



Town of Hamilton

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

Warrant

OCTOBER 22, 2007

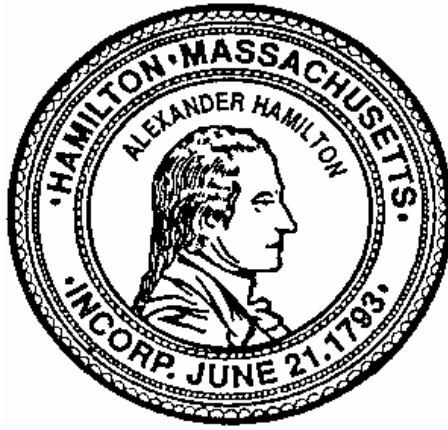
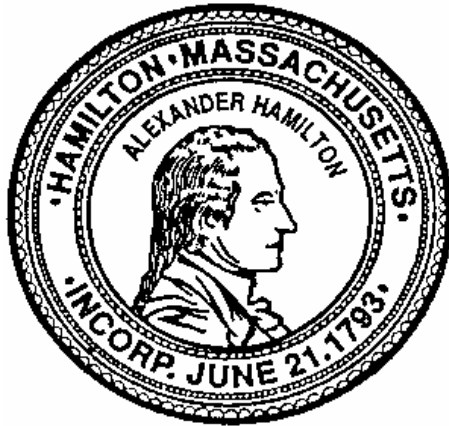


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ESSEX, SS
TO THE CONSTABLE OF THE TOWN OF HAMILTON:
GREETINGS:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Hamilton qualified to vote in election and Town affairs, to meet at the Hamilton-Wenham Regional High School in said town, on Monday, the 22nd day of October, in the year Two Thousand Seven (October 22, 2007) at seven thirty o'clock in the evening (7:30 p.m.), then and there to act on the following articles.

SECTION 1: FINANCIAL ACTIONS

<p><u>ARTICLE</u> 2007/10 -1-1</p> <p><i>Prior Year Bill</i></p>	<p>To see if the Town will raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money to pay a bill incurred in a prior fiscal year, or take any action thereon or relative thereto. (Expected request \$5,082.50)</p> <p>The Selectmen will make a recommendation at the meeting. The Finance and Advisory Board will make a recommendation at the meeting.</p>
<p><u>ARTICLE</u> 2007/10 -1-2</p> <p><i>Department of Public Works Appropriation</i></p>	<p>To see if the Town will raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money to pay for the Highway/DPW Departmental budget to cover the increased costs of overtime, and wages or take any other action thereon or relative thereto. (Expected request \$10,000)</p> <p>The Selectmen will make a recommendation at the meeting. The Finance and Advisory Board will make a recommendation at the meeting.</p>

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<p><u>ARTICLE</u> 2007/10 -1-3</p> <p><i>Department of Public Works Appropriation</i></p>	<p>To see if the Town will raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money to pay for the Highway/DPW Departmental budget to cover the costs of purchasing signs and lights to signal emergency parking bans, or take any other action thereon or relative thereto. (Expected request \$2,000)</p> <p>The Selectmen will make a recommendation at the meeting. The Finance and Advisory Board will make a recommendation at the meeting.</p>
<p><u>ARTICLE</u> 2007/10 -1-4</p> <p><i>Stormwater Phase II Study</i></p>	<p>To see if the Town will transfer from the Highland Street Bridge Project Account, Article 3-5 of FY 05, a sum of money to fund a Stormwater Phase II Study to comply with EPA requirements and deadlines, or take any other action thereon or relative thereto. (Expected request \$20,000)</p> <p>The Selectmen will make a recommendation at the meeting. The Finance and Advisory Board will make a recommendation at the meeting.</p>
<p><u>ARTICLE</u> 2007/10 -1-5</p> <p><i>Department of Public Works Pickup Trucks</i></p>	<p>To see if the Town will raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds sums necessary to purchase or lease one or two pick-up trucks for the Department of Public Works, or take any other action thereon or relative thereto. (Expected request \$54,000)</p> <p>The Selectmen recommend favorable action. The Finance and Advisory Board will make a recommendation at the meeting.</p>
<p><u>ARTICLE</u> 2007/10 -1-6</p> <p><i>Public Safety Building Appropriation</i></p>	<p>To see if the Town will transfer money from the Moulton Street Bridge Capital project to fund the additional cost of designing, constructing, originally equipping and furnishing the new Public Safety Building, or take any action thereon or relative thereto. (Expected request \$5,419.88)</p> <p>The Selectmen will make a recommendation at the meeting. The Finance and Advisory Board will make a recommendation at the meeting.</p>
<p><u>ARTICLE</u> 2007/10 -1-7</p> <p><i>Department of Public Works Holder Vehicle</i></p>	<p>To see if the Town will raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sums necessary to purchase or lease a Holder Vehicle with attachments for snow plowing, flail mowing and sweeping, or take any other action thereon or relative thereto. (Expected request \$118,000)</p> <p>The Selectmen recommend favorable action. The Finance and Advisory Board will make a recommendation at the meeting.</p>

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<p><u>ARTICLE</u> 2007/10 -1-8</p> <p><i>Community Preservation Act Appropriation</i></p>	<p>To see if the Town will appropriate monies from the Community Preservation Fund balance to increase the appropriation of a previously approved project to improve the heating system at Town Hall, or take any other action thereon or relative thereto. (Expected request \$40,000)</p> <p>The Selectmen will make a recommendation at the meeting. The Finance and Advisory Board will make a recommendation at the meeting.</p>
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SECTION 2: TOWN BY-LAW AMENDMENTS

<p><u>ARTICLE</u> 2007/10 -2-1</p> <p><i>Stormwater Management By-law</i></p>	<p>To see if the Town will amend the General By-laws by adding a new Chapter XXIX, entitled “Stormwater Management By-law,” or take any other action thereon or relative thereto. [The proposed language appears as Appendix A in the warrant book.]</p> <p>The Selectmen will make a recommendation at the meeting. The Finance and Advisory Board will make a recommendation at the meeting.</p>
<p><u>ARTICLE</u> 2007/10 -2-2</p> <p><i>Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination By-law</i></p>	<p>To see if the Town will amend the General By-laws by adding a new Chapter XXX, entitled “Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination By-law” or take any other action thereon or relative thereto. [The proposed language appears as Appendix B in the warrant book.]</p> <p>The Selectmen will make a recommendation at the meeting. The Finance and Advisory Board will make a recommendation at the meeting.</p>
<p><u>ARTICLE</u> 2007/10 -2-3</p> <p><i>Disposal of Refuse and Garbage By-law (PAYT)</i></p>	<p>To see if the Town will amend the General By-law Chapter XIV, “Disposal of Refuse and Garbage” by adding provisions to authorize the Board of Selectmen to create a Pay As You Throw Program, and to see if the Town will accept the provisions of G.L. c. 44, § 53F ½ to establish refuse and garbage collection charges as an enterprise fund effective fiscal year ‘08, or take any other action thereon, or relative thereto. [The proposed language appears as Appendix C in the warrant book.]</p> <p>The Selectmen will make a recommendation at the meeting. The Finance and Advisory Board will make a recommendation at the meeting.</p>
<p><u>ARTICLE</u> 2007/10 -2-4</p> <p><i>Disposal of Refuse and Garbage By-law (Prohibited Materials)</i></p>	<p>To see if the Town will amend the General By-law Chapter XIV, “Disposal of Refuse and Garbage” by deleting existing Section 4 and replacing it with a new Section 4, take any other action thereon, or relative thereto. [The proposed language appears as Appendix C in the warrant book.]</p> <p>The Selectmen will make a recommendation at the meeting. The Finance and Advisory Board will make a recommendation at the meeting.</p>

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<p><u>ARTICLE</u> 2007/10 -2-5</p> <p><i>Winter Parking Ban By-law</i></p>	<p>To see if the Town will amend the General By-law, Ch. X, “Ways,” Sec. 9, to regulate the parking of motor vehicles on public ways during the winter months, or take any other action thereon, or relative thereto. [The proposed language appears as Appendix D in the warrant book.]</p> <p>The Selectmen will make a recommendation at the meeting. The Finance and Advisory Board will make a recommendation at the meeting.</p>
<p><u>ARTICLE</u> 2007/10 -2-6</p> <p><i>Dog Licensure Fees</i></p>	<p>To see if the Town will amend the General By-law, Chapter XVIII, “Dog By-law” by amending Section 4 to increase the fees for the issuance of licenses for dogs, or take any other action thereon or relative thereto. [The proposed fees appear in Appendix E in the warrant book.]</p> <p>The Selectmen will make a recommendation at the meeting. The Finance and Advisory Board will make a recommendation at the meeting.</p>
<p><u>ARTICLE</u> 2007/10 -2-7</p> <p><i>Schedule of Fees</i></p>	<p>To see if the Town will amend the General By-law, Chapter XXI, “Schedule of Fees” by increasing certain fees, or take any other action thereon or relative thereto. [The proposed fees appear in Appendix F in the warrant book.]</p> <p>The Selectmen will make a recommendation at the meeting. The Finance and Advisory Board will make a recommendation at the meeting.</p>

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SECTION 3: CLOSING FINANCIAL ACTIONS

ARTICLE
2007/10 -3-1

Free Cash Application

To see if the Town will appropriate and authorize the Assessors to use available certified free cash to reduce the tax rate for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2007, or take any action thereon, or relative thereto.

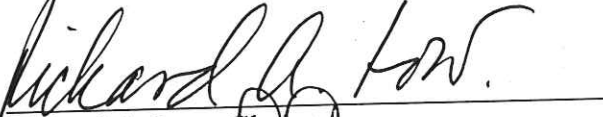
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Given under our hands October 4, 2007

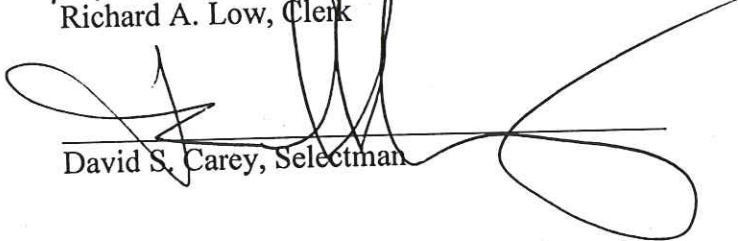
SELECTMEN OF THE TOWN OF HAMILTON



William F. Bowler, Chairman



Richard A. Low, Clerk

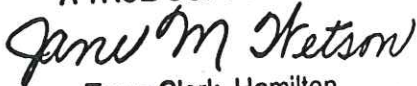


David S. Carey, Selectman

Hamilton, Massachusetts
October 4, 2007

I have this day served this warrant as directed by Chapter 1, Section 1b of the Town By-laws.


Constable

A TRUE COPY ATTEST

Town Clerk, Hamilton

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Please join us

Monday, October 22, 2007

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Hamilton Wenham Regional High School

Auditorium

7:30 p.m.

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