

WARRANT FOR THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING
May 18, 2013

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 18, 2013 at 10:00 am for the transaction of town business and on Monday, May 20, 2013 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 \$1.00 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 Part Time Town Administrator \$16,000 or any other sum: \$15,000 or any other sum for Salaries and \$1,000 or any other sum for Expenses.

Article 5. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the General Government \$32,952 or any other sum: \$25,947 or any other sum for Salaries and \$7,005 or any other sum for Expenses.

Article 6. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$22,812 or any other sum for salary of 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 \$51,743 or any other sum: \$39,910 or any other sum for Salaries and \$11,833 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 for the Treasurer's Office \$23,683 or any other sum: \$16,203 for Salaries and \$7,480 or any other sum for Expenses.
- Article 11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$10,000 or any other sum for the Treasurer's Tax Lien Expense.
- Article 12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$3,500 or any other sum for a Town Audit.
- Article 13. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Tax Collector \$11,880 or any other sum: \$5,913 or any other sum for Salaries and \$5,967 or any other sum for Expenses.
- Article 14. 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 15. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Town Clerk \$25,774 or any other sum: \$15,394 or any other sum for Salaries and \$10,380 or any other sum for Expenses.
- Article 16. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Conservation Commission \$2,700 or any other sum: \$1,700 or any other sum for Salaries, and \$1,000 or any other sum for Expenses.
- Article 17. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$2,000 or any other sum for Conservation Consultation Fees.
- Article 18. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Planning Board \$3,040 or any other sum: \$1,519 or any other sum for Salaries, and \$1,521 or any other sum for Expenses.
- Article 19. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Zoning Board of Appeals \$300 or any other sum: \$50 or any other sum for Salaries, and \$250 or any other sum for Expenses.
- Article 20. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Technology Committee \$3,550 or any other sum: \$2,000 or any other sum for Salaries, and \$1,550 or any other sum for Expenses.
- Article 21. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Highways & Bridges Maintenance \$199,057 or any other sum: \$119,057 or any other sum for Salaries, and \$80,000 or any other sum for Expenses and Equipment.

- Article 22. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Snow and Ice Removal \$268,772 or any other sum: \$105,878 or any other sum for Salaries, and \$162,894 or any other sum for Expenses and Equipment.
- Article 23. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Machinery Maintenance \$88,387 any other sum: \$8,387 or any other sum for Salaries, and \$80,000 or any other sum for Expenses and Equipment.
- Article 24. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Tree Account \$10,000 or any other sum for Expenses.
- Article 25. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$62,000 or any other sum for a new One Ton Pickup Truck and to meet that appropriation transfer \$62,000 or any other sum from Free Cash
- Article 26. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$250,000 or any other sum for the remainder of the New Hartford Road Repair Job and to meet that appropriation transfer \$250,000 or any other sum from Free Cash.
- Article 27. To see if the Town will vote to accept and spend any monies for Chapter 90 that has been approved by the Mass Highway Department for projects approved by the Mass Highway Department.
- Article 28. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$1,345,101 or any other sum for School Operations.
- Article 29. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the School Committee \$1,300 or any other sum for Salaries.
- Article 30. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$46,957 or any other sum for Debt Service on the School Building Bonds.
- Article 31. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate for the Library Account \$12,855.56 or any other sum: \$10,555.56 or any other sum for Salaries and \$2,300 or any other sum for Expenses; and to meet that appropriation raise \$10,504.56, transfer \$1,000 from the revolving Dog Licensing Fees, transfer \$1,189.54 from State Aid to Libraries, transfer \$134.34 from Municipal Equalization Grant to Libraries, and transfer \$27.12 from the Non-Resident Grant to Libraries.
- Article 32. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$900 or any other sum for the Massachusetts Catalog Library System for our Town Library.
- Article 33. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$3,247.60 or any other sum for the Veteran's Service District.

- Article 34. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$50,000 or any other sum for Veterans' Benefits.
- Article 35. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$11,188 or any other sum for the Custodian of Town Buildings Salary.
- Article 36. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Mowing and Maintenance of town properties and cemeteries \$9,000 or any other sum: \$1,000 or any other sum for Salaries and \$8,000 or any other sum for Expenses and Equipment.
- Article 37. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Protection of Persons and Property \$57,960 or any other sum: \$41,060 or any other sum for Salaries and \$16,900 or any other sum for Expenses.
- Article 38. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$8,731.84 or any other sum for services provided by the Berkshire County Sheriffs' Communication Center.
- Article 39. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$33,270 or any other sum for the Fire & EMS Compensation Salaries and Administrative Duties Salary
- Article 40. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Fire Department and Ambulance Maintenance \$40,685 or any other sum: \$9,650 or any other sum for Salaries and \$31,035 or any other sum for Expenses.
- Article 41. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$1.00 or any other sum for Forest Fire Salaries.
- Article 42. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$17,810 or any other sum for New Equipment for Fire Department and Ambulance Expenses.
- Article 43. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Training of Fire Department and Ambulance Members \$4,500 or any other sum for Expenses.
- Article 44. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$2,650 or any other sum for Route 8 Fire House Rental Expenses.
- Article 45. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$4,500 or any other sum for Route 57 Fire House Rental Expenses.
- Article 46. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$6,000 or any other sum for Ambulance Billing Fee Expenses.

- Article 47. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$5,500 or any other sum for ALSS Paramedic Intercept Expenses.
- Article 48. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$2,600 or any other sum for Street Light Expenses.
- Article 49. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Building Inspector \$2,349 or any other sum.
- Article 50. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Emergency Management \$2,900 or any other sum for Expenses.
- Article 51. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Inspector of Animals \$500 or any other sum for Salaries.
- Article 52. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Dog Officer \$3,300 or any other sum: \$1,800 or any other sum for Salaries and \$1,500 or any other sum for Expenses.
- Article 53. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Solid Waste Disposal \$60,000 or any other sum for Expenses.
- Article 54. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Board of Health \$5,359 or any other sum: \$3,035 or any other sum for Salaries and \$2,324 or any other sum for Expenses.
- Article 55. 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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| Porchlight Visiting Nurse Association..... | \$ 3,087 |
| Community Health Program..... | 1,000 |
| Brien Mental Health Services of the Berkshires..... | 405.44 |
- Article 56. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate \$2,100 or any other sum for Interest for Loans.
- Article 57. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$ 98,736 or any other sum for the Stabilization Fund.
- Article 58. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Operation and Maintenance of Town Property \$61,000 or any other sum: \$60,000 or any other sum for Expenses and \$1,000 or any other sum for Salaries.

- Article 59. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$300 or any other sum for Good Will Gifts.
- Article 60. 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..... | 2,933 |
| Elderly Transportation..... | 2,417 |
| Sandisfield Cultural Council..... | 250 |
| Recreation Commission..... | 6,000 |
| Website..... | 200 |
| Strategic Future Planning Committee..... | 1,000 |
| Historical Commission..... | 500 |
- Article 61. 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:
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| Berkshire County Retirement Fund..... | \$ 57,205 |
| Town Employee Benefits..... | 31,667 |
| Town's Share Group Insurance..... | 36,695 |
| Town's Share Medicare..... | 10,000 |
| Insurance and Premiums & Bonds for Town Officers... | 50,850 |
- Article 62. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$628.65 or any other sum for the Berkshire Regional Planning Commission.
- Article 63. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$500 or any other sum for Southern Berkshire Regional Emergency Planning Commission.
- Article 64. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$10,000 or any other sum for the Reserve Fund.
- Article 65. 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:
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| Moderator..... | \$ 150.00 per year |
| Town Clerk..... | 6,921.00 per year |
| Treasurer..... | 9,639.00 per year |
| Tax Collector..... | 5,913.00 per year |
| Selectmen..... | 5,538.00 per year |
| Assessors..... | 2,294.00 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..... 13.97 per hour

Article 66. 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 25,000
- h. Legal Ad Fees 2,000

which revolving funds together shall not exceed the sum of forty-nine thousand dollars (\$49,000), 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 67. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$50,000 or any other sum from Free Cash to pay the first of four payments for the New Hartford Road Loan.

Article 68. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to acquire the following land parcels and/or rights in land parcels, or any other necessary land parcels, for the purpose of obtaining a secure and public right of way. This will allow for the construction and roadway safety improvements of the Clark Road Extension Bridge No. S-03-005. As currently designed, the project will consist of five (5) parcels, consisting of one (1) permanent easement consisting of 160 square feet, and four (4) of temporary easements consisting of 22,790 of square feet.

Further, that the Selectmen may acquire these parcels, or modification of these parcels or other required parcels through all legal means, including donation, purchase or eminent domain, and further, to acquire said parcels. The subject parcels are currently identified on plans drafted by Massachusetts Department of Transportation Highway Division. Which plans are available for inspection at the Town Clerk's office, or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 69. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Costs Associated with the Clark Road Bridge Replacement Project \$10,000 or any other sum.

To vote by ballot on May 20, 2013 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 Member for three years
- One Planning Board Member for five years

The Town Hall (3 Silverbrook Road) will open at 10 am Saturday, May 18, 2013 for the Town Meeting and the polls will be open on Monday, May 20, 2013 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

Patrick Barrett
Jeffrey Gray