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# COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

# TOWN OF DUXBURY SPECIAL TOWN MEETING WARRANT

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 2006 AT 7:30 P.M.

# DUXBURY SCHOOLS PERFORMING ARTS CENTER ST. GEORGE STREET

Plymouth, ss Greetings:

To either of the Constables of the Town of Duxbury, in said County:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are directed to NOTIFY and WARN the INHABITANTS OF THE TOWN OF DUXBURY, qualified to vote in elections and in Town affairs, to meet in the Duxbury Schools Performing Arts Center, St. George Street, in said Duxbury on Monday, the thirteenth day of November, 2006 next, at 7:30 p.m. o'clock for a SPECIAL TOWN MEETING, for the transaction of any business that may legally come before said meeting:

#### Article 1

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money to be added to funds already appropriated under Article 5 of the 2006 Annual Town Meeting, to supplement departmental expenses for the purpose of funding collective bargaining agreements with any one or more of the following employee organizations for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2006:

- Duxbury Police Union
- Service Employees International Union, AFL-CIO Local 888(Library Employees)
- Local 2167 International Association of Firefighters A.F.L.-C.I.O.
- Public Safety Dispatchers, Local 1700, Council 93, AFSCME
- Municipal Service Workers, Local 1700, Council 93, AFSCME
- Service Employees International Union, AFL-CIO Local 888(Clerical Employees)

or take any action in relation thereto.

(Board of Selectmen)

#### Article 2

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money to be added to funds already appropriated under Article 5 of the 2006 Annual Town Meeting, to supplement departmental expenses for the purpose of funding collective bargaining agreements with any one or more of the following employee organizations for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2006:

- Duxbury Teachers Association, (Teachers)
- Duxbury Teachers Association, Unit C (Instructional Assistants)
- Duxbury Secretaries/Clerks Association (School)
- Local 1700, AFSCME, AFL-CIO Custodians

or take any action in relation thereto.

(School Committee)

#### Article 3

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money to be added to funds already appropriated under Article 5 of the 2006 Annual Town Meeting, to supplement departmental expenses for the purpose of funding an unanticipated budget shortfall for the transportation of students to and from school,

or take any other action in relation thereto.

(School Committee)

#### Article 4

To see of the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money to be added to funds already appropriated under Article 5 of the 2006 Annual Town Meeting, to supplement departmental expenses for the purpose of funding a contract to conduct a search for a new Superintendent of Schools,

or take any other action in relation thereto.

(School Committee)

#### **Article 5**

To see if the Town will vote to accept the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 32B, Section 18, providing for the mandatory transfer of all of the Town's retirees, their spouses, and dependents insured or eligible to be insured to a Medicare extension plan offered by the Town,

or take any action in relation thereto.

(Board of Selectmen)

#### Article 6

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds, a sum of money to be expended under the direction of the Town Manager for the purpose of undertaking a study of the existing conditions of the Main Fire Station and making recommendations for its renovation, expansion, or replacement,

or take any other action in relation thereto.

(Public Safety Building Feasibility Study Committee)

#### **Article 7**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or to transfer from available funds a sum of money for the purpose of funding an actuarial study to determine the Town of Duxbury's Other Post-Employment Benefit (OPEB) liability,

or take any action in relation thereto.

(Board of Selectmen)

## Article 8

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate by transferring from available funds or from free cash, a sum of money to pay unpaid bills of previous years which may be legally unenforceable due to the insufficiency of an appropriation therefor,

or take any action in relation thereto.

(Town Manager)

### Article 9

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to grant Commonwealth Electric Company, (D/B/A NSTAR ELECTRIC) its successors and assigns, or any licensee from it (hereinafter called the Grantee) the perpetual right and easement to locate, erect, construct, reconstruct, install, operate, maintain, patrol, inspect, repair, replace, alter or remove transformers, together with service conductors and other necessary equipment and apparatus ("equipment"), along, upon, under, across and over a portion of that certain parcel of Town owned land namely:

The property at 147 St. George Street, for description see deeds dated May 31, 1967 in Book 3374, page 137 recorded in the Plymouth County Registry of Deeds.

or take any action in relation thereto.

(Board of Selectmen)

#### Article 10

To see if the Town will reduce the rate of interest that accrues on property taxes deferred by eligible seniors under M.G.L. Chapter 59, Section 5, Clause 41A from eight percent to four percent, with such reduced rate to apply to taxes assessed for fiscal years beginning on or after July 1, 2006,

or take any action in relation thereto.

(Board of Assessors)

#### Article 11

To see if the Town will enter into an inter-municipal joint purchasing agreement pursuant to M.G.L. Chapter 40, Section 4A for the provision of technology solutions and related consulting and support services with the Community Software Consortium, preserving the rights and privileges established in prior agreement(s), for a duration of no more than 25 years, with the annual cost of this agreement to be paid from the Assessing Department's expense appropriations,

or take any action in relation thereto.

(Board of Assessors)

#### Article 12

To see if the Town will vote to continue the tax exempt status of the American Legion by accepting the provisions of M.G.L. Chapter 59, Section 5, Clause 5B starting with the fiscal year beginning on July 1, 2006,

or take any action in relation thereto.

(Board of Assessors)

#### Article 13

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money from available funds as the state's share of the cost of work under M.G.L. Chapter 90, section 34(2)(a),

or take any other action in relation thereto.

(Board of

Selectmen)

# Article 14

To see if the Town will vote to amend the appropriation for the acquisition of the Loring and Nudd parcels pursuant to authorization under Article 28 of the 2006 Annual Town Meeting to provide that the sum of money authorized under that Article be appropriated from open space reserves and the estimated annual revenues of the Community Preservation Fund and not solely from open space reserves.

or take any other action in relation thereto.

(Finance Department)

AND YOU ARE HEREBY DIRECTED TO SERVE THIS WARRANT by posting attested copies thereof as prescribed by M.G.L. Chapter 39, Section 10 and by Chapter 2, Section 2.3 of the Town of Duxbury General Bylaws, and by publishing a copy of this Warrant in a Plymouth County Newspaper, as prescribed by Chapter 2, Section 2.3 of the Duxbury By-Laws, at least fourteen (14) days before the time of holding said Meeting.

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

Given under our hands this 16th day of October, 2006

|              |      | Board of Selectmen                  |
|--------------|------|-------------------------------------|
|              |      | Elizabeth H. Sullivan, Chairman     |
|              |      | Andre P. Martecchini, Vice Chairman |
|              |      | John J. Tuffy, Clerk                |
| Plymouth ss: |      |                                     |
|              | 2006 |                                     |

Pursuant to the warrant I have this day notified and warned the inhabitants of the Town of Duxbury, herein described, to meet at the time and place and for the purposes as prescribed by the bylaws of the Town.

A TRUE COPY ATTESTED

**CONSTABLE OF DUXBURY**