

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS



FRANKLIN, SS.

TOWN OF GILL

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING: MAY 7, 2012

To any of the Constables of the Town of Gill in the County of Franklin,

Greetings:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of said town, qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs, to meet at the Gill Town Hall in said Town on Monday, the Seventh day of May, in the year Two Thousand and Twelve (05/07/2012) at 6:55 p.m. in the evening then and there to act on the following articles:

Article 1: To see if the Town will vote to transfer a sum or sums of money from the Fiscal Year 2012 Snow and Ice Removal Expense Account (number 423) to the Fiscal Year 2012 General Highway Expense Account (number 422), or take any action relative thereto.

Motion: Move the Town vote to transfer \$19,300.00 (Nineteen Thousand Three Hundred and 00/100 Dollars) from the Fiscal Year 2012 Snow and Ice Removal Expense Account (number 423) to the Fiscal Year 2012 General Highway Expense Account (number 422).

Gill was impacted by two significant natural disasters last year – Tropical Storm Irene and the October snowstorm. The cost to clear the roads of fallen trees and limbs, as well as to repair several gravel road washouts, was not an anticipated part of the annual Highway budget. Although we expect 75% of the cleanup costs will eventually be reimbursed by FEMA, those funds are not anticipated until after the June 30th year-end.

Fortunately, our winter was a relatively easy one this year, and sufficient money remains in the Snow & Ice account to cover this transfer. (From a total Snow & Ice budget of \$53,316.39, as of April 23rd \$27,263.28 remains.)

The requested sum is the amount the Highway Superintendent expects to need in order to cover department expenses through the end of the fiscal year.

Article 2: To see if the Town will vote to transfer \$543.90 (Five Hundred Forty Three and 90/100 Dollars) from the MRF Recycling Grant Account (number 425) to the Local Preparedness Grant Account (number 408) and further transfer \$70.32 (Seventy and 32/100 Dollars) from the MRF Recycling Grant Account to the FRCOG MAPHCO Mini-Grant Account (number 427), or take any action relative thereto.

Motion: Move the Town vote to transfer \$543.90 (Five Hundred Forty Three and 90/100 Dollars) from the MRF Recycling Grant Account (number 425) to the Local Preparedness Grant Account (number 408) and further transfer \$70.32 (Seventy and 32/100 Dollars) from the MRF Recycling Grant Account to the FRCOG MAPHCO Mini-Grant Account (number 427)

This article accomplishes some overdue financial housekeeping and was recommended by the Town Accountant. The Local Preparedness grant and the MAPHCO grant have been on the books and inactive for at least 4 years, and both show negative balances. Before these old accounts can be closed, funds need to be transferred to cancel out the negative.

The MRF Recycling grant is even older, with no activity during the 6 years of the current accounting software program we use. It has a positive balance of \$925.70, and there are no restrictions on how it may be used. After these transfers, the remaining \$311.48 will be used to offset the cost of trash stickers purchased earlier in the year.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant by posting up attested copies thereof at the Town Hall, Main Road; Post Office, Mt. Hermon; The Gill Store & Tavern, Main Road; and Riverside Municipal Building, Route 2, in said Town fourteen days at least before the time of holding 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, as foresaid.

Given under our hand this Nineteenth day of April in the year Two Thousand Twelve.

Selectboard of Gill

_____, Chair

, Board member

_____, Board member

A true copy Attest:

_____, Town Clerk Date: _____

Individuals who may need auxiliary aids for effective communication for this meeting should call the Gill Town Hall at (413) 863-9347 or MA Relay System at (800) 439-2370.

Pursuant to the within Warrant, I have notified and warned the inhabitants of the Town of Gill by posting up attested copies of the same at Town Hall, Main Rd.; Post Office, Mt. Hermon; Gill Store & Tavern, Main Rd.; and Riverside Municipal Building, Route 2, fourteen days before the date hereof, as within directed.

Constable of Gill

Date: _____