TOWN OF DOVER

WARRANT

for the

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

Monday, May 6, 2013

7:00 PM

Dover-Sherborn Regional School
Alan Mudge Auditorium

and

TOWN ELECTIONS

Monday, May 20, 2013

7:00 AM - 8:00 PM

Dover Town House

TOWN CAUCUS

Monday, March 11, 2013 at 7:30 PM

Dover Town House

WARRANT COMMITTEE OPEN HEARING

Monday, March 18, 2013 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 6th day of May, 2013, 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 2012 Annual Report; and
(b) Any other reports submitted to the voters by the Town Committees.

Article 2. (Assessors) To see if the Town will vote to accept the provisions of Chapter 73, Section 4, of the Acts of 1986 as amended by Chapter 126 of the Acts of 1988, in order to allow an additional real estate tax exemption of up to 100 percent in Fiscal Year 2014 for those who qualify for an exemption under Chapter 59, Section 5, Clauses 17D, 22, 22A, 22B, 22C, 22D, 22E, 37A, or 41C 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:
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1. Cemetery
   a. Utility Vehicle

2. Fire Department
   a. Squad Truck
   b. Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus Bottles

3. Highway Department
   a. Street Sweeper (H-9)

4. Library
   a. Shelving & Furniture for Children’s Area

5. Park & Recreation Commission
   a. Large Tractor/Mower
   b. Department Vehicle
   c. Refurbish Caryl Community Center Gym Floor

6. Police Department
   a. Patrol Vehicles (2)
   b. Radio Receiver
   c. Mobile Computer Interface
   d. Animal Control Vehicle

7. School Committee
   a. Drainage Improvement/Fire Road Widening
   b. Library Carpet Replacement
   c. Sidewalk Light Pole Upgrade to LED
   d. Cafeteria Seating Area Power Shades High Windows
   e. Technology Hardware
   f. Technology Hardware for Grades 2 & 3 Pilot Program

8. Selectmen
   a. Town House: Roof Repairs
   b. Library: Replacement of Carpeting in Children’s Area
   c. Town House: Painting of the Clock Tower/Cupola
   d. Town House: Painting of the Gutters & Fasciae
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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. (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 2014:

1. Building Department
   a. Gas Inspector $5,500
   b. Plumbing Inspector $16,900
   c. Wiring Inspector $22,000

2. Board of Health
   a. Perk and deep hole inspection and permitting $40,000
   b. Septic inspection and permitting $40,000
   c. Well inspection and permitting $15,000
   d. Swimming pool inspection and permitting $10,000

3. Library
   a. Materials replacement $5,000

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 these accounts in accordance with Chapter 44, Section 53E ½, of the Massachusetts General Laws; or take any other action relative thereto.
Article 10. (Council on Aging) 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 a study of the feasibility of constructing a senior center building on the parcels of Town-owned land, shown as Lot Number 7 on Assessors Map 11-142 and as Lot Number 1 on Assessors Map 12-008, commonly known as the Heard property located on Centre Street; or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 11. (Planning Board) To see if the Town will vote to:

Amend Section 185-52 Special Permits of the Zoning Bylaws of the Town of Dover by adding a new Subsection F as follows:

“In accordance with Chapter 40A, Section 9 of the Massachusetts General Laws, an associate member of the Planning Board shall be elected at the Annual Town Election for a two-year term. Any vacancy in the position shall be filled in accordance with the procedure prescribed in Chapter 41, Section 81A of the Massachusetts General Laws. The chairman of the Planning Board, when acting as special permit granting authority, may designate the associate member to sit on this board for the purposes of acting on a special permit application in the case of the absence, inability to act, or conflict of interest on the part of any member of the Planning Board or in the event of a vacancy on this board.”

and

Amend Article VI (Planning Board), Subsection 4-12 of Chapter 4 of the General Bylaws by adding:

“An associate member of the Planning Board shall be elected at the Annual Town Election for a two-year term. Any vacancy in the position shall be filled in accordance with the procedure prescribed in Chapter 41, Section 81A of the Massachusetts General Laws. The chairman of the Planning Board, when acting as special permit granting authority, may designate the associate member to sit on this board for the purposes of acting on a special permit application in the case of the absence, inability to act, or conflict of interest on the part of any member of the Planning Board or in the event of a vacancy on this board.”

and

Authorize the Board of Selectmen and the Planning Board, sitting in joint session, to appoint an associate member to serve on the Planning Board for such period of time until said office is filled pursuant to a duly called Town Election and the elected member duly sworn in;
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or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 12.  (Citizens’ Petition)  To see if the Town will vote to require, prior to commencement of any project on Town-owned property for which half or less of the cost (including the value of any in kind donations) is to come from Town appropriations, (a) submission of proper plans, specifications and estimates of the probable expense to the Board of Selectmen for review and (b) Town Meeting approval of any of said projects projected by the Board of Selectmen to cost in excess of $50,000 (including the value of any in kind donations).

Article 13.  (Dover-Sherborn Regional School Committee)  To see if the Town will vote to approve the $853,000 borrowing authorized by the Dover-Sherborn Regional School District for the purpose of paying costs of adding air-conditioning to the Middle School, including the payment of all costs incidental and related thereto; or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 14.  (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 costs of adding air-conditioning to the Middle School, 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 project; or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 15.  (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 16.  (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 17.  (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 continuing the study of the feasibility of converting the Bay Colony railroad line into a recreational path; or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 18.  (Selectmen)  To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning Bylaws of the Town of Dover by prohibiting medical marijuana treatment centers, as defined below, in all zoning districts; and further to determine whether such prohibition will be permanent
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or remain in effect for only a limited period of time sufficient for the promulgation of state regulations for such centers and the development of a zoning plan related thereto;

“MEDICAL MARIJUANA TREATMENT CENTER”
“An establishment that acquires, cultivates, possesses, processes (including
development of related products such as food, tinctures, aerosols, oils, or ointments),
transfers, transports, sells, distributes, dispenses, or administers marijuana or products containing marijuana and/or related supplies.”

or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 19. (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 2013 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 20. (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 21. (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 2012 Annual Town Meeting, to be expended during the current fiscal year, or make any other adjustments to the Fiscal Year 2013 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 22. (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 23. (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 20th of May, 2013 at seven o’clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following article, to wit:
Article 24. 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............................................................... five years
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.
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Given under our hands this 11th day of March, 2013.

____________________________________
James P. Dawley, Jr., Chairman

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Joseph M. Melican, Clerk

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Carol Lisbon, Member

Carl E. Sheridan, Constable
A true copy attest: