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AND OCTOBER 1, 2016 SPECIAL TOWN ELECTION

Commonwealth of Massachusetts  
Town of Hanover  
Warrant for *Special* Town Meeting

Plymouth, SS

Greeting: 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 26<sup>th</sup> DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2016**  
*Special Town Meeting at 7:00 P.M.*



And you are hereby ordered to serve this Warrant by posting attested copies thereof fourteen days, at least, before the time of said meeting.

Given under our hands this 6<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2016.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Brian Barthelmes  
Susan Setterland  
Robert O'Rourke  
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John Tuzik

Posted by hand by Thomas P. Hayes, Constable, September 8, 2016

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1	Payment of Prior Fiscal Year(s) Expenditures	Finance Director
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A quorum of 100 or more registered voters being present, the meeting was called to order at 7:22 p.m. by Town Moderator, Douglas Thomson.

Residents had filled the 535 person capacity auditorium; those without a seat moved to the overflow room in the cafeteria where the meeting was live streamed.

Christopher Martin, appointed as vice moderator, served without objection in the overflow room.

Members of the Hanover Fire Department served as the honor guard and flag bearers. The moderator asked for a moment of silence to honor Firefighter/Paramedic Gregory Hawes, who passed away yesterday from injuries suffered while off-duty.

**Motion to waive the reading of the articles.**

Carries unanimously.

**ARTICLE 1. PAYMENT OF PRIOR FISCAL YEAR(S) EXPENDITURES**

To see if the Town will vote to pay unpaid bills from prior fiscal year(s), or take any other action relative thereto.

Finance Director

**We move that the Town vote to transfer \$186.41 to pay certain unpaid bills, as identified in the chart below:**

<b>SOURCE</b>				<b>USE</b>	
<b>Description</b>	<b>TM Ref</b>	<b>Art #</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Portable Light Tower	ATM 2014	31	\$ 186.41	Health Express	\$ 186.41

So carries unanimously.

**ARTICLE 2. APPROPRIATE FUNDS – CENTER SCHOOL RENOVATIONS**

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate, borrow or transfer from available funds, a sum of money to be expended under the direction of the School Building Committee to pay costs of designing, constructing, equipping and furnishing an addition to the Center Elementary School, located at 65 Silver Street, Hanover, Massachusetts 02339, which school facility shall have an anticipated useful life as an educational facility for the instruction of school children of at least

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50 years, and for which the Town may be eligible for a school construction grant from the Massachusetts School Building Authority ("MSBA"). The MSBA's grant program is a non-entitlement, discretionary program based on need, as determined by the MSBA, and any project costs the Town incurs in excess of any grant approved by and received from the MSBA shall be the sole responsibility of the Town. Any grant that the Town may receive from the MSBA for the Project shall not exceed the lesser of (1) 53.70 percent (53.70%) of eligible, approved project costs, as determined by the MSBA, or (2) the total maximum grant amount determined by the MSBA, or take any other action relative thereto.

Board of Selectmen  
School Building Committee

**We move that the Town appropriate the sum of Thirty-Two Million Four Hundred Forty-Six Thousand One Hundred Sixty-One Dollars (\$32,446,161) to pay costs of designing, constructing, equipping and furnishing an addition to the Center Elementary School, located at 65 Silver Street, Hanover, Massachusetts 02339, which school facility shall have an anticipated useful life as an educational facility for the instruction of school children for at least 50 years, said sum to be expended under the direction of the School Building Committee, and to meet said appropriation the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, is authorized to borrow said sum under M.G.L. Chapter 44, or any other enabling authority; that the Town acknowledges that the Massachusetts School Building Authority's ("MSBA") grant program is a non-entitlement, discretionary program based on need, as determined by the MSBA, and any project costs the Town incurs in excess of any grant approved by and received from the MSBA shall be the sole responsibility of the Town; provided further that any grant that the Town may receive from the MSBA for the Project shall not exceed the lesser of (1) 53.70 percent (53.70%) of eligible, approved project costs, as determined by the MSBA, or (2) the total maximum grant amount determined by the MSBA; provided that any appropriation hereunder shall be subject to and contingent upon an affirmative vote of the Town to exempt the amounts required for the payment of interest and principal on said borrowing from the limitations on taxes imposed by M.G.L. Chapter 59, Section 21C (Proposition 2½); and that the amount of borrowing authorized pursuant to this vote shall be reduced by any grant amount set forth in the Project Funding Agreement that may be executed between the Town and the MSBA.**

**Motion to cut off debate.**

Motion carries unanimously.

**Main motion.**

Carries unanimously by voice vote.

**Motion to adjourn the meeting until Saturday's Special Town Election, which will be held beginning at 8:00 a.m. at Hanover High School.**

Carries unanimously at 8:28 p.m.

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NOTICE FOR A TOWN ELECTION  
Hanover High School, Cedar Street,  
on **SATURDAY, the 1<sup>ST</sup> OF OCTOBER 2016,**  
then and there to act on the following:

To bring in their votes for the following:

QUESTION 1

“Shall the Town of Hanover be allowed to exempt from the provisions of proposition two-and-one-half, so called, the amounts required to pay for the bonds issued in order to pay costs of designing, constructing, equipping and furnishing an addition to the Center Elementary School, located at 65 Silver Street, Hanover, Massachusetts?

Yes\_\_\_\_\_

No\_\_\_\_\_”

Polls open from 8:00 A.M. to 6:00 P.M., unless otherwise ordered by the Town.  
And you are hereby ordered to serve this Warrant by posting attested copies thereof seven days, at least, before the time of said meeting.

Given under our hands this 6<sup>th</sup> day of September 2016.

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The meeting for the Special Town Election was called to order Saturday, October 1, 2016 at 7:30 a.m. by Catherine Harder-Bernier, Town Clerk. At the meeting, the ballot boxes were opened, inspected, and found to be empty. After being locked, the keys were turned over to the police officer on duty. The polls were declared open at 8:00 a.m. and remained open until 6:00 p.m. when they were declared closed. After passing unanimously at the Special Town Meeting the previous Monday, the override for the Center School Addition project also easily passed at the polls.

Town of Hanover Official Election Results – October 1, 2016 Special Town Election

	<u>Precinct</u> <u>1</u>	<u>Precinct</u> <u>2</u>	<u>Precinct</u> <u>3</u>	<u>Precinct</u> <u>4</u>	<u>Totals</u>
<u>Center School Addition override</u>					
Blanks	0	0	0	0	0
Yes	446	479	416	366	1707
No	95	81	92	90	358
Grand total					2065

Registered voters: 10,194

Percentage of registered voters who voted in this election: 20.3%