

STW with Finance Committees Recommendations

Monday, October 12, 2009 -

**WARRANT
TOWN OF ABINGTON
COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
SPECIAL TOWN MEETING**

PLYMOUTH, SS.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Abington . . .

GREETINGS. In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town, who are qualified to vote in Town affairs, to meet in

**ABINGTON HIGH SCHOOL
201 RICHARD FRANCIS GLINIEWICZ WAY
IN PRECINCT FOUR IN SAID ABINGTON, ON MONDAY, THE 26TH OF
OCTOBER, 2009, AT 7:00 IN THE EVENING**

Then and there to act on the following articles:

Article 1: To see if the Town will vote to transfer from Free Cash the sum of -0- to fund the Stabilization Fund, or take any other action relative thereto.

BY TOWN MANAGER

The Finance Committee recommends approval of this article, there is no free cash to fund this article.

Article 2: To see if the Town will vote to transfer from Free Cash the sum of -0- to fund the

Capital Improvement Trust Fund, or take any other action relative thereto.

BY TOWN MANAGER

The Finance Committee recommends approval of this article, there is no free cash to fund this article.

Article 3: To see if the Town will vote to amend Article 3 of the Annual Town Meeting, April 6, 2009, or take any action relative thereto.

BY TOWN MANAGER

Town of Abington General Fund Operating Budget: A3

<i>Dept</i>	<i>Department/Line Item</i>	<i>ATM Adopted Budget</i>
<i>Use of Funds:</i>		
1130	<i>Elections</i>	
1130	<i>Salaries</i>	7,508
1130	<i>Expenses</i>	5,850
1220	<i>Board of Selectmen</i>	
1220	<i>Salaries</i>	231,072
1220	<i>Expenses</i>	13,156
1220	<i>Annual Audit</i>	45,000
1310	<i>Finance Committee</i>	
1310	<i>Salaries</i>	2,627

1310	Expenses	1,200
1320	Reserve Fund	20,000
1350	Town Accountant	
1350	Salaries	138,929
1350	Expenses	1,852
1410	Assessors	
1410	Salaries	110,378
1410	Expenses	169,000
1450	Treasurer/Collector	
1450	Salaries	180,893
1450	Expenses	45,500
1510	Labor/Town Counsel	
1510	Expenses	34,000
1550	Information Technology	
1550	Expenses	47,652
1580	Tax Title Foreclosure	
1580	Expenses	25,000
1610	Town Clerk	
1610	Salary	62,526

1610	Expenses	6,809
1630	Registrars	
1630	Salary	13,915
1630	Expenses	5,175
1740	Town Planner	
1740	Salaries	-
1740	Expenses	-
1750	Planning Board	
1750	Salaries	13,967
1750	Expenses	2,800
1760	Zoning Board of Appeals	
1760	Salary	18,654
1760	Expenses	400
1920	Town Building	61,000
1930	Permanent Building	2,000
1950	Town Reports	6,000
1970	North River Collaborative	20,000
1990	COD Committee	300

3000	BAARC 300	-
4920	Veterans Lots 492	600
	Woman's Place Crisis	
5550	Center 550	-
5990	Self Help 599	-
6920	Memorial/Veterans Day	8,200
2100	Police Department	
2100	Salaries	2,380,181
2100	Expenses	267,005
2100	Capital	-
2200	Fire Department	
2200	Salaries	2,061,009
2200	Expenses	143,037
2210	Ambulance	
2210	Salaries	-
2210	Expenses	50,000
2410	Building Inspector	
2410	Salaries	13,942
2410	Expenses	

		29,820
2420	Gas Inspector	
2420	Salary	4,223
2420	Expenses	6000
2430	Plumbing Inspector	
2430	Salary	10,609
2430	Expenses	550
2440	Sealer of Weights and Measures	
2440	Salary	4,350
2440	Expenses	2,500
2450	Wire Inspector	
2450	Salary	12,872
2450	Expenses	1,300
2910	Civil Defense	
2910	Expenses	3,500
2920	Animal Control	
2920	Salary	10,508
2920	Expenses	4,000
3010	School Department	
3010	Salary	18,431,719
3010		

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3020	South Shore Vo Tech	1,338,533
4200	Highway Department	
4200	Salary	551,961
4200	Expenses	-
4210	Highway – Office	
4210	Expenses	3,915
4220	Highway – Public Works	
4220	Expenses	151,093
4230	Highway – Snow	
4230	Expenses	80,000
4240	Highway – Street Lights	
4240	Expenses	94,720
4300	Waste Collection	
4300	Expenses	1,081,545
4980	Cable Committee	
4980	Expenses	150
5110	Board of Health	
5110	Salaries	91,457
5110	Expenses	7,675

5220	Board of Health Nursing	
5220	Expenses	29,939
5410	Council on Aging	
5410	Salaries	72,492
5410	Expenses	10,694
5430	Veterans Services	
5430	Salaries	40,454
5430	Expenses	57,800
6100	Library	
6100	Salaries	241,338
6100	Expenses	151,683
6300	Park and Recreation	
6300	Salaries	165,850
6300	Expenses	48,150
6910	Historical Commission	800
7100	Debt and Interest	3,252,863
9110	Retirement	1,557,683
9130	Unemployment	150,000
9140	Health Insurance	

	4,112,260
9150	Life Insurance 17,000
9160	Medicare 243,980
9450	Liability Ins/Police/Fire Accident 305,179
General Fund Article 3 Amounts to be Raised:	38,592,901

The Finance Committee is still reviewing – recommendation will be forth coming.

Article 4: To see if the Town will vote to transfer from the Stabilization Fund the sum of \$64,000.00 to fund the Fiscal Year 2010 budget, or take any other action relative thereto.

BY TOWN MANAGER

The Finance Committee recommends approval of this article.

Article 5: To see if the Town will vote to transfer \$110,000 from the Stabilization Fund, \$15,000 from the Sewer Enterprise Undesignated Fund Balance, \$150,000 from the Golf Undesignated Fund Balance, \$123,824 from Ambulance Reserve for Appropriation, for a total appropriation of \$398,824, for the following purposes, or take any other action relative thereto.

Lease Payment – Engine 3 (year 3 of 5)	\$86,000
Lease Payment – Rescue 1 (year 3 of 5)	\$37,824
Lease Payment IT System (year3/4 of 5)	\$110,000
Sewer Manhole Frame & Cover Replacements	\$15,000
Golf Course remove and replace storage tank	\$50,000
Golf Course Irrigation Installation	\$100,000
TOTAL	\$398,824



BY TOWN MANAGER

The Finance Committee is still reviewing – recommendation will be forth coming.

Article 6: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$185,000 to fund the existing and remaining payments on the capital lease for IT and Phone system, this appropriation shall be funded by a proposition 2 ½ debt exclusion override, or take any other action relative thereto.

BY BOARD OF SELECTMEN

The Finance Committee is still reviewing – recommendation will be forth coming

Article 7: To see if the Town will authorize the Board of Selectmen to petition the General Court of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to enact legislation allowing the Town to transfer funds from the Strawberry Valley Golf Course Enterprise Fund to the Stabilization Fund for purposes of providing for other open space and recreational purposes; said amount shall not exceed One Hundred Thirty One Thousand (\$131,000) Dollars and will be for Fiscal Year 2010, or take any other action thereto.

BY TOWN MANAGER

The Finance Committee recommends approval of this article.

Article 8: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of \$7,738.00 for payment to North River Collaborative for an unpaid bill for FY2009, or take any other action relative thereto.

BY TOWN MANAGER

The Finance Committee recommends approval of this article.

Article 9: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of \$273,000, to increase the FY10 Unemployment line item in the amount of

\$73,000 and the FY10 Health Insurance line item by \$200,000, or take any other action relative thereto.

BY TREASURER/COLLECTOR

The Finance Committee recommends approval of this article.

Article 10: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of \$16,708.65 for the purpose of FY2009 unpaid legal bills, or take any other action relative thereto.

BY TOWN MANAGER

The Finance Committee is still reviewing – recommendation will be forth coming.

Article 11: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of \$24,434 (budget line 001-1130-5100-0500) and \$3,000 to (budget line 001-1130-5200-0500) to pay for the 7/25/09 override election, the 12/08/09 special state primary, and 1/19/10 special state election, or take any other action relative thereto.

BY TOWN CLERK

The Finance Committee is still reviewing – recommendation will be forth coming.

Article 12: To see if the Town will vote to accept Clause 5C of M.G.L. Chapter 59 Section 5, increasing the real and personal estate tax exemption for incorporated veteran's organizations up to the current maximum allowed under state law (\$1,500,000.00), or take any other action relative thereto.

BY PETITION

The Finance Committee recommends approval of this article.

Article 13: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the amount of \$5,000.00 for costs related to establishing a search committee for a Town Manager, or take any other action relative thereto.

BY TOWN MANAGER

The Finance Committee recommends approval of this article. The funds will come from the Town Manager's Salary line item.

Article 14: To see if the Town will vote to accept George H. Gillespie Way as a public way from station 0+00 to station 12+69 as shown on the as-built plan prepared by the Decelle Group, LLC., or take any other action thereto.

BY PETITION

The Finance Committee is still reviewing – recommendation will be forth coming

Article 15: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to acquire by gift, purchase, eminent domain or otherwise the fee to or easements on certain parcels of land for the purpose of constructing and maintaining roadway and other safety improvements to implement the “Safe Routes to School” project, which parcels of land are shown on preliminary plans drafted by TEC, Inc. dated August 14, 2009, entitled “The Commonwealth of Massachusetts Highway Department Safe Routes to School Center School,” which plans are on file with the Town Clerk, and which may be amended slightly in final plans, and consist of the following acquisitions:

	Total # of Parcels	Approximate Area (Square Feet)
In Fee	5	379
Temporary Easements	13	8669

And, as funding therefore, to raise and appropriate, transfer or borrow a sum of money for the acquisition of such parcels of land or interests therein, including appraisal costs and all other costs necessary or related thereto, provided, however, that if any or all of the parcels at issue are donated to the Town, such funds shall be expended only to the extent necessary to carry out this vote; provided further that all design, permitting and construction costs associated with the construction of said roadway and other safety improvements at issue will be 100% federally funded and will be managed by the Commonwealth’s Executive Office of Transportation (EOT) and Public Works; or take any other action relative thereto.

BY BOARD OF SELECTMEN

The Finance Committee recommends approval of this article.

Article 16: To see if the Town will vote to transfer from Article 9 of the November 2006

Special Town Meeting, the sum of Seventy Three Thousand, Nine Hundred and Thirty Seven Dollars and eight cents (\$73,937.08) for the school department's FY-2010 operating budget, or take any other action relative thereto.

BY SCHOOL COMMITTEE

The Finance Committee recommends approval of this article.