

**RECORD  
TOWN OF GRANBY  
ANNUAL TOWN MEETING/  
SPECIAL TOWN MEETING  
MAY 14, 2012**

In accordance with the foregoing warrant, the inhabitants of the Town of Granby qualified to vote in elections and town affairs, met at the Granby Jr. Sr. High School on East State Street on May 14, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. then and there to act on the following articles, to wit:

The Moderator, Lynn Snopek Mercier opened the Annual Town Meeting at 7:03 p.m. with a quorum present (30 or more) 106 were in attendance at the time of opening. The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was lead by the Select Board Chairman Mark L. Bail ,the Town Officials and residents joined in.

*The Moderator Lynn Snopek Mercier calls on Larwrence Pietras of 294 East State Street a member of the Granby Community Access & Media (GCAM).*

*Lawrence Pietras announces the following information:*

*The Board of Directors of Granby Community Access & Media, otherwise known as GCAM, would like to announce the hiring of a part-time Program Director and Production Coordinator for channels 15 and 12. Office hours are currently Monday evenings 5pm to 9pm and Thursdays noon to 6pm, or by appointment. The GCAM office is located on the 2nd floor of Aldrich Hall.*

*Residents can tune in to GCAM's Government and Education channel, channel 15, to see Select board and School Committee meetings, Town Meetings, a show sponsored by the Granby Board of Health titled Physician Focus, and bulletin board announcements from local government and schools. On GCAM's Public Channel, channel 12, we are airing programs created by or sponsored by local residents, and bulletin board announcements for community events of general interest.*

*The GCAM channels are the community's resource for sharing, and we encourage all of you to utilize this resource by creating programming, sponsoring programs, or sending in non-commercial announcements to post on the bulletin boards. We also provide production equipment and training for those individuals or organizations interested in creating programs or covering meetings and events around town. Our Program Director's name is Tricia Hicks & she will be happy to answer questions, address comments, and work with you to best utilize the GCAM channels and resources. E-mail her at [info@granbytv.org](mailto:info@granbytv.org), call the office at 467-1180, or stop by the office on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor of Aldrich Hall.*

The Moderator calls on the Town Clerk, Katherine A. Kelly-Regan, to certify that all the warrants were posted in accordance with the law.

The Clerk responds they have. The warrant for this Annual Town Meeting was declared to be in order.

**Committees and Boards present at this ATM:**

**Select Board: Chair, Mark L. Bail, Members, Mary A. McDowell and Louis M. Barry, All Present.**

**Finance Committee: Chair, John Libera, Jr., Members, Robert Glesmann, III, James Hartley, Scott Wilson and Dana Ritter, All Present.**

**Library Trustees: Chair, Virginia Snopek, Members, Carol Battersby, Dianne Barry, Linda Casey, Leah Condon, Nancy Evren, Gwendolyn Morrissey, Bridget Roy, and Renee Still, All Present.**

**Planning Board: Chairperson: Charles Maheu, Members, Lisa Anderson, Kevin Brooks, and Pamela Desjardins, Not Present James Trompke.**

**School Committee: Members, Kevin Boisselle ,Dawn Cooke, Arthur Krulewitz, Michael Quesnel, and not present Chairperson, Deborah Buckley.**

**Others in attendance: Town Counselor, Edward Ryan, Jr., Town Administrator, Christopher Martin and School Superintendent Isabelina Rodriquez.**

**Vote counters and checkers: Maureen Costello, Frank Donovan, Richard Gaj, Sr., Jeanne Merrill, Debra Plath, and Nancy Sedlak.**

**The Moderator calls for Article 1 of the ATM at 7:07 P.M.**

**Motion 2<sup>nd</sup>**

**ARTICLE 1. move the Town vote to conduct the business of the meeting as follows; on May 14, 2012 consider articles two through twelve and on June 18, 2012 consider articles thirteen through thirty-four.**

**Motion 2<sup>nd</sup>**

**Passed by Majority- Show of Hands**

**ARTICLE 2. move the Town vote to hear the reports of Town Officers and all standing and special committees.**

**Motion 2<sup>nd</sup>**

**Passed by Unanimous vote- Show of Hands**

*At this first half of the Annual Town Meeting, No reports were given from any of the attending Boards of Committees.*

**ARTICLE 3.move the Town vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to conduct the following activities for fiscal year 2013:**

- A. A. To sell, after first giving notice of time and place of sale by posting such notices of sale in some convenient and public place in the Town 14 days at least before the sale, property taken by the Town under tax title land of**

low value procedure, provided the Selectmen or whomever they authorize to hold such public auction, may reject any bid they deem inadequate.

*No discussion*

- B. B. To apply for and accept Federal or State grants or monies as may be made available and to allow the Selectmen to expend any funds received as set forth in the appropriate application.

*No discussion*

- C. C. To enter into a contract with the Massachusetts Department of Transportation-Highway Division for the construction and maintenance of public highways for the ensuing year.

*No discussion*

*There was no discussion on any of the above and a vote is called. Motion 2<sup>nd</sup>*

**Passed- Unanimous-**

**Show of Hands**

**ARTICLE 4. move the Town vote to authorize the various departments to receive compensation for services rendered for fiscal year 2013 as follows:**

- A. A. The Cemetery Commissioners to dig graves and maintain the equipment and grounds in the cemeteries at a wage rate that is no less than the minimum wage.

*No discussion*

- B. B. The members of the Board of Assessors to be compensated \$15 per parcel for necessary fieldwork and data collection for services rendered in connection with the revaluation and re-certification process involving one-sixth of the improved parcels in town.

*No discussion*

- C. C. The members of the Board of Health, or their consultants, to receive compensation at a wage rate of \$35 per inspection or specific required activity.

*No discussion*

- D. D. The members of the Planning Board, or their appointees, to receive compensation at a wage rate of \$65 per inspection.

*No discussion*

*There was no discussion on any of the above and a vote is called. Motion 2<sup>nd</sup>*

**Passed- Unanimous-Show of Hands**

**ARTICLE 5. move the Town vote to authorize the Conservation Commission to charge a fee of \$65 for each site inspection deemed necessary by a quorum of the**

**Commission. Fees shall be payable to the Town of Granby Conservation Commission and deposited in the Conservation Hatch Fund. Motion 2<sup>nd</sup>  
Passed- Majority-Show of Hands**

*It is now 7:22 p.m. the Moderator calls for a recess from the ATM in order to do the STM that was scheduled for 7:15 p.m. as posted accordingly by our Town By-Laws as written in the Special Town Meeting Warrant.*

The Moderator calls on the Town Clerk, Katherine A. Kelly-Regan, to certify that all the warrants were posted in accordance with the law.  
The Clerk responds they have. The warrant for this Special Town Meeting was declared to be in order.

**The Moderator calls for Article 1 of the STM at 7:22 P.M.  
Motion 2<sup>nd</sup>**

**ARTICLE 1. move the Town vote to accept a gift of land situated off East State Street and consisting of 174,407 sq. ft. (4.0038 acres) from Fred Stewart III and Alice G. Stewart to be used for the site of the new Granby Public Library and further maintain a right of way over other land of the Stewarts referred to as Meadow road to be used for purposes of ingress and egress during construction of the library all as more particularly described on a plan and deed description available for inspection in the Select Board's office.**

**Motion 2<sup>nd</sup>  
Passed - Majority-Show of Hands**

**ARTICLE 2. move the Town vote to rescind spending and transfer the remaining balance to the General Purpose Stabilization Fund for the following articles:**

#01-175-5798-ART	05/14/07 ATM Art #29 Master Plan	\$2,208.16
#01-192-5300-ART	06/21/10 STM Art #09 Contracted Janitorial	16,036.40
#01-291-5801-ART	02/25/02 STM Art #18 Relocate Siren, Generator	16,059.91
#30-192-5811-ART	05/10/10 ATM Art #23 Library Painting	2,042.47
	<b>Total</b>	<b>\$36,346.94</b>

*A 2/3 vote is required*

**Motion 2<sup>nd</sup>  
Passed by 2/3 Vote- Declared by Moderator- Show of Hands  
Only one voter was in disagreement**

**ARTICLE 3. move the Town vote to rescind spending and transfer the remaining balance to the Capital Needs Stabilization Fund for the following articles:**

#01-196-5801-ART	05/09/05 ATM Art #24 Telephone System	\$18,859.17
#01-210-5802-ART	06/13/11 STM Art #03 Vehicle	212.03
#01-210-5805-ART	06/13/11 ATM Art #25 Cruiser	1,200.00
#01-210-5806-ART	06/13/11 ATM Art #31 Backup Repeater	880.80
#01-220-5802-ART	05/10/04 STM Art #03 Pumper	371.00

#01-220-5806-ART	06/19/06 ATM Art #38	Pump Truck Equipment	59.30
#01-220-5807-ART	05/12/08 ATM Art #21	Thermal Imager	50.00
#01-541-5801-ART	05/14/07 ATM Art #31	Handicapped Accessible Van	3,560.00
#22-300-5801-ART	05/12/08 ATM Art #27	Food Service Scanners	5,430.56
#30-192-5810-ART	05/14/07 ATM Art #30	Truck w/Plow and Sander	158.00
#30-220-5801-ART	05/10/10 ATM Art #20	Vacuum Tanker Truck	15.40
#30-220-5802-ART	06/13/11 ATM Art #29	Self Contained Breathing Apparatus	15,142.25
#30-420-5802-ART	05/14/07 ATM Art #27	Heavy Dump w/ Sander	1,163.50
#30-420-5803-ART	05/14/07 ATM Art #28	Guardrail	6,775.05
#30-420-5804-ART	04/26/10 STM Art #06	Dump Truck	50.00
		<b>Total</b>	<b>\$53,927.06</b>

*A 2/3 vote is required*

**Motion 2<sup>nd</sup>**

**Passed by Unanimous Vote- Show of Hands**

**ARTICLE 4.** move the Town vote to rescind spending and transfer the remaining balance to the Municipal Buildings Stabilization Fund for the following articles:

#01-192-5807-ART	05/09/05 ATM Art #27	Announcement Sign	\$3,000.00
#01-310-5306-ART	06/19/06 ATM Art #41	School Building Design	53,360.41
#30-192-5804-ART	02/22/10 STM Art #02	Public Safety Complex	76.10
#30-192-5807-ART	06/03/02 ATM Art #27	Kellogg Hall Roof	13,086.85
#30-192-5816-ART	06/15/09 STM Art #03	Kellogg Hall Windows/ Paint	108,096.50
#30-300-5301-ART	05/11/09 STM Art #07	Feasibility Study	204,534.33
		<b>Total</b>	<b>\$382,154.19</b>

*A 2/3 vote is required*

**Motion 2<sup>nd</sup>**

**Passed by 2/3 Vote- Declared by Moderator- Show of Hands**

*Only one voter was in disagreement*

**ARTICLE 5.** move the Town vote to transfer from the FY2012 Snow and Ice Personal Services budget the sum of \$29,680 for the purpose of funding the Police Department Personal Services budget for FY2012.

**Motion 2<sup>nd</sup>**

**Passed- Majority- Show of Hands**

**ARTICLE 6.** move the Town vote to transfer from the FY2012 Snow and Ice Expense budget the sum of \$20,735 for the purpose of funding the Legal Department Expense budget for FY2012.

**Motion 2<sup>nd</sup>**

**Passed- Majority- Show of Hands**

**ARTICLE 7.** move the Town vote to transfer \$10,043 from the FY2012 Snow and Ice Personal Services budget and \$48,220 from the FY2012 Snow and Ice Expense budget for a total of \$58,263 for the purpose of funding the Emergency Management Personal Services budget for FY2012.

**Motion 2<sup>nd</sup>**

**Passed- Unanimous- Show of Hands**

ARTICLE 8. move the Town vote to transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$60,000 for the purpose of purchasing land situated off School Street consisting of 146.5 acres referenced by Assessors Map 14 Block B Lot 6. Said land will become permanently protected open space under Article 97 of the Amendments to the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, dedicated to conservation and passive recreation purposes in accordance with M.G.L. Chapter 40 § 8c. The property will be open to the general public for appropriate passive recreational use. The Conservation Commission is designated to hold and manage the property for conservation and passive recreation purposes in accordance with M.G.L. Chapter 40 § 8c. The Conservation Commission is further authorized to seek reimbursement under the LAND program, Chapter 132A § 11, and enter into any necessary contracts.

*A 2/3 vote is required*

Motion 2<sup>nd</sup>  
Passed by 2/3 Vote- Declared by Moderator- Show of Hands  
*Only one voter was in disagreement*

MOTION:            move to adjourn this Special Town Meeting            Motion 2<sup>nd</sup>

The business for this STM is completed and the Moderator officially dismisses this STM at 7:48 P.M. At this time the Moderator reopens the Annual Town Meeting. The Annual Town Meeting is officially resumed for business at 7:48 P.M.

The Moderator calls for Article 6 of the Annual Town Meeting Motion 2<sup>nd</sup>

ARTICLE 6. move the Town vote to accept the following gifts in calendar year 2011 for perpetual care of cemetery lots:

Joan Charette	\$ 575.
Monique L. & James P. Curran	\$1,000.
Gail J. Roy	\$ 565.
Anita Hassenfratz	\$ 575.
Lincoln E. White	\$ 575.
Susan Clark Konieczny	\$1,165.
Peggy E. Gay	\$ 565.
Maryann Munger	\$2,335.

Motion 2<sup>nd</sup>

Passed- Unanimous-Show of Hands

ARTICLE 7. move the Town vote to authorize the following Revolving Funds in accordance with M.G.L. Ch. 44, Section 53E½ and to authorize expenditures from these funds for fiscal year 2013 without further appropriation:

- A.     A.     An Inspections Revolving Fund that may be spent by the Inspector of Buildings. The Inspector of Buildings may spend \$53,288 in revolving fund monies in fiscal year 2013. *No discussion*

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- B. B. A Recreation Revolving Fund that may be spent by the Recreation Commission. The Recreation Commission may spend \$5,000 in revolving fund monies in fiscal year 2013. *No discussion*
- C. C. A Dufresne Revolving Fund that may be spent by the Dufresne Ad-Hoc Committee. The Dufresne Ad-Hoc Committee may spend \$25,000 in revolving fund monies in fiscal year 2013. *No discussion*
- D. D. A Charter Day Revolving Fund that may be spent by the Charter Day Committee. The Charter Day Committee may spend \$25,000 in revolving fund monies in fiscal year 2013. *No discussion*
- E. E. A Planning Board Fees Revolving Fund that may be spent by the Planning Board. The Planning Board may spend \$50,000 in revolving fund monies in fiscal year 2013. *No discussion*
- F. F. An After School Activities Program Revolving Fund that may be spent only upon authorization of the Superintendent of Schools. The Superintendent of Schools may spend \$20,000 in revolving fund monies in fiscal year 2013. *No discussion*
- G. G. A Dog Revolving Fund that may be spent by the Dog Officer. The Dog Officer may spend \$10,288 in revolving fund monies in fiscal year 2013. *No discussion*
- H. H. A Library Revolving Fund that may be spent by the Library Commissioners. The Library Commissioners may spend \$2,000 in revolving fund monies in fiscal year 2013. *No discussion*

*There was no discussion on any of the above and a vote is called. Motion 2<sup>nd</sup>*

**Passed- Unanimous-**

**Show of Hands**

**ARTICLE 8. move the Town vote to authorize Town departments to enter into agreements in accordance with M.G.L. Chapter 40 Section 4A for the fiscal year 2013.**

**Motion 2<sup>nd</sup>**

**Passed: Unanimous-**

**Show of Hands**

**ARTICLE 9. move the Town vote to authorize a Full Day Kindergarten Tuition Revolving Fund that may be spent only upon authorization of the Superintendent of**



**Schools to pay for maintenance, supply and operation, including wages of personnel of the Full Day Kindergarten Program. The Full Day Kindergarten Tuition Revolving Fund is to be credited with all revenues generated by the Full Day Kindergarten Program in fiscal year 2013. The Superintendent of Schools may spend \$75,000 in revolving fund monies in fiscal year 2013.**

**Motion 2<sup>nd</sup>**

**Passed- Unanimous- Show of Hands**

**ARTICLE 10. move the Town vote to place on the next available election ballot the following question:**

**“Shall the Town of Granby cease assessing the excise imposed under General Laws Chapter 59, Section 8A on certain animals, machinery and equipment owned by individuals and non-corporate entities principally engaged in agriculture?”**

**Motion 2<sup>nd</sup>**

**Passed- Majority- Show of Hands**

***Only on person who disagreed***

**ARTICLE 11. move the Town vote to amend the Bylaws of The Town of Granby, Volume II, Chapter XIX Personnel Bylaw, APPENDIX D Compensation Plan Pay Schedules, and substituting a new APPENDIX D, showing the twelve pay grades and ten steps with a 3% increment between steps to be effective July 1, 2012.**

**Motion 2<sup>nd</sup>**

**Passed- Unanimous- Show of Hands**

***\*See back page for Appendix D Compensation Plan Pay Schedule***

**ARTICLE 12. move the Town vote to amend the Bylaws of the Town of Granby Volume III, Chapter XXI Zoning Bylaws as follows;**

**Amend Section 1.2 “Definitions” of the town zoning bylaws to include :**

**“Large-Scale Ground Mounted Solar Photovoltaic Installation (LSGMSPI) - A solar photovoltaic system that is structurally mounted on the ground and is not roof-mounted, and has a minimum nameplate capacity of 250kwDC”.**

**“On Site Solar Photovoltaic Installation - A Solar Photovoltaic Installation that is constructed at a location where other uses of the underlying property occur”.**

**“Rated Nameplate Capacity - The maximum rated output of electric power production of the photovoltaic system in Direct Current (DC)”.**

**“Solar Photovoltaic Array - An arrangement of solar photovoltaic panels”.**

**Amend Section III Table 1: Schedule of Use Regulations in the town zoning bylaws and insert a new Land Use Classification as follows:**

BYLAW NUMBER	LAND USE CLASSIFICATION	STANDARDS & CONDITIONS	ZONING DISTRICTS								
			RS	RM	GB	GB-2	I	I-2	MD	FWD	WSP
AP 3.088 SP/PB	Large Scale Ground	Subject to Section	SP/PB-SPA	N	N	N	SPA	SPA	SPA	N	SP/PB
SPA	Mounted Solar	6.2 & 6.3 Special									SPA
	Photovoltaic Installation (LSGMSP1)	Permit Planning Board with Site Plan Approval (SP/PB-SPA) and Section 5.99 (LSGMSVI)									

**Amend Section V following Subsection 5.98.6 with a new Subsection 5.99 as follows:**

**5.99 Large-Scale Ground Mounted Solar Photovoltaic Installation**

- 5.99.1 Purpose**
- 5.99.1.a Site Plan Review Authority**
- 5.99.1.b Zoning Enforcement Authority**
- 5.99.2 Applicability**
- 5.99.3 General Siting Standards**
- 5.99.4 General Requirements for all Large -Scale Ground Mounted Solar Photovoltaic Installations**
- 5.99.4.a Compliance with Laws, Ordinances and Regulations**
- 5.99.4.b Building Permits and Building Inspections**
- 5.99.4.c Fees**
- 5.99.5 Site Plan Review**
- 5.99.5.a General**
- 5.99.5.b Required Documents**
- 5.99.6 Site Control**
- 5.99.7 Operation & Maintenance Plan**
- 5.99.8 Utility Notification**
- 5.99.9 Design Standards**
- 5.99.9.a Lighting**
- 5.99.9.b Signage**
- 5.99.9.c Utility connections**
- 5.99.9.d Land Clearing, Soil Erosion and Habitat Impacts**
- 5.99.9.e Facility Access and Conditions**
- 5.99.9.f Appurtenant Structures**
- 5.99.10 Safety and Environmental Standards**
- 5.99.10.a Emergency Services**
- 5.99.11 Monitoring and Maintenance**
- 5.99.11.a Solar Photovoltaic Installation Conditions**
- 5.99.12 Abandonment or Decommissioning**
- 5.99.12.a Removal Requirements**
- 5.99.12.b Abandonment**
- 5.99.12.c Financial Surety**

**Amend Section VI Administration and Enforcement, Subsection 6.3 Site Plan Approval, subsection 6.33 Required Site Plan Content as follows:**

**In the first paragraph following “simple circumstances” insert “and see also Section 5.99.5.b for additional requirements for LSGMSPI”.**

**All as set forth in the attached Report and Recommendation of the Planning Board dated April 23 2012, which is incorporated herein.**

***2/3<sup>rd</sup> vote required***

**Motion 2<sup>nd</sup>**

**Passed-Declared 2/3<sup>rd</sup> Vote by Moderator-Show of Hands  
*Only three disagreed***

**The Moderator, Lynn Snopek Mercier, motions to adjourn this portion of the Annual Town Meeting and to reconvened on Monday, June 18, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. at the Granby Jr. Sr. High School to finish all the business pertaining to this Annual Town Meeting Articles 13 -34.**

**Motion 2<sup>nd</sup>**

**All in favor to adjourned this portion of the ATM: PASSED – Unanimous- by voice**

**This portion of the ATM held on May 14, 2012, adjourned at 8:24 pm. There were a total of 112 registers voters and 5 non-voters who attended this Annual Town Meeting.**

**Respectfully submitted,**

**Katherine A. Kelly-Regan  
Town Clerk, CMMC**

**APPENDIX D COMPENSATION PLAN PAY SCHEDULE**

July 1, 2012

	<b>STEP</b>									
	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>1</b>	11.80	12.15	12.51	12.89	13.28	13.68	14.09	14.51	14.95	15.40
<b>2</b>	12.74	13.12	13.51	13.92	14.34	14.77	15.21	15.67	16.14	16.62
<b>3</b>	13.76	14.17	14.60	15.04	15.49	15.95	16.43	16.92	17.43	17.95
<b>4</b>	14.86	15.31	15.77	16.24	16.73	17.23	17.75	18.28	18.83	19.39
<b>5</b>	16.05	16.53	17.03	17.54	18.07	18.61	19.17	19.75	20.34	20.95
<b>6</b>	17.33	17.85	18.39	18.94	19.51	20.10	20.70	21.32	21.96	22.62
<b>7</b>	18.72	19.28	19.86	20.46	21.07	21.70	22.35	23.02	23.71	24.42
<b>8</b>	20.22	20.83	21.45	22.09	22.75	23.43	24.13	24.85	25.60	26.37
<b>9</b>	21.84	22.50	23.18	23.88	24.60	25.34	26.10	26.88	27.69	28.52
<b>10</b>	23.59	24.30	25.03	25.78	26.55	27.35	28.17	29.02	29.89	30.79
<b>11</b>	25.48	26.24	27.03	27.84	28.68	29.54	30.43	31.34	32.28	33.25
<b>12</b>	27.52	28.35	29.20	30.08	30.98	31.91	32.87	33.86	34.88	35.93