

TOWN OF BROOKFIELD
ANNUAL TOWN MEETING, MAY 7, 1984

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 seventh day of May next at 12:00 noon, then and there to act on the following article:

ARTICLE 1. To elect all on one ballot the following officers: one Selectman for three years; one Assessor for three years; one Member of the School Committee for three years; one Water Commissioner for three years; one Member of the Board of Health for three years; one Cemetery Commissioner for three years; one Trustee for Shade Tree & Cemetery Funds for three years; two Trustees of Merrick Public Library for three years; one Member of the Housing Authority for four years; one Member of the Housing Authority for three years; one Member of the Housing Authority for one year; one Member of the Planning Board for five years; one Moderator for one year.

The polls will be open at 12:00 noon and shall be closed at 7:00 in the evening.

The polls opened at 12:00 Noon, Barbara Mundell, Warden

Police Officer	Albert Smith, Jr.		
Clerk	D Gloria Faugno		
Ballot Box	R David Buch		
Checkers	D Sandra Pratt	R Elizabeth Tourtellotte	
	D Annette Faugno	R Helen Armstrong	
	D Marie Minchoff	R Louise Willett	
	R Diane Martell		

BALLOTS CAST 85

ELECTED AS FOLLOWS:

MODERATOR FOR ONE YEAR		WATER COMMISSIONER FOR THREE YEARS	
James W. Allen	79	Prisco Faugno	65
Blanks	6	Blanks	20
SELECTMAN FOR THREE YEARS		BOARD OF HEALTH FOR THREE YEARS	
Joseph F. Murray	49	Barbara Clancy	55
Donald Faugno	16	Philip Richardson	1
Charlotte Streeter	1	Blanks	29
David Buch	1		
Blanks	18	CEMETERY COMMISSIONER FOR THREE YEARS	
ASSESSOR FOR THREE YEARS		Herman Masuzzo	61
		Blanks	24
Leona Campbell	67	TRUSTEE FOR SHADE TREE & CEMETERY FUNDS FOR 3 YRS.	
Kenneth Grimes	5	Herman Masuzzo	62
David Buch	2	Blanks	23
Blanks	11	TRUSTEES OF MERRICK PUBLIC LIBRARY FOR THREE YEARS	
ASSESSOR FOR ONE YEAR		Elizabeth Bansfield	50
Karen S. Seremet	60	Jean Dahler	62
David Buch	3	Blanks	58
Blanks	22	SCHOOL COMMITTEE FOR THREE YEARS	
Gerald R. Kay	63	PLANNING BOARD FOR FIVE YEARS	
Blanks	22	David T. Caron	55
		Blanks	30

HOUSING AUTHORITY FOR FOUR YEARS

Phillip H. Peirce 57
Blanks 28

HOUSING AUTHORITY FOR THREE YEARS

Linda Lincoln 57
Barbara Mundell 1
Blanks 27

HOUSING AUTHORITY FOR ONE YEAR

Patricia Caron 53
Blanks 32

The polls closed at 7:00 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 11, 1984 at 8:00 P.M. then and there to act on the following articles: Meeting opened at 8:00 P.M. James W. Allen, Moderator.

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	20.00
2. ADVISORY BOARD	
a. Clerk Salary	180.00
b. Expenses	150.00
3. SELECTMEN	
a. Salaries	1,200.00
b. Clerk Salary	
c. Expenses	1,000.00
d. Support Salaries	6,100.00
4. ACCOUNTING OFFICER	
a. Salary	2,100.00
b. Expenses	500.00
5. TREASURER	
a. Salary	2,100.00
b. Expenses	1,050.00
c. Tax Title Foreclos.	ARTICLE
6. TAX COLLECTOR	
a. Salary	1,800.00
b. Expenses	1,600.00
c. Clerk	200.00
7. ASSESSORS	
a. Salaries	3,400.00
b. Expenses	4,900.00
c. Tax Val Books	--
d. Computer Update	ARTICLE
8. TOWN COUNSEL	
a. Salary	750.00
b. Agent to Defend Suits	1,500.00
9. TOWN CLERK	
a. Salary	1,200.00
b. Expenses	890.00

10.	ELECTIONS & REGISTRATIONS		
a.	Salaries	250.00	
b.	Expenses	1,900.00	
11.	PLANNING BOARD - Expenses	100.00	
12.	TOWN HALL		
a.	Janitor	2,300.00	
b.	Expenses	5,000.00	
c.	Renovation	ARTICLE	
13.	MUNICIPAL FUEL	18,000.00	
	TOTAL GENERAL GOVERNMENT		58,190.00

PUBLIC SAFETY

14.	POLICE DEPARTMENT		
a.	Salaries	37,000.00	
b.	Expenses	10,200.00	
c.	Cruiser	ARTICLE	
15.	FIRE DEPARTMENT		
a.	Salaries	3,000.00	
b.	Expenses	7,725.00	
c.	Renovation	ARTICLE	
16.	INSECT PEST CONTROL	500.00	
17.	DUTCH ELM DISEASE	1,500.00	
18.	TREE WARDEN	1,000.00	
19.	DOG OFFICER		
a.	Salary	600.00	
b.	Expenses	1,000.00	
20.	WIRE INSPECTOR		
a.	Salary	600.00	
b.	Expenses	75.00	
21.	GAS INSPECTOR		
a.	Salary	250.00	
b.	Expenses	25.00	
22.	PLUMBING INSPECTOR		
a.	Salary	250.00	
b.	Expenses	25.00	
23.	BUILDING INSPECTOR		
a.	Salary	600.00	
b.	Expenses	300.00	
24.	CIVIL DEFENSE - Expenses	500.00	
25.	EMERGENCY SQUAD-Expenses	4,895.00	
26.	CONSERVATION COMMISSION-Exp.	440.00	
	TOTAL PUBLIC SAFETY		70,485.00

HEALTH & SANITATION

27.	BOARD OF HEALTH		
a.	Salaries	600.00	
b.	Animal Inspector	500.00	
c.	Expenses	1,000.00	
28.	LANDFILL - Caretaker & upkeep	25,820.00	
29.	SEWERAGE-Expenses	--	

30.	SO. CENTRAL MASS. CLINIC	400.00	
31.	COMMUNITY HEALTH PROGRAM	650.00	
	TOTAL HEALTH & SANITATION		28,970.00

HIGHWAYS

32.	GENERAL HIGHWAY		
a.	Salaries	41,930.00	
b.	Expenses	36,500.00	
c.	Flow private roads	1,000.00	
d.	Garage bathroom	--	
e.	Drainage; garage	--	
f.	Roadside mower	--	
g.	HIGHWAYS Chapter 90	ARTICLE	
33.	SIDEWALKS	1,000.00	
34.	BRIDGES RAILINGS SIGNS	500.00	
35.	STREET LIGHTS	8,000.00	
	TOTAL HIGHWAYS		88,930.00

VETERANS BENEFITS

36.	DIRECTOR OF VETERANS SERVICES		
a.	Salary	500.00	
b.	Expenses	100.00	
37.	VETERANS AGENT		
a.	Salary	1,500.00	
b.	Expenses	770.00	
c.	Case Work	6,000.00	
	TOTAL VETERANS BENEFITS		8,870.00

SCHOOLS & LIBRARY

38.	ELEMENTARY		
a.	School Committee	200.00	
b.	School Department	619,077.00	
39.	REGIONAL		
a.	School Committee	200.00	
b.	Regional Assessment	395,127.00	
40.	PUBLIC LIBRARY		
a.	Salaries	8,320.00	
b.	Expenses	5,970.00	
c.	Overdue Book Fines	ARTICLE	
d.	Extension-State Grant	ARTICLE	
e.	Renovation - Fed. Rev.	ARTICLE	
	TOTAL SCHOOLS & LIBRARY		1,028,894.00

PARKS & RECREATION

41.	Parks & Recreation		
a.	Youth Guidance	500.00	
b.	South Pond Beach	2,550.00	
c.	Recreation Account	3,000.00	
	TOTAL PARKS & RECREATION		6,050.00

UNCLASSIFIED

42.	UNCLASSIFIED	
A.	PRINTING TOWN REPORT	800.00
B.	COMMON XMAS TREE	500.00
C.	MEMORIAL DAY	850.00
D.	HISTORICAL COMM. Expenses	100.00
E.	COUNCIL ON AGING	
	a. Expenses	300.00
	b. Elder Bus-Fed. Rev.	ARTICLE
F.	ELDER HOME CARE	264.00
G.	HOUSING AUTHORITY-Exp.	200.00
H.	GENERAL INSURANCE	23,000.00
I.	GROUP INSURANCE	23,000.00
J.	CONTRIBUTORY INSURANCE	1,500.00
K.	ABINGTON RETIREMENT	ARTICLE
TOTAL UNCLASSIFIED		50,514.00

WATER DEPARTMENT

43.	WATER DEPT.	
a.	Clerks Salary	800.00
b.	Commissioners-Salary	450.00
c.	Superintendent- Salary	19,945.12
d.	Expenses	15,000.00
e.	Stand-by Pump-Fed. Rev.	--
f.	Sump Pump-Fed. Rev.	--
TOTAL WATER DEPARTMENT		36,195.12

CEMETERY

44.	CEMETERY	
a.	Expenses	2,000.00
b.	Grave Fees	ARTICLE
c.	Interest Transfer	ARTICLE
d.	Sale of Lots	ARTICLE
TOTAL CEMETERY		2,000.00

DEBT & INTEREST

45.	DEBT & INTEREST	
a.	Maturing Dept- Prin.	*72,043.00
b.	Maturing Debt - Int.	15,954.35
c.	Temp. loans - Int.	5,000.00
d.	Certification of Notes	100.00

* Voted to raise and appropriate 43,043.00 and transfer \$25,000.00 from Federal Revenue Sharing funds.

TOTAL DEPT & INTEREST		93,097.35
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RESERVE

46.	RESERVE	
a.	Reserve Fund	ARTICLE
b.	Stabilization Account	ARTICLE
TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS		1,447,195.47

OTHER APPROPRIATIONS:

ARTICLE 3.	Erect a marker at the site of former Brookfield High School	500.00
ARTICLE 4.	Enter into an agreement with Tri-Link, Inc.	4,000.00
ARTICLE 5.	Printing of Town By-Laws	400.00
ARTICLE 11	Audit for Fiscal 1984	10,000.00
ARTICLE 16	Tax Title foreclosure expenses	5,000.00
ARTICLE 17	Benefits paid to Town of Abington, Ma. re: Leonard Palopoli	2,657.21
ARTICLE 24	Construction, reconstruction of town roads	20,000.00
		<u>42,557.21</u>

GRAND TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS		1,489,752.68
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ARTICLE 3. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer or borrow a sum of money to erect an appropriate marker at the site of the former Brookfield High School, or take any action relative thereto.

It was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 to erect an appropriate marker at the site of the former Brookfield High School.

ARTICLE 4. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer or borrow the sum of \$4,000.00 to enter into an agreement with Tri-Link, Inc. or take any action relative thereto.

It was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,000.00 to enter into an agreement with Tri-Link, Inc.

ARTICLE 5. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer or borrow the sum of \$400.00 for the printing of the Town By-Laws, or take any action relative thereto.

It was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$400.00 for the printing of the Town By-Laws.

ARTICLE 6. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer or borrow a sum of money for the purchase of a new police cruiser, or take any action relative thereto.

It was voted to transfer \$8,850.00 from Federal Revenue Sharing Funds and \$1,000.00 from the Jeppson Beach Fund Account for the purchase of a new police cruiser.

ARTICLE 7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer or borrow a sum of money to make necessary repairs to the Merrick Public Library, or take any action relative thereto.

It was voted to transfer the sum of \$2,500.00 from Federal Revenue Sharing Funds to make necessary repairs to the Merrick Public Library.

ARTICLE 8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer or borrow a sum of money to be included in the budget of the Brookfield Council on Aging, or take any action relative thereto.

It was voted to transfer the sum of \$1,000.00 from Revenue Sharing to the budget of the Council on Aging as Brookfield's share for a full time driver for the elderbus

ARTICLE 9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer or borrow a sum of money to be used for continued rehabilitation of the Fire Station, or take any action relative thereto.

It was voted to transfer the sum of \$5,000.00 from Revenue Sharing Funds to be used for continued rehabilitation of the Fire Station.

ARTICLE 10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer or borrow a sum of money to be used by the Selectmen for Town Hall improvements, or take any action relative thereto.

It was voted to transfer from Revenue Sharing Funds the sum of \$15,000.00 to be used by the Selectmen for town hall improvements.

ARTICLE 11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer or borrow a sum of money to conduct an audit for the Town for Fiscal year 1984, or take any action relative thereto.

It was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of 10,000.00 to conduct a required audit for the town for fiscal year 1984.

ARTICLE 12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer or borrow a sum of money to conduct a required revaluation of all properties in town, or take any action relative thereto.

It was voted to pass over ARTICLE 12.

ARTICLE 13. 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 financial year beginning July 1, 1984 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, or take any action relative thereto.

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 financial year beginning July 1, 1984 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. Vote was Unanimous.

ARTICLE 14. 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 15. To see if the Town will vote to instruct 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 holding of said sale, or take any action relative thereto.

It was voted to instruct 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 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 holding of said sale.

ARTICLE 16. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer or borrow the sum of \$5,000.00 for the purpose of Tax Title foreclosure expenses.

It was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000.00 for the purpose of Tax Title foreclosure expenses.

ARTICLE 17. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer or borrow a sum of money to pay to the Town of Abington, Mass. the Town of Brookfield's share of benefits paid to Leonard Palopoli due as a result of services rendered to the Town of Brookfield in the years 1931-40, or take any action relative thereto.

It was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,657.21 to pay to the Town of Abington, Mass. the Town of Brookfield's share of benefits paid to Leonard Palopoli due as a result of services rendered at the Town of Brookfield in the years 1931-40.

ARTICLE 18. 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 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 Maintenance Fund and Purchase of New Equipment Account whenever they deem it necessary.

ARTICLE 20. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate by transfer to the Library Fund Account the sum of money which was collected through Dec. 31, 1983 for overdue books, or take any action relative thereto.

It was voted to transfer the sum of \$189.37 to the Library Fund Account which was collected through December 31, 1983 for overdue books.

ARTICLE 19. 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 \$1,945.00 from the Library Extension Account (Grant from the State) to the Public Library Account.

ARTICLE 21. To see if the Town will vote to transfer all Grave Fees received up to December 31, 1983 to the Cemetery Appropriation Account, or take any action relative thereto.

It was voted to transfer \$1,325.00 received as grave fees up to Dec. 31, 1983 to the Cemetery Appropriation Account.

ARTICLE 22. To see if the Town will vote to transfer a sum of money from the Cemetery Interest Account to the Cemetery Appropriation Account or take any action relative thereto.

It was voted to transfer the sum of \$8,000.00 be transferred from the Cemetery Interest Account to the Cemetery Appropriation Account.

ARTICLE 23. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate by transfer from Cemetery Sale of Lots Fund to the Cemetery Improvement Account all the money received from the sale of lots up to December 31, 1983, or take any action relative thereto.

It was voted to pass over ARTICLE 23.

ARTICLE 24. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer or borrow the sum of \$20,000.00 to be used with or without funds allotted by the Commonwealth for the construction, reconstruction and improvement of town roads, or take any action relative thereto.

It was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$20,000.00 to be used with or without funds allotted by the Commonwealth for the construction, reconstruction and improvement of town roads.

ARTICLE 25. 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, 1984 to June 30, 1985, or take any action relative thereto.

It was voted to pass over ARTICLE 25.

ARTICLE 26. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from Free Cash a sum of money for the Stabilization Account, or take any action relative thereto.

It was voted to pass over ARTICLE 26.

ARTICLE 27. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer or borrow a sum of money for the Reserve Account, or take any action relative thereto.

It was voted to transfer \$4,000.00 from the Overlay Reserve Fund to the Reserve Fund.

Meeting adjourned at 10:50 P.M. 79 Voters present.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant, by posting up attested copies thereof, at the 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 TWENTY FOURTH day of APRIL in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and EIGHTY FOUR.

S/ Joseph F. Murray
George W. Beeman
Bonita R. Porter

Selectmen of Brookfield

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 4/26/84 12:45 P.M. FRAZIERS NEWS 4/26/84 12:50 P.M. TOWN HALL 12:55 P.M seven days before the date of the meeting, as within directed.

S/ Harold L. Thibault, Constable

A true copy Attest

Leamana Terry
Town Clerk