TOWN OF DOVER

WARRANT

for the

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

Monday, May 2, 2016

7:00 PM

Dover-Sherborn Regional School
Alan Mudge Auditorium

and

TOWN ELECTIONS

Monday, May 16, 2016
7:00 AM – 8:00 PM
Dover Town House

TOWN CAUCUS
Monday, March 7, 2016 at 7:30 PM
Dover Town House

WARRANT COMMITTEE OPEN HEARING
Monday, March 14, 2016 at 7:30 PM
Dover Town House
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Norfolk, ss.

To any of the Constables of the Town of Dover 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 Dover, qualified as the Constitution requires to vote in elections and in Town affairs, to meet in the Alan Mudge Auditorium at the Dover-Sherborn Regional High School in said Town on Monday, the 2nd day of May, 2016, at seven o’clock in the evening then and there to act on the following articles, to wit:

Article 1. (Selectmen) To hear and act on the various reports of the various committees:

(a) As contained in the printed 2015 Annual Report; and
(b) Any other reports submitted to the voters by the Town Committees

Article 2. (Selectmen) To see if the Town will vote pursuant to Chapter 44, Section 53E ½, of the Massachusetts General Laws to authorize the use of revolving fund accounts for the following boards or departments, and that unless otherwise amended by Town Meeting, such accounts shall not exceed the following amounts for Fiscal Year 2017:

1. Building Department

   (a) Gas Inspector $ 7,200
   (b) Plumbing Inspector $17,500
   (c) Wiring Inspector $25,500

2. Board of Health

   (a) Perk and deep hole inspection and permitting $40,000
   (b) Septic inspection and permitting $50,000
   (c) Well inspection and permitting $15,000
   (d) Swimming pool inspection and permitting $10,000

3. Library

   (a) Materials replacement $ 5,000

4. Council on Aging

   (a) Senior activities and transportation $28,000

and further, that the fees received in connection with these programs be credited to the respective accounts and that the respective board or department be authorized to make expenditures from
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these accounts in accordance with Chapter 44, Section 53E ½, of the Massachusetts General Laws; or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 3. (Selectmen) To see if the Town will set the salaries for its elected officials for the ensuing fiscal year; or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 4. (Selectmen) To see what sum the Town will raise and appropriate for salaries and expenditures by departments, officers, boards, and committees of the Town for the ensuing fiscal year; to determine whether the money shall be included in the tax levy, transferred from available funds, or provided by any combination of these methods; or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 5. (Selectmen) To see what sums the Town will raise and appropriate for the various capital purposes listed below; to determine whether the money shall be included in the tax levy, transferred from available funds, borrowed, or provided by any combination of these methods; or take any other action relative thereto:

1. Cemetery Commission
   (a) Truck with Plow

2. Fire and Ambulance
   (a) Radio Equipment - Ambulance
   (b) Radio Equipment - Fire

3. Highway Department
   (a) Slide-in Sander (H-5)

4. Park & Recreation Commission
   (a) Large Tractor Mower
   (b) Paving Chickering Field Driveway

5. Police Department
   (a) Patrol Vehicles (1)
   (b) Replace Tower at Grossman Camp

6. School Committee
   (a) Air Conditioning Update (IT server room – 2 units)
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(b) Aerial Man Lift

(c) Technology Hardware

7. Board of Selectmen

(a) Protective Agencies Building: Kitchen Renovation

(b) Protective Agencies Building: Painting of Apparatus Ceiling

(c) Caryl Community Center: Repair/Replace Stairway Outside Cafeteria

(d) Library: Outside Handrail on Sidewalk

(e) Town House: Replace Metered Mail Machine

8. Town Clerk

(a) Voting Machine

Article 6. (Selectmen) To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, appropriate by transfer from available funds, or provide by any combination of these methods, a sum of money for the purpose of funding an unemployment compensation fund as authorized by Chapter 40, Section 5E, of the Massachusetts General Laws; or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 7. (Selectmen) To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, appropriate by transfer from available funds, or provide by any combination of these methods, a sum of money to provide for the payment of accumulated sick leave to retired police officers as authorized by Chapter 375 of the Acts of 1984; or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 8. (Selectmen) To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, appropriate by transfer from available funds, borrow, or provide by any combination of these methods, a sum of money for the purpose of highway construction, reconstruction and other improvements under the authority of the Massachusetts General Laws as funded by various state budgets; and to authorize the Selectmen to enter into contracts, apply for, accept, expend, and borrow in anticipation of state aid for such projects; or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 9. (Council on Aging) To see if the Town will vote to amend the rotation of the full 3-year members of the Council on Aging in Article XXVI in Chapter 4 of the Town of Dover General Bylaws by changing the rotation of the membership as follows:

Article XXVI (Council on Aging) – In §4-36, delete “three or four members each year” and replace with “two or three members each year.”

or take any other action relative thereto.
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Article 10. (Citizens’ Petition) To see if the Town will accept Hawthorne Lane and Clover Circle as accepted public ways as laid out by the Board of Selectmen, and as shown on the plans on file in the Office of the Town Clerk; or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 11. (Conservation Commission) To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, appropriate by transfer from available funds, or any combination of these methods, a sum of money for the Conservation Fund to be used by the Conservation Commission for any purpose authorized by Chapter 40, Section 8C of the Massachusetts General Laws; or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 12. (Dover-Sherborn Regional School Committee) To see if the Town will vote to appropriate by transfer from Free Cash in the Treasury a sum of money for the purpose of paying the costs of various items of capital equipment and/or improvements, including the payment of all costs incidental and related thereto, pursuant to an intergovernmental agreement with the Dover-Sherborn Regional School District and the Town of Sherborn to provide funding for such items; or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 13. (Dover-Sherborn Regional School Committee) To see if the Town will vote to approve the borrowing authorized by the Dover-Sherborn Regional School District for the purpose of paying the costs of various items of capital equipment and/or improvements, including the payment of all costs incidental and related thereto; or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 14. (Selectmen) To see if the Town will vote to adopt Chapter 119 of the Town of Dover General Bylaws, entitled “Stretch Energy Code” for the purpose of regulating the design and construction of buildings for the effective use of energy, pursuant to Appendix 115.AA of the Massachusetts Building Code, 780 CMR, the Stretch Energy Code, including future editions, amendments or modifications thereto, and as shown in the document on file in the Office of the Town Clerk; or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 15. (Planning Board) To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning Bylaw by adding a new Section 185-46.2, the complete text of which is on file in the Offices of the Town Clerk and Planning Board, to allow and regulate large-scale commercial solar photovoltaic facilities within an overlay district, and to establish such an overlay district on Powissett Street comprised of Board of Assessors Map 19, Parcels 002, 004A and that portion of Parcel 004 that is north of the natural gas pipeline easement; or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 16. (Planning Board) To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning Bylaw by deleting Sections 185-36 Site Plan Approval in Business District, Medical-Professional District and Manufacturing District; Section 185-37 Harmony in Business District, Medical-Professional District and Manufacturing District and 185-46.1 Site Plan Approval in their entirety and replacing them with a new Section 185-36 entitled “Site Plan Review,” the complete text of which is on file in the Offices of the Town Clerk and the Planning Board, and to amend Section 185-9 by changing the term “Site Plan Approval” to “Site Plan Review”; or take any other action relative thereto.
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Article 17. (Selectmen) To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen (1) to transfer from general municipal use to the Board of Selectmen for purposes of disposition, and (2) to sell, convey, release or otherwise dispose of pursuant to Chapter 30B of the Massachusetts General Laws any interests in a portion of the land located at 46 Springdale Avenue in Dover, which land is shown as Board of Assessors Map 11, Block 49, Parcel 0, containing approximately four (4) acres and as shown on the plan on file in the Office of the Town Clerk (the “House Lot”), and further, that such disposition be on such other terms and conditions as the Board of Selectmen deem appropriate, which may include the reservation of easements and restrictions over, along or through the House Lot; and to see if the Town will raise and appropriate, appropriate by transfer from available funds, or borrow, or provide by any combination of these methods, a sum of money for the purpose of installing a new septic system for the house located at 46 Springdale Avenue in furtherance of the Town’s disposition of the House Lot; or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 18. (Citizens’ Petition) To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to acquire an easement, leasehold, license or other real property interests in, on, over, across, under and along all or any portion of the land known as Bay Colony railroad line or right of way within the Town of Dover for the purposes of establishing, constructing, operating and maintaining a multi-use path for non-motorized transportation, open space and recreation purposes and for all other purposes for which rail trails are now or hereafter may be used in the Commonwealth (“Rail Trail”); and to see if the Town will raise, appropriate, transfer from available funds, borrow, accept gifts or provide by any combination of these methods a sum of money for the Town to acquire an easement, leasehold, license or other real property interests in, on, over, across, under and along the Rail Trail, or to take any other action relative thereto.

Article 19. (Selectmen) To see if the Town will hear the report and recommendations of the Dover School Committee relative to providing technical school education for Dover students, including the means by which such education might best be provided under an intergovernmental agreement with another school district; or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 20. (Selectmen) To see if the Town will accept and approve the “Amendment to Minuteman Regional Agreement regarding the Withdrawal of the Town of Wayland from the Minuteman Regional School District” which was approved by the Minuteman Regional School Committee on July 7, 2015 and which has been submitted to the Board of Selectmen consistent with the current Minuteman Regional Agreement.

Article 21. (Selectmen) To see if the Town will vote to adopt Chapter 117 of the Town of Dover General Bylaws, entitled “Stormwater Management and Erosion Control”, for the purpose of establishing methods to regulate non-storm water discharges into municipal separate storm sewer systems (MS4) to comply with requirements of the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit process, as shown in a document on file in the Office of the Town Clerk; or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 22. (Warrant Committee) To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, appropriate by transfer from available funds, or provide by any combination of these methods pursuant to Chapter 40, Section 6 of the Massachusetts General Laws a sum not to exceed 5% of
the tax levy of Fiscal Year 2016 to be a Reserve Fund, from which transfers are voted by the Warrant Committee from time to time and transferred as provided by statute, and determine whether the money shall be provided by the tax levy, by transfer from available funds including the Reserve Fund Overlay Surplus, or by any combination of these methods; or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 23. (Warrant Committee) To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, appropriate by transfer from available funds, or provide by any combination of these methods, a sum of money to pay any unpaid bills rendered to the Town for prior years; or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 24. (Warrant Committee) To see if the Town will make supplemental appropriations to be used in conjunction with money appropriated under Article 4 of the Warrant for the 2015 Annual Town Meeting, to be expended during the current fiscal year, or make any other adjustments to the Fiscal Year 2016 budget that may be necessary, and determine whether the money shall be provided by transfer from available funds; or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 25. (Warrant Committee) To see if the Town will vote to transfer from Free Cash in the Treasury an amount to meet the appropriations for the ensuing fiscal year and will authorize the Board of Assessors to use the same to reduce the tax rate; or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 26. (Selectmen) To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, appropriate by transfer from available funds, or provide by any combination of these methods, a sum of money for the purpose of supplementing the Town of Dover Stabilization Fund in accordance with Chapter 40, Section 5B, of the Massachusetts General Laws; or take any other action relative thereto.

And in the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby further required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Dover, qualified as aforesaid, to assemble at the Town House on said Monday, the 16th of May, 2016 at seven o’clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following article, to wit:

Article 27. To choose by ballot the following Town Offices:

Moderator ........................................................................................................one year
One member of the Board of Selectmen ..........................................................three years
One member of the Board of Assessors .........................................................three years
Two members of the Dover School Committee ...........................................three years
One member of the Dover-Sherborn Regional School Committee ...............three years
Two members of the Board of Library Trustees ...........................................three years
One member of the Cemetery Commissioners ..........................................three years
One member of the Planning Board ..............................................................three years
(to fill an unexpired term)
One member of the Planning Board ..............................................................five years
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One member of the Board of Health........................................three years
Two members of the Park & Recreation Commission ..................three years
Three constables.................................................................three years

For these purposes the polls will be open at seven o'clock in the forenoon and will close at eight o'clock in the evening.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant by (1) posting attested copies thereof on each of the bulletin boards erected in the Town House, at the Post Office, and in no less than three other Public places where bills and notices are usually posted; and (2) mailing a copy thereof to or leaving same at the residence of every registered voter fourteen days at least before the time of holding said Meeting.

Hereof fail not and make due return of the Warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk at or before the time of the Meeting.

Given under our hands this 25th day of February, 2016.

James P. Dawley, Jr., Chairman

Robyn Hunter, Clerk

Candace McCann, Member

Margaret Crowley, Constable

A true copy attest: