

# 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 2019

May 7, 2018

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 7th, 2018 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 \$335,934, 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 \$23,775.00, 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 or take any other action relative thereto.  
Recommended Amount \$79,728.00, 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 \$5,699.00, 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 \$759,543.00, 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 \$294,150.00, or a lesser or greater amount.

ARTICLE 8: To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate, and/or transfer from available funds, and/or authorize the District Treasurer with the approval of the Prudential Committee to appropriate and borrow in accordance with the provisions of M.G.L. Chapter 44, Section 7(1), the sum of \$250,000, or a greater or lesser sum, to pay costs of purchasing and equipping a new ambulance, including the payment of all costs incidental and related thereto; or to take any other action thereto.  
Recommended Amount \$250,000.00, 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 District Building Addition debt or take any other action relative thereto.  
Recommended Amount \$92,260.00, or a lesser or greater amount.

ARTICLE 10: Fiscal Year 2018 request To see if the District will vote to transfer the unspent balance in the Water Systems Capital Improvement Meter Reading System Upgrade and Replacement and SCADA Radio Upgrade Project Account into the Water Systems Improvement Stabilization Fund. Note: Balance as of 4/30/2018 or take any other action relative thereto.  
Recommended Amount \$11,288.57 or a lesser or greater amount.

ARTICLE 11: Fiscal Year 2018 request 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, 2017 through and including April 30, 2018.)  
Recommended Amount \$123,180.08 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 or take any other action relative thereto.  
Recommended Amount \$742,006, or a lesser or greater amount.

ARTICLE 13: Fiscal Year 2018 request 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, or take any other action relative thereto.  
Recommended Amount \$140,000.00, 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 \$61,380.00, 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 \$115,000.00, 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: Fiscal Year 2018 request To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money to pay the costs of purchasing and equipping one new vehicle for the Water Department, including the payment of all costs incidental and related thereto, or to 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 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.

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ARTICLE 20: 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 OPEB Stabilization Account or take any other action relative thereto.  
Recommended Amount \$20,000.00, or a lesser or greater amount.

ARTICLE 21: To see if the District will vote accept the Resolution For Acceptance of Chapter 32B, Section 20 (OPEB Fund) "RESOLVED: That, South Hadley Fire District No. 2 hereby accepts the provisions of Chapter 32B, Section 20 of the Massachusetts General Laws, as amended by Chapter 218, Section 15 of the Acts of 2016 (the "Act"), and establishes an Other Post-Employment Benefits Liability Trust Fund (the "OPEB Fund");

RESOLVED: That, in accordance with the Act, South Hadley Fire District No. 2 hereby designates the Treasurer of South Hadley Fire District No. 2 to serve as Custodian of the OPEB Fund (the "Custodian");

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That the sum of \$78,485.11 be appropriated as the initial investment into the OPEB Fund;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That the following person(s) be designated as Trustee(s) of the OPEB Fund: The Custodian of the OPEB Fund

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That the Treasurer of South Hadley Fire District No. 2, as Custodian of the OPEB Fund, be, and hereby is, authorized to execute and deliver the Investment Agreement with the State Retiree Benefits Trust Fund board of trustees on behalf of South Hadley Fire District No. 2 for the purpose of making the representations and warranties, acknowledgements and agreements on the part of South Hadley Fire District No. 2 to be made and performed thereunder.  
Recommended Amount \$78,485.11.

ARTICLE 22: To see if the District will vote to amend the District By-Laws as follows:  
Article II, Section 1, by striking out the words "second Tuesday of June in each year and the" and inserting in their place "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", to read as follows:

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

This By-Law will only become effective with the Annual Election in 2019.  
No Dollar Amount

ARTICLE 23: To see if the District will vote to amend the District By-Laws as follows:  
Article II, Section 3, by striking out the words "shall insert in the warrant for the Annual Meeting all subjects the insertion of which shall be requested of them in writing by ten or more" and inserting in their place "shall be responsible for preparing all District meeting warrants and for the insertion of articles therein. The Prudential Committee shall also insert in the warrant for the Annual District Meeting articles requested by petition of no fewer than ten (10)", and to further amend by inserting the words "and

submitted to the Prudential Committee no later than thirty (30) days prior to the Annual District Meeting" between the word "District" and "and", and to further amend by striking the words "all subjects, the insertion of which shall be requested of them in writing by" and inserting in their place "articles requested by petition of no fewer than" and to further amend by striking the period "." after the word District and inserting a comma "," followed by the words "whichever number is the lesser, and submitted to the Prudential Committee no later than twenty one (21) days prior to the Special District Meeting. Petitions for insertion of an article shall include the name and residence (street and number) of each petitioner. Upon receipt of any such petition, the Prudential Committee shall forward the petition to the Town Clerk, who shall forthwith check the names and certify which are registered voters. Only the names of certified voters shall be counted." and to further amend by inserting the words "whichever is the lesser" between the words "District," and "- such" to read as follows:

ARTICLE II, SECTION 3. Every District Meeting, except as otherwise provided by special law, shall be called in pursuance of a warrant under the hands of the Prudential Committee, notice of which shall be given fourteen days (14) at least, before such meeting. The warrant shall be directed to a constable of the towns of South Hadley and Granby, or to some other person, who shall forthwith give notice of such meeting by posting the warrant in three public places in the district.

The warrant for all District meetings shall state the time and place of holding the Meeting and the subjects to be acted upon thereat. The Prudential Committee shall be responsible for preparing all District meeting warrants and for the insertion of articles therein. The Prudential Committee shall also insert in the warrant for the Annual District Meeting articles requested by petition of no fewer than ten (10) registered voters of the towns, residing in the territory comprising the District and submitted to the Prudential Committee no later than thirty (30) days prior to the Annual District Meeting; and in the warrant for every Special District Meeting, articles requested by petition of no fewer than fifty registered voters or by ten percent of the total number of the registered voters of the towns, residing within the territory comprising the District, whichever number is the lesser, and submitted to the Prudential Committee no later than twenty one (21) days prior to the Special District Meeting. Petitions for insertion of an article shall include the name and residence (street and number) of each petitioner. Upon receipt of any such petition, the Prudential Committee shall forward the petition to the Town Clerk, who shall forthwith check the names and certify which are registered voters. Only the names of certified voters shall be counted.

The Prudential Committee shall call a Special District Meeting upon request in writing of one hundred registered voters or twenty per cent of the total number of registered voters of the towns, residing within the territory comprising the District, whichever number is the lesser - such meeting to be held not later than thirty days after the receipt of such request, and shall insert in the warrant therefore all subjects the insertion of which shall be requested by said petition. No action shall be valid unless the subject matter thereof is contained in the warrant. The warrant for the special meeting shall be posted fourteen (14) days prior to the date of the Special Meeting. Two or more District Meetings for District purposes may be called by the same warrant.

The Prudential Committee shall publish the warrant for each District Meeting in print and on the town and/or District website, to be available to the public at least fourteen (14) days before the holding of such meeting. Said notice shall include by supplemental text, or otherwise, the amount of money intended by the sponsor to be included in any main motion to raise, appropriate, transfer or borrow, a sum of money at such meeting. Failure to cause publication of any intended money amount as provided herein shall not invalidate action taken at a District Meeting otherwise called and held in accordance with applicable law and these by-laws except for said failure. In addition, a simple notice of the date, time, and place of the meeting shall be published in other than the legal notice section.

At every Meeting, a Moderator shall be chosen by ballot, unless the District has voted to elect a Moderator for a term as provided by Section Fourteen of Chapter Thirty-nine of the Massachusetts General Laws (MGL). The Moderator shall have the same powers as the Moderator of the Town of South Hadley.

This By-Law will become effective July 1, 2018.  
No Dollar Amount

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ARTICLE 24: 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 2019, 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 25: 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 26: 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 2019, or to accept any gifts given to the District, or take any other action relative thereto.  
No Dollar Amount

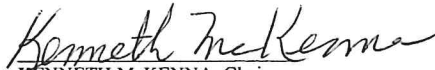
ARTICLE 27: To see if the District will vote to authorize the Treasurer, with approval of the Prudential Committee, to borrow in anticipation of the revenue for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2018 in accordance with General Laws, as amended, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period 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 28: 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.


**WARRANT BY PETITION:**

ARTICLE 29: To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate, and/or transfer from available funds, and/or authorize the District Treasurer, with the approval of the Prudential Committee, to appropriate and borrow in accordance with the provisions of M.G.L. Chapter 44, Section 7(1), the sum of \$650,000 or a greater or lesser sum, to pay costs of purchasing and equipping a new fire engine, including the payment of all costs incidental and related thereto; or to take any other action thereto.  
Recommended Amount \$650,000, or a lesser or greater amount

Given under our hands this twenty-third day of April, 2018:

  
KENNETH MCKENNA, Chair

  
ROBERT LAK, Clerk

  
RICHARD CONSTANT, 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.