

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS  
SOUTH HADLEY, MASSACHUSETTS

WARRANT  
Hampshire, ss.

TO: Either of the Constables of the Town of South Hadley

GREETINGS:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the Inhabitants of the Town of South Hadley that the ANNUAL TOWN MEETING will be held in the TOWN HALL AUDITORIUM on Saturday, the 14th day of May, 2011, at 9:15 a.m. or as soon thereafter as the subject matter of this warrant can then and there be reached, and the Town Clerk is required to notify and warn the Town Meeting Members then and there to meet and act on the following Articles:

ARTICLE 1. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectboard, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2011, in accordance with the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 44, Section 4 and to renew any note or notes as may be given in accordance with the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 17, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 2. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectboard, to enter into compensating balance agreements with bank offices having their principal offices in the Commonwealth during Fiscal Year 2012, as permitted by Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 44, Section 53 (F), or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 3. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectboard to defend all suits that may be brought against the Town during Fiscal Year 2012 and to prosecute all suits on behalf of the Town, to engage counsel for same, and to settle such suits as they deem advisable, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 4. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectboard to apply for and accept such federal or state grants or monies as may be available and to authorize the Selectboard to expend any funds received there from in accordance with the terms of said grants, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 5. To see if the Town will vote to accept a sum of money for highway improvements under the authority of Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 90 and other applicable law; determine whether the money shall be provided by the tax levy, by transfer from available funds, or by borrowing, or by any combination of these methods; authorize the Selectboard to apply for, accept, expend and borrow in anticipation of state aid for such projects, or take any other action relative thereto.

## FISCAL YEAR 2012 OPERATING BUDGET

ARTICLE 6. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$42,500.00, or a greater or lesser sum, to constitute a Reserve Fund, transfers from which may be voted by the Appropriations Committee, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 7. To see if the Town will vote to fix the salary and compensation of the following elective officers of the Town of South Hadley as provided by Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 41, Section 108, as amended: Moderator, Selectboard Members, Clerk/Treasurer, Assessors, Collector, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer from available funds in the Treasury, the sum of \$19,252,563.00, or a greater or lesser sum, for the support and maintenance of its schools, for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2011, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer from available funds in the Treasury, the sum of \$1,626,492.00, or a greater or lesser sum, for the purpose of funding Personal Services and Expenses of General Government for FY 2012, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer from available funds in the Treasury, the sum of \$2,479,000.00, or a greater or lesser sum, for the purpose of funding Protection of Persons and Property for FY 2012, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 11. To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of \$26,378.00, or a greater or lesser sum, from Cable Studio Account to the General Fund for FY 2012, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer from available funds in the Treasury, the sum of \$3,289,338.00 or a greater or lesser sum, for the purpose of funding the Department of Public Works for FY 2012, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 13. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer from available funds in the Treasury, the sum of \$100,005.00, or a greater or lesser sum, for the purpose of providing for the removal of snow and ice from town streets, sidewalks and public ways in FY 2012, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer from available funds in the Treasury, the sum of \$315,018.00, or a greater or lesser sum, for the purpose of funding the Council on Aging for FY 2012, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 15. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer from available funds in the Treasury, the sum of \$215,300.00 or a greater or lesser sum, for the purpose of funding Veterans and Soldiers Benefits in FY 2012 under Chapter 115 of the Massachusetts General Laws, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 16. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer from available funds in the Treasury, the sum of \$510,417.00, or a greater or lesser sum, for the

purpose of funding the South Hadley Library for FY 2012 or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 17. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer from available funds in the Treasury, the sum of \$12,350.00, or a greater or lesser sum, for the purpose of funding the Gaylord Library in FY 2012, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 18. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer from available funds in the Treasury, the sum of \$28,000.00 or a greater or lesser sum, for the purpose of auditing the Town's accounts for Fiscal Year 2011 and for engaging a consultant to perform an actuarial study for compliance with the federally mandated Other Post Employment Benefits (OPEB) for health insurance for retirees, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 19. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds in the Cable Studio Account the sum of \$78,306.00, or a greater or lesser sum, for the purpose of funding Cable Studio Personal Services and Expenses for FY 2012, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 20. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer from available funds in the Treasury, the sum of \$6,657,976.00, or a greater or lesser sum, for the purpose of funding FY 2012 Unclassified Accounts, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 21. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer from available funds in the Treasury, the sum of \$112,984.00, or a greater or lesser sum, for the purpose of funding Health and Sanitation for FY 2012, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 22. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer from available funds in the Treasury, the sum of \$3,437,377.00, or a greater or lesser sum, for the purpose of funding its Maturing Debt and Interest Account for FY 2012, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 23. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer from available funds in the Treasury, the sum of \$5,500.00 or a greater or lesser sum, for the purpose of funding the Connecticut River Channel Marking and Safety Committee for FY 2012, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 24. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds in the Treasury, and/or appropriate from the Golf Enterprise Fund Receipts, the sum of \$989,793.00, or a greater or lesser sum, for the purpose of funding the Ledges Golf Club for FY 2012, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 25. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer from available funds in the Treasury, the sum of \$900.00, or a greater or lesser sum, for the purpose of funding the Canal Park Committee for FY 2012, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 26. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer from available funds in the Treasury the sum of \$5,000.00, or a greater or lesser sum, for the purpose of funding the Conservation Land Acquisition Account for FY 2012, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 27. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer from available funds in the Treasury, the sum of \$10,000.00, or a greater or lesser sum, for the revaluation of real property.

### **FISCAL YEAR 2012 CAPITAL BUDGET**

ARTICLE 28. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer from available funds in the Sewer Fund the sum of \$200,000, or a greater or lesser sum, for the following capital projects, or take any other action relative thereto:

- a. \$150,000.00 to repair the concrete surface in the aerator tanks at the Waste Water Treatment Plant;
- b. \$50,000.00 for work needed to abandon the Sycamore Knolls Pump Station, including excavation and removal of underground sewage piping and realignment of remaining piping, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 29. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer from available funds in the Treasury the sum of \$354,471.00, or a greater or lesser sum, for the following capital projects and transfer:

- a. \$20,000 to purchase a new vibratory roller compactor for the DPW
- b. \$120,000.00 to replace floor tiles at Mosier School
- c. \$25,000.00 to replace floor tiles at the High School
- d. \$40,000.00 to replace the freezer/cooler at Mosier School
- e. \$25,000.00 to purchase a computerized point of sale system for school meal programs
- f. \$23,000.00 to replace toilet partitions at Middle and Mosier Schools
- g. \$20,000.00 to purchase a storage system for the vault in the Clerk's office
- h. \$81,471.00 transfer to the Capital Stabilization Fund

ARTICLE 30. To see if the Town will vote to reauthorize the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 53 1/2, to establish in the Town Treasury a revolving fund, which shall be kept separate and apart from all other monies by the Treasurer, and in which shall be deposited the receipts received that may be spent by the Selectboard or its designee, without further appropriation during FY 2012 for the continued support and maintenance of Buttery Brook Park, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 31. To see if the Town will vote to amend Section 801 of the General Bylaws to prohibit the use of ATV's on commercial/industrial property for recreational purposes.

ARTICLE 32. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectboard to petition the Legislature to enact legislation which would seek to extend the geographical limits of Fire District #2 in South Hadley to conform with boundaries of the Town of South Hadley in the area of the northern end of District #2 by annexation or take any other action relative thereto; provided, that the Legislature may reasonably vary the form and substance of the requested legislation within the scope of the general public objectives of this petition. (A detailed map of the area to be annexed is available in the Selectboard Office.)

ARTICLE 33. To see if the Town will vote to amend the General Bylaws to add a section prohibiting commercial traffic on Old Lyman Road except for the purpose of making a delivery.

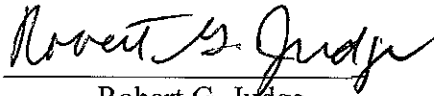
ARTICLE 34. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from Dog License Fees in the Treasury the sum of \$5,550.00, or a greater or lesser sum, for the purpose of purchasing the Animal License module for MUNIS to support the Clerk's office, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 35. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectboard to take such actions as may be required to enter the Town into membership with the Hampshire Council of Governments. 1) The Town of South Hadley commits to belong to Hampshire Council of Governments for a minimum of three years, 2) The effective date of membership shall be the first day of FY2012, pending a two-thirds affirmative vote of acceptance of the councilors of the Hampshire Council of Governments, and 3) The Town of South Hadley agrees to be bound by the Hampshire Council of Governments Charter and administrative code, and all amendments thereto.

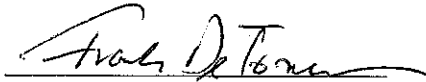
ARTICLE 36. To see if the Town will vote to accept the provisions of M.G.L. Chapter 39, Section 23D providing for a municipal board or commission member who was absent from an adjudicatory hearing to vote on the matter, or take any other action relative thereto.

HEREOF fail not and make due return of the Warrant with your doings thereon unto the Town Clerk, on or before the time of holding said meeting.


Given under our hands this 19th day of April 2011:



Robert G. Judge  
Chair



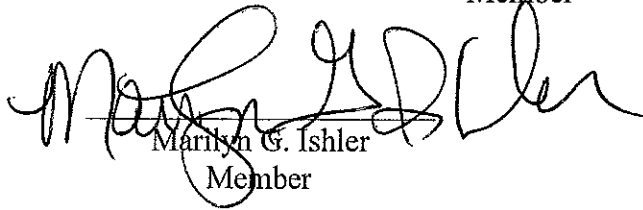
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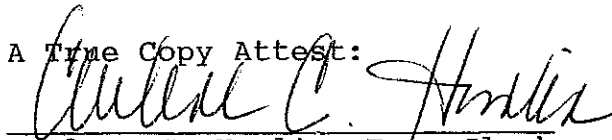


Marilyn G. Ishler  
Member

**SELECTBOARD  
TOWN OF SOUTH HADLEY**

2011 ATM Warrant

A True Copy Attest:



Carlene C. Hamlin, Town Clerk