COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
WARRANT FOR A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE
TURNERS FALLS FIRE DISTRICT
March 27, 2021

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 in the gymnasium at the **Franklin County Technical School, 82 Industrial Boulevard, Turners Falls**, on Saturday, March 27, 2021 at 10:00 A.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, 2021 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 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.

ARTICLE 5. 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, 2021 and ending June 30, 2022 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.....$ 3,175,820

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 to provide funds to **purchase emergency communication radios and equipment**, including any incidental or related costs, or take any action relative thereto.

Amount Requested.....$ 125,000

ARTICLE 7. To see if the District will vote to **authorize** the Prudential Committee to **enter into a lease purchase agreement** for a **new ambulance** in accordance with the provisions of G.L., c. 44, sec. 21C for a period in excess of three years for the purchase and equipping of said ambulance and to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money for the first year payment of such agreement, or take any action relative thereto.

Amount Requested.....$ 70,000
for first year payment of lease-purchase

Total cost of vehicle after five years is $248,500.

ARTICLE 8. 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 paying separation pay for **1/3 of unused sick leave** to the **retiring Fire Chief**, or take any action relative thereto.

Amount Requested.....$ 29,200

ARTICLE 9. 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 paying **unused vacation pay** to the **retiring Fire Chief**, pursuant to the employee's contract, or take any action relative thereto.

Amount Requested.....$ 15,600

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 **future water main replacements or repairs** including any incidental or related costs, or take any action relative thereto. This Article is intended to supplement the votes taken under Article 11 approved at the Annual District Meeting held on April 17, 2018; Article 12 approved at the Annual District meeting held on April 16, 2019 and Article 15 approved at the Annual District Meeting held on June 16, 2020.

Amount Requested.....$ 50,000

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 the purpose of **upgrades** to the **water metering system**, 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 **purchasing a new truck** for the **Water Department**, or take any action relative thereto.

Amount Requested.....$ 50,000

ARTICLE 13 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 **future roof replacement** at the **Water Department and District Office,** including any incidental or related costs, or take any action relative thereto. This item is intended to supplement the vote taken under Article 11 approved at the Annual District Meeting held on June 16, 2020.

Amount Requested.....$ 30,000

ARTICLE 14. 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 2022 **at $5,000,** or take any action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 15. 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 paying **unused vacation pay** to the **retiring District Accountant**, or take any action relative thereto.

Amount Requested.....$ 6.800

ARTICLE 16. 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 paying separation pay for **unused sick leave** to the **retiring District Accountant,** or take any action relative thereto.

Amount Requested.....$ 4,250

ARTICLE 17. 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, 2021 through June 30, 2022, or take any action relative thereto.

Amount requested.....$ 0

The Finance Committee approves all of the above Articles.

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 Tenth Day of March, Two Thousand Twenty One.

PRUDENTIAL COMMITTEE

David J. Zamojski, Chairman

John A. Greene

Todd M. O'Brien

WATER COMMISSIONERS

Bruce A. Merriam, Chairman

Kenneth G. Morin

Edward F. Pelis

Return of service of the Warrant for the March 27, 2021 Special District Meeting. I have posted copies of the above Warrant in not less than five (5) public places within the District at least seven (14) 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

Debra A. Bourbeau, District Clerk