

**WARRANT AND REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE
FOR THE SPECIAL TOWN MEETING
SATURDAY, MAY 7, 2016 AT 9:15 A.M.
AT THE ELIZABETH I. HASTINGS MIDDLE SCHOOL**

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

BRISTOL, s.s

To the Constable of the Town of Fairhaven in said county:

GREETINGS:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Fairhaven qualified to vote on town affairs to meet as follows:

On Saturday, the seventh day of May 2016 at 9:15 a.m. in the Walter Silveira Auditorium at the Elizabeth I. Hastings Middle School, then and there, to act upon the following articles:

ARTICLE 1 – TOWN CHARGES

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, borrow or transfer from available funds a sum of money to fund additional salary and operating expenses for the following departments. Said sum to be added to previously voted appropriations for FY 2016, or to take any other action relative thereto.

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

1. Weights and Measures
 - A. Salary – Other
Request: \$64.99 *Selectmen Recommend:* \$64.99
Finance Comm. Recommend: \$64.99
2. Police Department
 - A. Salaries and Wages
Request: \$35,000.00 *Selectmen Recommend:* \$35,000.00
Finance Comm. Recommend: \$35,000.00
3. Greater New Bedford Vocational
 - A. Salaries and Wages
Request: \$2993.04 *Selectmen Recommend:* \$2993.04
Finance Comm. Recommend: \$2993.04
4. Fire Department
 - A. Salaries and Wages
Request: \$10,000.00 *Selectmen Recommend:* \$10,000.00
 - B. EMS Overtime
Request: \$10,000.00 *Finance Comm. Recommend:* \$10,000.00
Selectmen Recommend: \$10,000.00
Finance Comm. Recommend: \$10,000.00
5. General Fund – Debt
Request: \$50,000.00 *Selectmen Recommend:* \$50,000.00
Finance Comm. Recommend: \$50,000.00

6.	<u>Recreation Dept</u>				
	Request:	\$7,500.00	<i>Selectmen Recommend:</i>	\$7,500.00	
			<i>Finance Comm. Recommend:</i>	\$7,500.00	
7.	<u>Bristol Agricultural High School</u>				
	Request:	\$4,838.00	<i>Selectmen Recommend:</i>	\$4,838.00	
			<i>Finance Comm. Recommend:</i>	\$4,838.00	
8.	<u>Legal Services</u>				
	Request:	\$15,000.00	<i>Selectmen Recommend:</i>	\$15,000.00	
			<i>Finance Comm. Recommend:</i>	\$15,000.00	
9.	<u>Water Department</u>				
	Request:	\$5,200.00	<i>Selectmen Recommend:</i>	\$5,200.00	
			<i>Finance Comm. Recommend:</i>	\$5,200.00	
10.	<u>BPW Admin</u>				
	Request:	\$5,220.00	<i>Selectmen Recommend:</i>	\$5,220.00	
			<i>Finance Comm. Recommend:</i>	\$5,220.00	

ARTICLE 2 – BILLS OF PRIOR YEAR – 9/10 VOTE

A.	<u>Clerical Union appropriation</u>				
	Petitioned by: Board of Selectmen		<i>Selectmen Recommend:</i>	\$175.00	
	Request: \$175.00		<i>Finance Comm. Recommend:</i>	\$175.00	
B.	<u>Associated Physicians – HMPP</u>				
	Petitioned by: School Department		<i>Selectmen Recommend:</i>	\$200.00	
	Request: \$200.00		<i>Finance Comm. Recommend:</i>	\$200.00	
C.	<u>MES Solutions</u>				
	Petitioned by: Fire Chief		<i>Selectmen Recommend:</i>	\$1,500.00	
	Request: \$1,500.00		<i>Finance Comm. Recommend:</i>	\$1,500.00	
D.	<u>Steward Medical Group</u>				
	Petitioned by: Fire Chief		<i>Selectmen Recommend:</i>	\$141.58	
	Request: \$141.58		<i>Finance Comm. Recommend:</i>	\$141.58	
E.	<u>Surgi-Care, Inc.</u>				
	Petitioned by: Fire Chief		<i>Selectmen Recommend:</i>	\$74.23	
	Request: \$74.23		<i>Finance Comm. Recommend:</i>	\$74.23	
F.	<u>Southcoast Hospitals Group</u>				
	Petitioned by: Fire Chief		<i>Selectmen Recommend:</i>	\$306.47	
	Request: \$306.47		<i>Finance Comm. Recommend:</i>	\$306.47	
G.	<u>Richard E. Tosi, M.D.</u>				
	Petitioned by: Fire Chief		<i>Selectmen Recommend:</i>	\$132.82	
	Request: \$132.82		<i>Finance Comm. Recommend:</i>	\$132.82	

H.	<u>Dr. Brian Bowcock, D.C.</u> Petitioned by: Fire Chief Request: \$392.72	<i>Selectmen Recommend:</i> <i>Finance Comm. Recommend:</i>	\$392.72 \$392.72
I.	<u>Anesthesia Associates of MA</u> Petitioned by: Police Chief Request: \$2,240.00	<i>Selectmen Recommend:</i> <i>Finance Comm. Recommend:</i>	\$2,240.00 \$2,240.00
J.	<u>Gragil Associates, Inc.</u> Petitioned by: Police Chief Request: \$596.00	<i>Selectmen Recommend:</i> <i>Finance Comm. Recommend:</i>	\$596.00 \$596.00
K.	<u>Southcoast Hospitals Group</u> Petitioned by: Police Chief Request: \$11,202.83	<i>Selectmen Recommend:</i> <i>Finance Comm. Recommend:</i>	\$11,202.83 \$11,202.83
L.	<u>Southcoast Hospitals Group</u> Petitioned by: Police Chief Request: \$5,660.86	<i>Selectmen Recommend:</i> <i>Finance Comm. Recommend:</i>	\$5,660.86 \$5,660.86
M.	<u>RAD Associates of Greater New Bedford</u> Petitioned by: School Department Request: \$22.00	<i>Selectmen Recommend:</i> <i>Finance Comm. Recommend:</i>	\$22.00 \$22.00
N.	<u>Melanson and Heath</u> Petitioned by: Treasurer Request: \$1,000.00	<i>Selectmen Recommend:</i> <i>Finance Comm. Recommend:</i>	\$1,000.00 \$1,000.00
O.	<u>Monaghan Printing</u> Petitioned by: Tree Warden Request: \$117.00	<i>Selectmen Recommend:</i> <i>Finance Comm. Recommend:</i>	\$117.00 \$117.00

ARTICLE 3 - ANAEROBIC DIGESTER

To see if the Town will vote to transfer from Sewer Retained Earnings, a sum of money to inspect and clean the Anaerobic Digester at the Wastewater Treatment Plant, or to take any other action relative thereto.

<i>Petitioned by:</i>	Board of Selectmen
<i>Request:</i>	Adoption
<i>Selectmen Recommendation:</i>	At Town Meeting
<i>Finance Committee Recommendation:</i>	At Town Meeting

ARTICLE 4 - INFLOW AND INFILTRATION

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, borrow or transfer from available funds or from Sewer Retained Earnings, the amount of \$200,000 in order to comply with the Code of Massachusetts Regulation 314 CMR 12. 04 (2), which requires the Town to conduct a Town-wide assessment on excessive Inflow and Infiltration based on MassDEP's *Guidelines for Performing I/I Analyses and Sewer Systems Evaluation Survey* or to take any other action relative thereto.

<i>Petitioned by:</i>	Board of Public Works
<i>Request:</i>	\$200,000.00
<i>Selectmen Recommendation:</i>	\$200,000.00
<i>Finance Committee Recommendation:</i>	\$200,000.00

ARTICLE 5 - STABILIZATION – SEWER BETTERMENTS

- A. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Treasurer to transfer \$45,055.65 from account 029-000-3242-0000 into the Sconticut Neck Sewer Betterment Stabilization Fund account 084-000-3282-0200
- B. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Treasurer to transfer \$14,016.00 from account 029-000-3245-0000 into the West Island Sewer Betterment Stabilization Fund account 084-000-3282-0400
- C. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Treasurer to transfer \$6,375.48 from account 029-000-3244-0000 into the Nancy Street Sewer Betterment Stabilization Fund account 084-0000-3282-0300
- D. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Treasurer to transfer \$160.00 from account 029-0003212-0000 into the Boulder Park Sewer Betterment Stabilization Fund account 084-000-3282-0100

Petitioned by: Board of Selectmen

<i>Request:</i>	<i>Selectmen Recommend:</i>	<i>Finance Committee Recommends:</i>
A. \$45,055.65	A. \$45,055.65	A. \$45,055.65
B. \$14,016.00	B. \$14,016.00	B. \$14,016.00
C. \$6,375.48	C. \$6,375.48	C. \$6,375.48
D. \$160.00	D. \$160.00	D. \$160.00

ARTICLE 6 - SALE OF OXFORD SCHOOL

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to sell to Stratford Capital Group, LLC, the land appearing at Assessors' Map 22A, Lot 192, and Assessors' Map 22A, Lot 193, and the buildings thereon, constituting the Oxford School, or to take any other action relative thereto.

<i>Petitioned by:</i>	Board of Selectmen
<i>Request:</i>	Adoption
<i>Selectmen Recommendation:</i>	At Town Meeting
<i>Finance Committee Recommendation:</i>	At Town Meeting

ARTICLE 7 - ROGERS DISPOSITION

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, borrow or transfer from available funds a sum of money to hire consultant(s) to assist in the disposition of the Rogers Elementary School and property; said consultant(s) shall be knowledgeable in grants, tax credits, historical preservation, real estate development, and/or environmental assessments, including any associated requirements and costs or to take any other action relative thereto.

<i>Petitioned by:</i>	Board of Selectmen
<i>Request:</i>	\$33,000.00
<i>Selectmen Recommendation:</i>	\$33,000.00
<i>Finance Committee Recommendation:</i>	At Town Meeting

ARTICLE 8 – ROGERS AND OXFORD SCHOOL FISCAL YEAR 2017

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, borrow or transfer a sum of money to maintain the vacant Rogers and Oxford Schools during Fiscal Year 2017, including repairs, electricity, telephone, security, alarms, etc., and any other associated costs or take any other action relative thereto.

<i>Petitioned by:</i>	Board of Selectmen
<i>Request:</i>	\$8,000.00
<i>Selectmen Recommendation:</i>	\$8,000.00
<i>Finance Committee Recommendation:</i>	\$8,000.00

ARTICLE 9 – COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE APPROPRIATIONS

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and to authorize the Community Preservation Committee to expend from the Community Preservation Fund available as set forth herein, the following amounts for community preservation purposes, with such expenditures to be subject to conditions to be specified in applications and award letters from the Community Preservation Committee, with each item considered a separate appropriation:

APPROPRIATIONS	
Purpose	Recommended Amounts
Spending Appropriations –	
A. Bikeway Committee – Town Hall Bike Racks	\$ 1,000
B. Library – Fairhaven Star Newspaper Digitizing Project	\$ 31,000

Total Recommended Appropriations	\$32,000
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<i>Petitioned by:</i>	Community Preservation Committee
<i>Request:</i>	\$32,000.00
<i>Selectmen Recommendation:</i>	\$32,000.00
<i>Finance Committee Recommendation:</i>	At Town Meeting

ARTICLE 10 - PILOT AGREEMENT WITH BLUE WAVE CAPITAL

To see if the Town will vote, pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 59, Section 38H, and/or any other enabling authority, to ratify and approve, and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to negotiate and enter into on such terms and conditions as the Board of Selectmen deems in the best interests of the Town, a so-called Payment in Lieu of Taxes (PILOT) Agreement with BWC Origination Fairhaven One, LLC, or its affiliate, with respect to payments for a sum certain in lieu of real and/or personal property taxes owed to the Town over a period up to twenty (20) years relative to a proposed solar electric generating facility at 211 Mill Road, Fairhaven, MA 02719, with an option for extension coterminous with the lease of said parcel; BWC Origination Fairhaven One shall be exempt from property taxes, in whole or in part, as provided in that agreement during the term thereof; any such agreement shall be the result of good faith negotiations and shall be the equivalent of the property tax obligation based on full and fair cash valuation, and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to take such actions and execute any necessary documents relating thereto; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

<i>Petitioned by:</i>	Board of Selectmen
<i>Request:</i>	Adoption
<i>Selectmen Recommendation:</i>	At Town Meeting
<i>Finance Committee Recommendation:</i>	At Town Meeting

ARTICLE 11 - HASTINGS MIDDLE SCHOOL ROOF

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate, borrow or transfer from available funds, an amount of money to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen with the advice of a School Building Committee, to be appointed by the Board of Selectmen, for the partial roof repair and replacement at the Hastings Middle School, 30 School Street, which proposed repair project would materially extend the useful life of the school and preserve an asset that otherwise is capable of supporting the required educational program and for which the Town has applied for a school construction grant from the Massachusetts School Building Authority ("MSBA"). The Town acknowledges that the MSBA's grant program is a non-entitlement, discretionary program based on need, as determined by the MSBA, and if the MSBA's Board of Directors votes to invite the Town to collaborate with the MSBA on this proposed repair project, any project costs the Town incurs in excess of any grant that may be approved by and received from the MSBA shall be the sole responsibility of the Town.

<i>Petitioned by:</i>	Board of Selectmen
<i>Request:</i>	Adoption
<i>Selectmen Recommendation:</i>	Adoption
<i>Finance Committee Recommendation:</i>	Adoption

ARTICLE 12 – OTHER BUSINESS

To act upon any other business which may legally come before this meeting.