

**Norwell Board of Selectmen  
Meeting Minutes  
April 30, 2014**

Ellen Allen opened the meeting and introduced Jason Brown, Gregg McBride, David DeCoste, and Town Administrator Jim Boudreau. Tammie Garner joined the meeting later.

Agenda Amended to have a brief executive session after the 6:30 Public Hearing, with the Board then returning to open session, and addition under New Business of #8 High School Prom Photos. *MOTION: Jason Brown moved the Board approve the agenda as amended. Seconded and unanimously voted.*

**CITIZEN COMMENTS** – None

**6:30 Public Hearing – Street Acceptance – Clapp Brook Road**

*Motion: Jason Brown moved that the Board Open the Public Hearing for Clapp Brook Road Street Acceptance. Seconded and unanimously voted.*

David DeCoste, Clerk read the Legal Notice into the minutes.

Ellen Allen read a memo from Town Planner Chris Diiorio explaining that the Planning Board will be meeting this evening to discuss. Four years ago the Board agreed that the subdivision was complete and released all the surety and review funds. However, the final As-built was never submitted. Since then the As-built has been submitted and appears to look acceptable, however there are some outstanding taxes on the property that will need to be addressed and some issues that Bob and Walter Sullivan Jr. are working out regarding necessary documents to facilitate the Town taking the roadway properly. It doesn't seem like this should take too long, but it may not be ready for this Town Meeting. Planning Board should have a report by the end of this week.

No comments from the audience.

*MOTION: Jason Brown moved that the Board continue the Public Hearing for Clapp Brook Road to May 21, 2014 at 8:00pm. Seconded and unanimously voted.*

*MOTION: Jason Brown moved the Board enter into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing Personal Contracts and return to open session. Seconded and unanimously voted.*

Chairman Ellen Allen explained that to discuss this in an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the Town's bargaining or litigating position. *Ellen Allen polled the Board. Jason Brown voted yes, Gregg McBride voted yes, David DeCoste voted yes and Ellen Allen voted yes.*

**NEW BUSINESS**

**McGreal's Tavern – Request to Serve outside, May 4, 2014** – MaryAnn McGreal of McGreal's Tavern requested permission to serve all-alcohol outside during the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual "Shake Down Bike Run" to be held on Sunday, May 4, 2014 from 1:00pm to 2:30pm. The Red Emeralds Motorcycle Club is Boston's Oldest Club established in 1964 and the Organization

has donated several thousand dollars to various charities. *MOTION: Jason Brown moved that the Board approve the request to allow McGreal's Tavern to serve all-alcohol outside on May 4, 2014 between the hours of 1:00pm to 2:30pm, subject to having a Police Detail as requested by the Police Chief. Seconded and unanimously voted.*

**McGreal's Tavern – Request to Serve outside – May 18, 2014** – Request from McGreal's Tavern to allow outside consumption of All-Alcohol on the deck on Sunday, May 18, 2014 between the hours of 1:00PM and 5:00PM after Evan's Run. *MOTION: Jason Brown moved the Board approve the Request from McGreal's Tavern to allow outside consumption of All-Alcohol on the deck on Sunday, May 18, 2014 between the hours of 1:00PM and 5:00PM after Evan's Run. Seconded and unanimously voted.*

**Bartending Service of New England One Day License Request – May 17, 2014** – *MOTION: Jason Brown moved that the Board approve a request from Bartending Service of New England, LLC for a one day license to serve Wine and Malt Only for the Hobomock PTO Fundraiser to be held at the Cushing Center on May 17, 2014 between the hours of 7:00pm to 11:00pm. Seconded and unanimously voted.*

**Bartending Service of New England One Day License Request – May 17, 2014** – *MOTION: Jason Brown move that the Board approve a request from Bartending Service of New England, LLC for a one day license to sell All Alcohol for a Barn Dance to be held at the South Shore Science Center, 48 Jacobs Lane, Norwell MA on May 17, 2014 between the hours of 7:00pm to 11:00pm. Seconded and unanimously voted.*

**Bartending Service of New England One Day License Request – September 6, 2014** – *MOTION: Jason Brown moved that the Board approve a request from Bartending Service of New England, LLC for a one day license to serve All Alcohol for the Blinstrub Wedding Reception to be held at the Cushing Center on September 6, 2014 between the hours of 5:30pm to 10:30pm. Seconded and unanimously voted.*

**High School Prom Photos** – Denise Coffey, on behalf of the Norwell High School requested approval for a gathering prior to the prom for Photos on the Town Common. The request is for Friday, May 9, 2014 from 4:45pm to 5:15pm. *MOTION: Jason Brown moved to approve the request to use the Town Common for Norwell High School Prom Photos on Friday May 9, 2014 from 4:45pm to 5:15pm, subject to them contacting the Police Chief and obtaining necessary permits from the Building Department if tents are needed. Seconded and unanimously voted.*

**7:00 Town Meeting Forum** – Ellen explained this is the Selectmen's 3<sup>rd</sup> year holding a Forum with the intention not to debate articles, but inform residents about the Articles. Some Articles will be taken out of order to accommodate schedules. Ellen briefed the audience on the Articles for the Special TM. Town Administrator's Budget Presentation (attached), Questions, Answers and Discussions on Special and Annual Town Meeting Articles (warrant attached).

**Discussion of Articles 32 and 48** – Article 32 (CHT) and Article 48 (Main St. Land). Ellen Allen opened these up for discussion in light of the American Legion's recent interest in the River Street Police Station property and to make sure all options have been explored. Jim Boudreau and Ellen Allen have brainstormed and explored possible Town owned property that could be of interest to the Legion, including the field across from the Osborn Fields on Main St. that is being put before Town Meeting for transfer to Conservation in Article 48. The Board decided not to reconsider its recommendation for that land transfer.

**Vote Contracts for Personal, Collective Bargaining, Fire and Water** – Jim Boudreau briefed the Board on the Contracts. He is waiting on signed paper work and would like the Board to approve the MOAs for Local 2700 Fire & AFSME Council 93 representing Water Department employees. *So moved by Jason Brown, Seconded by David DeCoste and unanimously voted.*

**UPCOMING MEETINGS:**

Posted for 6:00pm before Town Meeting on May 5, 2014 at 7:30pm at Norwell Middle School. After Town Meeting - Local Historic District Study Committee presenting Final Report, Paul Foulsham and Peter Dillon for Salt Abatement discussions.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

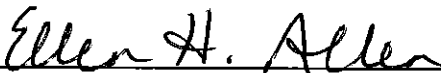
Hornstra Farms will be opening Saturday at noon to sell Ice Cream.

Library will have an event Saturday to raise funds for furniture for the Children's Room.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION** – Personal Contracts

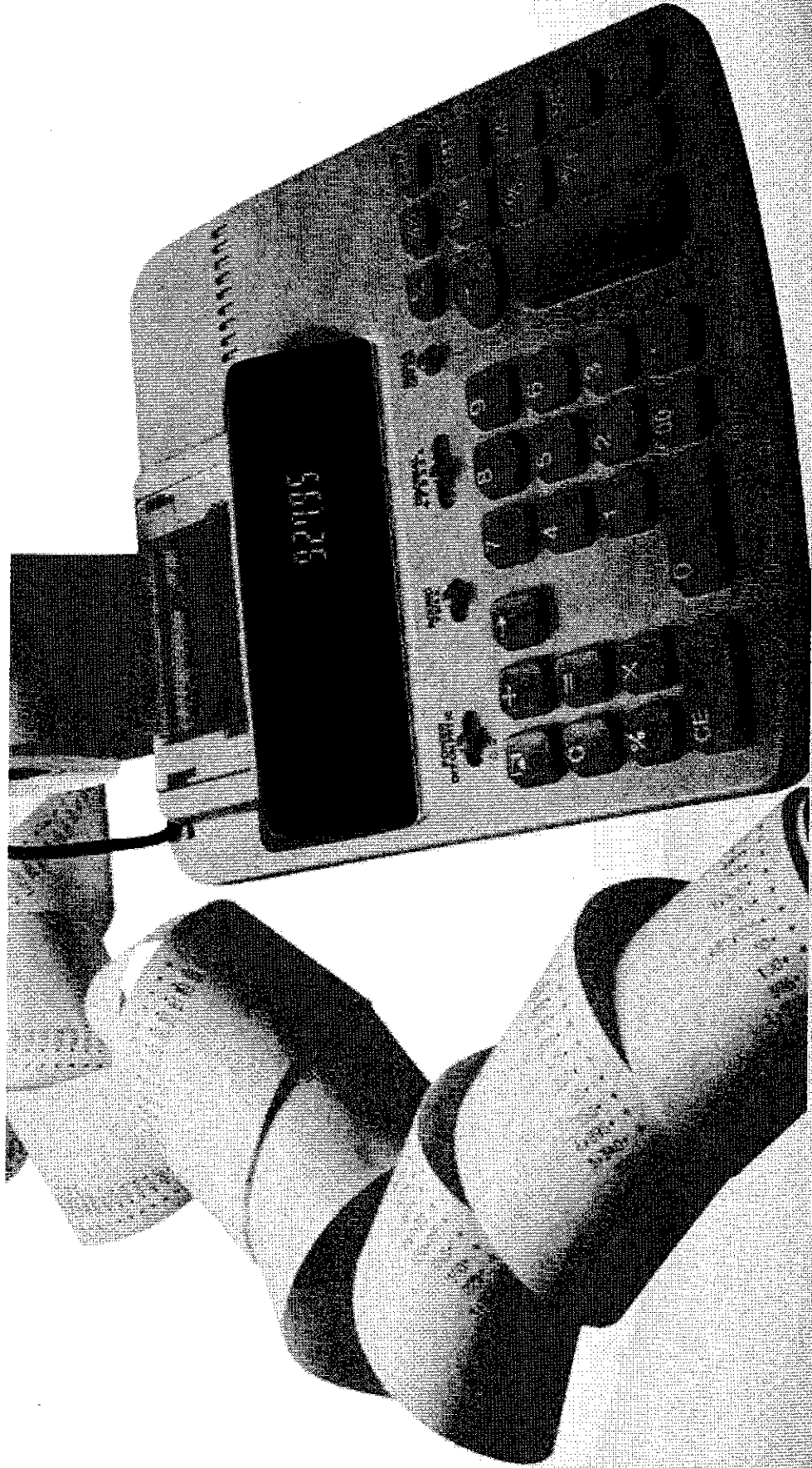
*MOTION: Jason Brown moved the Board enter into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing Personal Contracts and not return to open session. Seconded and unanimously voted.*

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Board of Selectmen



# FY15 Budget Presentation



# FY15 Budget

- Budget is Balanced
- Budget does not rely on any non-recurring revenues
- Continues to address OPEB on a budgetary basis
- Meets all current staffing levels

# Big Picture

## Federal Outlook

- Fiscal Budget has been passed for this Fiscal Year
- National economy is still very shaky.
- Unemployment remains problematic nationwide

## State Outlook

- Governor's Budget increases spending by 4.9%
- Ch. 70 aid increased by 2.3%
- Most other local aid accounts level funded or underfunded



# State Budget

- Governor has filed his budget for FY15
  - Would be a net increase of \$150,909 for Norwell
  - Includes an increase in Ch.70 funds of \$101,853 and a decrease in Retired Teachers Health Insurance of \$50,941
- We are using the Governor's figures in setting the FY15 budget
- The House budget has slightly more state aid than the Governor's budget. We are being conservative in using the Governor's figure to set the FY15 revenues

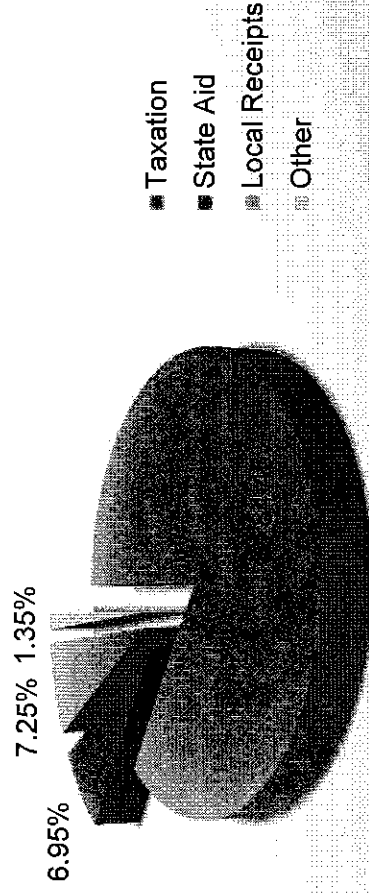


# Revenue

Fund operating budget with recurring revenues.

- Taxes
- State Aid
- Local receipts
- Other Funds
- Water Revenue
- CPC
- Etc.

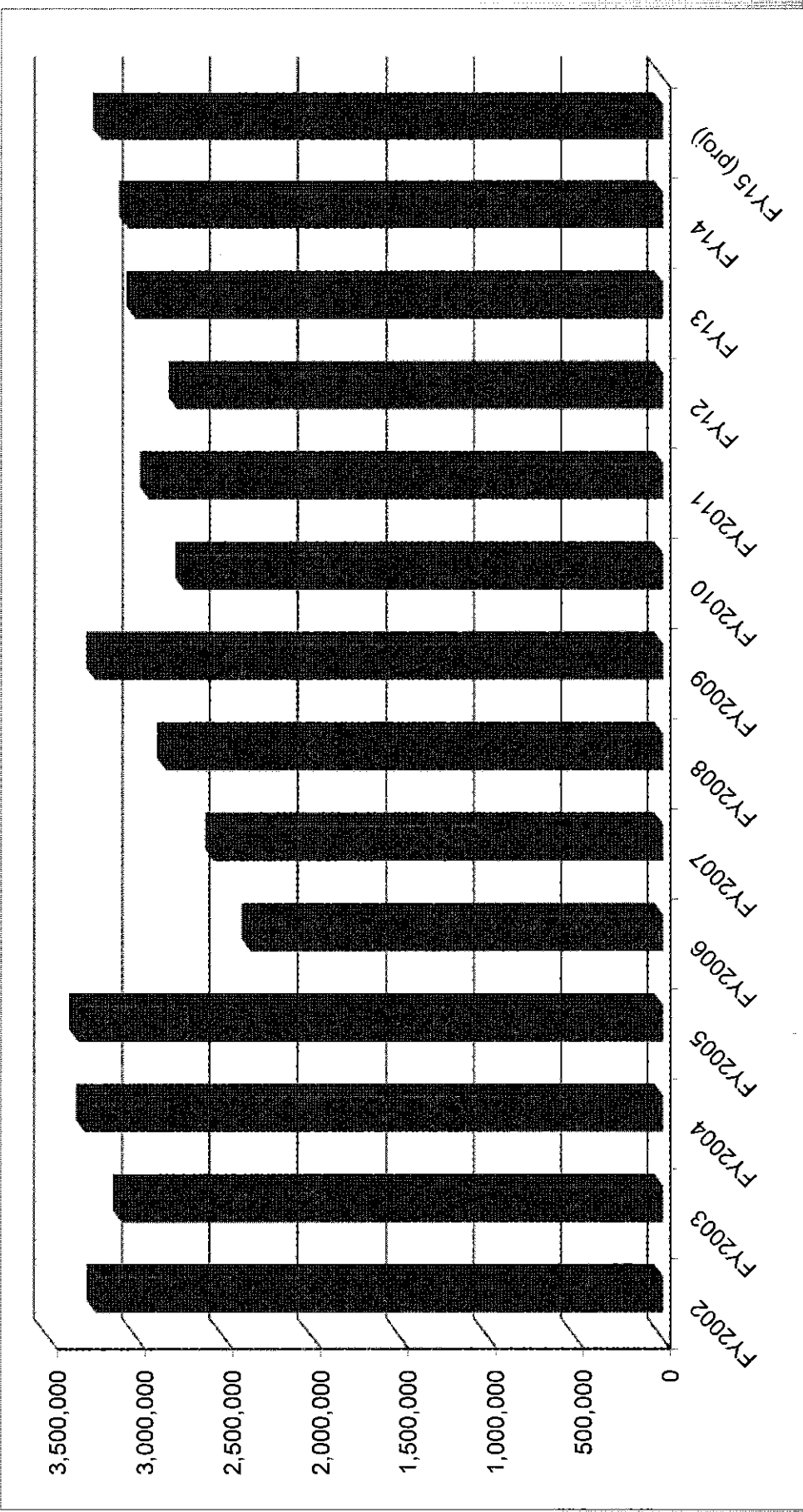
## Revenue Percentage



# State Aid History

Fiscal Year	Receipts	Assessments	Net w/offsets	\$ Change	%
2002	3,872,243	630,902	3,241,341		
2003	3,813,868	719,582	3,094,286	(147,073)	-4.6%
2004	4,107,822	804,742	3,303,080	208,794	6.8%
2005	4,119,252	777,765	3,341,487	247,201	7.5%
2006	3,248,197	888,500	2,359,697	(981,790)	-29.4%
2007	3,659,078	1,092,673	2,566,405	206,708	8.8%
2008	3,958,280	1,117,490	2,840,790	274,385	10.7%
2009	4,274,885	1,029,546	3,245,339	404,549	14.3%
2010	3,749,320	1,009,285	2,740,035	(505,304)	-15.6%
2011	3,965,472	1,026,500	2,938,972	198,937	7.3%
2012	3,947,844	1,168,745	2,779,099	(159,873)	-5.5%
2013	4,152,977	1,115,264	3,016,753	237,654	8.6%
2014	4,285,623	1,203,232	3,060,867	44,114	1.5%
2015	4,384,675	1,151,660	3,222,766	150,909	4.9%

# Net State Aid

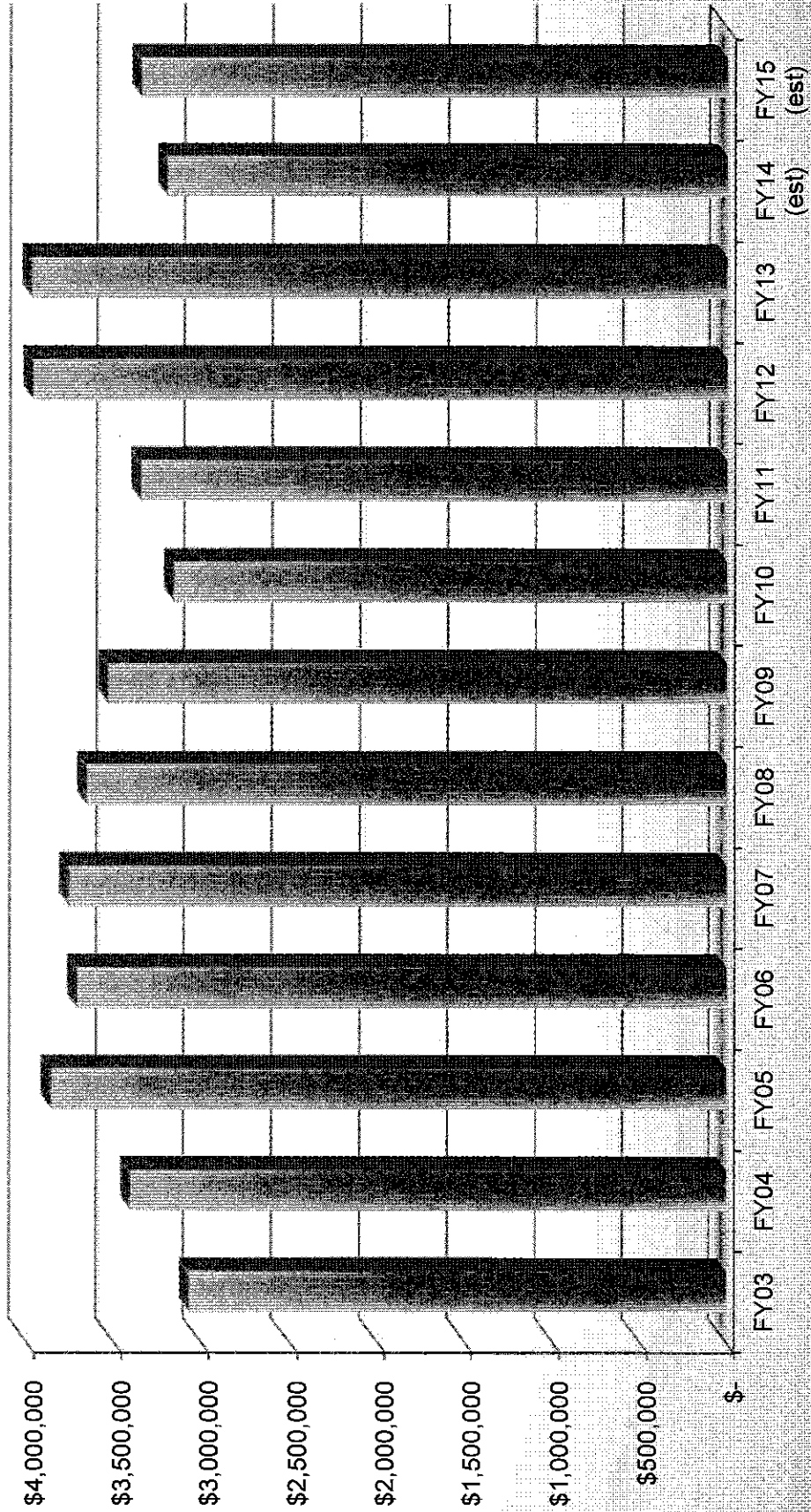


# Local Receipts

- Local Receipts
  - Slightly less than 8% of Revenues
  - Includes: Fees, Licenses & Permits, Rentals, Ambulance Receipts, Motor Vehicle excise
    - Motor Vehicle Excise makes up more than 50% of local receipts estimates
  - Ambulance receipts make up almost 25% of local receipts



# Local receipts

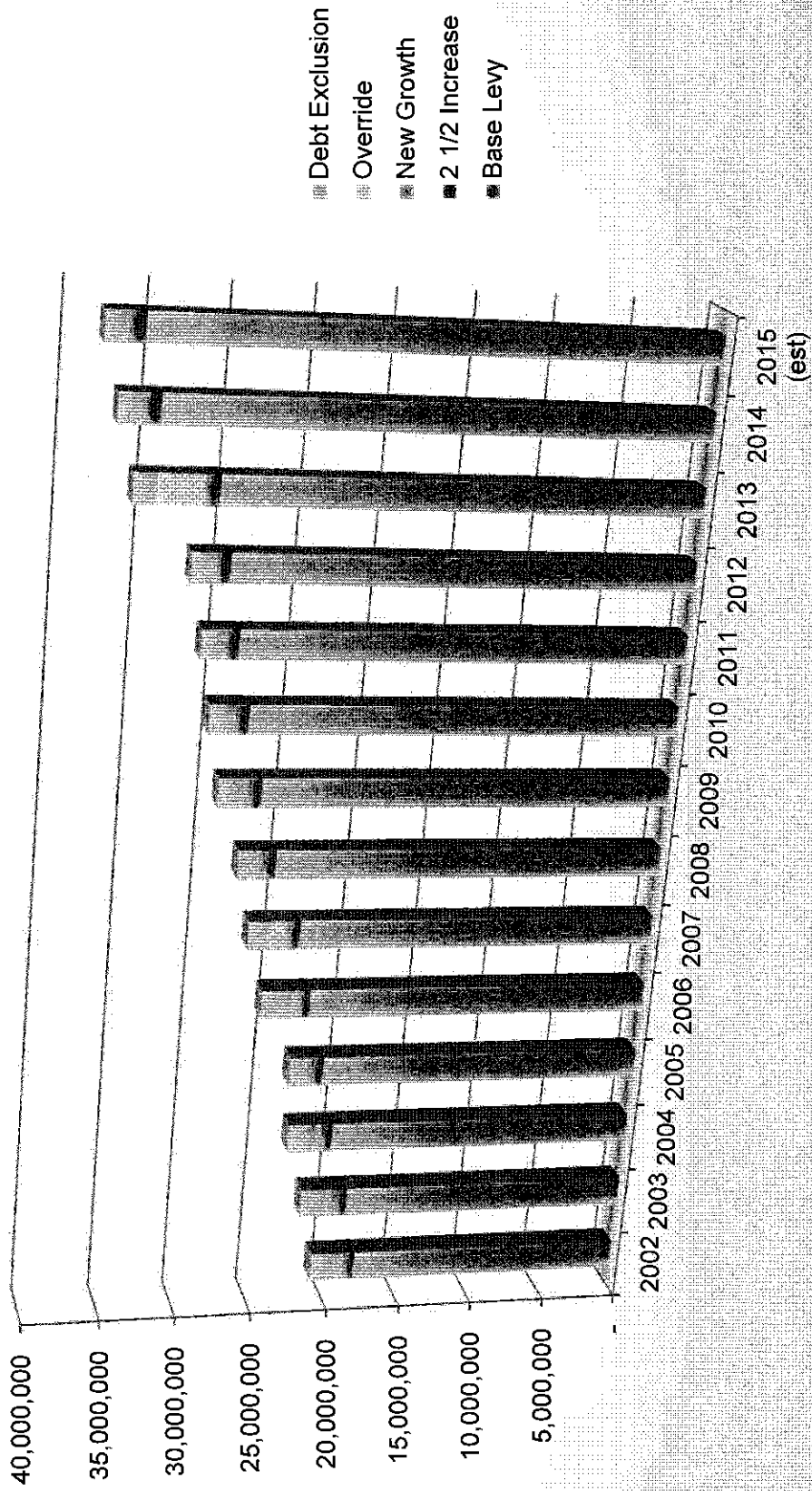


# Taxation

- Taxation makes up the overwhelming majority of the Town's Revenues – more than 84%
- Taxes are based upon the FY13 Levy Limit X 2.5% + New Growth
- Budget raises taxes by the statutory limits set by Proposition 2 ½ - \$888,002
- New Growth is estimated at \$150,000, same as FY14 estimate



# Tax Levy



# Available Funds

- Free Cash certified annually – currently \$2,099,014
  - Is not being used to balance the budget
- Stabilization – Currently \$1,730,194
  - Is not being used to balance the budget
- Capital Stabilization – Currently \$800,305
  - Can be used to supplement funds available for the capital budget plan and/or capital spending.

# Revenues

	FY14	FY15
BEGINNING YEAR	\$34,357,058	\$35,520,092
PLUS 2.5 %	\$858,926	\$888,002
NEW GROWTH	\$304,108	\$150,000
Override		
Total Recap	\$35,520,092	\$36,558,094
DEBT/CAPITAL OVER	\$2,133,438	\$2,482,790
CURRENT YEAR LIMIT	\$37,653,530	\$39,040,885

# Other Revenue

	FY14	FY15
STATE AID	\$3,060,867	\$3,211,776
TOWN REVENUE	\$3,200,000	\$3,350,000
OVERLAY SURPLUS		
FREE CASH		
STABILIZATION FUND		
OTHER	\$17,806	\$69,806
CPA	\$53,000	\$53,000
Water Indirect Expenses	\$389,800	\$502,125
Water Articles		
Total other revenue	\$6,721,473	7,186,707



# FY15 Budget

- Recommending a budget of \$45,727,657 an increase of 3.93% over FY14 (excludes debt exclusion – 4.54% with debt exclusion)
- General Government Budgets = 24.8% of the operating budget
- School Budgets (including Vo-Tech) = 55.3% of the operating budget (does not include debt exclusion)
- Fixed Costs = 19.9%
- All budgets maintain at least current service levels

# Budget Additions

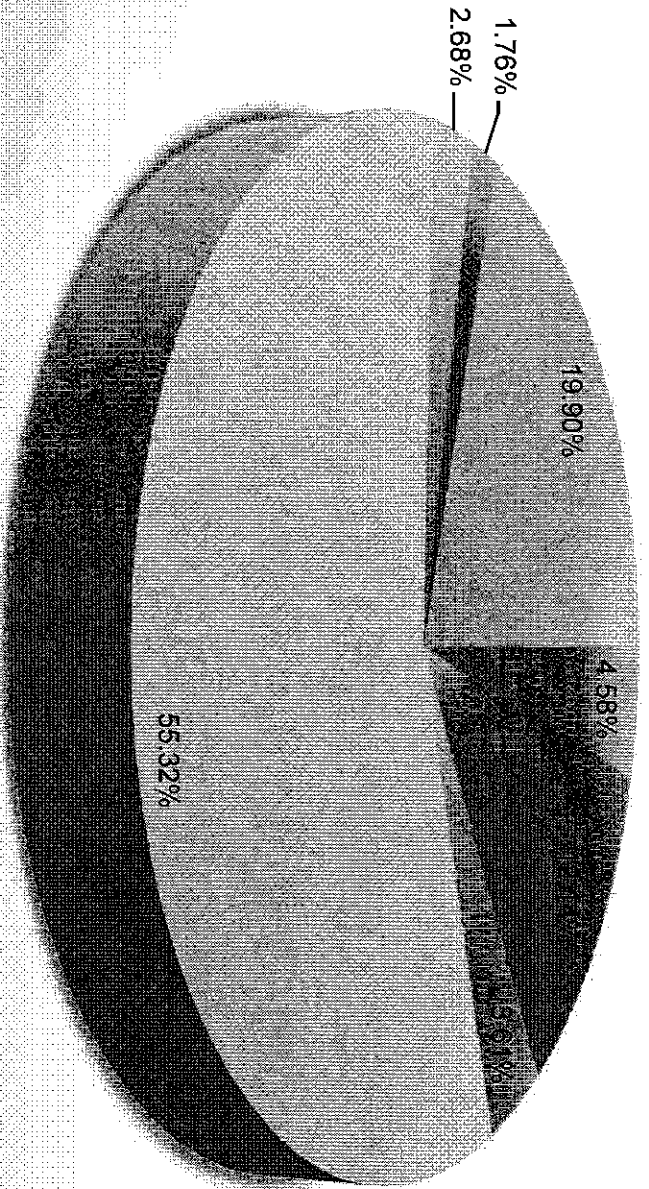
- Highway Department
  - \$120,000 for Street Sweeping and Catch Basin Cleaning as required under Storm Water Phase II (included disposal of materials – not added to pile in highway yard).
  - \$25,000 increase in Snow and Ice – now \$200,000
  - \$20,000 increase in Fuel line
- Tree & Grounds
  - \$29,000 increase for additional tree trimming services
- Conservation
  - \$9,000 increase in expense line for management of conservation lands



# Insurance & Pensions

- Employee Health insurance rates are remaining constant for FY15. Based on negotiated changes to health care coverage there is actually a slight decrease in the health insurance line for FY15.
- Pension costs increase 6% from \$1,879,432 to \$1,997,369. This comes from the Plymouth County Retirement System and reflects our obligation for FY14

# FY15 Budget



■ GENERAL GOVERNMENT

■ PUBLIC SAFETY

■ PUBLIC WORKS

■ SCHOOLS

■ HEALTH & WELFARE

■ CULTURE & RECREATION

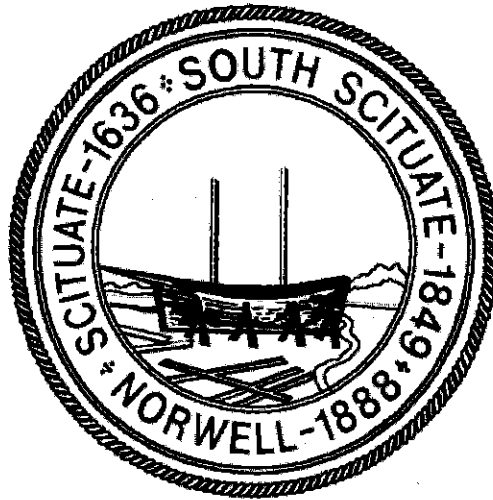
■ FIXED COSTS

# FY15 Overview

- The Overall budget increase is 3.93%
- Budget maintains current service levels and enhances service delivery in some instances
- Continues our conservative approach to revenue projections and budgeting.



# TOWN OF NORWELL



Transcript of Articles in the Warrant for the  
**SPECIAL TOWN MEETING**

And

**ANNUAL TOWN MEETING**

Report of the Advisory Board

**Monday, May 5, 2014**

**at 7:30 p.m.**

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Please bring this report to the meeting for use in the proceedings at the

**NORWELL MIDDLE SCHOOL**  
**Henry E. Goldman Gymnasium**  
**328 Main Street**





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TOWN OF NORWELL

WARRANT

Special Town Meeting and Annual Town Meeting

Monday, May 5, 2014

At 7:30 o'clock in the evening at Norwell Middle School  
Henry E. Goldman Gymnasium

Plymouth, ss

To one of the Constables of the Town of Norwell, in said County of Plymouth, Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

**GREETINGS:**

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Norwell, who being qualified to vote in elections and Town affairs, to meet at the Norwell Middle School, Henry E. Goldman Gymnasium, 328 Main Street, in said Norwell, on Monday, the fifth day of May, 2014 at 7:30 p.m.; then and there to act upon the enclosed articles, to wit:

In case all articles in the foregoing Warrant shall not be acted upon at the Meeting called for on Monday, May 5, 2014, to meet in Adjourned Sessions at such time and place as the meeting shall determine.

This building is accessible to the handicapped and designated parking is provided. If requested, at least one week before the meeting, warrants with large print can be available. Anyone requiring a Sign Language Interpreter should call the Town Clerk's office at least two weeks before the Special Town Meeting at 781-659-8072.

Town of Norwell  
Report of the Advisory Board

To the Citizens of Norwell:

On Monday, May 5, 2014, the Town of Norwell will hold a Special Town Meeting followed by its Annual Town Meeting. The brief Special Town Meeting will cover business matters that must be acted upon before the end of this fiscal year, which is June 30, 2014. During the Annual Town Meeting, the citizens of Norwell will vote on a budget for Fiscal Year 2015, as well as many other matters affecting the Town. These matters include a proposed increase to the Senior Real Estate Tax Work-off Program, a request from Board of Selectmen on behalf of the Town Hall/Library Study Committee for planning purposes, and several requests from the Community Preservation Committee.

Voters attending Town Meeting, Norwell's legislative session, discuss, debate and determine Norwell's budget for the upcoming year. The Advisory Board's role is to represent all residents as it evaluates and makes recommendations on each article contained in this Warrant. Your elected and appointed officials also will present their recommendations to help with this process. The Advisory Board recommendations contained in this Warrant were made after several months of hearings with town departments and careful deliberation of all the facts. Given the significant impact Town Meeting decisions have on the services and infrastructure of our Town, we strongly encourage you to attend and participate.

The proposed FY15 budget is balanced and does not rely on any non-recurring revenues. Last year's addition of a Facilities Manager is proving to be very helpful as the Town deals with aging buildings. It should also be noted that the Town was able to secure a better interest rate than expected for the Police Station borrowing and will be voting to put those savings back into the budget.

The School Department has continued to work closely with the Town Administrator and Board of Selectmen to ensure a cooperative approach regarding the budget. Of note, there have been several Town-School collaborate initiatives in the areas of Human Resources management, Technology, Facilities and Energy Management that have resulted in effective resource sharing and cost savings.

We thank the employees and volunteers across all Departments, Boards, and Committees for the information they prepared and the hearings they attended.

We look forward to seeing you at Town Meeting on May 5th.

Sincerely,

**The Norwell Advisory Board**

Timothy Greene, Chairman  
Mary Ellen Coffey, Clerk  
Jacquelyn McClean

Mark Maiellano, Vice-Chair  
Chad Forman  
Frances Molla

Spencer A. Joseph  
George Jamieson  
David McEachern

## TOWN OF NORWELL FISCAL YEAR 2015 BUDGET

	<i><b>FY14 Appropriated</b></i>	<i><b>FY15 Requested</b></i>	<i><b>FY15 Town Administrator</b></i>	<i><b>FY15 Advisory Board Recommends</b></i>
<b><u>EXPENSES</u></b>				
GENERAL GOVERNMENT	\$ 1,944,101	\$ 2,029,595	\$ 1,979,592	\$ 1,979,592
PUBLIC SAFETY	\$ 5,074,128	\$ 5,351,711	\$ 5,250,657	\$ 5,250,657
PUBLIC WORKS	\$ 1,389,529	\$ 1,809,316	\$ 1,624,192	\$ 1,624,192
SCHOOLS	\$ 23,139,481	\$ 23,964,385	\$ 23,964,376	\$ 23,964,376
HEALTH & WELFARE	\$ 1,089,827	\$ 1,183,980	\$ 1,162,255	\$ 1,162,255
CULTURE & RECREATION	\$ 730,438	\$ 761,879	\$ 749,424	\$ 749,424
FIXED COSTS	\$ 8,240,061	\$ 8,757,276	\$ 8,513,543	\$ 8,513,543
DEBT EXCLUSION	\$ 2,133,438	\$ 2,482,790	\$ 2,409,768	\$ 2,409,768
	<b>\$ 43,741,003</b>	<b>\$ 46,340,931</b>	<b>\$ 45,653,807</b>	<b>\$ 45,653,807</b>
OTHER ARTICLES OVERLAY CAPITAL	\$ 500,000	\$ 500,000	\$ 500,000	\$ 500,000
	\$ 500,000	\$ 500,000	\$ 500,000	\$ 500,000
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$ 44,241,003</b>	<b>\$ 46,840,931</b>	<b>\$ 46,153,807</b>	<b>\$ 46,153,807</b>
<b><u>REVENUES &amp; REDUCTIONS</u></b>				
STATE AID	\$ 3,060,867	\$ 3,211,776	\$ 3,211,776	\$ 3,211,776
TOWN REVENUE	\$ 3,200,000	\$ 3,350,000	\$ 3,350,000	\$ 3,350,000
OVERLAY SURPLUS FREE CASH STABILIZATION FUND OTHER	\$ 17,806	\$ 69,806	\$ 69,806	\$ 69,806
CPA	\$ 53,000	\$ 53,000	\$ 53,000	\$ 53,000
Water Indirect Expenses Water Articles	\$ 389,800	\$ 502,125	\$ 502,125	\$ 502,125
<b>Total other revenue</b>	<b>\$ 6,721,473</b>	<b>\$ 7,186,707</b>	<b>\$ 7,186,707</b>	<b>\$ 7,186,707</b>
<b>LEVY TO BE RAISED</b>	<b>\$ 37,519,530</b>	<b>\$ 39,654,224</b>	<b>\$ 38,967,100</b>	<b>\$ 38,967,100</b>
<b><u>PROPOSITION 2 1/2 LIMIT</u></b>				
BEGINNING YEAR	\$ 34,357,058	\$ 35,520,093	\$ 35,520,093	\$ 35,520,093
PLUS 2.5 %	\$ 858,926	\$ 888,002	\$ 888,002	\$ 888,002
NEW GROWTH Override	\$ 304,108	\$ 150,000	\$ 150,000	\$ 150,000
Total Recap	\$ 35,520,093	\$ 36,558,095	\$ 36,558,095	\$ 36,558,095
DEBT/CAPITAL OVER	\$ 2,133,438	\$ 2,482,790	\$ 2,409,768	\$ 2,409,768
CURRENT YEAR LIMIT	\$ 37,853,530	\$ 39,040,885	\$ 38,967,863	\$ 38,967,863
<b>BUDGET OVER/UNDER</b>	<b>\$ 134,000</b>	<b>\$ (613,339)</b>	<b>\$ 763</b>	<b>\$ 763</b>

## TOWN BUDGET

### Glossary of Terms

Appropriation: An authorization to make expenditures and to incur obligations for specific purposes. An appropriation is granted by Town Meeting and is usually limited in time and amount as to when it may be expended. Any part of the general appropriation not spent or encumbered by June 30 automatically reverts to surplus. A specific appropriation is carried forward from year to year until spent for the designated purpose or transferred by Town Meeting vote to another account.

Assessed Valuation: A valuation set upon real or personal property by the Board of Assessors as a basis for levying taxes.

Budget: A plan of financial operation consisting of an estimate of proposed expenditures for a given period and the means of financing them. The budget is voted in the spring at Town Meeting for the fiscal year that begins the following July 1st.

Capital Budget: A plan of proposed capital outlays and the means of financing them for the current year.

Cherry Sheet: An annual statement received from the Massachusetts Department of Revenue detailing estimated receipts for the next fiscal year and the estimated state and county government charges payable. These amounts are used by the assessors in setting the tax rate. The actual receipts and charges may vary from the estimates.

Community Preservation Act (CPA): The Town adopted the Community Preservation Act (CPA) in 2002. This Act allows the town to collect a 3% surcharge on property tax bills (the funds can be matched up to 100% by the state when funds are available), which creates the Community Preservation Fund, to use for Community Preservation purposes. Each year, the town must appropriate, or reserve (but not necessarily spend), 10% of the funds for each of the three Community Preservation purposes: Open Space, Historic Resources, and Community Housing. The remaining 70% of the funds can be appropriated or reserved used for any of the three purposes and for Recreation and for administration.

Debt Service: Payment of interest and repayment of principal to holders of the Town's debt instruments.

Fiscal Year: A 12-month period, commencing July 1 and ending June 30, to which the annual budget applies. Fiscal years are often denoted FYXX with the last two numbers representing the calendar year in which it ends, for example FY13 is the fiscal year ended June 30, 2013.

Free Cash: Free cash is the portion of unreserved fund balance available for appropriation. It is not cash but rather is approximately the total of cash and receivables less current liabilities and earmarked reserves reduced also by reserves for uncollected taxes. This is also referred to as "available cash". The amount is certified annually by the Massachusetts Department of Revenue.

General Fund: The major town owned fund which is created with town receipts and which is charged with expenditures payable from revenues.

Grant: A contribution of assets by one governmental unit or other organization to another. Typically, these contributions are made to local governments from the state and federal governments. Grants are usually made for specific purposes.

Line-Item Budget: A format of budgeting that organizes costs by type of expenditure such as expenses, equipment, and salaries.

Overlay: The amount set aside to allow for uncollected property taxes. An amount for overlay is added to the appropriations and other charges. The "Overlay Surplus" is the portion of each year's overlay account no longer required to cover property tax abatements.

Overlay Surplus: The unused amount of the overlay for prior years, which may be transferred, by vote of the Town, to the reserve account or used for extraordinary items.

Property Tax Levy: The amount produced by multiplying the assessed valuation of property by the tax rate. The tax rate is expressed "per thousand dollars" of assessed valuation.

Reserve Fund: Money set aside by Town Meeting to be allocated by the Advisory Board for extraordinary or unforeseen expenditures.

Stabilization Fund: A special reserve funded by Town Meeting for future expenditures.

*Terms associated with Proposition 2½:*

Debt or Capital Exclusion: The Town can assess taxes in excess of the levy limit by voting a debt exclusion or capital outlay exclusion. This amount does not become a permanent part of the levy limit base, but does allow the Town to assess taxes for a specific period of time in excess of the limit for payment of debt service costs or for payment of capital expenditures.

Excess Levy Capacity: The difference between the Town's tax levy limit and its actual tax levy for the current year. It is the additional tax levy that could be raised without asking for an override.

New Growth: The amount of property tax revenue that the Town can add to its allowable tax levy as a result of new construction, alterations, subdivisions or change of use which increases the value of a parcel of land by more than certain amounts.

Override: An amount, voted by the Town, which is permanently added to the levy limit. A majority vote of the Selectmen allows an override question to be put on the ballot. Override questions must be presented in dollar terms and must specify the purpose of the override. Overrides require a majority vote of approval by the Town.

Tax Levy Limit: The maximum amount of the tax levy for a period under the restrictions of Proposition 2½. It is calculated as the prior year limit plus new growth plus 2.5% of the prior year levy limit.



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# TOWN OF NORWELL



Commonwealth of Massachusetts

## WARRANT FOR SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

Monday, May 5, 2014

At Seven-Thirty O'clock in the Evening  
At the Norwell Middle School, Henry E. Goldman Gymnasium, Main Street

**ARTICLE 1:** To see if the Town will raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds a sum of money to meet obligations for union and personal contracts, said sum to be apportioned by the Finance Director to the applicable line items in Article 2, or act on anything relative there to.

Requested by the Board of Selectmen

**The Advisory Board will make its recommendation at Town Meeting.**

**ARTICLE 2:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, borrow or transfer from available funds a sum of money to pay for an engineering study on the Norwell Middle School septic system, or act on anything relative thereto.

Requested by the School Committee

**The Advisory Board unanimously recommends this article in the amount of \$3,500. This will pay for engineering studies and plans for the Middle School Septic system.**

**ARTICLE 3:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, borrow or transfer from available funds a sum of money to pay for rebuilding or construction of the Norwell Middle School septic system, or act on anything relative thereto.

Requested by the School Committee

**The Advisory Board unanimously recommends this article in the amount of \$150,000. These funds will pay for the repair/replacement of the Middle School Septic system.**

**ARTICLE 4:** To see if the Town will vote to rescind the following borrowing authorizations from various town meetings:

<i>Original Article / Date</i>	<i>For the Purpose and Amount of:</i>	<i>Amount to be Rescinded</i>
Article 32 ATM 6/16/09	Alternative Energy Investments \$200,000	\$200,000.00
Article 14 ATM 05/10/11	Architectural Engineering and Design for Police Station \$400,000	\$250.00
Article 13 ATM 05/21/12	Technology Hardware \$301,500	\$500.00

or act on anything relative thereto.

Requested by the Finance Director

**The Advisory Board unanimously recommends this article. This is a housekeeping article brought forth periodically to close out outstanding articles that are no longer required.**

**ARTICLE 5:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds a certain sum of money to meet obligations for health insurance stipends, said sum to be apportioned by the Finance Director to the applicable line items in Article 2, or act on anything relative thereto.

Requested by the Finance Director

**The Advisory Board unanimously recommends this article in the amount of \$117,000. The funds from this article will be transferred from the Town's health insurance accounts to reimburse departments for the cost of employees who have opted to no longer take the Town's health insurance offerings.**

**ARTICLE 6:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds a sum of money to be added to line items 1-241-0117-5115 Plumbing Inspector Pay, account 1-241-0117-5116 Wiring Inspector Pay, and account 1-241-0117-5117 Gas Inspector Pay, or act on anything relative thereto.

Requested by the Finance Director

**The Advisory Board unanimously recommends this article in the amount of \$22,000. These funds will cover additional costs of various inspectors in the building office.**

**ARTICLE 7:** To see if the Town will raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds a certain sum of money to be added to line item 1-420-211-5532, Snow Removal and Sanding, or act on anything relative thereto.

Requested by the Highway Surveyor

**The Advisory Board will make its recommendation at Town Meeting. This article transfers money into the Snow Removal account to cover the deficit incurred during the winter.**

**ARTICLE 8:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money for the payment of bills incurred from prior years; or act on anything relative thereto.

Requested by the Finance Director

**The Advisory Board will make its recommendation at Town Meeting. This article represents bills that were received after the close of the fiscal year.**

**ARTICLE 9:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money to be added to line item 1-543-0218-5770 Veterans Benefits; or take any other action thereto.

Requested by the Veterans Agent

**The Advisory Board unanimously recommends this article in the amount of \$15,000.**

**ARTICLE 10:** To see if the Town will raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds the sum of \$20,000 from the Community Preservation Fund for the purpose of open space/recreation. Such funds shall be expended by the Conservation Commission for the eradication of weeds in Jacobs Pond. Expenditures under this article shall be approved by the Conservation Commission, or act on anything relative thereto.

Requested by the Community Preservation  
Committee and the Conservation Commission

**The Advisory Board unanimously recommends this article.**

**ARTICLE 11:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds or otherwise provide a sum of money to be used for engineering and replacement of the Cushing Center/Central Fire Station septic system, along with any associated or required work, or act on anything relative thereto.

Requested by the Cushing Center and the Fire Chief

**The Advisory Board unanimously recommends this article. These funds would replace and upgrade septic system that is in excess of 40 years old prior to the replacement/upgrade of the Cushing Center Parking lot.**

**ARTICLE 12:** To see if the Town will vote to direct the Norwell Board of Selectmen to execute a declaration of restriction and/or a permanent conservation restriction on said property pursuant to G.L. c. 44B Section 12 and G.L. c. 184 Sections 31-33, or such other and further form of land conservation/preservation restriction required to comply with the terms and conditions of a Conservation and Management Permit issued by the Natural Heritage Endangered Species Program of the Division of Fisheries & Wildlife in connection with the proposed town cemetery off of Stetson Shrine Lane in Norwell on parcel of land on the Northerly side of the Wildcat Lane shown as "Conservation Restriction Area" on a plan entitled "Open Space Conservation Restriction Plan, Pleasant Street and Wildcat Lane, Norwell, Massachusetts" dated May 12, 2011 prepared by Merrill Associates, Inc. on file with the Town Clerk and further to authorize the Board of Selectmen to transfer, care and custody, maintenance and control of said parcel of land, after the restriction of said property, to the care and custody of the Norwell Conservation Commission, or act on anything relative thereto.

Requested by the Board of Selectmen

**The Advisory Board unanimously recommends this article. This is a housekeeping article needed to comply with the requirements of the endangered species act relative to the construction of the cemetery at Stetson Meadows.**

**ARTICLE 13:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of \$20,000 in legal and other acquisition costs, and \$268,300 in land purchase expense, for a total appropriation of \$288,300 to enable the Town of Norwell to acquire for watershed protection, open space and or recreation purposes under Mass. Gen. L. Chapter 44B (the Community Preservation Act), and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to accept a deed to the Town for a certain parcel of land known as Grove Street, Norwell, Plymouth County Massachusetts, consisting of 4 acres ± of land identified on the Norwell Assessors Maps as Parcel, Block 13, Lot 13 and referenced in Plymouth County Registry of Deeds, book 37955, pages 75-77, together with all rights and interests of record; said land to be under the care and custody of the Norwell Board of Water Commissioners; and further that the Board of Selectmen be authorized and directed to declare and/or grant a perpetual restriction on said parcel of land meeting the requirements of Mass. Gen. L. c. 44B S21 and Mass.

Gen. L. c. 184 S31-33 or any other equivalent restrictions consistent with the purposes for which the land is acquired and to enter into all agreements and execute all instruments as may be necessary for the Town of Norwell to affect said purchase; said funds shall be approved by the Board of Selectmen; or act on anything relative thereto.

Requested by the Community Preservation  
Committee and the Board of Water  
Commissioners

**The Advisory Board recommends this article 7-0-1. This is a key piece of property providing access to water department land off Grove Street. The cost will be split between the Water Department and Community Preservation Funds.**

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**TOWN OF NORWELL**



Commonwealth of Massachusetts

**WARRANT FOR ANNUAL TOWN MEETING**

Monday, May 5, 2014

At Seven-Thirty O'clock in the Evening  
At the Norwell Middle School, Henry E. Goldman Gymnasium, Main Street

**ARTICLE 1:** To see if the Town will accept the reports of its Officers, Boards, Departments, Committees and Commissions, as printed in the 2013 Annual Report, or act on anything relative thereto.

Requested by the Board of Selectmen

**The Advisory Board unanimously recommends this article.**

**ARTICLE 2:** To see if the Town will raise and appropriate, or appropriate from available funds, sums of money to defray the charges, expenses and salary obligations of the Town, including debt and interest, and out of state travel for the ensuing year, to provide for a Reserve Fund and to fix salaries and compensation for all Elected Officers of the Town, or act on anything relative thereto.

Requested by the Advisory Board

**The Advisory Board recommendations are in the "Advisory Board Recommends" Column. The Advisory Board will make a budget presentation at Town Meeting to provide further details of our rationale and recommendations.**

**This Article authorizes the Town to accept the FY15 Town Budget, which begins on July 1, 2014.**

	<b>FY 14 Appropriated</b>	<b>FY15 Requested</b>	<b>FY15 Town Administrator Recommends</b>	<b>FY15 Advisory Board Recommends</b>
<b>113-TOWN MT. &amp; ELECTION</b>				
2-106	Salaries	\$ 5,500	\$ 13,702	\$ 13,702
2-208	Expenses	\$ 12,500	\$ 20,100	\$ 20,100
	<b>Total: Town Meeting &amp; Election</b>	<b>\$ 18,000</b>	<b>\$ 33,802</b>	<b>\$ 33,802</b>
<b>114-MODERATOR</b>				
2-104	Moderator's Expenses	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
	<b>Total: Moderator</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>
<b>122-SELECTMEN</b>				
2-101	Bd. Members' Salaries	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
2-102	Town Administrator Salary	\$ 141,500	\$ 144,330	\$ 144,330
2-103	Clerical Salaries/ADA	\$ 137,119	\$ 136,569	\$ 136,569
2-200	Court Judgments	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
2-201	Selectmen's Expenses	\$ 16,350	\$ 21,350	\$ 20,000
2-205	Care Veterans' Graves	\$ 1,200	\$ 1,200	\$ 1,200
	<b>Total: Board of Selectmen</b>	<b>\$ 296,169</b>	<b>\$ 303,449</b>	<b>\$ 302,099</b>
<b>131-ADVISORY BOARD</b>				
2-105	Advisory Clerical	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
2-206	Advisory Expenses	\$ 500	\$ 500	\$ 500
	<b>Total: Advisory Board</b>	<b>\$ 500</b>	<b>\$ 500</b>	<b>\$ 500</b>
<b>132-RESERVE FUND</b>				
2-207	Reserve Fund	\$ 200,000	\$ 200,000	\$ 200,000
<b>135-ACCOUNTING</b>				
	Accountant Salary	\$ 101,000	\$ 101,000	\$ 101,000
2-115	Salaries	\$ 92,324	\$ 98,775	\$ 98,775
2-202	Expenses	\$ 37,843	\$ 37,843	\$ 37,843
	<b>Total: Accounting</b>	<b>\$ 231,167</b>	<b>\$ 237,618</b>	<b>\$ 237,618</b>
<b>141-ASSESSORS</b>				
2-109	Bd. Members' Salaries	\$ 69,198	\$ 70,912	\$ 70,912
	Asst. Assessor/App Salary	\$ 46,808		
	Assessing Department Salaries		\$ 47,964	\$ 47,964
2-110	Clerical Salaries	\$ 22,635	\$ 22,635	\$ 22,635
2-211	General Expenses	\$ 22,635	\$ 22,635	\$ 22,635
2-212	Reval/App. Expenses			
	<b>Total: Assessors</b>	<b>\$ 138,641</b>	<b>\$ 141,511</b>	<b>\$ 141,511</b>
<b>145-TREAS./COLLECTOR</b>				
2-111	Treasurer/Collector Salary	\$ 73,000	\$ 74,000	\$ 74,000
2-112	Clerical Salaries	\$ 149,571	\$ 176,619	\$ 159,403
2-168	Bonding Costs	\$ 25,000	\$ 25,000	\$ 3,600
2-213	General Expenses	\$ 69,769	\$ 69,769	\$ 69,769
2-214	Tax Liens Expenses	\$ 8,000	\$ 8,000	\$ 8,000
	<b>Total: Treasurer/Collector</b>	<b>\$ 325,340</b>	<b>\$ 353,388</b>	<b>\$ 314,772</b>
<b>151-LEGAL SERVICES</b>				
2-216	Legal Expenses	\$ 100,000	\$ 100,000	\$ 100,000
2-218	Settlements/Claims	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
2-295	Union Negotiations	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
	<b>Total: Legal Services</b>	<b>\$ 100,000</b>	<b>\$ 100,000</b>	<b>\$ 100,000</b>

	<i>FY 14 Appropriated</i>	<i>FY15 Requested</i>	<i>FY15 Town Administrator Recommends</i>	<i>FY15 Advisory Board Recommends</i>
<b>152-PERSONNEL BOARD</b>				
2-116	Salary & Wages			
2-219	General Expenses	\$ 500	\$ 500	\$ 500
	<b>Total: Personnel Board</b>	\$ 500	\$ 500	\$ 500
<b>155-CENTRAL COMPUTER</b>				
2-222	Central Computer Expenses	\$ 104,950	\$ 104,950	\$ 104,950
<b>161-TOWN CLERK</b>				
2-113	Town Clerk Salary	\$ 70,193	\$ 73,001	\$ 73,001
2-114	Clerical Salaries	\$ 57,000	\$ 60,841	\$ 60,841
2-215	General Expenses	\$ 5,600	\$ 5,600	\$ 5,600
	<b>Total: Town Clerk</b>	\$ 132,793	\$139,442	\$ 139,442
<b>163-BD OF REGISTRARS</b>				
2-107	Clerk of Board Salary	\$ 450	\$ 450	\$ 450
2-108	Registrars Clerical	\$ -	\$ 10,036	\$ -
2-209	Registrars Expenses	\$ 4,800	\$ 5,000	\$ 5,000
	<b>Total: Board of Registrars</b>	\$ 5,250	\$ 15,486	\$ 5,450
<b>171-CONSERVATION COMM.</b>				
2-154	Conservation Clerical Conservation Salaries	\$ 20,624	\$ 21,460	\$ 21,460
2-155	Conservation Agent's Salary	\$ 61,693	\$ 65,881	\$ 65,881
2-278	Conservation General Exp.	\$ 12,750	\$21,750	\$21,750
2-280	Conservation Fund			
	<b>Total: Conservation</b>	\$ 95,067	\$ 109,091	\$ 109,091
<b>175-PLANNING BOARD</b>				
2-120	Town Planner Planning Salaries	\$ 66,576	\$ 70,262	\$ 70,262
2-121	Planning Bd. Clerical	\$ 20,624	\$ 21,460	\$ 21,460
2-224	Planning Bd. General Exp.	\$ 4,590	\$ 4,590	\$ 4,590
	<b>Total: Planning Board</b>	\$ 91,790	\$ 96,312	\$ 96,312
<b>176-BOARD OF APPEALS</b>				
2-119	Salary & Wage			
2-223	General Expenses	\$ 4,810	\$ 1,810	\$ 1,810
	<b>Total: Board of Appeals</b>	\$ 4,810	\$ 1,810	\$ 1,810
<b>177-DESIGN REVIEW BD.</b>				
2-117	Design Review Clerical	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
2-220	Design Review General Exp	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
	<b>Total: Design Review Board</b>	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
<b>190-COMM. ON DISABILITIES</b>				
2-294	General Expenses	\$ 3,000	\$ 3,000	\$ 3,000
	<b>Total: Comm. On Disabilities</b>	\$ 3,000	\$ 3,000	\$ 3,000
<b>191-CUSHING MEMORIAL</b>				
2-175	Cushing Memorial Payroll	\$ 31,626	\$ 33,016	\$ 33,016
2-203	Cushing Memorial Expenses	\$ 31,063	\$ 31,063	\$ 31,063
	<b>Total: Cushing Memorial</b>	\$ 62,689	\$ 64,079	\$ 64,079
<b>192-TOWN HALL</b>				
2-123	Custodians' Salaries	\$ 39,452	\$ 35,198	\$ 35,198
2-226	Town Hall General Expense	\$ 86,050	\$ 86,050	\$ 86,050
	<b>Total: Town Hall</b>	\$ 125,502	\$ 121,248	\$ 121,248

		<b>FY 14 Appropriated</b>	<b>FY15 Requested</b>	<b>FY15 Town Administrator Recommends</b>	<b>FY15 Advisory Board Recommends</b>
	<b>193-P.B.M.C.</b>				
2-169	Salaries	\$ 41,000	\$ 50,000	\$ 50,000	\$ 50,000
2-225	P.B.M.C. Expenses	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,500
	<b>Total: P.B.M.C.</b>	<b>\$ 42,000</b>	<b>\$ 51,500</b>	<b>\$ 51,500</b>	<b>\$ 51,500</b>
	<b>194 - Community Preservation</b>				
2-237	Clerical Salaries	\$ 8,000	\$ 8,000	\$ 8,000	\$ 8,000
2-305	Expenses	\$ 45,000	\$ 45,000	\$ 45,000	\$ 45,000
	<b>Total: Community Preservation</b>	<b>\$ 53,000</b>	<b>\$ 53,000</b>	<b>\$ 53,000</b>	<b>\$ 53,000</b>
	<b>195-TOWN REPORTS</b>				
2-210	Town Reports	\$ 6,000	\$ 6,000	\$ 6,000	\$ 6,000
	<b>199-BEAUTIFICATION</b>				
2-204	Expenses	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,000
	<b>Total: Beautification</b>	<b>\$ 2,000</b>	<b>\$ 2,000</b>	<b>\$ 2,000</b>	<b>\$ 2,000</b>
	<b>210-POLICE DEPARTMENT</b>				
2-125	Police Chief's Salary	\$ 115,000	\$ 115,000	\$ 115,000	\$ 115,000
	Deputy Chief Salary	\$ 90,490	\$ 90,490	\$ 90,490	\$ 90,490
	Police Department Salaries				
2-126	Police Officers' Pay	\$ 1,701,208	\$ 1,754,473	\$ 1,754,473	\$ 1,754,473
2-128	Police Other Payroll	\$ 59,508	\$ 61,318	\$ 61,318	\$ 61,318
2-169	Clerical	\$ 238,185	\$ 253,823	\$ 253,823	\$ 253,823
2-235	Police General Expense	\$ 196,796	\$ 194,996	\$ 191,696	\$ 191,696
2-236	Police Cruiser Expenses	\$ 93,800	\$ 95,000	\$ 95,000	\$ 95,000
2-237	Other Town Vehicles Gas				
	<b>Total: Police Department</b>	<b>\$ 2,494,987</b>	<b>\$ 2,565,100</b>	<b>\$ 2,561,800</b>	<b>\$ 2,561,800</b>
	<b>220-FIRE DEPARTMENT</b>				
2-129	Fire Chief's Salary	\$ 105,000	\$ 105,000	\$ 105,000	\$ 105,000
2-130	Perm. Firefighters' Payroll	\$ 1,661,105	\$ 1,814,291	\$ 1,734,291	\$ 1,734,291
	Fire Department Salaries				
	Call Salary	\$ 19,928	\$ 15,300	\$ 15,300	\$ 15,300
2-169	Fire Department Clerical	\$ 40,369	\$ 44,257	\$ 44,257	\$ 44,257
2-238	Fire Dept. General Expense	\$ 139,000	\$ 144,500	\$ 140,000	\$ 140,000
	Call Expense	\$ 17,550	\$ 22,150	\$ 22,150	\$ 22,150
	<b>Total: Fire Department</b>	<b>\$ 1,982,952</b>	<b>\$ 2,145,498</b>	<b>\$ 2,060,998</b>	<b>\$ 2,060,998</b>
	<b>220-CALL FIRE FIGHTERS</b>				
2-131	Deputy Fire Chief	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
2-132	Call Fire Payroll	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
2-240	Call Fire General Expenses	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
	<b>Total: Call Fire</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>
	<b>231-AMBULANCE SERVICE</b>				
2-133	Ambulance Payroll				
2-241	Ambulance General Exp.	\$ 59,300	\$ 60,900	\$ 60,900	\$ 60,900
2-242	Unmanned Ambulance Exp.	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,500
	<b>Total Ambulance</b>	<b>\$ 60,800</b>	<b>\$ 62,400</b>	<b>\$ 62,400</b>	<b>\$ 62,400</b>
	<b>241-BUILDING INSPECTOR</b>				
2-138	Building/Zoning Clerical	\$ 43,381	\$ 44,457	\$ 44,457	\$ 44,457
2-139	Building/Zoning/ADA Inspector	\$ 69,572	\$ 71,234	\$ 71,234	\$ 71,234
2-140	Inspector Fees	\$ 45,500	\$45,500	\$45,500	\$45,500
2-249	General Expenses	\$ 10,900	\$ 10,900	\$ 10,900	\$ 10,900
	<b>Total: Inspections</b>	<b>\$ 169,353</b>	<b>\$ 172,091</b>	<b>\$ 172,091</b>	<b>\$ 172,091</b>

		<b>FY 14 Appropriated</b>	<b>FY15 Requested</b>	<b>FY15 Town Administrator Recommends</b>	<b>FY15 Advisory Board Recommends</b>
<b>244-SEALER WEIGHTS/MEAS</b>					
2-142	Sealer Weights/Meas. Salary	\$ 6,515	\$ 6,388	\$ 6,388	\$ 6,388
2-252	General Expenses	\$ 1,515	\$ 1,515	\$ 1,515	\$ 1,515
	<b>Total: Weights &amp; Measures</b>	\$ 8,030	\$ 7,903	\$ 7,903	\$ 7,903
<b>290-REGIONAL DISPATCH SERVICES.</b>					
2-134	Emergency Comm. Payroll				
2-243	Emergency Comm. Expense				
	Regional dispatch	\$ 338,000	\$ 355,159	\$ 355,159	\$ 355,159
	<b>Total: Regional Dispatch Services</b>	\$ 338,000	\$ 355,159	\$ 355,159	\$ 355,159
<b>291-EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT</b>					
	Salaries	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000
	Expense	\$ 1,000	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,000
2-254	<b>Total Emergency Management</b>	\$ 2,000	\$ 3,000	\$ 3,000	\$ 3,000
<b>292-ANIMAL CONTROL</b>					
2-144	Animal Control Payroll	\$ 7,500	\$ 12,572	\$ 7,500	\$ 7,500
2-255	General Expenses	\$ 1,000	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,000
	<b>Total: Animal Control</b>	\$ 8,500	\$ 14,572	\$ 9,500	\$ 9,500
<b>295-HARBORMASTER</b>					
2-188	Harbormaster Salary	\$ 5,306	\$ 5,306	\$ 5,306	\$ 5,306
2-200	Harbormaster Expense	\$ 2,500	\$ 2,500	\$ 2,500	\$ 2,500
		\$ 7,806	\$ 7,806	\$ 7,806	\$ 7,806
<b>301-SCHOOL DEPARTMENT</b>					
2-200	School Budget	\$ 23,006,481	\$ 23,783,676	\$ 23,783,676	\$ 23,783,676
2-198	Transportation				
	<b>Total Norwell School</b>	\$ 23,006,481	\$ 23,783,676	\$ 23,783,676	\$ 23,783,676
<b>390-SO. SH. REG'L SCHOOL</b>					
2-264	Regional School Assessment	\$ 133,000	\$ 180,709	\$ 180,700	\$ 180,700
<b>420-HIGHWAY DEPT.</b>					
2-146	Highway Surveyor's Salary	\$ 49,539	\$ 51,521	\$ 51,521	\$ 51,521
2-147	Highway Dept. Payrolls	\$ 279,570	\$ 370,792	\$ 286,442	\$ 286,442
2-149	Highway Department Clerical	\$ 46,005	\$ 56,266	\$ 56,266	\$ 56,266
2-265	Highway Out-of-State Travel				
2-266	Highway General Expense	\$ 68,986	\$ 189,252	\$ 189,252	\$ 189,252
2-267	Highway Signs & Road Marking	\$ 41,000	\$ 41,000	\$ 41,000	\$ 41,000
2-268	Snow Removal & Sanding	\$ 175,000	\$ 250,000	\$ 200,000	\$ 200,000
2-269	Operation & Maint. of Equip.	\$ 23,200	\$ 23,200	\$ 23,200	\$ 23,200
2-270	Highway Town Gasoline	\$ 165,000	\$ 185,000	\$ 185,000	\$ 185,000
2-271	Highway Water Services	\$ 6,000	\$ 6,000	\$ 6,000	\$ 6,000
	<b>Total: Highway</b>	\$ 854,300	\$ 1,173,031	\$ 1,038,681	\$ 1,038,681
<b>421-TREE &amp; GROUNDS</b>					
2-135	Tree Director's Salary	\$ 49,539	\$ 51,521	\$ 51,521	\$ 51,521
2-136	Tree Department Payrolls	\$ 306,712	\$ 356,086	\$ 315,311	\$ 315,311
2-244	General Expenses	\$ 95,478	\$ 135,178	\$ 125,178	\$ 125,178
2-245	Tree Insect Control	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000
2-248	Tree Cemetery Care	\$ 2,500	\$ 2,500	\$ 2,500	\$ 2,500
	<b>Total: Tree &amp; Grounds</b>	\$ 455,229	\$ 546,285	\$ 495,510	\$ 495,510
<b>424-STREET LIGHTING</b>					
2-272	<b>Total: Street Lights Expense</b>	\$ 80,000	\$ 90,000	\$ 90,000	\$ 90,000

		<b>FY 14 Appropriated</b>	<b>FY15 Requested</b>	<b>FY15 Town Administrator Recommends</b>	<b>FY15 Advisory Board Recommends</b>
<b>439-RECYCLING COMMITTEE</b>					
2-173	Other Expenses	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
	<b>Total: Recycling Committee</b>	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
<b>450-WATER DEPARTMENT</b>					
2-148	Superintendent	\$ 92,779	\$ 94,621	\$ 94,621	\$ 94,621
2-150	Treatment Manager	\$ 59,505	\$ 63,154	\$ 63,154	\$ 63,154
2-151	Water Commissioners' Salary				
2-152	Water Clerical	\$ 86,085	\$ 73,857	\$ 73,857	\$ 73,857
2-153	Water Payrolls	\$ 272,381	\$ 292,724	\$ 292,724	\$ 292,724
2-274	Water General Expenses	\$ 619,175	\$ 619,175	\$ 619,175	\$ 619,175
2-275	Water Well Cleaning	\$ 15,000	\$ 15,000	\$ 15,000	\$ 15,000
2-276	Indirect Expenses				
	<b>Total: Water Department</b>	\$ 1,144,925	\$ 1,158,531	\$ 1,158,531	\$ 1,158,531
<b>491-TOWN CEMETERY</b>					
	Cemetery Salaries	\$ 4,800	\$ 12,982	\$ 4,800	\$ 4,800
2-288	Washington St. Cem. Expense	\$ 2,000	\$ 5,200	\$ 5,200	\$ 5,200
	<b>Total: Town Cemetery</b>	\$ 6,800	\$ 18,182	\$ 10,000	\$ 10,000
<b>512-BOARD OF HEALTH</b>					
2-156	Board Members' Salaries				
2-157	Health Agent Salary	\$ 74,526	\$ 76,478	\$ 76,478	\$ 76,478
	Health Department Salaries				
2-158	Health Clerical	\$ 42,831	\$ 44,157	\$ 44,157	\$ 44,157
2-279	Hazardous Waste	\$ 7,500	\$ 7,500	\$ 7,500	\$ 7,500
2-281	General Expenses	\$ 49,600	\$ 49,600	\$ 49,600	\$ 49,600
2-282	Solid Waste Disposal	\$ 626,300	\$ 689,100	\$ 689,100	\$ 689,100
2-283	recycling	\$ 17,000	\$ 17,000	\$ 17,000	\$ 17,000
2-285	Brush Pile Maintenance	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
	<b>Total: Board of Health</b>	\$ 817,757	\$ 883,835	\$ 883,835	\$ 883,835
<b>541-COUNCIL ON AGING</b>					
	Director	\$ 87,634	\$ 87,634	\$ 87,634	\$ 87,634
2-160	Council on Aging Payroll	\$ 124,333	\$ 150,966	\$ 129,242	\$ 129,242
2-284	General Expenses	\$ 24,229	\$ 25,479	\$ 25,479	\$ 25,479
	<b>Total: Council on Aging</b>	\$ 236,196	\$ 264,079	\$ 242,355	\$ 242,355
<b>543-VETERANS' EXP.</b>					
2-161	Veterans' Agent Salary	\$ 4,417	\$ 4,454	\$ 4,454	\$ 4,454
2-162	Vets. Service Officer's Salary	\$ 4,148	\$ 4,111	\$ 4,111	\$ 4,111
2-285	Veterans' General Expenses	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000
2-286	Veterans' Benefits	\$ 20,000	\$ 25,000	\$ 25,000	\$ 25,000
2-287	Memorial Day Expenses	\$ 1,400	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,500
	<b>Total: Veterans</b>	\$ 30,965	\$ 36,065	\$ 36,065	\$ 36,065
<b>610-LIBRARY</b>					
2-164	Library Director's Salary	\$ 87,434	\$ 87,434	\$ 87,434	\$ 87,434
2-165	Library Payroll	\$ 283,403	\$ 296,826	\$ 296,826	\$ 296,826
2-177	Old Colony Network	\$ 30,000	\$ 30,000	\$ 30,000	\$ 30,000
2-289	Library General Expenses	\$ 152,550	\$ 157,950	\$ 157,950	\$ 157,950
	<b>Total: Library</b>	\$ 553,387	\$ 572,210	\$ 572,210	\$ 572,210
<b>630-RECREATION DEPT.</b>					
2-166	Recreation Supt. Salary	\$ 74,726	\$ 76,578	\$ 64,123	\$ 64,123
2-167	Recreation Payroll	\$ -	\$ -		
2-290	Recreation General Expenses	\$ -	\$ -		
	<b>Total: Recreation</b>	\$ 74,726	\$ 76,578	\$ 64,123	\$ 64,123

	<b>FY 14 Appropriated</b>	<b>FY15 Requested</b>	<b>FY15 Town Administrator Recommends</b>	<b>FY15 Advisory Board Recommends</b>
<b>691-MASS. HISTORICAL</b>				
2-277	Historical Comm. General Exp.	\$ 4,000	\$ 4,000	\$ 4,000
	<b>Total: Mass Historical</b>	<b>\$ 4,000</b>	<b>\$ 4,000</b>	<b>\$ 4,000</b>
<b>710-DEBT RETIREMENT</b>				
2-168	Borrowing Costs			
	Water Bonds			
2-292	Principal - Town	\$ 604,240	\$ 656,832	\$ 656,832
2-363	Water	\$ 190,000	\$ 255,000	\$ 255,000
<b>751- INTEREST ON LONG TERM DEBT</b>				
2-293	Interest - Town	\$ 74,568	\$ 110,950	\$ 110,950
2-364	Water	\$ 29,800	\$ 63,392	\$ 63,392
<b>752-INTEREST ON SHORT TERM DEBT</b>				
	Town	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
	Water	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
	<b>Total: Under Levy Debt Service</b>	<b>\$ 898,608</b>	<b>\$ 1,086,174</b>	<b>\$ 1,086,174</b>
<b>710, 751 - DEBT EXCLUSION</b>				
2-365	Vinal, Cole & High School Interest	\$ 181,438	\$ 184,165	\$ 184,165
2-365	Vinal, Cole & High School Principal	\$ 610,000	\$ 585,000	\$ 585,000
2-366	Police Station Principal	\$ 250,000	\$ 250,000	\$ 250,000
2-366	Middle School Interest	\$ 404,388	\$ 367,625	\$ 367,625
2-365	Middle School Principal	\$ 865,000	\$ 865,000	\$ 865,000
	Police Station Interest	\$ 157,978	\$ 157,978	\$ 157,978
	<b>Total: Debt Exclusion</b>	<b>\$ 2,060,826</b>	<b>\$ 2,409,768</b>	<b>\$ 2,409,768</b>
<b>911-PENSIONS</b>				
2-227	Plymouth County Ret. Fund	\$ 1,879,432	\$ 1,997,369	\$ 1,997,369
2-228	Non-Contrib. Pensions			
	<b>Total: Pensions</b>	<b>\$ 1,879,432</b>	<b>\$ 1,997,369</b>	<b>\$ 1,997,369</b>
<b>913-UNEMPLOYMENT COMP.</b>				
2-229	Unemployment Comp.	\$ 55,000	\$ 55,000	\$ 55,000
<b>914, 915, 916-GROUP INSURANCE</b>				
2-230	Group Insurance	\$ 4,894,087	\$ 5,000,000	\$ 4,850,000
<b>912, 919, 945-TOWN INSURANCE</b>				
2-231	Town Insurance	\$ 405,000	\$ 405,000	\$ 405,000
2-232	Ins. Advis. Comm. Expense	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
	<b>Total: Town Insurance</b>	<b>\$ 405,000</b>	<b>\$ 405,000</b>	<b>\$ 405,000</b>
<b>OPEB</b>				
	OPEB	\$ 100,000	\$ 200,000	\$ 120,000
	<b>Total: OPEB</b>	<b>\$ 100,000</b>	<b>\$ 200,000</b>	<b>\$ 120,000</b>

**ARTICLE 3:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds or otherwise provide the sums recommended, or any other sum or sums, for Capital Outlay as set forth in the following schedule and determine whether such sums will be provided by taxation or by transfer or by a combination of the foregoing,

or act on anything relative thereto.

Requested by the Capital Budget Committee

<i>Dept #</i>	<i>Department</i>	<i>Item Description</i>	<i>Budget Request</i>	<i>Capital Budget Recommends</i>	<i>Advisory Board Recommends</i>
171	ConCom	John Deere Gator Utility Vehicle w/Front Protection Package	15,000	15,000	15,000
192	Town Hall	Carpet Replacement	100,000	30,000	30,000
101/103	Police/ Fire	70 UHF Portable Radios	126,100	18,000	18,000
103	Fire	2 Heartstart MRS ALS monitors	60,000	30,000	30,000
		9 AED Units to Communicate with ALS Heartstart Monitors	20,000	14,000	14,000
		3 Garage Overhead Doors for fire Station at 677 Main Street	30,000	0	0
109	Tree & Grounds	1 Ton Dump Truck w/sander and plow	78,750	78,750	78,750
300	Hwy	35,000 GVW Dump Truck w/sander and plow	196,350	0	0
		1 Ton Dump Truck w/sander and plow	78,750	78,750	78,750
200	Schools	Generator in Sparrell Bldg.	40,000	0	0
		HVAC Rooftop Units	155,000	155,000	155,000
		VCT Tiles-Flooring Tiles for Vinal and Middle Schools	24,000	0	0
601	Library	Parking Lot Expansion	26,835	0	0
		Renovate Bathrooms	10,000	0	0
401	Water	Ford Transit 350-Mechanics Service Van	26,500	26,500	26,500
		Ford Transit Connect-Meter Reader/Installer Van	24,500	24,500	24,500
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>			<b>\$1,011,785</b>	<b>\$470,500</b>	<b>\$470,500</b>

The Advisory Board unanimously recommends this article in the amount of \$470,500 with \$419,500 coming from Free Cash and the balance from Water Surplus/Water Revenue. This article authorizes the Town to purchase the capital items on the schedule above in the Advisory Board Recommends Column. The Capital Budget Committee meets and prioritizes all of the capital budget requests before they are presented to the Advisory Board.



**ARTICLE 4:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or appropriate from available funds a sum of money to meet obligations for union and personal contracts, said sum to be apportioned by the Finance Director to the applicable line items in Article 2, or act on anything relative thereto.

Requested by the Board of Selectmen

**The Advisory Board will make its recommendation at Town Meeting.**

**ARTICLE 5:** To see if the Town will raise and appropriate, or appropriate from available funds a sum of money to meet obligations for the compensation schedule under the Personnel Plan, said sum to be apportioned by the Finance Director to the applicable line items in Article 2, or act on anything relative thereto.

Requested by the Personnel Board

**The Advisory Board will make its recommendation at Town Meeting.**

**ARTICLE 6:** To see if the Town will vote pursuant to the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 39, section 10 to accept Birchwood Lane as a public way, or act on anything relative thereto.

Requested by the Board of Selectmen

**The Advisory Board will make its recommendation at Town Meeting.**

**ARTICLE 7:** To see if the Town will vote pursuant to the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 39, section 10 to accept Fieldstone Way as a public way, or act on anything relative thereto.

Requested by the Board of Selectmen

**The Advisory Board will make its recommendation at Town Meeting.**

**ARTICLE 8:** To see if the Town will vote pursuant to the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 39, section 10 to accept Clapp Brook Road as a public way, or act on anything relative thereto.

Requested by the Board of Selectmen

**The Advisory Board will make its recommendation at Town Meeting.**

**ARTICLE 9:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds or otherwise provide a sum of money for the purpose of fixtures, furnishings and technology for the Norwell Police Station, or act on anything relative thereto.

Requested by the Board of Selectmen

**The Advisory Board recommends this article in the amount of \$175,000.**

**ARTICLE 10:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds or otherwise provide a sum of money for completion of the Clipper Community Complex (so-called), or act on anything relative thereto.

Requested by the Board of Selectmen, the School Committee and the Athletic Field Committee

**The Advisory Board unanimously recommends this article in the amount of \$50,000. These funds are needed to complete the field project at the high school after unexpected contingencies arose.**

**ARTICLE 11:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds or otherwise provide a sum of money for planning purposes for the Library/Town Hall Study Committee, or act on anything relative thereto.

Requested by the Board of Selectmen

**The Advisory Board does not recommend this article by a vote of 5-3. The Board supports updating the needs assessment for the library, but believes that the data for the Town Hall already exists and the study as proposed would be duplicative of that effort.**

**ARTICLE 12:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds or otherwise provide a sum of money for sick-leave buy-back for a retiring town employee, or act on anything relative thereto.

Requested by the Board of Selectmen and the Recreation Commission

**The Advisory Board unanimously recommends this article in the amount of \$27,000. This article funds a contractually required sick leave buy-back for a retiring Town Employee.**

**ARTICLE 13:** To see if the Town will vote to grant an easement to Verizon New England, Inc., for the construction of the Norwell Police Station at 300 Washington Street, Assessors Map 30, Lot 82, for the installation of utilities, or act on anything relative thereto.

Requested by the Board of Selectmen

**The Advisory Board unanimously recommends this article.**

**ARTICLE 14:** To see if the Town will vote to establish an Athletic Fields Stabilization Fund pursuant to M.G.L c40, §5B, for the purpose of reserving funds for the maintenance, repair, and improvements to the town's synthetic surface athletic fields, or act on anything relative thereto.

Requested by the Board of Selectmen

**The Advisory Board unanimously recommends this article. The fund would be established to collect fees for use of the new synthetic turf fields to be used for future maintenance and replacement of the turf surface in the future.**

**ARTICLE 15:** To see if the Town will vote to reauthorize the School Parking Fees Revolving Fund, pursuant to the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 44, Section 53 E 1/2, for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2014, or act on anything relative thereto.

Requested by the School Committee

**The Advisory Board unanimously recommends this article. This is a reauthorization of an existing revolving fund.**

**ARTICLE 16:** To see if the Town will raise and appropriate or appropriate from available funds \$75,000, or any other sum to be expended under the direction of the Permanent Drainage Study Committee and the Highway Surveyor for engineering, installation and or maintenance of Town drainage.

Requested by the Highway Surveyor

**The Advisory Board unanimously recommends this article in the amount of \$75,000.**

**ARTICLE 17:** To see if the Town will raise and appropriate, or appropriate from available funds, \$300,000, or any other sum, to be expended under the direction of the Highway Surveyor for resurfacing and related construction/maintenance of Town Ways, or act on anything relative thereto.

Requested by the Highway Surveyor

**The Advisory Board unanimously recommends this article in the amount of \$300,000.**

**ARTICLE 18:** To see if the Town will appropriate \$449,929.00 in anticipation of full (100%) reimbursement by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts of Chapter 90, Acts of 2008, one apportionment, for State and Highway purposes under the provisions of General Laws Chapter 90, Section 34, Clause 2(A), work on highways, to be expended under the direction of the Highway Surveyor, or meet the appropriation by taxation, by transfer or by borrowing, or any combination of the foregoing, or act on anything relative thereto.

Requested by the Highway Surveyor

**The Advisory Board unanimously recommends this article.**

**ARTICLE 19:** To see if the Town will raise and appropriate, or appropriate from available funds, \$30,000 or any other sum, to be expended under the direction of the Highway Surveyor for the purpose of complying with the EPA's 2012 MS4 (Municipal Separate Stormwater Sewer System) Stormwater General Permit or act on anything relative thereto.

Requested by the Highway Surveyor

**The Advisory Board unanimously recommends this article in the amount of \$30,000.**

**ARTICLE 20:** To see if the Town will raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds or otherwise provide the sum of \$225,000 or any other sum to be expended under the direction of the Highway Surveyor for the purpose of debris removal, engineering, stormwater, and Highway yard facility rehabilitation, or act on anything relative thereto.

Requested by the Highway Surveyor

**The Advisory Board unanimously recommends this article in the amount of \$225,000.**

**ARTICLE 21:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds or otherwise provide a sum of money for the purpose of road repair to upper Main Street and to further authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, to borrow said sum of money under Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 44 as amended, and authorize the Board of Selectmen and its agents on behalf of the Town to apply for and receive available grants, aid, reimbursement for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and further to direct any reimbursements or funding received by the Town be applied to the payment of the indebtedness, if any incurred, under this vote, or act on anything relative thereto.

Requested by the Highway Surveyor

**The Advisory Board unanimously recommends this article.**

**ARTICLE 22:** To see if the Town will transfer from Overlay Surplus the sum of \$38,000 for Fiscal Year 2015 and \$46,000 for Fiscal Year 2016, for the purpose of adopting a Senior Real Estate Tax Work Off Program established pursuant to an agreement with the Council on Aging, the Board of Selectmen and the Board of Assessors, or act on anything relative thereto.

Requested by the Board of Assessors

**The Advisory Board recommends this article 7-0-1. This continues funding for the successful Senior Work-Off Program while appropriating funding for this calendar year and the next calendar year to get the program on a forward funding schedule.**

**ARTICLE 23:** To see if the Town will vote to adjust the exemptions allowed under M.G.L c.59, §5K and Chapter 188, §43 of the Acts of 2010, Property Tax Work-Off Program for older citizens of the Town, funded by the Overlay, to increase the current amount from \$750.00 to a maximum of \$1,000.00 for Fiscal Year 2016, under an agreement between the Council on Aging, Board of Selectmen and the Board of Assessors, or act on anything relative thereto.

Requested by the Board of Assessors

**The Advisory Board recommends this article 7-0-1. This article would increase the maximum amount earned under the Senior Work-Off Program from \$750 to \$1000.**

**ARTICLE 24:** To see if the Town will vote to amend Zoning By-Law Article II District Regulations §2300 to remove a redundancy in the By-law, and Article V Definitions by incorporating the following proposed new language (Existing Language is *italicized* / Existing Language with ~~strikethrough~~ is to be removed / Proposed Language is indicated by regular type):

~~2327. Prohibited Uses in Business District A~~

~~2. Medical Marijuana Treatment Center or similar facility~~

**ARTICLE V: Definitions**

~~**Medical Marijuana Treatment Center or similar facility:** A not-for-profit entity registered under MGL Chapter 94G Section 6 that acquires, possesses, cultivates, manufactures, delivers, transfers, transports, supplies, sells, and/or dispenses marijuana and/or related supplies and educational materials to registered qualifying patients or registered primary caregiver.~~

A not-for-profit entity registered under 105 CMR 725.100, to be known as a registered marijuana dispensary (RMD), that acquires, cultivates, possesses, processes (including development of related products such as edible MIPs, tinctures, aerosols, oils, or ointments), transfers, transports, sells, distributes, dispenses, or administers marijuana, products containing marijuana, related supplies, or educational materials to registered qualifying patients or their personal caregivers. Unless otherwise specified, RMD refers to the site(s) of dispensing, cultivation, and preparation of marijuana.

or act on anything relative thereto.

Requested by the Planning Board

**The Advisory Board unanimously recommends this article. The changes brings the by-law into conformance with the regulations established by the state after the Town by-law was adopted.**

**ARTICLE 25:** To see if the Town will vote to amend Zoning By-Law §3400 (Existing Language is *italicized* / Existing Language with ~~strikethrough~~ is to be removed / Proposed Language is indicated by bold type):

**3400. Building Demolition (Voted ATM 5/24/1999)**

d) Procedure

- 1) *The Inspector shall forward a copy of each demolition permit application for a building, structure or property identified in paragraph c) of this section to the Commission within seven (7) business days after the filing of such application.*
- 2) **Within thirty (30) days after its receipt of such application, the Commission shall determine whether the building, structure or property is historically significant. The applicant for the permit shall be entitled to make a presentation to the Commission if he or she makes a timely request in writing to the Commission. There shall be required a separate demolition permit application for each building, structure or historically significant feature on the parcel.**



- 8) The Inspector shall not issue any permit, including permits for foundation and septic systems, with respect to any parcel wherein a demolition permit has been applied for, unless and until the terms of such permit have been fully complied with or otherwise waived by the Commission.
- 9) Anything to the contrary notwithstanding, any demolition permit application which has not been completed in accord with the provisions of this bylaw within ninety (90) days of its filing shall expire, unless an extension is granted by the Commission.
- f) Non-Compliance. *Anyone who demolishes a building, structure or property identified in paragraph c) of this section without first obtaining and complying fully with the provisions of a demolition permit shall be subject to a fine of not less than one thousand (\$1,000) dollars nor more than twenty-five thousand (\$25,000) dollars. ~~In addition, unless a demolition permit was obtained for such demolition, and unless such permit was fully complied with,~~ and the Inspector shall not issue a building permit pertaining to any parcel on which a building, structure or property identified in paragraph c) of this section has been demolished for a period three (3) years after the date of demolition.*

**The Commission shall have the authorization to waive or modify the three (3) year restriction on the issuance of a Building Permit.**

or act on anything relative thereto.

Requested by the Planning Board

**The Advisory Board unanimously recommends this article.**

**ARTICLE 26:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds \$75,000 or any other sum, to be expended under the direction of the Board of Water Commissioners for the purpose of conducting system facilities maintenance and upgrades, or act on anything relative thereto.

Requested by the Board of Water Commissioners.

**The Advisory Board recommends this article in the amount of \$75,000.**

**ARTICLE 27:** To see if the Town will vote to extend the term of the inter-municipal agreement for regional cooperation in the provision of solid waste and recycling services for the South Shore Recycling Cooperative for an additional term through June 30, 2018 and, further, to see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to execute and deliver an amended inter-municipal agreement, a copy of which is on file in the office of the Town Clerk, to effect the extension of the term and other changes set forth therein, or act on anything relative thereto.

Requested by the Board of Heath and the  
South Shore Recycling Cooperative

**The Advisory Board unanimously recommends this article. This authorizes the Town to continue its long standing relationship with the South Shore Recycling Cooperative.**

**ARTICLE 28:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds or otherwise provide a sum of money for the fire extra detail account for the Norwell Fire Department, or act on anything relative thereto.

Requested by the Fire Chief

**The Advisory Board unanimously recommends this article in the amount of \$2,000.**

**ARTICLE 29:** To see if the Town will vote to reauthorize the Stetson Ford House Revolving Fund, pursuant to the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 44, §53E 1/2, for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2014, or act on anything relative thereto.

Requested by the Historic Commission and the  
Community Preservation Committee

**The Advisory Board unanimously recommends this article. This article reauthorizes an existing revolving fund.**

**ARTICLE 30:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, borrow, transfer from available funds or otherwise provide a sum of money to be used for the design and construction of Phase 1A of the Stetson Meadows Cemetery, located on Stetson Shrine Lane, or act on anything relative thereto.

Requested by the Cemetery Committee

**The Advisory Board will make its recommendation at Town Meeting. This is a placeholder for the Cemetery Committee while waiting for the bid results on the project.**

**ARTICLE 31:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money for School based Medicaid services, or act on anything relative thereto.

Requested by the Finance Director

**The Advisory Board unanimously recommends this article in the amount of \$3,000. These funds will be used to cover the cost of the third party contractor who pursues Medicaid reimbursements for the Town.**

**ARTICLE 32:** To see if the Town will vote to transfer control of the land currently housing the Norwell Police Station at 40 River Street, on Assessor's Map Sheet 21A, Lot 64, Block 58 from the Board of Selectmen to the Community Housing Trust for the purpose of providing Affordable Housing, or act on anything relative thereto.

Requested by the Community Housing Trust

**The Advisory Board does not recommend this article 7-1. The Board feels that it is premature to consider the transfer of the property at this time.**

**ARTICLE 33:** To see if the Town will vote to adjust the Personnel Classification Plan by amending the following position,

<u>Position Title</u>	<u>Present Grade</u>	<u>Increase to</u>
Water Superintendent	16	17

or act on anything relative thereto.

Requested by the Board of Water Commissioners

**The Advisory Board unanimously recommends this article.**

**ARTICLE 34:** To see if the Town will vote to adjust the Personnel Classification Plan by adding the following position,

<u>Position Title</u>	<u>Grade</u>
Executive Assistant to Town Administrator	11

or act on anything relative thereto.

Requested by the Personnel Board

**The Advisory Board unanimously recommends this article.**

**ARTICLE 35:** To determine if the Town will vote to approve the reclassification of the Back-Up, Part-Time Van Driver from a Grade 6, Step 1 to a Grade 6, Step 3 classification of the Personnel Classification and Compensation Plan or act on anything relative thereto

Requested by the Council on Aging

**The Advisory Board unanimously recommends this article.**

**ARTICLE 36:** To see if the Town will raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds the sum of \$20,000 from the Community Preservation Fund for the purpose of open space/recreation. Such funds shall be expended to restore the dock at Chittenden Landing. Expenditures under this article shall be approved by the Conservation Commission, or act on anything relative thereto.

Requested by the Community Preservation  
Committee and the Conservation Commission

**The Advisory Board unanimously recommends this article. Replacement of the existing dock with a more robust structure will increase the usability of the site.**

**ARTICLE 37:** To see if the Town will raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds the sum of \$8,600 from the Community Preservation Fund for the purpose of recreation. Such funds shall be expended by the Cole School PTO to create a basketball court at the Cole School. Expenditures under this article shall be approved by the Cole School Principal, or act on anything relative thereto.

Requested by the Community Preservation  
Committee and the Conservation Commission

**The Advisory Board unanimously recommends this article.**

**ARTICLE 38:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds the sum of \$2,800 from the Community Preservation Fund for the purpose of historic preservation. Such funds shall be expended by the Norwell Historical Society to restore Norwell related historical objects maintained and displayed by the Society. Expenditures under this article shall be approved by the Norwell Historical Commission, or act on anything relative thereto.

Requested by the Community Preservation  
Committee and the Norwell Historical Society

**The Advisory Board recommends this article 7-0-1.**

**ARTICLE 39:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds the sum of \$206,775 from the Community Preservation Fund for the purpose of historic preservation. Such funds shall be expended by the Norwell Historical Commission for the restoration of the Jacobs Farmhouse property. The restoration project shall include the preservation and restoration of the roofing, gutters, downspouts, blind, shutters and windows. Expenditures under this article shall be approved by the Norwell Historical Commission, or act on anything thereto.

Requested by the Community Preservation  
Committee and the Norwell Historical  
Commission

**The Advisory Board unanimously recommends this article.**

**ARTICLE 40:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds the sum of \$5,000 from the Community Preservation Fund for the purpose of historic preservation. Such funds shall be expended by the Norwell Historical Commission for an archeological survey of the Town owned Simon Hill property. Expenditures under this article shall be approved by the Norwell Historical Commission, or act on anything thereto.

Requested by the Community Preservation  
Committee and the Norwell Historic  
Commission

**The Advisory Board recommends this article 7-1.**

**ARTICLE 41:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds the sum of \$181,000 for the purpose of historic preservation. Such funds shall be expended by the Directors of the Cushing Center for the restoration of the parking area of the Cushing Center property. Expenditures under this article shall be approved by the Norwell Historic Commission, or act on anything relative thereto.

Requested by the Community Preservation  
Committee and the Norwell Historical  
Commission

**The Advisory Board unanimously recommends this article. These funds would be added to monies already appropriated for the restoration of the Cushing Center Parking lot.**

**ARTICLE 42:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds the sum of \$400,000 from the Community Preservation Fund for recreation purposes. Such funds shall be expended by the Norwell Pathways Committee for the design, permitting, and construction of or improvements to any pedestrian or bicycle pathways in the Town of Norwell. Such expenditures may include the purchase of land, an interest in land or easements by the Board of Selectmen if the Pathways Committee determines it advisable. Proposed projects under this article shall be subject to review by the Norwell Planning Board. Expenditures under this article shall be approved by the Norwell Pathways Committee and the Norwell Planning Board, or act on anything relative thereto.

Requested by the Community Preservation  
Committee and the Pathways Committee

**The Advisory Board recommends this article 6-3. These funds will extend the pathway from the Middle School down Forest Street to Millers Woods.**

**ARTICLE 43:** To see if the Town will vote, pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 44B, to reserve the sum of \$130,000 from Community Preservation Fund FY2015 revenues for the creation, preservation and support of affordable housing; to reserve the sum of \$110,000 from Community Preservation Fund FY2015 revenues for the acquisition, preservation, rehabilitation and restoration of historic resources; and to reserve the sum of \$110,000 from Community Preservation Fund FY2015 revenues for the acquisition, creation, and preservation of open space, or act on anything relative thereto.

Requested by the Community Preservation  
Committee



**The Advisory Board unanimously recommends this article. This is the required article that sets aside funds into the subsidiary accounts.**

**ARTICLE 44:** To See if the Town of Norwell will vote to approve the establishment of a Stabilization Fund according to Massachusetts General Laws c.71, §16 G1/2 for the South Shore Regional School District, or act on anything relative thereto.

Requested by the South Shore Regional  
School Committee

**The Advisory Board unanimously recommends this Article. This article will allow the South Shore Vo-Tech to establish a Stabilization fund that will allow them to save funds for future capital and other expenses without having to request the funding from the member communities.**

**ARTICLE 45:** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the premium paid to the Town upon the sale of bonds or notes issued for the design, construction and furnishing of an addition to the existing Fire Station located at 300 Washington Street to allow the property to also serve as a new Police Station, which bonds or notes were approved by a vote of the Town under Article 2 of the Warrant at the Special Town Meeting held on October 7, 2013, which are the subject of a Proposition 2½ debt exclusion, to pay costs of the project being financed by such bonds or notes and to reduce the amount authorized to be borrowed for such project, by the same amount, or to take any other action relative thereto.

Requested by the Board of Selectmen

**The Advisory Board unanimously recommends this article using \$190,000 from bond premiums to off-set the cost of the Police Station debt.**

**ARTICLE 46:** To see if the Town will vote to increase the amount of the Senior Citizen Property Tax Work-Off Abatement authorized by Mass General Law C.59, §59K and accepted by the Town of Norwell by Article \_\_\_\_ of the ATM/STM from the current \$750.00 to \$1,000.00 or act on anything relative thereto.

Requested by Petition

**The Advisory Board does not recommend this article as it is duplicative of an article recommended previously in the warrant that was requested by the Board of Assessors.**

**ARTICLE 47:** To see if the Town will vote to provide the sum of \$55,000 from overlay or overlay surplus for the purpose of continuing a Senior Citizen Property Tax Work-Off Abatement Program authorized by Mass. Gen. L. c.59 §59K and accepted by the Town of Norwell by Article \_\_\_\_ of the ATM/STM and implemented pursuant to an agreement between the Council on Aging, the Board of Selectmen, and the Board of Assessors, or act on anything relative thereto.

Requested by Petition

**The Advisory Board does not recommend this article. The Board has recommended a previous article submitted by the Board of Assessors in the amount of \$46,000. The Assessors have only released \$46,000 in Overlay Surplus so we are unable to appropriate more than that to fund this article as written.**

**ARTICLE 48:** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to transfer the care, custody and control of 1 (one) parcel of land on Main Street consisting of 3.19 acres known as Block 40, Lot 16 on Assessors Map 20A to the Conservation Commission, or act on anything relative thereto.

Requested by Petition

**The Advisory Board recommends this article 7-1. Transferring the land to the Conservation Commission would permanently protect valuable open space on Main Street.**

**ARTICLE 49:** To see if the Town of Norwell will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds, the sum of \$4,000 to contract with South Shore Women's Resource Center for Domestic violence intervention and prevention services for its residents, or act on anything relative thereto.

Requested by Petition

**The Advisory Board unanimously recommends this article in the amount of \$4,000.**

**ARTICLE 50:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds or otherwise provide a sum of money to be deposited into the Town's OPEB Trust Fund to offset the cost of retired employee health insurance, or act on anything relative thereto.

Requested by the Board of Selectmen

**The Advisory Board will makes its recommendation at Town Meeting.**

**ARTICLE 51:** To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds or otherwise provide a certain sum of money to be added to the Capital Expenditure Stabilization Fund established in accordance with the provisions of Massachusetts General Law, Chapter 40, Section 5B, or act on anything relative thereto.

Requested by the Board of Selectmen

**The Advisory Board will makes its recommendation at Town Meeting.**

**ARTICLE 52:** To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds or otherwise provide a certain sum of money to be added to the Stabilization Fund as established in accordance with the provisions of Massachusetts General Law, Chapter 40, Section 5B, or act on anything relative thereto.

Requested by the Board of Selectmen

**The Advisory Board will makes its recommendation at Town Meeting.**

**ARTICLE 53:** To see if the Town will appropriate a sum of money from available funds and authorize the Assessors to use this sum to decrease the tax rate for FY 2015, or act on anything relative thereto.

Requested by the Board of Selectmen

**The Advisory Board will makes its recommendation at Town Meeting.**

## INSTRUCTIONS TO ELECTED OFFICIALS

### SALE OF THE FISH RIGHTS

You are directed to serve this Warrant by posting a copy thereof attested to by you in writing in each of five public places in the Town at least fourteen days before the time for holding and meeting called for in the Warrant. Hereof, fail not and make due return of the Warrant your doings thereon to the Town Clerk of said Town on or before the \_\_\_\_\_ day of April, 2014.

Given under our hands at Norwell this \_\_\_\_ day of April in the year of our Lord, 2014.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN  
Norwell, Massachusetts

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Jason Brown, Vice-Chairman

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David DeCoste, Clerk

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Gregg McBride

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A TRUE COPY ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_

Constable \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

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