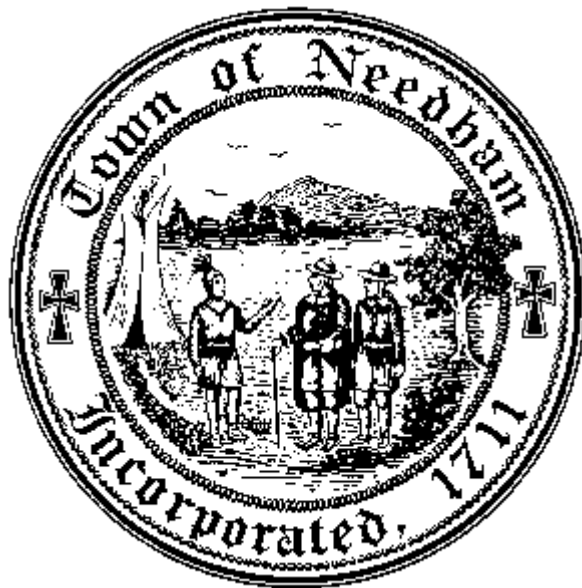


SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

WARRANT



TOWN OF NEEDHAM

MONDAY, MARCH 14, 2011

7:30 P. M.

POLLARD MIDDLE SCHOOL

HARRIS AVENUE

NEEDHAM

Additional Information on particular warrant articles will be made available from time to time at www.needhamma.gov/townmeeting during the weeks leading up to the Special Town Meeting.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Norfolk, ss.

To either of the Constables in the Town of Needham in said County, Greetings:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Needham qualified to vote in elections and in Town affairs to meet at the Pollard Middle School:

MONDAY, THE FOURTEENTH OF MARCH, 2011

At seven-thirty in the afternoon, then and there to act upon the following articles, viz:

**ARTICLE 1: APPROPRIATE FOR PARKING AND ACCESS IMPROVEMENTS -
POLLARD SCHOOL**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and/or transfer and appropriate \$758,000 for design, engineering, and constructing parking and access improvements at the Pollard Middle School, to be spent under the direction of the Town Manager/Permanent Public Building Committee, and to meet this appropriation the Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, is authorized to borrow said sum under Chapter 44 of the General Laws or any other enabling authority; or take any other action relative thereto.

INSERTED BY: Board of Selectmen

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THAT: Article Be Adopted

Article Information: Several improvements are needed to the Pollard Middle School in order to accommodate the incoming Newman School students during the 2011/12 school year. Young students will be relocated to the Pollard modular classrooms while construction is taking place at the Newman School. The November 2010 Special Town Meeting appropriated \$357,000 for retrofitting the modular classrooms, and \$85,000 for continued development of traffic and parking options for the 2011/2012 school year.

This project would fund the design and construction of parking and access improvements including the creation of 36 temporary spaces on the existing tennis courts, with 33 additional spaces added along the proposed new access road from Dedham Avenue. This plan, in conjunction with existing parking elsewhere on site, will satisfy the expected demand, with the exception of 13 staff and visitor spaces which will continue both on the street and on the existing bus loop on Harris Avenue. The long term parking plan provides 37 new spaces (one additional space is added after the Newman children relocate), over what exists today. The 37 parking spaces, when combined other parking on-site, will provide adequate parking for existing teachers and staff without the need for on-street parking. The improvements for the additional parking and access road are anticipated to cost \$664,000 with the remainder allocated to upgrading the existing parking lot behind the school.

ARTICLE 2: RESTORATION OF CHARLES RIVER TREATMENT FACILITY WELL

To see if the Town will vote to raise and/or transfer and appropriate \$300,000 for design, engineering, restoration and improvements at the Town's Charles River Water Treatment Facility Wells, to be spent

under the direction of the Town Manager, and to meet this appropriation that said sum be transferred from Water Retained Earnings; or take any other action relative thereto.

INSERTED BY: Board of Selectmen

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THAT: Recommendation to be made at Town Meeting

Article Information: *The Charles River Water Treatment Facility draws upon three wells to provide the Town with its drinking water. In general, during winter months, the Town's water needs are met by the Charles River Water Treatment Facility. During summer months, the Town's water supply is supplemented with MWRA water pumped through the St. Mary's Pumping Station.*

Well #1 was built in 1936 and is approximately 100 feet deep. A filtering screen lines the well removing particles from the water as the water is pumped to the Water Treatment Facility. Over time, the screen becomes coated with mineral deposits and particles. As part of the ordinary maintenance of the wells, the screens are cleaned on a three-year rotating basis, with one well cleaned every year. During the cleaning this year, the screen in well #1 collapsed resulting in the accumulation of 55 feet of deposits in the well, rendering it unusable. Well #1 is the Town's top producing well. The Town has been supplementing its water production with MWRA supplied water since well #1 collapsed.

The Public Works Department has retained engineering services to evaluate the options for restoring well #1's pumping capacity. Three options are being investigated: repair of the existing well, repair of the existing well and drilling of a satellite well to supplement the existing well, and abandonment of well #1 and drilling of a new well. The selected option will depend on the expected resulting pumping capacity, projected life expectancy, and time required for implementation.

And you are hereby directed to serve this Warrant by posting copies thereof in not less than twenty public places in said Town at least fourteen (14) days before said meeting.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this Warrant with your doings thereon unto our Town Clerk on or after said day and hour.

Given under our hands at Needham aforesaid this 8th day of February, 2011.

John A. Bulian, Chairman
Denise C. Garlick, Vice Chairman
Gerald A. Wasserman, Clerk
Maurice P. Handel
Daniel P. Matthews

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Attest:

Constable:

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