

**The following is a list of warrant articles and the recommendations of the Board of Selectmen, Capital Planning Committee, and the Advisory Board for the October 16, 2012 Special Town Meeting.**

<b>Article</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Board of Selectmen Recommend</b>	<b>Advisory Board Recommend</b>	<b>Capital Planning Recommend</b>
<b>Art. 1</b>	To repair, replace fencing and install gates at Winchester and Sweeney Parks	Yes	Yes	Yes
<b>Art. 2</b>	Money for foreclosure of delinquent parcels	Yes	Yes	N/A
<b>Art. 3</b>	Money for the 250 <sup>th</sup> Celebration Committee	TBD	TBD	N/A
<b>Art. 4</b>	Purchase new storage shed at Town Hall from Monty Tech	Yes	Yes	N/A
<b>Art. 5</b>	Amend the vote from ATM to raise and appropriate an additional sum of money for the capital projects for AWRSD	Yes	Yes	Yes
<b>Art. 6</b>	New steps at front of Town Hall	Yes	Yes	Yes
<b>Art. 7</b>	Computer and associated software – Public Safety Building	Yes	Yes	Yes
<b>Art. 8</b>	Inspection of the VMS Building for Asbestos removal/remediation	Yes	Yes	N/A
<b>Art. 9</b>	Accept donation pursuant to MGL Chapter 60, Section 77C a deed in lieu of foreclosure, for the Rail Trail	Yes	Yes	N/A
<b>Art. 10</b>	Amend revenue source for the Sewer Budget	Yes	Yes	N/A
<b>Art. 11</b>	Transfer money to Capital Fund	Yes	Yes	N/A
<b>Art. 12</b>	Transfer money to Stabilization Fund	Yes	Yes	N/A

**PROCEEDINGS OF  
SPECIAL TOWN MEETING  
HELD ON OCTOBER 16, 2012**

Pursuant to the foregoing warrant, the legal voters of the Town of Ashburnham met at the Oakmont Regional High School Auditorium on October 16, 2012. Moderator Donald "Jeff" Lawrence presided at the meeting which was called to order at 7:00 P.M. Veteran Joe Daigle led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Article 1.**

To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds, a sum of money to repair, replace or install fencing and gates at Winchester Park and Sweeney Playground, or act in relation thereto. *(Requested by Parks & Recreation Committee)*

<u>SELECTMEN</u> RECOMMEND: YES	<u>CAPITAL PLAN. COMM.</u> RECOMMEND: YES	<u>ADVISORY BD.</u> RECOMMEND: YES	<u>TAX RATE</u> IMPACT: N/A
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**Article 1 Voted:** On motion of Edward Vitone it was voted to transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$9,500 to repair, replace or install fencing and gates at Winchester Park and Sweeney Playground.

Unanimous "YES"

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**Article 2.**

To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds a sum of money to pay for legal and other professional services, as well as all other reasonable related expenses, in connection with the collection of certain delinquent taxes owed to the Town, or act in relation thereto. *(Requested by the Treasurer)*

<u>SELECTMEN</u> RECOMMEND: YES	<u>CAPITAL PLAN. COMM.</u> RECOMMEND: N/A	<u>ADVISORY BD.</u> RECOMMEND: YES	<u>TAX RATE</u> IMPACT: N/A
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**Article 2 Voted:** On motion of Leo Janssens II it was voted to transfer from Free Cash the sum \$13,500 to pay for legal and other professional services, as well as all other reasonable related expenses, in connection with the collection of certain delinquent taxes owed to the Town.

Unanimous "YES"

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**Article 3.**

To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds, a sum of money for the costs associated with Ashburnham's 250<sup>th</sup> Celebration, or act in relation thereto. *(Requested by 250<sup>th</sup> Celebration Committee)*

<u>SELECTMEN</u> RECOMMEND: YES	<u>CAPITAL PLAN. COMM.</u> RECOMMEND: N/A	<u>ADVISORY BD.</u> RECOMMEND: NO QUORUM	<u>TAX RATE</u> IMPACT: N/A
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**Article 3 Voted:** On motion of Edward Vitone it was voted to transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$20,000 for the costs associated with Ashburnham's 250<sup>th</sup> Celebration.

Unanimous "YES"

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**Article 4.**

To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds, a sum of money to build and install a new shed for Town Hall, or act in relation thereto. *(Requested by Town Administrator)*

<u>SELECTMEN</u> RECOMMEND: YES	<u>CAPITAL PLAN. COMM.</u> RECOMMEND: N/A	<u>ADVISORY BD.</u> RECOMMEND: YES	<u>TAX RATE</u> IMPACT: N/A
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**Article 4 Voted:** On motion of Leo Janssens II voted to transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$3,100 to build and install a new shed for Town Hall.

Unanimous "YES"

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**Article 5.**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of \$16,224 to be added to the sum raised under Article 15 of the May 5, 2012 Annual Town Meeting for Ashburnham's share of certain items for the Ashburnham-Westminster Regional School District Five-Year Capital Plan (riding floor scrubber at Overlook Middle School, replace 2 network controllers for HVAC at Oakmont Regional High School and repair of storm drains and parking lot pavement at Oakmont Regional High School), or act in relation thereto. *(Requested by Town Administrator)*

<u>SELECTMEN</u> RECOMMEND: YES	<u>CAPITAL PLAN. COMM.</u> RECOMMEND: YES	<u>ADVISORY BD.</u> RECOMMEND: YES	<u>TAX RATE</u> IMPACT: N/A
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**Article 5 Voted:** On motion of Edward Vitone it was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$16,224 to be added to the sum raised under Article 15 of the May 5, 2012 Annual Town Meeting for Ashburnham's share of certain items for the Ashburnham-Westminster Regional School District Five-

Year Capital Plan (riding floor scrubber at Overlook Middle School, replace 2 network controllers for HVAC at Oakmont Regional High School and repair of storm drains and parking lot pavement at Oakmont Regional High School).

Unanimous “YES”

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**Article 6.**

To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds, a sum of money to repair the front steps of Town Hall, 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

**Article 6 Voted:** On motion of Leo Janssens II it was voted to transfer from Free Cash the sum \$25,700 to repair the front steps of Town Hall.

Unanimous “YES”

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**Article 7.**

To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds, a sum of money for computer and associated software for the Ashburnham Public Safety Building and associated costs, or act in relation thereto. *(Requested by Town Administrator/IT Advisory Board)*

SELECTMEN  
RECOMMEND: YES

CAPITAL PLAN. COMM.  
RECOMMEND: YES

ADVISORY BD.  
RECOMMEND: YES

TAX RATE  
IMPACT: N/A

**Article 7 Voted:** On motion of Edward Vitone it was voted to transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$25,000 for computer and associated software for the Ashburnham Public Safety Building and associated costs.

Unanimous “YES”

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**Article 8.**

To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds a sum of money to perform a Pre-Demolition Asbestos/Hazardous Waste Inspection and Report on the Veterans Memorial Building, or act in relation thereto. *(Requested by VMS Building Study Committee)*

SELECTMEN  
RECOMMEND: YES

CAPITAL PLAN. COMM.  
RECOMMEND: N/A

ADVISORY BD.  
RECOMMEND: YES

TAX RATE  
IMPACT: N/A

**Article 8 Voted:** On motion of Leo Janssens II it was voted to transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$2,500 to perform an Asbestos/Hazardous Waste Inspection and Report on the Veterans Memorial Building.

Majority “YES”

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**Article 9.**

To see if the Town will vote pursuant to MGL Chapter 60, Section 77C, or any other enabling act, to accept a deed in lieu of foreclosure for property located off Winchendon Road, being the same property shown on Assessor’s Map 3, Parcel 14, or act in relation thereto. *(Requested by Town Administrator)*

SELECTMEN  
RECOMMEND: YES

CAPITAL PLAN. COMM.  
RECOMMEND: N/A

ADVISORY BD.  
RECOMMEND: YES

TAX RATE  
IMPACT: N/A

**Article 9 Voted:** On motion of Edward Vitone it was voted to PASS OVER this article.

Unanimous “YES”

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**Article 10.**

To see if the Town will vote to amend the budget approved for the Sewer Department under Article 12 of the May 5, 2012 Annual Town Meeting to change the funding sources as follows:

Sewer Enterprise Revenues \$787,268  
Retained Earnings \$138,000

or act in relation thereto. *(Requested by Town Administrator)*

SELECTMEN  
RECOMMEND: YES

CAPITAL PLAN. COMM.  
RECOMMEND: N/A

ADVISORY BD.  
RECOMMEND: YES

TAX RATE  
IMPACT: N/A

**Article 10 Voted:** On motion of Leo Janssens II it was voted to amend the budget approved for the Sewer Department under Article 12 of the May 5, 2012 Annual Town Meeting to change the funding sources as follows:

Sewer Enterprise Revenues	\$787,268
Retained Earnings	\$138,000

Unanimous "YES"

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**Article 11.**

To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds a sum of money to the Capital Improvement Fund, or act in relation thereto. *(Requested by Town Administrator)*

<u>SELECTMEN</u>	<u>CAPITAL PLAN. COMM.</u>	<u>ADVISORY BD.</u>	<u>TAX RATE</u>
RECOMMEND: YES	RECOMMEND: N/A	RECOMMEND: YES	IMPACT: N/A

**Article 11 Voted:** On motion of Edward Vitone it was voted to transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$179,029 to the Capital Improvement Fund.

Unanimous "YES"

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**Article 12.**

To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds a sum of money to the Stabilization Fund, or act in relation thereto. *(Requested by Town Administrator)*

<u>SELECTMEN</u>	<u>CAPITAL PLAN. COMM.</u>	<u>ADVISORY BD.</u>	<u>TAX RATE</u>
RECOMMEND: YES	RECOMMEND: N/A	RECOMMEND: YES	IMPACT: N/A

**Article 12 Voted:** On motion of Leo Janssens II it was voted to PASS OVER this article.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:30 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,  
Linda A. Ramsdell, CMMC  
Town Clerk