



# TOWN OF GROVELAND

## ANNUAL TOWN MEETING WARRANT *COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS*

*Essex,ss:*

To Ronald C. Weeks, Chief of Police of the Town of Groveland, in the  
County of Essex

### **GREETINGS:**

In the name of the Commonwealth you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town who are qualified to vote in the Annual Town Meeting to meet at the **Dr. Elmer S. Bagnall School, on Monday, April 24th, 2000 @ 7:30 P.M.** to vote on the following Articles:

Meeting was called to order at 7:46 P.M. when quorum was declared by moderator Maya Ollson. General procedures were gone over. Pledge of Allegiance was done. Town Clerk, Richard T. Sciacca, read the greeting and the meeting was started.

**ARTICLE 1:** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Treasurer to enter into compensating balance agreements during Fiscal Year 2001, as permitted by Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 53F; or take any other action relative thereto.

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN RECOMMEND FAVORABLE ACTION**

**FINANCE BOARD RECOMMENDS FAVORABLE ACTION**

**ACTION TAKEN: MOTION MOVED AND SECONDED FOR FAVORABLE ACTION. NO DISCUSSION. VOTED UNANIMOUS FAVORABLE ACTION.**

**ARTICLE 9:** To see if the Town will vote to delete in its entirety the following General Bylaw, "Sec. 2-21. Notice. Every Town Meeting shall be notified by posting copies of the Warrant calling the same, in not less than three (3) public places in the town, fourteen (14) days at least before the day appointed for said meeting; one (1) of said copies to be posted in that part of the town known as "Savaryville", one (1) in that part of the town known as the "Village", and one (1) in that part of the town known as "South Groveland" and replace it with the following:

"Sec. 2-21. Notice. Every Town Meeting shall be notified by posting copies of the Warrant calling the same, in not less than three (3) public places in the town, seven (7) days at least before the Annual Town Meeting, and fourteen (14) days at least before a Special Town Meeting; one (1) of said copies to be posted in that part of the town known as "Savaryville", one (1) in that part of the town known as the "Village", and one (1) in that part of the town known as "South Groveland"; or take an other action relative thereto.

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN RECOMMEND** Motion to table and seconded . Voted to Table  
**FINANCE BOARD RECOMMENDS**  
**ACTION TAKEN: TABLED**

**ARTICLE 10:** To see if the town will vote to amend General Bylaws Section 2-24. "Quorums", by deleting in their entirety paragraphs (a) and (b) which read as follows:

"(a) Annual Town Meeting. A quorum at an Annual Town Meeting shall consist of not less than one hundred (100) of the legal voters of the town.

(b) Special Town Meeting for appropriations. A quorum at a Special Town Meeting shall consist of not less than fifteen (15) of the legal voters of the town to vote on any Article for transfer or appropriation of funds not exceeding Ten Thousand (\$10,000.00) Dollars, and a quorum of not less than one hundred (100) of the legal voters of the town is required to vote on any Article for transfer or appropriation of funds exceeding Ten Thousand (\$10,000.00) Dollars."

and adding the following paragraph in their place:

"A quorum at any Annual or Special Town Meeting shall consist of not less than one hundred (100) legal voters of the town."  
or take any other action relative thereto.

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN RECOMMEND FAVORABLE ACTION**

**FINANCE BOARD RECOMMENDS**  
**ACTION TAKEN: Moved and seconded for favorable action. Voted favorable action.**

**ARTICLE 11:** To hear reports of committees and act thereon.

**THE THIRD SESSION OF THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER BY THE MODERATOR, MAYA OLLSON, WHEN A LEGAL QUAORUM OF VOTERS WERE CERTIFIED.**

**WITH THE DEATH OF BOARD OF ASSESSOR MEMBER R. BURKE BEVALAQUA, (ALSO A MEMBER OF THE VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPT, FORMER FINANCE BOARD MEMBER, AS WELL AS ACTIVE TOWN CITIZEN IN MANY TOWN ACTIVITIES) A MOMENT OF SILENCE WAS HELD.**

**Remarks were made to the citizens by chairman of the board of selectmen, Kathleen Kastrinelis. Kastrinelis stated the following points: Using a pink handout, enclosed)**

1. Due to the failure of overrides totaling \$238,000 Selectmen must make recommendations to bring the Annual Town Budgets into balance.
2. Selectmen reviewed all budgets and met with Finance Committee, department heads and Finance Director to arrive at their recommendations.
3. Selectmen will make recommendations to maintain essential town services and to plan ahead for the next five years.
4. Recommendations:
  - Budgets previously voted:
  - Reconsider Article 12: Town Omnibus and seek reduction to line 23 "rubbish Contract Expense" of \$157,000 and increase line item 24 "Water Expenses by \$25,000 to reimburse Town Health Insurance.
  - Reconsider Article 19: Pentucket Supplemental Budget and recommend "favorable action" with no override.
  - Articles 13 thru 43 not yet voted: Recommend "favorable action" on only those articles necessary to maintain the current level of town services. Recommend "unfavorable action" on all articles for new debt, additional hours and/or new services.
  - Conclusion: If town meeting follows the Selectmen recommendations the budget will be balanced. An override vote is scheduled for June 21, 2000. At that time the voters of the town will be given one last opportunity to fully fund the rubbish contract. If the override passes then the Fall Town Meeting will vote the additional funds into the rubbish contract. If the override fails then the rubbish pickup will be discontinued at some point during the Fiscal 2001.

**In making these recommendations to the voters the Selectmen stated the following procedures which they based their decision on. ( Handout of a purple sheet, which shall be enclosed as part of the official record).**

**As you know the Fiscal Town Budget became out of balance when the two override questions for \$187,000.00 and \$51,000.00 failed. The Selectmen conducted numerous meetings to determine the best recommendation to balance the budget. Actions taken by the board to resolve this problem include:**

1. Coordinating with the Superintendent of Schools and various school committee members to determine if the Pentucket assessment could be further reduced.
2. Meeting with department heads and Finance Committee to discuss the impact on town services of reductions to their budgets.
3. Work session of the Board of Selectmen with the town Finance Director to review the financial forecast and determine responsible options to balance the town budget.

The Selectmen identified three key objectives:

- 1.) Maintain essential town services and ensure that any reduction to town budgets are fair-i.e. they do not target one segment of the town population.
- 2.) Plan ahead for the next five years so that actions taken this year's town meeting have a positive impact on next year's finances.
- 3.) Present one recommendation to town meeting and strive to win town meeting support.

Based on these actions and objectives the Selectmen recommend as follows:

1. For articles previously voted and approved at the first session of the Annual Town Meeting
  - Selectmen will make the motion to reconsider Article 12: The Town Omnibus and seek a reduction to line 23 "Rubbish Contract Expenses" of \$157,000.00 and increase line 24 "Water Expenses" by \$25,000.00 to reimburse the Town for health insurance costs.
  - School Committee will make a motion to reconsider Article 19: the Pentucket Supplemental Budget and Selectmen will recommend "favorable action" on the article with no override.
2. For articles not yet voted by the Town Meeting Selectmen will recommend as follows:
  - Article 13: 4% Raise for non-contractual Employees: Favorable action since the prior town meeting has already approved similar increases for all contractual employees.
  - Articles 14 & 15: Unfavorable action since these articles increase hours beyond the current level of town services. These two articles will be forwarded to the Personnel Board for review at next year's annual town meeting.
  - Article 16: Favorable action since it sets the salaries previously voted.
  - Article 17, 18, & 20: Favorable action for school assessments.
  - Article 21 & 22: No action needed. Article 21 may be tabled and Article 22 was voted favorable action at the first session of town meeting and override passes.
  - Article 23 & 24: Favorable action. The first article is a mandatory payment and the second article maintains current town services.
  - Article 25 & 26: Unfavorable action. Both articles are new to the town budget and will be further evaluated for the next year's annual town meeting.

- **Article 27: Unfavorable action.** The Board of Selectmen will recommend that the entire proceeds from the sale of town owned land in Article 35 (equal to \$50,000.00) be placed in the Conservation fund and this money can be used on land appraisals and acquisitions.
- **Article 28 & 29: Unfavorable action.** The Board of Selectmen recommends that both articles be reviewed by the Capital Planning Committee to ensure that the money is set aside in the town budget to make the future bond payments.
- **Article 30: Unfavorable action:** This is an addition to current town services. Selectmen will recommend that this be reviewed and recommended on by the Personnel Board for next year's meeting.
- **Article 31: Unfavorable action.** There is funding still available from the Fiscal 2000 budget that can be carried over to Fiscal 2001.
- **Article 32 & 33: Favorable action** since these articles add to town budget.
- **Article 34: Favorable action.** No direct impact on town budget.
- **Article 35: Favorable action.** Selectmen recommend that the funds from this sale be placed in the Conservation fund for use on future open space appraisals and acquisition.
- **Article 36: Favorable action.** No impact on town budget.
- **Article 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, and 42: Favorable action.** These articles use only those revenues that are available in the revolving funds and so they do not impact the towns operating budget,
- **Article 43: Table.** This are no longer valid.
- **Conclusion:]** If the town meting follows these recommendations then the budget will be balanced. The Selectmen have scheduled an override election for June 21, 2000. The question on the ballot asks voters to increase the town budget by &157,000.00 to fully fund the trash contract. If the ballot questions passes then the Selectmen will place an article on the Fall own Meeting to fully fund the trash contract. If the ballot question fails then the Selectmen will re-negotiate the rubbish contract to continue services for as long as possible in Fiscal 2001. Residents will receive notification of how long the town will be able to provide curbside pickup and will be given information on how to arrange to rubbish disposal after curbside pickup ends. The Selectmen chose to reduce rubbish collection services over other town services because they believe:
  1. This is a service that the homweowners can provide on their own if the override3 fails.
  2. It is a fair reduction because it impacts all residents of the town equally.
  3. The rubbish contract over the last ten years continues to increase more than 2 ½% each year and the

Selectmen's long term plan is to consider providing a "pay as you throw" trash program that is not funded by the town operating budget. This program has not yet been fully evaluated and so cannot be offered to the town in Fiscal 2001.

Finance Committee member John Soucy spoke for the board: He stated that what was voted at the first town meeting session was a balanced budget. At the second session held no action took place. Thus, if all other articles left on the warrant are voted in the unfavorable action mode (except for the schools (which will be underfunded if not voted for as to heir supplemental budget request.

Motion was made to reconsider Article 12 Omnibus article by Kastrinelis and seconded by Sheehan.

Under discussion:

1. A question was raised by Debra Webster. "If Article 19 was voted on (School Supplemental Budget" why do we need to open the Omnibus Article?
2. Kastrinelis response was, " If Article 19 was voted and if the people will follow the selectmen's advice, then the Omnibus budget has to be open to cut the rubbish contract."
3. Ann Howland, finance board Chair stated the the Finance Board is not in favor of opening the Omnibus budget". Nor are they in favor of re-considering the school supplemental budget article.
4. Gordon Blaquiere stated that article 19 should be dealt with first.
5. Point of order was raised by School Board member, Carol Grazio. "Can you re-consider an issue again? Town Counsel sated only once."
6. Clark Jenkins stated that the town asked for direction from the selectmen and they can with directions for the townspeople to follow.

Voted 2/3 majority to re-consider the Omnibus

Omnibus Budget having been opened the following action took place:

1. Article 23, 24, and 25 had hold place on them.
  - Article 23 was first taken up with the following debate:
  - Kastrinelis made a motion to reduce the rubbish contract by the sum of \$157,000.00.
  - Point of order was raised. "Years ago an override was passed for rubbish. Can it be cut?" No response was given
  - John Soucy, finance member asked how did you come up with 157,000 dollars. And why did

you pick trash as the solution to the budget solution problem?

- Tom Moses , Finance direction stated that the contract was well up over 13%.
- Selectman Sheehan stated that it was not responsible for Groveland to cut Schools since if we choose to do this it effect two other towns, West Newbury, and Merrimac children and citizens. Rubbish cuts will effect only Groveland People.
- Darrel Rowe stated that when the budget comes to a crunch trash is always cut. He went on to state that under the regional agreement passed . The School Board had a budget. It also was to get action on a supplemental budget. Let the School board go back and look at the budget."
- Question was asked if we go out for rubbish contract bids, answer yes.
- Kastrinellis responded that rubbish is not always the item to take the hit when the budget is out of balanced. She state that if the School Board supplemental budget is voted unfavorable the school board will not reduce their budget enough to balance the entire budget.
- Motion was made and seonded to reduce the rubbish contract line from \$330,655.00 to \$173,655.
- Under discussion:
- Doreen Blades: Because of the cost of living increases should not the town be looking at 2 ½ overrides?
- Tom Moses stated that the costs are going up more then 2 ½. That is the problem.
- John Soucy response Blades: Yes revenues are limited to 2 ½, however the Town Meeting votes on all spending article. Thus they can control expenditures.

Motion was moved and seconded to end discussion: Voted favorable to cut said amount from rubbish.

Motion made to increase Water Expenses from \$165,962.00 to \$187,212  
No discussion took place. Voted Favorably by 2/3 majority.

Motion made and seconded to amend line item 25 from \$44,011 to \$47,761.00  
No discussion to place. Voted favorable by 2/3 vote.

Motion to close and seconded Ominibus budget. Voted favorable to do so.

**ARTICLE 12:** To raise the following sums to defray Town charges for the ensuing year ending June 30, 2001 and make appropriations therefor, or take any other action relative thereto:

	Appropriated FY'00	Requested FY'01	FinComm Recommends
<b>GENERAL GOVERNMENT</b>			
<b>1 SELECTMEN</b>			
Selectmen's Stipend	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00
Admin. Asst. Salary	\$ 36,718.00	\$ 36,718.00	\$ 36,718.00
Expenses	\$ 4,500.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00
<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 42,718.00</b>	<b>\$ 43,218.00</b>	<b>\$ 43,218.00</b>
<b>2 MODERATOR</b>			
Moderator's Stipend	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00
<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 100.00</b>	<b>\$ 100.00</b>	<b>\$ 100.00</b>
<b>3 TOWN ACCOUNTANT</b>			
Accountant's Salary	\$ 32,769.00	\$ 32,769.00	\$ 32,769.00
Expenses	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00
Town Audit	\$ 14,000.00	\$ 14,000.00	\$ 14,000.00
<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 48,269.00</b>	<b>\$ 48,269.00</b>	<b>\$ 48,269.00</b>
<b>4 DEPARTMENT OF BUDGET &amp; FINANCE</b>			
Finance Director's Salary	\$ 71,558.00	\$ 75,920.00	\$ 75,920.00
Asst. Treasurer/Collector's Salary	\$ 29,640.00	\$ 29,640.00	\$ 29,640.00
Treasury/Collection Clerk	\$ 17,251.00	\$ 18,792.00	\$ 18,792.00
Tax Title-Treasury/Collection	\$ 6,297.00	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 8,000.00
Expense	\$ 13,500.00	\$ 13,500.00	\$ 13,500.00
<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 138,246.00</b>	<b>\$ 145,852.00</b>	<b>\$ 145,852.00</b>
<b>5 TOWN CLERK</b>			
Town Clerk's Salary	\$ 26,536.29	\$ 33,517.00	\$ 33,517.00
Elections & Registrations	\$ 5,950.00	\$ 10,675.00	\$ 10,675.00
Expenses	\$ 1,017.00	\$ 5,390.00	\$ 2,500.00
<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 33,503.29</b>	<b>\$ 49,582.00</b>	<b>\$ 46,692.00</b>
<b>6 TOWN COUNSEL</b>			
Legal Expense	\$ 21,000.00	\$ 21,000.00	\$ 21,000.00
<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 21,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 21,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 21,000.00</b>
<b>7 BOARD OF ASSESSORS</b>			
Assessors' Stipends	\$ 900.00	\$ 900.00	\$ 900.00
Assessors Manager's Salary	\$ 28,064.00	\$ 28,064.00	\$ 28,064.00
Expenses	\$ 1,100.00	\$ 1,100.00	\$ 1,100.00
Revaluation Maintenance	\$ 13,500.00	\$ 26,000.00	\$ 26,000.00
Maps - Updating	\$ 1,700.00	\$ 1,700.00	\$ 1,700.00
<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 45,264.00</b>	<b>\$ 57,764.00</b>	<b>\$ 57,764.00</b>



## FY'01 OMNIBUS BUDGET WITH FINCOM RECOMMENDATIONS

		Appropriated FY'00	Requested FY'01	FinComm Recommends
8	<b>PLANNING BOARD</b>			
	Board Members' Stipends	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00
	Expenses	\$ 2,394.00	\$ 8,358.00	\$ 4,000.00
	<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 3,894.00</b>	<b>\$ 9,858.00</b>	<b>\$ 5,500.00</b>
9	<b>ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS</b>			
	Board Members' Stipends	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00
	Contracted Services & Expenses	\$ 1,669.00	\$ 1,669.00	\$ 1,669.00
	<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 2,169.00</b>	<b>\$ 2,169.00</b>	<b>\$ 2,169.00</b>
10	<b>CONSERVATION COMMISSION</b>			
	Board Members' Stipends	\$ 1,400.00	\$ 1,400.00	\$ 1,400.00
	<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 1,400.00</b>	<b>\$ 1,400.00</b>	<b>\$ 1,400.00</b>
11	<b>MERRIMACK VALLEY PLANNING COMMISSION</b>			
	Assessment	\$ 1,664.00	\$ 1,704.85	\$ 1,704.85
	<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 1,664.00</b>	<b>\$ 1,704.85</b>	<b>\$ 1,704.85</b>
12	<b>UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION</b>			
	Expense	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 4,000.00
	<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 4,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 4,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 4,000.00</b>
13	<b>MUNICIPAL FIELDS &amp; WATER</b>			
	Expense	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00
	<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 2,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 2,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 2,000.00</b>
14	<b>PARKING CLERK</b>			
	Expense	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00
	<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 500.00</b>	<b>\$ 500.00</b>	<b>\$ 500.00</b>
15	<b>MUNICIPAL BUILDING COMPLEX</b>			
	Supt. of Buildings - Wages	\$ 6,025.00	\$ 6,025.00	\$ 6,025.00
	Expenses *	\$ 79,856.00	\$ 79,856.00	\$ 79,856.00
	Computer -Hardware Mtce & Lic. Fees	\$ 10,576.00	\$ 11,537.00	\$ 11,537.00
	<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 96,457.00</b>	<b>\$ 97,418.00</b>	<b>\$ 97,418.00</b>

\* In prior years this item was split into multiple categories.

<b>TOTAL GENERAL GOVERNMENT</b>	<b>\$ 441,184.29</b>	<b>\$ 484,834.85</b>	<b>\$ 477,586.85</b>
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FY'01 OMNIBUS BUDGET WITH FINCOM RECOMMENDATIONS

	Appropriated FY'00	Requested FY'01	FinComm Recommends
<b>PROTECTION OF PERSONS &amp; PROPERTY</b>			
<b>16 POLICE DEPARTMENT</b>			
Chief's Salary	\$ 57,376.00	\$ 58,240.00	\$ 58,240.00
Lieutenant's Salary	\$ 46,365.00	\$ 48,215.56	\$ 48,215.56
Lieutenant's Salary	\$ 37,582.00	\$ 47,288.42	\$ 47,288.42
Patrolmen's Salary	\$ 187,675.00	\$ 200,613.26	\$ 200,613.26
Secretary's Salary	\$ 17,432.00	\$ 17,432.00	\$ 17,432.00
Other Wages	\$ 82,770.00	\$ 80,506.00	\$ 80,506.00
Incentive Wages	\$ 50,254.00	\$ 55,964.06	\$ 55,964.06
Cruiser	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 25,750.00	\$ 25,750.00
Harbormaster Stipend	\$ 100.00	\$ -	\$ -
Harbormaster Expenses	\$ 500.00	\$ -	\$ -
Other Expenses	\$ 36,402.00	\$ 38,335.00	\$ 38,335.00
Universal Cops Grant	\$ 9,772.00	\$ 7,514.00	\$ 7,514.00
<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 551,228.00</b>	<b>\$ 579,858.30</b>	<b>\$ 579,858.30</b>
<b>17 COMMUNICATIONS</b>			
Wages	\$ 140,155.00	\$ 145,253.00	\$ 145,253.00
Expenses	\$ 6,450.00	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 6,000.00
<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 146,605.00</b>	<b>\$ 151,253.00</b>	<b>\$ 151,253.00</b>
<b>18 ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER</b>			
Contract Wages	\$ 6,025.00	\$ 6,025.00	\$ 6,025.00
Expenses	\$ 2,866.00	\$ 2,600.00	\$ 2,600.00
<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 8,891.00</b>	<b>\$ 8,625.00</b>	<b>\$ 8,625.00</b>
<b>19 FIRE DEPARTMENT</b>			
Fire Engineers' Stipends	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00
Chief's Salary	\$ 9,850.00	\$ 9,850.00	\$ 9,850.00
Clerk's Salary	\$ 1,179.00	\$ 1,179.00	\$ 1,179.00
Firefighter Wages	\$ 35,467.00	\$ 35,467.00	\$ 35,467.00
Inspector's Wages	\$ 1,504.00	\$ 1,504.00	\$ 1,504.00
Drill Wages	\$ 4,160.00	\$ 4,160.00	\$ 4,160.00
Expenses	\$ 51,581.00	\$ 53,700.00	\$ 53,700.00
<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 104,241.00</b>	<b>\$ 106,360.00</b>	<b>\$ 106,360.00</b>
<b>20 AMBULANCE SERVICE</b>			
Contracted Expense	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 15,000.00
<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 15,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 15,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 15,000.00</b>
<b>21 INSPECTORS</b>			
Wiring Inspector	\$ 4,500.00	\$ 4,500.00	\$ 4,500.00
Plumbing & Gas Inspector	\$ 6,500.00	\$ 6,500.00	\$ 6,500.00
Building Inspector	\$ 30,000.00	\$ 30,000.00	\$ 30,000.00
<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 41,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 41,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 41,000.00</b>
<b>TOTAL PROTECTION OF PERSONS &amp; PROPERTY</b>	<b>\$ 866,965.00</b>	<b>\$ 902,096.30</b>	<b>\$ 902,096.30</b>

**FY'01 OMNIBUS BUDGET WITH FINCOM RECOMMENDATIONS**

	<b>Appropriated FY'00</b>	<b>Requested FY'01</b>	<b>FinComm Recommends</b>
<b>HEALTH &amp; SANITATION</b>			
<b>22 BOARD OF HEALTH</b>			
Board Members' Stipends	\$ 900.00	\$ 900.00	\$ 900.00
Health Nurse Wages	\$ 5,012.00	\$ 5,012.00	\$ 5,012.00
Health /Sanitarian Agent Wages	\$ 35,360.00	\$ 35,360.00	\$ 35,360.00
Part-time Clerk Wages	\$ 5,793.00	\$ 5,793.00	\$ 5,793.00
Expenses	\$ 4,500.00	\$ 4,500.00	\$ 4,500.00
<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 51,565.00</b>	<b>\$ 51,565.00</b>	<b>\$ 51,565.00</b>
<b>23 RUBBISH COLLECTION</b>			
Contract Administrator	\$ 6,265.00	\$ 6,265.00	\$ 6,265.00
Contract Expense	\$ 317,434.00	\$ 330,655.00	\$ 330,655.00
<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 323,699.00</b>	<b>\$ 336,920.00</b>	<b>\$ 336,920.00</b>
<b>TOTAL HEALTH &amp; SANITATION</b>	<b>\$ 375,264.00</b>	<b>\$ 388,485.00</b>	<b>\$ 388,485.00</b>

**WATER AND SEWER**

<b>24 WATER</b>			
Commissioners Stipend	\$ 900.00	\$ 900.00	\$ 900.00
Superintendent	\$ 38,372.00	\$ 38,372.00	\$ 38,372.00
Office Manager	\$ 21,297.00	\$ 21,297.00	\$ 21,297.00
Equip. Oper. & Laborer	\$ 76,405.00	\$ 76,405.00	\$ 76,405.00
Overtime & On Call	\$ 16,874.00	\$ 16,874.00	\$ 16,874.00
Expenses	\$ 146,471.00	\$ 165,962.00	\$ 165,962.00
Bonded Debt. Prin. & Int.	\$ 129,681.00	\$ 114,746.00	\$ 114,746.00
<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 430,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 434,556.00</b>	<b>\$ 434,556.00</b>
<b>25 SEWER</b>			
Commissioners Stipend	\$ 300.00	\$ 300.00	\$ 300.00
Superintendent	\$ 6,771.00	\$ 6,771.00	\$ 6,771.00
Office Manager	\$ 3,758.00	\$ 3,758.00	\$ 3,758.00
Equip. Oper. & Laborer	\$ 13,483.00	\$ 13,483.00	\$ 13,483.00
Overtime & On Call	\$ 4,460.00	\$ 4,460.00	\$ 4,460.00
Expenses	\$ 44,011.00	\$ 44,011.00	\$ 44,011.00
Bonded Debt. Prin. & Int.	\$ 2,760.00	\$ 2,760.00	\$ 2,760.00
Haverhill Wastewater Plant	\$ 76,956.00	\$ 76,956.00	\$ 76,956.00
Haverhill Capital Bond	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00
<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 154,999.00</b>	<b>\$ 157,499.00</b>	<b>\$ 157,499.00</b>

<b>TOTAL WATER &amp; SEWER</b>	<b>\$ 584,999.00</b>	<b>\$ 592,055.00</b>	<b>\$ 592,055.00</b>
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FY'01 OMNIBUS BUDGET WITH FINCOM RECOMMENDATIONS

		Appropriated FY'00	Requested FY'01	FinComm Recommends
<b>ALL OTHERS</b>				
26	<b>TREE WARDEN</b>			
	Tree Warden Stipend	\$ 300.00	\$ 300.00	\$ 300.00
	Expenses	\$ 7,000.00	\$ 7,000.00	\$ 7,000.00
	<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 7,300.00</b>	<b>\$ 7,300.00</b>	<b>\$ 7,300.00</b>
27	<b>HIGHWAYS</b>			
	Road Commissioner's Salary	\$ 47,013.00	\$ 47,013.00	\$ 47,013.00
	Laborer/Operator/Driver *	\$ 112,752.00	\$ 118,000.00	\$ 118,000.00
	Part Time Help - Wages	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 20,000.00
	Emergency Overtime	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00
	Highway Expense	\$ 5,900.00	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 6,000.00
	Front End Loader (Lease)	\$ 17,005.00	\$ 17,005.00	\$ 17,005.00
	Snow & Ice Removal	\$ 50,000.00	\$ 50,000.00	\$ 50,000.00
	Road Machinery Expense	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 20,000.00
	Road Maintenance Expense	\$ 132,000.00	\$ 116,000.00	\$ 118,000.00
	<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 406,170.00</b>	<b>\$ 404,018.00</b>	<b>\$ 406,018.00</b>
	* Subject to contract negotiations			
28	<b>VETERANS</b>			
	Veteran's Benefits	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00
	Veteran's Agent	\$ 2,988.00	\$ 3,368.00	\$ 3,368.00
	<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 3,488.00</b>	<b>\$ 3,868.00</b>	<b>\$ 3,868.00</b>
29	<b>LIBRARY</b>			
	Library Director's Salary	\$ 32,724.00	\$ 34,689.00	\$ 34,689.00
	Library Staff Wages	\$ 46,002.00	\$ 46,002.00	\$ 46,002.00
	Summer Help - Page Wages	\$ 4,926.00	\$ 5,616.00	\$ 5,616.00
	Expenses	\$ 25,788.00	\$ 30,900.00	\$ 30,900.00
	<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 109,440.00</b>	<b>\$ 117,207.00</b>	<b>\$ 117,207.00</b>
30	<b>COUNCIL ON AGING</b>			
	Director's Salary	\$ 19,409.60	\$ 26,936.00	\$ 26,936.00
	Senior Aide (1) Salary	\$ 8,619.00	\$ 8,619.00	\$ 8,619.00
	Senior Aide (2) Salary	\$ 8,619.00	\$ 8,619.00	\$ 8,619.00
	Part Time Van Driver	\$ 3,328.00	\$ 3,328.00	\$ 3,328.00
	Expenses	\$ 5,872.00	\$ 8,700.00	\$ 8,700.00
	<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 45,847.60</b>	<b>\$ 56,202.00</b>	<b>\$ 56,202.00</b>
31	<b>CEMETERY</b>			
	Commissioners' Stipends	\$ 300.00	\$ 300.00	\$ 300.00
	Part Time Wages	\$ 15,600.00	\$ 15,600.00	\$ 15,600.00
	Expenses	\$ 3,500.00	\$ 3,500.00	\$ 3,500.00
	<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 19,400.00</b>	<b>\$ 19,400.00</b>	<b>\$ 19,400.00</b>

## FY'01 OMNIBUS BUDGET WITH FINCOM RECOMMENDATIONS

		Appropriated FY'00	Requested FY'01	FinComm Recommends
32	<b>RECREATION DEPARTMENT</b>			
	Expenses	\$ 700.00	\$ 7,000.00	\$ 700.00
	<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<u>\$ 700.00</u>	<u>\$ 7,000.00</u>	<u>\$ 700.00</u>
33	<b>ELDER SERVICES OF MERRIMACK VALLEY</b>			
	Assessment	\$ 392.00	\$ 392.00	\$ 392.00
	<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<u>\$ 392.00</u>	<u>\$ 392.00</u>	<u>\$ 392.00</u>
34	<b>MEMORIAL DAY SERVICES</b>			
	Expenses	\$ 550.00	\$ 550.00	\$ 550.00
	<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<u>\$ 550.00</u>	<u>\$ 550.00</u>	<u>\$ 550.00</u>
35	<b>AD-HOC COMMITTEES</b>			
	Expenses	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00
	<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<u>\$ 500.00</u>	<u>\$ 500.00</u>	<u>\$ 500.00</u>
36	<b>TOWN REPORTS</b>			
	Expenses	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 4,000.00
	<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<u>\$ 4,000.00</u>	<u>\$ 4,000.00</u>	<u>\$ 4,000.00</u>
37	<b>INSURANCE</b>			
	Expenses	\$ 55,000.00	\$ 55,000.00	\$ 55,000.00
	<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<u>\$ 55,000.00</u>	<u>\$ 55,000.00</u>	<u>\$ 55,000.00</u>
38	<b>EMPLOYEES' HEALTH INSURANCE</b>			
	Expenses	\$ 167,000.00	\$ 186,000.00	\$ 186,000.00
	<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<u>\$ 167,000.00</u>	<u>\$ 186,000.00</u>	<u>\$ 186,000.00</u>
39	<b>EMPLOYEES' LIFE INSURANCE</b>			
	Expenses	\$ 1,900.00	\$ 2,600.00	\$ 2,600.00
	<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<u>\$ 1,900.00</u>	<u>\$ 2,600.00</u>	<u>\$ 2,600.00</u>
40	<b>ESSEX COUNTY RETIREMENT FUND</b>			
	Assessment	\$ 202,049.00	\$ 211,135.00	\$ 211,135.00
	<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<u>\$ 202,049.00</u>	<u>\$ 211,135.00</u>	<u>\$ 211,135.00</u>
41	<b>HAVERHILL RETIREMENT BOARD</b>			
	Assessment	\$ 807.00	\$ 807.00	\$ 807.00
	<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<u>\$ 807.00</u>	<u>\$ 807.00</u>	<u>\$ 807.00</u>
42	<b>MEDICARE TAX</b>			
	Expenses	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 17,050.00	\$ 17,050.00
	<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<u>\$ 15,000.00</u>	<u>\$ 17,050.00</u>	<u>\$ 17,050.00</u>
43	<b>STREET LIGHTING</b>			
	Expenses	\$ 24,500.00	\$ 24,500.00	\$ 24,500.00
	<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<u>\$ 24,500.00</u>	<u>\$ 24,500.00</u>	<u>\$ 24,500.00</u>

FY'01 OMNIBUS BUDGET WITH FINCOM RECOMMENDATIONS

	Appropriated FY'00	Requested FY'01	FinComm Recommends
<b>44 CIVIL DEFENSE</b>			
Director's Stipend	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00
Expenses	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00
<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 1,100.00</b>	<b>\$ 600.00</b>	<b>\$ 600.00</b>
<b>45 COMPUTER SYSTEM CONSULTANT</b>			
Contracted Expense	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,000.00
<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 3,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 3,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 3,000.00</b>
<b>46 HISTORIC COMMISSION</b>			
Expenses	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00
<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 1,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 1,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 1,000.00</b>
<b>47 DEBT INTEREST</b>			
Used Fire Truck (98)	\$ 5,141.00	\$ 4,660.00	\$ 4,660.00
Fire Truck (96)	\$ 1,436.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00
Police Radio (96)	\$ 603.00	\$ -	\$ -
Highway Truck (95)	\$ 890.00	\$ -	\$ -
Generator (95)	\$ 215.00	\$ -	\$ -
Breathing Equipment (99)	\$ -	\$ 4,167.00	\$ 4,167.00
Veasey Park (97)	\$ 5,252.00	\$ 4,815.00	\$ 4,815.00
Bagnall School (91)	\$ 149,250.00	\$ 133,750.00	\$ 133,750.00
Dump Truck (99)	\$ 1,057.00	\$ 1,180.00	\$ 1,180.00
Storm Drainage (99)	\$ 5,698.00	\$ 6,439.00	\$ 6,439.00
Short Term Borrowing	\$ -	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,500.00
<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 169,542.00</b>	<b>\$ 158,511.00</b>	<b>\$ 158,511.00</b>
<b>48 DEBT PRINCIPAL</b>			
Used Fire Truck (98)	\$ 50,000.00	\$ 50,000.00	\$ 50,000.00
Fire Truck (96)	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 20,000.00
Police Radio (96)	\$ 16,800.00	\$ -	\$ -
Highway Truck (95)	\$ 24,800.00	\$ -	\$ -
Generator (95)	\$ 6,000.00	\$ -	\$ -
Breathing Equipment (99)	\$ -	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 20,000.00
Veasey Park (97)	\$ 50,000.00	\$ 96,300.00	\$ 96,300.00
Bagnall School (91)	\$ 250,000.00	\$ 250,000.00	\$ 250,000.00
Dump Truck (99)	\$ 6,800.00	\$ 6,800.00	\$ 6,800.00
Storm Drainage (99)	\$ 35,000.00	\$ 35,000.00	\$ 35,000.00
Short Term Borrowing	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 459,400.00</b>	<b>\$ 478,100.00</b>	<b>\$ 478,100.00</b>
<b>TOTAL ALL OTHERS</b>	<b>\$1,698,085.60</b>	<b>\$1,758,740.00</b>	<b>\$1,761,720.00</b>

**FY'01 OMNIBUS BUDGET WITH FINCOM RECOMMENDATIONS**

	<b>Appropriated FY'00</b>	<b>Requested FY'01</b>	<b>FinComm Recommends</b>
<b>TOTALS BY CATEGORY</b>			
GENERAL GOVERNMENT	\$ 441,184.29	\$ 484,834.85	\$ 477,586.85
PROTECTION OF PERSONS & PROP	\$ 866,965.00	\$ 902,096.30	\$ 902,096.30
HEALTH & SANITATION	\$ 375,264.00	\$ 388,485.00	\$ 388,485.00
WATER & SEWER	\$ 584,999.00	\$ 592,055.00	\$ 592,055.00
ALL OTHERS	\$ 1,698,085.60	\$ 1,758,740.00	\$ 1,761,720.00
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>\$3,966,497.89</b>	<b>\$4,126,211.15</b>	<b>\$4,121,943.15</b>

**SCHOOL ARTICLES**

PENTUCKET	\$3,660,509.00	\$3,926,914.00	\$3,926,914.00
WHITTIER	\$178,429.00	\$228,393.00	\$228,393.00
ESSEX AGGIE	\$14,159.00	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00
<b>TOTAL WITH SCHOOLS</b>	<b>\$7,819,594.89</b>	<b>\$8,301,518.15</b>	<b>\$8,297,250.15</b>

# **TOWN OF GROVELAND**

## **ANNUAL TOWN MEETING WARRANT**

### **COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS**

*Essex,ss:*

To Ronald C. Weeks, Chief of Police of the Town of Groveland, in the County of Essex

#### **GREETINGS:**

In the name of the Commonwealth you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town who are qualified to vote in the Annual Town Meeting to meet at the **Dr. Elmer S. Bagnall School, on Monday, April 24th, 2000 @ 7:30 P.M.** to vote on the following Articles:

Article 12:

Article 12 was acted on at the in the first session of the town meeting, April 24, 2000. Any articles which voters wished to have clarification on , or figures increased or decreased were placed on hold. The moderator then preceded to deal with each hold item.

Under Highway Section 27 The Road Commissioner by a motion changed two line items: I, Robert Arakelian, Road Commissioner, hereby move that the Laborer/Operator/Driver salaries requested for the "FY "01 be increased from \$118,000.00 to \$125,280.00; and that the Road Maintenance Expenses budget requested for FY"01 be reduced from \$116,000.00 to \$110,720.00.

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN RECOMMEND FAVORABLE ACTION**

**FINANCE BOARD RECOMMENDS FAVORABLE/UNFAVORABLE ACTION**

**ACTION TAKEN:** Article 12 was voted as amemnded at the first as well as the third session of town meeting.



GROVELAND ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

MOTION

Article 12

Line Item 27 Highways

Date: April 24, 2000

I, Robert Arakelian, Road Commissioner, hereby move that the Laborer/Operator/Driver salaries requested for FY '01 be increased from \$118,000.00 to \$125,280.00; and that the Road Maintenance Expense budget requested for FY'01 be reduced from \$116,000.00 to \$108,720.00.

*accepted 110,720*

Respectfully submitted,

Signed: *Robert Arakelian*

Action taken: *Voted as Amended*

Date: *April 24, 2000*

**ARTICLE 13:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of TWENTY-SEVEN THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED FORTY-FIVE DOLLARS (\$27,345.00) to award non-contractual employees a four percent (4%) raise for FY 2001; or take any other action relative thereto.

NOTE: Administrative Assistant - \$1,469.00 to Line Item #01-5-122-110-01;  
Town Accountant - \$1,311.00 to Line Item #01-5-135-110;  
Assistant Treasurer/Collector - \$1,186.00 to Line Item #01-5-145-110;  
Treasurer/Collector's Clerk - \$ 752.00 to Line Item #01-5-146-110-03;  
Town Clerk - \$1,341.00 to Line Item 01-5-161-110;  
Assessor's Manager - \$1,123.00 to Line Item #01-5-141-110-02;  
Superintendent of Buildings - \$241.00 to Line Item #01-5-192-110-04;  
Police Chief's Secretary - \$697.00 to Line Item #01-5-210-110-08;  
Police Other Wages - \$887.00 to Line Item #01-5-210-110-09;  
Communications Part-time Dispatchers - \$947.00 to Line Item #01-5-215-110;  
Animal Control Officer - \$241.00 to Line Item #01-5-292-110;  
Fire Chief - \$394.00 to Line Item #01-5-220-110-5;  
Fire Clerk - \$ 48.00 to Line Item #01-5-220-110-3;  
Firefighters - \$1,419.00 to Line Item #01-5-220-110;  
Fire Inspectors - \$61.00 to Line Item #01-5-220-110-10;  
Fire Drill Wages - \$167.00 to Line Item #01-5-220-110-11;  
Road Commissioner - \$1,881.00 to Line Item #01-5-421-110;  
Part-time Cemetery - \$624.00 to Line Item #01-5-491-110-10;  
BOH Nurse - \$201.00 to Line Item #01-5-514-110;  
Health Agent - \$1,415.00 to Line Item #01-5-512-110;  
BOH Part-time Clerk - \$232.00 to Line Item #01-5-511-110-13;  
Rubbish Contract Administrator - \$251.00 to Line Item #01-5-433-110-01;  
Council on Aging Director - \$1,388.00 to Line Item #01-5-541-110-14;  
Council on Aging Sr. Aides - \$690.00 to Line Item #01-5-541-110-15;  
COA Part-time Van Driver - \$134.00 to Line Item #01-5-541-110-13;  
Library Staff - \$1,840.00 to Line Item #01-5-610-110-17;  
Water Superintendent - \$1,535.00 to Line Item #28-5-450-112;  
Water Office Manager - \$852.00 to Line Item #28-5-450-113;  
Water Equipment Operator & Laborers - \$3,056.00 to Line Item #28-5-450-114;  
Sewer Superintendent - \$271.00 to Line Item #28-5-440-112;  
Sewer Office Manager - \$151.00 to Line Item #28-5-440-113; and  
Sewer Equipment Operator & Laborers - \$540.00 to Line Item #28-5-440-14.

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN RECOMMEND FAVORABLE ACTION**

**FINANCE BOARD RECOMMENDS FAVORABLE/ ACTION**

**ACTION TAKEN:** Motion made for favorable action and seconded. No Discussion. Voted Unanimous favorable action.

**ARTICLE 14:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of ONE THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED THIRTY-EIGHT DOLLARS (\$1,738.00) to increase the Council on Aging Part-time Van Driver's hourly rate to \$10.00 per hour; or take any other action relative thereto.

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN RECOMMEND UNFAVORABLE ACTION**

**FINANCE BOARD RECOMMENDS UNFAVORABLE ACTION**

**ACTION TAKEN:** Motion made and seconded for unfavorable action. Discussion. Council on Aging director spoke as to the fact the a shared driver with the Town of Merrimac get \$10.00 per hour while Groveland pays only \$6.40. She expressed that the fee for the same work should be the same pay.

**Voted unfavorable action.**

**ARTICLE 15:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of SEVEN THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED TWENTY-SEVEN (\$7,827.00) to increase the hours of the part time Cemetery help; or take any other action relative thereto.

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN RECOMMEND UNFAVORABLE ACTION**

**FINANCE BOARD RECOMMENDS UNFAVORABLE ACTION**

**ACTION TAKEN:** Motion made and seconded for unfavorable action. No discussion. Voted unfavorable action by 2/3 vote.

**ARTICLE 16:** To see if the Town will vote to fix the salary and compensation of all elective and appointive officers of the Town for twelve months ending June 30, 2001. Fixing of salaries according to Articles 12 - 15 above.

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN RECOMMEND FAVORABLE ACTION**

**FINANCE BOARD RECOMMENDS FAVORABLE ACTION**

**ACTION TAKEN:** Motion made and seconded for favorable action. No discussion took place. Voted Favorable action.

**ARTICLE 17:** To see if the Town will vote to approve the 2001 Fiscal Year Base Budget of the Pentucket Regional School District, as defined in the budget document dated February 5, 1995; and to raise and appropriate the sum of THREE MILLION FOUR HUNDRED TWENTY THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED TWENTY-SIX DOLLARS (\$3,420,326.00) for the purpose of paying the town's share of the base budget assessment; or take any other action relative thereto.

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN RECOMMEND FAVORABLE ACTION**

**FINANCE BOARD RECOMMENDS FAVORABLE ACTION**

**ACTION TAKEN:** Motion moved and seconded for favorable action. No discussion took place. Voted 2/3 favorable action.

**ARTICLE 18:** To see if the Town will vote to approve the 2001 Fiscal Year Capital Budget of the Pentucket Regional School District; and to raise and appropriate the sum of ONE HUNDRED SEVENTY-THREE THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED THREE DOLLARS (\$173,303.00) for the purpose of paying the Town's share of the assessment of same; or take any other action relative thereto.

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN RECOMMEND FAVORABLE ACTION**

**FINANCE BOARD RECOMMENDS FAVORABLE ACTION**

**ACTION TAKEN:** Moved and seconded for favorable action. No discussion. Voted Favorable action.

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## Amended

ARTICLE 19: To see if the Town will vote to approve the 2001 Fiscal Year Supplemental Operating Budget of the Pentucket Regional School District, and to raise and appropriate the sum of THREE HUNDRED THIRTY-THREE THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED EIGHTY-FIVE DOLLARS (\$333,285.00) for the purpose of paying the town's share of the Supplemental Operating Budget assessment, or take any other action relative thereto.

Karen Strumma  
June 12, 2000

**ARTICLE 19:** To see if the Town will vote to approve the 2001 Fiscal Year Supplemental Operating Budget of the Pentucket Regional School District, as defined in the budget document dated February 7, 1995; and to raise and appropriate the sum of THREE HUNDRED THIRTY-THREE THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED EIGHTY-FIVE DOLLARS (\$333,285.00) for the purpose of paying the town's share of the Supplemental Operating Budget assessment, contingent upon approval by voters of a Ballot Question to allow an additional \$187,000.00 in real estate and personal property taxes for increased educational costs; or take any other action relative thereto.

Amended Article by Karen Letournea, School Board Member as follows:  
To see if the Town will vote to approve the 2001 Fiscal Year Supplemental Operating Budget of the Pentucket Regional School District and raise and appropriate the sum of Three Hundred Thirty-Three Thousand, Two Hundred Eighty-Five Dollars (\$333,285.00) for the purpose of paying the town's share of the Supplemental Operating Budget assessment, or take any other action relative thereto.

Moved for favorable action and seconded.

Discussion:

- Question was asked to town counsel if the fact that this article had a provision to go with a 2 ½ override vote and that the election of the override failed that this article could be changed?
- He stated that an article can be changed because it was posted and that the voter were duly warned and that they could have come to this meeting to act on the issue at hand.

Question was moved for a vote. Voted favorable action.

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN RECOMMEND FAVORABLE ACTION**

**FINANCE BOARD RECOMMENDS FAVORABLE ACTION**

**ACTION TAKEN: VOTED FAVORABLE ACTION**

**ARTICLE 20:** To see if the Town will vote to approve the 2001 Fiscal Year Operating and Capital Budget of the Whittier Regional Vocational School District; and to raise and appropriate the sum of TWO HUNDRED TWENTY-EIGHT THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED NINETY-THREE DOLLARS (\$228,393.00); or take any other action relative thereto.

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN RECOMMEND FAVORABLE ACTION**

**FINANCE BOARD RECOMMENDS UNFAVORABLE ACTION**

**ACTION TAKEN: MOTION MADE AND SECONDED FOR FAVORABLE ACTION. Voted 2/3 favorable action.**

**ARTICLE 21:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of TWENTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$20,000.00) for the purpose of paying FY 2001 tuition assessments for Essex Agricultural Charter School (formerly known as Essex Agricultural and Technical Institute); or take any other action relative thereto.

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN RECOMMEND TO MOVE TO TABLE**

**ACTION TAKEN: VOTED TO TABLE.**

**ARTICLE 22:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of ONE HUNDRED NINETY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$190,000.00) for the purpose of continuing the Groveland Road Management Program funding for its fifth year for Fiscal 2001 road improvement projects on the roads listed below beginning July 1, 2000; said vote contingent upon approval by the voters at the Annual Town Election on May 1, 2000 of a Capital Outlay Exclusion Ballot Question to increase the levy limit in the amount of the aforementioned appropriation FOR THE 2001 FISCAL YEAR ONLY; or take any other action relative thereto:

Anne Street: reconstruction and overlay;  
Baldwin Terrace: reconstruction and overlay;  
Fairview Circle: reconstruction and overlay;  
Georgia Street: reconstruction and overlay;  
View Hill Road: overlay

Article submitted by Road Study Committee

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN RECOMMEND FAVORABLE ACTION**

**FINANCE BOARD RECOMMENDS FAVORABLE ACTION**

**ACTION TAKEN: MOVED AND SECONDED FOR FAVORABLE ACTION. DISCUSSION: QUESTION WAS ASKED AS TO THE PROGRAM STATUS. PETER KACHMAR EXPLAINED THAT THE PROGRAM IS GOING WELL, IN FACT IT MAY BE AHEAD OF SCHEDULE.**

**VOTED MAJORITY FAVORABLE ACTION.**

**ARTICLE 23:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of SIX THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED SEVEN DOLLARS AND NINETY-NINE CENTS (\$6,207.99) for the purpose of paying one-tenth of the town's allocated portion of the response costs and other damages in connection with the remediation of the Charles George Land Reclamation Trust Landfill located in Tyngsborough, MA., as required in the consent decree entered in the case of United States v. Charles George Trucking Co., et al; or take any other action relative thereto.

**NOTE: Seventh of ten payments due. Final payment due 9/15/2003.**

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN RECOMMEND FAVORABLE ACTION**

**FINANCE BOARD RECOMMENDS FAVORABLE ACTION**

**ACTION TAKEN: MOVED AND SECONDED FOR FAVORABLE ACTION. NO DISCUSSION. VOTED UNANIMOUS FAVORABLE ACTION.**



**ARTICLE 24.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of NINE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$900.00) for the purpose of providing this amount to the William R. Dewhirst, Jr. Post 7366, Veterans of the Foreign Wars of the United States, Groveland, MA to pay for heat, electricity, and maintaining its meeting place and any expenses to support this request in fiscal 2001; or take any other action relative thereto. (Note: Authorization for this appropriation is provided in MGL, C 40, S 9).

Article submitted by VFW members.

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN RECOMMEND FAVORABLE ACTION**

**FINANCE BOARD RECOMMENDS FAVORABLE ACTION**

**ACTION TAKEN: MOVED AND SECONDED FOR FAVORABLE ACTION. NO DISCUSSION. VOTED FAVORABLE ACTION.**

**ARTICLE 25:** To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) for Animal Control Stray Expense account for the care and custody of strays being held for adoption; or take any other action relative thereto.

Article submitted by Animal Control Officer

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN RECOMMEND UNFAVORABLE ACTION**

**FINANCE BOARD RECOMMENDS FAVORABLE ACTION**

**ACTION TAKEN: MOVED AND SECONDED FOR UNFAVORABLE ACTION. NO DISCUSSION. VOTED UNFAVORABLE ACTION.**

**ARTICLE 26:** To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$500.00) for the purpose of paying a stipend to the five members of the Groveland Historic Commission; or take any other action relative thereto.

Article submitted by Chairman, Groveland Historic Commission

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN RECOMMEND UNFAVORABLE ACTION**

**FINANCE BOARD RECOMMENDS UNFAVORABLE ACTION**

**ACTION TAKEN: MOVED AND SECONDED FOR UNFAVORABLE ACTION. DISCUSSION: JANE HOLDEN CHAIRMAN OF HISTORIC COMMISSION WITHREW ARTICLE. VOTED TO WITHDRAW ARTICLE SO VOTED.**

**ARTICLE 27:** To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money not to exceed SIX THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$6,000.00), for the purpose of hiring a real estate appraiser to determine the fair market value of the property described below; or take any other action relative thereto: The properties to be appraised include 9 acres adjacent to Meadow Pond (Map 47; Lot 53B) and 49 acres adjacent to Georgetown (Map 53; Lot 4A).

**NOTE:** This Article is submitted by the Open Space and Trails Committee. The Article requests funds to appraise the value of land known as the Stephenson's Way Subdivision which has been offered for sale to the Town of Groveland. This property has significant value to the Town in protecting critical natural habitat adjacent to Meadow Pond, for passive recreation, and as a connecting Greenway to Georgetown. The appraisal will be used as part of the Town's effort to obtain outside funding for acquiring this key property.

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN RECOMMEND WITHDRAW**

**FINANCE BOARD RECOMMENDS ACTION TAKEN: MOTION MADE TO WITHDRAW. VOTED FAVORABLY.**

**ARTICLE 28:** To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of FIFTY-THREE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$53,000.00) for the purpose of replacing the existing Centracom Police/Fire Dispatch Radio System, and to meet such appropriation, to authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow such amount and to issue bonds and/or notes of the Town therefor, payable in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 44, Section 7, Clause 9 of the General Laws, or any other enabling authority; or take any other action relative thereto. The above sum to include parts, installation and all necessary licenses. Contract price will be in accordance with the guidelines of the Greater Boston Council bid agreement.

**Article submitted by Chief of Police.**

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN RECOMMEND TO SEND BACK TO COMMITTEE**

**FINANCE BOARD RECOMMENDS UNFAVORABLE ACTION**

**ACTION TAKEN: MOTION MOVED AND SECONDED TO REFER BACK TO COMMITTEE.  
DISCUSSION: FOR THE RECORD IT WAS NOTED THAT THE COMMITTEE WAS DOING A GOOD JOB.  
VOTED TO SEND BACK TO COMMITTEE FAVORABLY.**

**ARTICLE 29:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate as sum of money not to exceed SIXTY THOUSAND DOLLARS for the purpose of installing new playground equipment, bike racks, picnic table, fencing and appropriate ground covering required for safety reasons, at Washington Park and constructing a new regulation basketball court on one half of the site of the former tennis courts, and to meet such appropriation, to authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow such amount and to issue bonds and/or notes of the Town therefor, payable in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 44, Section 7, Clauses 9 and 25 of the General Laws, or any other enabling authority; or take any other action relative thereto.

Article submitted by petition of registered voters.

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN RECOMMEND UNFAVORABLE ACTION**

**FINANCE BOARD RECOMMENDS UNFAVORABLE ACTION**

**ACTION TAKEN: MOVED AND SECONDED FOR UNFAVORABLE ACTION. NO DISCUSSION TOOK PLACE. VOTED FAVORABLE ACTION FOR UNFAVORABLE ACTION.**

**ARTICLE 30:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of TEN THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$10,000.00), for use by the Planning Board to pay for Engineering Consultations; or take any other action relative thereto.

Article submitted by the Planning Board

**PURPOSE:** The purpose of this Article is for the Planning Board to contact and hire its independent Engineer and pay for its requests out of its own operating budget. Many engineering questions surface during the complicated process of the subdivision control law and need to be addressed.

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN RECOMMEND FAVORABLE/UNFAVORABLE ACTION**

**FINANCE BOARD RECOMMENDS FAVORABLE/UNFAVORABLE ACTION**

**ACTION TAKEN:**

**ARTICLE 31:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of TWENTY FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$25,000.00), for the purpose of funding the fourth phase of the town's Master Plan; or take any other action relative thereto.

Article submitted by the Planning Board.

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN RECOMMEND UNFAVORABLE ACTION**

**FINANCE BOARD RECOMMENDS FAVORABLE ACTION**

**ACTION TAKEN: MOVED AND SECONDED FOR UNFAVORABLE ACTION. NO DISCUSSION. VOTED UNFAVORABLE ACTION.**

**ARTICLE 32:** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of TWENTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$20,000.00) for the Reserve Fund, said amount to be transferred from the Overlay Surplus Account; or take any other action relative thereto.

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN RECOMMEND FAVORABLE ACTION**

**FINANCE BOARD RECOMMENDS FAVORABLE ACTION**

**ACTION TAKEN: MOVED AND SECONDED FOR FAVORABLE ACTION. NO DISCUSSION. VOTED FAVORABLE ACTION.**

**ARTICLE 33:** To see if the Town will vote to accept the sum of THIRTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$30,000.00) from the Groveland Municipal Electric Department Operation Account to Town Estimated Receipts to reduce the Tax Rate for the twelve months ending June 30, 2001; or take any other action relative thereto.

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN RECOMMEND FAVORABLE ACTION**

**FINANCE BOARD RECOMMENDS FAVORABLE ACTION**

**ACTION TAKEN: MOVED AND SECONDED FOR FAVORABLE ACTION. NO DISCUSSION. VOTED FAVORABLE ACTION.**

**ARTICLE 34:** To see if the Town will vote to accept as public ways the streets known as Berrywood Lane and Berrywood Circle, as shown on plan entitled "Definitive Plan, Rocky Forest Subdivision, Uptack Road, Groveland, Mass. (scale 1" = 80') and dated April 11, 1988 in accordance with the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 82, Section 23; or take any other action relative thereto.

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN RECOMMEND FAVORABLE ACTION**

**FINANCE BOARD RECOMMENDS FAVORABLE ACTION**

**ACTION TAKEN: MOVED AND SECONDED FOR FAVORABLE ACTION. NO DISCUSSION. VOTED FAVORABLE ACTION.**

**ARTICLE 35:** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to convey and/or release the Town's rights in the property located off J.B. Little Road, shown on Assessors' Map 20 as Parcels 2 and 3 and described below, to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts by and through its Department of Fisheries, Wildlife & Environmental Law Enforcement for the purposes of open space for a minimum purchase price of \$50,000.00, upon such terms and conditions as the Board of Selectmen shall determine to be appropriate. Said parcel is described as follows:

The parcels of land located on both sides of J.B. Little Road in the Town of Groveland, devised to the Town under the Will of Alfred S. Langley, Essex County Probate Court No. 15788, being the same land described in the deeds recorded with Essex South Registry of Deeds at Book 1127, Page 99 and Book 2151, Page 241 containing a total of 16 acres, more or less;

or take any other action relative thereto.

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN RECOMMEND FAVORABLE ACTION**

**FINANCE BOARD RECOMMENDS NO RECCOMENDATION.**

**ACTION TAKEN: MOTION TO AMEND AS FOLLOWS:** The Groveland Conservation Commission wishes to include the following: and all proceeds from the conveyance or release of said property to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, by and through its Department, shall be deposited in the Town's Conservation Fund as established by the Annual Town Meeting in 1998. This motion was approved by the commission at our meeting on May 3, 2000 and shall be found in our minutes.

**Moved and seconded for favorable action. Voted favorable unanimous action.**

**ARTICLE 36:** To see if the Town will vote to transfer the care, custody, management and control of the town forest to the Conservation Commission in accordance with the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 45, Section 21, or take any other action relative thereto.

Article is jointly sponsored by Conservation and Open Space Committee

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN RECOMMEND FAVORABLE ACTION**

**FINANCE BOARD RECOMMENDS NO ACTION.**

**ACTION TAKEN: MOVED AND SECONDED FOR FAVORABLE ACTION. NO DISCUSSION. VOTED FAVORABLE ACTION UNANIMOUS.**

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or take any other action relative thereto.

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN RECOMMEND FAVORABLE ACTION**

**FINANCE BOARD RECOMMENDS NO RECCOMENDATION.**

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**BOARD OF SELECTMEN RECOMMEND FAVORABLE ACTION**

**FINANCE BOARD RECOMMENDS NO ACTION.**

**ACTION TAKEN: MOVED AND SECONDED FOR FAVORABLE ACTION. NO DISCUSSION. VOTED FAVORABLE ACTION UNANIMOUS.**

**ARTICLE 37:** To see if the Town will vote to reauthorize the Groveland Police Revolving Fund as established at Annual Town Meeting held June 30, 1992 and authorized by Chapter 44, Section 53E ½ of Massachusetts General Laws. The purpose of this fund is to allow receipts received from the General Court and Registry of Motor Vehicles pertaining to motor vehicle fines to be expended without further appropriation for the operation and maintenance of the Highway Safety Patrol Car. The Police Chief may, upon approval of the Board of Selectmen, expend from this account an amount not to exceed TWENTY-NINE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$29,000.00) for Fiscal 2001. All monies received in excess of Twenty-Nine Thousand Dollars to be deposited in the Town's General Fund Account. The operation and maintenance of the Safety Car Program to be at no cost to the taxpayer.

The Police Chief shall give a report to the FY 2002 Annual Town Meeting detailing the total receipts and expenditures of this fund for Fiscal 2001.

Article submitted by Police Chief.

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN RECOMMEND FAVORABLE ACTION**

**FINANCE BOARD RECOMMENDS FAVORABLE ACTION**

**ACTION TAKEN: MOVED AND SECONDED FOR FAVORABLE ACTION. VOTED UNANIMOUS FAVORABLE ACTION.**

**ARTICLE 38:** To see if the Town will vote to reauthorize the Pines Recreation Boat Ramp Revolving Fund as established at Special Town Meeting held October 13, 1992 and authorized by Chapter 44, Section 53E ½ of Massachusetts General Laws. The purpose of this fund is to allow receipts received from the sale of Pines Boat Ramp and Mooring Permits to be expended without further appropriation for the purchase of floats, safety equipment, walk ramp, necessary hardware for installation, and maintenance and repair of Pines Boat Ramp. The Pines Recreation Development Committee may, upon approval of the Board of Selectmen, expend from this account an amount not to exceed THREE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$3,000.00) during Fiscal 2001.

A representative of the Pines Recreation Development Committee shall give a report to the FY 2002 Annual Town Meeting detailing the total receipts and expenditures of this fund for Fiscal 2001.

Article submitted by Harbormaster.

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN RECOMMEND FAVORABLE ACTION**

**FINANCE BOARD RECOMMENDS FAVORABLE ACTION**

**ACTION TAKEN: MOVED AND SECONDED FOR FAVORABLE ACTION. NO DISCUSSION.  
VOTED FAVORABLE ACTION.**

**ARTICLE 39:** To see if the Town will vote to reauthorize the Recycling Revolving Fund as established at Special Town Meeting held March 4, 1991 and authorized by Chapter 44, Section 53E ½ of Massachusetts General Laws. The purpose of this fund is to allow receipts received from fees paid at appliance and tire drop off days, hazardous waste disposal days, and donations made to the recycling fund to be expended without further appropriation for the maintenance and operation of the town's white goods and tire programs, and the household hazardous waste disposal day. The Board of Health may, upon approval of the Board of Selectmen, expend from this account an amount not to exceed ELEVEN THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$11,000.00) for Fiscal 2001; or take any other action relative thereto.

The Board of Health shall give a report to the FY 2002 Annual Town Meeting detailing the total receipts and expenditures of this fund for Fiscal 2001.  
**Article submitted by Board of Health.**

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN RECOMMEND FAVORABLE ACTION**

**FINANCE BOARD RECOMMENDS FAVORABLE/UNFAVORABLE ACTION**

**ACTION TAKEN: MOVED AND SECONDED FOR FAVORABLE ACTION. NO DISCUSSION.  
VOTED FAVORABLE ACTION.**

**ARTICLE 40:** To see if the Town will vote to reauthorize the Compost Bin Revolving Fund as established at the Annual Town Meeting held June 13, 1994 and authorized by Chapter 44, Section 53E ½ of Massachusetts General Laws. The purpose of this fund is to allow receipts received by the Board of Health from the sale of D.E.P. granted compost bins to be set aside in a dedicated account as to abide by D.E.P. grant stipulation that all monies received from the sale of bins granted may not be deposited in the General Fund but used solely for the purchase of additional bins, advertising, and administration expenses or other expenses as are directly related to furthering Groveland's home composting bin distribution program. The Board of Health may, upon approval of the Board of Selectmen, expend from this account an amount not to exceed FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$5,000.00) for Fiscal 2001; or take any other action relative thereto.



The Board of Health shall give a report to the FY 2002 Annual Town Meeting detailing the total receipts and expenditures of this fund for FY 2001.

Article submitted by Board of Health.

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN RECOMMEND FAVORABLE ACTION**

**FINANCE BOARD RECOMMENDS FAVORABLE ACTION**

**ACTION TAKEN: MOVED AND SECONDED FOR FAVORABLE ACTION. NO DISCUSSION. VOTED FAVORABLE ACTION.**

**ARTICLE 41:** To see if the Town will vote to reauthorize the Veasey Memorial Park Revolving Fund, as established at the Special Town Meeting held December 2, 1996 and authorized by Chapter 44, Section 53E-1/2 of Massachusetts General Laws. The purpose of this fund is for the Conservation Commission to pay the operating costs of Veasey Memorial Park, with specific revenue and expenditures to be authorized yearly. The Conservation Commission may expend from this account an amount not to exceed TWENTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$20,000.00) for Fiscal Year 2001; or take any other action relative thereto.

The Conservation Commission shall give a report to the FY 2002 Annual Town Meeting detailing the total receipts and expenditures of this fund for FY 2001.

ITEM DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT REQUESTED	CALCULATION/ EXPLANATION	FY 2000 EXPENDED
Electricity	2,500.00	Based on past years	2,100.00
Fuel Oil	1,500.00	Based on past years	1,000.00
Natural gas	2,500.00	Based on past years	2,100.00
Water charges	1,000.00	Based on past years	1,000.00
Telephone	1,000.00	Based on past years	800.00
Equipment repair/service	500.00	Based on past years	200.00
Equipment purchase/rental	1,000.00	Based on past years	800.00
Furnishings	1,000.00	Based on past years	1,000.00
Office supplies	500.00	Based on past years	-0-
Printing and advertising	500.00	Based on past years	500.00
Program support	1,000.00	Based on past years	-0-
Building Maintenance	5,000.00	Based on past years	6,000.00
Building Materials & supplies	2,000.00	Based on past years	500.00
Care of fields	-0-	Based on past years	-0-
<b>TOTAL OPERATIONS</b>	<b>\$20,000.00</b>		<b>\$16,000.00</b>

Article submitted by Conservation Commission

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN RECOMMEND FAVORABLE ACTION**

**FINANCE BOARD RECOMMENDS FAVORABLE ACTION**

**ACTION TAKEN:MOVED AND SECONDED FOR FAVORABLE ACTION. NO DISCUSSION. VOTED UNANIMOUS FAVORABLE ACTION.**

**ARTICLE 42:** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of SIX THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED TEN DOLLARS (\$6,110.00) to the Conservation Commission Expenditure Account by transferring said amount from the Conservation Commission Receipts Reserved for Appropriation; or take any other action relative thereto.

ITEM DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT REQUESTED	CALCULATION/ EXPLANATION	FY2000 EXPENDED [1]
Operations	\$ 300.00	Office Supplies	\$ 100.00
	\$ 0.00	Service contract on computer (2 years left)	0.00
	\$ 50.00	Other equipment	\$ 50.00
	\$ 25.00	Telephone charge-back	\$ 25.00
	\$ 500.00	Consultant fees	\$3,000.00
Salary [2]	\$4,375.00	Salary (Amy Allen)	\$ 0.00
	\$ 160.00	MACC dues	\$ 160.00
	\$ 700.00	Workshops and training	\$ 100.00
<b>TOTAL DEPT. REQUEST</b>	<b>\$6,110.00</b>		<b>\$3,435.00</b>

[1] Estimated. [2] New line item - for tax purposes, Conservation Agent should be recognized as a Town employee and not a consultant.

**ARTICLE SUBMITTED BY CONSERVATION COMMISSION.**

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN RECOMMEND FAVORABLE ACTION**

**FINANCE BOARD RECOMMENDS FAVORABLE ACTION**

**ACTION TAKEN:MOVED AND SECONDED FOR FAVORABLE ACTION. NO DISCUSSION. VOTED FAVORABLE ACTION.**

**ARTICLE 43** To see if the town will vot0 amend the Regional Agreement of the Pentucket District as follows, contingent upon approval by all three member towns of a school building plan which includes a new middle school consisting of grades 6-8 and a 9-12 high school residing within the present middle and high school complex and passage of debt exclusion votes in all three member towns to fund said project; said amendment of the Regional Agreement becoming effective when the new middle school is ready for beneficial occupancy and the overall plan is ready for implementation as voted by the Pentucket Regional District School Committee:

- (1) Changing the wording in Section II. TYPE OF SCHOOL, Subsection B from "grades 7-12" to "grades 6-12".
- (2) Changing the wording in Section II. TYPE OF SCHOOL, Subsection C from "grades PK-6" to "grades PK-5".
- (3) Changing the wording in Section III. LOCATION OF SCHOOLS, Subsection B from "grades PK-6" to "grades PK-5".

- (4) Changing the wording in Section VIII-2. WITHDRAWAL OF MEMBER TOWNS FROM THE REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT AT THE ELEMENTARY LEVEL, Subsections A and C, from "grades PK-6" to "grades PK-5".

or take any other action relative thereto.

Article submitted by petition of registered voters.

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN RECOMMEND TO TAKE FROM THE TABLE**

**FINANCE BOARD RECOMMENDS FAVORABLE/UNFAVORABLE ACTION**

**ACTION TAKEN: MOVED AND SECONDED TO TAKE FROM THE TABLE. NO DISCUSSION. VOTED TO TAKE FROM THE TABLE FAVORABLY.**

**MOTION MADE AND SECONDED TO ADJOURN TOWN MEETING. SO VOTED.**

**FOR THE RECORD: THIS MEETING WAS AJOURNED NOT DISOLVED. AFTER MEETING AS TOWN CLERK I WAS MADE TO NOTE THAT THIS IS WHAT THE RECORD SHOULD READ AS. AS TOWN CLERK AND AS MY RECORDS SO INDICATE IT IS RECORDED AS THIS. RICHARD T. SCIACCA.**

**THE FOLLOWING IS ATTESTED TO TO BE A TRUE RECORD AS TO THE ACTION TAKEN BY THE CITIZENS OF THE TOWN OF GROVELAND FOR THE THIS ANNUAL TOWN MEETING (S)**

**ATTEST: RICHARD T SCIACCA, TOWN CLERK**

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**ATTEST RICHARD T. SCIACCA , TOWN CLERK.**

**ARTICLE 44:** To adjourn Town Meeting, and direct those qualified to vote in Annual Town Election to meeting in their respective voting precincts on **Monday, May 1, 2000** between the hours of **10:00 A.M. and 8:00 P.M.** for the purpose of electing the following Town Officers and voting on the following Ballot Questions:

To Elect: One Selectman for three years;  
One Assessor for three years;  
One member of the Board of Health for three years;  
One member of the School Committee for three years;  
Three members of the Public Library for three years;  
One member of the Sewer and Water Commissioners for three years;  
One member of the Cemetery Commission for three years;  
One member of the Municipal Light Commission for three years;  
One member of the Planning Board for five years;  
One member of the Housing Authority for five years;  
One Tree Warden for one year; and  
One Moderator for one year.

**TO VOTE UPON THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS MARK A CROSS [X] IN THE SQUARE BOX TO THE RIGHT OF THE "YES" OR "NO".**

**QUESTION #1:** Shall the Town of Groveland be allowed to assess an additional \$190,000.00 in real estate and personal property taxes for FISCAL YEAR 2001 ONLY, beginning on July 1, 2000, for the purpose of funding the fifth year of the Groveland Road Management Program for road improvement projects on the following roads?:

Anne Street: reconstruction and overlay;  
Baldwin Terrace: reconstruction and overlay;  
Fairview Circle: reconstruction and overlay;  
Georgia Street: reconstruction and overlay;  
View Hill Road: overlay

YES     [   ]                      NO     [   ]

**QUESTION #2:** Shall the Town of Groveland be allowed to assess an additional \$187,000.00 in real estate and personal property taxes for fiscal year beginning July 1, 2000, for the purpose of funding the increase requested in the Pentucket Regional School District FY 2001 supplemental budget?

YES     [   ]                      NO     [   ]

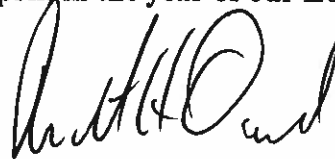
**QUESTION #3:** Shall the Town of Groveland be allowed to assess an additional \$51,000.00 in real estate and personal property taxes for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2000, for the purpose of funding the town's fiscal 2001 budget as presented to Annual Town Meeting?

YES     [   ]                      NO     [   ]

And you are directed to serve this Warrant by posting attested copies thereof in said Town, one copy in each of the three parts of town known as Savaryville, the Village, and South Groveland, **fourteen days** at least before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this Warrant, with your doings thereon to the Precinct Clerk, at the time and place of said meeting.

**Given** under my hand this **third day of April, in the year of our Lord two thousand.**



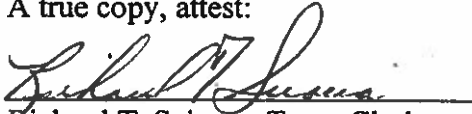
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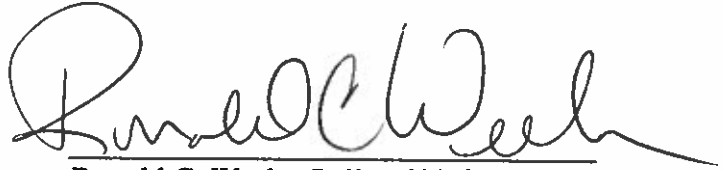


Barbara A. Sheehan

A true copy, attest:



Richard T. Sciacca, Town Clerk

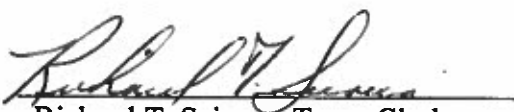


Ronald C. Weeks, Police Chief

### **OFFICER'S RETURN**

I have notified and warned the inhabitants of the Town of Groveland who are qualified to vote in Town Affairs by posting true and attested copies of this Warrant at the Town Hall, Savaryville and South Groveland. Said copies not having been posted less than **fourteen days** before the time of said meeting.

**ATTEST:**



Richard T. Sciacca, Town Clerk



Ronald C. Weeks, Police Chief