THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

SOUTH HADLEY, MASS

WARRANT - FIRE DISTRICT NO. 2

In accordance with the District By-laws, the Prudential Committee, and Water Commissioners make the following recommendations for expenditures for the Fiscal Year 2020.

May 6, 2019

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Hampshire, S.S.

To: Barbara Miller, Clerk of said District:

You are hereby directed to notify the inhabitants of Fire District No., 2 in the Town of South Hadley and the Town of Granby qualified to vote in District affairs to meet at the Headquarters Building at 20 Woodbridge Street on Monday, May 6th, 2019 at 7:00 o'clock in the evening then and there, to act on the following articles:

ARTICLE 1: To hear and act upon the reports of the officers of the District, hear announcements and to give recognition's.

No Dollar Amount

ARTICLE 2: To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money for the Insurance and Employee Benefits Account or take any other action relative thereto.

Recommended Amount \$356,484.00, or a lesser or greater amount.

ARTICLE 3: To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money for the Administrative Expenses Account or take any other action relative thereto.

Recommended Amount \$30,100.00, or a lesser or greater amount.

ARTICLE 4: To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money to be used for the Prudential Committee Operations of the District to include its payroll and OPEB obligation or take any other action relative thereto.

Recommended Amount \$130,397.00, or a lesser or greater amount.

ARTICLE 5: To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money for the salaries of the Tax Collector and Assessors of the Towns of South Hadley and Granby, for time invested for the assessment and collection of taxes for Fire District No. 2 or

take any other action relative thereto.

Recommended Amount \$5,786.00, or a lesser or greater amount.

ARTICLE 6: To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money to be used for the Operations of the Fire Department to include a sum of money to pay firefighters for time spent in firefighting, drills and other duties, and for leave with pay to incapacitated officers and firefighters as authorized by Chapter 41, Section 111-F of the General Laws, or take any other action relative thereto. Recommended Amount \$742,681.00, or a lesser or greater amount.

ARTICLE 7: To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money to be used for the operations of the District No. 2 Ambulance service or take any other action relative thereto. Recommended Amount \$295,263.00, or a lesser or greater amount.

ARTICLE 8: To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money to be used for the payment of principle and interest against the District Building Addition debt or take any other action relative thereto.

Recommended Amount \$89,320.00, or a lesser or greater amount.

ARTICLE 9: To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money to be used for the payment of principle and interest against the ambulance debt or take any other action relative thereto.

Recommended Amount \$27,400.00, or a lesser or greater amount.

ARTICLE 10: Fiscal Year 2019 To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money to be added to the FY2019 Water Department Office Expense line to cover the Water Department portion of the 2019 election costs or take any other action relative thereto.

Recommended Amount \$6,875.00, or a lesser or greater amount.

ARTICLE 11: Fiscal Year 2019 To see if the District will vote to transfer a sum of money from the Water Department Capital Receipt Revenue (Water Surplus) into the Water Systems Improvement Stabilization Fund, or take any other action relative thereto. (This amount of money shall be the receipts received from May 1, 2018 through and including April 30, 2019.) Recommended Amount \$129,400 or a lesser or greater amount.

ARTICLE 12: To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money to be used for the Operations of the Water Department to include its payroll and OPEB obligation or take any other action relative thereto.

Recommended Amount \$794,179.00, or a lesser or greater amount.

ARTICLE 13: <u>Fiscal Year 2019</u> To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds (Water Systems Improvement Stabilization Fund) a sum of money to be used for Water System Capital Improvements, Hadley Street, Meters and Hydrants, or take any other action relative thereto.

Recommended Amount \$150,000.00, or a lesser or greater amount.

ARTICLE 14: To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money to be used as payment of principle and interest for the Water Department Capital Expense debt or take any other action relative thereto.

Recommended Amount \$59,490.00, or a lesser or greater amount.

ARTICLE 15: To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money to be added to the Water Building Stabilization Fund or take any other action relative thereto. Recommended Amount \$5,000.00, or a lesser or greater amount.

ARTICLE 16: To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money to be added to the Water Storage Stabilization Fund or take any other action relative thereto. Recommended Amount \$65,000.00, or a lesser or greater amount.

ARTICLE 17: To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money to be added to the Water Department Vehicle Stabilization Fund.

Recommended Amount \$30,000.00 or a lesser or greater amount.

ARTICLE 18: To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds, a sum of money to be added to the Fire Department Capital/Vehicle Replacement Stabilization Fund or take any other action relative thereto.

Recommended Amount \$40,000.00, or a lesser or greater amount.

ARTICLE 19: To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money to be added to the District Stabilization Fund or take any other action relative thereto.

Recommended Amount \$5,000.00, or a lesser or greater amount.

ARTICLE 20: To see if the District will vote to accept the provisions of MGL Chapter 41, Section 113, to vote that official ballots shall hereafter be used and Sections one hundred and fourteen to one hundred and nineteen, inclusive, shall apply. The district may, at the annual meeting or at a meeting

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called for the purpose at least thirty days before the annual meeting, by a two thirds vote discontinue the use of official ballots, and cease to be subject to said sections

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ARTICLE 21: To see if the District will vote to amend the District By-Laws as follows:

By inserting "The provisions of Massachusetts general election laws, relative to fire district elections, MGL c41 s113 inclusive, shall apply to the elections of the District.", after the third sentence in ARTICLE II – MEETINGS, SECTION 1. To read as follows:

ARTICLE II - MEETINGS

SECTION 1. The Annual Election of the District shall be held on the month and day to coincide with the month and day of the Town of South Hadley's annual election as stated in Chapter 18-1 of the By-Laws of the Town of South Hadley, as amended from time to time. The hours and location of voting for the Annual Election of the District shall be set to coincide with the hours and location of the Town of South Hadley's annual election as established by Order of the Select Board. The polling place for the district voters shall be in a separate location within the building from the polling place for the town voters. The provisions of Massachusetts general election laws, relative to fire district elections, MGL c41 s113 inclusive, shall apply to the elections of the District.

The Annual Meeting of the District shall be held on the first Monday in May in each year.

This By-Law will become effective upon its passage. No Dollar Amount

ARTICLE 22: To see if the District will vote to authorize the Prudential Committee to defend all suits that may be brought against the District during the Fiscal Year 2020, and further to prosecute all suits on behalf of the District, to engage counsel for same and to settle such suits as they deem advisable or take any other action relative thereto.

No Dollar Amount

ARTICLE 23: To see if the District will vote to authorize the Prudential Committee to sell and/or dispose of any excess property belonging to the Fire District or take any other action relative thereto.

No Dollar Amount

ARTICLE 24: To see if the District will vote to allow the Prudential Committee, the Water Commissioners or the Fire Chief with the approval of the Prudential Committee, to apply for, accept and expend any state or federal grants that may come available for Fiscal 2020, or to accept any gifts given to the District, or take any other action relative thereto.

No Dollar Amount

ARTICLE 25: To see if the District will vote to authorize the Treasurer, with approval of the Prudential Committee, to borrow in anticipation of the revenue for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2019 in accordance with General Laws, as amended, 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 relative thereto.

No Dollar Amount

ARTICLE 26: To ask the District the following question: Do you want the Prudential Committee to continue to explore the ways and means by which approximately 25 acres of the Elmer Brook property off Amherst road (Lot 20) might be leased for development into a solar farm, which may include soliciting bids from contractors for development? Or take any other action relative thereto. This is a non-binding vote.

No Dollar Amount

Given under our hands this twenty-second day of April, 2019:

KENNETH McKENNA, Chair

JAMES MENARD, Clerk

KENNETH LEBLANC, Member

PRUDENTIAL COMMITTEE

A True Copy, Attest:

Barbara Miller, District Clerk

Pursuant to the foregoing warrant, I have published such on the district and/or town website, posted in three public places and made copies available to the general public not less than fourteen days before the day of the meeting.