

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
Town of Hawley
Special Town Meeting Warrant
June 26, 2013

FRANKLIN SS:

To George A. Rice, Constable of the Town of Hawley, GREETINGS:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are directed to notify and warn said inhabitants of the Town of Hawley qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs, to meet at the Hawley Town Office in said Hawley on Wednesday, the twenty-sixth day of June, 2013 at 7:30 o'clock in the evening to act on the following articles:

Article 1: To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of \$2,500.00 from Free Cash to the FY13 Town Buildings Expenses account, or take any other action in relation thereto.

Article 2: To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of \$5,801.45 from Free Cash to the FY13 Snow Roads account, or take any other action in relation thereto.

Article 3: To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of \$200.00 from Free Cash to the FY13 Employee Holiday account, or take any other action in relation thereto.

Article 4: To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of \$500.00 from Free Cash to the FY13 Town Clerk Expenses account to cover the cost of AutoMark programming, or take any other action in relation thereto.

Article 5: To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of \$200.00 from Free Cash to the Tri-Town Landfill account, or take any other action in relation thereto.

Article 6: To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of \$1,500.00 from Free Cash to the Internet Access account to cover installation services and equipment for high speed internet at the Town Office, or take any other action in relation thereto.

Article 7: To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of \$300.00 from Free Cash to the All-Hawley River Day account, or take any other action in relation thereto.

Article 8: To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of \$10,000.00 from Free Cash to the Highway Equipment Stabilization Fund, or take any other action in relation thereto.

Article 9: To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of \$10,000.00 from Free Cash to the Fire Department Equipment Stabilization Fund, or take any other action in relation thereto.

Article 10: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and borrow a sum of money not to exceed \$100,000.00 to purchase a used Pumper for the Fire Department, and to authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to issue any bonds or notes that may be necessary for that purpose, as authorized by General Laws Chapter 44, section 7(9), or any other general or special law, for a period not to exceed five years, provided, however, that this appropriation and debt authorization be contingent upon passage of a Proposition 2 ½ debt exclusion referendum under General Laws Chapter 59, section 21C (i½), or take any other action in relation thereto.

Article 11: To see if the Town will vote to authorize proceeding with the repair of the damage to East Road caused by Hurricane Irene, using the funds borrowed under previous authorization for storm damage repair in anticipation of reimbursement from FEMA and MEMA, provided that FEMA and DEP approve the engineer's plans for the work, or take any other action in relation thereto.

Article 12: To see if the Town will vote to authorize proceeding with the repair of the damage to Forge Hill Road caused by Hurricane Irene, using the funds borrowed under previous authorization for storm damage repair in anticipation of reimbursement from FEMA and MEMA, provided that FEMA and DEP approve the engineer's plans for the work, or take any other action in relation thereto.

Article 13: To see if the Town will vote to increase the Town Clerk's salary, and further vote to raise and appropriate a sum or sums to fund this increase, or take any other action in relation thereto.

Article 14: To see if the Town will vote to support the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the United States Constitution and the Bill of Rights are intended to protect the rights of individual human beings ("real people"); and

WHEREAS, the United States Supreme Court in *Citizens United v. Federal Election Commission* presents a serious threat to self-government by allowing unlimited corporate spending to influence elections;

WHEREAS, Article V of the United States Constitution empowers and obligates the people of the United States of America to use the constitutional amendment process to correct egregiously wrong decisions of the United States Supreme Court that go to the heart of our democracy;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the voters of Hawley, Massachusetts hereby instruct the senators representing the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and the member of the United States House of Representatives representing this congressional district to propose, and our state legislators to ratify, an amendment to the United States Constitution to provide that corporations are not entitled to the constitutional rights of real people and that money is not speech for the purposes of campaign-related expenditures and contributions.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof, one at the West Hawley Town Garage, one at the Hawley Town Office, and one at the Hawley Fire Station, fourteen days at least before time of holding said meeting.

Given under our hands this twenty-eighth day of May, 2013.

Philip C. Keenan, Chairman

John Sears
Selectboard
Town of Hawley

A true copy. Attest:

Wording for July 9 ballot:

Question 1: Shall the Town of Hawley be allowed to exempt from the provisions of Proposition two and one-half, so-called, the amounts required to pay for the bond issued in order to purchase a used Pumper for the Fire Department?

YES_____ NO_____