

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
TOWN OF BOLTON
WORCESTER, ss

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING
Monday, February 8, 2016
Nashoba Regional High School Auditorium
7:00 p.m.

To any of the Constables of the Town of Bolton, in the County aforesaid:

GREETINGS - In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Bolton aforesaid, qualified to vote in elections and town affairs, to meet at Nashoba Regional High School Auditorium in said Bolton, on the 8th day of February, 2016 at 7:00 p.m., then and there to act on the following articles:

Article 1: Unpaid Bill for Fiscal Year 2015

To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds the sum of \$727.17 (Seven hundred twenty-seven dollars and seventeen cents) for the purpose of paying the following unpaid FY15 bill, pursuant to M.G.L., Chapter 44, Section 64; or do or act relating thereto.

\$727.17 Karen Regan

Sponsor: Board of Selectmen

Summary: This is an unpaid bill from the previous fiscal year for services that have been rendered.

Board of Selectmen Recommendation: Approved

Advisory Committee Recommendation: Recommendation to be given on town meeting floor.

Vote Required: 9/10 Majority

Article 2: Amendments to the Regional School District Agreement of the Minuteman Regional Vocational School District

To see if the Town will vote, consistent with Section VII of the existing "Agreement With Respect to the Establishment of a Technical and Vocational Regional School District" for the Minuteman Regional Vocational School District, to accept the amendments to said Agreement which have been initiated and approved by a vote of the Regional School Committee on December 21, 2015, and which have been submitted as a restated "Regional Agreement" bearing the date of December 21, 2015 to the Board of Selectmen of each member town.

Sponsor: Board of Selectmen

Summary: Bolton was one of 10 communities to approve amendments to the Regional Agreement in 2014. Those amendments did not take effect because one town rejected them and five towns failed to vote on them. Under the existing Regional Agreement, all 16 towns must approve all changes.

This new version, endorsed by the Minuteman District School Committee on December 21, 2015, incorporates all of the amendments previously proposed, plus additional changes proposed by a working group of Selectmen representing each of the current 16 members.

Among other things, the new Regional Agreement uses a four-year rolling average of enrollment for assessing costs, streamlines the process for withdrawal by member towns, eliminates the five-student minimum charged to member towns for capital costs, and requires out-of-district communities to pay an equitable share of any capital costs associated with a Massachusetts School Building Authority (MSBA) project.

It should be noted that initial withdrawal by member towns is conditioned upon approval of the amended Regional Agreement *and* a vote to withdraw from the District. All votes must be taken during Special Town Meetings to be concluded no later than March 1, 2016.

Board of Selectmen Recommendation: Approved

Advisory Committee Recommendation: Recommendation to be given on town meeting floor.


Vote Required: Majority

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting up attested copies thereof at the Town Hall, at the Post Office, and at two other public places, at least fourteen days before the time for holding said meeting.

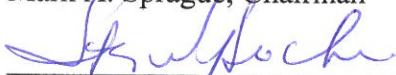
Hereof fail not, and make due return of this warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, at the time and place of meeting as aforesaid;

Given under our hands and seal, this 14th day of January in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand Sixteen.


BOLTON BOARD OF SELECTMEN



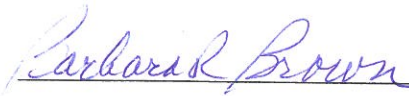
Mark A. Sprague, Chairman



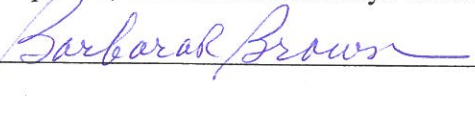
Stanley M. Wysocki



Thomas J. Frain

A true copy. Attest:  Constable of Bolton 1-19-2016 Date

In obedience to the Warrant, I have notified and warned the said inhabitants of the Town of Bolton to meet at the time and place, by posting up attested copies of the same at the Town Hall, at the Post Office, and at two other public places, at least fourteen days before the date hereof.

Constable of Bolton:  Date: 1-19-2016

**Board of Selectmen
Bolton, MA 01740**

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