

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

MIDDLESEX, SS.

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

To the Constable of the Town of Maynard, in said County,

GREETINGS:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the voters of said Maynard, to assemble **IN TOWN HALL**, Lower Level, Room 101, 195 MAIN STREET IN SAID town, on Tuesday, October 16, 2012 at 7:00 P.M. then and there to act on the following articles:

SPECIAL NOTICE TO VOTERS

On Monday, October 15, 2012 at 7:00 P.M., a public hearing will be held at the Maynard Town Hall, Michael J. Gianotis Room, Room 201, to discuss with any citizen who desires further information, as to the recommended budget, and any special Articles in the Warrant to which the Finance Committee has made a recommendation. Explanation and discussion concerning these matters may be helpful in the interest of saving time at the Special Town Meeting. Your participation is welcomed.

ADA ADVISORY

Anyone in need of special arrangements for the Town Meeting, such as wheelchair arrangements or signing for the hearing impaired, please contact the Office of the Selectmen at (978) 897-1301 by October 2, 2012 in order for reasonable accommodations to be made.

PROCEDURES AT TOWN MEETING

Order of Articles: Articles are voted on in the order they are presented unless Town Meeting votes to do otherwise.

Secret Ballot Votes: The Moderator determines whether or not an article requires a secret ballot according to Town By-laws. If the Moderator determines that an Open Vote applies to an article, at least 25 voters may request that a secret ballot vote be taken. The request for a secret ballot vote must be made prior to the open vote being taken.

~~**Amending an Article at Town Meeting:** Anytime after a main motion has been made and seconded, but before being voted on, it is possible to amend the main motion:~~

1. Ask the Moderator for recognition.
2. Present a motion to amend verbally and submit a copy of the motion in writing to the Moderator. The motion to amend must include your name as sponsor, any change in appropriation and its source.
3. The motion to amend must be seconded.
4. The motion to amend must be voted on by Town Meeting separately from the main motion.
5. The motion to amend must pass by a simple majority vote.
6. More than one motion to amend can be made to the main motion, but must be presented and voted on one at a time. A motion to amend must be made before the main motion is voted on.
7. After all motions to amend are voted, the main motion, (or as amended), must be voted on.

Reconsider an Article: An article may be reconsidered, that is revoted, **only** within thirty (30) minutes of the time that the main article (motion) was voted on. An article can only be reconsidered once. To reconsider:

1. Ask the Moderator for recognition.
2. Ask for reconsideration within the thirty (30) minute time limit. The Moderator can now finish present business, which may go on beyond thirty (30) minute limit. However, The Moderator shall take up the reconsideration as the next order of business.
3. At the proper time, present your motion for reconsideration and state your name.
4. At the Moderator's option, he can move the motion without further discussion.

NECESSARY MAJORITIES*

9/10 majority is required for unpaid bills of prior fiscal years (Special Town Meeting) that had no appropriation.

4/5 majority is required for unpaid bills of prior fiscal years, (Annual Town Meeting).

2/3 majority is required for all borrowing, land acquisitions or transfers and zoning by-laws.

Simple majority is required for all else, such as: regular By-laws, current appropriations and transfers, unpaid bills of prior years that has money appropriated but arrived to late to be included.

NOTE:

Yes and No votes will only be considered in the calculation of percentages. To figure the percentage, divide the Yes votes by the total Yes and No votes.

Example: 100 Yes, 50 No, and 20 Blanks shall be interpreted as:

$$\frac{100 \text{ Yes}}{100 \text{ Yes} + 50 \text{ No}} = 66.7\% \text{ or } 2/3$$

*Please note these vote quantums are for example only and there may be other types of votes, which fall under each of the categories listed above.

<u>Article #</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Department</u>	<u>Appropriation</u>
1	Optional Additional Exemption	Assistant Assessor	None
2	Street Acceptance: Shore Avenue	Board of Selectmen	\$500.00

ARTICLE: 1 OPTIONAL ADDITIONAL EXEMPTION

To see if the Town will vote to set the exemption for Clause 17D, Clause 22, Clause 22E, and Clause 37A at 100% of the allowable personal exemption amount in accordance with M.G.L. Chapter 59 Sec. 5.

Descriptions:

17D Elderly, Surviving Spouses, Minor whose father is deceased

- 22 Veterans and surviving spouses
- 22E 100% Disabled Veterans and surviving spouses
- 37A Legally Blind

To do or act thereon.

SPONSORED BY: Assistant Assessor
APPROPRIATION: None
FINCOM RECOMMENDATION:

Comments: This option is an annual decision and must be approved by town meeting. The decision to grant the additional exemption must be made before the approval of the tax rate for the year. This increase was approved for Fiscal Year 2009, 2010 and 2011.

ARTICLE 2: STREET ACCEPTANCE: SHORE AVENUE

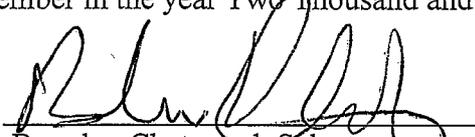
To see if the Town will vote to accept as a Town way Shore Ave, as laid out by vote of the Board of Selectmen on October 2, 2012, and as shown on the plan entitled "Revised Plan, Assabet Heights Development. Stowe - Maynard - Massachusetts" prepared by E.W. Pettigrew, dated May 10, 1948, recorded with the Middlesex Registry of Deeds in Book 7367, Page 367, a copy of which was filed with the Town Clerk not later than seven days prior to this vote, and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to accept or take by eminent domain deeds or easements to use such public way for all purposes for which public ways are used in the Town of Maynard and further to acquire drainage, utility and other related easements, and to authorize the appropriation of \$500.00 to pay for administrative expenses in this connection, or to take any other action relative thereto.

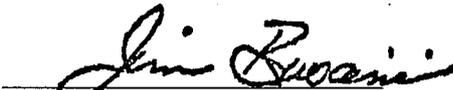
SPONSORED BY: Board of Selectmen
APPROPRIATION: \$500.00
FINCOM RECOMMENDATION:

Comments: This will allow the Board of Selectmen issue an Order of Taking by eminent domain for the property consisting of Shore Avenue for the purpose of accepting Shore Avenue as a public way.

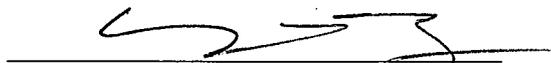
Given under our hands this *25th* day of September in the year Two Thousand and Twelve.


 Dawn Capello, Chairman


 Brendon Chetwynd, Selectman


 James Buscemi, Selectman


 David Gavin, Selectman


 Michael "Mick" Hurrey, Selectman

A true copy, Attest  Constable of Maynard.
 Lawrence E. Hartnett Jr.