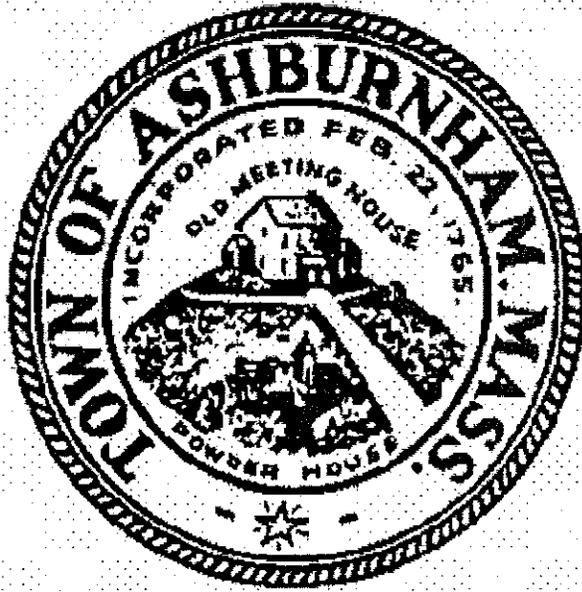


**TOWN OF ASHBURNHAM  
SPECIAL TOWN MEETING  
WARRANT ARTICLES**



*May 3, 2016*

*6:30 p.m.*

*Oakmont Regional High School - Auditorium*

*9 Oakmont Drive*

*Ashburnham, MA 01430*

The following is a list of warrant articles and the recommendations of the Board of Selectmen, the Advisory Board and the Capital Planning Committee for the May 3, 2016 Special Town Meeting.

Article	Description	Board of Selectmen Recommend	Advisory Board Recommend	Capital Planning Recommend
<b>Art. 1</b>	Transfer \$35,000 from Article 13 FY16 ATM for sander repairs as follows: \$30,000 to cover Engineering costs for Route 101 road repair and \$5,000 to pay for the engineering of Route 12 water drainage and retaining wall.	Yes	Yes	Yes
<b>Art. 2</b>	Transfer \$19,000 from Article 23 FY12 STM for 250 <sup>th</sup> celebration to cover the cost of drainage repairs at the Stevens Memorial Library.	Yes	Yes	Yes
<b>Art. 3</b>	Cost for Phase I through permitting on Watatic Dam	Yes	Yes	Yes
<b>Art. 4</b>	Engineering for Route 12 storm water drainage and retaining wall.	Yes	Yes	Yes

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING WARRANT  
TOWN OF ASHBURNHAM  
COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

WORCESTER, SS

TO THE CONSTABLES OF THE TOWN OF ASHBURNHAM, IN WORCESTER COUNTY,  
GREETINGS

IN THE NAME OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS, YOU ARE HEREBY DIRECTED TO NOTIFY AND WARN THE INHABITANTS OF SAID TOWN QUALIFIED TO VOTE IN ELECTIONS AND TOWN AFFAIRS TO MEET AT OAKMONT REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL, AUDITORIUM, 9 OAKMONT DRIVE, ASHBURNHAM, MASSACHUSETTS ON

MAY 3, 2016  
BEGINNING AT 6:30 P.M.

THEN AND THERE TO VOTE ON THE FOLLOWING ARTICLES AND RESOLUTIONS:

Article 1.

To see if the Town will vote to transfer from Article 13 of the May 5, 2015 ATM (Sander Repairs) \$30,000 to cover the engineering costs of the Route 101 TIP project and \$5,000 to pay for the engineering designs to improve the drainage on Route 12 abutting 100 Main Street, or act in relation thereto. *(Requested by Town Administrator)*

SELECTMEN  
RECOMMEND: YES

CAPITAL PLAN. COMM.  
RECOMMEND: Yes

ADVISORY BD.  
RECOMMEND: YES

TAX RATE  
IMPACT: N/A

*Explanation: The Town is a participant in the State's infrastructure program and we have submitted a proposal and been accepted. Our proposed timeframe is in FY2019. In order to move forward and possibly get moved up on the list the Town needs to complete all the engineering that is required for this large a project. The project calls for the construction and paving of Route 101 from the Corey Hill/Williams Road intersection to the Gardner town line. The total estimate is \$4.5M. We have a contract with Weston & Sampson for \$100,000 to do the engineering. Plans have been filed with the state for review and we have already paid \$70,000. The balance due is \$30,000 and the request in this article is for \$30,000.*

*The \$5,000 for engineering design for drainage project is part of the monies required to do the engineering associated with the repairs to the subsurface drainage and sidewalks in the area of 100 Main Street. The total required is \$14,000 the balance of which will be asked for in article 4 of this same warrant.*

Article 2.

To see if the Town will vote to transfer funds from Article 23 of the October 16, 2012 Special Town Meeting (250<sup>th</sup> Celebration) to pay for the drainage improvement at the Stevens Memorial Library, or act in relation thereto. *(Requested by the Town Administrator)*

SELECTMEN  
RECOMMEND: YES

CAPITAL PLAN. COMM.  
RECOMMEND: Yes

ADVISORY BD.  
RECOMMEND: YES

TAX RATE  
IMPACT: N/A

***Explanation:*** The balance of the funds from the celebration if transferred can be used to improve the drainage at the Library to mitigate the leaks that are causing flooding in the basement. It will also include modification to the handicap ramp on the south side of the building.

**Article 3.**

To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds (free cash) a sum of money to pay for engineering and permitting costs on Watatic Dam, or act in relation thereto. (Requested by Town Administrator)

SELECTMEN  
RECOMMEND: YES

CAPITAL PLAN. COMM.  
RECOMMEND: YES

ADVISORY BD.  
RECOMMEND: YES

TAX RATE  
IMPACT: N/A

***Explanation:*** Ashburnham owns four dams all of which need to be inspected and in our case repairs need to be done. It was decided to look at Watatic Dam first as it is top of the chain. Tighe & Bond completed the Incremental Damage assessment in 2015. It is estimated that the total project cost for repairing the dam is in the area of \$500,000. Breaking it into three phases the first being through the permitting phase will cost a total of \$85,200. This will include

1. Additional Survey and Easements	\$11,500
2. Design Completion	\$35,600
3. Design for additional Spillway	\$15,700
4. Permitting	<u>\$22,400</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$85,200</b>

**Article 4.**

To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds (free cash) a sum of money to pay for the engineering designs to improve the drainage on Route 12 abutting 100 Main Street, or act in relation thereto. (Requested by Town Administrator)

SELECTMEN  
RECOMMEND: YES

CAPITAL PLAN. COMM.  
RECOMMEND: Yes

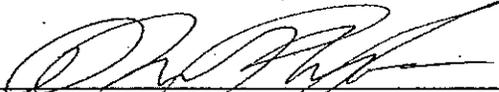
ADVISORY BD.  
RECOMMEND: YES

TAX RATE  
IMPACT: N/A

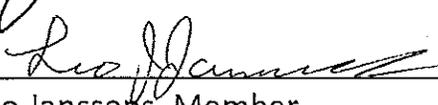
***Explanation:*** This \$9,000 combined with the monies transferred in Article 2 will make up the amount required to complete this phase of the project. The Town will be seeking grant funding to do the construction portion, of which to apply for, the engineering must be completed

And you are hereby directed to serve this warrant in accordance with the provisions of Section 3, Chapter II of the Town By-Laws by posting attested copies thereof as therein provided.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this Warrant with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk on or before the said day and hour of meeting.

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Duncan Phyfe, Chairman

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Kyle Johnson, Clerk

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Leo Janssens, Member

ASHBURNHAM BOARD OF SELECTMEN

A true copy, Attest:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Constable

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

**APPLICATION FOR BOARD, COMMISSION  
OR COMMITTEE APPOINTMENT**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: (Home) \_\_\_\_\_ (Work) \_\_\_\_\_ (Cell) \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_ Registered Voter: (Yes or No) \_\_\_\_\_

How long have you been a resident of Ashburnham? \_\_\_\_\_

Education: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Occupation: (Firm & duties) \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Previous Elected/Appointed positions served in Ashburnham? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Have you served on any Committees/Boards in any other Town? (Please specify): \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Please list the Committees you would like to serve on and why: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

What special talents, experiences or qualifications do you have that would benefit the Committee: \_\_\_\_\_