

WARRANT FOR ANNUAL TOWN MEETING 2004**TOWN WARRANT
THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS**

Middlesex, ss.

To the Constables of the Town of Arlington, in said County:

GREETINGS:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Arlington qualified to vote in elections, to meet at the polling places designated for the several Precincts

**SATURDAY
THE THIRD OF APRIL 2004**

at eight o'clock in the forenoon, to act on the following articles, namely:

ARTICLE I

To elect by ballot the following Town Officers:

- A) One Moderator for three years;
- B) One Selectmen for three years;
- C) One Assessor for three years;
- D) Two School Committee Members for three years; and
- E) One Member of the Arlington Housing Authority for five years

Also, in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 43A of the General Laws, the number of Town Meeting Members as hereinafter specified:

- PRECINCT 1 - Four for three years; Two for two years;
- PRECINCT 2 - Four for three years;
- PRECINCT 3 - Four for three years;
- PRECINCT 4 - Four for three years; One for two years;
- PRECINCT 5 - Four for three years; Two for two years; Two for one year;
- PRECINCT 6 - Four for three years; One for two years;
- PRECINCT 7 - Four for three years;
- PRECINCT 8 - Four for three years;
- PRECINCT 9 - Four for three years;
- PRECINCT 10 - Four for three years;
- PRECINCT 11 - Four for three years;
- PRECINCT 12 - Four for three years;
- PRECINCT 13 - Four for three years; One for two years;
- PRECINCT 14 - Four for three years;
- PRECINCT 15 - Four for three years;
- PRECINCT 16 - Four for three years;
- PRECINCT 17 - Four for three years; One for one year;
- PRECINCT 18 - Four for three years;
- PRECINCT 19 - Four for three years;
- PRECINCT 20 - Four for three years;
- PRECINCT 21 - Four for three years; One for one year.

For these purposes, the polls will be opened at eight o'clock A.M. and remain open until eight o'clock P.M., at each of the polling places designated, viz.:

- Precinct 1 Thompson School, entrance on North Union Street
- Precinct 2 Hardy School, entrance on Brooks Avenue
- Precinct 3 Edith Fox Library, entrance on Cleveland Street
- Precinct 4 Hardy School, entrance on Brooks Avenue
- Precinct 5 Thompson School, entrance on North Union Street
- Precinct 6 Gibbs Junior High (East), entrance on Tufts Street
- Precinct 7 Gibbs Junior High (East), entrance on Tufts Street
- Precinct 8 Town Hall, entrance on Massachusetts Avenue
- Precinct 9 Chestnut Manor, entrance on Chestnut Terrace
- Precinct 10 Town Hall, entrance on Massachusetts Avenue
- Precinct 11 Bishop School, entrance on Stowcroft Road
- Precinct 12 Brackett School, entrance on Eastern Avenue
- Precinct 13 Stratton School, entrance on Mountain Avenue
- Precinct 14 Highland Fire Station, entrance on Massachusetts Avenue
- Precinct 15 Stratton School, entrance on Mountain Avenue
- Precinct 16 Dallin School, entrance on Florence Avenue
- Precinct 17 Highland Fire Station, entrance on Massachusetts Avenue
- Precinct 18 Dallin School, entrance on Florence Avenue
- Precinct 19 Peirce School, entrance on Newland Road
- Precinct 20 Park Avenue Congregational Church, entrance on Paul Revere Road

Precinct 21 Peirce School, entrance on Newland Road

You are also required to notify and warn the said inhabitants to meet at the Town Hall in said Town on Monday the 26th day of April, 2004, at eight o'clock in the evening, at which time and place the following articles are to

ARTICLE 2 REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

To receive, hear, and act upon the reports of the Board of Selectmen, Finance Committee, Redevelopment Board, and other committees, commissions, and boards heretofore appointed, including, without limitation: Permanent Advisory Committee (May 15, 2000), Newsracks Study Committee (May 9, 2001), Community Preservation Act Study Committee (May 21, 2001), Symmes Hospital Advisory Committee (May 21, 2001), Power Company (Inserted at the request of the Town Moderator)

ARTICLE 3 APPOINTMENT OF MEASURERS OF WOOD AND BARK

To choose and appoint all the usual Town Officers not hereinbefore mentioned, in such a manner as the Town may determine, or take any action related thereto.
(Inserted by the Board of Selectmen)

ARTICLE 4 ELECTION OF ASSISTANT MODERATOR

To elect a Town Meeting Member as Assistant Moderator for a term or one year, as provided in Title I, Article 1, Section 11, A, of the By-Laws.
(Inserted at the request of the Town Moderator)

ARTICLE 5 ZONING BYLAW AMENDMENT/BICYCLE/PARKING

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning Bylaw in Article 11, Section 11.06, f. 4. Circulation, by deleting the words "vehicular and pedestrian" and inserting in place thereof, the words "vehicular, pedestrian and bicyc
(Inserted at the request of Arlington Redevelopment Board)

ARTICLE 6 ZONING BYLAW AMENDMENT/DIMENSIONAL AND DENSITY REGULATIONS

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning Bylaw in Article 6, Section 6.00, Table of Dimensional and Density Regulations by inserting in the B1, B2, B2A, B3, B4, B5 districts the new use "Single-family detached dw
Lot Requirements Minimum, Size, Sq. Ft. - 5,000; Lot Requirements Minimum, Frontage - 50; Intensity of Development, Floor Area Ratio - 1.00; Intensity of Development, Lot Coverage Maximum - NA; Intensity of Devel
and in the B1 district in the use "All permitted uses" by deleting the word "All" and inserting in place thereof the words "Any other";
and in the B2 district in the use "Building with a principal use of a three family dwelling, town house structure or apt. house" by deleting the words "three family dwelling"
and at the end of the table, insert footnote Q as follows: "Q In cases subject to Section 11.06 Environmental Design Review, the Redevelopment Board in evaluating the proposal may by Special Permit adjust the required setb
and at the end of the table, insert footnote R as follows: "R These dimensional requirements shall not apply to any special permit issued before the first advertisement of this bylaw change in February, 2004."; or take any related action thereto.
(Inserted at the request of Arlington Redevelopment Board)

ARTICLE 7 ZONING BYLAW AMENDMENT/FLOODPLAIN DISTRICT

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning Bylaw in Article 11, Section 11.04,b in the third sentence after the words, "The Floodplain Overlay consists of the" by inserting the words, "Flood Insurance Study", and in s
Massachusetts Wetlands Protection Regulations, Department of Environmental Protection (DEP), 310 CMR 10.00 and Inland Wetlands Restriction (DEP) 310 CMR 13.00; 2.3 Base Flood Elevation Data is required for propo
(Inserted at the request of Arlington Redevelopment Board)

ARTICLE 8 ZONING BYLAW AMENDMENT/WETLAND AND FLOODPLAIN OVERLAY

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning Bylaw in the Wetland and Floodplain Overlay to the Zoning Map by adding the following wetlands and water resources:

1. wetland on Town owned land behind 37 Berkeley St. (McClennen Park)
2. wetland on Town owned land between 36 and 48 Wright St. (McClennen Park)
3. permanent pond and wetland in Reed's Brook at McClennen Park
4. wetland between 16 and 43 Dothan St.
5. wetland between 71 Mott St. and Route 2
6. wetland behind houses on south side of Edith St.
7. Herbert Meyer Brook through Winchester Country Club
8. stream in backyard 62 Hutchinson Rd.
9. Noname Brook or Geri's Brook parallel to Minutemen Trail from approximately Nourse Rd. to Park Ave. and wetland near Park Ave.
10. drainage way parallel to property line between 33 Ryder St. 1165 Mass Ave.
11. stream outlet of Hills Pond in Menotomy Rocks Park near Morton Rd.
12. Two hillside seeps in northwest corner of Menotomy Rocks Park, near Shawnee Rd.

or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted at the request of Arlington Conservation Commission and Arlington Redevelopment Board)

ARTICLE 9 ZONING BYLAW AMENDMENT/OFF STREET PARKING

To see if the Town will vote to amend the zoning bylaw to add a section e to para 11.08 to read "In the case of a single room occupancy dwelling, a dormitory, or a lodging house, and notwithstanding the special permit require
action related thereto.

(Inserted at the request of 10 registered voters)

ARTICLE 10 ZONING BYLAW AMENDMENT/INDUSTRIAL ZONE

To see if the Town will vote to amend Table 5.04, Table of Use Regulations of the Zoning Bylaw to add SP^d to all entries from 1.03 to 1.10 under the I (Industrial Zone) heading, and an item d in the footnotes to read "where r
(Inserted at the request of 10 registered voters)

ARTICLE 11 ZONING BYLAW AMENDMENT/AFFORDABLE HOUSING

To see if the Town will vote to amend Subpara d(2) of Section 1.08 of the Zoning Bylaw to insert following "Eligible households". This sentence "Public or non-profit activities may purchase units at the "affordable unit pric
(Inserted at the request of 10 registered voters)

ARTICLE 12 ZONING BYLAW AMENDMENT/AFFORDABLE HOUSING II

To see if the Town will vote to amend Para 3d of Section 11.08 to read "Affordable units shall normally be located on the project site. Where the developer offers to provide affordable units elsewhere of equivalent or greater v
(Inserted at the request of 10 registered voters)

ARTICLE 13 ZONING BYLAW AMENDMENT/TEMPORARY SIGNS

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning Bylaws to allow the temporary display of advertising/sponsorship signs by local athletic organizations and charitable fundraisers at Town athletic fields through a special perm
(Inserted at the request of the Park & Recreation Commission)

ARTICLE 14 ZONING BYLAW AMENDMENT/OFF STREET PARKING

To see if the Town will vote to amend column Two of the Table of Off-Street Parking Requirements in section 8.01 of the Zoning Bylaw to read " One per efficiency, one and fifteen hundredths (1.15) per one bedroom unit, a
(Inserted at the request of 10 registered voters)

ARTICLE 15 BYLAW AMENDMENT/TEMPORARY SIGNS II

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Town Bylaws to establish a special permit process, under authority of the Park & Recreation Commission and School Committee, to allow for the temporary display of advertising/signs.
(Inserted at the request of the Park & Recreation Commission)

ARTICLE 16 ABANDONMENT OF EXTERIOR LINES

To see if the Town will vote to abandon the exterior lines at 874 – 880 and 980 Massachusetts Avenue in support of the redevelopment of the site by Boston Federal Savings Bank, or take any action related thereto.
(Inserted at the request of 10 registered voters)

ARTICLE 17 VOTE AMENDMENT/PARMENTER SCHOOL

To see if the Town will vote to amend Article 35 of the 1992 Annual Town Meeting, by deleting the first paragraph and inserting in place the following:
That effective July 1, 1998, the Town hereby continues the transfer of the jurisdiction of Parmenter School and all land under jurisdiction of the School Committee appurtenant thereto, to the Redevelopment Board for a ten-year term.
(Inserted at the request of Arlington Redevelopment Board)

ARTICLE 18 ENVIRONMENTAL AND ENERGY EFFICIENCY

To see if the Town will vote to take all appropriate action, including amendment of the bylaws, for the purpose of increasing the environmental and energy efficiency of new real estate developments, by requiring that all new construction projects obtain Silver certification requirement he/she must demonstrate to the Arlington Redevelopment Board that the use of this rating level is inappropriate. In such cases, the developer must then consider a less stringent green building standard.
(Inserted at the request of Sustainable Arlington Task Group/Vision 2020 and 10 registered voters)

ARTICLE 19 BYLAW AMENDMENT/SNOW REMOVAL/RESIDENCES

To see if the Town will vote to amend Section 24, "Snow Removal - Residences" of Article 1 "Public Ways" of Title III of the Bylaws by replacing "fine of \$10 per day" with "fine of \$25 per day", or take any action related thereto.
(Inserted by the Board of Selectmen)

ARTICLE 20 BYLAW AMENDMENT/SNOW REMOVAL APARTMENTS/CONDOMINIUMS

To see if the Town will vote to amend Section 25, "Snow Removal - Apartments/Condominiums" of Article 1 "Public Ways" of Title III of the Bylaws by replacing "fine of \$10 per day" with "fine of \$25 per day", or take any action related thereto.
(Inserted by the Board of Selectmen)

ARTICLE 21 BYLAW AMENDMENT/SNOW REMOVAL/BUSINESSES

To see if the Town will vote to amend Section 26, "Snow Removal - Businesses" of Article 1 "Public Ways" of Title III of the Bylaws by replacing "fine of \$20 per day" with "fine of \$50 per day", or take any action related thereto.
(Inserted by the Board of Selectmen)

ARTICLE 22 BYLAW AMENDMENT/PUBLIC WAYS

To see if the Town will vote to add a new Section under Article 1 "Public Ways" of Title III as follows: "No person, except an officer or employee of the Town shall place or throw or cause to be placed or thrown on to any public way."
(Inserted by the Board of Selectmen)

ARTICLE 23 BYLAW AMENDMENT/REPAIRS TO PRIVATE WAYS

To see if the Town will vote to amend Article 3, Repairs to Private Ways of Title III of the Bylaws, or take any action related thereto.
(Inserted by the Board of Selectmen)

ARTICLE 24 BYLAW AMENDMENT/RECREATION VEHICLES

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Bylaw to provide for the following:
Vehicles – Recreation

Section 1. Definitions:

"Recreation Vehicle", shall include the following types of registered or unregistered vehicles: motorized scooters, motorized skateboards, snowmobiles, all-terrain vehicles, go-carts, minibikes, and similarly styled vehicles.

"Motorized Scooter", any two-wheeled device that has handlebars, designed to be stood or sat upon by the operator, powered by an electric or gas "powered" motor that is capable of propelling the device with or without human assistance.

"Motorized Skateboard", any four or eight-wheeled device that is designed to be stood or sat upon by the operator, which may or may not have an upright handlebar for steering, which is powered by an electric or gas "powered" motor.

"Way", any public highway or private way laid out under authority of Massachusetts General Laws dedicated to public use, including but not limited to Town streets and sidewalks, or any area under the control of the Town.

Section 2. Recreation Vehicles; Operation Regulations:

No recreational vehicle shall be operated upon any way in the Town of Arlington by any person under sixteen (16) years of age, nor at a speed in excess of twenty-five (25) miles per hour by any person, and no recreational vehicle shall be operated upon any way in the Town of Arlington during any declared emergency when authorized by the Chief of Police.

Section 3. Exemptions:

The following recreational vehicles shall be exempt from the provisions of this By-Law:

- (a) Recreational Vehicles licensed by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts as Motor Vehicles,
- (b) Recreational Vehicles used by handicapped persons,
- (c) Equipment used for landscaping and snow removal,
- (d) Recreation Vehicles used by any governmental agency, and
- (e) Recreational Vehicles used during any declared emergency when authorized by the Chief of Police.

Section 4. Violations and Penalties:

Whoever violates the provisions of the By-Law shall be punished by a fine of \$100.00 for the first offense, and \$200.00 for the second offense, and \$300.00 for the third and each subsequent offense.

Any Recreational Vehicle being operated by a person under the age of sixteen (16) years may be confiscated by the Arlington Police Department and held at the Arlington Police Station until retrieved by a parent or guardian.

Section 5. Enforcement:

The Arlington Police shall enforce the provisions of this By-Law;

or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted at the request of the Chief of Police)

ARTICLE 25 BYLAW AMENDMENT/DATA PROCESSING

ADVISORY BOARD

To see if the Town will vote to modify or rescind Title II, Article 5 of the town by laws establishing a Data Processing Advisory Board, or take any action related thereto.
(Inserted at the request of 10 registered voters)

ARTICLE 26 BYLAW AMENDMENT/REVENUE MANUAL

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Town Bylaws Title IX, ENFORCEMENT AND FEES by adding the following Article:

AND FEES, BY ADDING THE FOLLOWING ARTICLE.

ARTICLE /REVENUE MANUAL

Section 1. Town Manager

It shall be the responsibility of the Town Manager to compile a manual consisting of all of the fees and charges of all departments of the Town. The fees shall be organized by the department or official responsible for setting s

The Town Manager shall create this Manual by the 2005 Annual Town Meeting and update at least every two years thereafter. The Manual shall be posted on the Town website in an easily downloadable electronic format, o
(Inserted at the request of the Finance Committee)

ARTICLE 27 BYLAW AMENDMENT/DOG PARKS

VOTED: To see if the Town will vote to amend Section 2 of Article 2 Canine Control of Title VIII of the bylaws by inserting the following sentence after the phrase "except a dog when restrained by a leash not exceeding six f
"The Board of Parks and Recreation Commissioners may designate a dog park, dog run, or dog exercise area only if same is enclosed by appropriate fencing to preclude the escape of any dog into any other area of the p

or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted at the request of the Park and Recreation Commission)

ARTICLE 28 BYLAW AMENDMENT/ADJUSTMENTS TO TOWN FEES

To see if the Town will vote to amend Title IX of the bylaws entitled Enforcement and Fees by, adding to or adjusting any or all Town fees, or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted at the request of the Finance Committee)

ARTICLE 29 BYLAW AMENDMENT/NEWS RACKS

To see if the Town will vote to amend bylaws of Article 1, Section 31 of Article 1 of Title III of the bylaws, to provide for a pilot program that would require newspaper vendors to locate their news racks inside of special con
(Inserted at the request of the News Rack Study Committee)

ARTICLE 30 AMEND BYLAWS/CONTROL OF PARKS

To see if the Town will vote to amend Article 1 Use of Areas Under Control of Park Department of Title IV of the bylaws as follows:

ARTICLE 1 USE OF AREAS UNDER CONTROL OF PARK DEPARTMENT

Section 2. Protection of Parks

Using fields during inclement weather, when in poor conditions or when fields are closed can result in the following and no person shall injure, deface, dig up or displace, cut, break, remove, fill in, raise, destroy, or tamper with

Section 3. Actions Prohibited

F. No Organized groups are allowed to utilize a playing field without a permit given by Recreation Department. These groups can be asked to leave by a person or persons designated by the Park and Recreation Commission.

Section 9. Signs and Direction of Town Personnel

No person shall refuse or neglect to obey any rule, posted by sign concerning the use of any area under the care and control of the Park Department and Park and Recreation Commission; nor shall they refuse or neglect to obey

Section 10. Violation and Fines

Any person violating any of the foregoing, except Section 1, Section 3C, Section 3F and Section 8 shall be punished by a fine of not more than twenty (\$20) dollars. Any person violating Section 8 for each offense, shall be pun
Any person violating Section 1, for each offense, shall be punished for the full amount of damage assessed by Town Personnel, or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted at request of the Park and Recreation Commission)

ARTICLE 31 VOTE AMENDMENT/WETLANDS PROTECTION

To see if the Town will vote to amend the vote under Article 5 of the May 5, 2003 Special Town Meeting relating to Article 8 of Title V Wetlands Protection of the bylaws so as to permit the Conservation Commission to gra
(Inserted at the request of 10 registered voters)

ARTICLE 32 SPECIAL PLACE/THE OLD SCHWAMB MILL

To see if the Town will vote, pursuant to the Town of Arlington Bylaw, Title VI, Article Seven, Special Places, and alter the Town of Arlington Inventory of Significant Properties by designation as a Special Place, all of the la
Inventory of Significant Properties, unless it is already on that Inventory, and that the affected properties shall be put on the Affected Properties Roster as shall be developed and maintained by the Historical Commission and
(Inserted at the request of the Arlington Historical Commission)

ARTICLE 33 BYLAW AMENDMENT/SPECIAL PLACES

To see if the Town will vote to repeal the Special Places Bylaw (Title VI, Article 7) enacted under Article 8 of the annual town meeting of 2003, or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted at the request of 10 registered voters)

ARTICLE 34 SAFE PLACEMENT OF NEWBORNS AND INFANTS

To see if the Town will vote to request and recognize the Board of Selectmen to file Home Rule legislation that would support "Safe Placement of Newborns and Infants" also known as the Baby Safe Haven Law, the particula
(Inserted by the Board of Selectmen)

ARTICLE 35 HOME RULE PETITION/TIMOTHY PACHECO

To see if the Town will vote to request and authorize the Board of Selectmen to file a Home-Rule Petition with the General Court so as to permit Timothy Pacheco of 15 Fordham Street, Arlington, to apply for the position of
(Inserted at the request of 10 registered voters)

ARTICLE 36 REQUEST FOR LEGISLATION/MEETING NOTICES

To see if the Town will vote to initiate a Home Rule Petition to allow posting of a notice on the Town web page for two weeks to constitute the advertising of such a notice, or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted at the request of 10 registered voters)

ARTICLE 37 HOME RULE LEGISLATION/BEER, WINE, AND MALT SALE LICENSES

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to file a Home Rule Petition which requests that the Great and General Court authorize a ballot question for the Town which requests permission from the voters for the
(Inserted at the request of 10 registered voters)

ARTICLE 38 REQUEST FOR LEGISLATION/ALL ALCOHOL LICENSES

To see if the Town will vote to authorize and request that the Board of Selectmen file a Home Rule Petition with the legislature which would authorize a ballot question to ask the registered voters of the Town for permission t
(Inserted by the Board of Selectmen)

ARTICLE 39 REVOLVING FUNDS

To see if the Town will vote the following:

- A. Private Way Repair - to reauthorize the revolving fund established under Article 46 of the 1992 Annual Town Meeting relating to defraying the cost of private way repairs; to hear or receive a report concerning the receipts
- B. Public Way Repair - to reauthorize the revolving fund established under Article 45 of the 1992 Annual Town Meeting relating to the maintenance of public ways; to hear or receive a report concerning the receipts and exper
- C. Fox Library - to reauthorize the revolving fund established under Article 49 of the 1996 Annual Town Meeting relating to the Fox Library and Community Center; to hear or receive a report concerning the receipts and expe
- D. Robbins House - to reauthorize the revolving fund established under Article 31 of the 2000 Annual Town Meeting relating to the Whittemore-Robbins House; to hear or receive a report concerning the receipts and expendit
- E. Conservation Commission - to reauthorize the revolving fund established under Article 44 of the 1996 Annual Town Meeting relating to consultant fees charged by the Conservation Commission; to hear or receive a report
- F. Tuition Payments - to reauthorize the revolving fund established under Article 34 of the 1999 Annual Town Meeting relating to grants or reimbursements paid by another governmental entity including tuition payments of
- G. All Day Kindergarten - to reauthorize the revolving fund established under Article 31 of the 2000 Annual Town Meeting for all day kindergarten under the auspices of the School Department; to hear or receive a report con
- H. Uncle Sam - to reauthorize the revolving fund established under Article 31 of the 2000 Annual Town Meeting for the Uncle Sam program that promotes Arlington as the "Birthplace of Uncle Sam" under the auspices of th
- I. Hardy After School Program - to reauthorize the revolving fund established under Article 51 of the 2001 Annual Town Meeting for the after school program at the Hardy School; to hear or receive a report concerning the rec
- J. Life Support Services - to reauthorize the revolving fund established under Article 6 of the May, 2001 Special Town Meeting for basic life support and advanced life support services which provides for billing and payment

To appropriate a sum of money for any one or all of the same, to establish new revolving funds to determine how the money shall be raised and expended; or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted by the Board of Selectmen)

ARTICLE 40 ENDORSEMENT OF CDBG APPLICATION

To see if the Town will vote to endorse the application for Federal Fiscal Year 2005 prepared by the Acting Town Manager and the Board of Selectmen under the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 (PL 93-38) (Inserted by the Board of Selectmen and at the request of the Acting Town Manager)

ARTICLE 41 RESIDENCY REQUIREMENT/TOWN COUNSEL

To see if the Town will vote to authorize and request the Board of Selectmen to file a Home-Rule Petition to amend Section 28 of the Acting Town Manager Act to remove the residency requirement for the office of Town Counsel (Inserted at the request of the Acting Town Manager and Town Counsel)

ARTICLE 42 AUTHORITY TO FILE FOR GRANTS

To see if the Town will vote to give the Acting Town Manager, the Board of Selectmen, the Superintendent of Schools, and the School Committee, the general authority to file applications and to accept grants from the Federal Government (Inserted at the request of the Acting Town Manager and Superintendent of Schools)

ARTICLE 43 ON STREET PARKING

To see if the Town will vote to recommend to the Board of Selectmen as Parking Commissioners of the Town to change the parking regulations to provide for on-street sticker parking except for Massachusetts Avenue, said street (Inserted at the request of 10 registered voters)

ARTICLE 44 REQUEST FOR LEGISLATION/MUNICIPAL BUILDING

INSURANCE FUND

To see if the Town will vote to authorize and request the Board of Selectmen to file a home-rule petition that would authorize the Acting Town Manager to expend funds from the Town's Municipal Building Insurance Fund (Inserted at the request of the Acting Town Manager)

ARTICLE 45 HOME RULE LEGISLATION/MUNICIPAL BUILDING

INSURANCE TRUST FUND

To see if the Town will vote to authorize and request the Board of Selectmen to file a Home Rule Petition allowing the transfer of all or a portion of the existing balance in the Municipal Building Insurance Trust Fund as Established (Inserted at the request of the Town Treasurer)

ARTICLE 46 ESTABLISH COMMITTEE/INFORMATION SYSTEMS

To see if the Town will vote to establish an Information Systems Advisory Committee, determine its duties and responsibilities, and specify the manner and number of appointments to said committee, or take any action related thereto (Inserted at the request of 10 registered voters)

ARTICLE 47 ESTABLISH INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

To see if the Town will vote to establish an Information Technology Advisory Committee which among other things may be charged with the responsibility of reviewing the Town's current technology plan including its information systems (Inserted by the Board of Selectmen)

ARTICLE 48 ESTABLISH COMMITTEE/TOWN BUDGETS

To see if the Town will vote to create a committee to study the way in which the Town Meeting votes upon the budgets and determines revenue, said committee to report to the appropriate boards and officials of the Town and the Board of Selectmen (Inserted at the request of 10 registered voters)

ARTICLE 49 ESTABLISH COMMITTEE/POST-EMPLOYMENT MEDICAL BENEFITS COMMITTEE

To see if the Town will vote to establish a Post-Employment Medical Benefits Committee comprised of the Acting Town Manager, or the Acting Town Manager's designee; the Finance Committee Chairman, or the Finance Committee member; and the Town Treasurer, or the Town Treasurer's designee, to be called and presided over by the Town Treasurer, and the business of the committee will be conducted so long as a quorum of the members are present at the meeting (Inserted at the request of the Town Treasurer)

ARTICLE 50 ESTABLISH COMMITTEE/RESERVE FUND/SPENDING POLICIES

To see if the Town will vote to establish a Reserve Fund/Spending Policy Committee comprised of the Acting Town Manager, or the Acting Town Manager's designee; the Superintendent of Schools, or the Superintendent's designee; and the Town Treasurer, or the Town Treasurer's designee, to be called and presided over by the Town Treasurer, and the business of the committee will be conducted so long as a quorum of the members are present at the meeting (Inserted at the request of the Town Treasurer)

ARTICLE 51 ESTABLISH COMMITTEE/TRUST FUND POLICIES

To see if the Town will vote to establish a Trust Fund Policy Committee comprised of one member from the Board of Trust Fund Commissioners; one member from the Board of Library Trustees; one member from the Board of Selectmen; and the Town Treasurer, or the Town Treasurer's designee, to be called and presided over by the Town Treasurer, and the business of the committee will be conducted so long as a quorum of the members are present at the meeting (Inserted at the request of the Town Treasurer/Trust Fund Custodian)

ARTICLE 52 APPROPRIATION/TOWN BUDGETS

To see if the Town will vote to make appropriations to defray Town obligations, liabilities, outlay and expenses and especially for or relating to all or any of the boards, departments, purposes and matters hereinafter mentioned

Finance Committee, Board of Selectmen, Acting Town Manager, Personnel, Comptroller, Data Processing, Town Treasurer and Collector of Taxes, Assessors, Legal and Worker's Compensation, Town Clerk, Registrars, Planning and Zoning, Veterans Memorial Rink Enterprise Fund, and Youth Services Enterprise Fund. (Inserted by the Board of Selectmen and at the request of the Acting Town Manager)

ARTICLE 53 APPROPRIATION/MINUTEMAN REGIONAL VOCATIONAL TECHNICAL HIGH SCHOOL

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money for the purpose of paying the Town's apportioned share of the operating and maintenance costs, including capital costs, of the Minuteman Regional Vocational Technical High School (Inserted at the request of Minuteman Regional Vocational School District Committee)

ARTICLE 54 APPROPRIATION/TOWN CELEBRATIONS, ETC.

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum or sums of money to be expended under the direction of the Acting Town Manager for the following celebrations and memorials, determine how the money shall be raised, or to

- A. Seasonal Lighting
- B. Veterans' Day Parade, Memorial Day Observation and the Patriots' Day Celebration
- C. 2004 Town Day Celebration
- D. Display of American Flags on Massachusetts Avenue
- E. Placing of American Flags on the Graves of Veterans

(Inserted at the request of the Acting Town Manager)

ARTICLE 55 APPROPRIATION/COMMITTEES AND COMMISSIONS

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum or sums of money to be expended under the direction of various committees, commissions, and boards of the Town, determine how the money shall be raised; provided that at the request of the Board of Selectmen, Conservation Commission, Capital Planning Committee, Commission on Disability, Personnel Board, Public Memorial Committee, Human Rights Commission, and any other Town committee (Inserted at the request of the Town Moderator and the Finance Committee)

ARTICLE 56 APPROPRIATION/MISCELLANEOUS

To see if the Town will vote the following:

- A. Legal Defense - To appropriate a sum of money to replenish the Legal Defense Fund established under Article 13, Section 5 of Title I of the Town Bylaws,
- B. Unemployment Compensation - To appropriate a sum of money to be expended under the direction of the Acting Town Manager for the Unemployment Compensation Program,
- C. Out-Of-State Travel - To appropriate a sum of money for expenses incurred outside the Commonwealth and as described in the General Laws, Chapter 40, Section 5, Paragraph 34, said appropriation to be expended under the direction of the Acting Town Manager,
- D. Revaluation - To appropriate a sum of money to fund the cost of a revaluation of Town property,
- E. Indemnification of Medical Costs - To appropriate a sum of money in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 41, Section 100B of the General Laws, to indemnify certain retired Police Officers and Firefighters for all reasonable expenses incurred by them in the performance of their duties (Inserted at the request of the Acting Town Manager)

determine how the money will be raised and expended, or take any action related thereto. (Inserted at the request of the Acting Town Manager)

ARTICLE 57 CAPITAL BUDGET

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money to defray the expense of purchasing, leasing, or bonding of capital equipment, infrastructure, buildings or other projects of the Town or to acquire real property for (Inserted by the Board of Selectmen, and at the request of the Acting Town Manager and the Capital Planning Committee)

ARTICLE 58 RESCIND AUTHORITY TO BORROW

To see if the Town will vote to rescind the authority to borrow for certain abandoned capital projects, or take any action related thereto.
(Inserted at the request of the Capital Budget Committee)

ARTICLE 59 APPROPRIATION/HARDY SCHOOL

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money to augment funds previously voted for the construction and reconstruction of the Hardy School to address noise problems associated with the heating, ventilation, and air conditioning.
(Inserted at the request of the Permanent Town Building Committee)

ARTICLE 60 APPROPRIATION/DALLIN SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION PROJECT

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money for remodeling, reconstructing, or making extraordinary repairs and/or for constructing, equipping, and furnishing a wholly new building for the Dallin School, to determine if the Town should issue bonds for the same.
(Inserted at the request of the School Committee, Superintendent of Schools, and the Permanent Town Building Committee)

ARTICLE 61 ALTERNATIVES REGARDING ELEMENTARY SCHOOL REBUILD PROGRAM

To see if the Town will consider and vote to accept one of the following alternatives regarding the remodeling, reconstructing or making extraordinary repairs to the Dallin, Thompson and Stratton schools, or for constructing, equipping, and furnishing a wholly new building for the same.

1. Continue to delay the Dallin, Thompson and Stratton rebuild projects until the state reimbursement schedule is clarified.
2. Temporarily expand the existing annual percentage of revenue currently allocated to capital projects in order to resume the elementary rebuild program.
3. Include the Dallin, Thompson and Stratton schools within the existing capital plan without expansion of the capital revenue base.
4. Vote to place another debt exclusion question on the Town ballot requesting sufficient funds to complete the Dallin, Thompson and Stratton schools;

or take any action related thereto.
(Inserted at the request of the Town Treasurer)

ARTICLE 62 APPROPRIATION/FINANCING OF CONSTRUCTION OR RECONSTRUCTION OF SEWERS AND SEWERAGE FACILITIES

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money for the purpose of financing the construction or reconstruction of sewers and sewerage facilities for inflow/infiltration reduction or system rehabilitation, including or excluding the use of bonds.
(Inserted at the request of the Acting Town Manager and Director of Public Works)

ARTICLE 63 APPROPRIATION/FINANCING OF CONSTRUCTION OR RECONSTRUCTION OF WATER MAINS AND WATER FACILITIES

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money for the purpose of financing the construction or reconstruction of water mains and water facilities, including costs incidental and related thereto, and to determine how to pay for the same.
(Inserted at the request of the Acting Town Manager and Director of Public Works)

ARTICLE 64 APPROPRIATION/PENSION ADJUSTMENT FOR FORMER TWENTY-FIVE YEAR EMPLOYEES

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money to implement the provisions Chapter 32 of the Massachusetts General Laws, Sections 90A, 90C, 90D, and 90E, pursuant to which the Town pays up to fifty percent of the cost of the pension.
(Inserted at the request of the Contributory Retirement Board)

ARTICLE 65 COLLECTIVE BARGAINING/LOCAL 680

To see if the Town will vote to fund any fiscal items in the event that any are contained in a collective bargaining agreement between the Town and that collective bargaining unit represented by Local 680, American Federation of Teachers.
(Inserted at the request of the Acting Town Manager)

ARTICLE 66 COLLECTIVE BARGAINING/NAGE

To see if the Town will vote to fund any fiscal items in the event that any are contained in a collective bargaining agreement between the Town and that collective bargaining unit represented by Local 113, National Association of Public Employees.
(Inserted at the request of the Acting Town Manager)

ARTICLE 67 COLLECTIVE BARGAINING/LIBRARY PROFESSIONALS

To see if the Town will vote to fund any fiscal items in the event that any are contained in a collective bargaining agreement between the Town and that collective bargaining unit represented by the Robbins Library Professionals Association.
(Inserted at the request of the Acting Town Manager)

ARTICLE 68 COLLECTIVE BARGAINING/LOCAL 1297 FIREFIGHTERS

To see if the Town will vote to fund any fiscal items in the event that any are contained in a collective bargaining agreement between the Town and that collective bargaining unit represented by Local 1297, International Association of Firefighters.
(Inserted at the request of the Acting Town Manager)

ARTICLE 69 COLLECTIVE BARGAINING/PATROLMEN

To see if the Town will vote to fund any fiscal items in the event that any are contained in a collective bargaining agreement between the Town and that collective bargaining unit represented by the Arlington Police Patrolmen's Association.
(Inserted at the request of the Acting Town Manager)

ARTICLE 70 COLLECTIVE BARGAINING/RANKING POLICE OFFICERS

To see if the Town will vote to fund any fiscal items in the event that any are contained in a collective bargaining agreement between the Town and that collective bargaining unit represented by the Ranking Police Officers Association.
(Inserted at the request of the Acting Town Manager)

ARTICLE 71 MISCELLANEOUS AND NON-UNION EMPLOYEES

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money to fund salary or fringe benefit increases for those employees who occupy a position in Schedule M of the Compensation and Pay Plan or who are non-union Town employees.
(Inserted at the request of the Acting Town Manager)

ARTICLE 72 FUNDING FUTURE COLLECTIVE BARGAINING

To see if the Town will vote to carry over a sum of money left unexpended at the end of Fiscal Year 2004 in Town budgets in order to establish a reserve for funding future collective bargaining agreements, to appropriate a sum of money to fund the same.
(Inserted at the request of the Acting Town Manager)

ARTICLE 73 SALARY ADJUSTMENT/ELECTED OFFICIALS

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money in order to adjust the salaries or fringe benefits of certain elected officials, including the Town Clerk and Town Treasurer, determine how the money shall be raised and how to pay for the same.
(Inserted by the Board of Selectmen)

ARTICLE 74 POSITIONS RECLASSIFICATION

To see if the Town will vote to make additions, deletions and/or modifications to the Classification and Pay Plan, appropriate a sum of money to fund same if necessary, determine how the money will be raised and expended, (Inserted at the request of the Acting Town Manager and Personnel Director)

ARTICLE 75 TRANSFER OF APPROPRIATIONS/PARKING (BOARD OF SELECTMEN)

To see if the Town will vote to Transfer the Fiscal Year 05 appropriation amounts under the following line items set forth under Budget 12: Parking:

- Personnel Services
- Expenses
- Detail of Personnel Services
- Parking Clerk
- Data Input Operator/Clerk
- Overtime
- Longevity

And transferring said appropriations to Budget 6-Treasurer-Collector by adding the FY 05 Parking Clerk appropriation to the salary of the Treasurer; adding the Data Input Operator/Clerk appropriation to the Clerks designat (Inserted at the request of the Town Treasurer)

ARTICLE 76 APPROPRIATION/WEED TREATMENT

To see if the Town will appropriate a sum of money for the remediation of weeds at Spy Pond, determine how the money will be raised or expended, or take any action related thereto. (Inserted at the request of the Vision 2020 Environment Task Group

and the Vision 2020 Standing Committee)

ARTICLE 77 APPROPRIATION/LIBRARY WAY

To see if the Town will vote to request that the Board of Selectmen to do all things necessary and appropriate to cause to be installed a traffic control device including without limitation a stop light on or in the vicinity of Libr (Inserted at the request of 10 registered voters)

ARTICLE 78 FIELD USER FEES

To see if the Town will vote to take any appropriate action including, without limitation, enactment of a bylaw that would require the Park and Recreation Commission to charge a fee for the use of fields under its jurisdiction t offset by the receipt of funds from any person or organization unrelated to the Arlington School Department, or take any action related thereto. (Inserted at the request of the Finance Committee).

ARTICLE 79 APPROPRIATION/PARK AVENUE BRIDGE

To see if the Town will vote to request that the Board of Selectmen do all things necessary and appropriate to install a sidewalk on the Park Avenue Bridge, to appropriate a sum of money to fund same, to determine how the t (Inserted at the request of 10 registered voters)

ARTICLE 80 TRASH COLLECTION

To see if the Town will vote to exclude trash collection and disposal (when legally permitted) from those items paid for from the general revenues of the Town, or take any action related thereto. (Inserted at the request of 10 registered voters)

ARTICLE 81 TRASH COLLECTION FEE

To see if the Town will vote to institute a fee to offset all or part of the costs of trash collection and disposal, or take any action related thereto. (Inserted at the request of 10 registered voters)

ARTICLE 82 TRASH COLLECTION PLAN

To see if the Town will vote to make all necessary changes to its bylaws so as to establish a trash collection plan to be created and administered by the Department of Public Works (DPW), said plan to provide for Town trash (Inserted at the request of 10 registered voters)

ARTICLE 83 PERMISSIVE LEGISLATION

To see if the Town will vote to accept permissive legislation relating to any one or more of the following:

1. Retirement changes and/or early retirement.
2. Education reform and/or application and acceptance of any educational funds appropriated by the legislature.
3. Special needs students.

or take any action related thereto (Inserted at the request of the School Committee and Superintendent of Schools)

ARTICLE 84 LOCAL OPTION TAXES

To see if the Town will vote to accept any local option taxes which are made available to cities and towns through enactments of the legislature, or take any action related thereto. (Inserted at the request of the Finance Committee)

ARTICLE 85 CREATE POSITION/TOWN WEB SITE

To see if the Town will vote to create a position (full or part time) in the office of the Town Clerk to keep current the Town web site, posting any required notices or minutes of meetings thereto, or take any action related ther (Inserted at the request of 10 registered voters)

ARTICLE 86 APPROPRIATION/RETIREE HEALTHCARE TRUST FUND

To see if the Town will appropriate a sum of money to the Healthcare Trust Fund as established by Chapter 12 of the Acts of 1998, and to accept into said trust fund a transfer of funds and/or additional moneys that the Tow (Inserted at the request of the Town Treasurer and the Finance Committee)

ARTICLE 87 APPROPRIATION/TIP FEE STABILIZATION FUND

To see if the Town will vote to make an appropriation/transfer from the Tip Fee Stabilization Fund established by Chapter 8 of the Acts of 1998 for any purpose allowed by such act, to determine how the money will be raise (Inserted at the request of the Finance Committee)

ARTICLE 88 TRANSFER OF FUNDS/CEMETERY

To see if the Town will vote to transfer a sum of money to the Cemetery Commissioners for the improvement of Town cemeteries, said sum shall be taken from the Mt. Pleasant Cemetery "Sale of Lots and Graves Fund", or t (Inserted at the request of the Finance Committee)

ARTICLE 89 APPROPRIATION/OVERLAY RESERVE

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money from previous years overlay reserve surplus accounts, determine to what purpose this appropriation shall be made, or take any action related thereto. (Inserted at the request of the Finance Committee)

ARTICLE 90 APPROPRIATION/STABILIZATION FUND

To see if the Town will make an appropriation to be added to the Stabilization Fund created under Article 73 of the 1958 Annual Town Meeting in accordance with the provisions of the General Laws, Chapter 40, Section 5B, (Inserted at the request of the Finance Committee)

ARTICLE 91 USE OF FREE CASH

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the taking of a sum of money voted for appropriations heretofore made at the Town Meeting under the Warrant and not voted to be borrowed from available funds in the Treasury, and (Inserted at the request of the Finance Committee)

ARTICLE 92 RESOLUTION/AFFORDABLE HOUSING

To see if the Town will adopt the following resolution:
WHEREAS, The Town of Arlington through its elected and appointed officials, has made the objective of providing affordable housing solutions a high priority, and
WHEREAS, the Town of Arlington recognizes that Massachusetts General Law Chapter 40B was enacted by the State Legislature with an intent of creating more opportunities for the development of affordable housing, and
WHEREAS, the Town of Arlington has added to its by-laws a requirement that all residential development in excess of 6 units must include a minimum of 15% units designated as affordable, and
WHEREAS, in the present 40B General Law and currently proposed amendments to it, there is no provision for this type of inclusionary zoning on a statewide basis, and
WHEREAS, developers continue to build sites without affordable units while also using the threat of 40B to force concessions from the community for high density or controversial sites.
It is therefore RESOLVED, that the Town of Arlington believes that Chapter 40B as it currently exists is not any effective means of addressing the affordable housing problem in Massachusetts, and that the Massachusetts Legislature take any action related thereto.

(Inserted at the request of 10 registered voters)

ARTICLE 93 RESOLUTION/PRINCIPLES FOR PUBLIC SCHOOL EDUCATION

To see if the Town will vote to endorse the following principles for public school education in Arlington:
All students have the right to a full and comprehensive curriculum taught by certified, competitively compensated, professional staff members, who are provided with appropriate professional development training
Needs of diverse learners should be addressed for all students K-12.
A safe, positive school climate with appropriate programs to support the needs of our students will exist in each school.
Implementation of the District Goals for Arlington Public Schools, as approved by the School Committee, will be supported.
And resolve that the Town of Arlington and its elected and appointed officials and employees will:
Provide adequate funding to support these principles for the Arlington Public Schools; and urge the United States Federal Government and its various branches, representatives, and employees to provide adequate funding
Governor, U.S. Congressional and Senate representatives, and the President of the United States, or take any action related thereto.
(Inserted at the request of 10 registered voters)

Hereof, fail not, and make due return of the Warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, on or before said day and hour of meeting.

(SIGNED) (SIGNED)
A true copy. KEVIN F. GREELEY SELECTMEN
Attest: DIANE M. MAHON OF THE
CHARLES LYONS TOWN
KATHLEEN KIELY DIAS OF
JOHN W. HURD ARLINGTON

RICHARD T. BOYLE
CONSTABLE

HOW TO VOTE BY ABSENTEE BALLOT

Reasons for voting absentee

You may vote absentee if you are registered and will be unable to vote at the polls on Election Day because of

- Absence from the Town
- Physical disability
- Religious beliefs

Illegal absentee voting is punishable by a fine of up to \$500 and up to a year in prison.

Applying for an absentee ballot

You must apply for an absentee ballot from the Town Clerk no later than noon of the day before the election. Applications may be mailed or hand delivered and you may use any form of written communication (letter or post

Include on the application

- Your name as registered
- Your registration address
- Precinct, if you know it
- The precise address to which you wish the ballot sent
- Your own signature

Requesting to vote by mail

A ballot will be sent to any address you specify including your own home. Be sure to apply early because the ballots must be sent by mail and may be returned by mail or hand delivered.

Requesting to vote in person

If you prefer, you may request to vote in person before Election Day. You may vote at the Town Hall before Election Day at a time arranged with the Clerk, but application for your ballot must be made no later than noon of

Applying to vote if you are absent from the state, in the armed services or a prisoner

Registered and unregistered residents of Massachusetts outside the state and residents on active duty in the armed forces and merchant marine and their spouses or dependents, and prisoners, may vote absentee. They may rec

A parent of a registered voter who is a student at a Massachusetts college or university may apply for an absentee ballot on the student's behalf to the Town Clerk where the student is registered.

In all cases, unregistered voters must register in person when they return to the state, since this does not establish permanent registration.

What if I am permanently physically disabled?

If you are permanently physically disabled and cannot cast your vote at the polling place, you may file a letter from your physician with the Town Clerk, stating that you are permanently unable to cast your vote at the pollin

NOTE: Voters who are admitted to a health care facility after noon of the fifth day before an election may apply for an absentee ballot up until the polls close on the day of the election (rather than noon the day before the elec