

BROOKFIELD TOWN WARRANT  
ANNUAL TOWN MEETING, MONDAY, MAY 5, 1975

THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Worcester, SS

To either of the Constables of the Town of Brookfield in the County of Worcester: GREETING:

IN THE NAME OF THE Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town qualified to vote in elections and in Town affairs, to meet at the Town Hall, Banquet Hall in said Town on Monday the fifth day of May next at 10:00 in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following articles:

ARTICLE 1. To elect all on one ballot the following offices: One Selectmen for three years; One Assessor for three years; One member of the Elementary School Committee for three years; One Water Commissioner for three years; One Water Commissioner for one year; One member of the Board of Health for three years; One Cemetery Commissioner for three years; One Cemetery Commissioner for two years; One Trustee of Shade Tree and Cemetery Funds for three years; One trustee of Shade Tree and Cemetery Funds for two years; Two Trustees of Merrick Public Library for three years; One member of the Planning Board for five years; One member of the Planning Board for two years; One Tree Warden for one year; One Moderator for one year. The polls will be opened at 10:00 in the forenoon and shall be closed at 8:00 in the evening. Polls opened at 10:00 A.M. Ronald S. MacKenzie presiding.

Poll workers:

Warden: (D) Ronald S. MacKenzie  
Clerk (R) Leamana Terry

Police Officers: Tellis F. Nale, Jr.  
Marjorie A. Nale  
Kathleen Woodard  
Kenneth R. Crevier

Ballot Box (R) Bertha Nolan  
Checkers (R) Kathleen R. Allen  
(D) Kathleen A. Yaskoski  
(R) Harriet Mitchell  
(D) Bernice M. Delaney  
(R) Alice Sheldon  
(D) Elizabeth J. Bansfield  
(R) Diane G. Martell  
(D) Marie L. Minchoff

VOTES CAST 600

ELECTED AS FOLLOWS:

MODERATOR FOR ONE YEAR

Randall Whitehead	452
Francis J. Bansfield	1
Blanks	147

SELECTMEN AND WELFARE BOARD FOR THREE YEARS

Louis J. Boucher	371
Michael J. O'Keefe	224
Blanks	5

ASSESSOR FOR THREE YEARS

Kenneth E. Grimes	495
Blanks	105

SCHOOL COMMITTEE FOR THREE YEARS

Gerald R. Kay	443
Blanks	157

WATER COMMISSIONER FOR THREE YEARS

Prisco P. Faugno	461
Blanks	139

WATER COMMISSIONER FOR ONE YEAR

John D. Marona, Jr.	448
Blanks	152

BOARD OF HEALTH FOR THREE YEARS

Michael E. Huppert	444
Blanks	156

CEMETERY COMMISSIONER FOR THREE YEARS

Herman Masuzzo	461
Blanks	139

CEMETERY COMMISSIONER FOR TWO YEARS

Roland A. Manseau	292
Lyle D. Plainte	266
Blanks	42

TRUSTEE FOR SHADE TREE AND CEMETERY FUNDS FOR THREE YEARS

Herman Masuzzo	456
Blanks	144

TRUSTEE FOR SHADE TREE AND CEMETERY FUNDS FOR TWO YEARS

Roland A. Manseau	291
Lyle D. Plainte	259
Blanks	50

TRUSTEES FOR MERRICK PUBLIC LIBRARY FOR THREE YEARS

Elizabeth J. Bansfield	442
Robert Brown	354
Blanks	404

TREE WARDEN FOR ONE YEAR

John W. Bozyk	255
Frank R. Herbert	297
Blanks	48

PLANNING BOARD FOR FIVE YEARS

Michael S. Mulvey	203
Lyle D. Plainte	368
Blanks	29

PLANNING BOARD FOR TWO YEARS

George Clancy	1
Prisco Faugno	1
Lyle D. Plainte	2
Louis Hyde	1
Richard S. Robinson	1
Michael S. Mulvey	1
Charles H. Mayo	1
Blanks	591
Peter S. O'Connell	1

Shall licenses be granted in this town for the operation, holding or conducting a game commonly called Beano?

Yes	371
No	104
Blanks	125

POLLS CLOSED AT 8:00 P.M.

And you are further required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town of Brookfield, qualified to vote in Town affairs to meet at the Town Hall, Auditorium Brookfield on Friday evening, May 9, 1975 at 8:00 p.m. then and there to act on the following articles:

Meeting opened at 8:15 P.M., Randall Whitehead presiding.  
140 voters were present.

ARTICLE 2. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate such sums of money as may be necessary to defray the expense of the Town for the ensuing year.

It was voted as follows:

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

1. MODERATOR - Salary	20.00
ADVISORY BOARD	
2. Clerk Salary	150.00
3. Expenses	100.00
SELECTMEN	
4. Salaries	1,970.00
5. Expenses	790.00
ACCOUNTING OFFICER	
6. Salary	1,200.00
7. Expenses	150.00
TREASURER	
8. Salary	1,600.00
9. Expenses	830.00
10. Tax Title Foreclosures 1974 Bal.	NONE
TAX COLLECTOR	
11. Salary	1,500.00
12. Expenses	1,300.00
ASSESSORS	
13. Salaries	3,050.00
14. Expenses	1,000.00
Printing Tax Books	NONE
TOWN COUNSEL	
15. Salary	250.00
16. Expenses	50.00
17. Court Fees	100.00
18. Agent to defend suits	500.00
TOWN CLERK	
19. Salary	800.00
20. Expenses	350.00
ELECTIONS AND REGISTRATIONS	
21. Salaries	210.00
22. Expenses	1,000.00
PLANNING BOARD	
23. Expenses	300.00
TOWN HALL	
24. Janitor	1,800.00
25. Expenses	6,000.00
26. MUNICIPAL FUEL	8,000.00

33,020.00

PUBLIC SAFETY

27. POLICE DEPT.	12,965.00
28. POLICE COURT FEES	600.00
29. POLICE LOCKUP FEES	150.00
30. POLICE EQUIPMENT & CLOTHING	600.00
Police Extra Duty - Rec'd	None
31. CONSTABLE - Expenses	35.00
32. FIRE DEPT.	8,335.00
33. FOREST FIRES	500.00

34.	INSECT PEST CONTROL	200.00
35.	DUTCH ELM DISEASE	825.00
36.	TREE WARDEN	500.00
	DOG OFFICER	
37.	Salary	450.00
38.	Expenses	800.00
39.	WIRE INSPECTOR - Salary	200.00
40.	GAS INSPECTOR - Salary	250.00
41.	PLUMBING INSPECTOR - Salary	250.00
42.	CIVIL DEFENSE	1,100.00
43.	AUXILIARY POLICE	300.00
44.	CONSERVATION COMMISSION	500.00
		<u>28,560.00</u>

## HEALTH AND SANITATION

## BOARD OF HEALTH

45.	Salaries	525.00
46.	Expenses	300.00
47.	Health and Sanitation	1,000.00
48.	DUMP - Caretaker and Upkeep	19,500.00
49.	SEWERAGE - Expenses	100.00
50.	SOUTH CENTRAL MASS. HEALTH CARE	ART. 26
51.	Community health nursing program	ART. 4
		<u>21,425.00</u>

## HIGHWAYS

52.	GENERAL HIGHWAYS AND SNOW & ICE	
	1974 Balance	40,000.00
53.	HIGHWAYS - CHAPTER 81 1974 Bal.	NONE
54.	HIGHWAYS - CHAPTER 90	
	IMPROVEMENTS - 1974 Bal	ART. 14 & 15
	HGHY CH. 90 CONST. 1973	NONE
	1974 Balance	
	HGHY CH.90 CONST. 1974-75	
	1974 Balance	NONE
55.	HIGHWAYS - CHAPTER 90	
	CONSTRUCTION 1976	ART. 14 & 15
56.	SIDEWALKS	1,050.00
57.	BRIDGES - RAILINGS - SIGNS	250.00
58.	STREET LIGHTING	6,600.00
59.	TRAFFIC BEACON	50.00
	Long Hill Road Account	
	From Ch. 1140	NONE
	New Plow and Undercarriage	NONE
	New Sand and Salt Spreader	NONE
	New Cab and Chassis	NONE
	HIGHWAYS - MACHINERY ACCOUNT	
	1974 Balance	
	Transferred from Mach. Fund	ART. 16
		<u>47,950.00</u>

## PUBLIC WELFARE

PUBLIC ASSISTANCE - 1974 Balance	NONE
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## VETERANS BENEFITS

## DIRECTOR OF VETERANS SERVICES

60.	Salary	312.00
61.	Expenses	45.00

## VETERANS AGENT

62.	Salary	540.00
63.	Expenses	270.00
64.	VETERANS BENEFITS - CASE WORK	<u>5,400.00</u>
		6,567.00

## SCHOOLS

BROOKFIELD SCHOOL COMM.	
65. Salaries	200.00
TANTASQUA REG. SCHOOL COMM.	
66. Expenses	200.00
67. SCHOOL DEPT. - Local	414,948.00
N.D.E.A. Title III - 1974 bal.	NONE
Architectural Services for Elementary School Addition	NONE
Elementary Sch. Addition 1974 Balance	NONE
68. TANTASQUA REG. SCHOOL ASSESSMENT	440,060.00

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 855,408.00

## PUBLIC LIBRARY

69. PUBLIC LIBRARY	8,495.00
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## UNCLASSIFIED

70. PRINTING TOWN REPORT	1,150.00
71. MEMORIAL DAY OBSERVANCE	750.00
72. YOUTH GUIDANCE	900.00
73. INSURANCE	15,000.00
74. GROUP INSURANCE	6,000.00
75. HONOR ROLL	60.00
76. COMMON-MALL- CHRISTMAS TREE	895.00
77. SOUTH POND BEACH	1,800.00
78. RECREATION ACCOUNT	2,500.00
79. UNPAID BILLS FROM PREVIOUS YEARS	NONE
80. WEST BROOKFIELD RESCUE SQUAD	100.00
81. RESERVE FUND ACCOUNT - 1974 Ba.	ART. 37
82. CHELSEA RETIREMENT SYSTEM	
83. PLAYGROUND CONSTRUCTION - 1974 Bal.	

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 29,155.00

## WATER DEPARTMENT

WATER DEPT.	
84. Clerk Salary	500.00
85. Commissioners Salaries	300.00
86. Hydrants	1,080.00
87. Reservoir	500.00
88. Extension of Water Main	
89. Maintenance and operation	12,750.00
90. DRILLING OF TEST WELLS	NONE
91. SURVEY OF WELL FIELDS	NONE

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 15,130.00

## CEMETERY

92. CEMETERY	6,799.00
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## DEBT AND INTEREST

93. MATURING DEBT	*10,000.00
94. INTEREST-MATURING DEBT	17,195.00
95. INTEREST - TEMPORARY LOANS	2,000.00
96. CERTIFICATION OF NOTES	20.00
97. STABILIZATION ACCOUNT	Art. 36
98. AGENT TO DEFEND SUITS	Art. 18

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 29,215.00

\* It was voted to raise and appropriate \$10,000.00 and to transfer \$30,000.00 from the Federal Revenue Sharing Account.

## RECOMMENDATIONS

1,081,724.00

## OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS

ARTICLE 4.	COMMUNITY HEALTH NURSING PROGRAM	500.00
ARTICLE 7.	LAND APPRAISAL AND OR SURVEYING	500.00
ARTICLE 8.	POLICE DEPT. RADIO SYSTEM	7,500.00
ARTICLE 9.	INSTALLATION OF POLICE DEPT. RADIO SYSTEM	600.00
ARTICLE 14.	TOWN ROAD IMPROVEMENTS	6,575.00
ARTICLE 18.	AGENT TO DEFEND SUITS	500.00
ARTICLE 26.	SOUTH CENTRAL MASS. MENTAL HEALTH CLINIC	365.00
ARTICLE 29.	FIELD DRIVER EXPENSES	100.00
ARTICLE 30.	FIRE DEPT. BASE RADIO & ANTENNA	1,600.00
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		18,240.00
	GRAND TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS	1,099,964.00

ARTICLE 3. To see if the Town will vote to replace Section 1, Chapter 12, of the Town By-Laws with the following new By-Law.

## BY-LAW - DOGS

SECTION 1. DEFINITION OF TERMS

As used in this By-Law, unless the context otherwise indicates

- (A) "Dog" shall mean all animals of canine species, both male and female.
- (B) "Owner" shall mean any person or persons, firm, association, or corporation owning, keeping or harboring a dog as herein defined.
- (C) "Public nuisance" - Any dog shall be deemed a public nuisance if such dog is found to be not on the premises of the owner of such dog or upon the premises of another person without the knowledge and expressed permission of such other person except
- (1) if such dog is attached to a restraining device and under the care and control of a person competent to restrain said dog so that it shall not be a threat to public safety, and the mere muzzling of such a dog shall not satisfy the requirements of this By-Law;
  - (2) if such a dog is being used as a so called "hunting dog" and is being supervised as such by a person competent to restrain such dog so that it shall not be a threat to public safety.

SECTION 2. PERMITTING A DOG TO BECOME A PUBLIC NUISANCE PROHIBITED

No owner or keeper of any dog shall permit such dog, whether licensed or unlicensed, to become a public nuisance within the Town of Brookfield, at any time.

SECTION 3. IMPOUNDING

It shall be the duty of the dog officer to investigate complaints concerning any dogs which are alleged to be in violation of this By-Law and to apprehend any dog found by him to be a public nuisance and to impound such dog in a suitable place or to order the owner thereof to restrain said dog.

SECTION 4. NOTICE TO OWNER AND REDEMPTION

If such dog, so impounded, has upon it the name and address of the owner thereof, or if the name of said owner is otherwise known, then the dog officer shall immediately notify the owner, and if the owner is not known, then no notice shall be necessary.

The owner of any dog so impounded may reclaim such dog upon the reimbursement to the Dog Officer of his expenses for maintaining said dog while impounded. In any event, the Dog Officer shall not charge more than Two Dollars (\$2.00) for a reimbursement of said expenses for each twenty four hour (24) period or any part thereof that the dog is held by him, plus Five Dollars (\$5.00) as a fee for the initial handling of such dog. Provided, however, if the dog is not licensed, a license as required by the Town of Brookfield must be obtained before the Dog Officer releases said dog to any person.

#### SECTION 5. DISPOSITION OF UNCLAIMED DOGS.

Any dog which has been impounded and has not been redeemed by the owner within ten (10) days shall be disposed of as provided by Section 151A, Chapter 140, of the Massachusetts General Laws and any amendment thereto.

#### SECTION 6. PENALTY

Any owner found in violation of any of the provisions of this By-Law shall be punished by a fine of not more than \$10.00 in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 140, Section 173A, of the Massachusetts General Laws.

#### SECTION 7. DISPOSITION OF FUNDS

Any funds collected pursuant to the provisions of this By-Law by the Dog Officer shall be accounted for and paid to the Town Treasurer at such time and in such manner as may be designated by the Town Treasurer.

#### SECTION 8. CONSTRUCTION

No section of this By-Law shall be construed to be contrary to the Massachusetts General Laws, and shall be interpreted in order to comply with such laws.

#### SECTION 9. EFFECTIVE DATE

This By-Law shall take effect upon its passage by the Town Meeting for the Town of Brookfield, and upon approval by the Attorney General for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

It was voted to replace Section 1, Chapter 12, of the Town By-Laws with the following new By-Law.

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The vote was     84 Yes  
                      35 No

ARTICLE 4. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money not to exceed \$500.00 for the Town's share in the Harrington Memorial Hospital, Inc. "Community Health Nursing Program", or take any action relative thereto.

It was voted to raise and appropriate \$500.00 for the Town's share in the Harrington Memorial Hospital, Inc. "Community Health Nursing Program."

ARTICLE 5. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Assessors to use a sum of money from available funds in the Treasury for the reduction of the Tax Levy for the period from July 1, 1975 to June 30, 1976 or take any action relative thereto.

It was voted to authorize the Assessors to use \$11,000.00 from available funds in the Treasury for the reduction of the Tax Levy for the period from July 1, 1975 to June 30, 1976. Vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 6. To see if the Town will vote to amend our Building Permit By-Law, Chapter XII, Section 4, by

(A) Deleting "Board of Selectmen and Selectmen" and inserting "Building Inspector";

(B) Deleting the word "may" and inserting the word "will";

(C) Deleting "\$1.00" and inserting "2 cents per square foot", so that the By-Law will read:

No Building or other structure after these By-Laws go into effect shall be constructed, removed, or materially altered without first obtaining a permit therefor from the Building Inspector. Plans and Specifications will be required by the Building Inspector before such permit is issued. The Fee for such permit shall be 2 cents per square foot.

This Article 6 was passed over.

ARTICLE 7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer or borrow a sum of money not to exceed \$500.00 to be used for the appraisal and-or surveying of land in Town, or take any action relative thereto.

It was voted to raise and appropriate \$500.00 to be used for the appraisal and-or surveying of land in Town.

ARTICLE 8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer or borrow a sum of money, not to exceed \$7,500.00 to purchase a two-way radio system for the Police Department, or take any action relative thereto.

It was voted to raise and appropriate \$7,500.00 to purchase a two-way radio system for the Police Department.

ARTICLE 9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer or borrow a sum of money not to exceed \$600.00 for the installation of a two-way radio system for the Police Department, or take any action relative thereto.

It was voted to raise and appropriate \$600.00 for the installation of a two-way radio system for the Police Department.

ARTICLE 10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer or borrow the sum of \$9,115.00 for the purpose of having a Soil Survey done by the U.S. Department of Agriculture Soil Conservation Service, or take any action relative thereto.

This Article 10 was passed over.

ARTICLE 11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer or borrow a sum of money to buy land in East Brookfield to develop a well field, or take any action relative thereto.

It was voted to transfer from the Stabilization fund \$16,000.00 to buy land in East Brookfield to develop a well field.

**ARTICLE 12.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer or borrow a sum of money to hire an engineering firm to plan and design the well field and supply system, or take any action relative thereto.

It was voted to transfer from the Stabilization Fund \$14,000.00 to hire an engineering firm to plan and design the well field and supply system.

**ARTICLE 13.** To see if the Town will vote to transfer to general funds of the Recreation Committee the sum of \$5,000 given to the Recreation Committee by Article 20 of the 1974 Annual Town Meeting for the purpose of constructing a playground on the west side of the Lewis Site, or take any action relative thereto.

This Article 13 was passed over.

**ARTICLE 14.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for Town Funds to be used in conjunction with and in addition to any funds allotted by the Commonwealth and-or County for the construction, reconstruction and improvement to Town Roads, or take any action relative thereto.

It was voted to raise and appropriate \$6,575.00 for Town Funds to be used in conjunction with and in addition to any funds allotted by the Commonwealth and-or County for the construction, reconstruction and improvement of Town Roads.

**ARTICLE 15.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds in the Treasury a sum of money for the construction and-or improvement of Town Roads as requested by the Board of Selectmen, to be reimbursed from the Commonwealth under Chapter 765, Section 4, Acts of 1972, or take any action relative thereto.

This article was amended as follows: To see if the Town will vote to accept \$12,994.00 received from the State under Chapter 825, Section 2 and transfer it to the General Highway Snow & Ice Account.

It was voted to accept \$12,994.00 received from the State under Chapter 825, Section 2 and transfer it to the General Highway Snow & Ice Account.

**ARTICLE 16.** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to transfer monies accumulated in the Highway Machinery Rental Account to the Highway Machinery Maintenance Fund and Purchase of New Equipment Account whenever they deem it necessary, or take any action relative thereto.

It was voted to authorize the Board of Selectmen to transfer monies accumulated in the Highway Machinery Rental Account to the Highway Machinery Maintenance Fund and Purchase of New Equipment Account whenever they deem it necessary.

**ARTICLE 17.** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen, to foreclose on certain Tax Titles held by the Treasurer, or take any action relative thereto.

It was voted to authorize the Town Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen, to foreclose on certain Tax Titles held by the Treasurer.

**ARTICLE 18.** To see if the Town will vote to appoint an agent or agents to defend any and all suits that may be brought against the Town from July 1, 1975 to June 30, 1976 and to bring suit or suits, if necessary, and to compromise and settle any and all suits or claims against the Town to an account not exceeding Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) and appropriate such amount, or take any action relative thereto.

It was voted to appoint an agent or agents to defend any and all suits that may be brought against the Town from July 1, 1975 to June 30, 1976 and to bring suit or suits, if necessary, and to compromise and settle any and all suits or claims against the Town to an account not exceeding \$500.00 and it was voted to raise and that amount.

ARTICLE 19. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning July 1, 1975, in accordance with the provisions of 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 General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 17.

It was voted to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning July 1, 1975, in accordance with the provisions of 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 General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 17.

A standing vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 20. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen or their agent to sell for the Town, any land or building acquired by the Town by Tax Title foreclosure after first giving notice of said sale by posting a notice at the Town Hall and Post Office, 14 days at least before said sale, stating what parcels are to be sold, or offered for sale, and the time and place of the holding of said sale, or take any action relative thereto.

It was voted to authorize the Selectmen or their agent to sell for the Town, any land or building acquired by the Town by Tax Title foreclosure after first giving notice of said sale by posting a notice at the Town Hall and Post Office, 14 days at least before said sale, stating what parcels are to be sold, or offered for sale, and the time and place of the holding of said sale.

ARTICLE 21. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds in the Treasury a sum of money paid by the County to the Dutch Elm Account, to be used for the control of Dutch Elm disease, or take any action relative thereto.

It was voted to transfer from available funds in the Treasury \$49.35 paid by the County to the Dutch Elm Account, to be used for the control of Dutch Elm disease.

ARTICLE 22. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from Cemetery Sale of Lots fund to Cemetery Improvement Account, all money received for sale of lots up to June 30, 1975 or take any action relative thereto.

It was voted to transfer from Cemetery Sale of Lots Fund to Cemetery Improvement Account, \$440.00 received for sale of lots up to Dec. 31, 1974.

ARTICLE 23. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate by transfer to the Library fund account the sum which was collected through June 30, 1975 for overdue books.

It was voted to appropriate by transfer to the Library Fund Account \$177.79 which was collected through Dec. 31, 1974 for overdue books.

ARTICLE 24. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate by transfer for the support of the Public Library the sum from the Dog Fund paid the Town by the County.

This Article 24 was passed over.

ARTICLE 25. To see if the Town will vote to transfer a sum of money from available funds in the Treasury to the Tree Warden Account, or take any action relative thereto.

This Article 25 was passed over.

ARTICLE 26. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money not to exceed \$325.00 for the Town's share in the South Central Massachusetts Mental Health Clinic located in Southbridge, or take any action relative thereto.

A motion was made to increase the amount to \$365.00 and it was then voted to raise and appropriate that amount for the Town's share in the South Central Massachusetts Mental Health Clinic located in Southbridge.

ARTICLE 27. To see if the Town will vote to transfer a sum of money from the Library Extension Account (grant from the State) to the Public Library Account, or take any action relative thereto.

It was voted to transfer \$773.63 from the Library Extension account (Grant from the State) to the Public Library Account.

ARTICLE 28. To see if the Town will authorize the Board of Selectmen to appoint a Field Driver, or take any action relative thereto.

It was voted to authorize the Board of Selectmen to appoint a Field Driver.

ARTICLE 29. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer or borrow a sum of money not to exceed \$500.00 to defray expenses incurred by the Field Driver, or take any action relative thereto.

A motion was made to reduce the amount to \$100.00. It was then voted to raise and appropriate \$100.00 to defray expenses incurred by the Field Driver.

ARTICLE 30. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate transfer or borrow a sum of money not to exceed \$1,600.00 to purchase a new base radio and antenna for the Fire Department, or take any action relative thereto.

It was voted to raise and appropriate \$1,600.00 to purchase a new base radio and antenna for the Fire Department.

ARTICLE 31. To see if the Town will vote to accept the Flood Prone Area and Mud Slide Prone Area in the Town as described by the Department of Housing and Urban Development Maps.

A motion was made to amend this article to eliminate the word maps. It was then voted to accept the Flood Prone Area and Mud Slide Prone Area in the Town as described by the Department of Housing and Urban Development.

ARTICLE 32. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to sell the old Highway Sidewalk Tractor.

A motion was made to amend this article; To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to sell the old Highway Sidewalk Tractor and that the monies received be transferred to the Highway Machinery Maintenance Fund and Purchase of New Equipment Account.

It was voted to authorize the Board of Selectmen to sell the old Highway Sidewalk Tractor and that the monies received be transferred to the Highway Machinery Maintenance Fund & Purchase of New Equipment Account.

ARTICLE 33. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to sell the old Fire Department Tanker.

A motion was made to amend this article; To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to sell the old Fire Department Tanker and the monies so received to be placed in an account for outfitting the new Tanker.

It was voted to authorize the Board of Selectmen to sell the old Tractor-Trailer Tanker, and the monies so received to be placed in an account for outfitting the new Tanker.

ARTICLE 34. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to sell two old V-Plows and one old Blade Plow.

A motion was made to amend this article; To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to sell two old V-Plows

and one old Blade Plow and that the monies received be transferred to the Highway Machinery Maintenance Fund & Purchase of New Equipment Account.

It was voted to authorize the Board of Selectmen to sell two old V-Plows and one old Blade Plow and that the monies received be transferred to the Highway Machinery Maintenance Fund & Purchase of New Equipment Account.

ARTICLE 35. To see if the Town will vote to accept the new Fire Department Tanker purchased by the Fire Battalion.

It was voted to accept the new Fire Department Tanker purchased by the Fire Battalion.

ARTICLE 36. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate by transfer from free cash a sum of money for the Stabilization Account, or take any action relative thereto.

It was voted to pass over this Article.

ARTICLE 37. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the Reserve Account, or take any action relative thereto.

It was voted to transfer from Overlay Surplus \$4,000.00 for the Reserve Account.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 11:30 P.M.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant, by posting up attested copies thereof, at Town Hall, Post Office, and Frazier's News in said Town, seven days at least before the time of holding said Meeting.

HEREOF FAIL NOT, and make due return of this Warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, at the time and place of meeting, as aforesaid. Given under our hands this 26th day of March in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and seventy-five.

S/ Louis J. Boucher  
Cedric G. Lindley, Jr.  
James W. Wilson

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Selectmen of Brookfield

A true copy. Attest:  
S/ Douglas D. Gadaire, Constable

WORCESTER ss

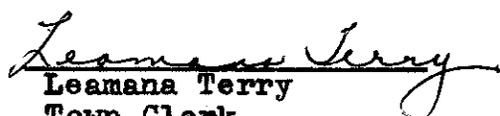
PURSUANT TO THE WITHIN WARRANT, I have notified and warned the inhabitants of the Town of Brookfield by posting up attested copies of the same at

Post Office 12:10 P.M. 4-28-75  
Town Hall 12:00 P.M.  
Frazier's News 12:05 P.M.

7 days before the date of the meeting, as within directed

S/ Douglas D. Gadaire  
Constable of Brookfield

A true copy Attest

  
Leamana Terry  
Town Clerk  
Town of Brookfield

