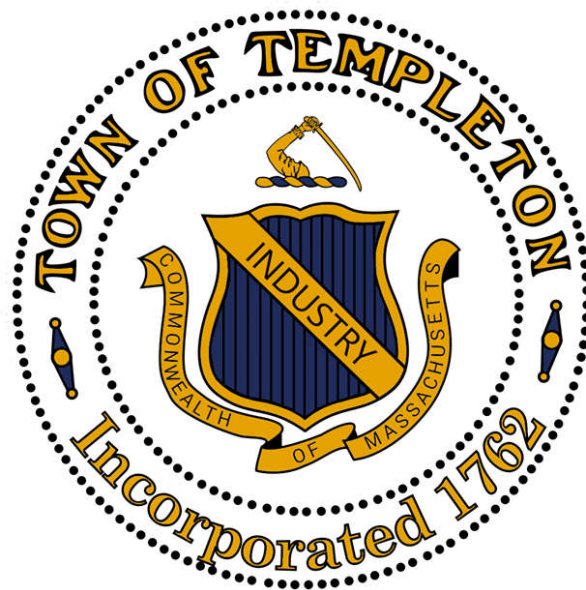


TOWN OF TEMPLETON

FALL TOWN MEETING WARRANT

November 14, 2017



**Narragansett Regional Middle School
460 Baldwinville Road, Baldwinville**

TOWN OF TEMPLETON

WARRANT FOR FALL TOWN MEETING

NOVEMBER 14, 2017

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:

Tuesday, November 14, 2017, at 7:00 p.m.

Then and there to act on the following articles:

Article 1: FY 2013, 2014 and 2015 General Fund Operating Budget Deficits Resolution

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Twenty Three Thousand Three Hundred Ninety Six Dollars and No Cents (**\$223,396.00**) to cover operating deficits in the general fund operating budget during the Fiscal Years 2013, 2014, and 2015 as follows:

FY 2013	\$112,192
FY 2014	\$59,494
FY 2015	\$51,710

And to meet said appropriation by a transfer of said sum from free cash, or take any other action related thereto.

*Submitted by the Board of Selectmen
Majority Vote Required*

On a motion duly made and seconded the town voted to appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Twenty Three Thousand Three Hundred Ninety Six Dollars and No Cents (**\$223,396.00**) to cover operating deficits in the general fund operating budget during the Fiscal Years 2013, 2014, and 2015 as follows:

FY 2013	\$112,192
FY 2014	\$59,494
FY 2015	\$51,710

And to meet said appropriation by a transfer of said sum from free cash in the treasury of the town.

Passed/November 14th @ 7:08 pm

Article 2: FY 2015 Sewer Fund Operating Budget Deficit Resolution

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of One Hundred Twenty Thousand Eight Hundred Thirty Eight Dollars and No Cents **(\$120,838.00)** to cover operating deficits in the sewer fund operating budget during the Fiscal Year 2015, and to meet said appropriation by a transfer of said sum from the retained earnings of the sewer enterprise fund, or take any other action related thereto.

Submitted by the Board of Selectmen

Majority Vote Required

On a motion duly made and seconded the town voted to appropriate the sum of One Hundred Twenty Thousand Eight Hundred Thirty Eight Dollars and No Cents **(\$120,838.00)** to cover operating deficits in the sewer fund operating budget during the Fiscal Year 2015, and to meet said appropriation by a transfer of said sum from the retained earnings of the sewer enterprise fund.

Passed/November 14th @ 7:10 pm

Article 3: FY 2017 Late Bills

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the payment of late bills from prior fiscal years in the amount of Sixty Three Dollars and Ninety Two Cents **(\$63.92)**, or take any other action related thereto.

Submitted by the Board of Selectmen

Nine-Tenths Vote Required

On a motion duly made and seconded the town voted to authorize the payment of late bills from prior fiscal years in the amount of Sixty-Three Dollars and Ninety-Two Cents **(\$63.92)** from the FY '18 operating budget of the account entitled DPW-Building and Grounds.

Passed Unanimously/November 14th @ 7:11 pm

Article 4: Completing the FY 2018 Planned Revenue Transfer

To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of One Hundred Thousand Dollars and No Cents **(\$100,000.00)** from the Ambulance Receipts Reserved for Appropriation, as planned in presenting the FY 2018 general fund budget to the Annual Town Meeting, to support the FY 2018 General Fund Operating Budget, or take any other action related thereto.

Submitted by the Board of Selectmen

Majority Vote Required

A substitute motion was duly made and seconded to transfer the sum of One Hundred Thousand Dollars and No cents from the Ambulance Receipts Reserved for Appropriation account, as planned in presenting the FY 2018 general fund budget to the Annual Town Meeting, to Fire & EMS Fund 1000 Account Number 220 5100 Account Name Personnel.

Defeated/ November 14th @ 7:28 pm

On a motion duly made and seconded the town voted to transfer the sum of One Hundred Thousand Dollars and No Cents (**\$100,000.00**) from the Ambulance Receipts Reserved for Appropriation account, to support the FY 2018 General Fund Operating Budget,
Passed Unanimously/November 14th @ 7:28 pm

Article 5: FY 2018 Operating Budget Backfill

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of Thirty Thousand Dollars and No Cents (**\$30,000.00**) to supplement the amounts appropriated in the FY 2018 Operating Budget as follows:

<u>Dept.</u>	<u>Amount</u>
DPW - B & G	\$2,500
DPW - Highway	\$5,000
Fire & EMS	\$15,000
Treasurer/Collector	\$7,500

And to meet said appropriation by a transfer of said sum from free cash, or take any other action related thereto.

Submitted by the Board of Selectmen
Majority Vote Required

On a motion duly made and seconded the town voted to appropriate the sum of Thirty Thousand Dollars and No Cents (**\$30,000.00**) to supplement the amounts appropriated in the FY 2018 Operating Budget as follows:

<u>Dept.</u>	<u>Amount</u>
DPW - B & G	\$2,500
DPW - Highway	\$5,000
Fire & EMS	\$15,000
Treasurer/Collector	\$7,500

And to meet said appropriation by a transfer of said sum from free cash in the treasury of the town.

Passed/November 14th @ 7:49 pm

Article 6: FY 2018 Operating Budget Re: Extraordinary Inspection Work Load

To see if the Town will vote to authorize additional compensation for the plumbing/gas and electrical inspectors, above and beyond that to be paid from their respective revolving funds, to account for the extraordinary inspection work load created by the construction of the new elementary school, and to appropriate the sum of Twenty Five Thousand Dollars and No Cents (**\$25,000.00**) to the account of the Office of Development Services to cover these services and

that of the Building Inspector, and to meet said appropriation by a transfer of said sum from free cash, or to take any other action related thereto.

Submitted by the Board of Selectmen

Majority Vote Required

On a motion duly made and seconded the town voted to authorize additional compensation for the plumbing/gas and electrical inspectors, above and beyond that to be paid from their respective revolving funds and to appropriate the sum of Twenty Five Thousand Dollars and No Cents (**\$25,000.00**) to the account of the Office of Development Services to cover these services and that of the Building Inspector, and to meet said appropriation by a transfer of said sum from free cash in the treasury of the town.

Passed/by hand count, y-26 n-22, November 14th @ 8:08 pm

A motion was duly made and seconded to reconsider Article 6.

Defeated/November 14th @ 8:10

Article 7: FY 2018 Capital Expenditures

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of One Hundred Sixty Seven Thousand Five Hundred Dollars and No Cents (**\$167,500.00**) for a program of capital expenditures as generally identified below:

<u>Dept.</u>	<u>Item</u>	<u>Amount</u>
DPW – B&G	Boiler Replacement	\$7,500
DPW- Highway	6 Wheel Dump Truck	\$160,000

And to meet said appropriation by a transfer of said sum from free cash, or take any other action related thereto.

Submitted by the Board of Selectmen

Majority Vote Required

On a motion duly made and seconded the town voted to appropriate the sum of One Hundred Sixty Seven Thousand Five Hundred Dollars and No Cents (**\$167,500.00**) for a program of capital expenditures as generally identified below:

<u>Dept.</u>	<u>Item</u>	<u>Amount</u>
DPW – B&G	Boiler Replacement	\$7,500
DPW- Highway	6 Wheel Dump Truck	\$160,000

And to meet said appropriation by a transfer of said sum from free cash in the treasury of the town.

Passed Unanimously/November 14th @ 8:13 pm

Article 8: Permit the Application of Bond Sale Premium to Pay Project Costs

To see if the Town will vote to supplement each prior vote of the Town that authorizes the borrowing of money to pay costs of capital projects to provide that, in accordance with Chapter 44, Section 20 of the General Laws, the premium received by the Town upon the sale of any bonds or notes thereunder, less any such premium applied to the payment of the costs of issuance of such bond or notes, may be applied to pay project costs and the amount authorized to be borrowed for each such project shall be reduced by the amount of any such premium so applied or take any other action related thereto.

Submitted by the Board of Selectmen

Majority Vote Required

On a motion duly made and seconded the town voted to supplement each prior vote of the Town that authorizes the borrowing of money to pay costs of capital projects to provide that, in accordance with Chapter 44, Section 20 of the General Laws, the premium received by the Town upon the sale of any bonds or notes thereunder, less any such premium applied to the payment of the costs of issuance of such bond or notes, may be applied to pay project costs and the amount authorized to be borrowed for each such project shall be reduced by the amount of any such premium so applied.

Passed Unanimously/November 14th @ 8:16 pm

Article 9: Rescission of Authorized but Unissued Debt

To see if the Town will vote to rescind authorized but un-issued debt pursuant to the following town meeting approval(s):

<u>Purpose</u>	<u>Meeting Date</u>	<u>Warrant Article</u>	<u>Amount Rescinded</u>
Community Septic	December 1, 2008	9	\$195,000

Or take any other action related thereto.

Submitted by the Board of Selectmen

Majority Vote Required

On a motion duly made and seconded the town voted to rescind authorized but un-issued debt pursuant to the following town meeting approval(s):

<u>Purpose</u>	<u>Meeting Date</u>	<u>Warrant Article</u>	<u>Amount Rescinded</u>
Community Septic	December 1, 2008	9	\$195,000

Passed Unanimously/November 14th @ 8:17 pm

Article 10: Acceptance of Statute Re: Abandoned Funds

To see if the Town will vote to adopt MGL Ch. 200A §9A, which provides a method of dealing with abandoned funds held in the custody of the Town, or take any other action related thereto.

Majority Vote Required

On a motion duly made and seconded the town voted to adopt MGL Ch. 200A §9A.

Passed Unanimously/November 14th @ 8:20 pm

Article 11: Deposits to Stabilization & OPEB Accounts

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of One Hundred Ninety Seven Thousand Five Hundred Dollars and No Cents (**\$197,500.00**) to make deposits into its Operations (OPEX) and Capital (CAPEX) stabilization accounts and the OPEB reserve account as follows:

OPEX	\$137,500
CAPEX	\$40,000
OPEB	\$20,000

And to meet said appropriation by a transfer of said sum from free cash, or take any other action related thereto.

Submitted by the Board of Selectmen

Majority Vote Required

On a motion duly made and seconded the town voted vote to appropriate the sum of One Hundred Ninety Seven Thousand Five Hundred Dollars and No Cents (**\$197,500.00**) to make deposits into its Operations (OPEX) and Capital (CAPEX) stabilization accounts and the OPEB reserve account as follows:

OPEX	\$137,500
CAPEX	\$40,000
OPEB	\$20,000

And to meet said appropriation by a transfer of said sum from free cash in the treasury of the town.

Passed/November 14th @ 8:32 pm

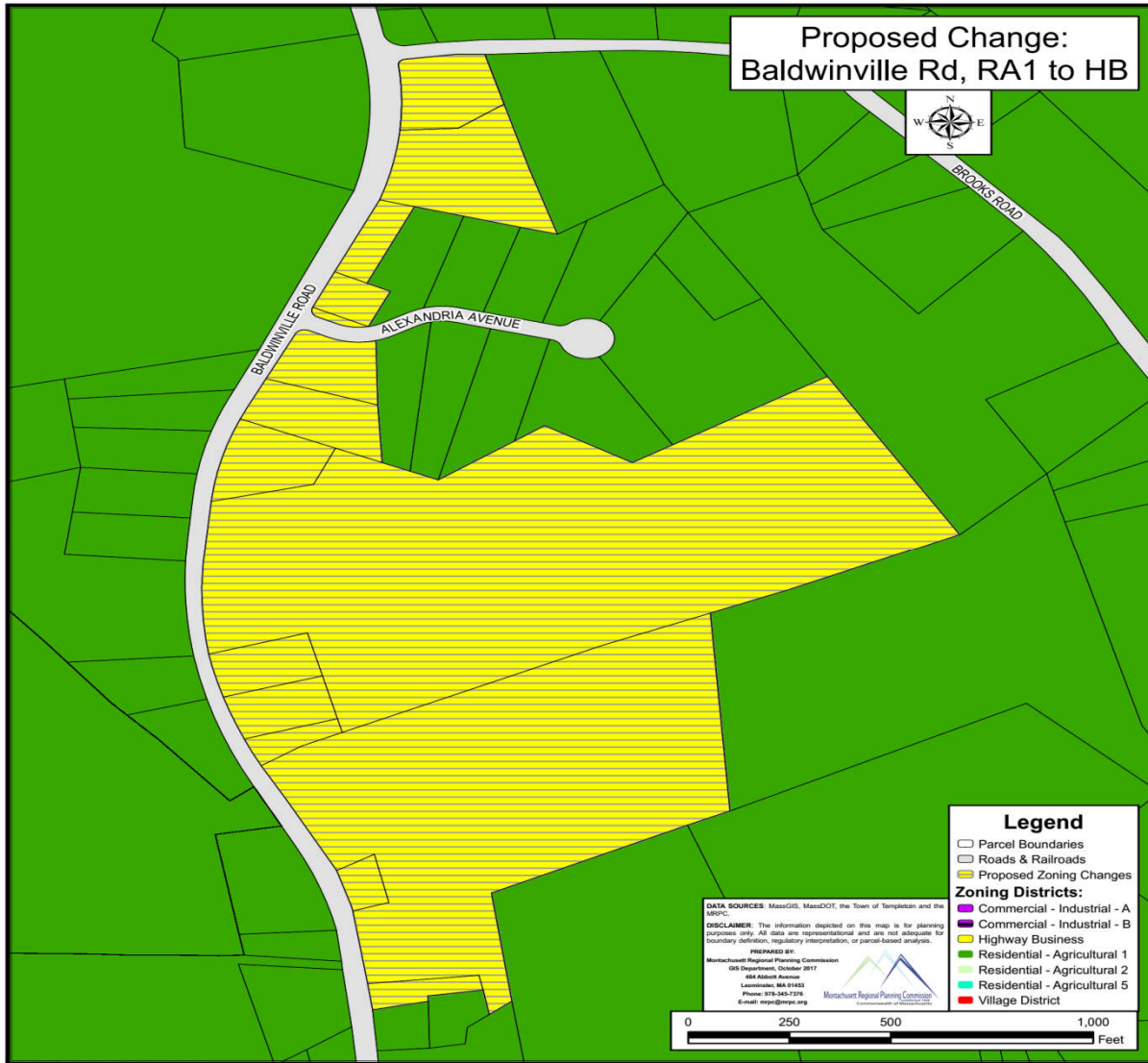
Article 12: Zoning By-Law Amendment Re: Baldwinville Road.

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Town's Zoning Map by re-zoning the parcels identified as Map 4-06 Parcels 19.3, 23, 23.2, 24, 25, 25.1, 26, 26.10, 26.12, 27, 27.1, & 28; Map 4-07 Parcels 48.1, 52, & 53 on the records of the Town's Board of Assessors, from Residential Agricultural One Acre (R-A-1) Zoning District to Highway Business (HB) Zoning District; or take any other action relative thereto.

Submitted by the Planning Board

Two-Third Vote Required

[Note: A copy of the zoning map showing the location of these parcels is on file in the Office of the Town Clerk and available on the Town's web site.]



A substitute motion was duly made and seconded that Article 12 be Passed Over.

A motion was duly made and seconded to move the substitute motion.

Passed/November 14th @ 8:53pm

On the substitute motion that article 12 be Passed Over.

Passed by 2/3/November 14th @ 8:54 pm

Article 13: Zoning By-Law Amendment Re: Patriots Road

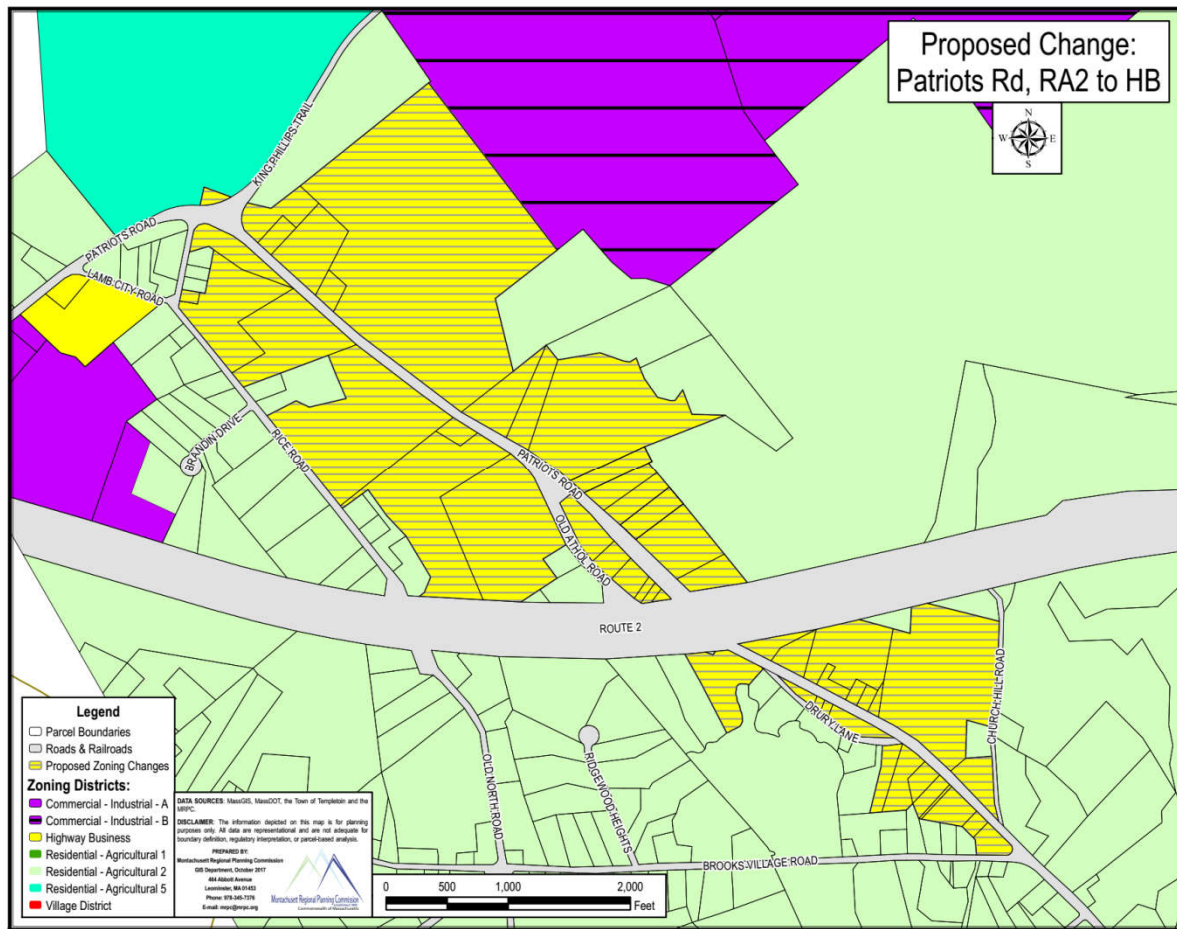
To see if the Town will vote to amend the Town’s Zoning Map by re-zoning the parcels identified as Map 2-7, Parcels 20, 20.1, 20.5, 23, 23.1, 23.10, 23.20, 24, 25, 26, 26.1 & 40.1; Map 2-8, Parcels 17, 17.2 & 17.4; Map 3-7 Parcels 46, 46.1, 46.2, 46.4, 47.2, 48, 49, 50, 53, 53.2, 53.3, 53.4, 53.5, 54, 54.1, 55, & 55.1; Map 3-8 Parcels 7.6, 7.7, 16, 23, 24, 24.1, 25, 26, 27,

29.1, 32, 35, 35.1, 36, 37, 38, 38.1, 38.2, 39, 41, & 43 on the records of the Town's Board of Assessors, from Residential Agricultural Two Acre (R-A-2) Zoning District to Highway Business (HB) Zoning District; or to take any other action relative thereto.

Submitted by the Planning Board

Two-Third Vote Required

[Note: A copy of the zoning map showing the location of these parcels is on file in the Office of the Town Clerk and available on the Town's web site.]



A substitute motion was duly made and seconded to exclude parcel # 32, 36, 37, 39, 7.7, 35.1, 35, 38.1, 38.2 and 38.

A motion was duly made and seconded to move the substitute motion.

Passed/November 14th @ 9:18 pm

On the substitute motion.

Defeated/November 14th @ 9:19

A substitute motion was duly made and seconded to Pass Over Article 13 as written.

A motion was duly made and seconded to move the substitute motion.

Passed Unanimously/November 14th @ 9:27 pm

On the substitute motion.
Passed/November 14th @ 9:27

Article 14: Acquisition of Certain Lands of the Walter Fernald Corporation for Conservation and Passive Recreation Purposes

To see if the Town will vote to:

- (a) Acquire by gift or by purchase pursuant to Section 8C of Chapter 40 of the Massachusetts General Laws and any applicable law, all or any portions of and interests in approximately 102 acres of land supposedly owned by the Walter Fernald Corporation located off of Fernald School Road and Freight Shed Road and identified on the Town's assessing maps as Map 2-7, Parcel 40.6 (35.46+/- acres), Map 2-7, Parcel 40.3 (30.69+/- acres), Map 2-7, Parcel 40.4 (23.30 acres+/-) and Map 2-7, Parcel 40.5 (12.64+/- acres) with all such land to be under the custody, care and control of the Conservation Commission for public open space, conservation and passive recreational purposes; and
- (b) Appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Fifty Nine Thousand One Hundred Fifty Dollars and No Cents (\$259,150.00) for such acquisition and all costs incidental and related thereto, with said appropriation to be met by a transfer of One Hundred Eighty One Thousand Four Hundred Five Dollars and No Cents (\$181,405.00) from the Community Preservation Act account entitled "General Budgeted Reserve" and Seventy Seven Thousand Seven Hundred Forty Five Dollars and No Cents (\$77,745.00) from the Community Preservation account entitled "Open Space" with the expenditure of said sum to be contingent upon the award by the Massachusetts Division of Conservation Services, Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs of a Local Acquisitions, to the Town of a Local Acquisition for Natural Diversity (LAND) Grant of at least One Hundred Fifty Five Thousand Four Hundred Ninety Dollars and No Cents (\$155,490.00) to reimburse the Town for the expenditure of such sum, with (i) seventy percent (70%) of such reimbursement amount to be deposited into the Community Preservation General Budgeted reserve account and (ii) thirty percent (30%) of such reimbursement amount to be deposited into the Community Preservation Open Space account and further that after June 30, 2019 any residual unexpended portion of such appropriated sum shall not be further expended and seventy percent (70%) of the unexpended portion of such sum shall be restored to the Community Preservation General Budgeted Reserve account and thirty percent (30%) of the unexpended portion shall be restored to the Community Preservation Open Space account; and
- (c) Authorize the Conservation Commission to apply for, and accept, such LAND Grant and such other grants or programs for which the Town may qualify for such purposes; and
- (d) Authorize the Board of Selectmen, with approval by the Conservation Commission, to grant to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts' Division of Fish and Wildlife or to any organization whose mission is to protect, preserve, promote, and enhance open space, a conservation restriction on all or any portions of said land preserving such land as public open space and public conservation and public passive recreational

land in perpetuity in accordance with Sections 31 – 33 of Chapter 184 and Section 12 of Chapter 44B of the Massachusetts General Laws; and

- (e) Authorize the Board of Selectmen to execute, deliver, grant and accept such deeds, restrictions instruments and agreements as it deems reasonable, appropriate and in the best interests of the town to be necessary to effectuate the purposes of this article,

Or take any other action related thereto.

Submitted by the Community Preservation Committee

Majority Vote Required

On a motion duly made and seconded the town voted that

- (a) The Board of Selectmen be authorized to acquire all or any portions of and interests in approximately 102 acres of land supposedly owned by the Walter Fernald Corporation located off of Fernald School Road and Freight Shed Road and identified on the Town's assessing maps as Map 2-7, Parcel 40.6 (35.46+/- acres), Map 2-7, Parcel 40.3 (30.69+/- acres), Map 2-7, Parcel 40.4 (23.30 acres+/-) and Map 2-7, Parcel 40.5 (12.64+/- acres) by gift or by purchase pursuant to any applicable law, with all such land to be under the custody, care and control of the Conservation Commission for public open space, conservation and passive recreational purposes; and
- (b) The recommendation of the Community Preservation Committee be received and accepted and the sum of Two Hundred Fifty Nine Thousand One Hundred Fifty Dollars and No Cents (\$259,150.00) be appropriated for such acquisition and all costs incidental and related thereto, with said appropriation to be met by a transfer of One Hundred Eighty One Thousand Four Hundred Five Dollars and No Cents (\$181,405.00) from the Community Preservation Act account entitled "General Budgeted Reserve" and Seventy Seven Thousand Seven Hundred Forty Five Dollars and No Cents (\$77,745.00) from the Community Preservation account entitled "Open Space" with the expenditure of said sum to be contingent upon the award by the Massachusetts Division of Conservation Services, Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs of a Local Acquisitions, to the Town of a Local Acquisition for Natural Diversity (LAND) Grant of at least One Hundred Fifty Five Thousand Four Hundred Ninety Dollars and No Cents (\$155,490.00) to reimburse the Town for the expenditure of such sum, with (i) seventy percent (70%) of such reimbursement amount to be deposited into the Community Preservation General Budgeted reserve account and (ii) thirty percent (30%) of such reimbursement amount to be deposited into the Community Preservation Open Space account and further that after June 30, 2019 any residual unexpended portion of such appropriated sum shall not be further expended and seventy percent (70%) of the unexpended portion of such sum shall be restored to the Community Preservation General Budgeted Reserve account and thirty percent (30%) of the unexpended portion shall be restored to the Community Preservation Open Space account; and
- (c) The Conservation Commission be authorized to apply for, and accept, such LAND Grant and such other grants or programs for which the Town may qualify for such purposes; and

- (d) The Board of Selectmen, with approval by the Conservation Commission, be authorized to grant to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts' Division of Fish and Wildlife or to any organization whose mission is to protect, preserve, promote, and enhance open space, a conservation restriction on all or any portions of said land preserving such land as public open space and public conservation and public passive recreational land in perpetuity in accordance with Sections 31 – 33 of Chapter 184 and Section 12 of Chapter 44B of the Massachusetts General Laws; and
- (e) The Board of Selectmen be authorized to execute, deliver, grant and accept such deeds, restrictions instruments and agreements as it deems reasonable, appropriate and in the best interests of the town to be necessary to effectuate the purposes of this article.

***A motion was duly made and seconded to move the question.
Passed/November 14th @ 9:55 pm***

***On the Main Motion
Defeated/November 14th @ 9:56, by hand count, y-14, n-22***

Article 15: Amending the General By-Laws Re: Date of Town Meeting & Election

To see if the Town will vote to amend Article II of its Revised General By-laws as follows, or to take any other action relative thereto:

1. By amending Article II, Section 1 by deleting “May” in the first sentence and replacing it with “June”;
2. By amending Article II, Section 2 to read as follows:

“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 a meeting to be held on the third Tuesday of May and must be completed on or before the fourth Tuesday of May, at a time and place designated by the Board of Selectmen.”

Submitted by the Board of Selectmen

Majority Vote Required

A motion duly made and seconded the town voted vote to amend Article II of its Revised General By-laws as follows, or to take any other action relative thereto:

1. By amending Article II, Section 1 by deleting “May” in the first sentence and replacing it with “June”;
2. By amending Article II, Section 2 to read as follows:

“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 a meeting to be held on the third Tuesday of May and must be completed on or before the fourth Tuesday of May, at a time and place designated by the Board of Selectmen.”

Defeated/November 14th @ 10:11 pm

Article 16: FY 2018 Templeton Cable TV Committee

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the additional sum of Sixty-Five Thousand Dollars and No Cents **(\$65,000.00)** for the Fiscal Year 2018 operating budget of the Cable TV Advisory Committee to total, in the aggregate, One Hundred Fifty Thousand Five Hundred Five Dollars and No Cents **(\$150,505.00)**, and to meet said appropriation with the receipts and revenues of the Cable Enterprise Fund, or take any other action relative thereto.

Submitted by the Board of Selectmen for the Cable Committee

Majority Vote Required

On a motion duly made and seconded the town voted vote to appropriate the additional sum of Sixty-Five Thousand Dollars and No Cents **(\$65,000.00)** for the Fiscal Year 2018 operating budget of the Cable TV Advisory Committee to total, in the aggregate, One Hundred Fifty Thousand Five Hundred Five Dollars and No Cents **(\$150,505.00)**, and to meet said appropriation with the receipts and revenues of the Cable Enterprise Fund.

Passed Unanimously/November 14th @ 10:12 pm

A motion was duly made and seconded to dissolve the town meeting.

Passed Unanimously/November 14th @ 10:12pm

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, and at the Town Hall at 160 Patriots Road, East Templeton, fourteen (14) 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 _____ day of October, 2017.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

John Caplis, Chairman

Cameron Fortes, Vice Chairman

Julie Richard, Clerk

Doug Morrison, Member

Diane Haley Brooks, Member

True Copy: ATTEST

Signature of Constable – Town of Templeton

Printed Name of Constable Signing Above

OFFICER'S RETURN
WORCESTER, SS

October _____, 2017

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 the Town Hall at 160 Patriots Road, East Templeton, fourteen (14) 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.

Signature of Constable – Town of Templeton

Printed Name of Constable Signing Above

A True Copy, ATTEST:

Carol A. Harris
Town Clerk of Templeton

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