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TOWN OF GROVELAND

2011 ANNUAL TOWN MEETING WARRANT

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Essex,ss:

To Robert J. Kirmelewicz, 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, 253 School Street, Groveland, MA on Monday, April 25, 2011 @ 7:15 P.M. to vote on the following Articles:

ARTICLE 1: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to petition the State for any sum available under provisions of Chapter 90, said funds to be apportioned and expended by and under the direction of the State Department of Public Works (Massachusetts Highway Department) in accordance with said statutes; or take any other action relative thereto. Article submitted by the Board of Selectmen.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN RECOMMEND FAVORABLE/UNFAVORABLE ACTION

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ARTICLE 2: To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds the amount of TWO HUNDRED FOURTEEN THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED SEVENTY DOLLARS (\$214,370.00) and appropriate said sum for Chapter 90 approved road work, said amount to be used pending reimbursement by the State (Chapter 303, Acts of 2008), with such work to be done under the supervision of the Road Commissioner; or take any other action relative thereto. Article submitted by Board of Selectmen

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ARTICLE 3 : To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of TEN THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$10,000.00) from the Conservation Commission Fees Account #2601-990-45305-000 to the Conservation Commission Services Account line item #1001-171-52000-052; or take any other action relative thereto.

Article submitted by Conservation Commission

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ARTICLE 4: 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 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 2012; or take any other action relative thereto.

NOTE: Authorization for this appropriation is provided in MGL, C. 40, §9. Article submitted by Board of Selectmen

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ARTICLE 5: To see if the Town will vote to raise the following sums to defray Town charges for the ensuing year ending June 30, 2012 and make appropriations therefor, or take any other action relative thereto:

Line Item	Appropriated FY'11	Requested FY'12	Finance Board Recommends
GENERAL GOVERNMENT			
1 MODERATOR			
Stipend	100.00	100.00	100.00
SUBTOTAL	100.00	100.00	100.00
2 SELECTMEN			
Selectmen's Stipend	4,500.00	4,500.00	4,500.00
Admin. Asst. Salary	61,303.00	62,223.00	62,223.00
Town Audit	22,500.00	25,000.00	25,000.00
Reserve Fund	20,000.00	20,000.00	20,000.00
Expenses	5,264.00	5,245.00	5,245.00
SUBTOTAL	113,567.00	116,968.00	116,968.00
3 AD-HOC COMMITTEES			
Expenses	400.00	-	-
SUBTOTAL	400.00	-	-
4 DEPARTMENT OF BUDGET & FINANCE			
Finance Director's Salary (inc. T/C)	92,680.00	96,388.00	96,388.00
Asst. Treasurer/Collector's Salary	45,556.00	46,239.00	46,239.00
Treasury/Collection Clerk	28,595.00	29,024.00	29,024.00
Tax Title Treasury/Collection	5,000.00	2,500.00	2,500.00
Computer Hardware Maint & Lic Fees	11,612.00	12,472.00	12,472.00
Expense	19,000.00	17,000.00	17,000.00
SUBTOTAL	202,443.00	203,623.00	203,623.00
5 TOWN ACCOUNTANT			
Accountant's Salary	62,002.00	62,932.00	62,932.00
Expenses	1,000.00	900.00	900.00
SUBTOTAL	63,002.00	63,832.00	63,832.00
6 BOARD OF ASSESSORS			
Assessor's Stipends	900.00	900.00	900.00
Assessors' Manager's Salary	44,990.00	45,665.00	45,665.00
Expenses	7,000.00	9,000.00	9,000.00
Revaluation Maintenance	39,500.00	39,500.00	39,500.00
Maps - Updating	3,500.00	3,500.00	3,500.00
SUBTOTAL	95,890.00	98,565.00	98,565.00
7 TOWN COUNSEL			
Legal Expense	50,000.00	50,000.00	50,000.00
SUBTOTAL	50,000.00	50,000.00	50,000.00
8 COMPUTER SYSTEM CONSULTANT			
Expense	6,000.00	6,000.00	6,000.00
SUBTOTAL	6,000.00	6,000.00	6,000.00
9 TOWN CLERK			
Town Clerk's Salary	51,514.00	52,287.00	52,287.00
Elections & Registrations	9,000.00	9,000.00	9,000.00
Expenses	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00
SUBTOTAL	63,514.00	64,287.00	64,287.00
10 CONSERVATION COMMISSION			
Stipends	1,400.00	1,400.00	1,400.00
Expenses			
SUBTOTAL	1,400.00	1,400.00	1,400.00

11 PLANNING AND ENGINEERING			
Planning Members' Stipends	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00
Expenses	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00
SUBTOTAL	4,500.00	4,500.00	4,500.00
12 MERRIMACK VALLEY PLANNING COMMISSION			
Assessment	1,992.00	1,992.00	1,992.00
SUBTOTAL	1,992.00	1,992.00	1,992.00
13 ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS			
Zoning Members' Stipends			
Contracted Services & Expenses	4,060.00	4,060.00	4,060.00
SUBTOTAL	4,060.00	4,060.00	4,060.00
14 MUNICIPAL FIELDS & WATER			
Expense	19,000.00	17,000.00	17,000.00
SUBTOTAL	19,000.00	17,000.00	17,000.00
15 MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS			
Supt. Of Buildings Wages			
Expenses	143,950.00	143,950.00	143,950.00
Repairs & Maintenance	30,000.00	30,000.00	30,000.00
SUBTOTAL	173,950.00	173,950.00	173,950.00
16 INSURANCE			
Expenses	90,000.00	85,000.00	85,000.00
SUBTOTAL	90,000.00	85,000.00	85,000.00
17 TOWN REPORTS			
Expenses	2,200.00	2,200.00	2,200.00
SUBTOTAL	2,200.00	2,200.00	2,200.00

TOTAL GENERAL GOVERNMENT	892,018.00	893,477.00	893,477.00
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PUBLIC SAFETY

18 POLICE DEPARTMENT			
Chief's Salary	84,872.00	87,418.00	87,418.00
Deputy Chief's Salary	79,568.00	81,955.00	81,955.00
Sargeant's Salary	70,273.00	70,273.00	70,273.00
Patrolmen's Salary	353,937.00	358,745.00	358,745.00
Secretary's Salary	25,066.00	25,442.00	25,442.00
Other Wages	118,405.00	118,405.00	118,405.00
Incentive Wages	95,130.00	102,629.00	102,629.00
Cruiser (Article)	-	-	-
Harbormaster Stipend	-	-	-
Harbormaster Expenses	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
Other Expenses	66,700.00	66,700.00	66,700.00
SUBTOTAL	894,951.00	912,567.00	912,567.00
19 PARKING CLERK			
Expense	250.00	250.00	250.00
SUBTOTAL	250.00	250.00	250.00
20 COMMUNICATIONS			
Wages	216,260.00	220,730.00	220,730.00
Expenses	6,000.00	6,000.00	6,000.00
SUBTOTAL	222,260.00	226,730.00	226,730.00

21 FIRE DEPARTMENT

Fire Engineers' Stipends	500.00	500.00	500.00
Chief's Salary	17,924.00	18,193.00	18,193.00
Clerk's Salary	8,570.00	8,699.00	8,699.00
Firefighter Wages	85,000.00	100,000.00	90,000.00
Inspector's Wages	2,855.00	2,898.00	2,898.00
Drill Wages	35,430.00	35,430.00	35,430.00
Mass. Fire Academy Training	5,250.00	5,250.00	5,250.00
Expenses	67,000.00	71,582.00	67,000.00
SUBTOTAL	222,529.00	242,552.00	227,970.00

22 AMBULANCE SERVICE

Contracted Expense	-	-	-
SUBTOTAL	-	-	-

23 INSPECTORS

Wiring Inspector	10,000.00	10,000.00	10,000.00
Wiring Inspector Expenses	450.00	450.00	450.00
Plumbing & Gas Inspector	10,000.00	10,000.00	10,000.00
Plumbing & Gas Inspector Expenses	450.00	450.00	450.00
Sealer of Weights & Measures	750.00	750.00	750.00
Building Inspector	45,587.00	46,271.00	46,271.00
Building Inspector Expenses	2,800.00	2,800.00	2,800.00
SUBTOTAL	70,037.00	70,721.00	70,721.00

24 CIVIL DEFENSE

Director's Stipend	100.00	100.00	100.00
Expenses	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
SUBTOTAL	1,100.00	1,100.00	1,100.00

25 ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER

Contract Wages	17,089.00	17,346.00	17,346.00
Expenses	3,437.00	3,437.00	3,437.00
SUBTOTAL	20,526.00	20,783.00	20,783.00

TOTAL PUBLIC SAFETY	1,431,653.00	1,474,703.00	1,480,121.00
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EDUCATION**26 EDUCATION**

Pentucket Base Assessment	6,736,858.00	6,858,914.00	6,858,914.00
Pentucket Supplemental Assessment	122,056.00	337,629.00	12,766.00
Pentucket Capital Assessment	9,484.00	(2,591.00)	(2,591.00)
Pentucket Capital Assessment Supplemental	-	-	-
Whittier Vocational/Technical Assessment	564,553.00	628,719.00	628,719.00
SUBTOTAL	7,432,951.00	7,822,671.00	7,497,808.00

TOTAL EDUCATION	7,432,951.00	7,822,671.00	7,497,808.00
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PUBLIC WORKS**27 TREE WARDEN**

Tree Warden Stipend	300.00	300.00	300.00
Expenses	7,000.00	7,000.00	7,000.00
SUBTOTAL	7,300.00	7,300.00	7,300.00

28 HIGHWAYS

Road Commissioner's Salary	72,258.00	73,342.00	73,342.00
Highway Salary	97,951.00	104,393.00	104,393.00
Highway Salary - Part Time	21,000.00	21,000.00	21,000.00
Emergency Overtime	6,000.00	6,000.00	6,000.00
Highway Expense	7,000.00	7,000.00	7,000.00
Front End Loader (Lease)	32,200.00	32,200.00	32,200.00
Snow & Ice Removal	165,000.00	165,000.00	165,000.00
Road Machinery Expense	35,000.00	35,000.00	35,000.00
Road Maintenance Expense	160,000.00	160,000.00	160,000.00
SUBTOTAL	596,409.00	603,935.00	603,935.00

29 STREET LIGHTING

Expenses	49,000.00	40,000.00	40,000.00
SUBTOTAL	49,000.00	40,000.00	40,000.00

30 RUBBISH COLLECTION

Contract Administrator	9,630.00	9,775.00	9,775.00
Contract Expense	460,000.00	460,000.00	460,000.00
SUBTOTAL	469,630.00	469,775.00	469,775.00

31 CEMETERY

Commissioner's Stipend	300.00	300.00	300.00
Full Time Wages	31,157.00	31,625.00	31,625.00
Part Time Wages	8,640.00	8,640.00	8,640.00
Expenses	4,000.00	4,000.00	4,000.00
SUBTOTAL	44,097.00	44,565.00	44,565.00

TOTAL PUBLIC WORKS	1,166,436.00	1,165,575.00	1,165,575.00
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HUMAN SERVICES**32 BOARD OF HEALTH**

Health Members' Stipends	900.00	900.00	900.00
Health Nurse Wages	10,300.00	10,456.00	10,456.00
Health/Sanitation Agent Wages	46,934.00	47,638.00	47,638.00
Part-time Clerk Wages	14,119.00	14,331.00	14,331.00
Part-time Wages			
Expenses	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00
SUBTOTAL	75,253.00	76,325.00	76,325.00

33 COUNCIL ON AGING

Director's Salary	46,894.00	47,598.00	47,598.00
Senior Aide (1) Salary	28,811.00	30,252.00	30,252.00
Outreach Worker	7,380.00	7,491.00	7,491.00
Part Time Van Driver	16,884.00	17,138.00	17,138.00
Expenses	8,000.00	6,600.00	6,600.00
SUBTOTAL	107,969.00	109,079.00	109,079.00

34 ELDER SERVICE OF MERRIMACK VALLEY

Assessment	392.00	392.00	392.00
SUBTOTAL	392.00	392.00	392.00

35 VETERANS

Veterans' Agent	10,535.00	10,535.00	10,535.00
Veterans' Benefits	50,000.00	45,000.00	45,000.00
SUBTOTAL	60,535.00	55,535.00	55,535.00

TOTAL HUMAN SERVICES	244,149.00	241,331.00	241,331.00
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CULTURE & RECREATION**36 LIBRARY**

Library Director's Salary	56,238.00	57,082.00	57,082.00
Library Staff Wages	76,354.00	77,500.00	77,500.00
Part Time Wages	7,382.00	7,493.00	7,493.00
Expenses	56,023.00	59,784.00	59,784.00
SUBTOTAL	195,997.00	201,859.00	201,859.00

37 RECREATION DEPARTMENT

Expenses	-	-	-
SUBTOTAL	-	-	-

38 HISTORIC COMMISSION

Expenses	-	-	-
SUBTOTAL	-	-	-

39 MEMORIAL DAY SERVICES

Expenses	600.00	600.00	600.00
SUBTOTAL	600.00	600.00	600.00

TOTAL CULTURE & RECREATION	196,597.00	202,459.00	202,459.00
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DEBT SERVICE

40 DEBT INTEREST	-	45,000.00	45,000.00
SUBTOTAL	-	45,000.00	45,000.00

41 DEBT PRINCIPAL	-	25,000.00	25,000.00
SUBTOTAL	-	25,000.00	25,000.00

TOTAL DEBT SERVICE	-	70,000.00	70,000.00
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UNCLASSIFIED**42 ESSEX COUNTY RETIREMENT FUND**

Assessment	279,081.00	305,751.00	305,751.00
SUBTOTAL	279,081.00	305,751.00	305,751.00

43 HAVERHILL RETIREMENT BOARD

Assessment	-	-	-
SUBTOTAL	-	-	-

44 UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION

Expense	4,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00
SUBTOTAL	4,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00

45 EMPLOYEES' HEALTH INSURANCE

Expenses	315,000.00	325,000.00	325,000.00
SUBTOTAL	315,000.00	325,000.00	325,000.00

46 EMPLOYEES' LIFE INSURANCE

Expenses	3,750.00	3,000.00	3,000.00
SUBTOTAL	3,750.00	3,000.00	3,000.00

47 MEDICARE TAX

Expenses	42,000.00	43,000.00	43,000.00
SUBTOTAL	42,000.00	43,000.00	43,000.00

TOTAL UNCLASSIFIED	643,831.00	679,751.00	679,751.00
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GRAND TOTAL	12,007,635.00	12,549,967.00	12,210,522.00
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ARTICLE 6: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of SEVEN HUNDRED SEVENTY-THREE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED FIFTY-THREE DOLLARS (\$773,853.00) for the use of the Water Department, said sum to be offset by FY '2012 Water Department Revenue; or take any other action relative thereto:

	<u>FY'11</u>	<u>FY '12</u>
Commissioners Stipends (3)	\$ 1,260.00	\$ 1,260.00
Water/Sewer Superintendent's Salary	\$ 55,200.00	\$ 56,028.00
Water/Sewer Office Manager's Salary	\$ 33,100.00	\$ 33,597.00
Water/Sewer Equipment Operators/ Laborers (3) - Wages	\$ 103,650.00	\$112,112.00
Part-time Help	\$ 8,160.00	\$ 8,160.00
Over-time Wages	\$ 25,400.00	\$ 27,800.00
Expenses	\$ 261,600.00	\$269,450.00
Employees' Health Insurance	\$ 42,600.00	\$ 45,582.00
Retirement Buy-back	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Employees' Retirement	\$ 33,800.00	\$ 34,864.00
Bond Debt, Principal & Interest	<u>\$ 185,000.00</u>	<u>\$185,000.00</u>
TOTAL	\$ 749,770.00	\$773,853.00

Article submitted by Water & Sewer Commissioners

WATER/SEWER COMMISSIONERS RECOMMEND FAVORABLE/UNFAVORABLE ACTION

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ARTICLE 7: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of FOUR HUNDRED SEVENTEEN THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED TEN DOLLARS (\$417,510.00) for the use of the Sewer Department, said sum to be offset by FY 2012 Sewer Department Revenue; or take any other action relative thereto:

	<u>FY'11</u>	<u>FY '12</u>
Commissioners Stipends (3)	\$ 540.00	\$ 540.00
Water/Sewer Superintendent's Salary	\$ 23,620.00	\$ 23,974.00
Water/Sewer Office Manager's Salary	\$ 14,200.00	\$ 14,413.00
Water/Sewer Equipment Operators/ Laborers (3) - Wages	\$ 44,500.00	\$ 48,048.00
Over-time Wages	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 7,282.00
Expenses	\$ 46,000.00	\$ 51,550.00
Employees' Health Insurance	\$ 18,300.00	\$ 19,581.00
Retirement Buy-back	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Employees' Retirement	\$ 14,500.00	\$ 14,942.00
Bond Debt, Principal & Interest	\$ 61,800.00	\$ 62,000.00
Haverhill Wastewater	\$ 140,000.00	\$140,000.00
Haverhill Capital Bond	\$ 34,970.00	\$ 35,180.00
TOTAL	\$ 401,430.00	\$ 417,510.00

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ARTICLE 8: To see if the Town will vote to fix the salary and compensation of all elective and appointive officers of the Town for the twelve months ending June 30, 2012. Fixing of salaries according to Articles #5 - #7 above.

Article submitted by Finance Board

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ARTICLE 9: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of SIX HUNDRED TWENTY-FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$625,000.00) for the purpose of financing engineering, renovations and improvements to the town's sewer pump stations and related systems including without limitations all costs thereof; that to meet this appropriation the Finance Director, with approval of the Board of Selectmen, is authorized to borrow \$625,000.00 and issue bonds or notes therefor under G.L.c 44 Sec.8; that such bonds or notes shall be general obligations of the Town unless the Finance Director, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, determines that they should be issued as limited obligations and may be secured by local system revenues; and to take any other action necessary to carry out the project.

Article submitted by the Water & Sewer Commissioners

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ARTICLE 10: To see if the Town will vote to accept under Massachusetts General Law Chapter 60, Section 77C a parcel of land containing approximately 8.4 acres known as Groveland Assessors Map 42, Lot 41 located between Ashcroft Terrace and King Street; or take any other action relative thereto. Article Submitted by Finance Director

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ARTICLE 11: To see if the Town will vote to accept the sum of THIRTY-FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$35,000.00) from the Groveland Municipal Electric Department Operation Account to Town Estimated Receipts to reduce the Tax Rate for the twelve months ending June 30, 2012; or take any other action relative thereto.

Article submitted by Electric Light Commissioners.

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ARTICLE 12: To see if the Town will vote to amend Chapter 12 – Vehicles and Traffic - Article II. Stopping, Standing and Parking – Section 12-44. Parking Regulations/General Prohibitions of the Groveland General By-Laws by **adding the following paragraph #3 under section entitled “Prohibited on Certain Streets” :**

“3. Center Street, both sides, from the Boxford town line, easterly nine hundred (900) feet”, so that Prohibited on Certain Streets shall read as follows:

Prohibited on Certain Streets

Upon the following streets or highways or parts thereof parking is hereby prohibited:

1. Elm Park west, westerly side from its intersection with Main St. west to two hundred (200) feet southerly.
2. Elm Park west, easterly side from Gardner Street northerly to the entrance to the parking area.
3. Center Street, both sides, from the Boxford town line, easterly nine hundred (900) feet.

Article submitted by Board of Selectmen and Road Commissioner.

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ARTICLE 13: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate or reserve from Community Preservation Fund Fiscal Year 2012 annual revenues the amounts recommended by the Community Preservation Committee for committee administrative expenses, debt service, community preservation projects, and other expenses, with each item to be considered a separate appropriation:

PURPOSE	RECOMMENDED AMOUNT
Appropriations:	
Committee Administrative Expenses	\$ 10,000
Reserves:	
Open Space	\$ 40,000
Historic Resources	\$ 40,000
Community Housing	\$ 40,000

or take any other action relative thereto.

Explanation: Groveland expects to realize approximately \$ 360,000 in Community Preservation Act (CPA) funds from real estate tax receipts (\$200,000) and matching funds from the state (\$160,000) in fiscal year 2012. The Community Preservation Act requires the Town to set aside 10% of funds collected for each of the following areas: open space, historic resources, and community housing. The above budget reserves these statutory minimums for each of the required three categories of expenditures, and appropriates the statutory maximum to be available for Community Preservation Committee expenses including appraisals, land surveys, postage, copying, and other administrative costs for the Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2012. Any unexpended administrative expenses will be returned to the general Undesignated Community Preservation fund. All funds realized above those reserved or appropriated will become general Undesignated CPA funds available for appropriation in Fiscal Year 2012, or to be carried over to Fiscal Year 2013. **Article submitted by the Community Preservation Committee**

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ARTICLE 14: 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-½ of Massachusetts General Laws. The purpose of this fund is for the Conservation Commission to pay operating costs of Veasey Memorial Park. The Conservation Commission may expend from this account an amount not to exceed SIXTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$60,000.00) for Fiscal 2012; or take any other action relative thereto.

The Conservation Commission shall give a report to the FY 2013 Annual Town Meeting detailing the total receipts and expenditures of this fund for Fiscal 2012.

Article submitted by Conservation Commission.

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FINANCE BOARD RECOMMENDS FAVORABLE/UNFAVORABLE ACTION

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ARTICLE 15: 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 FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$5,000.00) during Fiscal 2012; or take any other action relative thereto.

A representative of the Pines Recreation Development Committee shall give a report to the FY 2013 Annual Town Meeting detailing the total receipts and expenditures of this fund for Fiscal 2012. Article submitted by Pines Recreation/Development Committee

BOARD OF SELECTMEN RECOMMEND FAVORABLE/UNFAVORABLE ACTION

FINANCE BOARD RECOMMENDS FAVORABLE/UNFAVORABLE ACTION

DATE AND ACTION TAKEN: April 25, 2011 Favorable Action Unanimous

ARTICLE 16: 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 tire drop off days, and donations made to the recycling fund to be expended without further appropriation for the maintenance and operation of the town's tire disposal day. The Board of Health may, upon approval of the Board of Selectmen, expend from this account an amount not to exceed THREE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$3,000.00) for Fiscal 2012; or take any other action relative thereto.

The Board of Health shall give a report to the FY 2013 Annual Town Meeting detailing the total receipts and expenditures of this fund for Fiscal 2012.

Article submitted by Board of Health.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN RECOMMEND FAVORABLE/UNFAVORABLE ACTION

FINANCE BOARD RECOMMENDS FAVORABLE/UNFAVORABLE ACTION

DATE AND ACTION TAKEN: April 25, 2011 Favorable Action Majority

ARTICLE 17: To see if the Town will vote to reauthorize the Zoning Board of Appeals Revolving Fund as established at Annual Town Meeting held April 27, 2009 and authorized by Chapter 44, Section 53E ½ of Massachusetts General Laws. The purpose of this fund is to hold fees paid by the applicants and to be expended without further appropriation for the payments of advertising and associated clerical work relative to the applicant's application. The Zoning Board of Appeals may, upon approval of the Board of Selectmen, expend from this account an amount not to exceed FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$5,000.00) during Fiscal 2012; or take any other action relative thereto.

The Zoning Board of Appeals shall give a report to the FY 2013 Annual Town Meeting detailing the total receipts and expenditures of this fund for Fiscal 2012.

Article submitted by Finance Director.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN RECOMMEND FAVORABLE/UNFAVORABLE ACTION

FINANCE BOARD RECOMMENDS FAVORABLE/UNFAVORABLE ACTION

DATE AND ACTION TAKEN: April 25, 2011 Favorable Action Majority

ARTICLE 18: To see if the Town will vote to reauthorize the Bagnall School Summer Program Revolving Fund as established at Annual Town Meeting held April 27, 2009 and authorized by Chapter 44, Section 53E ½ of Massachusetts General Laws. The purpose of this fund is to hold fees paid by the applicants and to be expended for salaries/wages and expenses of the Bagnall School Summer Program. The Bagnall School Summer Program may, upon approval of the Board of Selectmen, expend from this account an amount not to exceed NINETY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$90,000.00) during Fiscal 2012; or take any other action relative thereto.

The Director of the Bagnall School Summer Program shall give a report to the FY 2013 Annual Town Meeting detailing the total receipts and expenditures of this fund for Fiscal 2012; or take any other action relative thereto. Article submitted by Finance Director.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN RECOMMEND FAVORABLE/UNFAVORABLE ACTION

FINANCE BOARD RECOMMENDS FAVORABLE/UNFAVORABLE ACTION

DATE AND ACTION TAKEN: April 25, 2011 Favorable Action Unanimous

ARTICLE 19: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of THREE HUNDRED TWENTY-FOUR THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED SIXTY-THREE DOLLARS (\$324,863.00) for the purpose of paying the town's share of the Pentucket Regional School District Supplemental Operating Budget assessment, contingent upon approval by the voters at the 2011 Annual Town Election on Monday, May 2, 2011 of a Proposition 2-1/2 Override-Ballot Question #1 to allow the town to levy an additional \$324,863.00 in real estate and personal property taxes; or take any other action relative thereto. Article submitted by Finance Director & Board of Selectmen

BOARD OF SELECTMEN RECOMMEND FAVORABLE/UNFAVORABLE ACTION

FINANCE BOARD RECOMMENDS FAVORABLE/UNFAVORABLE ACTION

DATE AND ACTION TAKEN: April 25, 2011 Favorable Action Majority

ARTICLE 20: To see if the Town will vote to approve the \$5,162,400 borrowing authorized by vote of the Pentucket Regional School District (the District) on April 5, 2011, for the purpose of paying costs of adding and making extraordinary repairs to the District's Dr. Elmer S. Bagnall Elementary School located at 253 School Street, Groveland, MA, including the payment of all costs incidental or related thereto. The approval of the District's borrowing by this vote is contingent upon approval by the voters at the Annual Town Election on May 2, 2011 of a Debt Exclusion Ballot Question that, if successful, would exempt the debt service of said bonds and notes from provisions of Proposition 2-1/2, so called; or take any other action relative thereto. Article submitted by the Bagnall Building Committee.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN RECOMMEND FAVORABLE/UNFAVORABLE ACTION

FINANCE BOARD RECOMMENDS FAVORABLE/UNFAVORABLE ACTION

DATE AND ACTION TAKEN: April 25, 2011 Favorable Action Majority

ARTICLE 21: To see if the Town will vote (i) to approve the \$2,424,000 borrowing authorized by vote of the Pentucket Regional School District on April 5, 2011, for the purpose of paying costs of making so-called green repairs to the District's Dr. Elmer S. Bagnall Elementary School located at 253 School Street, Groveland, MA (the "Project"), including the payment of costs related to making roof, window and boiler improvements, and the payment of all other costs incidental or related thereto, which proposed Project would materially extend the useful life of the school and preserve an asset that otherwise is capable of supporting the required educational program, said sum to be expended at the direction of the School Building Committee. The Town and the District acknowledge 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 District incurs in excess of any grant approved by and received from the MSBA shall be the sole responsibility of the District; provided further that any grant that the District may receive from the MSBA shall not exceed the lesser of (1) 51.42 percent (51.42%) of eligible, approved project costs, as determined by the MSBA, or (2) the total maximum grant amount determined by the MSBA, and that the amount of borrowing authorized pursuant to the vote of the District shall be reduced by any grant amount set forth in the Project Funding Agreement relating to the Project that may be executed between the District and the MSBA. The Town acknowledges that pursuant to the District Agreement, all costs of the Project, including the debt service on the bonds or notes issued by the District to finance the Project, shall be allocable solely to the Town of Groveland, and (ii) appropriate \$187,800 from the Stabilization Fund to pay costs of the Project, so as to reduce the overall borrowing for the Project by the District; or take any other action relative thereto.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN RECOMMEND FAVORABLE/UNFAVORABLE ACTION

FINANCE BOARD RECOMMENDS FAVORABLE/UNFAVORABLE ACTION

DATE AND ACTION TAKEN: April 25, 2011 Favorable Action Majority

ARTICLE 22: To see if the Town will vote to approve the \$3,400,000 borrowing authorized by vote of the Pentucket Regional School District, for the purpose of paying costs of making extraordinary repairs to the District's Helen R. Donaghue Elementary School located at 24 Union Street, Merrimac, Massachusetts and the Dr. Frederick N. Sweetsir Elementary School located at 104 Church Street, Merrimac, Massachusetts, such repairs consisting of replacement of doors, windows, replacement of roof top heating units and the roof at the Sweetsir Elementary School and the replacement of the roof at the Donaghue Elementary School, including the payment of all costs incidental or related thereto, which proposed repair projects would materially extend the useful life of the schools and preserve assets that otherwise are capable of supporting the required educational program, said sum to be expended at the direction of the School Building Committee. The Massachusetts School Building Authority's grant program is a non-entitlement, discretionary program based on need, as determined by the MSBA, and any costs of the Project that the District incurs in excess of any grant approved by and received from the MSBA shall be the sole responsibility of the District; provided further that any grant that the District may receive from the MSBA shall not exceed the lesser of (1) 51.42% of eligible, approved project costs, as determined by the MSBA, or (2) the total maximum grant amount determined by the MSBA, and that amount of the borrowing authorized shall be reduced by any grant amount set forth in the Project Funding Agreement relating to the proposed repair project that may be executed between the District and the MSBA; and the Town acknowledges that pursuant to the District Agreement, all costs of the project, including the debt service on the notes issued by the District to finance the project, shall be allocable solely to the Town of Merrimac: or take any other action relative thereto.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN RECOMMEND FAVORABLE/UNFAVORABLE ACTION

FINANCE BOARD RECOMMENDS FAVORABLE/UNFAVORABLE ACTION

DATE AND ACTION TAKEN: April 25, 2011 Favorable Action Unanimous

ARTICLE 23: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of SIXTEEN THOUSAND SIX HUNDRED FOURTEEN DOLLARS AND FIFTY-TWO CENTS (\$16,614.52) for the Langley Adams Library Staff, account #1001-610-51200-051 for Fiscal Year 2012, to cover an additional 24 staffing hours; or take any other action relative thereto. Article submitted by Board of Library Trustees.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN RECOMMEND FAVORABLE/UNFAVORABLE ACTION

FINANCE BOARD RECOMMENDS FAVORABLE/UNFAVORABLE ACTION

DATE AND ACTION TAKEN: April 25, 2011 Unfavorable Action / No Recommendation Majority

ARTICLE 24: To see if the Town will vote to adopt the following General By-Law:

Chapter 15 School Security

Section 15.1 In the Town of Groveland, Massachusetts all Public Schools to include the Bagnall Elementary School, the Pentucket Middle School and Pentucket High School shall have in operation at all times during school hours, after school programs and alike: a system installed to have all doors locked with a Man Trap system (Between Doors, outside and inside doors) to be controlled by a Central location inside the school (School Office) with a camera system on all doors and a buzzer entry system with intercom for verification of all passage requests into the school.

The School shall also have a "Lock Down Plan" approved and tested by the Chief of Police of Groveland on a regular schedule and unscheduled basis for operation and to make recommendations as and when necessary for improvements due to Threat Analysis Changes.

The system shall be installed no later than 30 days upon passage of this General By-Law adoption.

Oversight shall be by the Groveland Police Chief and or his Representative or subordinate as his choice.

Sections 15.1-15.25 for future use

or take any other action relative thereto.

Article submitted by petition.

PURPOSE: The purpose of this new By-law is for the Safety of The School Children, Teachers and Faculty of the Groveland and Pentucket School Systems. Currently no such system is in place at the Bagnall School and upgrades may be necessary at the Middle and High Schools. Although requests have been made to the School no system is in place and leaves the Safety and Well being of the Children, Teachers and Faculty at risk to a Threat. Events being played out around the world require our School Doors to be Locked while school and programs are in session. This By-law will accomplish this and follow up inspections and procedures as deemed necessary by local Law Enforcement. Please vote to support this By-Law to Protect Our Children in The Groveland School Systems.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN RECOMMEND FAVORABLE/UNFAVORABLE ACTION

FINANCE BOARD RECOMMENDS FAVORABLE/UNFAVORABLE ACTION

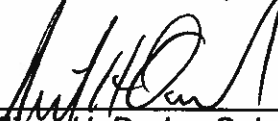
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And you are directed to serve this Warrant by posting attested copies thereof in said Town, one copy in each of the three parts of Town known as Savaryville, the Village, and South Groveland, fourteen (14) days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

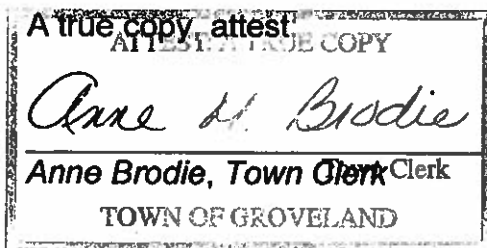
Hereof fail not and make due return of this Warrant, with your doings thereon to the Precinct Clerk, at the time and place of said meeting.

Given under our hands this 28th day of March in the year of our Lord two thousand eleven.


Donald N. Greaney, Chairman


William H. Darke, Selectman


Elizabeth A. Gorski, Selectman




Robert J. Kirmelewicz, 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.


Anne Brodie, Town Clerk


Robert J. Kirmelewicz, Police Chief

MINUTES FROM TOWN MEETING ON APRIL 25, 2011 @ 7:15PM

ATTENDANCE: BOARD OF SELECTMEN, FINANCE BOARD, TOWN COUNCIL, TOWN CLERK AND MODERATOR ALL AT HEAD TABLE

ARTICLE 1: SUBMITTED BY BOARD OF SELECTMEN

SELECTMEN: FAVORABLE ACTION

FINANCE: FAVORABLE ACTION

VOTERS: UNANIMOUS

ARTICLE 2: SUBMITTED BY BOARD OF SELECTMEN

SELECTMEN: FAVORABLE ACTION

FINANCE: FAVORABLE ACTION

VOTERS: UNANIMOUS

ARTICLE 3: SUBMITTED BY CONSERVATION COMMITTEE

SELECTMEN: FAVORABLE ACTION

FINANCE: FAVORABLE ACTION

VOTERS: UNANIMOUS

ARTICLE 4: SUBMITTED BY BOARD OF SELECTMEN

SELECTMEN: FAVORABLE ACTION

FINANCE: FAVORABLE ACTION

VOTERS: UNANIMOUS

ARTICLE 5: OMNIBUS

SELECTMEN: FAVORABLE

FINANCE: FAVORABLE

VOTERS: UNANIMOUS

ARTICLE 6: SUBMITTED BY WATER AND SEWER COMMISSIONERS

WATER/SEWER COMMISSIONERS: FAVORABLE ACTION

SELECTMEN: FAVORABLE ACTION

FINANCE: FAVORABLE ACTION

VOTERS: UNANIMOUS

ARTICLE 7: SUBMITTED BY WATER/SEWER COMMISSIONERS

WATER/SEWER COMMISSIONERS: FAVORABLE ACTION

SELECTMEN: FAVORABLE ACTION

FINANCE: FAVORABLE ACTION

VOTERS: UNANIMOUS

ARTICLE 8: SUBMITTED BY FINANCE BOARD

SELECTMEN: FAVORABLE ACTION

FINANCE: FAVORABLE ACTION

VOTERS: UNANIMOUS

ARTICLE 9: SUBMITTED BY WATER/SEWER COMMISSIONERS

WATER/SEWER COMMISSIONERS: FAVORABLE ACTION

SELECTMEN: FAVORABLE ACTION

FINANCE: FAVORABLE ACTION

VOTERS: UNANIMOUS

ARTICLE 10: SUBMITTED BY FINANCE DIRECTOR

SELECTMEN: FAVORABLE ACTION

FINANCE: NO RECOMMENDATION

VOTERS: UNANIMOUS

ARTICLE 11: SUBMITTED BY LIGHT COMMISSIONERS

SELECTMEN: FAVORABLE ACTION

FINANCE: FAVORABLE ACTION

VOTERS: UNANIMOUS

ARTICLE 12: SUBMITTED BY SELECTMEN AND ROAD COMMISSIONER

SELECTMEN: FAVORABLE ACTION

FINANCE: NO RECOMMENDATION

ARTICLE 13: SUBMITTED BY COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE

SELECTMEN: FAVORABLE ACTION

FINANCE: FAVORABLE ACTION

VOTERS: UNANIMOUS

ARTICLE 14: SUBMITTED BY CONSERVATION COMMITTEE

SELECTMEN: FAVORABLE ACTION

FINANCE: FAVORABLE ACTION

VOTERS: UNANIMOUS

ARTICLE 15: SUBMITTED BY PINES RECREATION/DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

SELECTMEN: FAVORABLE ACTION

FINANCE: FAVORABLE ACTION

VOTERS: UNANIMOUS

ARTICLE 16: SUBMITTED BY BOARD OF HEALTH

SELECTMEN: FAVORABLE ACTION

FINANCE: FAVORABLE ACTION

VOTERS: MAJORITY

ARTICLE 17: SUBMITTED BY FINANCE DIRECTOR

SELECTMEN: FAVORABLE ACTION

FINANCE: FAVORABLE ACTION

VOTERS: MAJORITY

ARTICLE 18: SUBMITTED BY FINANCE DIRECTOR

SELECTMEN: FAVORABLE ACTION

FINANCE: FAVORABLE ACTION

VOTERS: UNANIMOUS

ARTICLE 19: SUBMITTED BY FIANCE DIRECTOR AND BOARD OF SELECTMEN

SELECTMEN: FAVORABLE ACTION

FINANCE: UNFAVORABLE CHANGED TO FAVORABLE ACTION

VOTERS: MAJORITY

ARTICLE 20: SUBMITTED BY BAGNALL BUILDING COMMITTEE

SELECTMEN: FAVORABLE

FINANCE: UNFAVORABLE

VOTERS: MAJORITY

ARTICLE 21: SELECTMEN: FAVORABLE ACTION

FINANCE: FAVORABLE ACTION

VOTERS: MAJORITY

ARTICLE 22: SELECTMEN: FAVORABLE ACTION

FINANCE: FAVORABLE ACTION

VOTERS: UNANIMOUS

ARTICLE 23: SUBMITTED BY BOARD OF LIBRARY TRUSTEES

SELECTMEN: UNFAVORABLE ACTION

FINANCE: TIE VOTE – NO RECOMMENDATION

VOTERS: MAJORITY

ARTICLE 24: SUBMITTED BY PETITION

SELECTMEN: WANT TO REFER TO A COMMITTEE

FINANCE: NO ACTION

TABLE THE ARTICLE

VOTERS:

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING APRIL 25, 2011 @ 7:00 PM

ARTICLE 1: SUBMITTED BY CONSERVATION COMMISSION

SELECTMEN: FAVORABLE ACTION

FINANCE: FAVORABLE ACTION

VOTERS: UNANIMOUS

ARTICLE 2: SUBMITTED BY FINACE DIRECTOR

\$7,500.00 CHANGED TO \$15,000.00

\$1,500.00 CHANGED TO \$2,250.00

\$1,000.00 CHANGED TO \$1,400.00

SELECTMEN: AMENDED / FAVORABLE ACTION

FINANCE: AMENDED / FAVORABLE ACTION

VOTERS: UNANIMOUS

ARTICLE 3: SUBMITTED BY FINANCE DIRECTOR

SELECTMEN: FAVORABLE ACTION

FINANCE: FAVORABLE ACTION

VOTERS: UNANIMOUS

ARTICLE 4: SUBMITTED BY FINANCE DIRECTOR

SELECTMEN: FAVORABLE ACTION

FINANCE: FAVORABLE ACTION

VOTERS: UNANIMOUS

ARTICLE 5: SUBMITTED BY CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE

SELECTMEN: FAVORABLE ACTION

FINANCE: FAVORABLE ACTION

VOTERS: UNANIMOUS

ARTICLE 6: SUBMITTED BY CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE

SELECTMEN: FAVORABLE ACTION

FINANCE: FAVORABLE ACTION

VOTERS: UNANIMOUS

ARTICLE 7: SUBMITTED BY CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE

SELECTMEN: FAVORABLE ACTION

FINANCE: FAVORABLE ACTION

VOTERS: UNANIMOUS

ARTICLE 8: SUBMITTED BY TOWN CLERK

SELECTMEN: FAVORABLE ACTION

FINANCE: FAVORABLE ACTION

VOTERS: UNANIMOUS

ARTICLE 9: SUBMITTED BY BOARD OF ASSESSORS

SELECTMEN: FAVORABLE ACTION

FINANCE: FAVORABLE ACTION

VOTERS: UNANIMOUS

ARTICLE 10: SUBMITTED BY BOARD OF ASSESSORS

SELECTMEN: FAVORABLE ACTION

FINANCE: FAVORABLE ACTION

VOTERS: UNANIMOUS

ARTICLE 11: SUBMITTED BY BOARD OF ASSESSORS

SELECTMEN: FAVORABLE ACTION

FINANCE: FAVORABLE ACTION

VOTERS: UNANIMOUS

TOWN PEOPLE ATTENDED: 294 MEETING ADJOURNED AT 9:30 PM

April 25, 2011 Annual Town Meeting

Article 1: April 25, 2011 – favorable action unanimous
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Article 5: April 25, 2011 – passed
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Article 20: April 25, 2011 – favorable action majority
Article 21: April 25, 2011 – favorable action majority
Article 22: April 25, 2011 – favorable action unanimous
Article 23: April 25, 2011 – unfavorable action / no recommendation majority
Article 24: April 25, 2011 – refer to committee / no action / table the article