

TOWN OF GILL

M A S S A C H U S E T T S



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SELECTBOARD MEETING MINUTES

June 3, 2013

Call to Order: The Selectboard meeting was called to order at 4:32pm.

Present: Ann Banash, Randy Crochier, and John Ward, Selectboard members; Ray Purington, Admin. Assistant; Janet Masucci, Rick James, Claire Chang, Chris Curtis and David Detmold.

Solar Net Metering Warrant Article: Claire Chang, Chair of the Gill Energy Commission (GEC), reported to the Selectboard on the Commission's discussion of the 5/21 presentation to the Selectboard by the HCOG on solar net metering. The GEC feels that given the rate of change in solar technology and the electricity markets, a 20-year term for a power purchase agreement is too long a commitment. There is no pressing reason to put a warrant article before Town Meeting right now. With respect to a potential solar development on the town-owned Mariamante property, the best buy for the Town is to generate electricity for our own use through an array the town owns.

Additionally, the State is beginning to develop opportunities for "Community Solar", which might allow the Town to have a larger solar array and sell electricity to residents. Deerfield is one local town beginning to look at community solar programs, and Gill's Selectboard felt it should be in on those discussions early.

With respect to the proposed warrant article on solar net metering, the Selectboard agreed with the Energy Commission's recommendation, and by consensus removed the article from the warrant for Annual Town Meeting.

Minutes: Randy made a motion, seconded by Ann, to accept the minutes from 5/6 and 5/21. The vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

Town Hall Roof: Ray reported that the roof replacement project is complete, except for any potential punch list items. Ronnie LaChance, Town Treasurer, joined the meeting to have the Selectboard sign paperwork for the 3-year, \$53,000 loan for the project. The interest rate is 1.40%, and the loan is through People's United Bank. During a discussion of project expenses, it was realized that there is already \$5,000 available in the roof account from a transfer at a June 2012 Special Town Meeting. (Ray had forgotten that amount when getting the borrowing amount ready for the Treasurer.) Ronnie will redo the note documents for \$48,000.

Annual Insurance Report: Ronnie requested the Selectboard sign a report prepared by the Hampshire County Group Insurance Trust that will fulfill the Town's annual reporting requirements under MGL Chapter 32B. The report shows that the Town saves \$19,000 per year by getting insurance from the HCGIT rather than the State-operated Group Insurance Commission. The report was signed.

Sewer Abatement: The Selectboard, acting as Sewer Commissioners, reviewed a sewer abatement request from Steven Luzi of 1 Main Road. It was noted that the request was received on May 23 for a bill dated March 12. The Sewer Regulations require that abatement requests be "in writing to the Sewer Commissioners within 30 days of the bill date." Ann made a motion, seconded by Randy, to deny the request for abatement. The vote was unanimous in the affirmative. A letter will be sent to Mr. Luzi explaining the reason for the denial.

FY14 FRCOG Highway Bids: The Board reviewed FRCOG cooperative bid results for highway products for FY14. Randy made a motion, seconded by Ann, to accept the recommendations of the Highway Superintendent and award bids to Lane Construction for hardpack (rubble) gravel at \$8.50/ton picked up, ¾" washed gravel stone at \$12.35/ton picked up, hot mix asphalt at \$66.90/ton applied in place, hot mix asphalt at \$71.25/ton picked up, and tack coat at \$7.00/gallon; and award the bid to All-States Asphalt for 10% rubberized chip seal at \$3.08/sq. yard applied in place. The vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

Medical Marijuana: Randy and Ray reported on a May 29th workshop that introduced town officials to the new Department of Public Health regulations governing medical marijuana dispensaries – regulations brought about by the referendum question approved by Massachusetts voters in November 2012. The workshop was sponsored by the FRCOG, and attended by over 100 people, mostly local officials.

The regulations are found in “105 CMR 725” and are effective May 24, 2013. They are available from the Mass. DPH’s website. Among the highlights: qualified patients (with a life-limiting or debilitating illness) must register with the State, and can receive prescriptions for up to a 60 day supply – 10 ounces (with an estimated retail value of \$4,000!). Dispensaries will be cash-only, and must grow the marijuana from seed at the retail location or at one other location. Dispensaries must be operated by a non-profit incorporation. The State must approve a minimum of one up to a maximum of five dispensaries per county.

Although the Attorney General has recently ruled that towns may not ban dispensaries, 1-year moratoriums are allowed in order to allow a town time to study the local impact, update zoning bylaws, and develop local license procedures. Ray and Randy recommended that Gill should consider a moratorium. Ray will meet with the Planning Board to discuss it further, as moratoria are like zoning bylaw changes, and require the Planning Board to hold a public hearing and make a recommendation to Town Meeting. The moratorium could be voted at an Annual or Special Town Meeting.

Memorial Day Ceremony Wrap-Up: The Board received a letter from the Memorial Committee which detailed the events of the Memorial Day service and ceremony on May 26th. Ann, who gave welcoming remarks at the ceremony, commented that it was a very nice occasion. A copy of the letter will be posted to the Town’s website for all residents to see.

Roof Loan, Part 2: Ronnie LaChance rejoined the meeting after a telephone conversation with the Department of Revenue. The loan paperwork can be signed as-is, and DOR will make the necessary changes to alter the loan from \$53,000 to \$48,000. She has checked with People’s United Bank, and they have accepted the change in the principal amount and will hold the 1.40% interest rate. There was a collective sigh of relief, thank-yous to Ronnie, and the loan documents were signed by the Selectboard.

Draft of Warrant for Annual Town Meeting: The Selectboard reviewed a draft of the warrant for the June 11 Annual Town Meeting. From the draft dated 6/3, Article 9 was removed (solar net metering, see earlier discussion), as was Article 22, which would have sought a Prop 2 ½ override to fund the Capital Stabilization account. As the Capital Improvement Planning Committee did not have any specific discussions or recommendations on the article, it is easier to remove the article rather than leave it to be passed over.

Article 20, which requests approval to purchase a new highway truck, includes the phrase “and wing plow”. It is still not certain if that feature is necessary, but it was decided to leave the wording as-is, and to have more discussions with the Highway Superintendent, Capital Improvement Planning Committee, and Finance Committee. The wing plow can be kept in, or removed from the motion that is made during the Town Meeting.

Fire Department PO: The Board reviewed a purchase order request from the Fire Department to buy 2 sets of turnout gear for a total of \$4,200. A memo from the Fire Chief explained that funds are available in this year’s budget because their labor expenses have been less than anticipated. There were no objections to the request, and the purchase order was signed.

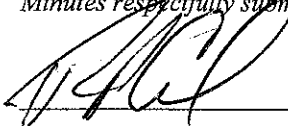
2013 Volunteer Fire Assistance Grant: Ray reported that the Fire Department has submitted this year’s application for a Dept. of Conservation & Recreation Volunteer Fire Assistance grant. If awarded, the grant will pay for 50% of a project, not to exceed a maximum grant of \$2,000. The NMH Donations account will cover the other 50% of the cost. This year’s application seeks funds for 6 sets of Nomex Wildland coats & pants, and twenty 50-foot lengths of 1” forestry hose.

DOT Letter on Chapter 90: The Selectboard received a letter from the Mass. Dept of Transportation (DOT) informing the Town of changes in the FY14 distribution of Chapter 90 aid. Due to ongoing political wrangling between the Governor and Legislature, only 50% of the FY14 will be released at this time. Additional funds may be released in the fall or early spring of 2014. For Gill, the initial release will be \$113,862, which is a deep cut from the \$152,121 received in FY13. The Governor had initially promised \$227,724 of Chapter 90 aid for Gill in FY14.

Warrant: The Board reviewed and signed FY 2013 warrant #25. Randy abstained from signing the payroll warrant as his son Michael is a Gill firefighter and appears on the warrant.

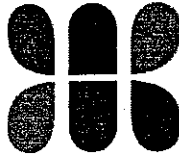
The meeting adjourned at 6:02 PM.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Ray Purington, Administrative Assistant.



Randy P. Crochier, Selectboard Clerk

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HAMPSHIRE COUNCIL
OF GOVERNMENTS

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY
GROUP INSURANCE TRUST

Date: May 24, 2013

To: Selectmen or Executive Authority of Member Units in the Hampshire County Group Insurance Trust

From: Joe Shea, Insurance Director

Re: 32B Reporting Requirement Due 6/30/13

Please find attached a copy of your annual reporting requirement associated with Chapter 32B, Sections 19 and 21-23 that is due by June 30, 2013 with the Secretary of Finance and Administration.

The Trust has sent an electronic copy of this report on your behalf to the Secretary of Finance and Administration. The Trust does recommend that each Member Unit have its Selectmen or appropriate Executive Authority sign and date the report and forward to the Secretary of Finance and Administration by the 6/30/13 deadline.

If you have any specific questions on your report, please feel free to contact me at 584-1300, ext. 142

Joe Shea
Insurance Director

Date May 24, 2013

To: Submitted electronically to: MunicipalHealth@state.ma.us

Secretary of Administration And Finance
 Executive Office for Administration and Finance
 State House Room 373
 Boston, MA 02133

From: Hampshire County Group Insurance Trust

Re/For: **Town of Gill**

A. Present Plans & Subscribers

Active Employees & Retirees not Eligible For Medicare

Blue Cross Blue Shield - Network Blue (HMO)

	Ann. Rates (Y-14)	Subscribers	Ann. Cost	Contribution Rates	
				ER Share	EE Share
Employee	\$ 6,131.52	1	\$ 6,131.52	\$ 4,598.64	\$ 1,532.88
Employee Plus 1	\$ 14,278.56	4	\$ 57,114.24	\$ 42,835.68	\$ 14,278.56
Family	\$ 17,702.88	1	\$ 17,702.88	\$ 13,277.16	\$ 4,425.72
BCBS - Blue Care Elect Preferred (PPO)					
Employee	\$ 6,971.76	0	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Family	\$ 19,096.32	0	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -

Total HCGIT Premium Costs

Most Subscribed GIC Plan

Tufts Health Plan Navigator (GIC Benchmark)

	Ann. Rates (Y-14)	Subscribers	Ann. Cost	Contribution Rates	
				ER Share	EE Share
Employee	\$ 7,526.04	1	\$ 7,526.04	\$ 5,644.53	\$ 1,881.51
Family	\$ 18,254.16	5	\$ 91,270.80	\$ 68,453.10	\$ 22,817.70
Total GIC Premium Costs				\$ 74,097.63	\$ 24,699.21

Retirees Eligible For Medicare

BCBS- MEDEX 3

Most Subscribed GIC Plan

OME with CIC (GIC Benchmark)

	Ann. Rates (Y-14)	Subscribers	Ann. Cost	Contribution Rates	
				ER Share	EE Share
	\$ 4,284.00	4	\$ 17,136.00	\$ 12,852.00	\$ 4,284.00
	\$ 4,574.64	4	\$ 18,298.56	\$ 13,723.92	\$ 4,574.64

Total GIC Annual Costs

Total HCGIT Annual Costs

Annual Savings or (Loss) By HCGIT Member Town Or Unit Over GIC Benchmark

	ER Share	EE Share
\$ 117,095.40	\$ 87,821.55	\$ 29,273.85
\$ 98,084.64	\$ 73,563.48	\$ 24,521.16
\$ 19,010.76		

B.

We did not make use of MGL c. 32B, Sections 19 or 21 through 23 due to the following:

1. Based on our size, to leave the Trust, applying Section 21 would put us in a negative financial position if we tried to purchase insurance on our own.
2. If we went to the GIC we would be paying more for 30 to 40 % less coverage depending on the GIC plan our employee would pick. Should a number of employees elect either

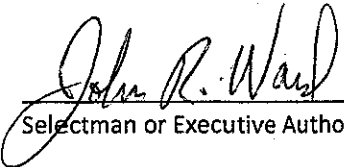
indemnity Basic plans there would be no savings.
 3. Savings would be less than 5% of the maximum savings amount that would be attained by plan design changes under MGL 32B Section 22.

C. There would be no savings to either employees or to us the employer. See pricing above against the GIC Benchmark and the benefits analysis that follows:

Benefit Differences	GIC	HCGIT
Tiered Physicians (\$15, \$25,\$35)	YES	No
Tiered Specialists (\$20, \$35, \$45)	YES	No
Tiered Out Of State Specialists (\$25, \$35, \$45)	YES	No
Tiered Hospital Deductible (\$250 To \$750)	YES	No
Tiered Retail Rx 30 days (GIC 10/25/50 - HCGIT 10/25/45)	YES	YES
Tiered Mail Order Rx 90 days (GIC20/50/110-HCGIT20/50/90)	YES	YES
Generic Differential on Name Brand & Non Formulary Drugs	YES	No
Specific Lab Tests Not Covered	YES	No
High Tech Imaging Deductible (\$100, \$200 out of Network)	Yes	No
Out Patient Surgical Deductible (\$110 TO \$150 per occurrence)	YES	No
Emergency Room Deductible (GIC \$100-HCGIT \$75)	YES	YES
Limited Provider Networks	YES	No
Exclusive Limited Provider Networks	YES	No

The Above is true to the best of our knowledge

Submitted by the Hampshire County Group Insurance Trust.



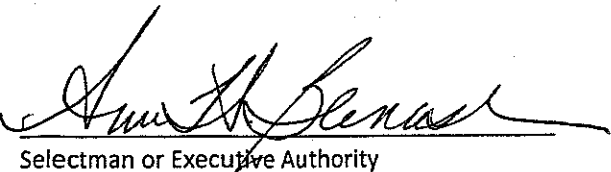
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TO: Andrea Woods, Purchasing Program Manager
FRCOG, 12 Olive Street, Suite 2, Greenfield, MA 01301

*Emailed to
Andrea 6/4/13*

We understand that our municipality is participating in the **Franklin Regional Cooperative Highway Products and Services Bids and Contracts** for FY 2014.

We authorize the Franklin Regional Council of Governments (FRCOG) to contract on our behalf and we have taken action to duly appoint the FRCOG for the above mentioned bid(s).

We acknowledge that FRCOG takes all necessary steps to ensure that any procured vendors or contractors have adequate insurance coverage as required by law. Nevertheless, in the event that any vendor or contractor is deemed to be an employee of our city/town for the purposes of Massachusetts Workers Compensation laws, as set forth in Massachusetts General Law (M.G.L.) c. 152, we agree to indemnify and hold harmless FRCOG from any and all claims, liabilities, assessments, costs (inclusive of attorneys' fees and costs of litigation), penalties, judgments, and awards which may be assessed against us

We agree to abide by M.G.L. c. 30b and c. 30, §39M for the purposes of procuring additional highway products and services, and will not engage in any activity in violation of Massachusetts ethics laws.

All financial obligations to vendors and contractors as a result of this agreement are the full responsibility of our city/town and not the FRCOG.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN/MAYOR OF THE TOWN/CITY OF: Gill

John R. Ward

Signature

Signature

[Signature]

Signature

Signature

Ann H. Penell

Signature

6/3/13

Date

This form needs to be returned by May 31, 2013

You may FAX it to 413-774-3169, scan/email it to bids@frcog.org or mail it to

FRCOG, 12 Olive Street, Suite 2, Greenfield, MA 01301

Gill Highway Dept.

Date: *May 30, 2013*
~~Oct 1, 2012~~

Memorandum:

Dear: Selectboard

FY14 FRCOG bids have come back and I have reviewed them , I am asking you to approve them as follows:

Hardpack (rubble) gravel F.O.B (picked up) at Lane Const bid \$ 8.50 per ton

¾ washed gravel stone F.O.B at Lane Const bid \$ 12.35 per ton

10% Rubberized chip seal applied in place All- States Asphalt bid \$ 3.08 sq yrd

Hot Mix Asphalt (Bit Conc) Applied- in place Lane Const bid \$ 66.90 per ton

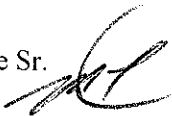
Hot Mix Asphalt picked up (FOB) Lane Const bid \$ 71.25 per ton

Tack Coat Lane Const Bid \$ 7.00 per gallon

Thank You,

Mick LaClaire Sr.

Supt.



FY 14 Highway Products

30-May-13

	Low Bid	Bidder	FY13 Price	% increase	FY12 Price
Hardpack	\$8.50/ton picked up	Lane Construction	\$7.25	17.2%	\$7.00
3/4" washed gravel stone	\$12.35/ton picked up	Lane Construction	\$12.10	2.1%	\$12.00
10% rubberized chip seal	\$3.08/sq yd applied in place	All States Asphalt	\$3.04	1.3%	\$2.80
Hot Mix Asphalt	66.90/ton applied in place	Lane Construction	\$66.90	0.0%	\$63.05
Hot Mix Asphalt	\$71.25/ton picked up	Lane Construction	\$72.00	-1.0%	\$69.00
Tack Coat	\$7.00/gal	Lane Construction	\$7.00		\$5.25
3/4" processed gravel	No acceptable bids		\$11.50		\$11.50
Liquid asphalt	Not requested for FY14		\$3.34		\$3.28

To: Board of Selectmen.

From: Memorial Committee.

Subject: Memorial Day Services and Ceremony.

Dear Board of Selectmen,

The Memorial Committee would like to report to you a very successful and meaningful Memorial Day service and ceremony which took place Sunday May 26, 2013. Features of the event were, Gill Veterans and Citizens holding Service Flags. A flag stand constructed by Chet Kuzontkoski displayed the flags before and after the ceremony.

On Friday May 24, 2013, all the Veterans graves in Gill Cemeteries received a new flag and a small geranium. The area around the Veterans Monuments in the center were cleaned, and small flowers were planted in front of the stones. Also the flags were replaced in the ten flag holders in front of the Monuments. Big thanks the Doug Smith for using his own equipment and Chet Kuzontkoski for assisting in the pressure cleaning of the Monuments. This was in preparation for the Sunday Services. Thanks to all who helped in this annual event.

Sunday May 26, 2013, Before Church Services, the flags (U.S. Ensign and POW/MIA) were replaced on the center common. Church Services were presided over by Gary Bourbeau. Chet Kuzontkoski was speaker

After services the group walked across main road to the Veterans Monuments. Opening the Ceremony was Selectmen Ann Banash and Marine Corp Commandant Tim McCroy. The Marine Corp Color Guard was sharp as usual. The Rose Ceremony was conducted by Memorial Committee members, Doug and Elaine Smith, and from Cub Scout Pack 9 Steven and Traver Parkinson. Bag Piper Phelan Muller did a super job in playing several verses of Amazing Grace. The Flag raising was done by Chet Kuzontkoski, Steven and Traver Parkinson. The Marines fired the salute. Taps was played by Buglers Steve and Joyanna Damon. Everything went smoothly and according to plan. The Memorial Committee would like to thank everybody who participated in this annual Memorial Day event, and to all for attending.

Currently we are looking into the possibility of a new Monument, or adding a plaque to the latest existing one. We need to gather more information as we move forward. We enjoy doing our small part for the Town of Gill and it's Citizens.

Respectively,

Gary Bourbeau
Merri Bourbeau
Doug Smith
Elaine Smith
Chet Kuzontkoski

Memorial Committee

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

FRANKLIN, SS.

TOWN OF GILL

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING: JUNE 11, 2013

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 Tuesday, the Eleventh day of June, in the year Two Thousand and Thirteen (6/11/2013) at 6:30 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 2013 Unemployment Insurance Account (number 913) to the Unemployment Trust Fund (number 814), or take any action relative thereto.

Article 2: To see if the Town will vote to transfer a sum or sums of money from the Fiscal Year 2013 Snow & Ice Removal Account (number 423) to the Fiscal Year 2013 General Highway Account (number 422), or take any action relative thereto

Article 3: To see if the Town will vote to transfer a sum or sums of money from Released Overlay to the Fiscal Year 2013 Interest on Temporary Loans Account (number 752), or take any action relative thereto

Article 4: To see if the Town will vote to transfer a sum or sums of money from the Fiscal Year 2013 Town Building Repairs & Maintenance Account (number 192) to be used toward a portion of the cost to pave the driveway, parking lot, and bus turnaround (basketball court) at the Gill Elementary School, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 5: To hear and act upon the Annual Report of the Officers of the Town, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 6: To elect the following officers: Two or more Field Drivers; Fence Viewers; Measurers of Wood, Bark and Surveyors of Lumber - all for one year, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 7: To see if the Town will accept and expend any sum of money that might be made available from State or Federal funds for roadwork for the Fiscal Year 2014 and for the Chapter 90 type funds, authorize the Selectboard to enter into contracts with the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Highway Department, and to authorize the Treasurer with the approval of the Selectboard to borrow in anticipation of reimbursement or take any action relative thereto.

Article 8: To see if the Town will accept any sum of money that might be made available from the Quintus Allen Trust during Fiscal Year 2014, and authorize the Selectboard to expend such funds in support of the Gill Elementary School, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 9: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectboard to enter into renewable energy purchase and/or net metering credit purchase agreements, including solar energy and related net metering credits, for terms of more than three years, and to take all actions necessary to implement and administer such agreements, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 10: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the following revolving funds per the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 53E ½, for which revenues will be deposited into the funds and expended to pay related costs under the authorization of the Selectboard, and total expenditures for the fiscal year

beginning July 1 next will be limited to the amounts listed below, with all money remaining in the fund at the end of each fiscal year, or take any action relative thereto:

Dept. Spend	Authorized to	Types of Receipts Credited	Program/Purpose for which Funds may be Expended	Maximum Annual Expenditures
Fire Dept.		Oil Burner Inspection Fees	Inspector & Etc.	\$2,000.00
Town Clerk, Animal Control Officer		Dog Fees & Fines	Licenses, Dog Care & Control, & Etc.	4,000.00
Cemetery Commission		Opening Fees	Cemeteries & Caretaking	2,000.00
Conservation Commission		Consultant Fees	Project Review	10,000.00
Agricultural Commission		Farmers' Market & Ag Event Fees	Ag Programs	500.00
Energy Commission		Workshop and Program Fees	Energy Programs	1,000.00
Zoning Board of Appeals		ZBA Fees	Hearings & Expenses	2,000.00
Board of Health, Administrative Assistant		Recycling Program Revenue	Solid waste & recycling programs, Solid Waste District membership, recycled-content office products	5,000.00

Article 11: To see if the Town will vote to fix the salaries or compensation of the several officers of the Town as follows, or take any action relative thereto:

Constable(s) – Each Posting	\$
Moderator – Annual Town Meeting	\$
Special Town Meeting, Each	\$
Selectboard Chair	\$
2 nd & 3 rd Member, Each	\$
Board of Assessors Chair	\$
2 nd & 3 rd Member, Each	\$
Board of Health Chair	\$
2 nd & 3 rd Member, Each	\$
Town Clerk	\$
Tax Collector	\$
Additional As Sewer Collector	\$
Treasurer	\$
Registrars – Three members, Each	\$
Town Clerk	\$

Article 12: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds any sum or sums of money to provide a cost of living adjustment (COLA) for Town employees and elected officials, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 13: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds, or otherwise provide any sum or sums of money for the maintenance of the several departments of the Town, and for other necessary charges, in accordance with the amount recommended by the Selectboard, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 14: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds, or otherwise provide any sum or sums of money for its Fiscal Year 2014 operating assessment and any sum or sums of money for its Fiscal Year 2014 debt service costs for the Gill-Montague Regional School District, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 15: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate by taxation, transfer from available funds, or otherwise provide a sum or sums of money to be used toward a portion of the cost to conduct an independent financial audit of the Town, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 16: To see if the Town will vote to transfer \$359.11 (Three Hundred Fifty Nine and 11/100 Dollars) from the County Dog Fund, and \$57.00 (Fifty Seven and 00/100 Dollars) from the Due to County Dog Officer Fund, for a total of \$416.11 (Four Hundred Sixteen and 11/100) to the Fiscal Year 2014 Library Account, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 17: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate by taxation, transfer from available funds, or otherwise provide a sum or sums of money to be used for the Fiscal Year 2014 assessment for the Cooperative Public Health Service, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 18: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate by taxation, transfer from available funds, or otherwise provide a sum or sums of money to be used for the Fiscal Year 2014 operations of the Recreation Committee and its programs, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 19: To see if the Town will vote to hear and act upon a report presented by the Capital Improvement Planning Committee, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 20: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate by taxation, transfer from available funds, or otherwise provide a sum or sums of money to purchase a dump truck with sander and plow and wing plow and related accessories for the Highway Department, including borrowing costs that may be associated with said purchase and authorize the Town Treasurer with the approval of the Selectboard, to borrow in accordance with MGL Chapter 44, §7; all or some of which may be contingent upon a Proposition 2 1/2 debt exclusion vote override, or take any other action relative thereto. (A 2/3 vote is required for authorization to borrow.)

Article 21: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds, or otherwise provide a sum or sums of money to pave with bituminous concrete the driveway, parking lot, and bus turnaround (basketball court) and to perform any related grinding, excavation or re-grading at the Gill Elementary School, including borrowing costs that may be associated with said project and authorize the Town Treasurer with the approval of the Selectboard, to borrow in accordance with MGL Chapter 44, §7; all or some of which may be contingent upon a Proposition 2 1/2 debt exclusion vote override, or take any other action relative thereto. (A 2/3 vote is required for authorization to borrow.)

Article 22: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds or otherwise provide a sum or sums of money to fund the Capital Stabilization Fund, all or some of which may be contingent upon the passage of a Proposition 2 ½ Override as allowed under MGL c. 40 §5B, or take any other action relative thereto. (A 2/3 vote is required to place money into a stabilization fund.)

Article 23: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate by taxation or transfer from available funds \$2,000.00 (Two Thousand and 00/100 Dollars) for the First Light Appraisal Account to be used toward a portion of the cost of an appraisal of the real and personal property in the Town of Gill owned by FirstLight Hydro Generating Company, or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 24: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate by taxation or transfer from available funds \$3,000.00 (Three Thousand and 00/100 Dollars) to add to the Board of Assessors Triennial Revaluation Account, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 25: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate from taxation or transfer from available funds a sum or sums of money for one or more of the Stabilization Funds of the Town (Capital, Education, or General), or take any action relative thereto. (A 2/3 majority is required to place money into a stabilization fund.)

Article 26: To see if the Town will vote to transfer a sum of money or sums of money from unappropriated funds (Free Cash) or other available funds to be used to reduce the tax rate and stabilize the tax levy for Fiscal Year 2014, or take any action relative thereto.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

FRANKLIN, SS.

TOWN OF GILL

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 seven 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 3rd day of June in the year Two Thousand Thirteen (6/3/2013).

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, seven days before the date hereof, as within directed.

_____, Constable of Gill

Date: _____



Gill Fire Department

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Memorandum

To: Gill Selectboard
From: Chief Gene Beaubien
Date: 5/31/13
Re: Turnout gear purchase

Please find the enclosed PO for 2 sets of turn out gear. These funds will be coming from the fire department budget if approved. As of May 31, 2013 we have the following funds left.

Expenses-\$1101.66

Labor - \$6289.66

I would be taking the funds from the labor line item, The only outstanding purchase we are still waiting for would be new front rims for Engine 1 for around \$1,200.00

Chief Beaubien



Deval L. Patrick, Governor
Timothy P. Murray, Lt. Governor
Richard A. Davey, Secretary & CEO

massDOT
Massachusetts Department of Transportation

May 31, 2013

Rec'd.
6/3/13

Ms. Ann Banash, Chairman
Town of Gill
325 Main Road
Gill, MA 01354

Dear Ms. Banash:

As you know, on March 13, 2013, Governor Patrick filed a transportation bond bill to authorize and fund a comprehensive ten-year plan to modernize and expand our transportation system to spur economic growth, create jobs, and improve the quality of life for residents across the Commonwealth.

Under *The Way Forward*, the Governor proposed adding additional revenues raised through our tax reform proposal to existing revenues to provide a 10-year \$300 million annual (indexed for inflation) Chapter 90 program for municipalities. This plan represented a fifty percent increase over Fiscal Year 2013 in the funding that would be available on a predictable, reliable basis for distribution to cities and towns to support our local transportation needs.

Unfortunately, the House and Senate have proposed a one year authorization pending the outcome of the transportation finance debate. The Administration continues to work with the legislature on transportation financing, but it is clear that we will need to make hard choices about where to devote available resources.

Given the high level of uncertainty regarding revenues for transportation investment, it is not possible to meet the Legislature's authorization of \$300 million in Ch. 90 funding for fiscal year 2014 at this time. To do so would require irresponsible cuts in capital spending in other high priority budget areas such as critical safety projects, measures to cut congestion, and support for public transit.

Under current budget realities and contingent on passage of the terms bill, the Administration is releasing \$150 million in Chapter 90 local transportation funding for fiscal year 2014. Cities and towns will be able to access these funds as soon as the Chapter 90 terms bill has been enacted. Depending on the final disposition of the transportation finance plan, it may be possible to release additional Chapter 90 funding later in fiscal year 2014 for either the fall or early spring construction seasons.

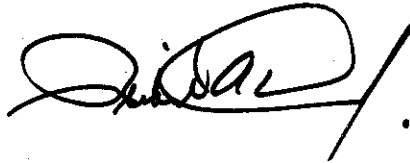
We recognize the critical importance of capital spending to each municipality across the Commonwealth. Local transportation infrastructure improvements deliver immediate economic benefits and ensure the long term viability of our infrastructure.

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Under Governor Patrick's leadership, cities and towns have received the highest levels of Chapter 90 investment in history. We are committed to continuing to work with cities and towns across the Commonwealth to ensure the continuing success of the Chapter 90 program and to create a world-class transportation system that strengthens our economy and improves our way of life.

Your projected allotment of \$113,862 will be available upon passage of the Chapter 90 terms bill. In the meantime, please feel free to contact Matt Bamonte at (857) 368-9151 with any questions you may have regarding the Chapter 90 program.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Richard A. Davey", with a large, stylized flourish extending from the end of the signature.

Richard A. Davey
Secretary & CEO