

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Town of Hanover

Warrant for **Annual** Town Meeting

Plymouth, SS

Greetings: To any Constable of the Town of Hanover in said County.

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 Elections and Town Affairs to meet in the Hanover High School, 287 CEDAR STREET, HANOVER, on

MONDAY THE 4TH DAY OF MAY, 2015 AT 8:00 P.M.



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Monday, May 4, 2015

ARTICLE 1. ACCEPT REPORTS IN ANNUAL TOWN REPORT

To see if the Town will vote to accept the reports of the Officers and Committees as printed in the Annual Town Report, or take any other action relative thereto.

Advisory Committee

ARTICLE 2. HEAR/ACCEPT REPORTS OF COMMITTEES & STATE OFFICIALS

To see if the Town will vote to hear reports of the Committees and State Officials and act thereon, or take any other action relative thereto.

Advisory Committee

ARTICLE 3. AUTHORIZE TREASURER TO ACCEPT TRUST FUNDS

To see if the Town will vote to authorize its Treasurer to accept such trust funds as may be placed in his or her hands during the Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2016, or take any other action relative thereto.

Treasurer/Collector
Finance Director

ARTICLE 4. AUTHORIZE TREASURER TO DISPOSE OF TAX TITLE LAND

To see if the Town will vote to authorize its Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, to dispose of such parcels of real estate as may have been, or may be taken by the Town under Tax Title foreclosure proceedings, or take any other action relative thereto.

Treasurer/Collector
Board of Selectmen

ARTICLE 5. ENTER INTO COMPENSATING BALANCE AGREEMENTS

To see if the Town will vote to authorize its Treasurer/Collector to enter into compensating balance agreements for the Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2016, pursuant to Chapter 44, Section 53F of the Massachusetts General Laws, or take any other action relative thereto.

Treasurer/Collector

ARTICLE 6. ASSUME LIABILITY TO ALLOW STATE DEP WORK

To see if the Town will vote to assume liability in the manner provided by Section 29 and 29A of Chapter 91 of the Massachusetts General Laws, as most recently amended, for all damages that may be incurred by work to be performed by the Department of Environmental Protection, or take any other action relative thereto.

Board of Selectmen

ARTICLE 7. SET PAY FOR ELECTIVE OFFICERS

To see if the Town will vote to fix the pay of its elective officers as required by law as follows, or take any other action relative thereto.

Town Clerk: \$56,769.00 annually
Moderator: \$100 for Annual Town Meeting
\$100 for Special Town Meeting

Advisory Committee
Town Manager

ARTICLE 8. SCHOOL SICK LEAVE BUYBACK FUND

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or appropriate from available funds, a sum of money to the School Sick Leave Buyback Fund, or take any other action relative thereto.

Advisory Committee
Town Manager

ARTICLE 9. TOWN SICK LEAVE BUYBACK FUND

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or appropriate from available funds, a sum of money to the Town Sick Leave Buyback Fund, or take any other action relative thereto.

Advisory Committee
Town Manager

ARTICLE 10. APPROPRIATE CPC REVENUES FOR FY2016

To see if the Town will vote as recommended by the Community Preservation Committee to appropriate the Town’s Community Preservation Revenues for Fiscal Year 2016 as follows:

- I. 10% of the said revenues to be set aside for future appropriation for open space (other than open space for recreational use);
- II. 10% of the said revenues to be set aside for future appropriation for historic resources;
- III. 10% of the said revenues to be set aside for future appropriation for community housing;
- IV. 5% of the said revenues to be set aside for administrative expenses; and
- V. the remainder of said revenues to be set aside for future appropriation for any purposes permissible under the Community Preservation Act, Chapter 44B;

said funds to be expended for the purposes stated herein within the scope proposed and approved by the Community Preservation Committee and for the purposes approved by this Town Meeting, by the Town Manager, or take any other action relative thereto.

Community Preservation Committee

ARTICLE 11. REVOLVING FUND AUTHORIZATIONS

To see if the Town will vote to establish revolving funds for certain Town departments under the provisions of G.L. c.44, §53E1/2 for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2015, with specific receipts credited to each fund, the purposes for which each fund may be spent, and the maximum amount that may be spent from each fund for FY2016 as follows, or take any other action relative thereto:

Revolving Funds Chapter 44, Section 53E1/2 FY16 Revolving Fund Requests				
Spending Authority	Revolving Fund	Revenue Source	Use of Fund	FY16 Authorized Spending Limit
DPW Director	Recreation Fund*	Program Fees	Expenditures may include salaries, benefits, facility and all those in support of programs	TBD
Community Services Director	GATRA	Fees related to transportation program	Expenditures may include salaries, benefits, facility and all those in support of programs	TBD
DPW Director	Forge Pond Park	Fees related to programs	Expenditures may include salaries, benefits, facility and all those in support of programs	TBD
Town Manager	Cable Services	Fees related to cable license agreements	Expenditures may include salaries, benefits, facility and all those in support of PEG access and programs	TBD
Community Services Director	Flu Clinic	Receipts from Medicare/Medicaid billing	Expenditures may include salaries, benefits, facility and all those in support of programs	TBD

* Special legislation was approved to allow for the creation of the Recreation Fund to allow for the spending limit to exceed the threshold of 1% of the amount raised by taxation for the Town in FY16.

Finance Director

ARTICLE 12. GENERAL FUND OPERATING BUDGET

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$54,453,886 for a total General Fund Operating Budget, to provide for a reserve fund and to defray the expenses of the Town, and for the purposes listed in the budget document, and to meet said appropriation transfer the sum of \$358,739 from the Water Enterprise Fund, and transfer the sum of \$65,000 from the Cemetery Graves & Foundations account, and transfer the sum of \$10,000 from the Sale of Cemetery Lots account, and transfer the sum of \$40,865 from the Title V Betterment Program, and transfer the sum of \$815,295 from the Ambulance Receipt Reserved account and raise \$53,163,987 from the 2016 Tax Levy, or take any other action relative thereto:

Summary of Vote	
General Government:	
Salaries	\$ 240,288
Expenses	\$ 209,550
Finance Department:	
Salaries	\$ 648,868
Expenses	\$ 142,698
Community Services:	
Salaries	\$ 1,305,729
Expenses	\$ 380,600
Police:	
Salaries	\$ 3,319,639
Expenses	\$ 240,007
Fire:	
Salaries	\$ 2,489,243
Expenses	\$ 251,597
Hanover Public Schools	\$ 24,920,443
Other Education - South Shore Vocational	\$ 741,712
Public Works:	
Salaries	\$ 1,203,630
Expenses	\$ 1,313,395
Facilities:	
Salaries	\$ 1,783,472
Expenses	\$ 1,853,855
Snow & Ice	\$ 387,000
Debt	\$ 5,872,705
Town Wide Expenses	\$ 6,959,455
Transfers	\$ 190,000
<i>Total General Fund Operating Budget</i>	\$ 54,453,886
Free Cash	\$ -
Indirect Costs	\$ 358,739
Cemetery Graves & Foundations	\$ 65,000
Sale of Cemetery Lots	\$ 10,000
Title V Receipts Reserved Account	\$ 40,865
Ambulance Receipt Reserved Account	\$ 815,295
<i>Less Total Transfers</i>	<i>\$ 1,289,899</i>
To be raised by the 2016 Tax Levy (General Fund revenues & other sources)	\$ 53,163,987

Advisory Committee
Town Manager

ARTICLE 13. WATER ENTERPRISE BUDGET

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$3,033,076 from Water Enterprise receipts to defray Water Enterprise direct costs and that \$358,739 as appropriated in the General Fund Operating Budget, be used for Water indirect costs, all to fund the total costs of operations of the Water Enterprise as follows, or take any other action relative thereto.

Personal Services	\$ 1,403,233
Other Expenses	\$ 1,077,990
Debt Service	\$ 551,853
Appropriate for Direct Costs	\$ 3,033,076
Indirect Costs – Reimburse General Fund for Shared Expenses	\$ 358,739
Total Cost – Water Enterprise	\$ 3,391,815

Advisory Committee
Town Manager

ARTICLE 14. SPECIAL EDUCATION EXPENSES

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money for School Special Education Expenses to be expended by the School Committee for this purpose, or take any other action relative thereto.

Town Manager
School Committee

ARTICLE 15. APPROPRIATE FUNDS – NEW MATH CURRICULUM

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer a sum of money from available funds to fund materials, supplies, equipment including technology and training to implement a new Math curriculum at the Schools, said funds to be expended by the School Committee for this purpose, or take any other action relative thereto.

School Committee
School Superintendent

ARTICLE 16. CREATE SPECIAL EDUCATION STABILIZATION FUND

To see if the Town of Hanover will vote to establish under Chapter 40, Section 5B of the Massachusetts General Laws, a Special Education Stabilization Fund for the purpose of accepting funds from a variety of sources to be used exclusively for special education expenditures by the Hanover Public Schools, or take any other action relative thereto.

Finance Director

ARTICLE 17. SCHOOL DEPARTMENT MEDICAID REIMBURSEMENTS

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer a sum of money from available funds to fund a contract to assist the School Department in recovering Medicaid reimbursements, or take any other action relative thereto.

Board of Selectmen

ARTICLE 18. APPROPRIATE FUNDS - PUBLIC SAFETY EMPLOYEE TRAINING

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or appropriate from available funds a sum of money, for public safety employee training, or take any other action relative thereto.

Town Manager

ARTICLE 19. OLD COLONY PLANNING COUNCIL MEMBERSHIP

To see if the Town will vote to become a member of the Old Colony Planning Council as provided for under Chapter 332 of the Acts of 1967, or take any other action relative thereto.

Town Planner

ARTICLE 20. PURCHASE POLICE DEPARTMENT VEHICLES

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, appropriate from undesignated fund balance, or borrow in accordance with Massachusetts General Laws, or any other enabling act, the sum of \$106,100.00 or another sum, to the Public Safety Vehicle Account authorized under Article #32 of the 1983 Annual Town Meeting. The amount will be for the purchase, lease, or lease purchase and equipping of two marked police vehicles and one unmarked police vehicle and to authorize related trade-ins or to be sold by sealed bid, said funds to be expended at the direction of the Town Manager, or take any other action relative thereto.

Chief of Police
Town Manager

ARTICLE 21. PURCHASE POLICE DEPARTMENT RADIOS

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, appropriate from undesignated fund balance, or borrow in accordance with Massachusetts General Laws, or any other enabling act, the sum of \$75,000.00 or some other sum, to purchase eight new mobile cruiser radios to be installed in police cruisers, and thirty new police portable radios. Said funds to be expended at the direction of the Chief of Police, or take any other action relative thereto.

Chief of Police
Town Manager

ARTICLE 22. PURCHASE A 4X4 PICKUP TRUCK WITH PLOW

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, appropriate from available funds and/or borrow in accordance with Chapter 44 of the Massachusetts General Laws the sum of \$38,000, or another sum, to purchase and equip a 4x4 pickup truck with plow, said purchase and equipping to

be done at the direction of the Town Manager who is authorized to sell or make appropriate trade-ins, or take any other action relative thereto.

Town Manager
Director of Public Works

ARTICLE 23. PURCHASE A 4X4 ONE-TON DUMP TRUCK WITH PLOW

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, appropriate from available funds and/or borrow in accordance with Chapter 44 of the Massachusetts General Laws the sum of \$70,000, or another sum, to purchase and equip a 4x4 one-ton dump truck with plow, said purchase and equipping to be done at the direction of the Town Manager who is authorized to sell or make appropriate trade-ins, or take any other action relative thereto.

Town Manager
Director of Public Works

ARTICLE 24. PURCHASE A LARGE DUMP TRUCK

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, appropriate from available funds and/or borrow in accordance with Chapter 44 of the Massachusetts General Laws the sum of \$157,000, or another sum, to purchase and equip a large dump truck, said purchase and equipping to be done at the direction of the Town Manager who is authorized to sell or make appropriate trade-ins, or take any other action relative thereto.

Town Manager
Director of Public Works

ARTICLE 25. PURCHASE A MULTI-TOOLTRACTOR WITH MOWING DECK

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, appropriate from available funds and/or borrow in accordance with Chapter 44 of the Massachusetts General Laws the sum of \$140,000, or another sum, to purchase and equip a multi-tool tractor with mowing deck, said purchase and equipping to be done at the direction of the Town Manager who is authorized to sell or make appropriate trade-ins, or take any other action relative thereto.

Town Manager
Director of Public Works

ARTICLE 26. PURCHASE A FOUR WHEEL DRIVE BACKHOE

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, appropriate from available funds and/or borrow in accordance with Chapter 44 of the Massachusetts General Laws the sum of \$125,000, or another sum, to purchase and equip a 4-wheel drive backhoe, said purchase and equipping to be done at the direction of the Town Manager who is authorized to sell or make appropriate trade-ins, or take any other action relative thereto.

Town Manager
Director of Public Works

ARTICLE 27. APPROPRIATE FUNDS - CEDAR SCHOOL ROOF

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, appropriate from available funds, or borrow in accordance with Massachusetts General Laws or any other enabling act, the sum of \$350,000 or any other sum, to perform mid-life maintenance and/or replacement of the EPDM roof and related roof maintenance on the Cedar School, or take any other action relative thereto.

Facilities Engineering Manager
Town Manager

ARTICLE 28. APPROPRIATE FUNDS - INSTALL SAFETY BOLLARDS MIDDLE SCHOOL

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, appropriate from available funds, or borrow in accordance with Massachusetts General Laws or any other enabling act, the sum of \$20,000 or any other sum, to install safety bollards at the sidewalk at the Middle School entrance, or take any other action relative thereto.

Facilities Engineering Manager
Town Manager

ARTICLE 29. APPROPRIATE FUNDS - STETSON HOUSE – UPGRADE ELECTRIC SERVICE

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, appropriate from available funds, or borrow in accordance with Massachusetts General Laws or any other enabling act, the sum of \$25,000 or any other sum, to replace the old electric panel with a new panel and breakers and upgrade the 100 amp electric service at the Stetson House, or take any other action relative thereto.

Facilities Engineering Manager
Town Manager

ARTICLE 30. PURCHASE A TRANSIT CARGO VAN

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, appropriate from available funds, or borrow in accordance with Massachusetts General Laws or any other enabling act, the sum of \$29,000 or any other sum, to purchase and equip a new Ford Transit Cargo Van, or take any other action relative thereto.

Facilities Engineering Manager
Town Manager

ARTICLE 31. APPROPRIATE FUNDS - TOWN HALL SECURITY SYSTEM

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, appropriate from available funds, or borrow in accordance with Massachusetts General Laws or any other enabling act, the sum of \$35,000 or any other sum, to install a building security system in Town Hall, to include a burglar alarm panel, motion sensors and video cameras, with central station monitoring, or take any other action relative thereto.

Facilities Engineering Manager
Town Manager

ARTICLE 32. PURCHASE A 4X4 RACK BODY TRUCK

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, appropriate from available funds and/or borrow in accordance with Chapter 44 of the Massachusetts General Laws the sum of \$57,000, or another sum, to purchase and equip a 4x4 Rack Body Truck, said purchase and equipping to be done at the direction of the Town Manager who is authorized to sell or make appropriate trade-ins, or take any other action relative thereto.

Facilities Engineering Manager
Town Manager

ARTICLE 33. APPROPRIATE FUNDS - JOHN CURTIS LIBRARY – REPAIR WINDOW CURTAIN WALL

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, appropriate from available funds, or borrow in accordance with Massachusetts General Laws or any other enabling act, the sum of \$60,000 or any other sum, to remove existing sealants in the window curtain wall and re-seal with new sealant and repair related water-damaged areas of interior sides of walls at the John Curtis Library, or take any other action relative thereto.

Facilities Engineering Manager
Town Manager

ARTICLE 34. APPROPRIATE FUNDS - UPGRADE DOOR LOCKS – TOWN BUILDINGS

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, appropriate from available funds, or borrow in accordance with Massachusetts General Laws or any other enabling act, the sum of \$70,000 or any other sum, to upgrade door locks in the Schools and Town Buildings for improved security, or take any other action relative thereto.

Facilities Engineering Manager
Town Manager

ARTICLE 35. PURCHASE AN AMBULANCE

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, appropriate from the undesignated fund balance or borrow in accordance with Massachusetts General Laws or any other enabling act, the sum of \$235,000 or any other sum, to purchase and equip an ambulance and to authorize any related trade-in, or take any other action relative thereto.

Fire Chief
Town Manager

ARTICLE 36. PURCHASE A FIRE TRUCK – PUMPING APPARATUS

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, from undesignated fund balance or borrow in accordance with Massachusetts General Laws or any other enabling act, the sum of \$500,000 or any other sum, to purchase and equip, or enter into a lease purchase agreement for a new rescue pumping engine, and to authorize the trade in of a 1992 pumping engine and a 1999 rescue pumping engine, or take any other action relative thereto.

Fire Chief
Town Manager

ARTICLE 37. FIRE SUB-STATION ARCHITECTURAL DESIGN

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, appropriate from the undesignated fund balance or borrow in accordance with Massachusetts General Laws or any other enabling act, the sum of \$40,000 or any other sum, to develop an architectural design for a fire sub-station on Webster Street in North Hanover. The architectural design will include revised plans, elevations, site plans, building renderings, material selection a preliminary structural write up and estimate, or take any other action relative thereto.

Facilities Engineering Manager
Fire Chief
Town Manager

ARTICLE 38. APPROPRIATE FUNDS - TECHNOLOGY UPGRADES

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, from undesignated fund balance or borrow in accordance with Massachusetts General Laws or any other enabling act, the sum of \$100,000 or any other sum, to upgrade or replace obsolete hardware including, but not limited to, firewalls, switches, wireless access points, servers, desktops and laptops, or take any other action relative thereto.

Director of Technology

ARTICLE 39. APPROPRIATE FUNDS – AFFORDABLE HOUSING TRUST

To see if the Town will vote, Pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws (M.G.L.) Chapter 44B (Community Preservation), and the Hanover General Bylaws, Section 4-19, to appropriate a sum of \$100,000 dollars U.S., from the Community Housing Reserve Fund to be transferred to the Hanover Affordable Housing Trust to provide for the creation and preservation of affordable housing in Hanover, said funds to be expended for the purposes stated herein within the scope proposed and approved by the Community Preservation Committee and for the purposes approved by this Town Meeting, by the Town Manager or take any other action relative thereto.

Community Preservation Committee
Affordable Housing Trust

ARTICLE 40. APPROPRIATE FUNDS – VETERANS HONOR GARDEN

To see if the Town will vote, Pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws (M.G.L.) Chapter 44B (Community Preservation), and the Hanover General Bylaws, Section 4-19, to appropriate \$150,000 dollars U.S., from the Town’s Community Preservation Fund (CPF) for the “development of the Hanover Veterans Honor Garden, a project which looks to transform a town owned piece of land adjacent from Town Hall and the Fire Station into a veteran’s honor garden (Map 46 Lot 43)”, within the scope approved by the Community Preservation Committee and for the purposes approved by this Town Meeting, said funds to be expended for the purposes stated herein by the Town Manager, under the direction of the Community Preservation Committee, or take any other action relative thereto.

Community Preservation Committee
Parks and Recreation Committee

ARTICLE 41. APPROPRIATE FUNDS – TOWN HALL RESTORATION

To see if the Town will vote, Pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws (M.G.L.) Chapter 44B (Community Preservation), and the Hanover General Bylaws, Section 4-19, to appropriate \$1,085,500 dollars U.S., from the Town’s Community Preservation Fund (CPF) for the “restoration of the structural integrity and exterior of the historic Hanover Town Hall Building”, within the scope approved by the Community Preservation Committee and for the purposes approved by this Town Meeting, said funds to be expended for the purposes stated herein by the Town Manager, under the direction of the Community Preservation Committee, or take any other action relative thereto.

Community Preservation Committee
Historical Commission

**ARTICLE 42. APPROPRIATE FUNDS - FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH –
WINDOWS**

To see if the Town will vote, Pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws (M.G.L.) Chapter 44B (Community Preservation), and the Hanover General Bylaws, Section 4-19, to appropriate \$80,450 dollars U.S., from the Town’s Community Preservation Fund (CPF) for “the replacement of the aging windows in the historic First Congregational Church of Hanover”, within the scope approved by the Community Preservation Committee and for the purposes approved by this Town Meeting, said funds to be expended for the purposes stated herein by the Town Manager, under the direction of the Community Preservation Committee, or take any other action relative thereto.

Community Preservation Committee
Historical Commission

ARTICLE 43. APPROPRIATE FUNDS – RESTORE HORSE DRAWN FIRE WAGON

To see if the Town will vote, Pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws (M.G.L.) Chapter 44B (Community Preservation), and the Hanover General Bylaws, Section 4-19, to appropriate \$5,000 dollars U.S., from the Town’s Community Preservation Fund (CPF) to “the Historical Society to restore and conserve the Horse Drawn Hanover Fire Wagon, housed in the Fire House Museum”, within the scope approved by the Community Preservation Committee and for the purposes approved by this Town Meeting, said funds to be expended for the purposes stated herein by the Town Manager, under the direction of the Community Preservation Committee, or take any other action relative thereto.

Community Preservation Committee
Historical Commission

ARTICLE 44. APPROPRIATE FUNDS - VETERAN’S DATABASE

To see if the Town will vote, Pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws (M.G.L.) Chapter 44B (Community Preservation), and the Hanover General Bylaws, Section 4-19, to appropriate \$1,000 dollars U.S., from the Town’s Community Preservation Fund (CPF) to “the Historical Society to fund a mailing to Hanover Veterans, and the follow-up creation of a database to permit ongoing collection of oral histories of Hanover Veterans”, within the scope approved by the

Community Preservation Committee and for the purposes approved by this Town Meeting, said funds to be expended for the purposes stated herein by the Town Manager, under the direction of the Community Preservation Committee, or take any other action relative thereto.

Community Preservation Committee
Historical Commission

ARTICLE 45. APPROPRIATE FUNDS - HONOR GARDEN

To see if the Town will raise and appropriate or appropriate from available CPC funds the sum of \$150,000 to construct the Hanover Honor Garden. Said garden to be built on parcel of land known as Map 46 Lot 43 as shown on the Hanover Town Map. All funds will be expended under the direction of Board of Selectmen and Park and Recreation.

By Petition: Maureen F. Elliott
Sydney E. Elliott
April Manupelli
William Scarpelli
John S. Goldthwait

ARTICLE 46. APPROPRIATE FUNDS - TOWN HALL RESTORATION

To see if the Town will vote, Pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws (M.G.L.) Chapter 44B (Community Preservation), and the Hanover General Bylaws, Section 4-19, to appropriate \$1,085,500 dollars U.S., from the Town's Community Preservation Fund (CPF) for the "restoration of the structural integrity and exterior of the historic Hanover Town Hall Building", within the scope approved by the Community Preservation Committee and for the purposes approved by this Town Meeting, said funds to be expended for the purposes stated herein by the Town Manager, under the direction of the Community Preservation Committee, or take any other action relative thereto.

By Petition: Peter K. Johnson
Margaret M. Johnson
Nancy Moses
Bradley L. Moses
Joan Ward

**ARTICLE 47. APPROPRIATE FUNDS - FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH –
WINDOWS**

To see if the Town will vote, Pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws (M.G.L.) Chapter 44B (Community Preservation), and the Hanover General Bylaws, Section 4-19, to appropriate \$80,450 dollars U.S., from the Town's Community Preservation Fund (CPF) for "the replacement of the aging windows in the historic First Congregational Church of Hanover", within the scope approved by the Community Preservation Committee and for the purposes approved by this Town Meeting, said funds to be expended for the purposes stated herein by the Town Manager, under the direction of the Community Preservation Committee, or take any other action relative thereto.

By Petition: John D. Shea
Deborah A. Shea
Robin Falcione
Kerstin Adami-Barrett
Frederick W. Adami

ARTICLE 48. APPROPRIATE FUNDS - RESTORE HORSE DRAWN FIRE WAGON

To see if the Town will vote, Pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws (M.G.L.) Chapter 44B (Community Preservation), and the Hanover General Bylaws, Section 4-19, to appropriate \$5,000 dollars U.S., from the Town's Community Preservation Fund (CPF) to "the Historical Society to restore and conserve the Horse Drawn Hanover Fire Wagon, housed in the Fire House Museum", within the scope approved by the Community Preservation Committee and for the purposes approved by this Town Meeting, said funds to be expended for the purposes stated herein by the Town Manager, under the direction of the Community Preservation Committee, or take any other action relative thereto.

By Petition: Judith Ann Grecco
Stephen T. Richardson
Anne Colleen Stroshine
Leslie J. Molyneaux
Harold D. Thomas

ARTICLE 49. APPROPRIATE FUNDS - VETERANS DATABASE

To see if the Town will vote, Pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws (M.G.L.) Chapter 44B (Community Preservation), and the Hanover General Bylaws, Section 4-19, to appropriate \$1,000 dollars U.S., from the Town's Community Preservation Fund (CPF) to "the Historical Society to fund a mailing to Hanover Veterans, and the follow-up creation of a database to permit ongoing collection of oral histories of Hanover Veterans", within the scope approved by the Community Preservation Committee and for the purposes approved by this Town Meeting, said funds to be expended for the purposes stated herein by the Town Manager, under the direction of the Community Preservation Committee, or take any other action relative thereto.

By Petition: Judith Ann Grecco
Stephen T. Richardson
Harold D. Thomas
Anne Colleen Stroshine
Leslie J. Molyneaux

ARTICLE 50. DOG PARK - LAND/COMMITTEE

To see if the Town will vote to designate a piece of land as the Hanover Dog Park and to appoint a committee of citizens to manage the outfitting and operation of said park, or take any other action relative thereto.

By Petition: Nancy Devlin
Donna Pineau
Mark Porzio
Adam Keith
Elizabeth Hansen

ARTICLE 51. AMEND GENERAL BYLAW 4-19 - COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE

To see if the Town will vote to amend, in part, the Town of Hanover General Bylaws, 4-19 Section 2(C), titled Community Preservation Committee as follows, or take any other action relative thereto:

Section 2.

The composition of the Committee, the appointment authority and the term of office for the Committee members shall be as follows:

...

~~C. One (1) member of the Housing Authority as designated by the Authority for an initial term of two (2) years, and thereafter for a term of three (3) years.~~

To be inserted in place of the above

Section 2.

The composition of the Committee, the appointment authority and the term of office for the Committee members shall be as follow:

...

C. One (1) member of the Hanover Affordable Housing Trust Board of Trustees as designated by the Board of Selectmen for an initial term of two (2) years, and thereafter for a term of three (3) years, subject to approval by a majority vote of the Board of Selectmen.

Housing Authority
Affordable Housing Trust

ARTICLE 52. AMEND GENERAL BYLAW 4-24 - AFFORDABLE HOUSING TRUST BOARD OF TRUSTEES

To see if the Town will vote to amend, in part, the Town of Hanover General Bylaw, 4-24, titled Affordable Housing Trust Board of Trustees as follows, or take any other action relative thereto:

~~There shall be a Board of Trustees established under Chapter 44, Section 55C of the Massachusetts General Laws composed of seven (7) Trustees, which shall include at least one (1) member of the Board of Selectmen, two (2) members of the Housing Authority, one (1) member of the Community Preservation Committee and three (3) at large members.—~~

To be inserted in place of the above

There shall be a Board of Trustees established under Chapter 44, Section 55C of the Massachusetts General Laws composed of seven (7) Trustees, which shall include at least one (1) member of the Board of Selectmen, one (1) member of the Community Preservation Committee and five (5) at-large members.

Housing Authority
Affordable Housing Trust

ARTICLE 53. DISSOLUTION OF THE HANOVER HOUSING AUTHORITY

To see if the Town will vote to dissolve the Hanover Housing Authority in accordance with M.G.L. c. 121B, § 3, or take any other action relative thereto.

Housing Authority
Affordable Housing Trust

ARTICLE 54. AMEND GENERAL BYLAW 6-10 SECTION 8

To see if the Town will vote to amend General Bylaw, 6-10 Section 8 titled Animal Control Bylaw in the manner described below, or take any other action relative thereto:

...

Section 8.

~~There is hereby established a late fee, which shall be set by the Board of Selectmen, to be paid by the owners of record as of January 1 of each year, who license said dog or dogs after the 1st of May. Said fee shall be due and payable at the time of licensing or after impoundment in accordance with Section 1 of this By-Law.~~

To be inserted in place of the above.

...

Section 8.

There is hereby established a late fee to be paid by the owners of record as of January 1 of each year who license said dog or dogs on or after the 1st of April. Said fee shall be due and payable at the time of licensing or after impoundment in accordance with Section 1 of this By-Law.

Town Clerk

ARTICLE 55. DOG LICENSE LATE FEES

To see if the Town will vote to reduce the late fee to be paid on or after the first of April for dog licenses from \$35 to \$10. Said reduction in the dog license late fee will take effect immediately upon the dissolution of the 2015 Annual Town Meeting, or take any other action relative thereto.

Town Clerk

ARTICLE 56. AMEND GENERAL BYLAW 4-18

To see if the Town will accept the amendments shown below to the current General Bylaws in order to reflect the updated wording which includes the Town Manager form of government, or take any other action relative thereto.

In General Bylaw 4-18 Parks and Rec Committee, Section 2: "... and administrate through the Recreational *Director*..." Replace *Director*" with Administrator.

In General Bylaw 4-18 Parks and Recreation Committee, Section 3: replace "*Town Administrator*" with Town Manager, or as otherwise provided for in accordance with "An act establishing a Town Manager form of government.... The Recreation Administrator shall appoint all other Parks and Recreation employees subject to the approval of the Town Manager.

Bylaw Review Committee

ARTICLE 57. NOISE CONTROL BY-LAW

To see if the Town will vote to add a new General Town By-law Section to be sequentially numbered, as follows, or take any other action relative thereto:

NOISE CONTROL BY-LAW

Section 1: PURPOSE

This By-law is adopted for the regulation and restriction of excessive sound which poses a serious hazard to the public health, welfare, safety and quality of life, of the residents of the Town of Hanover who have the right to, and should be ensured, an environment free of excessive sound that may jeopardize their health, welfare or safety, or degrade their quality of life. This By-law shall be applied to control all noise originating within the geographical limits of the Town of Hanover.

Section 2: DEFINITIONS

All terminology used in this By-law, but not defined below, shall be used with the meanings ascribed to such terms in the applicable standards of the American National Standards Institute ("ANSI") or its successor bodies.

- A. Construction: Any site preparation, assembly, erection, substantial repair, alteration or similar action, but excluding demolition for, or of, public or private rights-of-way, structures, utilities, or similar property.
- B. Demolition: Any dismantling, intentional destruction of, or removal of, structures, utilities, public or private rights-of-way surfaces or similar property.
- C. Emergency Work: Any work performed for the purpose of preventing or alleviating the physical harm to persons or property, which requires immediate action.

- D. Enforcement Official: Any Town official having authority to enforce this By-law as provided in **Section 3.B**.
- E. Legal Holiday: Any day designated as a legal holiday under Federal or Massachusetts State Law.
- F. Noise Disturbance: Any sound which may (a) disturb or annoy reasonable persons of normal sensitivities; (b) cause, or tend to cause, an adverse effect on the public health and welfare; (c) endanger or injures persons; or (d) endangers or injures real or personal property.
- G. Person: Any individual, association, partnership, joint venture, corporation or other form of legal entity.
- H. Plainly Audible Sound: Sound as to which the information content is unambiguously communicated to the listener including, without limitation, understandable speech, comprehension of whether a voice is raised or normal, repetitive bass sounds, or comprehension of musical rhythms, without the aid of any listening device.
- I. Power Tool: Any device powered mechanically, by electricity, by gasoline, by diesel or any other fuel, which is intended to be used, or is actually used, for functions including, without limitation, cutting, nailing, stapling, sawing, vacuuming or drilling.
- J. Public Right-of-Way: Any highway, boulevard, street, avenue, lane, sidewalk, or similar place, which is owned or controlled by a government agency.
- K. Public Property: Any real property, including structures thereon, which are owned or controlled by a government entity.
- L. Residential District: Any area designated as a Residential District in the Town of Hanover Zoning By-law.
- M. Weekday: Any day from Monday through Friday that is not a Legal Holiday.

Section 3: PERMITTING AND ENFORCEMENT OF ORDINANCE

- A. For the purpose of this By-law a Noise Permit shall be obtained with the Town of Hanover's Building Office for all purposes which have not been specified in the Section 6: Specific Activities or listed in Section 7: Exemptions and Permits.
- B. For the purpose of this By-law the Building Commissioner of the Town of Hanover is hereby charged with the granting of all Noise Permits, there shall be no permit fee for said permit application. Noise Permit applications shall be acted upon within fourteen (14) business days of permit filing with the Building Department. If the

Building Commissioner determines that the noise permit application complies with all applicable provisions of this By-law; or if not acted upon within fourteen (14) business days said application shall be deemed approved.

- C. Enforcement Officials. This By-law shall be enforced by the Chief of Police, the Building Commissioner and their authorized designees. Designees of the Chief of Police shall include any Hanover Police Officer.
- D. Penalties for Violation. Violations of this By-law shall be punishable by fine in accordance with the following schedule:

Offense	Fine
First	\$ 75
Second	\$150
Third and Subsequent	\$300

Violations resulting from sound emanating from a particular parcel of property will be assessed against the person controlling said property at the time of the violation, regardless of said person's legal status as owner, lessor, tenant-at-will, and licensee or otherwise. Nothing contained in this By-law shall prohibit an Enforcement Officer from giving a warning in lieu of a fine if, in the Official's discretion, a warning is appropriate under the circumstances.

- E. Fines. In assessing fines for violations of this By-law, the Enforcement Official shall follow the procedure set forth in M.G.L. c. 40, § 21D.

Section 4: DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF TOWN BOARDS AND OFFICIALS

- A. Town programs and activities. All Town Departments, Boards and Officials shall carry out their programs and activities in a manner reasonably consistent with this By-law.
- B. Project review and approval. All Town Departments, Boards and Officials having responsibility for the review and approval of new projects or activities', or changes to existing projects that result, or may result, in the production of sound shall, to the extent reasonably feasible under the circumstances, require compliance with the provisions of this By-law as a condition of approval. This By-law is not intended to require any Town Department, Board or Official to apply a more restrictive standard for the approval of any project or activity, or change to any existing projects, than has been applied prior to the By-law's adoption.
- C. Projects and developments that have received permitting and approval by all Town Departments, Boards and Officials shall be held to noise provision of said permit.

Section 5: NOISE DISTURBANCE PROHIBITED

- A. No person shall make, continue, or cause to be made or continued, any noise disturbance. Unamplified, non-commercial public speaking and public assembly activities conducted at conversational voice levels on any public property or public right-of-way shall be exempt from the operation of this section if such sound is not plainly audible beyond 100 feet or does not infringe the legitimate rights of others.
- B. The facts required to establish a noise disturbance shall be identical to those required to establish a disturbance of peace under common law (and punishable under M.G.L. c. 272 § 53). Violations of this By-law need only be proven by a preponderance of the evidence.

Section 6: SPECIFIC ACTIVITIES

The following activities are permitted as set forth below:

- A. Construction, Demolition and Commercial Landscaping Activity are allowed to operate or permit the operation of any tools or equipment used in construction, demolition or commercial landscaping work in a Residential District between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. on Weekdays (Monday thru Friday) or between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. on any other day.
- B. Domestic Power Tools. Persons shall operate, or permit the operation of, any power tool or any garden tool, leaf blower, chain saw or similar device powered mechanically, by electricity, gasoline, diesel or other fuel, outdoors in a Residential District between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 9:00 p.m.
- C. Dumpsters and Trash Receptacles. Persons/Businesses shall empty dumpsters or similar trash receptacles between the hours of 6:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m. on Weekdays (Monday-Friday) or between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m. on any other day.

Section 7: EXEMPTIONS AND PERMITS

The following uses and activities shall be exempt from the provisions of this By-law:

1. Any law enforcement motor vehicle in the performance of law enforcement duties.
2. Any law enforcement, public safety training facility to include the Hanover Police Firing Range.
3. Any fire apparatus, ambulance, rescue, public works or emergency response vehicle creating sound in the performance of public safety responsibilities.
4. Any vehicle in the performance of emergency work.

5. Public address systems used at public events in a manner approved by any Town Board, Department or Official having authority over said use.
6. Safety signals, warning devices, emergency pressure relief valves and similar devices during and in relation to public emergencies.
7. Parades, music festivals, public gatherings, and events for which the permit granting authority has granted a noise permit.
8. Bells, chimes or carillons, or amplified, recorded, or other electronic substitution while being used in conjunction with religious services or to denote time intervals.
9. Snow removal from public or private parking lots, roads, driveways, sidewalks and other surfaces traveled by vehicles or pedestrians.
10. Activities of temporary duration during a time of emergency conducted by a public utility company to repair or maintain public utility infrastructure.
11. Construction activity under a valid noise permit issued by the Building Commissioner under section 7 or 15 of Chapter 136 of the Massachusetts General Laws, or by any Town Board or Department having regulatory authority over construction activity.
12. Any vehicle utilizing an amplified communications system operated by a highway maintenance, water department, or public utilities worker acting in the performance of his or her responsibilities.
13. Any noise originating from a preexisting municipal structure prior to the adoption of this By-law which serves and protects the general health safety and welfare of a Hanover residence.
14. Any activity to the extent the regulation thereof has been preempted by State or Federal Laws or Regulations.

Section 8: APPEAL

Appeal of any citation for a violation of this By-law shall be made to the District Court or other Court of competent jurisdiction in accordance with the provisions of M.G.L. c. 40, § 21D.

Section 9: SEVERABILITY

If any of the provisions of this By-law are held to be invalid by any Court of competent jurisdiction, the remaining provisions shall remain in full force and effect.

Town Manager
Police Chief
Building Commissioner

ARTICLE 58. AMEND ZONING BYLAW SECTION 6.110

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning Bylaw for the Town in the manner described below, or take any other action relative thereto:

Amend the Hanover Zoning Bylaw, Section 6.110 (Business District) Uses Allowed, by adding following allowed uses:

To be inserted as Section 6.110 K.

- K. Medical uses to include medical outpatient clinic, health care facilities, and or medical offices or dentist offices. Allowed uses shall be in accordance with Local, State and Federal regulation.

Planning Board

ARTICLE 59. ACCEPT CHAPTER 90 ROAD GRANT MONIES

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen and the Town Manager to accept such sums of money as may be distributed by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts through the Chapter 90 highway grant program, so-called, or take any other action relative thereto, funds to be expended by the Board of Selectmen and the Town Manager in accordance with the guidelines and requirements of the Massachusetts Highway Department.

Board of Selectmen
Town Manager
Director of Public Works

ARTICLE 60. ACCEPT STREETS

To see if the Town will vote to accept the following streets as public ways, or take any other action relative thereto:

Trailside Lane: The entire length of Trailside Lane, as shown on a plan entitled “River Path Roadway as-built Trailside Lane and Meadow Drive Hanover, MA” prepared by Hoyt Land Surveying, dated October 22, 2014, a copy of which is on file in the office of the Hanover Department of Public Works.

Meadow Drive: The entire length of Meadow Drive, as shown on a plan entitled “River Path Roadway as-built Trailside Lane and Meadow Drive Hanover, MA” prepared by Hoyt Land Surveying, dated October 22, 2014, a copy of which is on file in the office of the Hanover Department of Public Works.

Director of Public Works

NOTICE FOR THE ELECTION OF OFFICERS
Hanover High School, 287 Cedar Street
On **SATURDAY, THE 9TH OF MAY 2015**
Then and there to act on the following:

To bring in their votes for each of the following:

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| For at term of five years: | One Housing Authority Member
One Planning Board Member |
| For a term of three years: | One Board of Assessors Member
One Board of Health Member
One Board of Public Works Member
Two Board of Selectmen Members
Two School Committee Members
One Trustee of the Public Library |
| For a term of two years: | One Board of Public Works Member |
| For a term of one year: | One Board of Public Works Member
One Moderator |

Polls open from 8 A.M. to 6 P.M., unless otherwise ordered by the Town.
And you are hereby ordered to serve this Warrant posting attested copies thereof seven days at least before the time of said meeting.

Given under our hands this 16th day of March, 2015.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

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| Harold L. Dunn, III, Chairman | _____ |
| Susan M. Setterland, Vice-Chairwoman | _____ |
| Joseph R. Salvucci | _____ |
| Brian E. Barthelmes | _____ |
| Robert S. O'Rourke | _____ |

_____, Constable Posted this _____ day of April, 2015