

WARRANT FOR THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING
May 17, 2008

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 17, 2008 at 10:00 am for the transaction of town business and on Monday, May 19, 2008 at 10:00 am until 8:00 pm for elections 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 for the Moderator \$300 or any other sum: \$150 or any other sum for Salaries and \$150 or any other sum for Expenses.
- Article 3. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$5,000 or any other sum for Administrative Costs for a Grant Writer.
- Article 4. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the General Government \$29,592 or any other sum: \$23,192 or any other sum for Salaries and \$6,400 or any other sum for Expenses.
- Article 5. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$3,625 or any other sum for an Office Copier.
- Article 6. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$17,434 or any other sum for the Administrative Assistant to the Board of Selectmen.
- Article 7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$400 or any other sum for Finance Committee Expenses.
- Article 8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Board of Assessors \$45,554 or any other sum: \$36,454 or any other sum for Salaries and \$9,100 or any other sum for Expenses.
- Article 9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$6,900 or any other sum for the Massachusetts Department of Revenue Mandated Triennial Recertification Expense.
- Article 10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$1,800 or any other sum for a Fire Proof File Cabinet for the Assessors Office.

- Article 11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$5,000 or any other sum for GIS Software Upgrades for the Assessors Office.
- Article 12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Treasurer's Office \$18,510 or any other sum: \$12,760 for Salaries and \$5,750 or any other sum for Expenses.
- Article 13. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$4,000 or any other sum for the Treasurer Tax Lien Expense.
- Article 14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$3,000 or any other sum for a Town Audit.
- Article 15. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Tax Collector \$13,125 or any other sum: \$5,305 or any other sum for Salaries and \$7,820 or any other sum for Expenses.
- Article 16. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$1,000 or any other sum for Computer Technical Support for Town Office Computers.
- Article 17. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Town Clerk \$19,704 or any other sum: \$13,466 or any other sum for Salaries and \$6,238 or any other sum for Expenses.
- Article 18. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Conservation Commission \$2,700 or any other sum: \$1,500 or any other sum for Salaries, and \$1,200 or any other sum for Expenses.
- Article 19. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$1.00 or any other sum for Conservation Consultation Fees.
- Article 20. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Planning Board \$1,100 or any other sum: \$500 or any other sum for Salaries, and \$600 or any other sum for Expenses.
- Article 21. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Zoning Board \$300 or any other sum: \$50 or any other sum for Salaries, and \$250 or any other sum for Expenses.
- Article 22. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Highways & Bridges Maintenance \$153,585 or any other sum: \$103,585 or any other sum for Salaries, and \$50,000 or any other sum for Expenses and Equipment.

- Article 23. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Snow and Ice Removal \$210,710 or any other sum: \$97,816 or any other sum for Salaries, and \$112,894 or any other sum For Expenses and Equipment.
- Article 24. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Machinery Maintenance \$60,345 any other sum: \$6,345 or any other sum for Salaries, and \$54,000 or any other sum for Expenses and Equipment.
- Article 25. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Tree Account \$4,000 or any other sum for Expenses.
- Article 26. To see if the Town will vote to accept any monies for Chapter 90 that have been approved by the Mass Highway Department for projects approved by the Mass Highway Department.
- Article 27. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$1,021,507 or any other sum for School Operations.
- Article 28. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the School Committee \$1,300 or any other sum for Salaries.
- Article 29. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$71,053 or any other sum for Debt Service on the School Building Bonds.
- Article 30. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate for the Library Account \$11,742 or any other sum: \$9,842 or any other sum for Salaries and \$1,900 or any other sum for Expenses; and to meet that appropriation raise \$3,934.93, transfer \$1,900 from the revolving Dog Licensing Fees, transfer \$1,786.25 from State Aid to Libraries, transfer \$218.60 from Municipal Equalization Grant to Libraries, and transfer \$30.08 from the Non-Resident Grant to Libraries.
- Article 31. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$3,167 or any other sum for the Veteran's Service District.
- Article 32. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$1 or any other sum for Veteran's Death Benefits.
- Article 33. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$10,442 or any other sum for the Custodian of Town Buildings Salary.
- Article 34. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Mowing and Maintenance of town properties and cemeteries \$11,803 or any other sum: \$9,253 or any other sum for Salaries and \$2,550 or any other sum for Expenses and Equipment.

- Article 35. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Protection of Persons and Property \$45,182 or any other sum: \$28,182 or any other sum for Salaries and \$17,000 or any other sum for Expenses.
- Article 36. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Berkshire County Sheriffs' Communication Center \$7,053 or any other sum for Expenses.
- Article 37. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Fire Department and Ambulance Maintenance \$34,751 or any other sum: \$7,107 or any other sum for Salaries and \$27,644 or any other sum for Expenses.
- Article 38. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$500 or any other sum for Forest Fire Salaries.
- Article 39. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$15,014 or any other sum for New Equipment for Fire Department and Ambulance Expenses.
- Article 40. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Training of Fire Department and Ambulance Members \$3,419 or any other sum for Expenses.
- Article 41. To See if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$2,000 or any other sum for Route 8 Fire House Rental Expenses.
- Article 42. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$3,000 or any other sum for Route 57 Fire House Rental Expenses.
- Article 43. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$2,500 or any other sum for Ambulance Billing Fee Expenses.
- Article 44. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$5,000 or any other sum for ALSS Paramedic Intercept Expenses.
- Article 45. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$300,000 or any other sum for a New Fire Truck and to meet that appropriation transfer \$100,000 from the Stabilization Account (requires 2/3 vote) and \$200,000 from Free Cash.
- Article 46. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$3,500 or any other sum for Street Light Expenses.
- Article 47. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Building Inspector Salary \$2,149 or any other sum.

- Article 48. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Emergency Management \$2,250 or any other sum for Expenses.
- Article 49. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Inspector of Animals \$500 or any other sum for Salaries.
- Article 50. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Dog Officer \$2,200 or any other sum: \$1,000 or any other sum for Salaries and \$1,200 or any other sum for Expenses.
- Article 51. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Solid Waste Disposal \$65,000 or any other sum for Expenses.
- Article 52. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Board of Health \$2,800 or any other sum: \$800 or any other sum for Salaries and \$2,000 or any other sum for Expenses.
- 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:
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| Lee Regional Visiting Nurse Association..... | \$ 2,940 |
| Community Health Program..... | 1,000 |
| Brien Mental Health Services of the Berkshires..... | 108 |
- Article 54. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate \$500 or any other sum for Interest for Loans.
- Article 55. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$91,521 or any other sum for the Stabilization
- Article 56. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Operation and Maintenance of Town Property \$53,108 or any other sum: \$52,108 or any other sum for Expenses and \$1,000 or any other sum for Salaries.
- Article 57. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$300 or any other sum for Good Will Gifts.
- Article 58. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the following sums of money, or any other sums, for the expense accounts of:
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| Memorial Day Parade..... | \$ 1,500 |
| Council on Aging..... | 3,000 |
| Elderly Transportation..... | 2,417 |
| Sandisfield Cultural Council..... | 250 |
| Recreation Commission..... | 5,000 |
| Technology Committee..... | 500 |

Article 59. 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 following accounts:

Berkshire County Retirement Fund.....	\$ 45,950
Town Employee Benefits.....	26,227
Unemployment Insurance.....	475
Town's Share Group Insurance.....	36,900
Town's Share Medicare.....	6,262
Insurance and Premiums & Bonds for Town Officers...	47,500

Article 60. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$523 or any other sum for the Berkshire Regional Planning Commission.

Article 61. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$10,000 or any other sum for the Reserve Fund.

Article 62. 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.....	\$ 150.00 per year
Town Clerk.....	6,332.00 per year
Treasurer.....	6,000.00 per year
Tax Collector.....	5,305.00 per year
Selectmen.....	5,538.00 per year
Assessors.....	2,205.00 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.....	12.50 per hour

Article 63. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the use of revolving funds for the following programs and purposes:

a. Town Sanitary Inspector	\$ 7,500
b. Town Plumbing Inspector	2,500
c. Town Building Inspector	4,500
d. Town Wiring Inspector	2,500
e. Town Gas Inspector	2,500
f. Dog Licensing Fees	2,500
g. Dump Sticker Fees	15,000
h. Legal Ad Fees	2,000

which revolving funds together shall not exceed the sum of thirty-nine thousand dollars (\$39,000), 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 E1/2 of the Federal 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 64. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$50,000 or any other sum from Free Cash to reduce the FY 2009 Tax Rate.
- Article 65. To transact any other business that may legally come before the Town Meeting.

To vote by ballot on May 19, 2008 for Town Officers and terms thereof as follows:

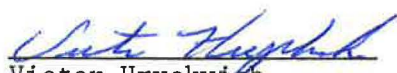
- One Moderator for one year
- One Town Clerk for three years
- One Selectman for three years
- One Town Treasurer for three years
- One Auditor for one year
- One Assessor for three years
- One School Committee Member for three years
- One School Committee Member for one year
- One Board of Health Member for three years
- One Planning Board Member for five years
- One Library Trustee for four years
- One Constable for three years
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The Town Hall (3 Silverbrook Road) will open at 10 am Saturday, May 17, 2008 for the Town Meeting and the polls will be open on Monday, May 19, 2008 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 .

Given hunder our hands this day of , 2008


Victor Hryckvich
Selectmen

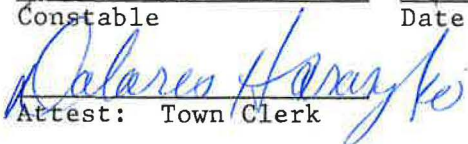

Richard Campetti
Selectmen


Maybelle Jacquemin
Selectmen


Constable

5/16/08
Date

In person
Method of Service of Warrant


Attest: Town Clerk