

**THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS  
ANNUAL TOWN MEETING WARRANT  
MAY 5<sup>TH</sup>, 2003**

**WORCESTER, SS**

TO EITHER OF THE CONSTABLES OF THE TOWN OF BROOKFIELD IN THE COUNTY OF WORCESTER

**GREETINGS:**

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, 6 CENTRAL STREET, BROOKFIELD, MA ON MONDAY THE FIFTH DAY MAY IN THE YEAR 2003, FROM 7:00 A.M. TO 7:00 P.M. THEN AND THERE TO ACT ON THE FOLLOWING ARTICLE:

**ARTICLE 1.** To elect all one ballot the follow officers: One Moderator for one year; One Selectman for three years; One Assessor for three years; One member of the Elementary School Committee for three years; One member of the Regional School Committee for three years; One Water Commissioner for three years; One member of the Planning Board for five years; One Member of the Planning Board for three years; One member of the Board of Health for three years; One Member of the Board of Health for one year; One Cemetery Commissioner for three years; One Trustee for Shade Tree and Cemetery for funds for three years; Two Trustees for the Merrick Public Library for three years; One member of the Housing Authority for 5 years.

ALSO MEET AT THE BROOKFIELD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, 37 CENTRAL STREET, BROOKFIELD, MA ON FRIDAY, JUNE 6, 2003, AT 7:00 P.M. TO ACT ON THE FOLLOWING:

**ARTICLE 2.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate such sums of money as may be necessary to defray the expenses of the Town for the ensuing year, or take any action relative thereto.

Selectman Beverly Lund made a motion to pass over Article 2 until June 27, 2003, the motion was voted on and unanimously approved by the voters.

At the reconvened session on June 26, 2003, the Town voted by a majority vote to raise and appropriate such sums of money as may necessary to defray the expenses of the Town for the ensuing year.

A motion was made by a voter to approve the figure of \$22,000.00 for Legal Services provided that the Selectmen include in the following Annual Reports how the money was expended in categories, such as pending suits, legal advice, zoning infractions pursued, ect. The motion was voted on and approved by a majority vote of the voters.

William Gillmeister a member of the Elementary School Committee made a motion to change the school budget amount of \$2,160,289.00 to \$2,279,935 the additional \$120,000.00 would be transferred from Stabilization. The town voted by a vote of 84 yes 8 no to change the amount and to transfer \$120,000.00 from Stabilization.

**ARTICLE 3.** 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 fiscal year beginning July 1, 2003 in accordance with the provisions of

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, or take any action relative thereto. (Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen)

The Town 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 fiscal year beginning July 1, 2003 in accordance with the provisions of 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.

**ARTICLE 4.** 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. (Sponsored by the Treasurer)

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

**ARTICLE 5.** 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 the 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 said sale, or take any action relative thereto. (Sponsored by the Tax Collector)

The Town 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 a notice at the Town Hall and the 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 said sale.

**ARTICLE 6.** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to sell at public auction after first giving notice of the time and place of sale by posting such notice of sale in some convenient and public place in Town, and by advertising once in a local newspaper, fourteen days at least before the sale, any old and obsolete equipment or personal property, provided that the Selectmen or whomsoever they may authorize to hold such auction or sale may reject any bid which they deem inadequate, or take any action relative thereto. (Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen)

The Town voted to authorize the Selectmen to sell at public auction after first giving notice of the time and place of sale by posting such notice of sale in some convenient and public place in Town, and by advertising once in a local newspaper, fourteen days at least before the sale, any old and obsolete equipment or personal property, provided that the Selectmen or whomsoever they may authorize to hold such auction or sale may reject any bid which they deem inadequate.

**ARTICLE 7.** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to apply for any and to expend any State, Federal or other grants that may become available to the Town of Brookfield, or take any action relative thereto. (Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen)

The Town voted to authorize the Board of Selectmen to apply for any and to expend any State, Federal or other grants that may become available to the Town of Brookfield.

**ARTICLE 8.** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Health to appoint a Health Agent, Title V Administrator, and Transfer Station Administrator from its

members and to provide compensation therefore, or take any action relative thereto.  
(Sponsored by the Board of Health)

The Town voted to authorize the Board of Health to appoint a Health Agent, Title V Administrator, and Transfer Station Administrator from one of its members and to provide compensation therefore.

**ARTICLE 9.** To see if the Town will vote to establish a revolving fund for the Brookfield Local Public Access under M.G.L. Chapter 44, section 53E ½ and to authorize the license fee paid by Charter Cable and all monies raised through advertising and fundraising to be deposited in said revolving fund, provided that no monies shall be expended in excess of \$15,000.00, or take any action relative thereto. (Sponsored by the Local Public Access Committee)

The Town voted to establish a revolving fund for the Brookfield Local Public Access under M.G.L. Chapter 44, section 53E ½ and to authorize the license fee paid by Charter Cable and all monies raised through advertising and fundraising to be deposited in said revolving fund, provided that no monies shall be expended in excess of \$15,000.00.

**ARTICLE 10.** To see if the Town will vote to establish a revolving fund for the Brookfield Planning Board under M.G.L. Chapter 44, section 53G and to receive monies derived from engineering fees charged in relation to reviews of applications submitted to the Board and to expend these monies to pay all costs associated with professional engineering review of said application provided that no monies shall be expended in excess of \$5,000.00, or take any action relative thereto. (Sponsored by the Planning Board)

The Town voted to pass over Article 10.

**ARTICLE 11.** To see if the Town will vote to establish a revolving fund for the Library Trustees under M.G.L. Chapter 44, section 53E ½ and to receive monies derived from fines collected on overdue materials and copies and to expend these monies to pay for replacement of materials, maintenance and supplies for the copy machine provided that no monies shall be expended in excess of \$1,000.00, or take any action relative. (Sponsored by the Library Trustees)

The Town voted to establish a revolving fund for the Library Trustees under M.G.L. Chapter 44, section 53E ½ and to receive monies derived from fines collected on overdue materials and copies and to expend these monies to pay for replacement of materials, maintenance and supplies for the copy machine provided that no monies shall be expended in excess of \$1,000.00.

**ARTICLE 12.** To see if the Town will vote to establish a revolving fund for the Brookfield Recreation Commission under M.G.L. Chapter 44, section 53E ½ and to receive monies derived from registration fees and to expend these monies to pay for costs associated with sports activities provided that no monies shall be expended in excess of \$3,000.00, or take any action relative thereto. (Sponsored by the Recreation Commission)

The Town voted to establish a revolving fund for the Brookfield Recreation Commission under M.G.L. Chapter 44, section 53E ½ and to receive monies derived from registration fees and to expend these monies to pay for costs associated with sports activities provided that no monies shall be expended in excess of \$3,000.00.

**ARTICLE 13.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer or borrow a sum of money to the Abington Retirement Expense Account to pay the Town of Brookfield's share of benefits paid to Mary Palopoli, widow of 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. (Sponsored by the Treasurer)

The Town voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,267.20 to pay the Town of Brookfield's share of benefits paid to Mary Palopoli, widow of Leonard Palopoli, due as a result of services rendered to the Town of Brookfield in the year 1931-40.

**ARTICLE 14.** To see if the Town will vote to transfer a sum of money from the Ambulance Billing Receipts Account which was established according to Chapter 40, Section 5F to fund the Emergency Squad Salary Account for fiscal year 2004, or take any action relative thereto. (Sponsored by the Emergency Squad)

The Town voted unanimously to transfer the sum of \$89,494 from the Ambulance Billing Receipts Account, which was established according to Chapter 40 Section 5F, to fund the FY04 Ambulance Salary Account

**ARTICLE 15.** To see if the Town will vote to transfer a sum of money from the Ambulance Billing Receipts Account which was established according to Chapter 40, Section 5F to fund the Ambulance Expense Account for fiscal year 2004, or take any action relative thereto. (Sponsored by the Emergency Squad)

The Town voted unanimously to transfer a sum of money from the Ambulance Billing Receipts Account which was established according to Chapter 40, Section 5F to fund the Ambulance Expense Account for fiscal year 2004 as follows:

Municipal Diesel Fuel Account	\$ 1,600.00
Ambulance Expense Account	21,425.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$23,025.00</b>

**ARTICLE 16.** To see if the Town will vote to transfer a sum of money from the Cemetery Sale of Lots Account to the Cemetery Perpetual Care Account, or take any action relative thereto. (Sponsored by the Cemetery Commissioners)

The Town unanimously voted to transfer the sum of \$7300.00 from the Cemetery Sale of Lots Account to the Cemetery Perpetual Care Account.

**ARTICLE 17.** To see if the Town will vote to transfer a sum of money from the Burial Fees Account to the Cemetery Expense Account, or take any action relative thereto. (Sponsored by the Cemetery Commissioner)

The Town voted unanimously to transfer the sum of \$8000.00 from the Burial Fees Account to the Cemetery Expense Account.

**ARTICLE 18.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer or borrow a sum of money to the Town Hall Improvement Account, or take any action relative thereto. (Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen)

The Town voted by a vote of 82 yes 1 no to transfer the sum of \$20,000.00 from Stabilization to the Town Hall Improvement Account.

**ARTICLE 19.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer or borrow a sum of money to the Town Hall Exterior Renovations Account, or take any action relative thereto. (Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen)

The Town voted unanimously to transfer \$10,000.00 fro Stabilization to the Town Hall Exterior Renovations Account to pay for architectural services for the repair or replacement of the roof system.

**ARTICLE 20.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer or borrow a sum of money to purchase a new pumper for the Fire Department to replace the 1972 fire truck, or take any action relative thereto. (Sponsored by the Fire Department)

The Town voted by a vote of 72 yes 5 no to appropriate the sum of \$290,000.00 to pay costs of acquiring a new pumper for the Fire Department to replace the 1972 fire truck, and that to meet this appropriation, the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, is hereby authorized to borrow said amount under and pursuant to Chapter 44, Section 7 or pursuant to any other enabling authority, and to issue bonds or notes of the Town therefore and further that said borrowing is contingent on the passage, at an election of a Debt Exclusion vote permitting the Town to assess an additional \$290,000 in real estate and personal property taxes for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2003.

The town voted by a vote of 45 yes 43 no to have an election of a Debt Exclusion vote.

**ARTICLE 21.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer or borrow a sum of money to the Mill Street Property Site Plan Account for the development of a site and topographical plan for the Mill Street property, or take any action relative thereto. (Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen)

The Town voted by a vote of 82 yes 1 no to transfer the sum of \$20,000.00 from Stabilization to the Mill Street Property Site Plan Account for the development of a site and topographical plan for the Mill Street property.

**ARTICLE 22.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer or borrow a sum of money to the Highway Construction, Reconstruction and Improvement of Town Roads, Bridges and Sidewalks Account to be used with or without funds allotted by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, or take any action relative thereto. (Sponsored by the Highway Department)

The Town voted unanimously to transfer the sum of \$30,000.00 from Stabilization to the Highway Construction, Reconstruction and Improvement of Town Roads, Bridges and Sidewalks Account to be used with or without funds allotted by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

**ARTICLE 23.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer or borrow a sum of money to fund Chapter 90 projects for the construction, reconstruction and improvement of town roads, bridges and sidewalks, or take any action relative thereto. (Sponsored by the Highway Department)

The Town voted unanimously to appropriate the sum of \$69,063.20 to pay costs of Chapter 90 projects for the construction, reconstruction and improvement of town roads, bridges and sidewalks and that to meet this appropriation the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, is authorized to borrow said amount under and pursuant to Chapter 44, Section 6 or pursuant to any other enabling authority, and to issue temporary notes of the Town therefore.

**ARTICLE 24.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer or borrow a sum of money to purchase a new Backhoe/Loader for the Highway Department under Chapter 90 funds, or take any action relative thereto. (Sponsored by the Highway Department)

The Town voted unanimously to appropriate the sum of \$104,000.00 to pay the costs of purchasing a new Backhoe/Loader for the Highway Department which costs are expected to be reimbursed from Chapter 90 funds, so called, and that to meet this appropriation the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, is hereby authorized to borrow said amount under and pursuant to Chapter 44, Sections 6 or 7, or pursuant to any other enabling authority, and to issue bonds or notes of the Town therefor.

**ARTICLE 25.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer or borrow a sum of money for improvements to the Fire Department Engine #3, or take any action relative thereto. (Sponsored by the Fire Department)

The Town voted unanimously to transfer the sum of \$20,000.00 from Stabilization for improvements to the Fire Department Engine #3.

**ARTICLE 26.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer or borrow a sum of money to the Recreation Commission Playground Account to purchase and install a playground at Lewis Field, or take any action relative thereto. (Sponsored by the Recreation Commission)

The Town voted unanimously to transfer the sum of \$25,000.00 from Stabilization to the Recreation Commission Playground Account to purchase and install a playground at Lewis Field.

**ARTICLE 27.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer or borrow a sum of money to repair the Highway Department Garage ceiling, windows and doors and to insulate said garage for the purpose of energy conservation, or take any action relative thereto. (Sponsored by the Highway Department)

The Town voted unanimously to transfer the sum of \$9,753.00 from Stabilization to repair the Highway Department Garage ceiling, windows and doors and to insulate said garage for the purpose of energy conservation.

**ARTICLE 28.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer or borrow a sum of money to fund the new Gasoline Tank Account to purchase and install a 1,000 gallon gasoline tank, or take any action relative thereto. (Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen)

The Town voted by a vote of 53 yes 7 no to transfer the sum of \$14,000.00 from Stabilization to fund the new Gasoline Tank Account to purchase and install a 1,000 gallon gasoline tank at the Highway Department site.

**ARTICLE 29.** To see if the Town will vote to transfer a sum of money from the Water Surplus Account to the Water Department Standpipe Account, or take any action relative thereto. (Sponsored by the Water Department)

The Town voted unanimously to transfer the sum of \$20,000.00 from the Water Surplus Account to the Water Department Standpipe Account.

**ARTICLE 30.** To see if the Town will vote to transfer a sum of money to purchase a portion of land on Draper Street as listed in the Assessors' Map 6C-1, parcel 130 adjoining the water standpipe land to be used for the future expansion of the Water Department, or take any action relative thereto. (Sponsored by the Water Department)

The Town voted unanimously to transfer the sum of \$35,000.00 from the Water Surplus Account to purchase land a portion of land on Draper Street as listed in the Assessors' Map 6C-1, parcel 130 adjoining the water standpipe land to be used for the future expansion of the Water Department.

**ARTICLE 31.** To see if the Town will vote to amend the By-laws of the Town of Brookfield, CHAPTER X – Use of Public Ways and Places, Section 12 by adding the words “Snow or Ice Removal” after Section 12 and by adding the following at the end:

The enforcing authority for this section shall be the Police Department.

First Offense	\$ 25.00
Section Offense	\$ 50.00
Third Offense	\$100.00

And further to amend CHAPTER I – General provisions by adding the following under section 5:

Violation of Snow or Ice Removal	First Offense	\$ 25.00
Violation of Snow or Ice Removal	Second Offense	\$ 50.00
Violation of Snow or Ice Removal	Third Offense	\$100.00,

or take any action relative thereto. (Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen)

The Town voted by a majority vote to amend the By-laws of the Town of Brookfield, CHAPTER X – Use of Public Ways and Places, Section 12 by adding the words “Snow or Ice Removal” after Section 12 and by adding the following at the end:

The voters also voted another amendment to Article 31 to read all subsequent offences \$100.00.

The enforcing authority for this section shall be the Police Department.

First Offense	\$ 25.00
Section Offense	\$ 50.00
Third Offense	\$100.00

And further to amend CHAPTER I – General provisions by adding the following under section 5:

Violation of Snow or Ice Removal	First Offense	\$ 25.00
Violation of Snow or Ice Removal	Second Offense	\$ 50.00
Violation of Snow or Ice Removal	Third Offense	\$100.00

**ARTICLE 32.** To see if the Town will vote to accept G.L. c. 40, section 57 and to amend the Town’s General By-laws, CHAPTER V, Section 6 by adding the following section:

- (a) The tax collector or other municipal official responsible for records of all municipal taxes, assessments, betterments and other municipal charges, hereinafter referred to as the tax collector, shall annually furnish to each department, board, commission or division, hereinafter referred to as the licensing authority, that issues licenses or permits including renewals and transfers, a list of any person, corporation, or business enterprise, hereinafter referred to as the party, that has neglected or refused to pay any local taxes, fees, assessments, betterments or other municipal charges for not less than a twelve month period, and that such party has not filed in good faith a pending application for an abatement of such tax or a pending petition before the appellate tax board.
- (b) The licensing authority may deny, revoke or suspend any license or permit, including renewals and transfers of any party whose name appears on said list furnished to the licensing authority from the tax collector or with respect to any activity, event or other matter which is the subject of such license or permit and which activity, event or matter is carries out or exercised or is to be carried out or exercised on or about real estate owned by any party whose name appears on said list furnished to the licensing authority from the tax collector; provided, however, that written notice is given to the party and the tax collector, as required by applicable provision of law, and the party is given a hearing, to be held not earlier than fourteen days after said notice. Said list shall be prima facie evidence for denial, revocation or suspension of said license or permit to any party. The tax collector shall have the right to intervene in any hearing conducted with respect to such license denial, revocation or suspension. Any findings made by the licensing authority with respect to such license denial, revocation or suspension shall be made only for the purposes of such proceeding and shall not be relevant to or introduced in

any other proceeding at law, except for any appeal from such license denial, revocation or suspension. Any license or permit denied, suspended or revoked under this section shall not be reissued or renewed until the license authority receives a certificate issued by the tax collector that the party is in good standing with respect to any and all local taxes, fees, assessments, betterments or other municipal charges, payable to the municipality as the date of issuance of said certificate.

- (c) Any party shall be given an opportunity to enter into a payment agreement, thereby allowing the licensing authority to issue a certificate indicating said limitations to the license or permit and the validity of said license shall be conditioned upon the satisfactory compliance with said agreement. Failure to comply with said agreement shall be grounds for the suspension or revocation of said license or permit; provided, however, that the holder be given notice and a hearing as required by applicable provisions of law.
- (d) The Board of Selectmen may waive such denial, suspension or revocation if it finds there is not direct or indirect business interest by the property owner, its officers or stockholders, if any, or members of his immediate family, as defined in section one of chapter two hundred and sixty-eight A of the General Laws in the business or activity conducted in or on said property.

This section shall not apply to the following licenses and permits under the following provisions of the General Laws: open burning; section thirteen of chapter forty-eight; bicycle permits; section eleven A of chapter eighty-five; sales of articles for charitable purposes, section thirty-three of chapter one hundred and one; children work permits, section sixty-nine of chapter one hundred and forty-nine; clubs, associations dispensing food or beverage licenses, section twenty-one E of chapter one hundred and forty; dog licenses, section one hundred and thirty-seven of chapter one hundred and forty; fishing, hunting, trapping license, section twelve of chapter one hundred and thirty-one; marriage licenses, section twenty-eight of chapter two hundred and seven and theatrical events, public exhibition permits, section one hundred and eighty-one of chapter one hundred and forty.

A city or town may exclude any local license or permit from this section by by-law or ordinance,

or take any action relative thereto. (Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen)

The Town voted unanimously to accept G.L. c. 40, section 57 and to amend the Town's General By-laws, CHAPTER V, Section 6 by adding the following section:

- (a) The tax collector or other municipal official responsible for records of all municipal taxes, assessments, betterments and other municipal charges, hereinafter referred to as the tax collector, shall annually furnish to each department, board, commission or division, hereinafter referred to as the licensing authority, that issues licenses or permits including renewals and transfers, a list of any person, corporation, or business enterprise, hereinafter referred to as the party, that has neglected or refused to pay any local taxes, fees, assessments, betterments or other municipal charges for not less than a twelve month period, and that such party has not filed in good faith a pending application for an abatement of such tax or a pending petition before the appellate tax board.
- (b) The licensing authority may deny, revoke or suspend any license or permit, including renewals and transfers of any party whose name appears on said list furnished to the licensing authority from the tax collector or with respect to any activity, event or other matter which is the subject of such license or permit and which activity, event or matter is carried out or exercised or is to be carried out or exercised on or about real estate owned by any party whose name appears on said list furnished to the licensing authority from the tax collector; provided, however, that written notice is given to the party and the tax collector, as required by applicable provision of law, and the party is given

a hearing, to be held not earlier than fourteen days after said notice. Said list shall be prima facie evidence for denial, revocation or suspension of said license or permit to any party. The tax collector shall have the right to intervene in any hearing conducted with respect to such license denial, revocation or suspension. Any findings made by the licensing authority with respect to such license denial, revocation or suspension shall be made only for the purposes of such proceeding and shall not be relevant to or introduced in any other proceeding at law, except for any appeal from such license denial, revocation or suspension. Any license or permit denied, suspended or revoked under this section shall not be reissued or renewed until the license authority receives a certificate issued by the tax collector that the party is in good standing with respect to any and all local taxes, fees, assessments, betterments or other municipal charges, payable to the municipality as the date of issuance of said certificate.

- (c) Any party shall be given an opportunity to enter into a payment agreement, thereby allowing the licensing authority to issue a certificate indicating said limitations to the license or permit and the validity of said license shall be conditioned upon the satisfactory compliance with said agreement. Failure to comply with said agreement shall be grounds for the suspension or revocation of said license or permit; provided, however, that the holder be given notice and a hearing as required by applicable provisions of law.
- (d) The Board of Selectmen may waive such denial, suspension or revocation if it finds there is not direct or indirect business interest by the property owner, its officers or stockholders, if any, or members of his immediate family, as defined in section one of chapter two hundred and sixty-eight A of the General Laws in the business or activity conducted in or on said property.

This section shall not apply to the following licenses and permits under the following provisions of the General Laws: open burning; section thirteen of chapter forty-eight; bicycle permits; section eleven A of chapter eighty-five; sales of articles for charitable purposes, section thirty-three of chapter one hundred and one; children work permits, section sixty-nine of chapter one hundred and forty-nine; clubs, associations dispensing food or beverage licenses, section twenty-one E of chapter one hundred and forty; dog licenses, section one hundred and thirty-seven of chapter one hundred and forty; fishing, hunting, trapping license, section twelve of chapter one hundred and thirty-one; marriage licenses, section twenty-eight of chapter two hundred and seven and theatrical events, public exhibition permits, section one hundred and eighty-one of chapter one hundred and forty.

A city or town may exclude any local license or permit from this section by by-law or ordinance,

**ARTICLE 33.** To see if the Town will vote to amend its General By-laws by adding the following section under CHAPTER XII – Miscellaneous By-Law, Section 6:

### **TAG SALES BY LAW**

#### **A. DEFINITIONS:**

1. Tag, Yard & Garage Sales (Sale): The offering of second hand articles for sale or at no charge whether at the residence of the owner(s) of said articles or elsewhere within the Town of Brookfield including sales either inside or outside of any structure or building.
2. Granting Authority: The Board of Selectmen of the Town of Brookfield or any person or persons designated by said Board to act on its behalf in granting permits hereunder.
3. Enforcement Authority: The Police Department for the Town of Brookfield.

**B. EXCEPTIONS:**

1. Excepted from the requirements of this by-law shall be sidewalk sales, at the usual place of business, of merchants licensed to do business in the Town of Brookfield.

**C. REGULATIONS:**

1. Any person or entity conducting a Sale, as defined herein, within the Town of Brookfield shall first obtain a permit for said sale from the Granting Authority. The applicant for said permit shall be the owner of the property on which the sale is to be conducted, if the sale is to be conducted by someone other than the owner (i.e. tenant), that person shall first obtain the owner's signature on the application certifying that the owner has consented to the sale and agrees to be bound by any conditions set by the Granting Authority in granting the permit. Such permits are not assignable or transferable.
2. Applications for said permits shall be on the forms provided by the Town of Brookfield for such purpose and shall be completed in full.
3. Applications shall be approved at least three (3) days in advance of the date requested for said sale from the Office of the Board of Selectmen or their authorized representative during normal business hours.
4. Any application failing to meet the requirements of this by-law will be denied.
5. Any person or entity obtaining a permit shall be required to comply with any conditions set by the granting authority relative to said permit. These may include, without limitation: hiring of off-duty police officers for traffic control; limiting hours of operations other than as already required herein; and controlling the placement of the articles to be sold on the subject premises other than as already required herein.
6. No sale shall be conducted before 7:30 AM. or after 7:30 P.M. No sale shall run longer than three (3) consecutive days at a time. No more than four (4) permits per calendar year shall be granted to a single applicant.
7. No signs shall be displayed on public property or property owned by any public utility. No sign shall be displayed which, in any manner, obstructs the view for vehicular traffic or otherwise impedes pedestrian or vehicle safety. Each sign shall be limited in size to 6 square feet. Any sign improperly displayed, or otherwise in violation of this by-law, may be removed by the Town of Brookfield.
8. All signs shall be removed no later than twenty-four (24) hours after the end of the sale.
9. All merchandise for sale shall be placed so as not to obstruct any sidewalk or public way.
10. In the event any of the provisions of this by-law are in conflict with the zoning by-laws of the Town of Brookfield, said zoning by-laws shall control.
11. All merchandise and related items shall be removed within 24 hours after the end of the sale.
12. Any person or entity violating the terms of the permit granted, or any

provision of this by-law, or operating a sale without first obtaining a permit, shall be subject to a fine of twenty five (\$25.00) dollars. Each day said violation continues shall be considered a separate offense.

13. The Town of Brookfield Police Department shall be the enforcement authority for this by-law.

14. Enforcement by Civil Infraction Process

Violations of this By-Law and violations of orders of the enforcement officer having responsibility for the enforcement of this By-Law may be enforced by the Civil Infraction Process as set forth in section 21D and the assessment designated shall be assessed for each violation.

Violation of Tag, Yard & Garage Sale	\$25.00 first offense and each day the violation occurs.
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and further that the Town vote to amend CHAPTER I – General Provisions, by adding the following at the end of Section 5:

Violation of Tag, Yard & Garage Sale	\$25.00 first offense and each day the violation occurs,
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or take any action relative thereto. (Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen)

The Town voted by a majority vote to defeat Article 33.

**ARTICLE 34.** To see if the Town will vote to amend its General By-laws, Chapter V- Financial Affairs, Section 7 as follows: Delete ‘\$.25 and insert “\$.35’, per mile, or take any action relative thereto. (Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen)

The Town voted by a majority vote to amend its General By-laws, Chapter V- Financial affairs, by deleting Section 7 in its entirety and inserting the following: Section 7- Mileage Reimbursement. Reimbursement of authorized mileage for use of a personal vehicle by town officers and employees will be allowed at the then current Internal Revenue Service guidelines effective as of July 1 of each year.

**ARTICLE 35.** To see if the Town will vote to amend its Personnel By-laws Chapter XV, Section 2 – Mandatory Classification by adding the following under the “GRADES FOR POSITIONS” in their appropriate order: Administrative Clerk, Grade 6; Administrative Secretary, Grade 6; Town Treasurer, Election Workers, Board of Health Agent, Board of Health Title V Administrator and Transfer Station Administrator, or take any action relative thereto. (Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen)

The Town voted unanimously to amend its Personnel By-laws CHAPTER XV, Section 2 – Mandatory Classification by adding the following under the “GRADES FOR POSITIONS” in their appropriate order: Administrative Clerk, Water, Department, Grade 6; Administrative Secretary, Planning Board, Grade 6; Administrative Secretary, Police Department, Grade 7; Town Treasurer; Election Warden, Grade 2; Election Clerk, Grade 2; Election Officers, Grade 2; Board of Health Agent, Grade 6; Board of Health Title V Administrator, Grade 11 and Transfer Station Administrator, Grade 12.

**ARTICLE 36.** To see if the Town will vote to amend the Brookfield Zoning By-law so that Section 5.B.3.c. reads as follows (change is shown in bold): “External alterations or structural changes not customary to a residential building are not allowed nor is any change which alter the residential appearance of the building on the lot, with the exception of a sign not larger than **6 (six)** square feet in area,” or take any action relative thereto. (Sponsored by the Planning Board)

The Town voted unanimously to amend the Brookfield Zoning By-law so that Section 5.B.3.c. reads as follows (change is shown in bold): “External alterations or structural



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Linda M. Lincoln, Town Clerk  
6 Central Street  
Brookfield, MA 01506

RE: Brookfield Annual Town Meeting of June 6, 2003 — Case # 2682  
Warrant Articles # 31, 32, and 34 (General)  
Warrant Articles # 36 and 37 (Zoning)

Dear Ms. Lincoln:

Articles 31, 32, 34, 36, and 37 - I return with the approval of this Office the amendments to the town by-laws adopted under these Articles on the warrant for the Brookfield annual town meeting that convened on June 6, 2003.

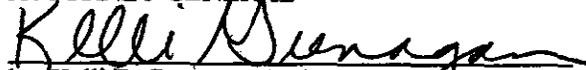
Article 32 - The vote under Article 32 was a vote to accept the provisions of G.L. c. 40, § 57 and to add a new section pertaining to delinquent taxpayers to the town's general by-laws. In approving the amendments adopted under Article 32, we remind the town that we take no action on that portion of the vote that accepted the provisions of G.L. c. 40, § 57. That portion of the vote was not a by-law amendment and does not require the approval of the Attorney General.

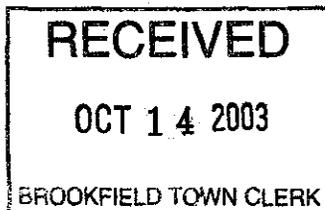
Note: General Laws Chapter 40, Section 32, requires that both general and zoning by-laws and by-law amendments, once approved by the Attorney General, must be posted and published by the Town Clerk before they may be deemed to take effect. Once this statutory duty is fulfilled, (1) general by-laws and amendments take effect on the date that these posting and publishing requirements are satisfied unless a later effective date is prescribed in the by-law, and (2) zoning by-laws and amendments are deemed to have taken effect from the date they were voted by Town Meeting, unless a later effective date is prescribed in the by-law.

If the Attorney General has disapproved and deleted one or more portions of any by-law or by-law amendment submitted for approval, only those portions approved are to be posted and published pursuant to G.L. c. 40, § 32. We ask that you forward to us a copy of the final text of the by-law or by-law amendments reflecting any such deletion. It will be sufficient to send us a copy of the text posted and published by the Town Clerk pursuant to this statute.

Very truly yours,

THOMAS F. REILLY  
ATTORNEY GENERAL

  
by: Kelli E. Gunagan, Assistant Attorney General  
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enc.  
pc: Town Counsel

changes not customary to a residential building are not allowed nor is any change which alter the residential appearance of the building on the lot, with the exception of a sign not larger than 6 (six) square feet in area”.

**ARTICLE 37.** To see if the Town will vote to amend the Brookfield Zoning By-law, Section 4.D.1 to correct the reference to Prohibited Uses to read “4.B.,” or take any action relative thereto. (Sponsored by the Planning Board)

The Town voted unanimously to amend the Brookfield Zoning By-law, Section 4.D.1 to correct the reference to Prohibited Uses to read “4.B.”.

**ARTICLE 38.** To see whether the Town will vote to rescind the recent action by the Board of Health to raise the landfill use fee for next year, or take any action relative thereto. (Petition)

The Town voted by a majority vote to pass over Article 38.

**ARTICLE 39.** To see if the Town will vote to amend the By-laws as follows: “Chapter Two, Section 20: All appropriations exceeding the amount of \$25,000 must be considered at the annual town meeting, unless deemed an emergency measure. Only the board of selectmen by a majority vote may deem an appropriation an “emergency measure” and place an appropriation exceeding \$25,000 on the warrant for a special town meeting.”, or take any action relative thereto. (Petition)

The Town voted by a majority vote to defeat Article 39.

**ARTICLE 40.** To see if the Town will vote to rescind the 1993 Town Meeting vote granting authority for town officials to raise fees as permitted by state law (the provisions of G.L. c 40 S22F) and instead adopt the following amendment to the Town By-laws, which reads as follows:

“No town official, town agency, town department, or appointed or elected board may impose, raise or eliminate any fee for town-mandated services without the consent of the town meeting.” (If approved, this would become Section 19, Chapter Two of the Town Bylaws.), or take any action relative thereto. (Petition)

The Town voted unanimously to pass over Article 40.

**ARTICLE 41.** To see whether the town of Brookfield will raise or appropriate a sum of money to engage an outside municipal lawyer to issue a legal opinion as to whether the town has any access right to or redress regarding the sewer trunk line laid on Route 148 in Sturbridge in part with town funds as part of the regional high school project, and furthermore that the selectmen shall make public such opinion once rendered to the townspeople, or take any action relative thereto.”(Petition)

The Town voted by a majority vote to defeat Article 41.

AND YOU ARE DIRECTED TO SERVE THIS WARRANT, BY POSTING UP ATTESTED COPIES THEREOF, AT THE BROOKFIELD TOWN HALL AND U.S. POST OFFICE I SAID TOWN, SEVEN DAYS AT LEAST BEFORE THE TIME OF THE HOLDING OF SAID MEETING.

HEREOF, FAILNOT, AND MAKE DO RETURN OF THIS WARRANT, WITH YOUR DOINGS THEREON, TO THE TOWN CLERK, AT THE TIME AND PLACE OF THE MEETING, AS AFORESAID. GIVEN UNDER OUR HANDS THIS TWENTY-FOURTH DAY OF APRIL IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD, TWO THOUSAND AND THREE.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,  
Beverly A. Lund, Chairman  
Robert S. Phillips, Vice Chairman  
Joseph J. Klimavich, Clerk

Selectmen of Brookfield

A TRUE COPY, ATTEST: Ross B. Ackerman, Constable of Brookfield

WORCESTER, SS:  
BROOKFIELD, MASSACHUSETTS

PURSUANT TO THE WITHIN WARRANT, I HAVE NOTIFIED AND WARNED THE INHABITANTS OF THE TOWN OF BROOKFIELD BY POSTING UP ATTESTED COPIES OF SAME AT THE BROOKFIELD TOWN HALL AT 2:00 P.M. AND U.S. POST OFFICE AT 2:10 P.M. ON APRIL 24, 2003,

SEVEN DAYS BEFORE THE DATE OF THE MEETING, AS WITHIN DIRECTED.

Ross B. Ackerman, Constable of Brookfield

The Annual Town Meeting was held at the Brookfield Elementary School. One Hundred and Twelve (112) residents were in attendance. The voters unanimously moved to adjourn the meeting until June 26, 2003 at 7:00 P.M. the meeting adjourned at 8:30 P.M.

The Annual Town Meeting reconvened on June 26, 2003 at 7:00 P.M. at the Brookfield Elementary School. One Hundred and Five (105) residents were in attendance. The meeting adjourned at 10:10 P.M.

A TRUE COPY ATTEST: LINDA M. LINCOLN, TOWN CLERK

DETAIL

Account	Description	Appr FY02	Appr FY03	Req. FY04	Recc FY04
Proposed FY'04 = -13% local aid, \$.46 tax inc.-8% & \$20K					
GENERAL GOVERNMENT					
001-114-5110-000	Moderator salary	50	50	50	50
001-122-5110-000	Selectmen salary	6,084	6,084	6,206	6,206
001-122-5110-001	Administrative assistant salary	27,384	27,932	28,490	28,490
001-122-5700-000	Selectmen expenses	3,681	3,579	3,579	3,293
001-122-5700-001	Physical exams	0	0	400	400
001-122-5700-???	Consultant expenses	0	0	2,400	2,400
122 Total	Selectmen	37,149	37,595	41,075	40,789
-132-5405-000	Reserve	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000
001-135-5110-000	Town accountant salary	14,932	29,640	30,233	30,233
001-135-5205-000	Professional services - audit	7,500	7,500	3,000	3,000
001-135-5700-000	Town accountant expenses	1,540	1,540	1,540	1,432
001-135-5950-000	Town accountant: prof. services	15,000	0	0	0
135 Total	Town accountant	38,972	38,680	34,773	34,665
001-136-5110-000	Advisory committee clerk salary	0	0	0	0
001-136-5700-000	Advisory committee expenses	315	315	296	290
001-136-5700-001	Warrant books (printing & mailing)	0	1,500	1,500	1,500
136 Total	Advisory committee	315	1,815	1,796	1,790
001-141-5110-000	Assessors salary	24,702	25,196	25,700	25,700
001-141-5200-000	Assessors consulting services	2,000	2,500	2,500	2,300
	Assessors Cont. Serv. Revaluation			6,000	6,000
001-141-5700-000	Assessors expenses	5,695	4,700	4,700	4,324
141 Total	Assessors	32,397	32,396	38,900	38,324
001-145-5110-000	Treasurer salary	19,656	20,299	20,705	20,705
001-145-5110-001	Treasurer clerk salary	10,920	13,975	14,255	14,255
001-145-5200-000	Payroll services	4,500	5,317	5,317	5,317
001-145-5205-000	Banking services	250	0	0	0
-145-5700-000	Treasurer expenses	2,550	2,800	2,800	2,576
145 Total	Treasurer	37,876	42,391	43,077	42,852
001-146-5110-000	Collector salary	19,656	24,049	25,021	25,021
001-146-5110-001	Collector clerk salary	2,184	2,281	2,327	2,327
001-146-5700-000	Collector expenses	7,230	7,230	7,230	6,652
146 Total	Collector	29,070	33,560	34,578	34,000
Account	Description	Appr FY02	Appr FY03	Req. FY04	Recc FY04
001-151-5249-000	Legal Services	30,000	24,000	24,000	22,080
001-152-5700-000	Personnel Board expenses	0	0	0	0
001-158-5200-000	Treasurer/Collector tax titles	0	5,580	5,580	5,134
001-161-5110-000	Town Clerk salary	19,656	22,049	22,490	22,490
001-161-5110-001	Assistant Town Clerk salary	1,092	1,114	1,136	1,136
001-161-5700-000	Town Clerk expenses	2,980	2,980	2,980	2,742
161 Total	Town Clerk	23,728	26,143	26,606	26,368
001-162-5110-000	Elections & registration salaries	2,475	3,749	3,824	3,824
001-162-5700-000	Elections & registration expenses	3,285	3,385	3,385	3,114
162 Total	Elections & registration	5,760	7,134	7,209	6,938
-171-5700-000	Conservation Commission	100	100	100	92
-174-5600-000	Central MA Regional Planning Comm	588	619	634	634
001-175-5110-000	Planning board clerk salary	0	600	612	612
001-175-5700-000	Planning board expenses	700	700	700	644
175 Total	Planning Board	700	1,300	1,312	1,256
001-176-5110-000	Board of appeals clerk salary	0	0	0	0
001-176-5700-000	Board of appeals expenses	750	1,110	1,110	1,021
176 Total	Board of appeals	750	1,110	1,110	1,021
001-293-5110-000	Parking clerk & hearing officer salary	0	200	204	204
001-293-5700-000	Parking ticket expenses	0	300	300	276
293 Total	Parking Tickets	0	500	504	480

DETAIL

001-178-5700-000	Capital Improvement Planning Comm	0	20	20	18
001-192-5110-000	Town hall custodian salary	6,825	9,360	9,547	9,547
001-192-5700-000	Town hall expenses	8,954	7,394	7,394	6,802
192 Total	Town hall	15,779	16,754	16,941	16,349
001-195-5200-000	Print town report	1,100	1,100	1,100	1,100
001-199-5700-000	Municipal heating fuel	12,500	12,500	12,500	12,500
	Municipal Diesel fuel			7,500	7,500
TOTAL GENERAL GOVERNMENT		286,834	303,347	319,365	313,940
<b>Account</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Appr</b>	<b>Appr</b>	<b>Req.</b>	<b>Recc</b>
		<b>FY02</b>	<b>FY03</b>	<b>FY04</b>	<b>FY04</b>
	POLICE				
001-210-5110-000	Police salary full time	139,342			
001-210-5110-001	Police Chief salary	47,701	48,655	49,628	49,628
	Police salary FT		74,692	62,619	62,619
	Police salary (vaca,sick,holidays, etc.)		55,181	67,134	67,134
	Police Full time OT		6,209	7,731	7,731
	Police Dept. Clerk		6,047	7,488	7,488
001-210-5700-000	Police expenses	38,100	36,610	36,610	33,681
001-210-5801-000	Police station expenses	19,550	18,768	18,768	17,267
TOTAL POLICE		244,693	246,162	249,978	245,548
FIRE DEPARTMENT					
	FD Salaries	13,597			
001-220-5110-000	FD Chief salary		1,096	1,118	1,118
	Fire Dept. Salaries		12,773	9,513	9,513
	FD Brush Fire\Special DutySalaries			3,515	3,515
001-220-5700-000	FD expenses	24,000	23,040	23,000	23,000
001-220-5705-000	FD recurring recertification/testing	5,000	4,500	2,480	2,480
001-220-5750-000	FD asset repair/replacement	4,477	4,598	5,000	5,000
TOTAL FIRE DEPARTMENT		47,074	46,007	44,626	44,626
OTHER PUBLIC SAFETY					
001-235-5200-000	Telephone Contract/Leases	6,672	6,672	11,574	11,574
001-241-5110-000	Building inspector salary	9,315	9,501	9,691	9,691
001-241-5110-007	Assistant building inspector salary	0	250	255	250
001-241-5700-000	Building inspector expenses	685	685	685	630
241 Total	Building inspector	10,000	10,436	10,631	10,571
001-242-5110-000	Gas & plumbing inspector salary	1,981	2,021	3,000	2,827
001-242-5110-007	Asst. gas & plumbing inspector salary	250	250	300	400
001-242-5700-000	Gas & plumbing inspector expenses	133	133	433	275
242 Total	Gas & plumbing inspector	2,364	2,404	3,733	3,502
001-245-5110-000	Wiring inspector salary	2,717	2,771	2,827	2,827
001-245-5110-007	Assistant wiring inspector salary	0	250	250	250
001-245-5700-000	Wiring inspector expenses	408	408	408	375
245 Total	Wiring inspector	3,125	3,429	3,485	3,452
001-249-5110-000	Zoning enforcement officer salary	6,150	6,273	6,398	6,398
001-249-5700-000	Zoning enforcement officer expenses	195	195	195	179
249 Total	Zoning enforcement officer	6,345	6,468	6,593	6,577
001-291-5700-000	Emergency Management Agency (BEMA)	500	500	500	470
<b>Account</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Appr</b>	<b>Appr</b>	<b>Req.</b>	<b>Recc</b>
		<b>FY02</b>	<b>FY03</b>	<b>FY04</b>	<b>FY04</b>
001-292-5110-000	Animal control officer salary	4,000	4,080	4,162	4,162
001-292-5110-007	Assistant animal control officer salary	0	250	0	0
001-292-5700-000	Animal control officer expenses	3,500	3,400	2,000	2,000
292 Total	Animal control officer	7,500	7,730	6,162	6,162
001-294-5700-000	Tree warden	2,000	2,000	2,000	1,840
001-295-5700-000	Harbor master expenses	0	0	0	0
001-296-5700-000	Shade tree	1,950	1,950	1,950	1,794
001-299-5700-000	Insect/pest control	0	0	0	0
TOTAL OTHER PUBLIC SAFETY		40,456	41,589	46,628	45,942
SCHOOLS					
001-310-5110-001	School committee salary	0	0	0	0
001-310-5110-002	Regional committee salary	0	0	0	0
001-310-5600-000	Regional school assessment	1,185,669	1,314,099	1,263,460	1,263,460

DETAIL

001-310-5601-000	Transportation	2,384	2,169	80,114	80,114
001-310-5700-000	School department	2,463,044	2,394,935	2,279,935	2,279,935
TOTAL SCHOOLS		3,651,097	3,711,203	3,623,509	3,623,509
PUBLIC WORKS					
001-422-5110-000	Highway Supt. salary	88,016	37,451	38,200	38,200
	Highway Operator salary		30,250	30,850	30,850
	Highway salary OT/other		22,075	4,700	4,700
	Highway salary PT			7,878	7,878
001-422-5700-000	Highway expenses	45,835	44,002	44,002	40,481
001-422-5789-000	Plow private roads	0	0	0	0
001-422-6533-000	Bridges, rails & signs	1,500	1,440	1,354	1,325
422 Total	Highway	135,351	135,218	126,984	123,434
001-423-5700-000	Snow & ice account	30,000	30,000	30,000	30,000
001-424-5200-000	Street lights	10,980	9,900	9,900	9,108
001-432-5700-000	Sidewalks	1,000	1,000	1,000	920
Account Description Appr FY02 Appr FY03 Req. FY04 Recc FY04					
001-491-5110-000	Cemetery Supt. salary	12,840	13,097	4,000	4,000
	Cemetery salary			9,359	9,359
001-491-5700-000	Cemetery expenses	9,150	8,850	8,350	8,142
491 Total	Cemetery	21,990	21,947	21,709	21,501
001-492-5841-000	Cemetery improvements	0	0	0	0
TOTAL PUBLIC WORKS		199,321	198,064	189,593	184,963
HEALTH AND SANITATION AND SPECIAL SERVICES					
001-510-5110-000	BOH salary	1,500	1,530	1,561	1,561
001-510-5110-001	BOH clerk salary	947	500	510	510
001-510-5110-006	Animal inspector	926	873	890	890
001-510-5110-009	Title V administration	1,930	1,930	1,930	1,776
001-510-5200-000	Septage hauling	0	0	0	0
001-510-5700-000	BOH expenses	2,000	1,500	1,500	1,380
510 Total	Board of health	7,303	6,333	6,391	6,117
001-513-5110-000	Inspectors	11,000	12,000	12,000	11,040
001-515-5110-000	Transfer station salary	15,658	15,828	16,247	16,247
001-515-5250-000	Well tests	12,000	12,000	12,000	12,000
001-515-5700-000	Transfer station expenses	78,579	86,100	86,100	79,212
515 Total	Transfer station	106,237	113,928	114,347	107,459
001-522-5200-001	Community health program	731	731	731	673
001-541-5200-000	Tri valley crisis intervention	600	600	580	580
001-541-5260-000	Medi-car	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000
001-541-5700-000	Council on aging expenses	150	150	150	138
001-541-5110-000	Outreach worker	0	1,500	1,500	1,500
541 Total	Senior services	2,750	4,250	4,230	4,218
001-543-5110-000	Veterans services salary	2,252	2,297	2,343	2,343
001-544-5700-000	Veteran's agent expenses	500	500	600	600
001-544-5740-000	Case work (reimbursed 75%)	20,000	20,000	20,000	18,400
544 Total	Veterans case work	22,752	22,797	22,943	21,343
TOTAL HEALTH AND SANITATION AND SPECIAL SERVICES		150,773	160,039	160,642	150,850
Account Description Appr FY02 Appr FY03 Req. FY04 Recc FY04					
CULTURE AND RECREATION					
001-610-5110-000	Library salary	42,438	0	0	0
	Library Director salary		22,526	22,977	22,977
	Library Custodian salary		4,950	5,049	5,049
	Library Assts. Salary		15,210	16,589	16,589
	Library Sat/holidays/vacation		601	0	0
001-610-5700-000	Library expenses	10,244	10,000	9,382	9,382

DETAIL

001-610-5700-001	Library books, videos, periodicals	13,996	14,096	13,713	13,713
610 Total	Library	66,678	67,383	67,710	67,710
001-630-5110-000	Recreation commission salaries	0	0	0	0
	Recreation salaries			2,500	2,500
001-630-5700-000	Recreation commission expenses	5,050	5,050	4,747	4,646
001-630-5801-000	Lewis field maintenance expenses	5,000	5,000	2,200	2,200
630 Total	Recreation commission	10,050	10,050	9,447	9,346
001-631-5110-000	South pond salary	2,200	2,244	0	0
001-631-5700-000	South pond expenses	590	590	0	0
631 Total	South pond	2,790	2,834	0	0
-691-5700-000	Historical commission	500	500	500	460
-692-5700-000	Memorial day	1,000	1,500	1,500	1,380
001-693-5700-000	Cultural Council expenses	3,500	3,500	3,500	3,220
001-693-5700-???	First Night	0	0	0	0
691 Total	Cultural council	3,500	3,500	3,500	3,220
001-699-5200-000	Common/Xmas tree	500	500	0	0
<b>TOTAL CULTURE AND RECREATION</b>		<b>85,018</b>	<b>86,267</b>	<b>82,657</b>	<b>82,116</b>
<b>DEBT AND INTEREST</b>					
001-710-5910-000	Maturing principal (B.E.S.)	280,000	280,000	280,000	280,000
001-751-5915-000	Maturing interest (B.E.S.)	210,363	193,282	178,862	178,862
001-752-5925-000	Temporary loan interest	0	0	0	0
	Regional School	377,157	499,826	465,177	465,177
<b>TOTAL DEBT AND INTEREST</b>		<b>867,520</b>	<b>973,108</b>	<b>924,039</b>	<b>924,039</b>
<b>ASSESSMENTS AND OTHER MANDATED EXPENSES</b>					
001-911-5100-000	Worcester county retirement	42,747	56,026	63,334	63,334
001-913-5100-000	Unemployment insurance	2,000	2,000	4,000	4,000
<b>Account</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Appr</b>	<b>Appr</b>	<b>Req.</b>	<b>Recc</b>
		<b>FY02</b>	<b>FY03</b>	<b>FY04</b>	<b>FY04</b>
-914-5105-000	Group health & life insurance	135,719	168,500	183,950	183,950
001-916-5115-000	Medicare: town share	28,000	28,000	28,000	28,000
001-945-5600-000	General insurance	61,000	84,890	63,140	63,067
<b>TOTAL ASSESSMENTS AND OTHER MANDATED EXPENSES</b>		<b>269,466</b>	<b>339,416</b>	<b>342,424</b>	<b>342,351</b>
<b>WATER DEPARTMENT</b>					
002-000-5110-000	WD commissioners salary	1,500	1,500	1,530	1,530
002-000-5110-001	WD clerk salary	5,928	6,047	7,575	7,575
002-000-5110-002	WD superintendent salary	46,119	47,041	47,982	47,982
002-000-5110-003	WD secondary operator salary	1,966	2,967	3,026	3,026
002-000-5700-000	WD expenses	39,156	30,395	30,395	34,963
<b>TOTAL WATER DEPARTMENT (self funded)</b>		<b>94,669</b>	<b>87,950</b>	<b>90,508</b>	<b>95,076</b>
<b>TOTAL OPERATING BUDGET</b>		<b>5,936,921</b>	<b>6,193,152</b>	<b>6,073,969</b>	<b>6,052,959</b>
<b>EMERGENCY SQUAD</b>					
001-231-5110-000	ES salary	81,630	83,263	89,489	89,494
001-231-5700-000	ES expenses	21,908	20,000	18,425	21,425
<b>TOTAL EMERGENCY SQUAD (self funded)</b>		<b>103,538</b>	<b>103,263</b>	<b>107,914</b>	<b>110,919</b>
<b>TOTAL OPERATING EXPENDITURES</b>		<b>6,040,459</b>	<b>6,296,415</b>	<b>6,181,883</b>	<b>6,163,878</b>

DETAIL

	Total Salaries	615,959	647,813	650,195	650,115
	Total Expenses	5,320,962	5,545,339	5,423,774	5,402,844
	Total Operating Budget	5,936,921	6,193,152	6,073,969	6,052,959
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**ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION MAY 5, 2003**

**MODERATOR 1YR**

James Allen 58  
Blanks 108

**SELECTMAN 3YRS**

Joseph J. Klimavich 84  
James Allen 67  
Blanks 65

**ASSESSOR 3YRS**

Philip Peirce 124  
Scattered 2  
Blanks 40

**ELEMENTARY SCHOOL COMMITTEE 3YRS**

Patricia Sinko 117  
Scattered 3  
Blanks 46

**REGIONAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE 3YRS**

James A. Cooke 92  
Scattered 5  
Blanks 69

**PLANNING BOARD 5YRS**

Roger D. Mundell 123  
Scattered 2  
Blanks 41

**PLANNING BOARD 3YRS**

David J. Couture 115  
Scattered 1  
Blanks 50

**WATER COMMISSIONER 3YRS**

Roger Charpentier 133  
Scattered 2  
Blanks 31

**BOARD OF HEALTH 3YRS**

Robert A. Wentzell 119  
Blanks 78

**BOARD OF HEALTH 1YR**

Scattered 15  
Blanks 151

**TRUSTEE FOR MERRICK PUBLIC LIBRARY- 2 3YRS**

Linda E. Barron 126  
Barbara Tripple Simmons 121  
Blanks 80

**HOUSING AUTHORITY 5YRS**

Scattered 5  
Blanks 161

**CEMETERY COMMISSIONER 3YRS**

John McDavitt 122  
Scattered 4  
Blanks 40

**TRUSTEE FOR SHADE TREE & CEMETERY FUNDS 3YRS**

John McDavitt 119  
Scattered 4  
Blanks 43

**TOTAL VOTES CAST 166**