

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

May 23, 2016

Milford, Massachusetts

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

WORCESTER, SS:

To either Constable of the Town of Milford in said County,

GREETINGS:

In the name of the Commonwealth aforesaid, you are hereby required to notify and warn the Inhabitants of the Town of Milford, qualified by law to vote in Town Affairs, to meet in the Upper Hall of the Milford Town Hall, 52 Main Street, on the 23<sup>rd</sup> day of May, 2016 A.D. at 7:30 P.M. and then and there to act upon the following articles:

ARTICLE 1: To hear and act upon reports of all Town Officers and Committees of the Town.

ARTICLE 2: To see if the Town will vote to amend the Wage and Salary Schedule of the Wage and Salary Administration Plan by establishing new position levels and salary levels, as recommended by the Personnel Board for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2016, as follows:

A POSITION LEVELS – SALARIED POSITIONS

LEVELS	POSITION TITLE
I	Assistant Town Counsel Community Development Director
II	Facilities Director Network Administrator Town Accountant Benefits Coordinator Tax Collector Town Treasurer*
III	IT Manager Highway Supervisor Senior Center Director Town Planner Assessor/Administrator Building Commissioner Parks and Recreation Administrator Police Lieutenant

Health Agent

- IV Town Engineer
- Director, Sewer Operations
- Finance Director\*
- Deputy Police Chief

- V Town Counsel\*
- Town Administrator\*
- Police Chief\*
- Fire Chief\*

\*contract

B Compensation Schedule – Salaried Positions

STEP	LEVELS:	I	II	III	IV	V
1		50,298	60,042	61,958	70,958	89,558
2		53,352	63,687	65,720	75,266	94,996
3		56,406	67,333	69,481	79,574	100,433
4		59,460	70,978	73,243	83,883	105,871
5		62,513	74,623	77,004	88,191	111,308
6		65,567	78,269	80,766	92,499	116,746
7		68,621	81,914	84,527	96,807	122,183
8		71,675	85,560	88,269	101,115	127,621

C POSITION LEVELS – HOURLY RATED POSITIONS

LEVELS	POSITION TITLE
I	Clerk, Community Development PT/FT
	Clerk/Receptionist, Senior Center
	Jr. Building Custodian
	Legal Secretary
	Planning Assistant
	Van Driver/Senior Center
	Volunteer Services Coordinator/Senior Center
II	Admin. Services Coordinator
	Adm. Asst. to Town Administrator
	Asst. Animal Control Officer
	Admin. Asst. to Senior Ctr. Director
	Asst. Director, Youth Center
	Asst. Zoning Enforcement Officer PT/FT
	Asst. to Fire Chief
	Asst. to Police Chief
	Client Services Coordinator/Senior Ctr. PT
	Deputy Wiring Inspector
	Deputy Plumbing/Gas Inspector
	Dispatcher PT
	Health Inspector FT

Lister/Data Collector  
 Local Building Inspector PT  
 Outreach Coordinator/Senior Ctr. PT  
 Paralegal/Legal Assistant  
 Plumbing/Gas Inspector  
 Program Coordinator/Community Development PT/FT  
 Program Coordinator/Senior Center PT  
 Property Rehab. Specialist/Community Development PT  
 Senior Custodian  
 Technology Support Technician  
 Transportation Coordinator/Senior Center  
 Wiring Inspector

III      Animal Control Officer  
           Asst. Town Accountant  
           Asst. Town Treasurer  
           Financial Analyst PT  
           Maintenance Supervisor  
           Youth Center Director

D      Compensation Schedule – Hourly Rated Positions

STEP	LEVELS	I	II	III
1		15.48	19.34	20.34
2		16.42	20.51	21.57
3		17.36	21.69	22.80
4		18.30	22.86	24.03
5		19.24	24.04	25.26
6		20.18	25.21	26.49
7		21.12	26.38	27.72
8		22.05	27.56	28.95

F      HOURLY NON-RATED POSITIONS      PER HOUR

Assistant Pool Manager      PT	16.48
Call Firefighter \$100 Stipend (plus)	13.91
Cemetery Groundskeeper	17.46
Cemetery Working Foreman	24.04
Clerk of Works/Senior Center PT (temporary)	26.29
Clerks/Seasonal – All Departments	17.46
Clerks/Substitute – All Departments	17.46
Highway Seasonal Heavy Equipment Operator	27.60
Highway Seasonal Light Equipment Operator	23.91
Laborers/Seasonal PT: Parks, Cemetery, Other	10.99
Matrons/Police	17.46
Milford Youth Center: Activities Supervisor P/t	9.89
Milford Youth Center: Activities Facilitator PT	12.36
Milford Youth Ctr. Concession Equipment Monitor PT	8.96

Milford Youth Center: Front Desk Monitor PT	9.89
Milford Youth Center: Health Coordinator PT	20.06
Milford Youth Center: Program Coordinator PT	18.55
Milford Youth Center: Program Facilitator PT	12.36
Milford Youth Center: Summer Camp Counselor	16.83
Pool Lifeguard PT	14.88
Pool Manager PT	17.78
School Nurse PT	18.75
Soil Testing Assistant	15.50
Student Police Officer	22.81
Transfer Station Attendant	16.84
Transfer Station Supervisor	17.46
Veterans Agent	34.98

F MISCELLANEOUS POSITIONS

Assistant Health Agent PT	7630
Board of Health Physician PT	6673
Burial Agent	1051
Board of Registrars Chairperson	2757
Board of Registrars Members PT (2)	2206
Fair Housing Director PT	2100
Foreign Language Translator	569
Inspector of Animals	2445
Municipal Hearings Officer	2838
Pest Control Officer PT	3307
Sealer of Weights and Measures	8465

G ELECTION WORKERS

Election Wardens	14.56 per hour
Election Clerks	14.56 “ “
Election Deputies	12.48 “ “
Election Checkers	10.40 “ “
Election Custodian	162.78 per election

H CLERKS.VARIOUS BOARDS AND COMMITTEES (PT)

CLASS		ANNUAL
8	Clerk, Finance Committee	7878
7	Unclassified	6875
6	Minutes Recorder/Board of Selectmen	5894
5	Clerk, Personnel Board	4912
5	Clerk, Planning Board	4912
4	Clerk, Conservation Committee	3929
4	Clerk, School Building Comm. (temp.)	3929
4	Minutes Reorder, Library Building Comm.	3929
3	Clerk, Board of Health	3929
3	Clerk, Capital Improvement Committee	2946
3	Clerk, Vernon Grove Cemetery Trustees	2946

2	Clerk, Registrars of Voters	1963
2	Clerk, Park Commission	1963
2	Clerk, Zoning Board of Appeals	1963
2	Minutes Recorder/Capital Improvement Comm.	1963
2	Minutes Recorder/Industrial Develop. Comm.	1963
1	Minutes Recorder/Library /Board of Trustees	963

PT: Part Time, FT: Full Time, PPT: Permanent Part Time

Upon the effective date hereof, salaried or hourly rated employees shall be placed on such step within the foregoing schedules as exceeds, but is closest to, the rate of compensation applicable to such employee as of June 30, 2016. Thereafter, step movements shall be on an annual basis.

(Personnel Board)

ARTICLE 3: To see if the Town will vote to fix the salary and compensation of all elected officers of the Town, as provided by Section 108 of Chapter 41 of the General Laws, as follows:

**FY 17**

Highway Surveyor	\$95,139.00
Town Clerk	\$81,044.00
Assessor (Chairman)	\$7,653.00
Assessor (Members)	\$6,859.00
Tree Warden	\$6,605.00
Selectmen (Chairman)	\$8,721.00
Selectmen (Members)	\$7,748.00
Vernon Grove Trustee (Clerk)	\$3,710.00
Board of Health (Chairman)	\$2,497.00
Board of Health (Members)	\$2,181.00
Sewer Commissioner (Chairman)	\$2,497.00
Sewer Commissioner (Members)	\$2,181.00
Park Commissioner (Chairman)	\$2,497.00
Park Commissioner (Members)	\$2,181.00
Planning Board (Chairman)	\$2,497.00
Planning Board (Members)	\$2,181.00
Moderator	\$2,400.00

(Board of Selectmen)

ARTICLE 4: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate such sum or sums of money as may be necessary to defray expenses for the financial year beginning July 1, 2016, or take any other action in relation thereto.

(Board of Selectmen)

ARTICLE 5: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning July 1, 2016 in accordance with the provisions of General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 4 and to issue a note or notes therefore, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 17, or take any other action in relation thereto.

(Town Treasurer)

ARTICLE 6: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to take charge of all legal proceedings for or against the Town, or take any other action in relation thereto.

(Board of Selectmen)

ARTICLE 7: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to expend from funds received by the Town as fines for parking violations during Fiscal Year 2017, such sum or sums of money as are necessary to pay the costs and expenses of collecting such fines and otherwise complying with the provisions of Section 20A of Chapter 90 of the General Laws during said fiscal year, or take any other action in relation thereto.

(Board of Selectmen)

ARTICLE 8: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer and/or Tax Collector to enter into a compensating balance agreement or agreements for Fiscal Year 2017 pursuant to Chapter 44, Section 53F of the General Laws, or take any other action in relation thereto.

(Town Treasurer)

ARTICLE 9: To see if the Town will vote for Fiscal Year 2017, to authorize any and all departments to utilize, without further appropriation, any amounts received from insurance companies or other third parties as damages or payment for damage to any Town-owned property, for the purpose of repairing or replacing such property, or, as deemed appropriate by the Board of Selectmen, directly depositing such funds to the Municipal Building & Property Insurance Fund established by vote under Article 45 of the June 11, 1990 Annual Town Meeting, or take any other action in relation thereto.

(Board of Selectmen)

ARTICLE 10: To see if the Town will vote to authorize all persons, boards or agencies of the Town otherwise authorized to contract for or on behalf of the Town, during Fiscal Year 2017 to enter into such contracts or agreements for up to five years, except in the case of contracts or agreements dealing with real estate which may be for up to ten years, or take any other action in relation thereto.

(Board of Selectmen)

ARTICLE 11: To see if the Town will vote to accept G.L. c. 59, § 5C ½ , which provides for an additional real estate exemption for taxpayers who are granted personal exemptions on their domiciles under G.L. c. 59, § 5, including certain blind persons, veterans, surviving spouses and seniors, and to provide that the additional exemption shall be up to 100% of the personal exemption, to be effective for exemptions granted for any fiscal year beginning on or after July 1, 2016, or take any other action in relation thereto.

(Board of Selectmen)

ARTICLE 12: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer to accept deeds in lieu of foreclosure, pursuant to Chapter 60, Section 77C of the Massachusetts General Laws, or take any other action in relation thereto.

(Town Treasurer)

ARTICLE 13: To see if the Town will vote to transfer a sum of money, consistent with the funds raised from vending machines in the Milford School district, to be spent under the jurisdiction of the School Committee for purposes of Student Activities not funded in the School Department budget, or take any other action in relation thereto.

(School Committee)

ARTICLE 14: To see if the Town will vote to authorize revolving funds for certain Town Departments which departments have been previously authorized, under M. G.L. c. 44, Section 53E ½ for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2016, or take any other action in relation thereto.

(Various Departments)

ARTICLE 15: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds, a sum of money to be spent under the jurisdiction of the Board of Selectmen for the repair or replacement of the front stairs and railings at the Milford Police Headquarters, or take any other action in relation thereto.

(Board of Selectmen)

ARTICLE 16: To see if the Town will vote to delete the provisions of Article 18 of the General By-Laws entitled "Capital Improvement Committee" and at the same time amend Article 2 of said By-Laws entitled "Finance Committee" by inserting a new paragraph within Section 4 thereof which paragraph shall state as follows:

The Finance Committee shall have a permanent sub-committee on Capital Improvements which sub-committee shall evaluate the capital needs of Town and its various departments and shall report and recommend thereon to the full Finance Committee.

or take any other action in relation thereto.

(Board of Selectmen/Finance Committee)

ARTICLE 17: To see if the Town will vote to amend Article 27 of the general By-Laws of the Town by striking the first two sentences of sub-section (a) and replacing said sentences with the following:

The Commission shall consist of 9 members, all of whom shall be appointed initially by the Board of Selectmen. Membership preference shall be given to persons with disabilities. The remaining members shall be parents, friends, or other persons with expertise regarding persons with disabilities.

or take any other action in relation thereto.

(Commission of Disability)

ARTICLE 18: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds, a sum of money to be utilized to fully fund the salary of the Finance Director for Fiscal Year 2016, or take any other action in relation thereto.

(Board of Selectmen)

ARTICLE 19: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds, a sum of money in the amount of \$150,000 to be spent under the jurisdiction of the Highway Surveyor for the purpose of Louisa Lake Rehabilitation and Maintenance, or take any other action in relation thereto.

(Highway Surveyor)

ARTICLE 20: To see if the Town will vote to amend Section 2.3 Use Regulation Schedule of the Zoning Bylaw relating to retail uses by special permit within the OR Office Residential District by adopting the following:

2.3 Use Regulation Schedule.

ACTIVITY OR USE	RA	RB	RC	RD	OR	DISTRICT							
						BP	CA	CB	CC	IA	IB	IC	
<b>COMMERCIAL USES</b>													
Retail sales or service <sup>1</sup>	O	O	O	O	A <sup>27</sup>	O	P	P	P	P	P	P	P

<sup>27</sup> Provided the special permit granting authority finds that such uses are being proposed within existing conforming non-residential structures, are consistent with the historic development pattern in the immediate neighborhood, and can provide adequate off-street parking.

or take any other action related thereto.

(5 Water Street, LLC.)



ARTICLE 21: To see if the Town will vote to amend Article III of the Zoning Bylaw by deleting Section 3.9 Sign Regulations in its entirety and inserting in lieu thereof the following new Section 3.9:

### 3.9 Sign Regulations

3.9.1 Purpose: The purpose of this section is to improve pedestrian and traffic safety; to avoid the proliferation of signs and minimize their adverse effect on nearby public and private property; to enhance economic development and the esthetic environment; to encourage the effective use of signs; and, to enable fair and consistent enforcement by adopting content-neutral regulations.

3.9.2 Applicability: No sign shall be erected, placed, established, painted, created, or maintained in the town except in conformance with these sign regulations.

3.9.3 Definitions: The following words and phrases used in this section shall have the meanings set forth below:

Sign - Any device, fixture, placard, or structure that uses any color, form, graphic, illumination, symbol, or writing to advertise, attract attention to or announce the purpose of, or identify the purpose of a person or entity, or to communicate information of any kind to the public. For purposes of this bylaw, the term “sign” shall not include the following:

- (a) Official traffic control devices required, maintained, or installed by a Federal, State, or local governmental agency or an active railroad.
- (b) House/building (address) number, including a nameplate displaying the surname of the occupant of a single family residential dwelling.
- (c) Building marker indicating the name of a building and date and incidental information about its construction, which marker is cut into a masonry surface or made of bronze or other permanent material.
- (d) National flags, state or municipal flags, or the official flag of any institution.
- (e) War Veteran markers installed within the public right-of-way at locations designated by the Board of Selectmen as “Memorial Square” intersections.
- (f) Holiday lights and decorations.
- (g) Devices on residential properties that otherwise might be considered signs, but are only intended for the personal enjoyment of the residents thereof, and not intended to attract the attention of the public and not generally visible from a public way.

Banner - Any sign of lightweight fabric or similar material that is affixed to a pole or a building at one or more edges or corners. National, state or municipal flags shall not be considered banners.

**Billboard** – A large, standardized third-party freestanding outdoor advertising structure, characterized by providing off-premise advertising space intended for viewing from extended distances, generally more than 50 feet.

**Community Bulletin Board** - A single- or double-faced freestanding sign frame structure with a glass or plastic covered message surface designed for the short-term posting of multiple, individual announcements. A community bulletin board shall not exceed 6 feet in height, and the message surface shall not exceed 24 square feet in area. Postings shall be limited to announcements of local cultural, social, educational or special events or public services.

**Freestanding sign** - Any sign supported by structures or supports that are placed on, or anchored in, the ground and that are independent from any building or other structure.

**Inflatable Sign** – Any sign capable of being expanded by air or other gas.

**Official traffic control devices** - devices required, maintained, or installed by a Federal, State, or local governmental agency or an active railroad for the purpose of guiding, directing, warning, or regulating traffic.

**Pennant** - Any lightweight plastic, fabric, or other material, suspended from a rope, wire, or string, usually in series, designed to move in the wind.

**Portable sign** - Any sign not permanently attached to the ground or other permanent structure, or a sign designed to be transported, including, but not limited to, signs designed to be transported by means of wheels; signs converted to A or T frames; menu and sandwich board signs.

**Roof sign** - Any sign erected and constructed wholly on and over the roof of a building, supported by the roof structure, and extending vertically above the highest portion of the roof.

**Temporary sign** - Any sign of lightweight material that is used only for a limited period and not for permanent display.

**Wall sign** - Any sign attached parallel to, but within six inches of, a wall, painted on the wall surface of, or erected and confined within the limits of an outside wall of any building or structure, which is supported by such wall or building, and which displays only one sign surface.

**Window sign** - Any sign that is placed on the exterior of a window, or upon the inside of the window glass and is visible from the exterior of the window, including signs placed inside a building that are visible beyond five feet from the exterior of the window.

**3.9.4 Signs Prohibited:** Any sign not permitted in these sign regulations shall be prohibited. Moreover, the following signs shall be specifically prohibited:

3.9.4.1 Any sign within the right-of-way of a public or private street or way, except for those specifically exempted by Section 3.9.5.1 herein.

3.9.4.2 Any sign that may be confused with an official traffic control device.

3.9.4.3 Pennants, banners, and strings of lights.

3.9.4.4 Inflatable signs.

3.9.4.5 Flashing signs, any part of which moves or flashes, or signs of the traveling light or animated type, and all beacons and flashing devices whether a part of, attached to, or apart from a sign.

3.9.4.6 Changeable copy electronic message panels and/or signs displaying images or messages that change more than eight times a day and for less than one hour duration per each image or message displayed.

3.9.4.7 Roof signs.

3.9.4.8 Temporary and portable signs except as permitted in Section 3.9.12 herein.

3.9.4.9 Signs placed so as to obscure vision as per Section 2.4.6 herein.

3.9.5 Exemptions: The following shall be exempt from regulation under this by-law:

3.9.5.1 Exemptions for sign placement within the right-of-way of a public or private street shall be limited to the following:

3.9.5.1.1 Changeable copy electronic message panels utilized by the Police Department for traffic control and/or safety purposes.

3.9.5.1.2 Official legal notices, or public warning/informational bulletins posted by the Town.

3.9.5.1.3 Public Utility warning/informational signs regarding poles, lines, pipes, or similar facilities.

3.9.5.1.4 Within the CA Central Commercial district, temporary banner suspended across Main Street if authorized by the Board of Selectmen.

3.9.5.1.5 Emergency warning signs installed by a governmental agency, a public utility company, or a contractor doing authorized or permitted work within the public right-of-way.

3.9.5.1.6 Any sign installed or placed within the public right-of-way or on public property not in conformance with the requirements of these sign regulations, may be removed by the Town.

3.9.5.2 Exemptions for sign placement on lots shall be limited to the following:

3.9.5.2.1 Any public notice or warning required by a valid and applicable federal, state, or local law, regulation, or by-law.

3.9.5.2.2 Any sign inside a building, including signs attached to the inside of a window or door, not visible beyond five feet from the exterior of the window.

3.9.5.2.3 Any sign inside an athletic facility, including inward facing signs attached to the inside of a wall or fence.

3.9.5.2.4 Traffic directional signs, utilized solely as traffic control devices on private property, the face of which meet Department of Transportation standards and which have been shown on a site plan approved by the Planning Board, or on a common signage plan as per Section 3.9.10 herein.

3.9.5.2.5 Emergency warning signs installed by a governmental agency, a public utility company, or a contractor doing authorized or permitted work within the right-of-way of an adjacent street.

3.9.6 Computations: The following shall control the computation of sign area and sign height:

3.9.6.1 Sign Area - shall be computed by means of the smallest square, circle, rectangle, triangle, or combination thereof that will encompass the extreme limits of the writing, representation, emblem, or other display, together with any material or color forming an integral part of the background of the display or used to differentiate the sign from the backdrop or structure against which it is placed, but not including any supporting framework, bracing, or decorative fence or wall when such fence or wall otherwise meets zoning by-law requirements and is clearly incidental to the display itself.

3.9.6.2 Area of Multi-faced Signs - shall be computed by adding together the area of all sign faces visible from any one point. When two sign faces of identical dimensions are placed back to back, so that both faces cannot be viewed at the same time, and when such sign faces are part of the same sign structure and are not more than 42 inches apart, the sign area shall be computed by the measurement of only one of the faces.

3.9.6.3 Sign Height - The distance from the base of the sign at normal grade to the top of the highest attached component of the sign. Normal grade shall be construed to be the lower of (1) existing grade prior to construction or (2) the newly established grade after construction, exclusive of any filling, berming, mounding, or excavating done solely for the purpose of locating the sign.

3.9.7 Signs Permitted: Within the districts noted below, the following signs are permitted:

3.9.7.1 RA, RB, RC and RD Districts - One wall sign or one free-standing sign per lot, and one home occupation sign in accordance with Section 3.3.3 if applicable.

3.9.7.2 RA, RB, RC and RD Districts – wall signs or free-standing signs shall not exceed six square feet in area.

3.9.7.3 RA, RB, RC and RD Districts - free-standing signs shall not exceed six feet in height.

3.9.7.4 OR District - One wall sign on each side of a building per use per lot provided that the aggregate of all wall signs does not exceed 5% of the wall area upon which they are displayed.

3.9.7.5 BP District - One wall sign on each side of a building per use per lot provided that

the aggregate of all wall signs does not exceed 10% of the wall area upon which they are displayed.

3.9.7.6 OR and BP Districts - one free-standing sign per street frontage provided that the aggregate of all free-standing signs does not exceed 80 square feet in area.

3.9.7.7 OR District - free-standing signs shall not exceed 20 feet in height.

3.9.7.8 BP Districts - free-standing signs shall not exceed 30 feet in height.

3.9.7.9 CA, CB, CC, IA, IB and IC Districts - One wall sign on each side of a building per use per lot provided that the aggregate of all wall signs does not exceed 20% of the wall area upon which they are displayed.

3.9.7.10 CA, CB, CC, IA, IB and IC Districts - One free-standing sign per street frontage provided that that the aggregate of all free-standing signs does not exceed one square foot per foot of lot frontage on the street towards which they are oriented.

3.9.7.11 CA, CB, CC, IA, IB and IC Districts - Free-standing signs shall not exceed 30' in height.

3.9.7.12 CA, CB, CC, IA, IB and IC Districts - The total area of all signs, either wall mounted or free-standing, shall aggregate not more than four square feet per foot of lot frontage on the street towards which they are oriented.

3.9.7.13 Within all zoning districts - Community Bulletin Boards maintained by the Town on Town owned or operated property to the extent authorized and approved by such board or agency with jurisdiction over such property. Such bulletin boards shall not be included in the aggregate calculation required by Section 3.9.7.10 herein.

3.9.8 Design, Construction, and Maintenance: Except for banners, flags, temporary signs, and window signs, all signs shall be constructed of permanent materials and shall be permanently attached to the ground, a building, or another structure by direct attachment to a rigid wall, frame, or structure, and shall be maintained in good structural condition at all times. Banners affixed directly to the exterior surface of any building or wall shall be prohibited.

3.9.9 Permits Required: A building permit is required for the placement, construction, erection, or modification of any sign except within the RA, RB, RC, and RD zoning districts. The permit application shall be accompanied by detailed drawings to show the dimensions, design, structure, and location of each sign, to the extent that such details are not contained on a Common Signage Plan then in effect for the premises. A single application and permit may include multiple signs on the same premises.

3.9.10 Site Plan Required: Site plan approval by the Planning Board shall be required for all free-standing signs prior to the issuance of a building permit, except for temporary signs as provided for in Section 3.9.12 herein.

3.9.11 Common Signage Plan: On lots containing existing multiple uses and/or buildings where a change to the signage is proposed, a common signage plan shall be submitted to the Building Commissioner to provide coordination among the various interests in providing signage on such

lots. Such common signage plans may be approved by the Building Commissioner prior to the issuance of applicable permits.

3.9.11.1 The Common Signage Plan shall contain the following elements:

3.9.11.1.1 An accurate site plan of the premises, at such scale as the Building Commissioner may reasonably require.

3.9.11.1.2 Location of buildings, parking lots, driveways, and landscaped areas on such premises.

3.9.11.1.3 Computation of the maximum total sign area, the maximum area for individual signs, the height of signs and the number of freestanding signs allowed on the premises included in the site plan.

3.9.11.1.4 An accurate indication on the site plan of the proposed location of each present and future sign of any type, whether requiring a permit or not.

3.9.11.2 Provisions: The Common Signage Plan shall specify standards for consistency among all signs on the premises affected by the Plan with regard to Type, Lighting, Location, and Sign proportions.

3.9.11.3 Existing Nonconforming Signs: For Common Signage Plans filed for a property on which existing nonconforming signs are located, all such signs and the extent of their nonconformity shall be noted on the plan.

3.9.11.4 Binding Effect: After approval of a Common Signage Plan, no sign shall be erected, placed, painted, or maintained, except in conformance with such plan. In case of any conflict between the provisions of such a plan and any other provision of this by-law, the by-law shall control.

3.9.11.5 Common Signage Plan - New Construction: A Common Signage Plan shall be included with the submittal of required Site Plans to the Planning Board for all new development proposals and for all re-development proposals.

3.9.12 Temporary Signs: On lots within the RA, RB, RC, RD and OR zoning districts, and within non-residential zoning districts where the principal use on a premises is residential, temporary freestanding signs relating to one-time events shall be allowed subject to the following requirements:

3.9.12.1 No more than 1 such sign shall be permitted on the same lot at any one time, except that during the months of March, April, September, October and November no more than 4 such signs shall be permitted on the same lot at any one time.

3.9.12.2 Such signs shall not exceed 6 square feet in area per sign.

3.9.12.3 Such signs shall not exceed 3 feet in height.

3.9.12.4 Such signs shall not be displayed more than 45 days before the event being announced, and shall be removed within 72 hours following said event.

3.9.12.5 Such signs shall not be illuminated in any way.

On lots within the BP, CA, CB, CC, IA, IB, and IC zoning districts, temporary banner signs announcing one-time special community events or similar public service announcements shall be allowed subject to the following requirements:

3.9.12.6 No more than 1 such banner shall be permitted on the same lot at any one time.

3.9.12.7 Such banner shall not exceed 12 square feet in area.

3.9.12.8 Such banner shall not be displayed more than 30 days before the event being announced, and shall be removed within 72 hours following said event.

3.9.12.9 Such banner shall not be illuminated in any way.

3.9.13 Temporary Sign/Substitution: Where a permit has been issued as per Section 3.9.9 herein, a temporary sign may be utilized in place of the permanent sign so permitted, but only for a period not to exceed 30 consecutive days prior to such time as the permanent sign is installed.

**AND IN ADDITION**, by deleting under Section 4.1 Definitions the following words and their definitions: "Sign, Accessory", "Sign, Directional", "Sign - Non-accessory", "Sign, Portable", "Sign, Area of" and by inserting in lieu thereof the words "Sign - See Section 3.9.3 herein."

**AND FURTHER IN ADDITION**, by inserting in Section 2.3 Use Regulation Schedule the following:

2.3 Use Regulation Schedule

DISTRICT	RA	RB	RC	RD	OR	BP	CA	CB	CC	IA	IB	IC
<b>ACTIVITY OR USE</b>												
<b>OTHER PRINCIPAL USES</b>												
Billboard	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O
<b>ACCESSORY USES</b>												
Signs <sup>26</sup>	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P

<sup>26</sup> Signs subject to the requirements of Section 3.9 herein.

or take any other action related thereto.

(Planning Board /Board of Selectmen)

ARTICLE 22: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds, a sum of money to be utilized to complete the unfinished existing 2<sup>nd</sup> floor space at the Senior Center, or take any other action in relation thereto.

(Board of Selectmen)

ARTICLE 23: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds, the sum of \$250,000 to be utilized for purposes for contracting with the Metrowest Regional Transportation Authority for purposes of providing a fixed loop public transportation service in Milford, with buses to be wheel chair accessible vehicles, said amount to be reduced by the amount of any grants received by the town for purposes of funding said contract and providing such services, and to accept and expend any such grants, or take any other action in relation thereto.

(Board of Selectmen)

ARTICLE 24: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds, a sum of money in the amount of \$125,000 to be spent under the jurisdiction of the Highway Surveyor for the purpose of storm water mapping completion for compliance with the EPA Storm Water Permit, or take any other action in relation thereto.

(Highway Surveyor)

ARTICLE 25: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds, a sum of money in the amount of \$10,000 to be spent under the jurisdiction of the Town Administrator for the retainage of Engineering Consultants to assist with preliminary design, cost estimates, limited site investigations, and grant writing, for the purpose of planning for and funding engineering projects for the Town, or take any other action in relation thereto.

(Board of Selectmen)

ARTICLE 26: To see if the Town will vote to revoke its acceptance of the provisions of the Massachusetts General Laws placing the Town of Milford Police Department under Civil Service Law, G.L. c. 31 which civil service status was accepted by vote of the 1925 annual town meeting; and further, such revocation of acceptance, in accordance with G.L. c. 4, § 4B(e) not to affect the civil service rights of any employee of the Milford Police Department entitled thereto prior to vote under this article, or take any other action in relation thereto.

(Chief of Police)

ARTICLE 27: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds, a sum of money in the amount of \$300,000 to be spent under the jurisdiction of the School Committee for the purpose of building the network infrastructure at Brookside Elementary School, Memorial Elementary School, Stacy Middle School and Milford High School, said funds to represent the Town's share with supplemental funds from the Federal E-Rate grant, and to accept and expend funds from any such grant, or take any other action in relation thereto.

(School Committee)



ARTICLE 28: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money in the amount of \$150,748 to be spent under the jurisdiction of the Highway Surveyor for the design, bidding and construction of a storm water treatment wetland; such funds to be applied as a match to a Section 319 grant from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts for a total project cost of \$376,038 and further, to see if the Town will vote to direct how such sum shall be raised whether from the current tax levy, by transfer from available funds, by borrowing or otherwise, and how expended, or take any other action in relation thereto.

(Highway Surveyor)

ARTICLE 29: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds, a sum of money to be spent under the jurisdiction of the Highway Surveyor for the purpose of Milford's share of the engineering costs affiliated with the Fiske Mill bridge reconstruction project, or any other action in relation thereto.

(Highway Surveyor)

ARTICLE 30: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds, a sum of money in the amount of \$4,000 to be spent under the jurisdiction of the Board of Selectmen for upgrading and replacement of exterior lighting at the Milford Police Headquarters, or take any other action in relation thereto.

(Board of Selectmen)

ARTICLE 31: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds, a sum of money in the amount of \$25,000 to be spent under the jurisdiction of the Police Chief for the replacement of computers and related equipment and software at the Milford Police Department, or take any other action in relation thereto.

(Chief of Police)

ARTICLE 32: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money in the amount of \$5,200,000, said sum to be expended under the jurisdiction of the Board of Sewer Commissioners for all aspects of a sludge handling facility; and further to determine how said funds shall be raised, whether by transfer from available funds, by borrowing, or otherwise, or take any other action in relation thereto.

(Board of Sewer Commissioners)

ARTICLE 33: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds an amount of money to offset any fiscal year 2016 deficit in the snow and ice account, or take any other action in relation thereto.

(Finance Committee)

ARTICLE 34: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds, a sum of money to be expended under the jurisdiction of the Board of Park Commissioners for purposes of purchasing a truck to replace a 2001 year model truck, or take any other action in relation thereto.

(Park Commissioners)

ARTICLE 35: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to acquire by gift, purchase, take by eminent domain, or otherwise acquire a permanent easement on Assessor's Map Sheet 6, Lot 6-0-8 for the purpose of providing a pedestrian connection from the Milford Upper Charles Trail to the Towns Conservation Land and to the Walden Woods Development and further, to authorize the Selectmen to pay the costs and damages thereof. Said land to be taken or affected is shown on the Plan entitled "Trail Easement Plan of Land, Cedar St. (Route 85), dated 10/28/15" by G&H, a copy of which is on file in the office of Planning and Engineering, or take any other action in relation thereto.

(Milford Upper Charles Trail Committee)

ARTICLE 36: To see if the Town will vote to amend its vote under Article 2 of the February 10, 2014 Special Town Meeting by reducing the amount authorized to be borrowed thereunder by a sum of money which reflects the premium amount received from bonding the Woodland School Project, or take any other action in relation thereto.

(Town Treasurer)

ARTICLE 37: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds, a sum of money to be expended under the jurisdiction of the School Committee for the purpose of upgrading the Stacy Middle School elevator to meet Commonwealth of Massachusetts Public Safety Codes, or take any other action in relation thereto.

(School Committee)

ARTICLE 38: To see if the Town will vote to close out certain Special Article Accounts to the General Funds of the Town, or take any other action in relation thereto.

(Finance Director)

ARTICLE 39: To see if the Town will vote to transfer funds between certain line items voted under Article 4 of the May 18, 2015 Annual Town Meeting for the purpose of making funds available in line item accounts not sufficiently funded through the end of Fiscal Year 2016, or take any other action in relation thereto.

(Finance Director)

And you are hereby directed to serve this warrant by posting at least fourteen days before said meeting attested copies of this warrant in ten or more public places located in said Milford.

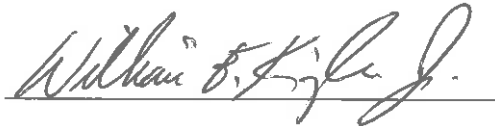
HEREOF, FAIL NOT, and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the Clerk of said Town at the time of said meeting.

Given under our hands at Milford this 21st day of March, 2016

MILFORD BOARD OF SELECTMEN

  
\_\_\_\_\_, Chairman

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
William D. Buckley

  
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William B. Kyle J.

A true copy attest:

  
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Thomas J. Loughlin, Chief of Police