

**Commonwealth of Massachusetts  
Special Town Meeting**

Middlesex, ss:

To: Constable of the Town of Ashby in said County:

Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Ashby, qualified to vote in elections and town affairs, to meet at the Elementary School Auditorium in said Ashby, Saturday, May 1, 2010 at 9:30 a.m. to act on the following articles:

**SPECIAL TOWN MEETING ARTICLES**

**Article 1.** To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of \$1,365 from the Tax Title account to the Treasurer Expense account for the purpose of paying for Treasurer expenses, or take any action thereon.

**Finance Committee action:**  **Approved**  **Disapproved**  **No Action**

**Brief Explanation:** *The Town Treasurer's computer is inefficient for current operating needs and requires replacement. Additional funds are also needed for advertising costs related to unclaimed items.*

**Article 2.** To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of \$5,400 from the Town Administrator Salary account to the EMS ALS Charges and Fees Expense account for the purpose of paying ALS Services, or take any action thereon.

**Finance Committee action:**  **Approved**  **Disapproved**  **No Action**

**Brief Explanation:** *This article transfers funds into a previously under funded account.*

**Article 3.** To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of \$1000 from the Town Administrator Salary account to the Administration and Operations Expense account for the purpose of paying administration and operations expenses, or take any action thereon.

**Finance Committee action:**  **Approved**  **Disapproved**  **No Action**

**Brief Explanation:** *This article transfers funds into a previously under funded account.*

**Article 4.** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from Free Cash the sum of \$8,000 to the Fire Department Expenses account for the purpose of paying for the overhaul of the pump on Engine 2, or take any action thereon.

**Finance Committee action:**  **Approved**  **Disapproved**  **No Action**

**Brief Explanation:** *The last pump test conducted indicated that the Engine #2 pump needs to be overhauled as soon as possible in order to continue to pump water to capacity.*

**Article 5.** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from Free Cash the sum of \$2,555 to the Fire Department Expenses account for the purpose of paying for current Fire Truck maintenance needed, or take any action thereon.

**Finance Committee action:**  **Approved**  **Disapproved**  **No Action**

**Brief Explanation:** *This article transfers funds into a previously under funded account.*

**Article 6.** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from Free Cash the sum of \$1,800 to the EMT Expense account for the purpose of paying for the maintenance of the ambulance, or take any action thereon.

**Finance Committee action:**  **Approved**  **Disapproved**  **No Action**

**Brief Explanation:** *This article transfers funds into a previously under funded account.*

**Article 7.** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from Free Cash the sum of \$2,300 to the EMT Expense account for the purpose of paying for the EMT Class reimbursement for two members, or take any action thereon.

**Finance Committee action:**  **Approved**  **Disapproved**  **No Action**

**Brief Explanation:** *It has been customary to reimburse the fees for an EMT class and for testing once they become a certified EMT (this does not reimburse them for their time of approximately 160 hours). This article transfers funds into a previously under funded account.*

**Article 8.** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from Free Cash the sum of \$4,950 to the Highway Expense account for the purpose of paying for the replacement of a furnace in the Highway Building #1, or take any action thereon.

**Finance Committee action:**  **Approved**  **Disapproved**  **No Action**

**Brief Explanation:** *Furnace replacement is necessary.*

**Article 9.** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from Free Cash the sum of \$4,700 to the Highway Expense account for the purpose of paying for the replacement of a furnace in the Highway Building #2, or take any action thereon.

**Finance Committee action:**  **Approved**  **Disapproved**  **No Action**

**Brief Explanation:** *Furnace replacement is necessary.*

**Article 10.** To see if the Town will vote to rescind its November 30, 2009 Special Town Meeting vote on Article 7 which authorized the Town Treasurer to borrow funds in anticipation of State Aid for the purpose of paying bills and payroll from the December 2008 ice storm, or take any action thereon.

**Finance Committee action:**  **Approved**  **Disapproved**  **No Action**

**Brief Explanation:** *The Town Treasurer did not need to borrow in anticipation of State Aid for the bills and payroll associated with the December 2008 ice storm.*

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And you are hereby directed to serve this warrant by posting an attested copy in at least three (3) public places in said Ashby fourteen (14) days at least before holding of said meeting. Hereof, fail not, and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk at the time and place of meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2010.

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Peter McMurray, Chair

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Dan Meunier, Procurement

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Joe Casey, Clerk

ASHBY BOARD OF SELECTMEN

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By virtue of this precept, I have posted three (3) attested copies of the foregoing warrant in three (3) public places in said Ashby at least fourteen days before the time of said Special Town Meeting.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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William Davis  
Constable of Ashby

