



## **TOWN OF STOW**

### **SPECIAL TOWN MEETING**

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 2015

7:00 P.M.

HALE MIDDLE SCHOOL AUDITORIUM

55 HARTLEY ROAD

with

### **SPECIAL TOWN ELECTION**

SATURDAY, MARCH 7, 2015

7:00 A.M. to 8:00 P.M.

THE CENTER SCHOOL

403 GREAT ROAD

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## **WARRANT FOR FEBRUARY 23, 2015 SPECIAL TOWN MEETING**

To either of the Constables and Town Clerk of the Town of Stow, in the County of Middlesex,  
GREETINGS:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Stow, qualified to vote in Elections and Town Affairs, to assemble in

### **HUGH MILL AUDITORIUM AT THE HALE MIDDLE SCHOOL**

In said Town on

**MONDAY, THE TWENTY-THIRD DAY OF FEBRUARY 2015**

**AT 7:00 P.M.**

Then and there to act on the following Articles, namely:

### **ARTICLE 1. Construction Funds for Fire Station and Community Center Renovation Project**

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of Nine Million Two Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$9,200,000), to pay costs of fully funding all of the construction work related to making extensive building improvements and renovations to the Pompositticut School, in order to convert the Pompositticut School into a shared-use fire station and community center, including the payment of administrative expenses and other costs incidental and related thereto; to determine whether this amount shall be raised by borrowing Nine Million Dollars (\$9,000,000) and appropriating Two Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$200,000) from Free Cash, or otherwise provided; the total construction cost of this project is currently estimated to be Nine Million Two Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$9,200,000), however, it is acknowledged that this cost estimate is nonbinding and that the actual construction cost shall be determined through the required public bid process; and that an affirmative vote on this article shall be null and void and

of no further force and effect unless the Town approves by an affirmative vote a ballot question to exempt the amount required to pay for the bonds to be issued hereunder from the provisions of proposition two and one-half; or take any other action related thereto.

(Board of Selectmen)

*The Finance Committee recommends approval of this article.*

## **ARTICLE 2. Creation of Recreational Facilities at Pine Bluff Recreational Area**

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and transfer the sum of Two Hundred Forty-Two Thousand Dollars (\$242,000), or any lesser sum, from the Community Preservation Unreserved Fund balance in accordance with the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 44B, the Community Preservation Act, to be expended under the direction of the Recreation Commission, in consultation with the Community Preservation Committee, for the development and creation of recreational fields/facilities at the Pine Bluff Recreational Area including construction, legal, appraisal, engineering, and other costs or fees incidental thereto and apply for and accept such gifts and grants as may be available for reimbursement to the Town for these purposes, or take any other action relative thereto.

(Community Preservation Committee and Recreation Commission)

*The Finance Committee recommends approval of this article.*

## **ARTICLE 3. Mapping of Lower Village and Hillside Cemeteries**

To see if the town will vote to appropriate and transfer the sum of Twenty-Four Thousand Dollars (\$24,000), or any lesser sum, from the Community Preservation Fund Reserve for Historic Preservation purposes, to be expended under the direction of the Historical Commission, in consultation with the Cemetery Commission and Community Preservation Committee for the purpose of conducting ground- penetrating radar and mapping of the Lower Village and Hillside Cemeteries, or take any other action relative thereto.

(Community Preservation Committee and Historical Commission)

*The Finance Committee recommends approval of this article.*

## **ARTICLE 4. TOWN ELECTION**

To vote by ballot on Saturday, March 7, 2015 at The Center School, 403 Great Road in said Town of Stow the following ballot question. The polls are open from 7 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

### **Question 1**

Shall the Town of Stow be allowed to exempt from the provisions of proposition two and one-half, so called, the amounts required to pay for the bonds issued for the purpose of funding all of the construction work necessary to make extensive building improvements and renovations to the Pompositticut School, in order to convert the Pompositticut School into a shared-use fire station and community center, and to include administrative expenses and any other incidental costs related thereto?

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting copies attested by you calling same at the Town Building and at each of at least seven (7) other public places at least fourteen (14) days before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof, fail not and make due return of the warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk or Selectmen on or before the time of said meeting.

Given under our hands this 29<sup>th</sup> of January in the year 2015.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Charles Kern, Chairman  
Donald P. Hawkes  
Thomas E. Ryan, III  
James H. Salvie

## **DATES TO REMEMBER – 2015**

<b>FEBRUARY 23</b>	<b>TENTATIVE - SPECIAL TOWN MEETING</b>
<b>MARCH 7</b>	<b>TENTATIVE - SPECIAL TOWN ELECTION</b>
<b>APRIL 2</b>	<b>RABIES CLINIC</b>
<b>APRIL 14</b>	<b>VOTER REGISTRATION DEADLINE FOR ANNUAL TOWN MEETING &amp; ANNUAL ELECTION</b>
<b>APRIL 15</b>	<b>DEADLINE TO LICENSE DOGS WITHOUT A LATE FEE</b>
<b>APRIL 27</b>	<b>TENTATIVE - CANDIDATES NIGHT FOR LOCAL ELECTION</b>
<b>MAY 4 &amp; 5</b>	<b>ANNUAL TOWN MEETING</b>
<b>MAY 12</b>	<b>ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION</b>
<b>MAY 16</b>	<b>SPRINGFEST</b>

**To find detailed information regarding plans for the proposed Pompositticut School Fire Station/ Community Center, visit the Town of Stow website. The link below will bring you directly to the correct page.**

**[http://www.stow-ma.gov/pages/StowMA\\_BComm/StowMA\\_Pompo/index](http://www.stow-ma.gov/pages/StowMA_BComm/StowMA_Pompo/index)**

## CHECK THE TOWN WEBSITE [www.stow-ma.gov](http://www.stow-ma.gov)

### FOR MORE INFORMATION & LINKS TO RESOURCES

- Homepage for News & Announcements
- Town Calendars
- Individual pages for Boards & Committees
- Town Documents
- “How-Do-I” page
- GIS Maps

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>BUILDING DEPARTMENT</b> <b>897-2193</b></p> <p>Banners      Occupancy Building      permits permits      Plumbing Debris      permits Disposal      Roofing Earth      permits Removal      Signs Electrical      Temporary permits      Tents Gas permits      Trench Lighting      Information                     Sheet Metal                     Wood/Pellet                     Stoves</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>COUNCIL ON AGING</b> <b>897-1880</b></p> <p>Fuel Assistance Meals on Wheels Mealsites Minuteman Senior Services Social Worker Tax Work Off program Van Transportation</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>TOWN CLERK</b> <b>897-5034</b></p> <p>Birth, Death, Marriage Certificates Business Certificates Census / Street Listing Dog Licenses Elections Marriage Licenses Raffle permits Town Meetings Voter Registration</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>CONSERVATION COMMISSION</b> <b>897-8615</b></p> <p>Community Gardens Conservation Land Stewardship Hiking Trails Invasive Species Open Space Planning/Protection Wetlands permits</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>BOARD OF HEALTH</b> <b>897-4592</b></p> <p>Animal Control Camps Food permits Hazardous Waste Horse Regulations/Keeping of Livestock Septic Systems / Title V Swimming Pools Trash Haulers Well info/permits</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FIRE DEPARTMENT</b> non-emergency # <b>897-4537</b></p> <p>Burning permits Fire Alarm permits</p> <hr/> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>POLICE DEPARTMENT</b> non-emergency # <b>897-4545</b></p> <p>Baby/Child Car Seat installation Firearms Licenses</p>