall not exceed Eight Thousand Dollars **($8,000.00);** and
3. A Board of Appeals Hearings Revolving Fund, into which shall be deposited application fees and for which the spending authority shall be the Board of Appeals, the use of such fund shall be to pay for expenses related to hearings and applications and provided that the amount to be expended for Fiscal Year 2015 shall not exceed Three Thousand Dollars **($3,000.00)**; and

4. A Board of Health Recycling Revolving Account, into which shall be deposited the receipts collected from the sale of recycling equipment and the disposal of recyclable goods, and for which the spending authority shall be the Board of Health, the use of such funds shall be to expand the recycling program, provided that the amount to be expended in Fiscal Year 2015 shall not exceed Ten Thousand Dollars **($10,000.00)**; and

5. A Fire Department Inspections Revolving Account, into which shall be deposited inspectional fees collected from the fire inspections and for which the spending authority shall be the Fire Chief, the use of such fund be for the expansion and improvement of the fire services inspection program, provided that the amount to be expended in Fiscal Year 2015 shall not exceed Five Thousand Dollars **($5,000.00)**.

**Passed Unanimously/May 19th @ 8:14pm**

## TRANSFER TO THE STABILIZATION FUND

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds or borrow pursuant to any applicable statute a sum of money for the Stabilization Fund; or to take any other action relative thereto.   
***Submitted by the Board of Selectmen***

**No Motion**

## PAYMENT-IN-LIEU-OF TAXES FOR SOLAR ENERGY FACILITY To see if the Town will vote to approve the Payment-In-Lieu-Of-Taxes (PILOT) Agreement dated September 24, 2013 pursuant to M.G.L. Ch.59, Sec.38H, with tenK Energy, for approximately 25 acres of land located off Farnsworth Road, Templeton, Worcester County and to approve said PILOT Agreement under which tenK Energy shall make annual payments to the Town in the amount of Fifty Six Hundred and Thirty Four ($5,634) dollars per MW AC or a total of Sixteen Thousand Nine Hundred and Two ($16,902) dollars for 3MW AC per year for twenty (20) years in lieu of personal property taxes attributable to the project, said PILOT Agreement being on file in the Town Clerk’s office; and further to authorize the Board of Selectmen to negotiate any amendments to the PILOT Agreement in compliance with the amendment provisions therein. *Submitted by the Board of Selectmen*

**A motion was duly made and seconded to move the question.**

**Passed/May 19th @ 8:27pm**

## A motion was duly made and seconded that the Town vote to approve the Payment-In-Lieu-Of-Taxes (PILOT) Agreement, dated September 24, 2013, pursuant to M.G.L. Ch.59, Sec.38H, with tenK Energy, for approximately 25 acres of land located off Farnsworth Road, Templeton, Worcester County and to approve said PILOT Agreement under which tenK Energy shall make annual payments to the Town in the amount of Fifty Six Hundred and Thirty Four ($5,634) dollars per MW AC or a total of Sixteen Thousand Nine Hundred and Two ($16,902) dollars for 3MW AC per year for twenty (20) years in lieu of personal property taxes attributable to the project, said PILOT Agreement being on file in the Town Clerk’s office; and further to authorize the Board of Selectmen to negotiate any amendments to the PILOT Agreement in compliance with the amendment provisions therein.

## Defeated/May 19th @ 8:28pm

**A motion was duly made and seconded to reconsider Article 19.**

**Defeated/May 19th @ 8:29pm**

## CHANGE TO THE TOWN BUDGET PROCESS

To see if the Town will vote to change Article IV “Advisory Committee,” Section 4 of the Town By-Laws to read:

“It shall be duty of the Town Administrator in conjunction with the BOS to consider expenditures and develop a budget for the ensuing fiscal year of the several boards, officers and committees of the town, as prepared by them in such form and detail as prescribed by the Town Administrator.”; or take any other action relative thereto. ***Submitted by the Board of Selectmen***

On a substitute motion duly made and seconded the Town voted that Article III “Town Officers“ of the Town By-laws be herby amended:

4. “It shall be duty of the Town Administrator in conjunction with the BOS to consider expenditures and develop a budget for the ensuing fiscal year of the several boards, officers and committees of the town, as prepared by them in such form and detail as prescribed by the Town Administrator.”

**Passed Unanimously/May 19th @ 8:38pm**

## COMMUNITY PRESERVATION FUNDING FOR TOWN RECORDS

To see if the town will appropriate the sum of $17,500 from the Templeton Community Preservation Historic Preservation Account and the Templeton Community Preservation General Account to scan, index and store town clerk records including Town Meeting minutes and Vital Records and import into a Laser Fiche Document Management Program to be purchased using these funds; or take any other action relative thereto.  
***Submitted by the Community Preservation Committee***

On a motion duly made and seconded the Town voted that Seventeen Thousand Five Hundred Dollars **($17,500)** be hereby appropriated from the Templeton Community Preservation Historic Preservation Account and the Templeton Community Preservation General Account for the Town Clerk to expend to scan, index and store town clerk records including Town Meeting minutes and Vital Records and import into a Laser Fiche Document Management Program to be purchased using these funds.

**Passed Unanimously/May 19th @ 8:40pm**

## COMMUNITY PRESERVATION FUNDING FOR EAST TEMPLETON SCHOOL

To see if the Town will appropriate $195,000 from the Templeton Community Preservation Historic Preservation Account and the Templeton Community Preservation General Account to preserve the East Templeton Elementary School by providing roof replacement, drainage improvements and replacing the heating system; project to follow the U.S. Secretary of Interior standards, as required by the Community Preservation Act; or take any other action relative thereto.   
***Submitted by the Community Preservation Committee***

On a motion duly made and seconded the Town voted that One Hundred Ninety-Five Thousand Dollars **($195,000)** be hereby appropriated from the Templeton Community Preservation Historic Preservation Account and the Templeton Community Preservation General Account for the Board of Selectmen to expend to preserve the East Templeton Elementary School by providing roof replacement, drainage improvements and replacing the heating system. Project to follow the U.S. Secretary of Interior standards, as required by the Community Preservation Act.

**Passed/May 19th @ 9:01pm**

**A motion was duly made and seconded to reconsider Article 22.**

**Defeated/May 19th @ 9:02pm**

## COMMUNITY PRESERVATION FUNDING FOR TEMPLETON GRANGE HALL

To see if the Town will appropriate $73,160 from the Templeton Community Preservation Historic Preservation Account and the Templeton Community Preservation General Account to preserve and restore the historic Templeton Grange Hall through replacement of windows and egress improvements including installation of an ADA compliant main entrance; project to follow the U.S. Secretary of Interior standards, as required by the Community Preservation Act; or take any other action relative thereto.   
***Submitted by the Community Preservation Committee***

On an amended motion duly made and seconded the Town voted that Seventy Three Thousand One Hundred Sixty Dollars **($73,160)** be hereby appropriated from the Templeton Community Preservation General Account to preserve and restore the historic Templeton Grange Hall through replacement of windows and egress improvements including installation of an ADA compliant main entrance. Project to follow the U.S. Secretary of Interior standards, as required by the Community Preservation Act, and that the Board of Selectmen be authorized to acquire a historic preservation restriction in implementation of this appropriation.

**Passed Unanimously/May 19th @ 9:08pm**

## COMMUNITY PRESERVATION FUNDING FOR THE CIVIL WAR MONUMENT

To see if the Town shall appropriate the sum of $31,000 from the Templeton Community Preservation Historic Preservation Account and the Templeton Community Preservation General Account to restore the Franklin J. Jackson Civil War monument in the Templeton Common Burial Ground provided the Town receives a U.S. Veteran’s Administration grant of $7,500 to be reimbursed to the Community Preservation accounts at the completion of the project; or take any other action relative thereto.

***Submitted by the Community Preservation Committee***

On a motion duly made and seconded the Town voted that Thirty One Thousand Dollars **($31,000)** be hereby appropriated from the Templeton Community Preservation General Account for the Board of Selectmen to expend to restore the Franklin J. Jackson Civil War monument in the Templeton Common Burial Ground provided the Town receives a U.S. Veteran’s Administration grant of $7,500 to be reimbursed to the Community Preservation accounts at the completion of the project.

**Passed Unanimously/May 19th @ 9:12pm**

## COMMUNITY PRESERVATION FUNDING FOR FIRST CHURCH PORTICO

To see if the Town shall appropriate the sum of $5000 from the Templeton Community Preservation Historic Preservation Account and the Templeton Community Preservation General Account to cover some of the costs associated with repairing one of the columns supporting the portico of the First Church of Templeton; or take any other action relative thereto.   
***Submitted by the Community Preservation Committee***

On a motion duly made and seconded the Town voted that Five Thousand Dollars **($5,000.00)** be herby appropriated from the Templeton Community Preservation Historic Preservation Account to cover some of the costs associated with repairing one of the columns supporting the portico of the First Church of Templeton, and that the Board of Selectmen be authorized to acquire a historic preservation restriction in implementation of the appropriation.

**Passed Unanimously/May 19th @ 9:18pm**

## COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE FUNDING

To see if the Town will vote to hear and act on recommendations by the Community Preservation Committee for Fiscal Year 2015 pursuant to Chapter 44 B of the General Laws, also known as the Community Preservation Act: to implement such recommendations by appropriating and/or reserving a sum or sums of money from the Community Preservation Fund established pursuant to such Act for (i) the administrative expenses and all other necessary and proper expenses of the Community Preservation Committee; (ii) the acquisition, creation, creation and preservation of open space; (iii) the acquisition, preservation, rehabilitation and restoration of historic resources; (iv) the acquisition, creation, preservation, rehabilitation and restoration of land for recreational use; (v) the acquisition and preservation of historic resources; (vi) the acquisition, creation, preservation and support of community housing; and (vii) the rehabilitation or restoration of open space and community housing acquired or created under such Act; to authorize the Board of Selectmen with the approval of the Community Preservation Committee, to acquire by purchase, gift or eminent domain such real property interests in the name of or enforceable by the Town, acting by and through the Board of Selectmen or such other Town board as the Board of Selectmen may designate, including real property interests in the form of permanent affordable housing restrictions, historical preservation restrictions and conservation restrictions that will meet the requirements of Chapter 184 of the General Laws, as may be necessary or proper to carry out the foregoing; or to take any other action relative thereto.  
***Submitted by the Community Preservation Committee***

On a motion duly made and seconded the Town voted to hear and act on recommendations by the Community Preservation Committee for Fiscal Year 2015 pursuant to Chapter 44 B of the General Laws, also known as the Community Preservation Act: to implement such recommendations by appropriating and/or reserving a sum or sums of money from the Community Preservation Fund established pursuant to such Act for (i) the administrative expenses and all other necessary and proper expenses of the Community Preservation Committee; (ii) the acquisition, creation, creation and preservation of open space; (iii) the acquisition, preservation, rehabilitation and restoration of historic resources; (iv) the acquisition, creation, preservation, rehabilitation and restoration of land for recreational use; (v) the acquisition and preservation of historic resources; (vi) the acquisition, creation, preservation and support of community housing; and (vii) the rehabilitation or restoration of open space and community housing acquired or created under such Act; to authorize the Board of Selectmen with the approval of the Community Preservation Committee, to acquire by purchase, gift or eminent domain such real property interests in the name of or enforceable by the Town, acting by and through the Board of Selectmen or such other Town board as the Board of Selectmen may designate, including real property interests in the form of permanent affordable housing restrictions, historical preservation restrictions and conservation restrictions that will meet the requirements of Chapter 184 of the General Laws, as may be necessary or proper to carry out the foregoing.

**Passed Unanimously/May 19th @ 9:21pm**

## RELOCATION OF TOWN OFFICES

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds such as the town's Stabilization Fund, or borrow pursuant to any applicable statute the sum of Three Thousand Dollars ($3,000) to be spent by the Board of Selectmen for the purpose of relocating town offices; or take any other action relative thereto.   
***Submitted by the Board of Selectmen***

On a motion duly made and seconded the Town voted to transfer from the Stabilization Fund the sum of Three Thousand Dollars **($3,000)** to be spent by the Board of Selectmen for the purpose of relocating town offices.

**Passed Unanimously/May 19th @ 9:27pm**

## UPGRADING COMPUTER INFRASTRUCTURE

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate $2,500 from stabilization for the purpose of acquiring and installing computer network infrastructure hardware; or take any other action relative thereto.   
***Submitted by the Board of Selectmen***

On a motion duly made and seconded the Town voted to appropriate Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars **($2,500)** from Stabilization Fund, to be expended by the Town Administrator, for the purpose of acquiring and installing computer network infrastructure hardware.

**Passed Unanimously/May 19th @ 9:29pm**

## REPLACING HEATING SYSTEM AT EAST TEMPLETON ELEMENTARY

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate $25,000 from stabilization for the purpose of repairing or replacing the steam boiler heating system at the East Templeton Elementary School; or take any other action relative thereto.   
***Submitted by the Board of Selectmen***

**No Motion**

## HANDICAP RAMP AT EAST TEMPLETON ELEMENTARY

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate $10,000 from stabilization for the purpose of acquiring and installing a handicap entry ramp at the East Templeton Elementary School; or take any other action relative thereto.  
***Submitted by the Board of Selectmen***

On a motion duly made and seconded the Town voted that Ten Thousand Dollars **($10,000)** be transferred from Stabilization Fund, to be expended by the Board of Selectmen, for the purpose of acquiring and installing a handicap entry ramp at the East Templeton Elementary School.

**Passed Unanimously/May 19th @ 9:33pm**

## SPECIAL ACT FOR FISCAL 2014 GENERAL FUND DEFICIT To see if the Town will vote to petition Massachusetts General Court to adopt the following Special Act:

**AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE FINANCIAL CONDITION OF THE TOWN OF TEMPLETON.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same as follows:

**SECTION 1.** (a) Notwithstanding any general or special law, town charter provision or local bylaw to the contrary, the town of Templeton, with the approval of the commissioner of revenue, in this act called the commissioner, may borrow up to $600,000, as approved by the town and the commissioner, for the purpose of achieving a balanced budget for fiscal year 2014. The commissioner may limit this borrowing to an amount or amounts less than the amount or amounts approved by the town. Notwithstanding chapter 44A of the General Laws, bonds or notes issued under this act for the above purposes may be issued for a term of not more than 5 years and shall be backed by the full faith and credit of the town and the bonds and notes shall be eligible to be issued as qualified bonds or notes. Indebtedness incurred under this act shall not be included in determining the statutory limit of indebtedness of the town under section 10 of chapter 44 of the General Laws but, except as provided in this act, shall otherwise be subject to said chapter 44. Amounts raised to pay indebtedness incurred under authority of this section shall be subject to section 21C of chapter 59 of the General Laws.

(b) The maturities of each issue of bonds or notes authorized under this act, including any refunding bonds, may, if approved by the town officers authorized to issue and approve these bonds or notes, and by the commissioner, be arranged so that for each issue the amounts payable in the several years for principal and interest combined are as nearly equal as is practicable in the opinion of the officers authorized to issue and approve the bonds or notes, or in the alternative, in accordance with a schedule providing for a more rapid amortization of principal.

(c) All proceeds of any loan authorized by this act shall be deposited in the general fund of the town of Templeton.

(d) The director of accounts in the department of revenue, in this act called the director, may establish rules and procedures that he considers appropriate relating to the accounting standards applicable to the town of Templeton for the purposes of this act and otherwise.

**SECTION 2**. Notwithstanding any general or special law, town charter provision or local bylaw to the contrary, and as an alternative to borrowing authorized under section 1, the town of Templeton may capitalize a sum not to exceed $600,000, for the purpose stated in Section 1, the amortization amount, and fund the amortization amount in equal or decreasing annual installments over a period starting with fiscal year 2015 and not exceeding 5 years. For fiscal year 2015, and fully subject to section 21C of chapter 59 of the General Laws, the board of assessors of the town of Templeton, may, subject to the approval of the commissioner, deduct such portion of the amortization amount as the commissioner approves as consistent with this act, from the amount to be assessed under section 23 of chapter 59. Under the conditions imposed in this act, the assessors of the town of Templeton may similarly deduct such portion of the amortized amount in any year until the amortization is completed not later than fiscal year 2019.

**SECTION 3.** (a) With respect to fiscal year 2015, and in any other year in which bonds, notes or an amortization amount authorized under this act remain outstanding, not later than 10 days after the adoption of the town budget, or July 1, whichever is earlier, the assessors and selectman shall submit to the director a pro forma tax rate recapitulation for the following fiscal year, together with a copy of the adopted budget and such supporting revenue and expenditure information as the director may prescribe. The director shall ascertain whether the town budget for that fiscal year contains reasonable revenues from taxation and other sources to meet the appropriations and other amounts required by law to be raised under section 23 of chapter 59 of the General Laws, and the director shall report his findings to the town administrator and board of selectmen. In no event shall the tax rate for the year be approved until submission of an annual tax rate recapitulation based on the actions the town has approved or taken to achieve a balanced budget.

(b) In any year during which bonds, notes or an amortization amount authorized under this act remain outstanding, the commissioner of revenue shall not certify the annual tax rate of the town of Templeton until an audit report for the preceding fiscal year has been received and accepted by the director. The audit report shall be prepared by a certified public accountant in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and shall include accompanying financial statements.

(c) In any year during which bonds, notes or an amortization amount authorized under this act remain outstanding, the town shall submit to the director quarterly reports presenting a budget to actual comparison of revenues and expenditures. The written reports shall be submitted within 30 days after the conclusion of each fiscal quarter and shall be in such form and include such information and detail as the director may prescribe.

(d) In any year during which bonds, notes or an amortization amount authorized by this act remain outstanding, the town shall not issue any bond, note or other form of indebtedness without written notification to, and the approval of, the director.

(e) In any year during which bonds, notes or an amortization amount authorized by this act remain outstanding, the town shall submit to the director a balance sheet, and have its free cash certified prior to the setting of the annual tax rate.

(f) The director may waive any reporting or filing requirements contained in this section.

**SECTION 4.** No official of the town of Templeton, except in the case of an emergency involving the health and safety of the people or their property, shall knowingly expend or cause to be expended in any fiscal year any sum in excess of that official's departmental or other governmental unit's appropriation duly made in accordance with the law, nor commit the town, nor cause it to be committed, to any obligation for the future payment of money in excess of that appropriation, with the exception of court judgments.

Any official who intentionally violates this section shall be personally liable to the town for any amounts expended in excess of an appropriation to the extent that the town does not recover these amounts from the person or persons to whom the amounts were paid. The superior court or a single justice of the supreme judicial court shall have jurisdiction to adjudicate claims brought by the town, **or the attorney general,** under this act and to order relief that the court finds appropriate to prevent further violations of this section. Any violation of this section shall be considered sufficient cause for removal.

**SECTION 5.** For the purposes of this act, the word "official" shall mean a permanent, temporary or acting town department head, including the members of the board of selectmen who recommend, authorize or approve the expenditure of funds, and the word "emergency" shall mean a major disaster, including, but not limited to, flood, drought, fire, hurricane, earthquake, storm or other catastrophe, whether natural or otherwise, which poses an unexpected and immediate threat to the health and safety of persons or property.

**SECTION 6.** This act shall take effect upon its passage.  
***Submitted by the Board of Selectmen***

On a motion duly made and seconded the Town voted to petition the Massachusetts General Court to adopt the Special Act set forth in Article 31 of the Warrant for the May 17, 2014 Annual Town Meeting.

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Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same as follows:

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(b) The maturities of each issue of bonds or notes authorized under this act, including any refunding bonds, may, if approved by the town officers authorized to issue and approve these bonds or notes, and by the commissioner, be arranged so that for each issue the amounts payable in the several years for principal and interest combined are as nearly equal as is practicable in the opinion of the officers authorized to issue and approve the bonds or notes, or in the alternative, in accordance with a schedule providing for a more rapid amortization of principal.

(c) All proceeds of any loan authorized by this act shall be deposited in the general fund of the town of Templeton.

(d) The director of accounts in the department of revenue, in this act called the director, may establish rules and procedures that he considers appropriate relating to the accounting standards applicable to the town of Templeton for the purposes of this act and otherwise.

**SECTION 2**. Notwithstanding any general or special law, town charter provision or local bylaw to the contrary, and as an alternative to borrowing authorized under section 1, the town of Templeton may capitalize a sum not to exceed $600,000, for the purpose stated in Section 1, the amortization amount, and fund the amortization amount in equal or decreasing annual installments over a period starting with fiscal year 2015 and not exceeding 5 years. For fiscal year 2015, and fully subject to section 21C of chapter 59 of the General Laws, the board of assessors of the town of Templeton, may, subject to the approval of the commissioner, deduct such portion of the amortization amount as the commissioner approves as consistent with this act, from the amount to be assessed under section 23 of chapter 59. Under the conditions imposed in this act, the assessors of the town of Templeton may similarly deduct such portion of the amortized amount in any year until the amortization is completed not later than fiscal year 2019.

**SECTION 3.** (a) With respect to fiscal year 2015, and in any other year in which bonds, notes or an amortization amount authorized under this act remain outstanding, not later than 10 days after the adoption of the town budget, or July 1, whichever is earlier, the assessors and selectman shall submit to the director a pro forma tax rate recapitulation for the following fiscal year, together with a copy of the adopted budget and such supporting revenue and expenditure information as the director may prescribe. The director shall ascertain whether the town budget for that fiscal year contains reasonable revenues from taxation and other sources to meet the appropriations and other amounts required by law to be raised under section 23 of chapter 59 of the General Laws, and the director shall report his findings to the town administrator and board of selectmen. In no event shall the tax rate for the year be approved until submission of an annual tax rate recapitulation based on the actions the town has approved or taken to achieve a balanced budget.

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(d) In any year during which bonds, notes or an amortization amount authorized by this act remain outstanding, the town shall not issue any bond, note or other form of indebtedness without written notification to, and the approval of, the director.

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**SECTION 6.** This act shall take effect upon its passage.

**Passed/May 19th @ 9:39pm**

**An amended motion was duly made and seconded that the Town vote that a petition be presented to the Massachusetts General Court to adopt the Special Act set forth in Article 31 of the Warrant for the May 17, 2014 as amended at Annual Town Meeting, and that the General Court with the approval of the Board of Selectmen be authorized to make editorial changes to carry out the public’s purposes if this petition.**

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(b) The maturities of each issue of bonds or notes authorized under this act, including any refunding bonds, may, if approved by the town officers authorized to issue and approve these bonds or notes, and by the commissioner, be arranged so that for each issue the amounts payable in the several years for principal and interest combined are as nearly equal as is practicable in the opinion of the officers authorized to issue and approve the bonds or notes, or in the alternative, in accordance with a schedule providing for a more rapid amortization of principal.

(c) All proceeds of any loan authorized by this act shall be deposited in the general fund of the town of Templeton.

(d) The director of accounts in the department of revenue, in this act called the director, may establish rules and procedures that he considers appropriate relating to the accounting standards applicable to the town of Templeton for the purposes of this act and otherwise.

**SECTION 2**. Notwithstanding any general or special law, town charter provision or local bylaw to the contrary, and as an alternative to borrowing authorized under section 1, the town of Templeton may capitalize a sum not to exceed $600,000, for the purpose stated in Section 1, the amortization amount, and fund the amortization amount in equal or decreasing annual installments over a period starting with fiscal year 2015 and not exceeding 5 years. For fiscal year 2015, and fully subject to section 21C of chapter 59 of the General Laws, the board of assessors of the town of Templeton, may, subject to the approval of the commissioner, deduct such portion of the amortization amount as the commissioner approves as consistent with this act, from the amount to be assessed under section 23 of chapter 59. Under the conditions imposed in this act, the assessors of the town of Templeton may similarly deduct such portion of the amortized amount in any year until the amortization is completed not later than fiscal year 2019.

**SECTION 3.** (a) With respect to fiscal year 2015, and in any other year in which bonds, notes or an amortization amount authorized under this act remain outstanding, not later than 10 days after the adoption of the town budget, or July 1, whichever is earlier, the assessors and selectman shall submit to the director a pro forma tax rate recapitulation for the following fiscal year, together with a copy of the adopted budget and such supporting revenue and expenditure information as the director may prescribe. The director shall ascertain whether the town budget for that fiscal year contains reasonable revenues from taxation and other sources to meet the appropriations and other amounts required by law to be raised under section 23 of chapter 59 of the General Laws, and the director shall report his findings to the town administrator and board of selectmen. In no event shall the tax rate for the year be approved until submission of an annual tax rate recapitulation based on the actions the town has approved or taken to achieve a balanced budget.

(b) In any year during which bonds, notes or an amortization amount authorized under this act remain outstanding, the commissioner of revenue shall not certify the annual tax rate of the town of Templeton until an audit report for the preceding fiscal year has been received and accepted by the director. The audit report shall be prepared by a certified public accountant in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and shall include accompanying financial statements.

(c) In any year during which bonds, notes or an amortization amount authorized under this act remain outstanding, the town shall submit to the director quarterly reports presenting a budget to actual comparison of revenues and expenditures. The written reports shall be submitted within 30 days after the conclusion of each fiscal quarter and shall be in such form and include such information and detail as the director may prescribe.

(d) In any year during which bonds, notes or an amortization amount authorized by this act remain outstanding, the town shall not issue any bond, note or other form of indebtedness without written notification to, and the approval of, the director.

(e) In any year during which bonds, notes or an amortization amount authorized by this act remain outstanding, the town shall submit to the director a balance sheet, and have its free cash certified prior to the setting of the annual tax rate.

(f) The director may waive any reporting or filing requirements contained in this section.

**SECTION 4.** This act shall take effect upon its passage.

**Passed/May 21st @ 7:42pm**

## CITIZEN’S PETITION: SEX OFFENDER RESIDENCY RESTRICTIONS

The purpose of this bylaw is to see of the Town of Templeton will add a level 2 and 3 sex offender residency restriction bylaw to existing bylaws.

Section 1. Determinations, Intent and Historical context

The purpose and intent of this By-law is in keeping with the understanding that sex offenders classified as level 2 or 3 pose a moderate to high risk of re-offense. By imposing guidelines on potential residents and sex offenders, this By-law promotes transparency throughout the community and acknowledges that those who are at highest risk are children, the elderly, and the disabled.

The purpose and intent of this By-law is to mitigate any potential risk of harm to those who may be the most likely to be victimized by deterring the movement to the locations of potential victims of those who present the greatest risk.

The Massachusetts sex offender registry law was first enacted in 1996. After a series of 5 cases at the Supreme Judicial Court level (Doe v. Attorney General (s), 1997, 1997, 1997, 1998, 1999), it was determined by the state legislature that the law should be amended to reflect the rulings. In 1999 the Massachusetts state legislature amended the states sex offender registry to reflect the due process issues presented in the preceding 5 cases and creating the process that we find today being utilized. This process has emerged unchanged over the preceding decade despite numerous legal challenges due to the changes made in 1999.

This By-law is presented with the careful consideration given to the important and difficult process of classification of Sex offenders. The process is found under Massachusetts General Laws chapter 6 § 178 as well as 803 C.M.R. 1.00. The procedural system that is currently in place is the result of numerous legal challenges and legislative amendments. It includes a 5 step process to satisfy due process checks and balances. The process of registration is one that begins with a written pre- registration, then, includes a board recommended classification which the offender may accept or request a full administrative hearing on, and ultimately a right to appeal said hearing result to Superior Court for judicial review. It is with these numerous safeguards and due process opportunities in place that this By-law is enacted

This By-law hereby incorporates by reference the definitions set forth in Massachusetts General Laws chapter 6 § 178C as well as 803 C.M.R. 1.03 where applicable.

“Day Care Center” means an establishment, whether public or private, which provides care for children and is registered with and licensed pursuant to the laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts by the Department of Early Education and Care.

“Elder” or “Elderly” means a person or persons over 60 years of age.

“Elderly Housing Facility” or “Senior Citizens Center” or “Over 55 Community” means any building or buildings which provide a group residence for the elderly or a location where the elderly gather and/or reside that is located within the Town of Templeton

“Establishing a Residence” means to set up or bring into being a dwelling place or an abode where a person sleeps, which may include more than one location, and may be mobile or transitory, or by means of purchasing real property or entering into a lease or rental agreement for real property

“Park” means active and passive public land designated for recreational or athletic use by the Town of Templeton and located within the Town of Templeton

“Permanent Residence” means a place where a person lives, abides, lodges, or resides for five (5) or more consecutive days or fourteen (14) or more days in the aggregate during any calendar year.

“School” means any public or private educational facility that provides services to children in grades kindergarten - 12, or any one or more of such grades..

"Child"  "children or minor" shall mean persons less than eighteen years of age

7. “Sex Offender” and “Sex offense” shall have the same meaning for purposes of this by-law as provided for in M.G.L. chapter 6, § 178C.

8. “Sex Offense Involving a Child” shall have the same meaning for purposes of this by-law as provided for in M.G.L. chapter 6, § 178C.

9. “Temporary Residence” means a place where a person lives, abides, lodges or resides for a period of less than five (5) consecutive days or fourteen (14) days in the aggregate during any calendar year.

 SECTION 3. Sex Offender Residence Prohibition

It is unlawful for any sex offender who has been finally classified as a Level 2 or 3 offender pursuant to the guidelines of the Sex Offender Registry Board, for as long as so classified, to establish a permanent residence or temporary residence in the Town of Templeton within one thousand (1,000) feet of the property on which any public or private school, park, , elderly housing facility, over 55 community, senior citizens center, or licensed day-care center is located.

 SECTION 4. Evidentiary Matters; Measurements

 For purposes of determining the minimum distance requirement, the separation shall be measured by following a straight line from the outer property line of the permanent residence to the nearest outer property line of any public or private school, park, elderly housing facility, over 55 community, senior citizens center, or licensed day-care center

## SECTION 5. Notice to Move

Any sex offender who has been finally classified as a Level 2 or 3 offender pursuant to the guidelines of the Sex Offender Registry Board, for as long as so classified, who establishes a permanent residence or temporary residence in the Town of Templeton within one thousand (1,000) feet of any public or private school, park, elderly housing facility, over 55 community, senior citizens center, or licensed day-care center shall be in violation of this By-law.

Any such sex offender shall, within thirty (30) days of receipt of written notice of the sex offender’s noncompliance with this by-law, move from said location to a new location, but said location may not be within one thousand (1,000) feet of any public or private school, park, elderly housing facility, over 55 community, senior citizens center, or licensed day-care center within the Town of Templeton.

It shall be a separate violation each day that a sex offender does not move after the expiration of the time given in such written notice or if they should move from one location in the Town of Templeton to another location that is within one thousand (1,000) feet of any public or private school, park, elderly housing facility, over 55 communities, senior citizens center, or licensed day-care center.

SECTION 6. Exceptions

A person residing within 1,000 feet of any public or private school, park, elderly housing facility, over 55 communities, senior citizens center, or licensed day-care center does not commit a violation of this By-law if any of the following apply:

(1) The person established the permanent residence and reported and registered the residence, as required by the Sex Offender Registry Law and any applicable regulations of the Massachusetts Sex Offender Registry Board, prior to the effective date of this By-law, and:

(a) The person established permanent residence by purchasing the real property where the residence is established, as long as the registered sex offender continues to reside in and does not move to another restricted location in Templeton different from the  permanent residence established prior to the effective date of this By-law;

(b) The person established permanent residence through a valid, fixed-term, written and/or oral lease or rental agreement, executed prior to the effective date of this by-law, as long as the registered sex offender continues to reside within and does not move to another restricted location in Templeton different from the permanent residence established prior to the effective date of this By-law; or

( c) The person established permanent residence through a written and/or oral lease or rental agreement at the will of the landlord, as long as the registered sex offender continues to reside within and does not move to another restricted location in Templeton different from the permanent residence established prior to the effective date of this By-law.

(2) The person was a minor when the relevant crime was committed and was not convicted as an adult.

(3) The person is a minor.

(4) The public or private school, park, elderly housing facility, over 55 community, senior citizens center, or licensed day-care center was established after such person established the permanent residence and reported and registered

the residence pursuant to the Sex Offender Registry Law and any applicable regulations of the Massachusetts Sex Offender Registry Board.

(5) The person is required to serve a sentence at a jail, prison, juvenile facility, or other correctional institution or facility located within the aforementioned 1,000 foot area.

(6) The person is admitted to and/or subject to an order of commitment at a public or private facility for the care and treatment of mentally ill persons pursuant to M.G.L. chapter 123 located within the aforementioned 1,000 foot area.

(7) The person is a mentally ill person subject to guardianship pursuant to order or supervision of the Probate and Family Court or a mentally retarded person subject to guardianship pursuant to M.G.L. chapter 201 §6A, residing with his or her guardian or residing within a group residence that is professionally staffed and supervised 24 hours a day and located within the aforementioned 1,000 foot area.

  SECTION 7. Forfeiture of Exception

If, either after the effective date of this By-law or after a new public or private school, elderly housing facility, over 55 community, senior citizens center, or licensed day-care center opens, an indictment or conviction of another sex offense is issued by a court against a Level 2 or 3 Sex Offender otherwise enjoying an exception under this By-law, he or she shall immediately forfeit that exception and be required to comply with this By-law.

  SECTION 8. Penalties

(1) Criminal Complaint. Violation of the residency provisions of this By-law may be enforced by criminal complaint filed by any police officer of the Town of Templeton. Each day a violation exists shall constitute a separate violation. The fine for each violation, upon conviction, shall be $300. In addition to enforcement by criminal complaint, violation of the residency provisions of this By-law may be enforced through any lawful means in law or in equity by any police officer of the Town of Templeton. Also, any police officer of the Town of Templeton may give written notification to the property owner, if other than the offender, the offender’s landlord, parole officer and/or probation officer and the Commonwealth's Sex Offender Registry Board that the sex offender has violated this By-Law. Additionally, any other penalties may apply as the law permits.

(2) Noncriminal Disposition. In addition to enforcement by criminal complaint, violation of the residency provisions of this By-law may be enforced by any police officer of the Town of Templeton by non-criminal disposition pursuant to M.G.L. c. 40, § 21D. Each day a violation exists shall constitute a separate violation. The penalty for each violation shall be a noncriminal fine of $300

 SECTION 9. PROBITIONS CRINIMAL NON-CRIMINAL COMPLAINTS

(1). Prohibitions.

(A) A sex offender who has been finally classified as a Level 2 or 3 offender pursuant to the guidelines of the Sex Offender Registry Board, and for as long as so classified, is prohibited from entering upon the premises of a school or day-care center unless previously authorized specifically in writing by the school administration or day-care center owner.

(B) A sex offender who has been finally classified as a Level 2 or 3 offender pursuant to the guidelines of the Sex Offender Registry Board, and for as long as so classified, is prohibited from entering upon the premises of an elderly housing facility, over 55 Community or Senior Citizens Center, unless previously authorized in writing by the on-site manager of the elderly housing facility, over 55 Community or Senior Citizen Center.

(C) A sex offender who has been finally classified as a Level 2 or 3 offender pursuant to the guidelines of the Sex Offender Registry Board, and for as long as so classified, is prohibited from entering upon the premises of a park.

(2). Exceptions

(A) The prohibitions defined in this By-Law shall not be construed or enforced so as to prohibit a sex offender from exercising his or her right to vote in any federal, state or municipal election, conducting town and/or police business or from attending any religious service.

(B) The prohibitions defined in this By-Law do not apply to a sex offender's place of residence when such residence is exempted under this By-Law.

(3). Penalties.

(A) Criminal Complaint. Violation of the by-law provisions of this by-law may be enforced by criminal complaint filed by any police officer of the Town of Templeton. Each day a violation exists shall constitute a separate violation. The fine for each violation, upon conviction, shall be $300. In addition to enforcement by criminal complaint, violation of the by-law provisions of this By-law may be enforced through any lawful means in law or in equity by any police officer of the Town of Templeton. Also, written notification may be given by a Town of Templeton police officer to the offender’s parole officer and/or probation officer, and the Commonwealth's Sex Offender Registry Board that the sex offender has violated this By-Law.

(B) Noncriminal Disposition. In addition to enforcement by criminal complaint, violation of the bylaw provisions of this By-law may be enforced through by any police officer of the Town of Templeton by non-criminal disposition pursuant to G.L. c. 40, § 21D. Each day a violation exists shall constitute a separate violation. The penalty for each violation shall be a noncriminal fine of $300.

  SECTION 10.Severability.

 If any portion of this by-law is deemed by a court of competent jurisdiction to be unconstitutional or otherwise invalid or unenforceable, such judgment shall not impair or invalidate or render unenforceable the remaining portions of this by-law.  
***A citizen’s petition submitted by Rachel Rhodes and 28 others***

**NO MOTION**

## CITIZEN’S PETITION: INDEPENDENT AUDIT

To see if the Town vote to create a by-law as follows:  
The Selectmen shall, at least annually, provide for an independent audit of the Towns financial statements to be done by a reputable accounting firm not connected to or, in any way, related to the Town or its officers. The complete audit, with recommendations, shall be made available to the public as soon as it is received and it shall be posted in the annual Town Report or take any other action relative thereto.

***A citizen’s petition submitted by Virginia Wilder and 9 others***

On a substitute motion duly made and seconded the Town voted to enter as a Town By-Law in Article 3, Section 5 the following:

The Selectmen shall, at least annually, provide for and conduct an independent audit of the financial books to be done by a reputable accounting firm not connected to or related in any way to the Town or its officers. The complete audit with recommendations shall be made available to the public as soon as it is received and it shall be posted in the annual Town Report.

**Passed/May 19th @ 9:57pm by hand count y-61, n-54**

**A motion was duly made and seconded to reconsider Article 33.**

**Defeated/May 19 @ 9:58pm**

## CITIZEN’S PETITION: INDEPENDENT AUDITS OF FISCAL YEARS 2013 AND 2014 Move that the town provide funds for, and cause to occur, an independent audit of the Town’s financial statements for the fiscal years 2013 and 2014 the results of which are made public upon receiving them and also published in the Annual Report. The cost of said audit shall be taken from the stabilization fund or take any other action relative thereto.

***A citizen’s petition submitted by Virginia Wilder and 9 others***

**NO MOTION**

**A motion was duly made and seconded to recess the Annual Town Meeting to May 21st @ 7:00pm**

**Passed/May 19th @ 10:00pm**

## CITIZEN’S PETITION: FLUOROSIS WARNING

Shall the town vote to approve a warning concerning Templeton citizen’s fluorosis risk the additive poses to infants, to be added to all water bills and consumer confidence reports (which must be mailed to all water consumers, be posted online, and available at the Selectmen’s Office and the Light and Water Department). The warning is as followed:   
  
“Your public water supply is fluoridated. According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, if your child un the age of 6 months is exclusively consuming infant formula reconstituted with fluoridated water, there may be an increased chance of dental fluorosis. Consult your child’s health care provider for more information.”   
***A citizen’s petition submitted by Peter Farrell and 20 others***

A motion duly made and seconded that the Town vote to approve a warning concerning Templeton citizen’s fluorosis risk the additive poses to infants, to be added to all water bills and consumer confidence reports (which must be mailed to all water consumers, be posted online, and available at the Selectmen’s Office and the Light and Water Department). The warning is as follows:   
  
“Your public water supply is fluoridated. According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, if your child under the age of 6 months is exclusively consuming infant formula reconstituted with fluoridated water, there may be an increased chance of dental fluorosis. Consult your child’s health care provider for more information.”

**A motion was duly made and seconded to Pass Over this Article.**

**Passed/May 21st @ 7:24pm, by requested hand count y-73, n-31 @ 7:31pm**

**A motion was duly made and seconded to reconsider Article 31.**

**Passed/May 21st @ 7:36pm**

## CITIZEN’S PETITION: TOWN MEETING AUTHORITY ON FLUORIDATION

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to seek Special Legislation as set forth below: provided, however, that the General Court may make clerical or editorial changes of form only to the bill, unless the Board of Selectmen is hereby authorized to approve amendments which shall be within the scope of the general public objectives of the petition, or take any other action thereon or in relation to. An Act authorizing Annual Town Meeting as the responsible party on any and all decisions involving fluoriding or not fluoridating the public water supply.

Section 1. Notwithstanding Section 8C, Chapter 111, Title XVI, Part 1 of the general laws or of any or general law to the contrary, the legislative body at Annual Town Meeting with a majority vote shall be authorized to make any and all decisions in regards to fluoridating or not fluoridating the public water supply however should town meeting vote to fluoridate the public water supply oversight on fluoride dose shall go to the towns Board of Health. Annual town meeting shall also make decisions involving fluoride and the public water supply.

Section 2. Upon effective date of this act the Legislative body at Annual Town Meeting shall become the responsible party for all matters concerning fluoride and the public water supply.

Section 3. This act shall take effect upon passage.  
***A citizen’s petition submitted by Peter Farrell and 25 others***

A motion duly made and seconded that the Town vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to seek Special Legislation as set forth below: provided, however, that the General Court may make clerical or editorial changes of form only to the bill, unless the Board of Selectmen is hereby authorized to approve amendments which shall be within the scope of the general public objectives of the petition, as follows:

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Section 2. Upon effective date of this act the Legislative body at Annual Town Meeting shall become the responsible party for all matters concerning fluoride and the public water supply.

Section 3. This act shall take effect upon passage.

**A motion was duly made and seconded to Pass Over this Article.**

**Passed/May 21st @ 7:56pm, by requested hand count y-76, n-26 @ 8:01pm**

## CITIZEN’S PETITION: ADVISORY COMMITTEE

To see if the Town will vote amend Article IV of the General Bylaws to read as follows:  
  
Section 1. There shall be an Advisory Committee comprised of five registered voters of the Town who shall be appointed by the Town Moderator as hereinafter provided. No elected or appointed Town officer or employee shall be eligible to serve on the board. A representative of the Advisory Committee shall to be allowed to serve on the Capital Planning Committee and the Insurance Committee

Section 2. The Town Moderator when this bylaw is adopted shall within thirty days after this bylaw becomes effective, appoint one member to a term of one year to expire at the conclusion of the 2015 Annual Town Meeting; two members to terms of two years to expire at the conclusion of the 2016 Annual Town Meeting, and three members to terms of three years to expire at the conclusion of the 2017 Annual Town Meeting. Said committee shall choose its own officers, and serve without pay, except the chairman who shall receive such sum as voted at the Annual Town Meeting, and shall cause to be kept a true record of its proceedings.

Section 3. The Town Moderator shall fill any vacancies which may occur on the committee. No appointment shall be made until the vacancy has been posted on the Town’s website for 14 days. If any member is absent for five consecutive meetings his position shall be deemed vacant, and filled by the Town Moderator as herein provided. The appointee shall serve the remainder of the unexpired term.

Section 4. It shall be the duty of the Advisory Committee to make recommendations on all articles appearing on the Annual Town Meeting warrant, as well as Special Town Meeting Warrants.

Section 5. The Advisory Committee shall report its doings in the Annual Town Report.   
***Submitted by Citizen’s Petition by John Columbus and 15 others***

Amotion was duly made and seconded that the Town vote that Article IV of the General Bylaws be amended to read as follows:  
  
Section 1. There shall be an Advisory Committee comprised of five registered voters of the Town who shall be appointed by the Town Moderator as hereinafter provided. No elected or appointed Town officer or employee shall be eligible to serve on the board. A representative of the Advisory Committee shall to be allowed to serve on the Capital Planning Committee and the Insurance Committee

Section 2. The Town Moderator when this bylaw is adopted shall within thirty days after this bylaw becomes effective, appoint one member to a term of one year to expire at the conclusion of the 2015 Annual Town Meeting; two members to terms of two years to expire at the conclusion of the 2016 Annual Town Meeting, and three members to terms of three years to expire at the conclusion of the 2017 Annual Town Meeting. Said committee shall choose its own officers, and serve without pay, except the chairman who shall receive such sum as voted at the Annual Town Meeting, and shall cause to be kept a true record of its proceedings.

Section 3. The Town Moderator shall fill any vacancies which may occur on the committee. No appointment shall be made until the vacancy has been posted on the Town’s website for 14 days. If any member is absent for five consecutive meetings his position shall be deemed vacant, and filled by the Town Moderator as herein provided. The appointee shall serve the remainder of the unexpired term.

Section 4. It shall be the duty of the Advisory Committee to make recommendations on all articles appearing on the Annual Town Meeting warrant, as well as Special Town Meeting Warrants.

Section 5. The Advisory Committee shall report its doings in the Annual Town Report.

**A motion was duly made and seconded to Pass Over this Article.**

**Passed/May 21st by requested hand count y-51, n-49 @ 8:22pm**

## CITIZEN’S PETITION: RESTRICTION ON BOARD OF SELECTMEN

To see if the Town will vote to amend Article III, Section 1, Paragraph (a) of the General Bylaws to read as follows:

Members of the Board of Selectmen shall not serve in any other elective capacity on any other town or regional boards, commissions, or committees of which the Town of Templeton is a member; or act in relation thereto. ***Submitted by Citizen’s Petition by John Columbus and 21 others***

On an amended motion duly made and seconded the Town voted that Article III, Section 1, Paragraph (a) of the General Bylaws be amended to read as follows:

Members of the Board of Selectmen shall not serve in any other elective capacity on any other town or governmental regional boards, commissions, or committees of which the Town of Templeton is a member.

**Passed/May 21st @ 8:43pm**

## CITIZEN’S PETITION: PUBLICATION OF TOWN MEETING NOTICE

Move to amend article II, section 4 of the Town By-Laws to read: Notice of every town meeting shall be given by posting attested copies of the warrant therefore in a public place in each precinct as directed by the Selectmen not less than seven (7)days before the day fixed for the Annual Town Meeting, and not less than fourteen (14) days before the date fixed for a Special Town Meeting, and notice of said Town Meeting shall be published in The Gardner News seven (7) days before the day fixed for the annual Town Meeting and fourteen (14) before the day fixed for a Special Town Meeting.  
***Submitted by Citizen’s Petition by Virginia Wilder and 9 others***

A motion was duly made and seconded that the Town vote to amend article II, section 4 of the Town By-Laws to read: Notice of every town meeting shall be given by posting attested copies of the warrant therefore in a public place in each precinct as directed by the Selectmen not less than seven (7)days before the day fixed for the Annual Town Meeting, and not less than fourteen (14) days before the date fixed for a Special Town Meeting, ~~and notice of said Town Meeting shall be published in a local newspaper~~, and notice of said Town Meeting shall be published in The Gardner News seven (7) days before the day fixed for the annual Town Meeting and fourteen (14) before the day fixed for a Special Town Meeting.

**Defeated/May 21st @ 8:54pm**

## CITIZEN’S PETITION: HOLD THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING ON THE SECOND TUESDAY AFTER THE ANNUAL BALLOT ELECTION

Move that the town conduct all business of the Annual Town Meeting, except the election of such officers and the determination of such matters as are required by law to be elected or determined by ballot, shall be considered at an adjournment of such meeting to be held on the second Tuesday, thereafter at a time and place designated by the Board of Selectmen.   
***Submitted by Citizen’s Petition by Dennis O’Brien and 16 others***

An amended motion was duly made and seconded that the Town vote to amend Article 2 section 2 of the Town By-laws by deleting Saturday and inserting Tuesday.

**Defeated/May 21st by hand count y-50, no-51@ 9:19pm**

## CITIZEN’S PETITION: VOTING BY BALLOT AT TOWN MEETING Amend Article II – Town Meetings Section 12

Section 12. Seven or more voters, rising in their places for that purpose may order that the vote on any motion shall be taken by a “Yes” and “No” paper ballot.  
*Submitted by Citizen’s Petition by Julie Farrell and 10 others*

A motion was duly made and seconded that the Town vote to amend Article II – Town Meetings section 11 to add the following:

Seven or more voters, rising in their places for that purpose may order that the vote on any motion shall be taken by a “Yes” and “No” **paper** ballot.

**Defeated/May 21st @ 9:30pm**

## CITIZEN’S PETITION: COMPOSITION OF REGIONAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE Amend Article V – Financial Affairs

Add new section  
Section 7 – School Finance

The Town of Templeton shall be exempt from the provisions of 603 CMR 41.05 – 41.05: Regional School District Budgets if and until the composition of the Narragansett Regional School District School Committee accurately reflects the percentage of students and funding from the Town of Templeton.   
***Submitted by Citizen’s Petition by Julie Farrell and 11 others***

**An Illegal Motion**

## CITIZEN’S PETITION: MARIJUANA ON TOWN PROPERTY “Repeal Article LV and all sections 12345” Marijuana or tetrahydrocannabinol on Town property.

1. This petition as to Article 1 General provisions section 2
2. To repeal Article LV and all its Section’s 12345. As Required
3. Under Article II Town Meeting Section 2 to be
4. Determined by ballot. Town Ballot Vote (secret) personal
5. Under Section 3 pall’s. Article, 1 Section 2 shall
6. Be Invoke if pass as a Binding Question, Town by laws
7. The town shall cause the printing of Art. LV and its section
8. And note repeal. “Total Repeal” of such by law
9. As noted as Article LV Section 1,2,3,4,5, know as marijuana or
10. Tetrahydrocannabinol on Town property.

***Submitted by Citizen’s Petition by Steve Drury and 12 others***

A motion was duly made and seconded that the Town vote to Amend and correct Article 43 the title of the by as written, to change the Roman number from LV to XXI so it will read Repeal By-law XXI “Marijuana or Tetrahydrocannabinol on Town property” and its parts 1, 2, 3, 4, 5. Also to amend to strike from Article 43 all the following sentences number 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 leaving to read Article 43, to Repeal XXI “Marijuana or Tetrahydrocannabinol on Town property” and all its parts 1, 2, 3, 4, 5.

**A motion was duly made and seconded to move the question**

**Passed/May 21st @ 9:44pm**

**Main Motion**

**Defeated/May 21st @ 9:57pm**

**A motion was duly made and seconded to reconsider Article 40.**

**Defeated by requested hand count y-31, n-62 @ 10:13pm**

**A motion was duly made and seconded to dissolve the Annual Town Meeting.**

**Passed/May 21st @ 10:24pm**

And you are hereby directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof in each precinct; namely at the Post Office in Templeton, the Post Office in East Templeton, the Post Office in Baldwinville, at Cote’s Market in Otter River, and at the Town Office Buildings at 4 Elm Street, Baldwinville, and at 690 Patriots Road, Templeton, and by delivering a copy to each of the Precinct Clerks seven (7) days at least before the time of holding said meeting and by causing notice of the same to be published once in the Gardner News, a newspaper published in said Worcester County, in the City of Gardner.

Given under our hands this 9th day of May in the year AD 2014.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

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Kenn Robinson, Chairman

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John Columbus, Vice Chairman

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Doug Morrison, Clerk

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Julie Farrell, Member

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Diane Haley Brooks, Member

True Copy: ATTEST

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Randy Brown

Constable of Templeton

OFFICER’S RETURN

WORCESTER, SS                                                                                       May 9, 2014

This is to certify that I have served the within warrant by posting attested copies thereof in each precinct; namely, at the Post Office in Templeton, The Post Office in East Templeton, the Post Office in Baldwinville, and at Cote’s Market in Otter River, and at the Town Office Buildings at 4 Elm Street in Baldwinville and at 690 Patriots Road in Templeton and by delivering a copy to each of the Precinct Clerks seven (7) days at least before the time of holding said meeting and by causing notice of the same to be published once in the Gardner News, a newspaper in said County in the city of Gardner.

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                                                                         Randy Brown

                                                                         Constable of Templeton

A True Copy, ATTEST:

Carol A. Harris

Town Clerk of Templeton

Meeting Attendance 05-17-2014

Voters Total 199

Meeting Attendance 05-19-2014

Voters Total 167

Meeting Attendance 05-21-2014

Voters Total 118