

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



***December 3, 2008
7:00 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 and the Advisory Board for the December 3, 2008 Special Town Meeting.

		Selectmen	Advisory
Art. 1	Proctor Street Easement	YES	
Art. 2	Appropriation of insurance claim proceeds into Stabilization Fund	YES	YES
Art. 3	Rescission of budget voted at ATM and passage of a new, balanced budget.	YES	YES
Art. 4	Further reductions to the FY '09 budget and increases for the regional school budget.	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

**DECEMBER 3, 2008
BEGINNING AT 7:00 P.M.**

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

Article 1. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to acquire by purchase, gift or otherwise as provided by the Massachusetts General Laws on such terms and conditions as are in the Town's best interest for sewer purposes, interests in certain land located on Proctor Street for a permanent easement as is necessary for the installation, use, inspection, improvement, maintenance and repair of a sewer main and all appurtenances relating to and for said systems, as shown on "The Town of Ashburnham, Proctor and Holden Street" May 1995 on file in the Town Clerk's office, and to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of (\$100) to pay for such acquisitions, or act in relation thereto. *(Requested by the DPW Director)*

SELECTMEN RECOMMENDATION: YES ADVISORY RECOMMENDATION

Article 2. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate by transfer, certain funds received for insurance reimbursements to the Stabilization Fund, or act in relation thereto. *(Requested by the Town Administrator.)*

SELECTMEN RECOMMENDATION: YES ADVISORY RECOMMENDATION: YES

Article 3. To see if the Town will vote to rescind the vote approving the Fiscal Year 2009 budget under Article 2 of the May 3, 2008 Annual Town Meeting and further to raise and appropriate, and/or appropriate by transfer from available funds such sums of money as may be necessary to defray the expenses of the Town for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2007 and to set the salary of elected officials; or act in relation thereto.

LINE	DEPARTMENT	FY07 SPENT	FY08 BUDGET	FY09 TA RECOMMEND	FY09 ADV BD RECOMMEND	FY09 BOS RECOMMEND
1	Moderator	\$ 100	\$ 100	\$ 100	\$ 100	\$ 100
2	Board of Selectmen	9,154	10,300	9,261	9,261	9,261
3	Town Administrator	167,752	139,280	150,953	150,953	150,953
4	Advisory Board	51,500	51,500	51,455	51,455	51,455
5	Town Accountant	51,681	53,700	56,278	56,278	56,278
6	Board of Assessors	56,696	68,306	68,059	68,059	68,059
7	Treasurer	73,320	106,418	146,641	146,641	146,641
8	Tax Collector	53,864	65,280	64,937	64,937	64,937
9	Town Clerk	46,923	46,723	52,599	52,599	52,599
10	Land Use	102,583	88,893	87,040	87,040	87,040
11	Town Hall	55,597	40,512	51,825	51,825	51,825
12	VMS Bldg.	35,323	31,000	11,000	11,000	11,000
13	Non-Departmental	125,509	139,501	148,083	148,083	148,083
14	Police, Emergency Dispatch & Public Safe	941,219	1,017,772	1,197,364	1,197,364	1,197,364
16	Fire	455,395	498,143	523,411	523,411	523,411
17	Inspections	40,098	49,658	33,588	33,588	33,588
18	Dog Officer	22,816	25,779	24,851	24,851	24,851
19	Trade & Monty Tech	403,929	379,476	387,776	387,776	387,776
20	Ash-West Regional School District	6,184,920	5,882,504	6,327,298	6,327,298	6,327,298
21	DPW	841,722	788,301	645,076	645,076	645,076
22	Snow and Ice			130,000	130,000	130,000
23	Board of Health	17,005	19,100	18,545	18,545	18,545
24	Conservation Commission	23,568	51,215	50,487	50,487	50,487
25	Council on Aging	38,110	45,264	44,318	44,318	44,318
26	Veterans' Services	3,316	10,687	10,687	10,687	10,687
27	Library	182,525	199,696	194,197	194,197	194,197
28	Historical Commission	500	500	500	500	500
29	Debt Service	153,828	311,808	691,122	691,122	691,122

30	Employee Ins. Benefits	801,345	883,282	948,823	948,823	948,823
31	Water Fund	502,195	604,753	646,919	646,919	646,919
32	Sewer Fund	730,528	928,049	971,618	971,618	971,618
	ARTICLE 3 TOTAL	12,173,021	12,542,500	13,744,811	13,744,811	13,744,811

Setting of Elected Salaries under Article 3:

- a. Town Moderator: \$100
- b. Board of Selectmen: Chairman - \$1,300; Clerk - \$1,100; Member - \$1,100
- c. Town Clerk: \$39,124
- d. Board of Health: \$140 per member

(Requested by the Board of Selectmen, Advisory Board and Town Administrator.)

SELECTMEN RECOMMENDATION: YES ADVISORY RECOMMENDATION: YES

Article 4. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or appropriate by transfer from available funds, such sums of money as may be recommended for the purpose of supplementing certain Fiscal Year 2009 budgets approved under article 3 of this warrant, and further to reduce the appropriations for certain budgets as may be recommended, also approved under article 3 of this warrant, or act in relation thereto.

LINE	DEPARTMENT	FY09 Budget Approved	Amount to be Reduced/Inc.	FY09 TA RECOMMEND	FY09 ADV BD RECOMMEND	FY09 BOS RECOMMEND
1	Police, Emergency Dispatch & Public Safe	1,197,364	(30,000)	1,167,364	1,167,364	1,167,364
2	Fire	523,411	(47,092)	476,319	476,319	476,319
3	Dog Officer	24,851	(12,426)	12,425	12,425	12,425
4	Ash-West Regional School District	6,327,298	155,587	6,482,885	6,482,885	6,482,885
5	DPW	645,076	(48,364)	596,712	596,712	596,712
6	Council on Aging	44,318	(21,022)	23,296	23,296	23,296
7	Library	194,197	(72,016)	122,181	122,181	122,181
8	Employee Ins. Benefits	948,823	29,776	978,599	978,599	978,599

(Requested by the Board of Selectmen, Advisory Board and Town Administrator.)

SELECTMEN RECOMMENDATION: YES ADVISORY RECOMMENDATION: YES

RETURN TO: Selectmen's Office
Town of Ashburnham
32 Main Street
Ashburnham, MA 01430



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: _____
