COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

TOWN OF WEST BOYLSTON

SEMI-ANNUAL TOWN MEETING WARRANT

MAY 16, 2005

Worcester ss.

To the Constables of the Town of West Boylston.

GREETINGS:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of West Boylston qualified to vote in elections and Town affairs, to meet in the Auditorium of the Middle/High School in said Town on Monday, May 16, 2005 at 7:00 p.m. in the evening, then and there to act on the following articles.

ARTICLE 1 - AUTHORIZATION TO HEAR THE REPORTS OF OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES OF THE TOWN

To see if the Town will vote to hear the reports of the officers and standing committees of the town; or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 2 - AUTHORIZATION TO BORROW IN ANTICIPATION OF REVENUE AND TO ENTER INTO A COMPENSATING BALANCE AGREEMENT WITH A BANK

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer/Tax Collector, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the Fiscal Year 2006, the period from July 1, 2005 through June 30, 2006, in conformity with the provisions of the Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 4, and to issue a note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 17, and to authorize the Treasurer/Tax Collector to enter into a compensating balance agreement or agreements for Fiscal Year 2006 pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 53F, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 3 - AUTHORIZATION TO ESTABLISH A REVOLVING FUND FOR WBPA-TV

To see if the Town will vote to establish a Revolving Fund for WBPA-TV in conformity with Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 44 Section $53E^{1/2}$ for the following purposes and subject to the following conditions:

- a) to be used to purchase equipment to further enhance the cable-casting abilities of the town;
- b) to be used to purchase expendable material as needed, such as videotape, batteries, gaffer's tape, lights, etc.;
- c) to be the depository for those receipts submitted to WBPA-TV for the operation of WBPA-TV that have been authorized by the Board of Directors of WBPA-TV, as well as the franchise license fee paid by Charter Communications to the town;
- d) to have a limit on the total amount which may be spent from the fund in Fiscal Year 2006 set at \$5,000;
- e) to not be used for any wages or salaries, since WBPA-TV is a volunteer organization; and
- f) to have the Board of Directors of WBPA-TV be the only authority empowered to expend monies from this fund;

or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 4 - AUTHORIZATION TO ESTABLISH A REVOLVING FUND FOR THE BOARD OF HEALTH

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Health to establish a Revolving Fund in conformity with Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 44, Section $53E^{1/2}$ for the following purposes and subject to the following conditions:

- a) to be the depository for fees derived from permits issued to licensed sewage haulers in the Town of West Boylston, said fees shall cover the cost of dumping at the Upper Blackstone Water Pollution Abatement District (U.B.W.P.A.D.), plus an administrative charge;
- b) to be the depository for fees derived from plan reviews, inspections, administrative charges and other fees for services rendered by the Board of Health;
- c) to pay the U.B.W.P.A.D. for sewage dumped at its facility in Millbury by sewage haulers licensed in the Town of West Boylston;

- d) to pay Board of Health inspectors and/or agents for services provided for food service, sanitary code compliance, public nuisance, noisome trade inspections; and for percolation and soil testing, septic system design review, septic system installation review, final septic inspection and engineering services;
- e) to fund administrative expenses of the Board of Health, including wage and salary expenses of part-time employees of the Board of Health;
- f) to have a limit on the total amount which may be spent from the Fund in Fiscal Year 2006 set at \$50,000; and
- g) to have the Board of Health be the only authority empowered to expend monies from this fund;

or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 5 - AUTHORIZATION TO ESTABLISH A REVOLVING FUND FOR THE CEMETERY TRUSTEES

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Cemetery Trustees to establish a Revolving Fund in conformity with Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 44, Section $53E\frac{1}{2}$, for the following purposes and subject to the following conditions:

- a) to pay the ordinary operating costs of the Cemetery Department including, but not limited to, part-time wages and grave opening costs, and excluding any full-time salaries and wages or elected officials stipends;
- b) to be the depository for all fees collected by the Cemetery Department, exclusive of perpetual care and sale of lots receipts;
- c) to set a limit on expenditures from said fund in Fiscal Year 2006 at \$50,000; and
- d) to have the Cemetery Trustees be the only authority empowered to expend monies from said fund.

or take any action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 6 - AUTHORIZATION TO ESTABLISH A REVOLVING FUND FOR THE COUNCIL ON AGING

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Council On Aging to establish a Revolving Fund in conformity with Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 44, Section $53E^{1/2}$ for the following purposes and subject to the following conditions:

- a) to pay for activities related to the Council On Aging programs that were not provided for in the Fiscal Year 2006 operating budget;
- b) to fund the administrative expenses of the Council On Aging including, but not limited to, the wages of part-time employees of the Council On Aging;
- c) to be the depository for fees and donations derived from various fund raising activities collected by the Council On Aging;
- d) to be the depository for revenue and reimbursements from the Worcester Regional Transit Authority (WRTA) and user fees and donations for transportation services provided by the Council On Aging;
- e) to have the Council On Aging be the only authority empowered to expend monies from this fund; and
- f) to have a limit on the total amount which may be spent from the fund in Fiscal Year 2006 set at \$60,000;

or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 7 - AUTHORIZATION TO ESTABLISH A REVOLVING FUND FOR THE PLANNING BOARD

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Planning Board to establish a Revolving Fund in conformity with Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 53E¹/₂, for the following purposes and subject to the following conditions:

- a) to pay agents, planners, and engineers of the Planning Board for services provided for permit application and plan review, and consultant services;
- b) to fund administrative and wage expenses of the Planning Board, including wage and salary expenses of part-time employees of the Planning Board;
- c) to be the depository for fees derived from plan review filing fees and all other fees charged by the Planning Board;
- d) to have a limit on the total amount which may be spent from the fund in Fiscal Year 2006 set at \$50,000; and
- e) to have the Planning Board be the only authority empowered to expend monies from this fund;

or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 8 - AUTHORIZATION TO ESTABLISH A REVOLVING FUND FOR THE ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Zoning Board of Appeals to establish a Revolving Fund in conformity with Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 53E¹/₂, for the following purposes and subject to the following conditions:

- a) to pay agents, attorneys, planners, and engineers of the Zoning Board of Appeals for services provided for permit application and plan review, and consultant services;
- b) to fund administrative and wage expenses of the Zoning Board of Appeals, including wage and salary expenses of part-time employees of the Zoning Board of Appeals;
- c) to be the depository for fees derived from variance, special permit, comprehensive permit filing fees and all other fees charged by the Zoning Board of Appeals;
- d) to have a limit on the total amount which may be spent from the fund in Fiscal Year 2006 set at \$25,000; and
- e) to have the Zoning Board of Appeals be the only authority empowered to expend monies from this fund;

or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 9 - AUTHORIZATION TO ESTABLISH A REVOLVING FUND FOR THE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Conservation Commission to establish a Revolving Fund in conformity with Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 53E¹/₂, for the following purposes and subject to the following conditions:

- a) to pay agents, planners and engineers of the Conservation Commission for services provided for permit application and plan review, and consultant services;
- b) to fund administrative and wage expenses of the Conservation Commission, including, but not limited to, wage and salary expenses of part-time employees of the Conservation Commission;
- c) to be the depository for fees derived from all Wetland Protection Act filing fees and all other fees charged by the Conservation Commission;
- d) to have a limit on the total amount which may be spent from the fund in Fiscal Year 2006 set at \$25,000; and

e) to have the Conservation Commission be the only authority empowered to expend monies from this fund;

or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 10 - AUTHORIZATION TO ESTABLISH A JOSEPH E. AMELLO SWIMMING POOL AND SUMMER RECREATION PROGRAM REVOLVING FUND FOR THE PARK COMMISSION

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Park Commission to establish a Joseph E. Amello Swimming Pool and Summer Program Revolving Fund in conformity with Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 53E¹/₂, for the following purposes and subject to the following conditions:

- a) to fund the costs of maintaining and operating the municipal swimming pool, including the purchase of supplies and services necessary to maintain the pool and facilities, and the wage and salary expenses of the part-time employees of the Parks Commission;
- b) to fund the costs of operating the summer recreation programs including the wage and salary expenses of the part-time employees;
- c) to fund administrative and wage expenses associated with the administration and operation of the summer recreation programs of the Park Commission, including wage and salary expenses of the part-time employees of the Parks Commission;
- d) to be the depository for swimming pool and summer recreation program user fees and donations collected by the Park Commission;
- e) to have a limit on the total amount which may be spent from the fund in Fiscal Year 2006 set at \$50,000; and
- f) to have the Park Commission be the only authority empowered to expend monies from this fund;

or take any other action relative thereto.

<u>ARTICLE 11 - AUTHORIZATION TO ESTABLISH A PARKS, PLAYGROUND AND FIELDS</u> <u>REVOLVING FUND FOR THE PARK COMMISSION</u>

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Park Commission to establish a Parks, Playground and Fields Revolving Fund in conformity with Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 53E¹/₂, for the following purposes and subject to the following conditions:

- a) to fund the costs of maintaining and operating the playgrounds, fields and facilities under the jurisdiction of the Park Commission, including the purchase of supplies and services;
- b) to fund the repair and maintenance of playgrounds, fields, parks and park facilities including, but not limited to, the tennis and basketball courts, and playing fields; said activities to be undertaken in coordination with the Streets and Parks Department and in conformity with all applicable laws and permit requirements;
- c) to fund administrative and wage expenses associated with the administration of the programs of the Park Commission, including wage and salary expenses of the part-time employees of the Parks Commission;
- d) to be the depository for field user fees and donations collected by the Park Commission;
- e) to have a limit on the total amount which may be spent from the fund in Fiscal Year 2006 set at \$25,000; and
- f) to have the Park Commission, or Superintendent of Streets and Parks, or his/her successor, with the approval of the Park Commission, be empowered to expend monies from this fund;

or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 12 - AUTHORIZATION TO ESTABLISH A REVOLVING FUND FOR THE FIRE DEPARTMENT

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Fire Department to establish a Revolving Fund in conformity with Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 53E¹/₂, for the following purposes and subject to the following conditions:

- a) to fund the costs of purchasing and installing equipment, as well as the operation and maintenance associated with the municipal fire alarm system service;
- b) to fund administrative and wage expenses associated with the operation and maintenance of the municipal fire alarm system, including wage and salary expenses of part-time employees of the Fire Department;
- c) to be the depository for fees charged to private property owners for use of the municipal fire alarm system by the Fire Department;

- d) to have a limit on the total amount which may be spent from the fund in Fiscal Year 2006 set at \$10,000; and
- e) to have the Fire Chief, be the only authority empowered to expend monies from this fund;

or take any other action relative thereto.

<u>ARTICLE 13 – AUTHORIZATION TO ESTABLISH A REVOLVING FUND</u> <u>FOR THE FIRE DEPARTMENT</u>

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Fire Department to establish a Revolving Fund in conformity with Massachusetts General Law, Chapter 44, Section $53E \frac{1}{2}$, for the following purposes and subject to the following conditions:

- a) to fund the costs of purchasing equipment, supplies and services related to Hazardous Material, and other emergencies;
- b) to fund administrative and wage expenses associated with the operation and response to Hazardous Material and other incidents;
- c) to be the depository for fees and payments for services related to the mitigation of Hazardous Materials and other incidents as paid from traffic companies, insurance companies and the like for billable services;
- d) to have a limit on the total amount which may be spent from the fund in Fiscal Year 2006 set at \$15,000; and
- e) to have the Fire Chief be the only authority empowered to expend monies from this fund;

or take any action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 14- AUTHORIZATION TO ESTABLISH A REVOLVING FUND FOR THE MEMORIAL DAY OBSERVANCE

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Cemetery Trustees to establish a Revolving Fund in conformity with Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 44, Section $53E\frac{1}{2}$, for the following purposes and subject to the following conditions:

a) pay for the expenses and costs necessary for the annual Memorial Day Observance including, but not limited to, the purchase of supplies and services, excluding full and part time employee salary or wage costs;

- b) to be the depository for all gifts, donations and fees collected by the Town for the sole purpose of financing the costs of the Memorial Day Observance;
- c) to set a limit on expenditures from said fund in Fiscal Year 2006 at \$5,000; and
- d) to have the Board of Selectmen be the only authority empowered to expend monies from said fund.

or take any action in relation thereto.

<u>ARTICLE 15 – AUTHORIZATION TO EXPEND FUNDS IN ANTICIPATION OF</u> <u>REIMBURSEMENT OF STATE HIGHWAY ASSISTANCE AID</u>

To see if the Town will vote to accept any and all state highway assistance funds authorized by the state legislature and approved by the Massachusetts Highway Department under the so-called Chapter 90 Highway Assistance Program to be expended for the maintenance, repair and construction of Town roads in anticipation of reimbursement under the direction of the Board of Selectmen and the Town Administrator for work on roads located on the State Aid Primary System as approved by the Massachusetts Highway Department, and further to authorize the Town Treasurer/Tax Collector, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time during Fiscal Year 2006, for the period from July 1, 2005 through June 30, 2006, in anticipation of reimbursement of said highway assistance in conformity with the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 6A, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 16 – AUTHORIZATION TO AMEND THE PERSONNEL BYLAW AND TO REVIEW THE CLASSIFICATION AND COMPENSATION PLAN SO AS TO PROVIDE EMPLOYEES A COST –OF-LIVING PAY INCREASE (2%)

To see if the Town will vote to amend Section 5, Part AA. Classification and Compensation Plan of the Personnel Bylaw as follows:

Delete Part AA as follows:

CLASSIFICATION AND COMPENSATION PLAN

Non-Exempt Employees - Wage Earning Employees

Grade	Step 1	Step 2	Step 3	Step 4	Step 5
1	\$ 9.62	\$10.58	\$11.53	\$12.52	\$13.47
2	\$10.56	\$11.63	\$12.67	\$13.72	\$14.11
3	\$11.50	\$12.63	\$13.80	\$14.95	\$16.13

4	\$12.44	\$13.70	\$14.93	\$16.19	\$17.44
5	\$13.40	\$14.75	\$16.09	\$17.98	\$18.76

Exempt Employees – Salaried Supervisors						
Grade	Step 1	Step 2	Step 3	Step 4	Step 5	
6 Cemetery Superintendent	\$22,725	\$25,005	\$27,268	\$30,489	\$31,831	
COA Director	\$27,966	\$30,775	\$33,559	\$37,525	\$39,176	
7 Children's Librarian Town Clerk Assistant Library Director	\$25,925 \$25,925 \$27,966	\$28,475 \$28,475 \$30,665	\$31,104 \$31,104 \$33,495	\$33,690 \$33,690 \$36,283	\$36,280 \$36,280 \$39,071	
8 Building Inspector	\$21,166	\$23,290	\$25,398	\$27,525	\$29,631	
9 Principal Assessor Town Accountant	\$34,035 \$34,035	\$37,443 \$37,443	\$40,850 \$40,850	\$43,991 \$43,991	\$47,644 \$47,644	
10 Library Director Treasurer/Tax Collector	\$35,533 \$39,661	\$40,187 \$43,631	\$42,982 \$47,597	\$47,423 \$51,567	\$51,149 \$55,536	
11 Superintendent of Streets and Parks	\$53,148	\$57,514	\$61,880	\$66,245	\$70,151	

Non-Exempt Emergency Fire and Medical Services Employees

Grade	Step 1	Step 2	Step 3	Step 4	Step 5
1F	\$ 7.71	\$ 8.46	\$ 9.25	\$10.02	\$10.81
2F	\$11.13	\$12.23	\$13.35	\$14.46	\$15.58
3F	\$12.26	\$13.39	\$14.50	\$15.63	\$16.86
4F	\$15.32	\$16.74	\$18.14	\$19.55	\$21.07

and insert the following:

CLASSIFICATION AND COMPENSATION PLAN

Non-Exempt Employees – Wage Earning Employees

Step 1	Step 2	Step 3	Step 4	Step 5
\$ 9.81	\$10.79	\$11.76	\$12.77	\$13.74
\$10.77	\$11.86	\$12.92	\$13.99	\$14.39
\$11.73	\$12.88	\$14.08	\$15.25	\$16.45
\$12.69	\$13.97	\$15.23	\$16.51	\$17.79
\$13.67	\$15.05	\$16.41	\$18.34	\$19.14
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Exempt Employees – Salaried Supervisors

Grade	Step 1	Step 2	Step 3	Step 4	Step 5
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Cemetery	\$23,180	\$25,505	\$27,813	\$31,099	\$32,468
Superintendent	* ~~ ~ ~	* ~ · · ~ · ·	*• • • • • •	* ~~~~~	* ~~ ~~~
COA Director	\$28,525	\$31,391	\$34,230	\$38,276	\$39,960
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Children's Librarian	\$26,444	\$29,045	\$31,726	\$34,364	\$37,006
Town Clerk	\$26,444	\$29,045	\$31,726	\$33,364	\$37,006
Assistant Library	\$28,525	\$31,278	\$34,164	\$37,009	\$39,852
Director					
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Building Inspector	\$21,589	\$23,756	\$25,906	\$28,076	\$30,224
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Principal Assessor	\$34,716	\$38,192 \$38,102	\$41,667 \$41,667	\$44,871 \$44,871	\$48,597 \$48,507
Town Accountant	\$34,716	\$38,192	\$41,667	\$44,871	\$48,597
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Library Director	\$36,244	\$40,991	\$43,842	\$48,371	\$52,172

Treasurer/Tax Collector	\$40,454	\$44,504	\$48,549	\$52,598	\$56,647
11 Superintendent of Streets and Parks	\$54,211	\$58,664	\$63,118	\$67,570	\$71,554

Non-Exempt Emergency Fire and Medical Services Employees

Grade	Step 1	Step 2	Step 3	Step 4	Step 5
1F	\$ 7.86	\$ 8.63	\$ 9.44	\$10.22	\$11.03
2F	\$11.35	\$12.47	\$13.62	\$14.75	\$15.89
3F	\$12.51	\$13.66	\$14.79	\$15.94	\$17.20
4F	\$15.63	\$17.07	\$18.50	\$19.94	\$21.49

or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 17- AUTHORIZATION TO SET THE SALARY OF ELECTED OFFICIALS

To see if the town will vote to determine and fix what salaries elective officers of the town shall receive for Fiscal Year 2006 in conformity with the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 41 Section 108:

Moderator	\$ 50.00;
Selectmen	\$ 100.00 each (5 members);
Town Clerk	\$37,006.00 in conformity with
	Section 5 Part AA of the Classification and
	Compensation Plan of the Personnel
	Bylaw
Planning Board	\$ 100.00 each (5 members);
Cemetery Trustees	\$ 100.00 each (3 members); and
Municipal Light Board	\$ 300.00 each (3 members);

or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 18 – AUTHORIZATION TO APPROPRIATE MONEY TO THE SEWER ENTERPRISE ACCOUNT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2006

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of One Million One Hundred Five Thousand Five Hundred and Twenty Dollars and No Cents (\$1,105,520) to the West Boylston Sewer Enterprise Account to be expended by the Board of Selectmen, acting as the Board of Sewer Commissioners, for

sewer system development, administration, assessment, operation, and maintenance expenses in Fiscal Year 2006 as follows:

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Fiscal Year 2006 West Boylston Sewer Department Budget					
Administration	-	\$125,288			
Operations and Maintenance	-	\$511,875			
Reserve Fund	-	\$100,000			
Debt and Interest Payments	-	<u>\$368,357</u>			
Total Budget Appropriation	-	\$1,105,520			

and to meet said appropriation through:

- (1) the appropriation of Six Hundred Twenty-Six Thousand Eight Hundred Eighty-One Dollars and No Cents (\$626,881.00) from Fiscal Year 2006 Sewer Enterprise Fund User Revenue, and
- (2) the appropriation of Three Hundred Thirty-Six Thousand Seven Hundred Fifty-Nine Dollars and No Cents (\$336,759.00) from Sewer Betterment Collections; and
- (3) the appropriation of One Hundred Forty-One Thousand Eight Hundred Eighty Dollars and No Cents (\$141,880.00) from Sewer Enterprise Retained Earnings;

or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 19 – AUTHORIZATION TO TRANSFER FUNDS FOR SEWER SYSTEM UPGRADES

To see if the town will vote to transfer the sum of Fifty-One Thousand Five Hundred Dollars and No Cents (\$51,500.00) from sewer fund retained earnings to pay for sewer system upgrades, or take any other action relative thereto.

<u>ARTICLE 20 – AUTHORIZATION TO TRANSFER FREE CASH OR AVAILABLE</u> <u>FUNDS TO REDUCE THE FISCAL YEAR 2006 TAX RATE</u>

To see if the town will vote to transfer a sum of money from certified free cash to reduce or stabilize the Fiscal Year 2006 Tax Rate, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 21 - FISCAL YEAR 2006 OMNIBUS BUDGET APPROPRIATION ARTICLE

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds, such sums of money as may be necessary to defray the expenses and charges of the Town of West Boylston in Fiscal Year 2006, the period of July 1, 2005 through June 30, 2006, including the costs of public education, debt and interest payments, and providing municipal services; or take any other action relative thereto.

(The proposed draft of the Fiscal Year 2006 Operating Budget can be found after the text of the Annual Town Meeting Warrant. The budget format contains the budget figures for Fiscal Year 2004, appropriation figures for Fiscal Year 2005, and the Town Administrator's recommendations for Fiscal Year 2006.)

ARTICLE 22 - AUTHORIZATION TO APPROPRIATE BY BORROWING FUNDS FOR THE REPLACEMENT AND REPAIR OF THE SCHOOL ROOFS

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of Two Million Two Hundred Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$2,200,000.00) to be expended by the School Department for the purpose of replacement and repair of the roofs of the West Boylston Middle / High School and the Major Edwards Elementary School, and other related building improvements, including drains, downspouts, gutters and snow guards; that to meet said appropriation, to authorize the Treasurer with the approval of the Board of Selectmen to borrow the sum of Two Million Two Hundred Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$2,200,000.00) under and pursuant to Chapter 44, Section 7(9), of the General Laws, as amended and supplemented, or any other enabling authority, and to issue bonds or notes of the Town therefor; or to take any other action relative thereto; provided however, that no sums shall be borrowed or expended hereunder unless and until the Town shall have voted to exclude the amounts required to pay for the bonds issued under and pursuant to this vote from the limitations of proposition two and one-half, socalled.

ARTICLE 23 - AUTHORIZATION TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS BY BORROWING FOR THE REPLACEMENT OF THE GYM FLOOR AT THE WEST BOYLSTON MIDDLE/HIGH SCHOOL

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of One Hundred Twelve Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$112,000.00) to be expended by the School Department for the purpose of replacement of the floor of the gymnasium of the West Boylston Middle / High School, and other related building improvements related thereto; that to meet said appropriation, to authorize the Treasurer with the approval of the Board of Selectmen to borrow the sum of One Hundred Twelve Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$112,000.00) under and pursuant to Chapter 44, Section 7(9), of the General Laws, as amended and supplemented, or any other enabling authority, and to issue bonds or notes of the Town therefor; or to take any other action relative thereto; provided however, that no sums shall be borrowed or expended hereunder unless and until the Town shall have voted to exclude the amounts required to pay for the bonds issued under and pursuant to this vote from the limitations of proposition two and one-half, so-called.

ARTICLE 24 - AUTHORIZATION TO APPROPRIATE BY BORROWING FUNDS FOR THE REPLACEMENT AND REPAIR OF THE GYMNASIUM EXHAUST VENTILATION FANS AT THE WEST BOYLSTON MIDDLE/HIGH SCHOOL.

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of Twenty Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$20,000.00) to be expended by the School Department for the purpose of replacement and repair of the exhaust ventilation fans of the gymnasium of the West Boylston Middle / High School, and other related building improvements; that to meet said appropriation, to authorize the Treasurer with the approval of the Board of Selectmen to borrow the sum of Twenty Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$20,000.00) under and pursuant to Chapter 44, Section 7(9), of the General Laws, as amended and supplemented, or any other enabling authority, and to issue bonds or notes of the Town therefor; or to take any other action relative thereto; provided however, that no sums shall be borrowed or expended hereunder unless and until the Town shall have voted to exclude the amounts required to pay for the bonds issued under and pursuant to this vote from the limitations of proposition two and one-half, so-called.

<u>ARTICLE 25</u> - AUTHORIZATION TO APPROPRIATE BY BORROWING FUNDS FOR THE INSTALLATION OF SECURITY SYSTEMS AT THE WEST BOYLSTON MIDDLE/HIGH SCHOOL AND AT THE MAJOR EDWARDS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of One Hundred Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$100,000.00) to be expended by the School Department for the purpose of installation of security systems at the West Boylston Middle / High School and the Major Edwards Elementary School, and other related building improvements, including access control, video surveillance, intrusion alarm, monitoring systems, sensors, gates, locks, and key access restrictions; that to meet said appropriation, to authorize the Treasurer with the approval of the Board of Selectmen to borrow the sum of One Hundred Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$100,000.00) under and pursuant to Chapter 44, Section 7(9), of the General Laws, as amended and supplemented, or any other enabling authority, and to issue bonds or notes of the Town therefor; or to take any other action relative thereto; provided however, that no sums shall be borrowed or expended hereunder unless and until the Town shall have voted to exclude the amounts required to pay for the bonds issued under and pursuant to this vote from the limitations of proposition two and one-half, so-called.

ARTICLE 26 - AUTHORIZATION TO APPROPRIATE BY BORROWING FUNDS FOR THE ACQUISITION AND INSTALLATION OF FOUR MODULAR CLASSROOMS AT THE WEST BOYLSTON MIDDLE/HIGH SCHOOL

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of Eight Hundred Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$800,000.00) to be expended by the School Department for the purpose of acquisition, fabrication, transportation, siting, installation and equipping of four modular classrooms, and a connecting corridor, at the West Boylston Middle / High School, and for other related building improvements,

including foundation and site work, utilities, acquisition of furniture and fixtures for the modular structure, and modifications of current classroom space; that to meet said appropriation, to authorize the Treasurer with the approval of the Board of Selectmen to borrow the sum of Eight Hundred Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$800,000.00) under and pursuant to Chapter 44, Section 7(9), of the General Laws, as amended and supplemented, or any other enabling authority, and to issue bonds or notes of the Town therefor; or to take any other action relative thereto; provided however, that no sums shall be borrowed or expended hereunder unless and until the Town shall have voted to exclude the amounts required to pay for the bonds issued under and pursuant to this vote from the limitations of proposition two and one-half, so-called.

<u>ARTICLE 27 – AUTHORIZATION TO TRANSFER FUNDS FROM THE STABILIZATION</u> <u>FUND TO REFURBISH ENGINE #1</u>

To see if the town will vote to transfer a sum of money from the Stablization Fund to be expended by the Fire Department for the purpose of refurnishing Engine #1, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 28 - AUTHORIZATION TO APPROPRIATE BY BORROWING FUNDS FOR THE REPLACEMENT OF ENGINE #1

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of Four Hundred Twenty-One Dollars and No Cents (\$421,000.00) for the purchase of a fire truck and for costs incidental and related thereto; that to meet said appropriation, to authorize the Treasurer with the approval of the Board of Selectmen to borrow the sum of \$421,000 under and pursuant to Chapter 44, Section 7(9), of the General Laws, as amended and supplemented, or any other enabling authority, and to issue bonds or notes of the Town therefor; or to take any other action relative thereto; provided however, that no sums shall be Borrowed or expended hereunder unless and until the Town shall have voted to exclude the amounts required to pay for the bonds issued under and pursuant to this vote from the limitations of proposition two and one-half, so-called.

<u>ARTICLE 29 – AUTHORIZATION TO TRANSFER FUNDS TO THE UNEMPLOYMENT</u> <u>COMPENSATION FUND</u>

To see if the Town will vote to transfer the amount of Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$25,000.00) from the Unemployment Insurance Compensation Account, Budget Line Item #09-13-5170, to the Unemployment Compensation Fund; or take any other action relative thereto.

<u>ARTICLE 30 – AUTHORIZATION TO RAISE AND APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO THE</u> <u>CAPITAL INVESTMENT FUND</u>

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$100,000.00) to the Capital Investment Fund, or take any other action relative thereto.

<u>ARTICLE 31 – AUTHORIZATION TO EXPEND FUNDS FROM THE CAPITAL</u> <u>INVESTMENT FUND TO FUND CAPITAL EQUIPMENT</u>

To see if the town will vote to expend the sum of Seventy-Nine Thousand Four Hundred Fifty-One Dollars and No Cents (\$79,451.00) from the Capital Investment Fund for the following items: to equip two (2) International Dump Trucks with plows \$25,600; computer/data processing equipment \$9,350; lease three (3) cruisers for the Police Department, \$10,221, \$10,947 and \$10,333; and to fund half the cost of a pick-up truck for the Department of Public Works, \$13,000; or take any other action relative thereto.

<u>ARTICLE 32 – AUTHORIZATION TO EXPEND FUNDS FROM SEWER RETAINED</u> <u>EARNINGS TO FUND HALF THE COST OF PURCHASING A PICK-UP TRUCK FOR USE</u> <u>BY THE DEPARMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS</u>

To see if the town will vote to expend Thirteen Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$13,000.00) from Sewer Retained Earnings to fund half the cost of a pick-up truck for use by the Department of Public Works, or take any other action relative thereto.

<u>ARTICLE 33 – AUTHORIZATION TO TRANSFER UNEXPENDED FUNDS FROM</u> <u>FISCAL YEAR 2005 APPROPRIATIONS AND OTHER NECESSARY</u> <u>TRANSFERS TO THE FISCAL YEAR 2005 APPROPRIATIONS</u>

To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds or from any unexpended balances of Fiscal Year 2005 appropriations, hitherto made, to Fiscal Year 2005 appropriation accounts; or take any other action relative thereto.

<u>ARTICLE 34 – APPROPRIATION TO FUND AN ELDERLY</u> <u>COMMUNITY SERVICES PROGRAM</u>

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fourteen Thousand Three Hundred Dollars and No Cents (\$14,300.00) to fund an Elderly Community Services Program for the purpose of providing a payment voucher for services rendered for the departments, boards, and committees of the municipality to resident property owners who have attained the age of sixty (60) years, to be used to reduce the real estate property taxes for the property in which the elderly owner resides. Said program shall be subject to the following conditions in addition to any and all eligibility requirements promulgated by the Board of Selectmen:

- 1. participation in the program shall be limited to elderly residents of the town who own property and are willing and able to provide services to the town;
- 2. program participants shall receive compensation at the basic minimum wage rate for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts as promulgated by the Department of Labor and

Workforce Development, Division of Occupational Safety for each hour of service rendered for a total not to exceed One Thousand Three Hundred Dollars and No Cents (\$1,300) in any calendar year;

- 3. the Treasurer/Tax Collector shall comply with the wage, tax, and payroll deduction requirements of the state Department of Revenue and the federal Internal Revenue Service, prior to compensating program participants; and
- 4. program participants who meet the eligibility guidelines established by the Board of Selectmen shall be selected for participation on a first-come-first-served basis;

or take any other action relative thereto.

<u>ARTICLE 35 - AUTHORIZATION TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO CONNECT</u> <u>REMAINING MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS TO THE SEWER SYSTEM</u>

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Forty-Three Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$43,000.00) to complete the connect of all remaining municipal buildings to the sewer system, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 36 – AUTHORIZATION TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO REIMBURSE THE BEAMAN MEMORIAL LIBRARY CONSTRUCTION COSTS TO CONNECT TO THE <u>TOWN SEWER SYSTEM</u>

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Thousand Two Hundred Fifty Dollars and No Cents (\$2,250.00) to the Library's Purchase of Services Account #010 06-10 06200.000 for reimbursement of the construction costs incurred for connecting the library building to the town sewer system, or take any other action relative thereto.

<u>ARTICLE 37 – AUTHORIZATION TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO PURCHASE</u> <u>A PARCEL OF PROPERTY</u>

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifty Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$50,000.00) to purchase a parcel of property identified as Assessors Map #108, Block 11, Lot 1, Hosmer Street, West Boylston, for general municipal purposes, or take any other action relative thereto.

<u>ARTICLE 38 - AUTHORIZATION TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR POST-CLOSURE</u> <u>LANDFILL MONITORING AND THE INSTALLATION OF ADDITIONAL WELLS</u>

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifty-Six Thousand Five Hundred Dollars and No Cents (\$56,500.00) for post-closure landfill monitoring required by the Department of Environmental Protection and the installation of an additional three wells, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 39 - AUTHORIZATION TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR REQUIRED ENGINEERING SERVICES TO COMPLY WITH THE NATIONAL POLLUTION DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty-Eight Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$28,000.00) to fund required engineering services to comply with the National Pollution Discharge Elimination System, or take any other action relative thereto.

<u>ARTICLE 40 – AUTHORIZATION TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR THE</u> <u>BICENTENNIAL CELEBRATION COMMITTEE</u>

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$5,000.00) for the expenses of the Bicentennial Celebration Committee; or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 41 – AUTHORIZATION TO APPROPRIATE AMBULANCE RECEIPTS RESERVED FOR APPROPRIATION FOR AMBULANCE BILLING EXPENSES

To see if the town will vote to appropriate the sum of Twenty-Four Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$24,000.00) from the ambulance receipts reserved for appropriation to be expended by the Fire Chief to pay the costs associated with the Fire Department ambulance billing service, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 42 – AUTHORIZATION TO AMEND THE PERSONNEL BYLAW WITH RESPECT TO CALL AND PER DIEM PARAMEDICS

To see if the town will vote to amend Article XXI Personnel Bylaw,

Section AA, Classification and Compensation Plan Section, Section 1, "<u>Non-Exempt Emergency Fire</u> and <u>Medical Employees</u>" by deleting "and Paramedics" from grade 2F so it reads:

Grade 2F Call, fulltime and per diem firefighters

Call, fulltime and per diem EMT's (Basic and Intermediate) And adding "call, and per diem" to Grade 4FD so it reads:

Grade 4F Fulltime, call and per diem Firefighter/Paramedic (PAR) Fulltime, call and per diem Firefighter/Paramedic (PAR)/Clerk

Or take any other action thereto

ARTICLE 43 - AUTHORIZATION TO ACCEPT MASSACHUSETTS GENERAL LAWS CHAPTER 166, SECTION 32A

To see if the town will vote to accept Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 166, Section 32A to allow the Wiring Inspector to perform electrical contracting work within the Town of West Boylston, or take any other action relative thereto.

<u>ARTICLE 44 – AUTHORIZATION TO AMEND THE TOWN OF WEST BOYLSTON'S</u> <u>GENERAL BYLAWS TO CREATE BYLAWS FOR THE HOUSING PARTNERSHIP</u> <u>COMMITTEE</u>

To see if the town will vote to amend the General Bylaws of the Town under Article 5, TOWN-WIDE PLANNING COMMITTEE by adding the following as Section 5.

Section 5 - Housing Partnership Committee 1. Membership

There is hereby established a Housing Partnership Committee, consisting of seven (7) voting members. The Housing Partnership Committee shall have a chairperson selected by a majority vote of the members. The Housing Partnership Committee may have such subcommittees and ad hoc committees as the Housing Partnership Committee may choose to create.

- 2. Meetings
 - (a) <u>Meetings of the Members</u>. All meetings of the members shall be held at an Americans with Disabilities Act compliant place within the Town.
 - (b) <u>Notice.</u> The Housing Partnership Committee shall comply with the provisions of the Open Meeting Law, G.L. c.39, §23B.

3. Duties

(a) The Housing Partnership Committee shall study the needs for affordable housing and recommend procedures for the development and implementation of the Town's Affordable

Housing policy. The Housing Partnership Committee shall consult with the Town Administrator and existing municipal boards, including the Board of Selectmen, Town-Wide Planning Committee, Zoning Board of Appeals, Planning Board, Open Space Committee, Conservation Commission and other boards, committees and agencies as the Housing Partnership Committee may determine.

(b)The Housing Partnership Committee shall act as the Town's initial contact with developers of proposed affordable residential housing projects which re site-specific and for which the developer has indicated an intention to request an increase in allowed density or other variances in return for said provision of affordable housing. In this context, the Housing Partnership Committee will serve as the preliminary negotiating agency of the Town.

(c) The Housing Partnership Committee may also initiate action intended to create and endorse affordable residential housing projects. In this context the Housing Partnership Committee may work to implement a specific project consistent with the Town's housing strategy.

4. <u>Quorum</u>

A majority of the authorized membership of the Housing Partnership Committee shall constitute a quorum, but a smaller number may adjourn finally or from time to time without further notice until a quorum is secured. If a quorum is present, a majority of the members present may take action on behalf of the Housing Partnership.

5. Qualifications

All members of the Housing Partnership Committee shall be residents of West Boylston. The West Boylston Town Administrator shall appoint members. Each member of the Housing Partnership Committee shall serve for a term of three (3) years, provided, however, that three (3) of the Town Administrator's appointees shall be appointed for initial terms of three (3) years, two appointees shall be appointed for an initial term of two (2) years and two appointees shall be appointed for an initial term of one (1) year. Any member of the Housing Partnership Committee may be removed for cause.

Or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 45 - AUTHORIZATION TO AMEND THE GENERAL BYLAWS TO DEFINE A QUORUM OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

To see if the town will vote to amend the General Bylaws of the town by adding the following sentence to Article VI, FINANCE COMMITTEE, Section 1. A quorum of the Finance Committee shall be four (4) members."

Or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 46 – PETITIONED ARTICLE TO IMPLEMENT STEPS NECESSARY TO ALTER SECTION 4.2, SCHEDULE OF DIMENSIONAL REQUIREMENTS OF THE WEST BOYLSTON ZONING BYLAWS

Request that the Board of Selectmen and the Planning Board work together to implement steps necessary in altering Section 4.2, Schedule of Dimensional Requirements, of the West Boylston Zoning Bylaws. To reduce the minimum buildable lot size from 40,000 sq. ft. and that such reductions be applied to sewered lots only and to place changes on the October 17, 2005 Semi-Annual Town Meeting.

<u>ARTICLE 47 – PETITIONED ARTICLE TO INITIATE A POLICY FOR PAY AS YOU</u> <u>THROW</u>

Petition the Board of Selectmen to initiate a policy for the citizens of the town to "Pay as you throw," and that any monies collected for the purchase of bags be used solely to offset costs associated with trash removal and tipping fees.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant by posting an attested copy thereof at the place of said meeting as aforesaid and at the Post Office in said Town fourteen (14) days at least before the time of said meeting.

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

Given under our hands this 27th day of April in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Five.

Allen R. Phillips, Chairman

Kevin M. McCormick, Vice Chairman

Christopher A. Rucho, Clerk

Alexander Fallavollita, Sr., Selectman

James A. Ryan, Selectman

Board of Selectmen Town of West Boylston

A true copy attest:

Kim D. Hopewell, Town Clerk

Honorable Board of Selectmen:

I have served this Warrant by posting duly attested copies thereof at the following places:

Mixter Municipal Office Building_____ West Boylston Middle/High School____ West Boylston Post Office_____ Pruneau's Barber Shop_____ Municipal Lighting Plant_____ Beaman Memorial Library_____

Constable

Date