TOWN OF NORTON

WARRANT FOR THE SPECIAL TOWN MEETING
WITH FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS

MONDAY, JUNE 6, 2011
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BRISTOL, SS.

To Dale Clark, or either of the Constables of the Town of Norton:

GREETINGS:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Norton, qualified to vote in Norton affairs, to meet in the Norton High School Gymnasium, 66 West Main Street, in said Norton, on Monday, the 6th day of June, 2011, A.D., at seven o'clock in the evening, then and there to act on the following articles, viz:

ARTICLE 1

To see if the Town will raise and appropriate, borrow or transfer from available funds $33,990,231.00 to be expended under the direction of the School Building Committee for the purpose of renovating, constructing improvements, remodeling, reconstructing, making extraordinary repairs to and expanding Norton High School, located at 66 West Main Street, Norton, (the “Project”) which Project shall include but not be limited to expansion of the building envelope, roof repairs, acquisition and installation of new windows, and construction and installation of new science labs, as well as additional design services, contract administration, professional and other costs incidental and related thereto as may be necessary, which school facility shall have an anticipated useful life as an educational facility for the instruction of school children for at least 50 years; and for construction of a pump station and connection to the sewer system at said Norton High School, including but not limited to costs for planning, design, construction, furnishing and equipping of said pump station and sewer connection, as well as all other costs incidental and related thereto; and to meet said appropriation, the Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, is authorized to borrow said sum under M.G.L. Chapter 44, §§7 or 8 or any other enabling authority and issue bonds and notes therefor; provided, however, that the appropriation made hereunder shall be subject to and contingent upon an affirmative vote of the Town to exempt the amounts required for the payment of interest and principal on said borrowing from the limitations on taxes imposed by M.G.L. 59, Section 21C, (Proposition 2½). The MSBA’s grant program is a non-entitlement, discretionary program based on need, as determined by the MSBA, and any Project costs the Town incurs in excess of any grant approved by and received from the MSBA shall be the sole responsibility of the Town. Any grant that the Town may receive from the MSBA for the Project shall not exceed the lesser of (1) 64.42 percent of eligible, approved Project costs, as determined by the MSBA, or (2) the total...
maximum grant amount determined by the MSBA; provided, however, that all costs associated with the construction of a pump station and connection to the sewer system at said Norton High School, including but not limited to costs for planning, design, construction, furnishing and equipping of said pump station and sewer connection, as well as all other costs incidental and related thereto, are categorically ineligible for reimbursement by the MSBA and are the sole responsibility of the Town; or take any other action relative thereto.

(SCHOOL COMMITTEE)

FINANCE COMMITTEE: Recommended, contingent upon MSBA’s approval of $33,990,231.00 at a reimbursement rate of 64.42 percent.

ARTICLE 2

To see if the Town will raise and appropriate, and or appropriate and/or transfer from available funds, or borrow the sum of $892,500.00, more or less, for reconstruction, refurbishing, and making of extraordinary repairs to the Norton High School bleachers and track, located at 66 West Main Street, including but not limited to costs for planning, design, construction, furnishing, and equipping said bleachers and track, as well as all other costs incidental and related thereto; and to meet this appropriation, to authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen to borrow said sum and issue bonds and notes therefor, pursuant to Chapter 44, Section 7, of the General Laws, or any other enabling authority; provided that any appropriation hereunder shall be subject to and contingent upon an affirmative vote of the Town to exempt the amounts required for the payment of interest and principal on said borrowing from the limitations on taxes imposed by M.G.L. 59, Section 21C, (Proposition 2½); and that the amount of borrowing authorized pursuant to this vote shall be reduced by any gifts or grants received for such purposes prior to the issuance of the bonds or notes authorized hereunder, or take any other action relative thereto.

(SCHOOL COMMITTEE)

FINANCE COMMITTEE: Recommended, at a total cost of $751,520.00 less donations (in the amount of $65,000.00) and transfers (in the amount of $36,520.00) in the total amount of $101,520.00, leaving the balance of $650,000.00 to be borrowed, all as set forth below:

$ 65,000.00    #301-300-100    (Norton Cable Access)
$  8,000.00    #299-300-100    (Field of Dreams)
$ 28,520.00    #252-300-100    (Field and Facility Rentals)

$101,520.00 Subtotal of Transfers/Donations
$650,000.00 Amount to be Borrowed

$751,520.00 Total Expenditure
And you are hereby directed to serve this Warrant by posting attested copies of the body of same at Chartley Post Office, Norton Post Office, Trinitarian Church, Unitarian Church, Norton Library, and three other public places within the limits of said Town, fourteen days at least, before the time of holding said meeting. Hereof, and fail not and make due return of this Warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk at the time and place of holding said meeting. Given under our hands this 19th day of May in the year Two Thousand Eleven.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN/TOWN OF NORTON

Robert W. Kimball, Jr., Chairman

Mary T. Steele, Vice Chair

Bradford K. Bramwell, Clerk

Robert S. Salvo, Sr.

Timothy R. Giblin

Norton, Massachusetts

I have served this Warrant by posting attested copies at Chartley Post Office, Norton Post Office, Trinitarian Church, Unitarian Church, Norton Library, and three other public places within the limits of said Town, fourteen days at least, before the time of holding said meeting.

ATTEST:

Ronald A. Benachi  CONSTABLE  Norton  DATE  May 22, 2011