

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
TOWN OF HUBBARDSTON



SPECIAL TOWN MEETING • Thursday, September 24, 2020 • 7pm • CENTER SCHOOL

STABILIZATION: \$ 419,425
MUNICIPAL CAPITAL STABILIZATION: \$42,350
ROAD MAINTENANCE STABILIZATION: \$0
FREE CASH: \$284,743

Worcester, ss. To either of the Constables of the Town of Hubbardston in the County of Worcester: In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Hubbardston qualified to vote in elections and Town affairs to meet at the **Center School located at 8 Elm Street in said Hubbardston on Thursday, September 24, 2020 at 7 'o'clock** in the evening, then and there to act on the following articles:

ARTICLE 1. To see if the Town will vote to amend the vote taken under Article 7 of the June 2020 Annual Town Meeting by increasing the amount to be raised and appropriated from taxation by \$50,000, by reducing the amount to be transferred from Free Cash by \$50,000, by transferring from available funds, or otherwise providing the following sums of money to meet the salaries and compensation of Town Employees, and Town Officers, as provided by MGL Ch. 41 §108, expense, and outlays of the Town Departments, and other sundry and miscellaneous, but regular, expenditures necessary for the operation of the Town for Fiscal Year 2021 (July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021) as printed in the attached Appendix A, and further, to accept and expend Federal and State Funds to offset certain salaries or expenses and outlay; or take any other action relative thereto.

PURPOSE	AMOUNT
General Government	\$850,169.99
Public Safety	\$1,361,590.00
Public Works	\$839,688.00
Indirect Costs	\$615,351.00
Debt	\$252,450.00
Total General Fund and Operating Budget	\$3,919,248.99

Note: The detailed Fiscal Year 2021 Operating Budget included in Appendix A of this warrant is only a guide and non-binding as to the raise and appropriate vote of the category totals shown above and/or as a motion. Please note the assessments for Hubbardston schools are separated from this vote.

*(Submitted and Recommended by the Board of Selectmen)
(Finance Committee to Report at Town Meeting)*

ARTICLE 2. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate from taxation or transfer from available funds the sum of \$4,879,933 to pay its share of the Quabbin Regional School District budget for FY 2021; or take any action relative thereto.

*(Submitted and Recommended by the Board of Selectmen)
(Finance Committee to Report at Town Meeting)*

ARTICLE 3. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$15,000 to the Capital Stabilization Fund (ACCT 2501-000-5961-0000); or take any action relative thereto.

(Submitted and Recommended by the Board of Selectmen)

(Finance Committee to Report at Town Meeting)

ARTICLE 4. To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of \$216,800 from Free Cash to pay for the following Fiscal Year 2021 cash capital expenses, including all costs incidental and related thereto; or take any other action relative thereto.

	FY2021 Capital Spending Article Table	
	New Obligations	Amount
1	To fund the purchase of an asphalt hotbox for the Department of Public Works (DPW)	\$45,000
2	To fund the purchase of a dump truck with plow for the DPW	\$100,000
3	To fund the purchase of a leaf backpack and walk-behind blower for the DPW	\$1,800
4	To fund the repair and restoration of the Police Department ceiling to include costs related to insulating	\$10,000
5	To fund the installation of Fire Station Exhaust Mitigation Systems at Station 1 and Station 2	\$15,000
6	To fund the purchase of vehicle cameras and video storage equipment/software for the Police Department	\$15,000
7	To repair the Curtis Recreation Field Bandstand roof	\$12,000
8	To repair and pave the Slade Building parking lot	\$18,000
	New Obligations Total	\$216,800

(Submitted and Recommended by the Board of Selectmen)

(Finance Committee to Report at Town Meeting)

ARTICLE 5. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Town of Hubbardston General Bylaws, Chapter III, VACANCIES & APPOINTMENTS to change the placement of the appointed position: "PLANNING BOARD, ASSOCIATE MEMBER OF; per Town Zoning Bylaws Article 7.6"

From the Section Titled:

"OTHER OFFICERS TO BE APPOINTED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN:"

To the Section Titled:

"OFFICERS TO BE APPOINTED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN from among the residents of the Town:"

or take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted by the Planning Board)
(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen)
(Finance Committee to Report at Town Meeting)

ARTICLE 6. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to grant an easement to the Rutland Regional Emergency Communication Center, on certain property, hereinafter described, for the purpose of providing enhanced "911" emergency purposes, as shown on a "Site Plan & Elevation," dated August 1, 2020, prepared by Chappell Engineering Associates, LLC, on file with the Town Clerk, said property being those premises located at 21 Gardner Road, shown as Assessors Map 5C, Lot 134A, and described in a deed recorded with the Worcester South Registry of Deeds in Book 54791, Page 67, on such terms and conditions and for such consideration as the Board of Selectmen shall deem appropriate, and further to grant such access, utility and related easements on said property as the Board of Selectmen deems appropriate to serve the radio communications tower and/or other facilities installed within the easement area; or take any other action relative thereto.

(Submitted and Recommended by the Board of Selectmen)
(Finance Committee to Report at Town Meeting)

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You are hereby directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof at the Place of Meeting, Hubbardston Center School, Hubbardston One Stop Shop convenience store, the Town Office and the Post Office fourteen days, at least, before the day of 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 aforementioned.

Given under our hands this 9th day of September 2020:

BOARD OF SELECTMEN of HUBBARDSTON

Daniel S. Galante



Kris Pareago




Jeffrey L. Williams

Patrick R. Girouard



Kathryn V. Young

A true copy, Attest:



Laurie Reed, Town Clerk

Date of Posting: September 9, 2020

Method: Hand

By: 

Paul F. Dwyer

Constable