

**WARRANT FOR THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING**  
**May 12, 2001**

To the Constable of the Town of Sandisfield

Greetings:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said town, qualified to vote in elections and town affairs, to meet at the Town Hall (3 SilverBrook Road) Saturday, May 12, 2001 at 10:00 am for the transaction of town business and on Monday, May 14, 2001 at 10:00 am until 8:00 pm for election of officers.

- Article 1. To see if the town will vote to accept the reports of the town officers.
- Article 2. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$107,584 or any other sum, for Highways & Bridges Maintenance.
- Article 3. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$117,000 or any other sum, for Snow and Ice Removal to keep roads open in the winter.
- Article 4. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$34,000 or any other sum, for Machinery Maintenance.
- Article 5. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$7,565 or any other sum, for a Communication System for Emergencies and Town Crew Communication.
- Article 6. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from Chapter 127 the sum of \$88,839 or any other sum for projects that have been approved by the Mass Highway Department.

- Article 7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$7,000 or any other sum, for Mowing and Cemetery Maintenance.
- Article 8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,000 or any other sum, for the Tree Account. (formerly the Dutch Elm and Gypsy Moth account).
- Article 9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$666,245 or any other sum, for School Operations.
- Article 10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$80,934 or any other sum for Debt Service on the School Building Bonds.
- Article 11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,300 or any other sum, for School Committee Salaries.
- Article 12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$55,000 or any other sum, for Solid Waste Disposal.
- Article 13. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$8,000 or any other sum, for Interest for Loans.
- Article 14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$19,465 or any other sum, for the Treasurer.
- Article 15. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,000 or any other sum, for Payroll Software.
- Article 16. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$8,000 or any other sum, for an Audit.
- Article 17. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$13,100 or any other sum, for the Tax Collector.

- Article 18. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000 or any other sum, for the Reserve Fund.
- Article 19. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$30,500 or any other sum, for the Stabilization Fund.
- Article 20. To see if the Town will transfer from Free Cash the amount of \$350,000 to the Stabilization account or take any other action thereto.
- Article 21. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,320 or any other sum, for Street Lights.
- Article 22. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$20,005 or any other sum, for the Protection of Persons and Property.
- Article 23. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$425 or any other sum, for Emergency Management.
- Article 24. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$825 or any other sum, for Trailer & Electric Improvements for the Civil Defense portable equipment.
- Article 25. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,500 or any other sum, for Fire House Rental. (Route 8)
- Article 26. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,500 or any other sum, for Fire House Rental. (Route 57)
- Article 27. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500 or any other sum, for Forest Fires.

Article 28. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$29,543 or any other sum, for Fire Department and Ambulance Maintenance.

Article 29. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$12,792 or any other sum, for New Equipment for the Fire Department and Ambulance.

Article 30. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,000 or any other sum, for Training of Fire Department and Ambulance Members.

Article 31. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,296 or any other sum, for the Berkshire County Sheriffs' Communication Center.

Article 32. To see if the Town will vote to fix the salary of all elective officers of the Town as provided by Section 108 of Chapter 41, and Section 108A of Chapter 41, General Laws as amended:

Moderator.....	\$ 0. to....	52.50	per year
Town Clerk.....	<del>5,625.00</del>	5,460.00	per year
Treasurer.....		5,000.00	per year
Tax Collector.....		5,000.00	per year
Selectmen.....		4,800.00	per year
Assessors.....		1,897.00	per year
Auditor.....		5.00	per hour
School Committee Chairman.....		500.00	per year
School Committee Member.....		400.00	per year
Library Trustee.....		25.00	per year
Constables.....	<del>8.50</del>	8.00	per hour

Article 33. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$33,880 or any other sum, for the Insurance Premiums and Bonds for Town Officers.

- Article 34. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$23,763 or any other sum, for the Berkshire County Retirement Fund.
- Article 35. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$15,062 or any other sum, for Town Employee Benefits.
- Article 36. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$18,000 or any other sum, for the Town's Share-Group Insurance.
- Article 37. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$400 or any other sum, for Unemployment Insurance.
- Article 38. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,400 or any other sum, for Town Share-Medicare.
- Article 39. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$22,600 or any other sum, for General Government.
- Article 40. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$15,000 or any other sum, for the Town Clerk.
- Article 41. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$400 or any other sum, for the Moderator.
- Article 42. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,701 or any other sum, for the Town Secretary.
- Article 43. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$25,000 or any other sum, for the Operation and Maintenance of Town Buildings (Town Hall, Community Center, Library, Town Garage, Town Hall Annex).

Article 44. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$7,864 or any other sum, for the Custodian of Town Buildings.

Article 45. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$8,891 or any other sum for the Library, and to meet that appropriation raise \$6,579 and transfer \$300 from Dog Tax Returns, transfer \$1,875 from State Aid to Libraries, transfer \$118.75 from Municipal Equalization Grant to Libraries, transfer \$18.25 from Non-Resident Library Grant to the Library.

Article 46. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,500 or any other sum, (salary) for Information Systems Support for the Tax Collector, Town Clerk, Treasurer, Library, and Board of Assessors.

Article 47. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,000 or any other sum, for the Repair of Cemeteries.

Article 48. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,500 or any other sum, for Yanner Park.

Article 49. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$355 or any other sum, for the Berkshire County Regional Planning Commission.

Article 50. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sums of money, or any other sums, for the following accounts:

Finance Committee.....	\$ 400
Board of Health.....	2,800
Building Inspector.....	3,400
Council on Aging.....	3,830
Planning Board.....	450
Conservation Commission...	1,500
Recreation Commission.....	3,500

Article 51. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,000 or any other sum, for the Massachusetts Department of Revenue mandated Triennial Recertification.

Article 52. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$26,444 or any other sum, for the Board of Assessors Annual Operating Expense.

Article 53. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sums of money, or any other sums, as may be necessary to pay the expenses of the various departments as follows:

Visiting Nurse Association.....	\$2,800
Veteran's Service District.....	2,183
Veteran's Burial.....	2,000
Inspector of Animals.....	100
Dog Officer.....	3,700
Children's Health Program.....	1,000
Memorial Day Parade.....	1,500
Mental Health Services of the Berkshires.....	100
Goodwill Gifts.....	500

Article 54. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the use of revolving funds for following programs and purposes:

- a. Town Sanitary Inspector \$5,000
- b. Town Plumbing Inspector 2,500
- c. Town Building Inspector 2,500
- d. Town Wiring Inspector 2,500
- e. Town Gas Inspector 2,500
- f. Town Dog Officer 2,500

which revolving funds together shall not exceed the sum of seventeen thousand five hundred dollars (\$17,500), which shall be under the control of the Town Treasurer, which shall be accounted for separately and to which shall be credited only the departmental receipts received in connection with the programs supported by each revolving fund; further to authorize the Town Treasurer to expend

from such funds in accordance with Chapter 44 Section 53 E ½ of the General Laws, provided however that said expenditures for all revolving funds shall not exceed the receipts for such funds, or to take any other action relative thereto.

- Article 55. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$50,000 or any other sum from Free Cash to reduce the FY2002 Tax Rate.
- Article 56. To see if the Town will vote to accept Prock Hill as a public way, or to take any other action relative thereto.
- Article 57. To transact any other business that may legally come before the Town Meeting.

To vote by ballot on May 14, 2001 for Town Officers and terms thereof as follows:

- One Moderator for one year
- One Selectman for three years
- One Tax Collector for three years
- One Auditor for one year
- One Assessor for three years
- One School Committee Member for three years
- One Board of Health for three years
- One Board of Health for two years
- One Planning Board for four years
- One Planning Board for five years
- One Library Trustee for five years

The Town Hall (3 SilverBrook Road) will open at 10 am Saturday, May 12, 2001, for the Town Meeting and the polls will be open on Monday, May 14, 2001, at 10 am at the Town Hall (3 SilverBrook Road) for Town Elections and shall be closed at 8 pm.

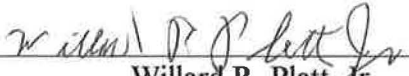
You are directed to serve this warrant by posting true and attested copies thereof at three public places within the Town of Sandisfield seven days at least before the time of said Town Meeting.




Hereof fail not and make due return of the warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk at or before the time of holding said Town Meeting.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

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Michael B. Salame, Chairman

  
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Willard R. Platt, Jr.

  
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Victor Hryckovich

Attest:   
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Dolores C. Harasyko, Town Clerk

Constable:   
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Date: 5-3-01