

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING WARRANT

TOWN OF HAMPDEN

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

County of Hampden

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TO: The Constables of the said Town of Hampden in said County:

Greetings: In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Hampden qualified to vote in Town affairs, to meet at Thornton W. Burgess Middle School, Wilbraham Road, Hampden, on Monday, October 26, 2015 at seven o'clock in the evening, then and there to act on the following articles:

Article 1. BENNETT ROAD EMINENT DOMAIN ARTICLE

To see if the Town will vote (1) to take by eminent domain a permanent easement for the public purpose of improved drainage along Bennett Road, a public way, over approximately 1,134 square feet of land owned by John M. O'Brien, III and Claudia M. O'Brien and being part of the premises described in a deed dated April 22, 1982 and recorded in the Hampden County Registry of Deeds in Book 5246, Page 49, as more fully described below; (2) to raise and appropriate and/or transfer from available funds a sum of money for the award of damages to the owners of the real estate on which the foregoing easement is to be located; and (3) to authorize the Board of Selectmen to make an offer of settlement, award damages, execute and record an Order of Taking and take such other steps and execute such other documents as may be necessary to carry out the foregoing, or take any other action relative thereto:

Beginning at an iron pin in the northerly line of Bennett Road, said iron pin being the southwesterly corner of the parcel herein described, said point being at land now or formerly of Joo B & Young J. Lee and running thence:

N 05° 18' 00" W along land now or formerly of Lee a distance of twenty six and 68/100 (26.68) feet to a point, thence:

N 64° 16' 30" E a distance of forty and 69/100 (40.69) feet to a point, thence:

S 25° 43' 30" E a distance of twenty five (25.00) feet to a point in the northerly line of Bennett Road, thence:

S 64° 16' 30" W along the northerly line of Bennett Road a distance of fifty (50.00) feet to the iron pin at the point of beginning.

Containing 1,134 square feet or 0.026 acres of land

Article 2. TREE REMOVAL

To see if the Town will vote to transfer from unappropriated available funds a sum of money for the removal of dead and dangerous town trees, or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 3. DUMP TRUCK BODY

To see if the Town will vote to transfer from unappropriated available funds a sum of money to purchase a stainless steel dump body and replacement of hydraulic lines and fittings for the Highway Department, or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 4. LAND DONATION

To see if the town will vote to accept conveyance to the Town, for no monetary consideration, the fee simple interest, free of liens and encumbrances, approximately twenty (20) acres of land on Mountain Road owned by John J. Brennan, William A. Hayes, the Estate of Hazel Hayes and the Estate of Patricia Brennan or their heirs, successors and assigns, for conservation purposes in accordance with the purposes set forth in General Laws Chapter 40, Section 8C, with the Conservation Commission to have administrative control or care and custody of the land, or take any other action relative thereto

Article 5. COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMISSION

To see if the Town will vote to accept the recommendations made by the Community Preservation Committee, or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 6. RESERVE FUND

To see if the Town will vote to transfer a sum of money from unappropriated available funds into the Reserve Fund, or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 7. REDUCING TAX RATE

To see if the Town will vote to transfer from unappropriated available funds a sum of money for the purpose of reducing the tax rate for Fiscal Year 2016, or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 8. GENERAL STABILIZATION ACCOUNT

To see if the Town will vote to transfer a sum of money from unappropriated available funds into the General Stabilization Account, or take any other action relative thereto.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant by posting an attested copy thereof at each of the five places designated by the Town. Hereof fail not, and make due return of this Warrant with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk at or before the time of the meeting aforesaid. Given under our hands this ____ of October 2015.

Vincent J. Villamaino

John D. Flynn

Norman Charest

Board of Selectmen

I, Arthur A. Booth, Jr., Constable for the Town of Hampden, have on this date; October 9th, 2015 posted copies of the warrant for the Town Meeting to be held on October 26th at 7:00 pm in all five places as designated by the Town of Hampden.

Constable, Town of Hampden
Arthur A. Booth, Jr.