

# Town of Southwick, Massachusetts

454 College Highway, Southwick, MA 01077

## Special Town Meeting Warrant November 18, 2013

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**SPECIAL TOWN MEETING**  
**COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS**  
**Monday, November 18, 2013**  
**6:30 p.m.**

Special Town Meeting, Monday, November 18, 2013, 6:30 p.m. at the Powder Mill School, in the auditorium, 94 Powder Mill Road.

**HAMPDEN SS.** To either of the Constables of the Town of Southwick in the County of Hampden:

### 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 town affairs to meet and assemble at the POWDER MILL SCHOOL AUDITORIUM on Monday, November 18, 2013 at 6:30 p.m. then and there for the Special Town Meeting and to act on the following articles:

**Article 1** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and transfer from available funds (FY14 General Salary Reserve, FY13 EMS Prior Salary Reserve and FY14 EMS Current Year Salary Reserve) the sum of \$7,800 for the following salary accounts:

FF/EMT Salary Reserve	\$4,250
FF/EMT Salary Reserve	\$1,267
FF/EMT overtime	\$ 433
Library Director	\$1,340
Asst. Library Director	\$ 510

Or take any other action relative thereto

Requested by the Board of Selectmen

**Article 2** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and transfer the sum of \$61,000 from Water Retained Earnings to the following water division line items for the purpose of replenishing line items due to water line breaks.

Contracted equipment	\$10,000
Stock Supplies	\$36,000
Surface Material	\$15,000

Or take any other action relative thereto.

Requested by the Water Commissioners

**Article 3** To see if the Town will appropriate \$160,000 to pay costs of constructing a new water tank, including the payment of all costs incidental and related thereto, which amount shall be expended in addition to the \$1,200,000.00 previously appropriated for this project under Article 7 of the Warrant at the Special Town Meeting held on October 10, 2012, to determine whether this amount shall be raised by taxation, transfer from available funds, borrowing or otherwise, or take any other action relative thereto.

Requested by the Water Commissioners

**Article 4** To see if the Town will appropriate \$150,000 to pay costs of constructing a new sewer interceptor main, including the payment of all costs incidental and related thereto, which amount shall be expended in addition to all other amounts previously appropriated by the Town for this project, to determine whether this amount shall be raised by taxation, transfer from available funds, borrowing or otherwise, or take any other action relative hereto.

Requested by the Board of Selectmen

**Article 5** To see if the Town will vote to petition the General Court for passage of a Special Act reading substantially as follows:

Notwithstanding the provisions of any general or special law to the contrary, Richard L.. Cross, retired Sergeant of the Police Department of the Town of Southwick, may be reinstated in as a Reserve Police Officer in such position until he reaches 70 years of age; provided however, that he is mentally and physically capable of performing the duties of such office. Said Richard L. Cross shall, at Town's expense, be examined by an impartial physician designated by said Town to determine such capability.

Requested by the Chief of Police  
and Board of Selectmen

**Article 6** To see if the Town will vote to petition the General Court for passage of a Special Act reading substantially as follows:

Notwithstanding the provisions of any general or special law to the contrary, Kenneth G. Laxton, retired Reserve Officer of the Police Department of the Town of Southwick, may be reinstated in as a Reserve Police Officer in such position until he reaches 70 years of age; provided however, that he is mentally and physically capable of performing the duties of such office. Said Kenneth G. Laxton shall, at Town's expense, be examined by an impartial physician designated by said Town to determine such capability. No further deductions shall be made from the regular compensation of said employee under the provisions of Chapter 32 of the General Laws for service subsequent to July 31, 2013, and upon retirement, said employee shall receive a superannuation retirement allowance equal to that which he was entitled to receive as of July 31, 2013.

Requested by the Chief of Police  
and Board of Selectmen

**Article 7** To see if the Town will vote to acquire for the sum of \$1.00 a permanent easement for construction, access and maintenance of a sign from TJ Welch, Inc. over a portion of the property located at 622 College Highway as more fully set forth on a Plan dated September 22, 2013 consisting of approximately 1,000 square feet and on file with the Southwick Planning Board and attached to an Application for Permit to Erect a Sign; and further to see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$1.00 to acquire said permanent easement, or take any other action relative thereto.

Requested by the Board of Selectmen

**Article 8** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and transfer the sum of \$100,000.00 from the FY2014 Community Preservation General Unreserved Fund for the purpose of rehabilitating the running track on the

grounds of the Southwick-Tolland-Granville Regional High School, said grounds are owned by the Town of Southwick.

**MOTION:** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and transfer the sum of \$100,000.00 from FY 2014 Community Preservation General Unreserved Fund for the purpose of rehabilitating the running track on the grounds of the Southwick-Tolland-Granville Regional High School.

Or take any other action relative thereto.

Requested by the Community  
Preservation Committee

Given under our hands at said Southwick this 31st day of October the year of the Lord two thousand and thirteen.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

\_\_\_\_\_  
Russell S. Fox, Chairman

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Joseph J. Deedy, Vice-Chairman

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Tracy L. Cesan, Clerk  
(Tracy L. Cesan is signing for all Articles except Fire, EMS, Dispatch and Salary related Articles)

HAMPDEN SS.

Pursuant to the within warrant I have notified and warned the inhabitants of the Town of Southwick by posting up attested copies of the same three (3) public places in said Town fourteen (14) days before the date thereof, as within directed.

Constable of Southwick, MA

Kelly Magni \_\_\_\_\_

A TRUE COPY  
ATTEST:

TOWN CLERK, SOUTHWICK, MA

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Michelle L. Hill, Town Clerk

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