

**Warrant
For
Special Town Meeting
November 14, 2011
TOWN OF WRENTHAM**

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Norfolk:

To the Constables of the Town of Wrentham in the County of Norfolk:

Greetings:

You are hereby required in the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, to notify and warn the qualified voters of said Town of Wrentham to assemble at the King Philip Regional High School, 201 Franklin Street, Wrentham, MA, at 7:30 p.m. on Monday, November 14, 2011 then and there to act on the following articles:

ARTICLE 1: To consider the reports of the Town Officers of any committee or commission and act thereon, or take any other action relative thereto. (Board of Selectmen)

ARTICLE 2: For the Board of Selectmen to recognize the Town of Wrentham's 2011 Volunteer(s) of the Year and Employee(s) of the Year, or take any other action relative thereto. (Board of Selectmen)

ARTICLE 3: To see if the Town will vote, pursuant to the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 41, Section 1B, to change the Board of Health from an elected board to a board appointed by the Board of Selectmen, provided that:

- (a) such change would become effective only upon its approval by the voters at the annual town election in 2012; and
- (b) any incumbent of such board serving at the time of such acceptance by the voters shall continue to hold said office and to perform the duties thereof until the expiration of the term for which said individual was elected, or until said individual otherwise vacates such office; provided, however, that any individual elected to that office at the annual town election in 2012 shall hold such office and perform the duties thereof only until his or her successor is appointed.

or take any other action relative thereto. (Board of Selectmen)

ARTICLE 4: To see if the Town will vote to amend the Town of Wrentham Zoning Bylaws by revising Section 15.6 as follows:

15.6 Procedures for Issuance of a SPECIAL PERMIT

Procedures for issuance of a SPECIAL PERMIT are as follows:

- a. The SPECIAL PERMIT Granting Authority (SPGA) under this Section shall be the Planning Board unless the applicant is applying for a Special Permit under Section 3.4, NON-CONFORMING LOTS, STRUCTURES and USES, in which case the SPGA shall be the Zoning Board of Appeals.
- b. The SPGA shall refer copies of the application to the Board of Health, Board of Appeals or the Planning Board as appropriate, Conservation Commission and Department of PUBLIC Works, which shall review the application and shall submit their recommendations to the SPGA within thirty-five days.
- c. The SPGA shall hold a hearing, in conformity with the provisions of MGL ch.40A. However, no work shall commence until a certification is recorded as required by MGL c.40A, §11.
- d. The SPGA may grant a SPECIAL PERMIT only upon finding that the proposed USE or activity meets the standards of this bylaw. The proposed USE or activity must:
 1. In no way, during construction or thereafter, adversely affect the existing or potential quality or quantity of GROUNDWATER that is available in the AQUIFER Protection DISTRICT;
 2. Be designed to avoid substantial disturbance of the soils, TOPOGRAPHY, drainage, vegetation, and other water-related natural characteristics of the site to be developed;
 3. Be in harmony with the purpose and intent of this bylaw, as well as its specific criteria.
- e. Application for a SPECIAL PERMIT shall be made in accordance with Article 9 of the Wrentham ZONING Bylaw. Each copy of the application shall include a Site Plan that complies with the specifications of Article 7 of the Wrentham ZONING Bylaws.

or take any other action relative thereto.

NOTE: Underline, italic text in Article 4 is for revision identification only.

ARTICLE 5: To see if the Town will vote to amend the General Bylaws by inserting the following after Article 1, or take any other action relative thereto:

Article 1A: The purpose of the Town of Wrentham is to maintain and enhance the quality of life of all Wrentham residents by providing the highest quality of public services that meet the citizens' needs in the most efficient manner.

The Board of Selectmen, School Committee, members of the Regional School Committee, and Finance Committee shall strive together to fulfill this purpose by meeting and conferring prior to and during the budget process, while the warrant for the annual town meeting is open, and at any other time. Other elected and appointed officials and employees may be invited to participate in any such meeting, as appropriate to the objectives of the agenda, and contribute to managing the operation of the Town of Wrentham and planning its future in the best interest of its citizens.

Not less often than semi-annually the Board of Selectmen will schedule a forum of all boards and committees to address strategic communication necessary to provide the highest quality of public services.

The goals of these public officials by communicating and collaborating are to:

- (a) Assure the long-term financial stability of the Town by: reviewing the Town's financial condition and developing coordinated revenue and expenditure policies; developing coordinated collective bargaining strategies; updating the long-term capital outlay plan and related debt management program; and any other related topic.
- (b) Assure that the Town of Wrentham delivers services that are responsive to community issues and concerns by establishing strategic plans based on: assessing the impact of growth and development of the Town on the current and foreseeable demand for services; evaluating the impact of current and pending legal requirements on the scope and extent of municipal services, and creating a unified position for advocating for Wrentham; considering the effect of regional and national events and trends on Wrentham; and any other related topic.

The Board of Selectmen will coordinate the time and location and facilitate the agenda and discussion. However it may defer these responsibilities to another board or committee if requested and if it serves the intent of the forum.

or take any other action relative thereto. (Board of Selectmen)

ARTICLE 6: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, appropriate by transfer from available funds in the treasury, or appropriate by transfer from funds previously appropriated to other accounts, a sum of money to supplement the current Fiscal Year 2012 operating budgets, or take any other action relative thereto. (Finance Committee)

ARTICLE 7: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, appropriate by transfer from available funds in the treasury, or appropriate by transfer from funds previously appropriated to other accounts, a sum of money to be used for inspectional services required for the FY13 Assessors Recertification, or take any other action relative thereto. (Finance Committee)

ARTICLE 8: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, appropriate by transfer from available funds in the treasury, or appropriate by transfer from funds previously appropriated to other accounts, a sum of money to fund capital items, or take any other action relative thereto. (Capital Budget Planning Committee)

ARTICLE 9: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, appropriate by transfer from available funds in the treasury, appropriate by transfer from funds previously appropriated to other accounts, or to borrow, a sum of money to design and construct a new water main in a portion of Madison Street from the existing 12-inch water main to Washington Street, said sum to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen, or take any other action relative thereto. (Department of Public Works)

ARTICLE 10: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to purchase, or take by eminent domain, and to raise and appropriate a sum of money to fund said purchase or taking along with all legal costs associated with the obtaining of temporary construction easements or permanent easements related to the Taunton Street Reconstruction project as shown and identified on a plan entitled "Commonwealth of Massachusetts Highway Department Taunton Street Roadway Improvement in the Town of Wrentham, Norfolk County, 25% Submission" dated August 18, 2009 prepared by BETA Group, Inc., as revised or amended, which will be delivered to and be made available at the Town Clerk's Office fourteen (14) days before the date of the Town Meeting; or take any other action relative thereto. (Board of Selectmen)

ARTICLE 11: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to accept or take by eminent domain, an easement on parcel F-04-1-05AH for the purpose of installing roadway drainage, or take any other action relative thereto. (Board of Selectmen)

ARTICLE 12: To see if the Town will vote to amend the Wrentham Zoning Bylaws Article 4.2 (Use Regulation Schedule) by deleting item C.20 in its entirety and moving the current C.21 up to C.20:

~~20. OFFICES and CLINICS for medical, psychiatric or other health services for the examination and treatment of persons on an outpatient basis only, including laboratories that are part of such OFFICE or CLINIC~~

20. 24. Printing and private mail services

or take any other action relative thereto. (Planning Board)

NOTE: *Strikeout text in Article 12 is for revision identification only.*

ARTICLE 13: To see if the Town will vote to amend the Wrentham Zoning Bylaws Article 2 (Definitions) by deleting the current definition of KENNEL and replacing it with two new definitions (1) KENNEL, Commercial; and (2) KENNEL, Private:

KENNEL, Commercial: Any building, structure, or land area used for the boarding, breeding, grooming, training, showing, protection or raising of dogs, cats or other small animals primarily for sale or profit, or for humane purposes. Pet shops, private kennels, and veterinary hospitals shall be exempt from the definition of commercial kennel.

KENNEL, Private: Any structure or premises on which more than three dogs greater than or equal to four months of age are kept in or adjoining a private residence for private enjoyment and not for monetary gain, with the exception of occasional breeding of household pets. No more than two of the dogs shall be used for breeding and the frequency and scope of said activity shall be subject to the grant of a Special Permit from the Planning Board.

And to see if the Town will vote to amend the Wrentham Zoning Bylaws Article 4.2 (Use Regulation Schedule) by deleting current item C.22 and creating two new Kennel Use Classifications to be numbered C.21 and C.22, as follows:

C. COMMERCIAL USES	R-30¹	R-43¹	R-87¹	B-1	B-2³	C-1²	C-2	CRSP
21. KENNEL, Commercial	N	N	N	N	N	SP/SPA (PB)	SP/SPA (PB)	SP/SPA (PB)
22. KENNEL, Private	SPA/SP (PB)	SPA/SP (PB)	SPA/SP (PB)	N	N	N	N	N

or take any other action relative thereto. (Planning Board)

ARTICLE 14: To see if the Town will vote to amend the Wrentham Zoning Bylaws Article 4.2 (Use Regulation Schedule) item F.5 by requiring a Special Permit from the Planning Board (in addition to Site Plan Approval already required). As amended, the Use Regulation Schedule would read as follows:

F. INDUSTRIAL USES	R-30¹	R-43¹	R-87¹	B-1	B-2³	C-1²	C-2	CRSP
5. Oil, coal, gas, or propane FUEL BUSINESS	N	N	N	N	N	SP/SPA (PB)	SP/SPA (PB)	N

or take any other action relative thereto. (Planning Board)

ARTICLE 15: To see if the Town will amend "Town of Wrentham Zoning Districts Map (dated June 2010)" by rezoning the following properties : All or portions of parcels K-03-2-2, K-03-2-3, K-03-2-4, K-03-2-5, K-03-2-6 and K-03-2-7, K-03-2-8, K-03-2-9 and K-03-2-10 as shown on the Town of Wrentham Assessors Map beginning with the southern end of the existing B-2 Zone through to the Wrentham-Plainville town line that lie within 1000 feet of the Eastern edge of the right of way of South Street to District C-2, or take any other action relative thereto. (Landowners Request)

ARTICLE 16: To see if the Town will amend "Town of Wrentham Zoning Districts Map (dated June 2010)" by rezoning the following parcel: K-02-1-0-R as shown on the Town of Wrentham Assessors Map totaling 2.610 acres to District C-2 or take any other action relative thereto. (Landowners Request)

ARTICLE 17: To see if the Town will vote to amend "Town of Wrentham Zoning Districts Map (dated June 2010)" by rezoning parcel M-09-7-4 from CRSP to B1, or take any other action relative thereto. (Board of Selectmen)

ARTICLE 18: To see if the Town will vote pursuant to M.G.L. Chapter 82, Section 23 to accept Heaton Place as a public way, said road being shown on a plan entitled "Ash Street Subdivision As Built Plan and Profile for Heaton Place in Wrentham, Mass." Dated August 27, 2008, drawn by Landmark Engineering of New England, Inc., and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to acquire the land within the layout of such way, and any easements appurtenant thereto or necessary for the maintenance of such way, by eminent domain or by voluntary conveyance, or take any other action relative thereto. (Board of Selectmen)

ARTICLE 19: To see if the Town will vote to accept as a public way a street identified as Smith House Road as shown on Roadway As-Built & Acceptance Plan entitled, "Smith House Estates, Wrentham, Massachusetts, for Wooding Development Corp. P.O. Box 339, Wrentham, Massachusetts", prepared by "United Consultants Inc.", dated "November 1, 2010", copies of which are on file with the Office of the Town Clerk, Wrentham, MA., and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to acquire the land within in the layout of such way, and any easements appurtenant thereto or necessary for the maintenance of such way, by eminent domain or by voluntary conveyance, or take any other action relative thereto. (Board of Selectmen)

ARTICLE 20: To see if the Town will vote to accept as public ways, streets identified as Ridge Road and Oak Hill Avenue STA. 0+00 – 30+02.2, as shown on a plan entitled, "Road Acceptance Plan of Ridge Road and Oak Hill Avenue STA 0+00 – 30+02.21 in Wrentham, Ma." Dated September 23, 2011, drawn by Andrews Survey and Engineering, Inc., copies of which are on file with the Office of the Town Clerk, Wrentham, Ma., and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to acquire the land within the layout of such way, and any easements appurtenant thereto or necessary for the maintenance of such way, by eminent domain or by voluntary conveyance, or take any other action relative thereto. (Board of Selectmen)

ARTICLE 21: To see if the Town will vote to accept M.G.L. Chapter 200A, Section 9A as amended by Chapter 188, Section 65 of the Acts of 2010 (Municipal Relief Act), or take any other action relative thereto. (Finance Department)

ARTICLE 22: To see if the Town will vote to adjust the income eligibility factor of the property tax exemption for senior citizens under M.G.L. Chapter 59, Section 5, Clause 41A, increasing the allowable income for applicants to \$40,000 from \$20,000, or take any other action relative thereto. (Board of Assessors)

ARTICLE 23: To see if the Town will vote to amend the Personnel Bylaws Salary Schedule as recommended by the Personnel Board, or take any other action relative thereto. (Finance Committee)

ARTICLE 24: To see if the Town will vote to amend the Personnel Bylaws by revising Section 8.3.6 – Bereavement Leave as follows:

A. Each employee shall be granted leave without loss of pay in the event of a death in his/her immediate family. Such leave shall be up to **five (5)** calendars days, which, under normal circumstances, shall be consecutive with the day of death. For the purposes of this paragraph A, the term "immediate family" shall mean the following: Mother, Father, Grandparents, Brother, Sister, Spouse, Child, Grandchild, Mother-in-Law, Father-in-Law, and any other person, including a domestic partner, who was a resident in the household of the employee at the time of death.

or take any other action relative thereto. (Personnel Board)

ARTICLE 25: To see if the Town will vote to create a Municipal Capital Stabilization Fund under M.G.L. Chapter 40, Section 5B for the purpose of acquiring, replacing, or improving capital assets, such as buildings, land, vehicles and equipment, or performing significant repairs that would extend the useful life of capital assets, or take any other action relative thereto. (Board of Selectmen)

ARTICLE 26: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, appropriate by transfer from available funds in the treasury, or appropriate by transfer from funds previously appropriated to other accounts, or by borrowing, a sum of money to the Town's Road Maintenance Fund, or take any other action relative thereto. (Finance Committee)

ARTICLE 27: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, appropriate by transfer from available funds in the treasury, or appropriate by transfer from funds previously appropriated to other accounts, or by borrowing, a sum of money to the Town's Stabilization Reserve, or take any other action relative thereto. (Finance Committee)

ARTICLE 28: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, appropriate by transfer from available funds in the treasury, or appropriate by transfer from funds previously appropriated to other accounts, a sum of money to be used for Fire and Police Retiree prescription co-pays, or take any other action relative thereto. (Finance Committee)

ARTICLE 29: To see what action the Town will take with regard to unpaid bills outstanding, or overdrafts from prior year(s), and to appropriate by transfer from unappropriated available funds in the treasury, or appropriate by transfer from funds previously appropriated to other accounts, a sum of money for the same, or take any other action relative thereto. (Finance Committee)

Given under our hands and seal of the Town of Wrentham this 25th day of October in the year two thousand eleven.

WRENTHAM BOARD OF SELECTMEN



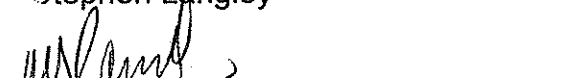
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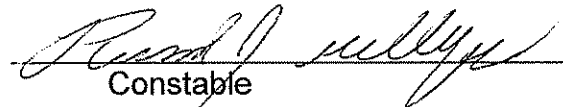


Michael Carroll

A true copy.

Constable's Certificate of Services:

By virtue of the within warrant, I have notified the inhabitants of the Town of Wrentham qualified to vote at elections and town affairs to meet as within commanded by posting attested copies of the Warrant, one at the Town Offices and several other places in said Town, being not less than fourteen (14) days at least before the day appointed for holding said meeting, as directed by the By-laws of the Town of Wrentham.



Constable This 26 day of October, 2011.