

**WARRANT FOR  
ANNUAL TOWN MEETING**

**ELECTION**

**Saturday, March 28, 2015**



**ANNUAL TOWN MEETING  
Monday, April 27, 2015**

**TOWN OF ARLINGTON**

**TOWN WARRANT  
THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS**

Middlesex, ss.

To the Constables of the Town of Arlington, 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 Arlington qualified to vote in elections, to meet at the polling places designated for the several Precincts in said Town on

**SATURDAY  
THE TWENTY-EIGHTH OF MARCH 2015**

at eight o'clock in the forenoon, to act on the following articles, namely:

**ARTICLE 1 TO ELECT BY BALLOT:**

- A) Two Selectmen for three years**
- B) One Assessor for three years**
- C) One Assessor for one year (to fill a vacancy)**
- D) Two School Committee Members for three years**
- E) One Member of the Arlington Housing Authority for five years**

Also, in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 43A of the General Laws, the number of Town Meeting Members hereinafter specified:

- PRECINCT 1 - Four for three years; One for two years (to fill a vacancy),**
- PRECINCT 2 - Four for three years;**
- PRECINCT 3 - Four for three years;**
- PRECINCT 4 - Four for three years;**
- PRECINCT 5 - Four for three years;**
- PRECINCT 6 - Four for three years; One for two years (to fill a vacancy),**
- PRECINCT 7 - Four for three years;**
- PRECINCT 8 - Four for three years;**
- PRECINCT 9 - Four for three years;**
- PRECINCT 10 - Four for three years;**
- PRECINCT 11 - Four for three years; One for one year (to fill a vacancy),**
- PRECINCT 12 - Four for three years; One for one year (to fill a vacancy),**
- PRECINCT 13 - Four for three years;**
- PRECINCT 14 - Four for three years;**
- PRECINCT 15 - Four for three years;**
- PRECINCT 16 - Four for three years;**
- PRECINCT 17 - Four for three years;**
- PRECINCT 18 - Four for three years;**
- PRECINCT 19 - Four for three years; One for one year (to fill a vacancy),**
- PRECINCT 20 - Four for three years; One for two years (to fill a vacancy),**
- PRECINCT 21 - Four for three years.**

For these purposes, the polls will be opened at eight o'clock A.M. and remain open until eight o'clock P.M., at each of the polling places designated, viz.:

- Precinct 1 Thompson School, 187 Everett Street
- Precinct 2 Hardy School, entrance on Brooks Avenue
- Precinct 3 Thompson School, 187 Everett Street
- Precinct 4 Hardy School, entrance on Brooks Avenue
- Precinct 5 Thompson School, 187 Everett Street
- Precinct 6 Hardy School, entrance on Brooks Avenue
- Precinct 7 Chestnut Manor, entrance on Chestnut Terrace
- Precinct 8 Town Hall, entrance on Massachusetts Avenue
- Precinct 9 Chestnut Manor, entrance on Chestnut Terrace
- Precinct 10 Town Hall, entrance on Massachusetts Avenue
- Precinct 11 Bishop School, entrance on Stowcroft Road
- Precinct 12 Brackett School, entrance on Eastern Avenue
- Precinct 13 Stratton School, entrance on Mountain Avenue
- Precinct 14 Brackett School, entrance on Eastern Avenue
- Precinct 15 Stratton School, entrance on Mountain Avenue
- Precinct 16 Dallin School, entrance on Florence Avenue
- Precinct 17 Stratton School, entrance on Mountain Avenue
- Precinct 18 Dallin School, entrance on Florence Avenue
- Precinct 19 Peirce School, entrance on Newland Road
- Precinct 20 Park Avenue Congregational Church, entrance on Paul Revere Road
- Precinct 21 Peirce School, entrance on Newland Road

You are also required to notify and warn the said inhabitants to meet at the Town Hall in said Town on Monday the 27th day of April, 2015, at eight o'clock in the evening, at which time and place the following articles are to be acted upon and determined exclusively by Town Meeting Members, in accordance with and subject to the referenda provided for by Chapter 43A of the General Laws.

**ARTICLE 2**

**STATE OF THE TOWN ADDRESS**

To hear the Chair of the Board of Selectmen review important events in the past year in Arlington and preview expectations for next year.

(Inserted at the request of Vision 2020)

**ARTICLE 3**

**REPORTS OF COMMITTEES**

To receive, hear, and act upon the reports of the Board of Selectmen, Finance Committee, Redevelopment Board, and other committees, commissions, and boards heretofore appointed, including, without limitation: Permanent Town Building Committee (April 23, 1969), Vision 2020 Standing Committee (June 8, 1992), Commission on Disability (May 3, 1993), School Facilities "Working Group" (May 4, 1994), Bylaw Recodification Study Committee (May 9, 1994), Affordable Housing Task Force (May 3, 1999), Uncle Sam Committee (May 17, 1999), Maintenance Study Committee (May 1, 2000), Alewife Brook Advisory Committee (May 15, 2000), Community Preservation Act Study Committee (May 21, 2001), Power Company Feasibility Committee (May 6, 2002), Community-Based Health Insurance Study Committee (April 30, 2003), Post-Employment Medical Benefits Committee (May 17, 2004), Trust Fund Policies Committee (May 17, 2004), Information Technology Advisory Committee (May 17,

2004), Field Maintenance and Users Fee Study Committee (May 26, 2004), Explore Options for Additional Burial Spaces Committee (April 26, 2006), State Aid Task Force Committee (April 26, 2006), Electronic Voting Committee (May 2012), or dissolve any inactive committees; and take any action related thereto.

(Inserted at the request of the Town Moderator)

**ARTICLE 4 APPOINTMENT OF MEASURER OF WOOD AND BARK**

To choose and appoint all the usual Town Officers not hereinbefore mentioned, in such a manner as the Town may determine; or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted by the Board of Selectmen)

**ARTICLE 5 ELECTION OF ASSISTANT TOWN MODERATOR**

To elect a Town Meeting Member as Assistant Moderator for a term of one year, as provided in Title I, Article 1, Section 11.A, of the Bylaws; or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted at the request of the Town Moderator)

**ARTICLE 6 ZONING BYLAW AMENDMENT/DOCUMENTED ZONING REVIEWS**

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning Bylaws to require that all applications for building permits, special permits, and variances undergo review for compliance with the Zoning Bylaw by the Inspector of Buildings, that the results of such reviews be documented and kept on file by the Inspector of Buildings, and that the documented reviews be provided to the Arlington Redevelopment Board and the Zoning Board of Appeals before they take action on any applications requiring their comment or approval; or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted at the request of Christopher Loreti and ten registered voters)

**ARTICLE 7 ZONING BYLAW AMENDMENT AND BYLAW AMENDMENT/REGULATION OF POSTED EVENT NOTICES**

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning Bylaws and the Town Bylaws to allow for and regulate the posting of appropriate signage for the noticing of certain types of events on either private or public property, including but not limited to Town events, non-profit events, personal yard sales, and lost pets; or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted at the request of Christian Klein and ten registered voters)

**ARTICLE 8 BYLAW AMENDMENT/LIMITING SPEAKING TIME FOR ANNOUNCEMENTS AND REPORTS**

To see if the Town will vote to amend Title I, Article 1, Section 7C of the Town Bylaws, Regulation of Speakers, by further limiting the time a person shall speak, or otherwise hold the floor, for the purpose of presenting reports and announcements or any other remarks that do not pertain to an actionable article in the warrant; or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted at the request of Paul Schlichtman and ten registered voters)

**ARTICLE 9 BYLAW AMENDMENT/HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION**

To see if the Town will vote to update Title II Article 9 - Human Rights Commission for complaints against town departments and agencies; or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted at the request of Stephen Harrington and ten registered voters)

**ARTICLE 10**

**BYLAW AMENDMENT/DESCRIPTION OF THE MOUNT GILBOA/CRESCENT HILL DISTRICT**

To see if the Town will vote to amend the ByLaws, Title VII, Article 2, Section 5 – Description of the Mount Gilboa/Crescent Hill Historic District, by correcting two typographical errors in said section, namely changing 209 Lowell Street to 207 Lowell Street and changing 105 Westminster Avenue to 106 Westminster Avenue, so that said addresses, as they now appear on page 143 of the ByLaws, will read, in context, as follows:

“the property numbered 207 Lowell Street, thence turning and going northeasterly along said lot line and the rear lot lines of the properties numbered 7, 11, and 15 West Court Terrace a distance for 219.79 feet, thence continuing northeasterly along the southeasterly lot line of the property number 106 Westminster Avenue a distance of 10.0 feet to a point, thence turning and going northwesterly”; or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted at the request of the Historic District Commissions)

**ARTICLE 11**

**BYLAW AMENDMENT/ESTABLISHMENT OF A COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE**

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Town Bylaws to establish a Community Preservation Committee in accordance with G.L. c. 44B §5, setting forth the membership, duties and responsibilities, administration, and requirements of such Committee consistent with c. 44B §5; or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted by the Board of Selectmen)

**ARTICLE 12**

**REVISION OF TOWN COMMITTEE/VISION 2020 STANDING COMMITTEE**

To see if the Town will vote to revise Article 41 of the Annual Town Meeting of 1992, which established the Vision 2020 Standing Committee, to amend the number, composition and selection method of Standing Committee Members; as well as set forth the number of members required to constitute a quorum, or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted at the request of the Vision 2020 Standing Committee)

**ARTICLE 13**

**DISPOSITION OF REAL ESTATE/ 1207 MASSACHUSETTS AVENUE**

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to dispose of 1207 Massachusetts Avenue in Arlington and/or its appurtenant land by sale or otherwise under such terms as the Town may specify consistent with applicable legal requirements; or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted by the Board of Selectmen)

**ARTICLE 14**

**DISPOSITION OF REAL ESTATE/ PARCEL 13-383 CLIFFE AVENUE LEXINGTON**

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to dispose of, or grant access through a 4,025 square foot section of a parcel of undeveloped land identified as 13-383 Cliffe Avenue in Lexington by sale, grant of easement, or otherwise under such terms as the Town may specify consistent with applicable legal requirements; or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted by the Board of Selectmen)

**ARTICLE 15**

**HOME RULE/BOARD OF ASSESSOR CHANGES**

To see if the Town will vote to implement the recommendations of the 2012 Massachusetts Department of Revenue "Town and School Finance Analysis" report to make the Director of

Assessments an appointment of the Town Manager and to consider changing, or to change, the Board of Assessors from an elected to an appointed board; or take any action related thereto.  
(Inserted at the request of Christopher Loreti and ten registered voters)

**ARTICLE 16** **ACCEPTANCE OF LEGISLATION/COMPLETE STREETS PROGRAM**

To see if the Town will vote to accept appropriate provisions of Massachusetts General Law, Chapter 90 I, Section 1, as amended, the Complete Streets Program, to allow the Town to participate in, apply for, and receive funding pursuant to said section and Section 6121-1318 of the Session Laws, Chapter 79 of the Acts of 2014; or take any other action related thereto.  
(Inserted by the Board of Selectmen and at the request of the Town Manager)

**ARTICLE 17** **ACCEPTANCE/LOCAL OPTION TAXES**

To see if the Town will vote to accept any local option taxes or other revenue raising options, which are made available to cities and towns through enactments of the legislature, by state regulation or court action; or take any action related thereto.  
(Inserted at the request of the Finance Committee)

**ARTICLE 18** **ENDORSEMENT OF CDBG APPLICATION**

To see if the Town will vote to endorse the application for Federal Fiscal Year 2016 prepared by the Town Manager and the Board of Selectmen under the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 (PL 93-383) as amended; or take any action related thereto.  
(Inserted by the Board of Selectmen and at the request of the Town Manager)

**ARTICLE 19** **REVOLVING FUNDS**

To see if the Town will vote to reauthorize revolving funds established under various previous votes of the Town, to hear or receive a report concerning the receipts and expenditures of same, to establish new revolving funds or to amend the votes under any previously adopted revolving funds, to appropriate a sum of money to fund same, to determine how the money shall be raised or expended; or take any action related thereto.  
(Inserted by the Board of Selectmen)

**ARTICLE 20** **COLLECTIVE BARGAINING**

To see if the Town will vote to fund any fiscal items in the event that any are contained in collective bargaining agreements between the Town and the following named collective bargaining units, and to fund for non-union, M Schedule, and elected officials' salaries or fringe benefits, determine how the money shall be raised and expended; or take any action related thereto:

- A. Local 680, American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees;
- B. Service Employees International Union (formerly NAGE);
- C. Robbins Library Professional Association;
- D. Local 1297, International Association of Firefighters;
- E. Arlington Patrolmen's Association;
- F. Arlington Ranking Police Officers' Association;
- G. M Schedule and non-union employees; and
- H. Full-time elected officials.

(Inserted at the request of the Town Manager)

**ARTICLE 21**

**POSITIONS RECLASSIFICATION**

To see if the Town will vote to make additions, deletions and/or modifications to the Classification and Pay Plan, appropriate a sum of money to fund same if necessary, determine how the money will be raised and expended; or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted at the request of the Town Manager and the Director of Human Resources)

**ARTICLE 22**

**APPROPRIATION/TOWN BUDGETS**

To see if the Town will vote to make appropriations to defray Town obligations, liabilities, outlay and expenses and especially for or relating to all or any of the boards, departments, purposes and matters hereinafter mentioned, and to provide for the disposal of motor vehicles and other personal property belonging to the Town, determine how the money shall be raised and expended; or take any action related thereto: Finance Committee, Board of Selectmen, Town Manager, Human Resources, Comptroller, Information Technology, Town Treasurer and Collector of Taxes, Assessors, Legal and Workers' Compensation, Town Clerk, Registrars, Planning and Community Development, Redevelopment Board, Parking, Zoning Board of Appeals, Public Works, Cemeteries, Community Safety, School Department, Libraries, Human Services, Insurance, Non-Contributory Pensions, Contributory Pensions, Town Debt and Interest, Reserve Fund, and/or any other Town Departments, Boards, Commissions or Committees, Water and Sewer Enterprise Fund, Recreation Enterprise Fund, Council on Aging Transportation Enterprise Fund, Veterans' Memorial Rink Enterprise Fund, and Youth Services Enterprise Fund.

(Inserted by the Board of Selectmen and at the request of the Town Manager)

**ARTICLE 23**

**APPROPRIATION/REVALUATION OF REAL/  
PERSONAL PROPERTY**

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of \$50,000 to fund a revaluation of the real and personal property in the Town, determine how the money will be raised and expended; or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted at the request of the Board of Assessors)

**ARTICLE 24**

**CAPITAL BUDGET**

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money to defray the expense of purchasing, leasing, or bonding of capital equipment, infrastructure, buildings or other projects of the Town or to acquire real property for municipal purposes; to appropriate a sum of money to fund previously incurred or future Town debt, to acquire land for said projects where necessary by purchase, eminent domain taking or otherwise, determine how the money shall be raised including the possibility of borrowing any or all of the same, or the transfer of funds from any previous appropriation, determine how such money shall be expended; or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted by the Board of Selectmen and at the request of the Town Manager and the Capital Planning Committee)

**ARTICLE 25**

**RESCIND BORROWING AUTHORIZATIONS  
FROM PRIOR YEARS**

To see if the Town will vote to rescind the authority to borrow, from prior years' authorizations, the amounts remaining with regard to any numbered prior Annual and/or Special Town Meeting Warrant Articles; or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted at the request of the Town Treasurer)

**ARTICLE 26**                           **APPROPRIATION/FINANCING OF CONSTRUCTION OR RECONSTRUCTION OF SEWERS AND SEWERAGE FACILITIES**

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money for the purpose of financing the construction or reconstruction of sewers and sewerage facilities for inflow/infiltration reduction or system rehabilitation, including costs incidental and related thereto, and to determine how the appropriation shall be raised or expended, including the possibility of borrowing all or some of same; or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted at the request of the Town Manager and the Director of Public Works)

**ARTICLE 27**                           **APPROPRIATION/FINANCING OF CONSTRUCTION OR RECONSTRUCTION OF WATER MAINS AND WATER FACILITIES**

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money for the purpose of financing the construction or reconstruction of water mains and water facilities, including costs incidental and related thereto, and to determine how the appropriation shall be raised and expended including the possibility of borrowing all or some of same; or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted at the request of the Town Manager and the Director of Public Works)

**ARTICLE 28**                           **APPROPRIATION/MINUTEMAN REGIONAL VOCATIONAL TECHNICAL HIGH SCHOOL**

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money for the purpose of paying the Town's apportioned share of the operating and maintenance costs, including capital costs, of the Minuteman Regional Vocational Technical High School, determine how the money shall be raised and expended; or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted at the request of Minuteman Regional Vocational School District Committee)

**ARTICLE 29**                           **APPROPRIATION/COMMITTEES AND COMMISSIONS**

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum or sums of money to be expended under the direction of various committees, commissions, and boards of the Town, determine how the money shall be raised; provided that any funds appropriated hereunder shall remain under the jurisdiction of said entities until expended at their direction, unless otherwise appropriated by the Town Meeting; the entities included hereunder, without limitation, are: Arlington Historical Commission, Arlington Recycling Committee, Avon Place Historic District Commission, Broadway Historic District Commission, Central Street Historic District Commission, Mt. Gilboa/Crescent Hill Historic District Commission, Jason/Gray Historic District Commission, Pleasant Street Historic District Commission, Russell Historic District Commission, Conservation Commission, Capital Planning Committee, Commission on Disability, Personnel Board, Public Memorial Committee, Human Rights Commission, Arlington Committee on Tourism and Economic Development, Vision 2020, Transportation Advisory Committee, Arlington Commission on Arts and Culture, and any other Town Committee or Commission; or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted at the request of the Town Manager)

**ARTICLE 30**                           **APPROPRIATION/TOWN CELEBRATIONS**

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum or sums of money to be expended under the direction of the Town Manager for the following celebrations and memorials, determine how the money shall be raised and expended; or take any action related thereto:



Veterans' Day Parade  
Memorial Day Observation and the Patriots' Day Celebration  
Display of American Flags on Massachusetts Avenue  
Placing of American Flags on the Graves of Veterans

(Inserted at the request of the Town Manager)

**ARTICLE 31**

**APPROPRIATION/MISCELLANEOUS**

To see if the Town will vote the following:

Legal Defense – To appropriate a sum of money to replenish the Legal Defense Fund established under Article 13, Section 5 of Title 1 of the Town Bylaws, Out-Of-State Travel – To appropriate a sum of money for expenses incurred outside the Commonwealth and as described in the General Laws, Chapter 40, Section 5, Paragraph 34, said appropriation to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen and the Town Manager, Indemnification of Medical Costs, to appropriate a sum of money in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 41, Section 100B of the General Laws, to indemnify certain retired Police Officers and Firefighters for all reasonable medical and surgical expenses which they incurred, determine how the money will be raised and expended; or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted at the request of the Town Manager)

**ARTICLE 32**

**APPROPRIATION/PUBLIC ART EAST ARLINGTON  
MASSACHUSETTS AVENUE CORRIDOR**

To see if the Town will appropriate a sum of money to fund the facilitation of a process to select and place public art at multiple locations along the East Arlington Massachusetts Avenue Corridor, said sum to be raised by the general tax and expended under the direction of the Town Manager; or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted at the request of the Town Manager)

**ARTICLE 33**

**APPROPRIATION/HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION/FUND  
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate funds for the position of Executive Director of the Human Rights Commission; or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted at the request of Stephen Harrington and ten registered voters)

**ARTICLE 34**

**APPROPRIATION/WATER BODIES FUND**

To see if the Town will appropriate a sum of money to the Town's Water Bodies Fund for the maintenance, treatment and oversight of all the Town's water bodies, said sum (\$40,000) to be raised by the general tax, and expended under the direction of the Town Manager who will also report to Town Meeting on the status of the fund; or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted at the request of Vision 2020's Environment Task Group's Spy Pond Committee)

**ARTICLE 35**

**APPROPRIATION/HARRY BARBER  
COMMUNITY SERVICE PROGRAM**

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$7,500.00 for the Harry Barber Community Service Program for the Council on Aging, to determine how the money will be raised and expended; or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted at the request of the Council on Aging)

**ARTICLE 36**

**APPROPRIATION/BATTLE ROAD SCENIC BYWAY:  
ROAD TO REVOLUTIONS**

To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of \$5,000.00 in support of activities specified by the MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING by and between the Town of Arlington, the Town of Lexington, the Town of Lincoln, the Town of Concord, and the Minute Man National Historical Park for the purpose of establishing a permanent management entity for The Battle Road Scenic Byway: Road to Revolutions, said sum to be raised by the general tax; or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted at the request of the Arlington Committee on Tourism and Economic Development)

**ARTICLE 37**

**APPROPRIATION/PENSION ADJUSTMENT FOR FORMER  
TWENTY-FIVE YEAR/ACCIDENTAL DISABILITY EMPLOYEES**

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money to implement the provisions of Chapter 32 of Massachusetts General Laws Section 90A, 90C, 90D and 90E, pursuant to which the Town pays up to fifty percent of the maximum salary as set forth in the Compensation and Pay Plan for the position formerly held by retired employees with twenty-five or more years of service to the Town and those employees who retired under an Accidental Disability; provided, however, that no one who retires after May 1, 2010 shall be eligible under this vote unless they qualify for at least a fifty percent pension, without this vote upon their retirement; this adjustment to be paid to those who qualify and administered in accordance with prior practice and understanding relating to the retirement allowance of said retirees; determine how the money shall be raised and expended; or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted at the request of the Contributory Retirement Board)

**ARTICLE 38**

**APPROPRIATION/OTHER POST EMPLOYMENT  
BENEFITS (OPEB) TRUST FUND**

To see if the Town will vote to accept into the Other Post Employment Benefits (OPEB) Trust Fund, established by Chapter 161 of the Acts of 2005, an appropriation of funds and/or the transfer of additional monies that the Town may deem advisable from other sources, including any monies previously deposited into any of the Town’s stabilization funds for this purpose, in order to administer and fund its OPEB obligation as described in the said Chapter 161 of the Acts of 2005; determine how the monies shall be raised and expended; or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted at the request of the Contributory Retirement Board)

**ARTICLE 39**

**ACCEPTANCE OF LEGISLATION/INCREASE OF  
SURVIVOR BENEFITS**

To see if the Town will vote to accept the provisions of Section 65 of Chapter 139 of the Acts of 2012 to increase the benefit paid to survivors under Massachusetts General Law Chapter 32, Section 101 from \$9,000 to \$12,000 annually; or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted at the request of the Contributory Retirement Board)

**ARTICLE 40**

**APPROPRIATION/LONG TERM STABILIZATION FUND**

To see if the Town will make an appropriation to the Long Term Stabilization Fund in accordance with the provisions of the General Laws, Chapter 40, Section 5B, as amended, or other appropriate provisions of law, determine how the money shall be raised and expended; or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted at the request of the Finance Committee)

**ARTICLE 41**

**APPROPRIATION/OVERLAY RESERVE**

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money from previous years overlay reserve surplus accounts, determine to what purpose this appropriation shall be made; or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted at the request of the Finance Committee)

**ARTICLE 42**

**TRANSFER OF FUNDS/CEMETERY**

To see if the Town will vote to transfer a sum of money to the Cemetery Commissioners for the improvement of Town cemeteries, said sum shall be taken from the Mt. Pleasant Cemetery “Sale of Lots and Graves or Perpetual Care Funds”; or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted at the request of the Finance Committee)

**ARTICLE 43**

**USE OF FREE CASH**

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the taking of a sum of money voted for appropriations heretofore made at the Town Meeting under the Warrant and not voted to be borrowed from available funds in the Treasury, and authorize the Assessors to use free cash in the Treasury to that amount in the determination of the tax rate for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2015; or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted at the request of the Finance Committee)

**ARTICLE 44**

**APPROPRIATION/ FISCAL STABILITY STABILIZATION FUND**

To see if the Town will make an appropriation to or from the Fiscal Stability Stabilization Fund created under Article 65 of the 2005 Annual Town Meeting or any other enabling action of Town Meeting in accordance with the provisions of the General Laws, Chapter 40, Section 5B, as amended, or other appropriate provisions of law, determine how the money shall be raised and expended; or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted at the request of the Finance Committee)

**ARTICLE 45**

**RESOLUTION/TOWN MEETING MEMBER REMOVAL PROCESS**

To see if the Town will vote to direct the Town Meeting Procedures Committee to investigate and recommend a process for removing Town Meeting Members from their office if they fail to attend a sufficient number of Town Meetings during their term in office; or take any action related thereto.

(Inserted at the Request of the Town Moderator and Town Meeting Procedures Committee)

**ARTICLE 46**

**RESOLUTION/MASTER PLAN ENDORSEMENT**

To see if the Town will accept, receive, or resolve to endorse the Master Plan, adopted by the Arlington Redevelopment Board; or take any action related hereto.

(Inserted at the request of the Redevelopment Board)

....(SIGNED)  
....A true copy.  
Attest:

(SIGNED)  
STEVEN M. BYRNE  
JOSEPH A. CURRO, JR.  
KEVIN F. GREELEY  
DIANE M. MAHON  
DANIEL J. DUNN

SELECTMEN  
OF THE  
TOWN  
OF  
ARLINGTON

RICHARD BOYLE  
CONSTABLE

## **HOW TO VOTE BY ABSENTEE BALLOT**

### **Reasons for voting absentee**

You may vote absentee if you are registered and will be unable to vote at the polls on Election Day because of

Absence from the Town  
Physical disability  
Religious beliefs

Illegal absentee voting is punishable by a fine of up to \$10,000 and up to five years in prison.

### **Applying for an absentee ballot**

You must apply for an absentee ballot from the Town Clerk no later than noon of the day before the election. Applications may be mailed or hand delivered and you may use any form of written communication (letter or postcard) or the official application form.

Include on the application

Your name as registered  
Your registration address  
Precinct, if you know it  
The precise address to which you wish the ballot sent  
Your own signature

### **Requesting to vote by mail**

A ballot will be sent to any address you specify including your own home. Be sure to apply early because the ballots must be sent by mail and may be returned by mail or hand delivered.

### **Requesting to vote in person**

If you prefer, you may request to vote in person before Election Day. You may vote at the Town Hall before Election Day at a time arranged with the Clerk, but application for your ballot must be made no later than noon of the day before the election. A voter may apply for an absentee ballot and then vote over-the-counter during the same visit.

### **Applying to vote if you are absent from the state, in the armed services or a prisoner**

Registered and unregistered residents of Massachusetts outside the state and residents on active duty in the armed forces and merchant marine and their spouses or dependents, and prisoners, may

vote absentee. They may request an absentee ballot from the Town where they legally reside (if outside the U.S., where they resided last before leaving). In addition, a close relative may apply on their behalf in person at the Town Clerk's Office.

A parent of a registered voter who is a student at a Massachusetts college or university may apply for an absentee ballot on the student's behalf to the Town Clerk where the student is registered.

In all cases, unregistered voters must register in person when they return to the state, since this does not establish permanent registration.

### **What if I am permanently physically disabled?**

If you are permanently physically disabled and cannot cast your vote at the polling place, you may file a letter from your physician with the Town Clerk, stating that you are permanently unable to cast your vote at the polling place because of physical disability. A completed application for an absentee ballot, for you to sign and return, must be mailed by the Town Clerk to you at least 28 days before every primary and election.

**NOTE:** Voters who are admitted to a health care facility after noon of the fifth day before an election may apply for an absentee ballot up until the polls close on the day of the election (rather than noon the day before the election) and must designate a person to hand deliver and return the absentee ballot.