

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Middlesex, ss:

To either of the constables of the Town of Pepperell, in said county,

GREETINGS:

In the name of the Commonwealth aforesaid, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town qualified according to law to vote in state, county, district and town affairs to assemble at the NISSITISSIT MIDDLE SCHOOL, in said Town, on Monday, the 2nd of May, A.D. 2016 at 7:30 PM to act on the following articles:

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING May 2, 2016

ARTICLE 1

FREE CASH APPROPRIATIONS

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate sums of money from Free Cash certified as of 7/1/15, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 2

FISCAL YEAR 2016 GENERAL FUND TRANSFERS

To see if the Town will vote to transfer sums of money within the FY 2016 General Fund budget, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 3

FISCAL YEAR 2016 CEMETERY SALE OF LOTS TRANSFER

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money from the Receipts Reserved for Appropriation - Cemetery Sale of Lots account for the capital improvement cost of a new roof for the cemetery garage, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 4

FISCAL YEAR 2016 WATER ENTERPRISE FUND TRANSFERS

To see if the Town will vote to transfer sums of money within the FY 2016 Water Enterprise Fund budget, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 5

FISCAL YEAR 2016 TRANSFER STATION ENTERPRISE FUND TRANSFERS

To see if the Town will vote to transfer sums of money within the FY 2016 Transfer Station Enterprise Fund budget, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 6

TOWN OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES

To choose all Town Officers and Committees for the ensuing year (July 1, 2016 - June 30, 2017) not required to be elected by ballot.

ARTICLE 7

FISCAL YEAR 2017 TOWN GENERAL FUND BUDGET

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds, to defray the regular expenses of the Town for the Fiscal Year July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017 for General Government, Public Safety, Nashoba Valley Technical High School, North Middlesex Regional School District, Public Works, Human Services, Culture & Recreation, Debt Service, Employee Benefits & Insurance, and Capital Outlay, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 8

FISCAL YEAR 2017 SEWER ENTERPRISE FUND

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money to defray the regular expenses of the Sewer Enterprise Fund, in accordance, with the provisions of MA General Law Chapter 44, Section 53F1/2 for the Fiscal Year July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 9

FISCAL YEAR 2017 WATER ENTERPRISE FUND

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money to defray the regular expenses of the Water Enterprise Fund, in accordance, with the provisions of MA General Law Chapter 44, Section 53F1/2 for the Fiscal Year July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 10

FISCAL YEAR 2017 TRANSFER STATION ENTERPRISE FUND

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money to defray the regular expenses of the Transfer Station Enterprise Fund, in accordance, with the provisions of MA General Law Chapter 44, Section 53F1/2 for the Fiscal Year July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 11

REVOLVING FUND REPORTS – MGL CHAPTER 44, SECTION 53E1/2

To see if the Town will vote to accept the revolving fund reports in accordance with MA General Law Chapter 44, Section 53E1/2 or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 12

REVOLVING FUNDS – MGL CHAPTER 44, SECTION 53E1/2

To see if the Town will vote, upon recommendation of the Board of Selectmen, to authorize revolving funds for certain Town departments under MA General Law Chapter 44, Section 53E1/2 for the Fiscal Year July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 13

By: Board of Selectmen

PROFESSIONAL TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE: High Street Extension

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or appropriate from available funds a sum of money not to exceed \$10,000 for the purpose of procuring professional survey and legal services to research, identify and resolve any issues associated with the town's interests in various layouts, said appropriation to be under control of the Board of Selectmen; or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 14

DISPOSAL OF TOWN OWNED SURPLUS LAND

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Administrator to sell three surplus properties owned by the Town pursuant to: 1) hiring land surveyor(s) and wetland surveyor(s) to conduct surveys that are necessary for the sale of the property, 2) selling the properties at a public auction pursuant to the Town Agreement with an auctioneer approved by the Town Administrator, 3) paying from the Town budget for the costs of the engineering surveys and any potential required attorney fees, an amount not to exceed \$10,000 prior to the auction sale, and 4) reserving the right for the Town at its discretion to reject any purchase proposals, or take any other action relative thereto.

The three parcels are 33 Chace Ave (a portion that fronts on Brookline Street), 90 Park St, and Off Nashua Rd. The total land area is approximately 11 acres, and the current assessed value is approximately \$221,500.

ARTICLE 15

By: Board of Public Works

RELOCATION OF EASEMENT: 2 – 26 Herget Drive

To see if the Town will vote to accept a permanent easement for the purposes of owning, operating and maintaining drain lines and appurtenances on the following property. Acceptance of this easement expressly dissolves and extinguishes all rights to existing twenty foot drainage easement as shown on a plan entitled “Plan of Easement, Pepperell Pine Estates”, recorded in MSDRD: Book 12351; Page: END. Executed full copy of said easement being on file in the office of the DPW Director/Town Engineer:

Record Owner: **Pinewood Estates, LLC**

Mailing Address: P.O. Box 61, Pepperell, MA 01463

Title Reference: M.S.D.R.D. Book 34783, Page 13

Interests Taken: Drainage Easement (Permanent Easement)

Area: 6,820 +/- sq. ft.

ARTICLE 16

By: Board of Public Works

ACCEPTANCE OF EASEMENT: 17-23 Shawnee Road

To see if the Town will vote to accept a permanent easement for the purposes of owning, operating and maintaining drain lines and appurtenances on the following property. Executed full copy of said easement being on file in the office of the DPW Director/Town Engineer:

Record Owner: **Southern End Realty, LLC**

Mailing Address: 1105 Lakeview Avenue, Dracut, MA 01826

Title Reference: M.S.D.R.D. Book 61959, Page 389

Interests Taken: Easement A (Permanent Easement)

Area: 1,315 sq. ft.

ARTICLE 17

LOCAL OPTION MEALS EXCISE

To see if the Town will vote to accept MA General Law Chapter 64L Section 2(a) which allows the Town to impose a local sales tax upon the sale of restaurant meals originating within the Town by a vendor at a rate of .75% of the gross receipts, or take any other action relative thereto.

And you will serve this warrant by posting a true and attested copy of same, in said Town, seven days prior to the time of said meeting. Hereof fail not and make due return of your doings herein to the Town Clerk on or before the time appointed for said meeting. Given under our hands this 11th day of April, A.D. 2016.

Stephen C. Themelis, Chairman

Michelle R. Gallagher, Clerk

Melissa M. Tzanoudakis

PEPPERELL BOARD OF SELECTMEN

CONSTABLE OF PEPPERELL