

TOWN WARRANT

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

HAMPDEN, S.S.

TOWN OF WALES

GREETINGS: In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of Wales that the Annual Town Meeting will be held in the WALES ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, 41 MAIN STREET, in said WALES, on Wednesday the 19th day of MAY, 2010 at 7:00 p.m., or as soon thereafter as the subject matter of this warrant can then and there be reached, to act on the following Articles:

ARTICLE 1 To hear the reports of Town Officers and act on same, or take any other action relative thereto. (Submitted: Board of Selectmen)

ARTICLE 2 To hear the reports of Committees and act on same, or take any other action relative thereto. (Submitted: Board of Selectmen)

ARTICLE 3 To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2010, in accordance with the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 4 and to renew any note or notes as may be given in accordance with the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 17, or take any other action relative thereto. (Submitted: Board of Selectmen)

ARTICLE 4 To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen to enter into compensating balance agreements with bank offices having their principal offices in the Commonwealth during the fiscal year 2011, as permitted by Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 53 F, or take any other action relative thereto. (Submitted: Board of Selectmen)

ARTICLE 5 To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to defend all suits that may be brought against the Town and to prosecute all suits on behalf of the Town, to engage Counsel for same, and to settle such suits as they deem advisable, or take any other action relative thereto. (Submitted: Board of Selectmen)

ARTICLE 6 To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to apply for and accept such federal or state grants or monies as may be advisable and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to expend any funds received there from in accordance with the terms of said grants, or take any other action relative thereto. (Submitted: Board of Selectmen)

ARTICLE 7 To see if the Town will vote, pursuant to the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 53E ½ , to reauthorize revolving funds for certain Town departments and officers for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2011, as follows, or take any other action relative thereto:

REVOLVING FUND	AUTHORITY TO SPEND	REVENUE SOURCE	USE OF FUND	FY11 BUDGET
Building Inspections	Building Commissioner	Inspection Fees	Expenses and costs related to provision of inspection services	\$18,000
Plumbing, Heating & Gas Inspections	Plumbing/Heating/Gas Inspector	Inspection Fees & expense reimbursements	Expenses & costs related to provision of inspection services	\$5,000
Cemetery Services	Cemetery Commission	Fees received in connection with burial rights, owners requests & obligations	Fees received for cemetery services such as opening & closing graves, providing foundations for monuments & additional services requested & paid for by burial rights owners	\$3,000
Planning	Planning Board	Filing fees & expense reimbursements	Expenses & costs related to processing applications, publishing notices & holding hearings	\$5,000
Conservation	Conservation Commission	Filing fees & expense reimbursements	Expenses & costs related to processing applications, publishing notices & holding hearings	\$5,000
Zoning	Zoning Board of Appeals	Filing Fees & expense reimbursements	Expenses & costs related to processing applications, publishing notices & holding hearings	\$2,000
Animal Control	Animal Control Officer	Fines and fees	Expenses & costs related to provision of animal control services for which fees & fines are assessed	\$2,000
Library	Library Trustees or Director	Fines and fees	Expenses & costs related to library programs & activities for which fees & fines are assessed	\$1,000
Electrical	Electrical Inspector	Permits fees & expenses	Expenses & costs related to inspections	\$5,000
Police -- Pistol Permits	Police Chief	Pistol Permit Fees	Expenses & costs related to pistol permit application	\$5,000

Council on Aging	Council on Aging	Fees & reimbursements	Expenses & costs related to programs & activities for Seniors	\$3,500
Road Commissioner	Road Commissioner	Permits fees & expenses	Expenses & costs related to driveway permits	\$1,500
Fire Department	Fire Inspector	Permit Fees	Expenses & costs related to provision of inspection services	\$1,500
Public Access	Cable Committee	Fees	Expenses & costs related to Cable Committee	\$1,500
Board of Health	Board of Health	Fees	Expenses & costs related to processing applications, publishing notices & holding hearings	\$10,000

ARTICLE 8 To see if the Town will vote to reauthorize an Offset Receipt Account, said amount not to exceed SIXTY FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$65,000.00) more or less, for the operation of the TRANSFER STATION provided, however, that pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 53E, such costs shall be offset by the estimated receipts from the fees charged to users of the services provided by the Transfer Station, or take any other action relative thereto. (Submitted: Board of Selectmen)

ARTICLE 9 To see if the Town will vote to authorize payment of a prior year bill for unpaid Health Insurance fees of \$5,400.00 from the 2010 appropriation for 32B Medical/Dental/Life, or take any other action relative thereto. (Submitted: Accountant)

ARTICLE 10 To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of \$3,500.00 from the amount appropriated for FY09 Dam Inspections to the FY11 Dam Inspections line item for the purpose of complying with State Mandated inspections of town-owned dams every three years, or take any other action relative thereto. (Submitted: Board of Selectmen)

ARTICLE 11 To see if the town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to acquire from Nicholas M. Katsounakis and Michael T. Katsounakis, by gift, purchase, or eminent domain, for general municipal purposes, to accommodate Town Offices, the Police Department, and a Library, a parcel of land located at 2 Main Street, Wales, Massachusetts, shown on Assessors Map 100.0/2210/0002.0 Parcel 0002, containing approximately seven (7) acres, and described in a deed recorded with the Hampden Registry of Deeds in Book 8097, Page 406; and, as funding therefore, to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds, or borrow, or any combination thereof, the sum of THREE HUNDRED EIGHTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$380,000.00), and authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, to borrow such sum pursuant to the provisions of G.L. Chapter 44, section 7, or any other enabling authority provided, however, that no funds shall be borrowed or expended hereunder unless and until the Town shall have voted to exclude the amounts required to repay any borrowing pursuant to

this vote from the limitations of Chapter 59, Section 21C of the General Laws (proposition 2 ½); and, further, to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into all agreements and execute on behalf of the town any and all instruments as may be necessary or convenient to effectuate the purpose of this article; or taken any other action relative thereto. (Submitted: Municipal Facilities Study Committee)

ARTICLE 12 Shall the town accept the provisions of sections sixteen to sixteen I, inclusive, of Chapter Seventy-one of the General Laws providing for the establishment of a Regional School District, together with the towns of Holland, and Wales, and for the maintenance and operation of a regional school by said district in accordance with the provisions of a proposed agreement filed with the selectmen?

Yes _____

No _____

ARTICLE 13 To see if the Town will vote to establish, in accordance with the provisions of G.L. c.40, S.5B, a special purpose stabilization fund entitled Capital Improvement Stabilization Fund, and to transfer the sum of forty thousand dollars (\$40,000.00) from the Norcross Gift Account to the Capital Improvement Stabilization Fund, or take any other action relative thereto. (Submitted: Finance Committee)

ARTICLE 14 To see if the Town will vote to transfer THIRTY SIX THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$36,000.00) from the Capital Improvement Stabilization account for the purchase of a Police Cruiser for the Wales Police Department, or take any other action relative thereto. (Submitted: Finance Committee)

ARTICLE 15 To see if the Town will vote to transfer FIFTEEN THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED THIRTY EIGHT DOLLARS (\$15,738.00.00) from the Norcross Gift account to the Town Stabilization Account, or take any other action relative thereto. (Submitted: Finance Committee)

ARTICLE 16 To see if the Town will vote to amend Chapter 4 of the town By-laws by inserting a new section (#14) providing for the appointment of a financial management team to include at least one selectman, finance committee member, executive secretary, accountant, tax collector, treasurer, an assessor and a representative from the school business office, such team to meet at least quarterly or more frequently as issues require, or take any other action relative thereto. (Submitted: Board of Selectmen)

ARTICLE 17 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds, or otherwise fund the amount of THIRTY FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$35,000.00) for the purchase and equipping of a non-CDL Dump Truck for the Wales Highway Department, or take any other action relative thereto. (Submitted: Road Commissioner)

ARTICLE 18 To see if the Town will vote to accept the sum of FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$50,000.00), as an unrestricted gift from the Norcross Wildlife Sanctuary, and appropriate a

ARTICLE 19 To see if the town will vote to transfer the care, custody, maintenance and control of a portion of the land located at 41 Main Street and shown on Assessors Map 100.0/2210/0041.0, being a portion of the land described in a deed to the Town recorded with the Hampden Registry of Deeds, Book 2975, Page 162, owned by the Town and currently under the care, custody, maintenance and control of the Board of Selectmen for purposes, to the Park commission for open space and recreation purposes, said portion consisting of approximately one hundred eleven (111) acres located behind the existing tennis/basketball court where the wetland begins to the western boundaries which abut Massachusetts Fish and Wildlife property and as shown on a sketch plan on file in the Office of the Town Clerk; or take any other action relative thereto. (Submitted: Park Commission)

ARTICLE 20 To see if the Town will vote to accept the Handbook/Personnel policy and enact a Personnel By-law as included in the town report, or take any other action relative thereto. (Submitted: Handbook Committee)

ARTICLE 21 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$3,570,417.34, and \$8,538.97 from the Norcross Gift account for the ensuing Fiscal 2011 period, or take any other action relative thereto. (Submitted: Finance Committee)

And you are further required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said WALES, qualified to VOTE in Town Affairs, to meet at the Wales Senior Center on 85 Main Street, in said Town, on TUESDAY, MAY 25, 2010 at 12 o'clock in the afternoon until 8:00 p.m., then and there to act on the remaining articles:

ARTICLE 22 To give their vote on a ballot for the following officers:

- (1) Board of Selectmen for a 3-year term (2013)
- (1) Board of Assessor for a 3-year term (2013)
- (1) Board of Health Member for a 3-year term (2013)
- (1) Cemetery Commissioner for a 3-year term (2013)
- (1) Constable for a 3-year term (2013)
- (1) Library Trustee for a 3-year term (2013)
- (1) Library Trustee for a 1-year term (2011)
- (1) Town Clerk for a 3-year term (2013)
- (1) Planning Board Member for 3-year term (2013)
- (2) School Committee Members for 3-year term (2013)

And you are hereby directed to serve this Warrant, by posting up attested copies thereof in at least three (3) conspicuous places in the Town.

Hereof, fail not, and make return of the warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk, at the time and place of meeting, as aforesaid.

Given under our hands this 13th day of April, Two Thousand and Ten.

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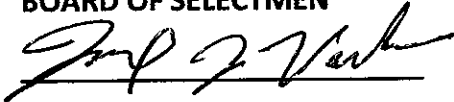
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ATTEST:

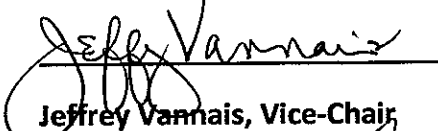
Michael Wasiluk

_____, Constable

BOARD OF SELECTMEN



Michael Valanzola, Chairman



Jeffrey Vannais, Vice-Chair



Richard Learned, Clerk

KOPELMAN & PAIGE, P.C.

TOWN COUNSEL

TOWN OF WALES				FY11 Budget			
				Requested	Recommended	Variance	
ACCOUNT #	DEPT	CATEGORY	Approved FY10	FY11	FY11	FY11	
Town Assessors							
100-141-5100	Financial Administra	Principal Assessor Salary	\$7,241.70	\$ 7,170.00	\$ 7,422.74	\$ 181.04	
100-141-5110	Financial Administra	Clerk of Board of Assessors Salary	\$7,241.70	\$ 7,170.00	\$ 7,422.74	\$ 181.04	
100-141-5120	Financial Administra	Member of Board of Assessors Sa	\$7,241.70	\$ 7,170.00	\$ 7,422.74	\$ 181.04	
100-141-5400	Financial Administra	Assessors Expenses	\$4,905.00	\$ 4,905.00	\$ 4,905.00	\$ -	
100-142-5200	Financial Administra	Assessors State Mandated Interim	\$500.00	\$ 7,000.00	\$ 7,000.00	\$ 6,500.00	
		TOTAL	\$27,130.10	\$ 33,415.00	\$ 34,173.23	\$ 7,043.13	
Treasurer							
100-145-5210	Financial Administra	Treasurer Registration of Loans	\$700.00	\$ 700.00	\$ 700.00	\$ -	
100-145-5100	Financial Administra	Treasurer Salary	\$17,258.80	\$ 18,121.74	\$ 17,690.27	\$ 431.47	
100-145-5110	Financial Administra	Ass't Treasurer Salary	7551.56	\$ 7,929.16	\$ 7,740.35	\$ 188.79	
100-145-5400	Financial Administra	Treasurer Expenses	\$6,300.00	\$ 5,048.50	\$ 5,048.50	\$ (1,251.50)	
100-158-5200	Financial Administra	Treasurer Tax Title Expenses	\$5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ -	
100-145-5190-00	Financial Administra	Treasurer Certification	\$1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ -	
		TOTAL	\$37,810.36	\$ 37,799.40	\$ 37,179.12	\$ (631.24)	
Tax Collector							
100-146-5100	Financial Administra	Tax Collector salary	\$14,564.20	\$ 15,292.41	\$ 14,928.31	\$ 364.11	
100-146-5110	Financial Administra	Tax Collector Clerk Salary	\$3,443.83	\$ 3,443.83	\$ 3,529.93	\$ 86.10	
100-146-5110	Financial Administra	Tax Collector Expenses	\$7,424.00	\$ 6,482.00	\$ 6,482.00	\$ (942.00)	
100-146-5190-00	Financial Administra	Collector Certification	\$1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ -	
		TOTAL	\$26,432.03	\$ 26,218.24	\$ 25,940.23	\$ (491.80)	
Town Clerk							
100-161-5100	General Government	Town Clerk Salary	\$15,503.66	\$ 16,278.84	\$ 15,891.25	\$ 387.59	
100-161-5110	General Government	Town Clerk Assistant Salary	\$5,409.56	\$ 5,680.04	\$ 5,544.80	\$ 135.24	
100-161-5400	General Government	Town Clerk Expenses	\$4,050.00	\$ 4,252.50	\$ 4,252.50	\$ 202.50	
100-162-5100	General Government	Elections & Registration	\$2,425.00	\$ 7,275.00	\$ 7,275.00	\$ 4,850.00	
		TOTAL	\$27,388.22	\$ 33,486.38	\$ 32,963.55	\$ 5,575.33	
Conservation Committee							
100-171-5100	Boards & Committee	Conservation Comm. Stipends	\$500.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	\$ -	
100-171-5400	Boards & Committee	Cons. Comm. Expenses	\$1,940.00	\$ 1,940.00	\$ 1,940.00	\$ -	
100-171-5200	Boards & Committee	Conservation Comm. Clerk	\$2,575.00	\$ 2,575.00	\$ 2,626.50	\$ 51.50	

TOWN OF WALES		FY11 Budget			
		Approved FY10	Requested FY11	Recommended FY11	Variance FY11
ACCOUNT #	DEPT	CATEGORY			
		TOTAL	\$ 5,015.00	\$ 5,066.50	\$ 51.50
Planning Board					
100-175-5100	Boards & Committees	Planning Board Stipends	\$1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ -
100-175-5300	Boards & Committees	Planning Board Clerk	\$2,813.51	\$ 2,889.85	\$ 70.34
100-175-5400	Boards & Committees	Planning Board Expenses		\$ -	
		TOTAL	\$4,313.51	\$ 4,383.85	\$ 70.34
Zoning Board of Appeals					
100-176-5500	Boards & Committees	Zoning Appeals Board Stipends	\$30.00	\$ 30.00	\$ -
100-176-5400	Boards & Committees	Zoning Appeals Board Expenses		\$ -	
		TOTAL	\$30.00	\$ 30.00	\$ -
Police Dept	Public Safety	Police Chief Salary	\$6,000.00	\$ 6,150.00	\$ 150.00
100-210-5100	Public Safety	Police Salaries	\$32,897.58	\$ 33,720.02	\$ 822.44
100-210-5200	Public Safety	Office Expenses	\$620.00	\$ 620.00	\$ -
100-210-5400	Public Safety	Police Expenses Cruiser Fuel/Rep	\$8,480.00	\$ 8,480.00	\$ -
???	Public Safety	Dues & Subscriptions	\$1,750.00	\$ 1,970.00	\$ 220.00
	Public Safety	Technology (Verizon)		\$ 516.00	
	Public Safety	2010 Law Books		\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00
		TOTAL	\$49,747.58	\$ 52,628.46	\$ 1,908.44
Fire Dept					
100-220-5800	Public Safety	Fire Department New Eqpt	\$12,000.00	\$ 22,000.00	\$ 7,000.00
100-220-5110	Public Safety	Fire Department Members Salary	\$4,545.00	\$ 4,658.63	\$ 113.63
100-220-5100	Public Safety	Fire Department Chief Salary	\$6,060.00	\$ 6,211.50	\$ 151.50
100-220-5120	Public Safety	Fire Department 1st Assist Salary	\$2,020.00	\$ 2,020.00	\$ 50.50
100-220-5130	Public Safety	Fire Department 2nd Assist Salary	\$2,020.00	\$ 2,020.00	\$ 50.50
100-220-5400	Public Safety	Fire Department Expenses	\$6,000.00	\$ 6,000.00	\$ -
100-220-5810	Public Safety	Fire Dept Commun. Equipment	\$3,000.00	\$ 3,000.00	\$ -
100-231-5200	Public Safety	Brimfield Ambulance	\$45,110.00	\$ 46,237.75	\$ 1,127.75
		TOTAL	\$80,755.00	\$ 99,337.75	\$ 8,493.88
Civil Defense					

TOWN OF WALES		FY11 Budget			
		Approved	Requested	Recommended	Variance
ACCOUNT #	DEPT	FY10	FY11	FY11	FY11
100-291-5100	Public Safety	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$ -
100-291-5400	Public Safety	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00	\$ -
	TOTAL	\$1,600.00	\$1,600.00	\$1,600.00	\$ -
Dog/Animal Inspector					
100-292-5100	Public Safety	\$2,896.26	\$2,896.26	\$2,896.26	\$ -
	Dog/Animal Officer Salary			\$2,896.26	\$ -
	Dog/Animal Officer Expense		\$800.00	\$400.00	\$400.00
100-292-5110	Public Safety	\$300.00	\$300.00	\$300.00	\$ -
	Animal Inspector Stipend				
	TOTAL	\$3,196.26	\$3,996.26	\$3,668.67	\$472.41
Tree Warden					
100-294-5400	Public Safety	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00	\$ -
	Trees Work & Pest Control				
100-294-5410	Public Safety	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$ -
	Tree Warden Stipend				
	TOTAL	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00	\$ -
100-300-5700	Education	\$1,528,971.00	\$1,479,897.00	\$1,479,897.00	\$ (49,074.00)
	TOTAL Wales Elementary				
100-301-5710	Education	\$622,327.00	\$620,408.00	\$620,408.00	\$ (1,919.00)
	Tantasqua Assessment				
100-301-5700	Education	\$25,107.00	\$45,321.00	\$45,321.00	\$ 20,214.00
	Tantasqua Transportation				
100-301-5500	Education	\$72,339.00	\$64,725.00	\$64,725.00	\$ (7,614.00)
	School Bond Payment				
100-315-5400	Education	\$270.00	\$300.00	\$300.00	\$ 30.00
	School Board Expenses				
100-316-5400	Education	\$90.00	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$ 10.00
	TRSD Member Expenses				
	TRSD TOTAL	\$720,133.00	\$730,854.00	\$730,854.00	\$ 10,721.00
	TOTAL EDUCATION	\$2,249,104.00	\$2,210,751.00	\$2,210,751.00	\$ (38,353.00)
Highway					
100-199-5400	Highway	\$12,000.00	\$12,000.00	\$12,000.00	\$ -
	Town Garage - maintenance & op				
100-422-5400	Highway	\$12,500.00	\$12,500.00	\$12,500.00	\$ -
	General Highway				
100-422-5100	Highway	\$82,293.19	\$86,909.84	\$82,293.19	\$ -
	Highway Payroll				
100-422-5110	Highway	\$52,503.57	\$55,128.72	\$55,616.16	\$ 1,312.59
	Road Commissioner Salary				
100-422-5200	Highway	\$14,000.00	\$14,000.00	\$14,000.00	\$ -
	Highway Gas & Oil				
100-422-5700	Highway	\$14,000.00	\$14,000.00	\$14,000.00	\$ -
	Machinery Repair				
100-422-5410	Highway	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$ -
	Beaver Control				
100-423-5100	Highway		\$7,000.00	\$6,700.00	\$ 6,700.00
	Snow & Ice wages				
100-423-5400	Highway	\$27,640.00	\$27,640.00	\$27,640.00	\$ -
	Sand and Salt				

