

**COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
WARRANT FOR THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE
TURNERS FALLS FIRE DISTRICT
APRIL 17, 2018**

FRANKLIN Ss.

To: Debra A. Bourbeau
Clerk of the Turners Falls Fire District

GREETINGS

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Turners Falls Fire District legally qualified to vote in said District Meeting, to meet at the **Turners Falls High School Theater, 220 Turnpike Road**, Montague on Tuesday, April 17, 2018 at 7:00 P.M. then and there to transact the following business:

ARTICLE 1. To see if the District will vote to accept the reports of the District Officers as published and further vote to hear and accept the reports of any committee appointed by the Moderator and take any relative action thereon, or take any action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 2. To see if the District will vote to authorize its Treasurer, with the approval of the Prudential Committee and Water Commissioners to borrow monies from time to time in anticipation of revenue or water rates for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2018 in accordance with Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 4, and issue a note or notes therefore, payable one (1) year within and renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one (1) year, in accordance with Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 44, Section 17, or take any action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 3. To see if the District will vote to require a bond from a fidelity company for its Treasurer, or take any action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 4. To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds, borrow or otherwise provide any sum or sums of money for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2018 and ending June 30, 2019 for the purpose of **operating said District** and such amounts as are requested and proposed in the Annual Report for such operational purposes, or take any action relative thereto.

Amount Requested.....\$ 2,826,952

ARTICLE 5. To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds, borrow or otherwise provide any sums or sums of money to provide additional funds to **purchase and equip a used replacement ambulance**, including any incidental or related costs, or take any action relative thereto.

Amount Requested.....\$ 40,000

ARTICLE 6. To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds, borrow or otherwise provide any sums or sums of money for the **Stabilization Fund** for the **future purchase of a vehicle for the Fire Department**, or take any action relative thereto.

Amount Requested.....\$ 75,000

ARTICLE 7. To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds, borrow or otherwise provide any sums or sums of money to provide additional funds for the **replacement of air bottles** for the Fire Department or take any action relative thereto.

Amount Requested.....\$ 24,000

ARTICLE 8. To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds, borrow or otherwise provide any sums or sums of money to provide additional funds for **future major repairs to fire vehicles**, or take any action relative thereto.

Amount Requested.....\$ 20,000

ARTICLE 9. To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds, borrow or otherwise provide any sums or sums of money to provide additional funds for the **Other Post Employments Benefits (OPEB) Trust Fund obligation**, or take any action relative thereto.

Amount Requested.....\$ 30,000

ARTICLE 10. To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds, borrow or otherwise provide any sum or sums of money for the purpose of designing, engineering and constructing a **water main connection with Greenfield on the General Pierce Bridge**, including any incidental or related costs, or take any action relative thereto. This Article is intended to supplement the votes taken under Article 10 of the Annual District Meeting held on April 18, 2017.

Amount Requested.....\$ 75,000

ARTICLE 11. To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds, borrow or otherwise provide any sum or sums of money for **future water main replacements or repairs** including any incidental or related costs, or take any action relative thereto.

Amount Requested.....\$ 50,000

ARTICLE 12. To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds, borrow or otherwise provide any sum or sums of money for the purpose of **reducing** an outstanding U.S. Department of Agriculture (**USDA**) **loan balance**, or take any action relative thereto.

Amount Requested.....\$ 50,000

ARTICLE 13. To see if the District will vote, in accordance with the provisions of G.L. c. 44, §53E1/2, and authorized by Chapter 170 Section 1 of the Acts of 2015, to establish the spending limit for the **revolving fund** for **Land Management for Fiscal Year 2019 at \$5,000**, or take any action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 14. To see if the District will vote to authorize the Board of Assessors to use any sum or sums of money from available unappropriated funds for the purpose of reducing District Taxes for the fiscal year July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019, or take any action relative thereto.

Amount requested.....\$ 0

ARTICLE 15. To see if the District will vote to authorize the Prudential Committee and/or the Water Commissioners to **apply for and accept grants** from the Federal Government, the Commonwealth of Massachusetts or any other source and to expend the same for purposes received without further appropriation, or take any action relative thereto.

The Finance Committee approves all of the above Articles.

And you are hereby directed to notify the inhabitants of the Turners Falls Fire District to meet in the Turners Falls Fire District Offices, 226 Millers Falls Road, Turners Falls on Tuesday, April 24, 2018 at 12:00 O'clock, noon until 7:00 O'clock in the afternoon, then and there to vote for the following officers of the Turners Falls Fire District, viz.: one PRUDENTIAL COMMITTEE member for three (3) years and one WATER COMMISSIONER for three (3) years.

And you are hereby directed to serve this Warrant by causing attested copies thereof to be posted in not less than five (5) public places within the District, at least seven (7) days before the time of said meeting.

Whereof fail not, and make due the return of the Warrant to the Prudential Committee and Water Commissioners at time of said meeting.

Given under our hands this Second Day of April, Two Thousand Eighteen.

PRUDENTIAL COMMITTEE

David J. Zamojski, Chairman

Jay D. DiPucchio

John A. Greene

WATER COMMISSIONERS

Bruce A. Merriam, Chairman

Stephen T. Call

Kenneth G. Morin

Return of service of the Warrant for the April 17, 2018 Annual District Meeting.
I have posted copies of the above Warrant in not less than five (5) public places within the District at least seven (7) days before the time of said Meeting as directed by the Prudential Committee and the Water Commissioners.

A TRUE AND ATTESTED COPY

Debra A. Bourbeau, District Clerk