

Town of Nahant, Massachusetts



**Warrant For the Annual Town Meeting
April 26, 2008
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**TO THE CONSTABLE OF THE TOWN OF NAHANT:
GREETINGS:**

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby required forthwith to warn the inhabitants of the Town of Nahant, qualified as the law directs, to assemble at the Town Hall for the Annual Town Meeting on Saturday the 26th day of April 2008 at 7:00 a.m. then and there to act on Article One and to commence action on the remaining Articles at 12:30 p.m.

ARTICLE 1. To choose a Moderator for a term of one year, one Town Clerk for a term of one year, one member of the Board of Selectmen for a term of three years, one member of the Board of Assessors for a term of three years, one Constable for a term of one year, one member of the Public Library Trustees for a term of three years, two members of the School Committee for a term of three years, one member of the Planning Board for a term of five years, and one member of the Housing Authority for a term of five years:

ARTICLE 2. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer, with approval of the Selectmen, to borrow from time to time in anticipation of revenue in the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2008, in accordance with the provisions of General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 4 and to issue a note or notes therefore, payable within one year, in accordance with General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 17, and to authorize the Treasurer/Collector to enter into a compensating balance agreement or agreements with banking institutions with the approval of the Selectmen, for FY 2009, pursuant to Chapter 44, Section 53F of the General Laws.

ARTICLE 3. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or appropriate from available funds in the treasury and/or transfer a sum of money to the Stabilization Fund, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 4. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or appropriate from available funds in the treasury and/or transfer the following sums or to take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 5. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or appropriate from available funds in the treasury, and/or transfer from available funds, a sum of money for the FY2008 snow and ice account or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 6. To see if the Town will vote to continue to allow the Town to have a special revolving account utilizing revenues from burial opening fees, cremation fees and grave-stone-setting fees, and to authorize said funds to be expended in fiscal year 2009 by the Public Works Department for maintenance, operation and capital improvements of the Greenlawn Cemetery, pursuant to M.G.L. Chapter 44, section 53E1/2. The total expenditure is not to exceed \$12,000, or take any other action relative thereto.

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ARTICLE 7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or appropriate from available funds in the treasury, or raise by borrowing, a sum of money in order to accomplish certain highway construction and maintenance under the provisions of the General Laws, Chapter 90, Section 34, or Chapter 206 of the Acts of 1986, Section 2, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or appropriate from available funds in the treasury, a sum of \$75,000 for street and sidewalk repair and paving, or to take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 9. To see if the Town will vote to accept the recommendation(s) of the Military Housing Advisory Committee and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to proceed by issuing a Request for Development Proposal, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 10. To see if the Town will vote to reduce the percentage collected under the Community Preservation Act from three per cent (3%) to one percent (1%) as permitted under the enabling statute, as petitioned by Lewis R. Moody and 10 registered voters.

ARTICLE 11. To see whether the Town shall vote to accept the recommendations of the Community Preservation Committee to spend, or set aside for later spending, not less than 10 per cent of the annual revenues in the Community Preservation Fund for open space, but not including land for recreational use, not less than 10 per cent of the annual revenues for historic resources and not less than 10 per cent of the annual revenues for community housing or to take any other action as may be allowed under the Community Preservation Act.

ARTICLE 12. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$125,000, or any other sum of money, for the construction of a new vehicular and pedestrian traffic plan at the Johnson School, and to determine whether this appropriation shall be raised by borrowing or otherwise, or to take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 13. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$100,000, or any other sum of money for capital repairs to the Nahant Police Station, Nahant Fire Department and the Nahant Public Works buildings, to determine whether this appropriation shall be raised by borrowing or otherwise, or to take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 14. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$50,000, or any other sum of money for research, survey and mapping the Town's Right of Ways, to determine whether this appropriation shall be raised by borrowing or otherwise, or to take any other action relative thereto.

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ARTICLE 15. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$134,000, by borrowing from the Massachusetts Water Resource Authority (MWRA), to repair and replace water mains and appurtenant structures, and in connection therewith, to enter into a loan agreement and/or security agreement with the MWRA relative to such loan, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 16. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate 100,000, or any other sum of money, to purchase a new backhoe for the Department of Public Works, to determine whether this appropriation shall be raised by borrowing or otherwise, or to take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 17. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$75,000, or any other sum of money for the rehabilitation of the Pearl Road Sewer Pump Station, and to determine whether this appropriation shall be raised by borrowing or otherwise, or to take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 18. To see if the Town will vote to establish a revolving account under the provisions of MGL Chapter 71, section 47 for the Johnson School Extended Day and Pre-Kindergarten programs, or take any other action relative thereto, as petitioned by the Superintendent Joseph Lisi.

ARTICLE 19. To see if the Town will vote to abandon, transfer or sell to John E. Ryder a parcel of town owned land located on High Street Extension and abutting his property at 64 Spring Road or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 20. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to grant to John E. Ryder of 61 Maolis Road, and his successors the exclusive right and easement to use, maintain and repair a 135.2 square foot portion of the existing stone barn and adjoining Town owned land located within the layout of High Street Extension or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 21. To see if the Town will vote to amend Article XIII, Section 5, Subsection B of the by-laws for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2008, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 22. To see if the Town will vote to fix the salary and compensation of all elective officers of the Town, as provided by Chapter 41, Section 108, as amended and raise the money therefore, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 23. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money to operate the Water and Sewer Enterprise, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 24. To see if the Town will vote to amend Article II, Section 18 of the General Government By-Laws by substituting "Robert's Rules of Order (revised)" with "Town Meeting Time", or to take any other action relative thereto.

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ARTICLE 25. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$25,000, or any other sum of money, for study and design of the entrance of the Town from Wilson Road to Kennedy Court, to determine whether this appropriation shall be raised by borrowing or otherwise, or to take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 26. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and or appropriate from available funds in the Treasury such sums of money as may be necessary to defray Town charges for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2009, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 27. To see if the Town will vote to accept gift(s) of money for the Nahant Life-Saving Station, Greenlawn Cemetery, Fourth of July Committee and Fireworks, Recreation Commission, Johnson School Programs, Beautification Program, Open Space Management and Land Acquisition Committee, Sailing Committee, Charles Kelley Scholarship Program, Veterans Memorial Committee, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 28. To see if the Town will vote to continue the standing committees to June 30, 2009: Community Preservation Committee, Golf Course Management Advisory Committee, Cable TV Advisory Committee, Veterans Memorial Committee, Sailing Committee, Cemetery Advisory Committee, Open Space Management and Land Acquisition Committee, Town Owned Land Study Committee, Coast Guard Housing Design and Development Committee, Alternative Energy Committee or take any other action relative thereto.

You are hereby directed to serve this Warrant by posting attested copies of the same in at least four public places in the Town, no less than fourteen (14) days before the day upon which the meeting is held.

WHEREOF FAIL NOT, and make due return of the Warrant with you doings thereon, to the Town Clerk at the time and place of meetings as foresaid.

Given under our hands this 10th day of April in the year of our lord Two Thousand and Eight.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Richard J. Lombard
Robert A. Frary
Michael P. Manning

A true copy attest:
Paul S. English, Sr., Constable

Pursuant to the foregoing notice, the subscriber, I, the Constable of Nahant, has notified the inhabitants of said Town by posting attested copies of this notice in the Nahant Town Hall, Fire Station, Police Station and Public Library on the 11th day of April 2008.