

# **TOWN OF TOPSFIELD**



## **WARRANT FOR THE 2009 SPECIAL TOWN MEETING**

Essex, ss.

To the Constable of the Town of Topsfield, in said County,

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify the inhabitants of the Town of Topsfield, qualified to vote in elections and in Town affairs, to meet at the

### **PROCTOR SCHOOL WOODBURY AUDITORIUM**

in said Topsfield, on Tuesday, the fifth day of May, 2009, at thirty minutes after seven o'clock in the afternoon (7:30 PM), then and there to act on the following articles:

#### **ARTICLE FIRST:**

##### **REPORTS**

To hear all reports that may legally come before the meeting.

#### **ARTICLE SECOND:**

##### **PRIOR YEAR BILLS AND WAGES**

To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds and appropriate a sum of money to pay outstanding bills and wages contracted prior to July 1, 2008.

**Recommendation pending further review.**

#### **ARTICLE THIRD:**

##### **TRANSFER OF FUNDS**

To see if the Town will vote to transfer from the unexpended balance of certain accounts, and/or from available funds, and appropriate said funds to certain other accounts to pay certain expenses for the 2009 fiscal year, or take any other action relative thereto.

**Recommendation pending further review.**

#### **ARTICLE FOURTH:**

##### **IPSWICH ROAD WATER MAIN PROJECT**

To see if the Town will vote to amend the vote of the Town passed at the May 2, 2006 Annual Town Meeting (Article 24), which vote appropriated and authorized a borrowing of \$400,000 for the reconstruction of the water main along Ipswich Road west of Route 1 and other project related expenses for the Ipswich Road Water Main Project, to increase the amount appropriated by such vote

to \$650,000 and provide that such \$650,000 appropriation shall be met by a transfer of \$550,000 from the Town's water enterprise fund and a borrowing of \$100,000; or take any other action relative thereto.

**Recommended that the Town vote to amend the vote of the Town passed at the May 2, 2006 Annual Town Meeting (Article 24) to read as follows:**

**“Appropriate the sum of \$650,000 for the reconstruction of the water main along Ipswich Road west of Route 1 and other project related expenses for the Ipswich Road Water Main Project; that to meet said appropriation the sum of \$550,000 shall be transferred from the water enterprise fund and the Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, is authorized to borrow the sum of \$100,000 under M.G.L. Chapter 44, § 8; and that the Board of Selectmen with the advice of the Board of Water Commissioners is authorized to take any other action necessary to carry out this project.”**

*As part of the Water Department's Five Year Capital Plan, the fifty-year old, undersized water main under Ipswich Road is scheduled to be replaced, concurrent with the reconstruction of Ipswich Road which begins this spring. The road reconstruction portion of the project is funded under a federal grant, but the water main portion is funded under the water enterprise fund. The total cost for the water main project, which has increased to \$1.2 million, would be funded by a combination of this amended appropriation of \$650,000 and a prior appropriation of \$550,000.*

**Hereof, fail not, and make due return of the Warrant, with your doing thereon, to the Town Clerk, at the time and place of meeting as aforesaid.**

**Given under our hands this first day of April in the year two thousand and nine.**

#### **TOWN OF TOPSFIELD BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

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Boyd R. Jackson, Chairman

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A. Richard Gandt, Clerk

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Martha A. Morrison, Member

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Nancy J. Luther, Member

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Karen A. Dow, Member

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ATTEST:

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Frederick J. Glatz, Town Constable

#### **RECOMMENDATIONS AS VOTED BY THE TOPSFIELD FINANCE COMMITTEE**

Mark B. Lyons, Chairman

Heidi L. Bond  
Paul E. Dierze  
Kathryn S. Hartmann

J. Stephen Lais  
Holger M. Luther  
Trudi I. Perry