

**REPORT AND RECOMMENDATIONS
OF THE
FINANCE COMMITTEE**

**COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
TOWN OF BELLINGHAM**



ANNUAL TOWN MEETING
Wednesday, May 25, 2011
7:30 p.m.

BELLINGHAM HIGH SCHOOL

May 5, 2011

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TOWN MEETING GLOSSARY

CHERRY SHEET

A financial statement from the State that itemizes State aid and assessments to the Town.

ENTERPRISE FUND

A fund where expenditures are restricted for operating, capital and debt costs of a particular service (such as water and trash). It allows a community to recover the total costs of a service through user fees or the user fees may be supplemented by taxation. The budget for an enterprise fund is not autonomous, it must be voted annually at Town Meeting. An enterprise fund balance can be carried over from year to year.

FISCAL YEAR

The Town operates on a fiscal year that begins on July 1 and ends on June 30.

FREE CASH

Funds certified by the state as appropriated in previous years but not expended. It can result from higher than anticipated revenue receipts and/or lower than anticipated expenditures.

OVERLAY RESERVE

A Board of Assessors fund used to cover tax abatements and statutory exemptions.

RESERVE FUND

A Finance Committee fund used for extraordinary and unforeseen expenditures during the year.

REVOLVING FUND

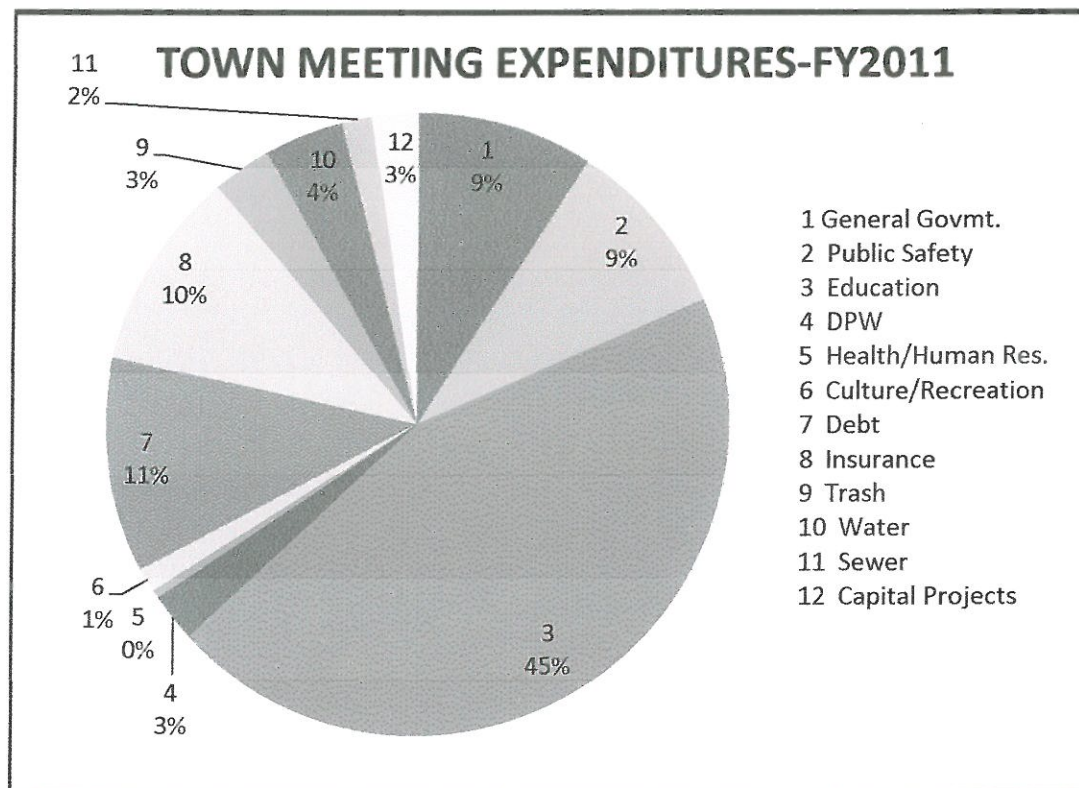
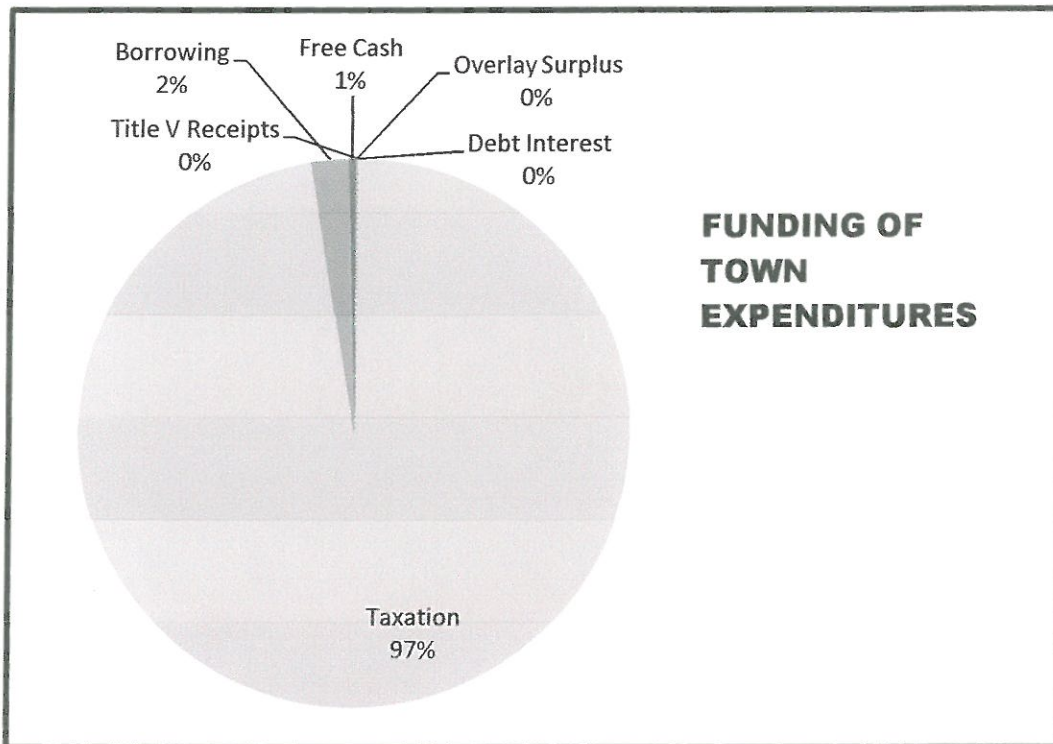
A fund created to allow specific programs to use fees collected to defray the expenses of the program. A revolving fund does not have to be appropriated each year. However, the fund does have to be reauthorized annually at Town Meeting.

STABILIZATION FUND

Establishes source for funding future capital projects or other lawful spending. A withdrawal from the Stabilization Fund requires a 2/3 vote from Town Meeting.

TAX STABILIZATION FUND

A fund established by the voters of the town of Bellingham to mitigate the future loss of revenue from the power plants; this fund will ensure that the town of Bellingham can continue to provide services to its citizens and maintain its' infrastructure in a responsible and prudent manner.



ARTICLE 1. OPERATING BUDGETS - EXPENSES AND SALARIES

To see what sums the Town will vote to raise and appropriate by taxation, by transfer from available funds, and/or otherwise for the following purposes, to include determining the expenses and salaries of the various elected and appointed Town Officers for the period commencing July 1, 2011 through June 30, 2012, or act to do anything in relation thereto.

1. All travel expenses are paid at the rate of \$0.40 per mile. No travel expenses shall be paid except upon receipt of vouchers showing dates, expenses incurred and the number of miles traveled.
2. Salaries under negotiation have been level funded.
3. All dollar amounts listed have been rounded to the nearest whole dollar.

Account Description	Actual FY2009	Actual FY2010	Appropriated FY2011	Department Head Requested FY2012	Board of Selectmen Recommended FY2012	% Change FinCom vs. FY2011 budget	Finance Committee's Recommendations FY2012
114 TOWN MEETING MODERATOR							
Elected/Appointed Salaries	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%	\$0
Expenses	\$50	\$0	\$350	\$350	\$350	0.00%	\$350
Total 114	\$50	\$0	\$350	\$50	\$350	0.00%	\$350
122 SELECTMEN							
Elected/Appointed Salaries	\$4,483	\$4,808	\$6,000	\$6,000	\$6,000	0.00%	\$6,000
Salaries	\$53,817	\$54,675	\$56,611	\$57,782	\$57,782	2.07%	\$57,782
Expenses	\$99,504	\$61,873	\$46,701	\$36,701	\$36,701	-21.41%	\$36,701
Total 122	\$157,804	\$121,356	\$109,312	\$100,483	\$100,483	-8.08%	\$100,483
123 TOWN ADMINISTRATOR							
Salaries/Clerical Support	\$152,034	\$149,313	\$154,630	\$155,214	\$155,214	0.38%	\$155,214
Expenses	\$6,852	\$6,298	\$7,000	\$7,000	\$7,000	0.00%	\$7,000
Total 123	\$158,886	\$155,611	\$161,630	\$162,214	\$162,214	0.36%	\$162,214
131 FINANCE COMMITTEE							
Salaries	\$2,868	\$2,868	\$2,868	\$2,868	\$2,868	0.00%	\$2,868
Expenses	\$1,268	\$1,112	\$2,207	\$2,207	\$2,207	0.00%	\$2,207
Total 131	\$4,136	\$3,980	\$5,075	\$5,075	\$5,075	0.00%	\$5,075

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132 RESERVE FUND							
Expenses	\$0	\$0	\$90,000	\$100,000	\$100,000	11.11%	\$100,000
Total 132	\$0	\$0	\$90,000	\$100,000	\$100,000	11.11%	\$100,000
135 CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER							
Salaries	\$217,583	\$210,795	\$219,989	\$230,356	\$230,356	4.71%	\$230,356
Expenses	\$45,079	\$46,109	\$49,105	\$51,105	\$51,105	4.07%	\$51,105
Total 135	\$262,662	\$256,904	\$269,094	\$281,461	\$281,461	4.60%	\$281,461
137 ASSESSORS							
Elected/Appointed Salaries	\$3,800	\$3,400	\$3,800	\$3,800	\$3,800	0.00%	\$3,800
Salaries	\$84,255	\$89,997	\$102,425	\$104,025	\$104,025	1.56%	\$104,025
Expenses	\$11,509	\$11,778	\$15,425	\$15,425	\$15,425	0.00%	\$15,425
Total 137	\$99,564	\$105,175	\$121,650	\$123,250	\$123,250	1.32%	\$123,250
138 TREASURER							
Salaries	\$78,053	\$77,459	\$78,952	\$79,647	\$79,647	0.88%	\$79,647
Expenses	\$8,613	\$14,627	\$15,750	\$23,000	\$23,000	46.03%	\$23,000
Total 138	\$86,666	\$92,086	\$94,702	\$102,647	\$102,647	8.39%	\$102,647
139 TOWN COLLECTOR							
Salaries	\$138,589	\$122,993	\$157,468	\$116,915	\$116,915	-25.75%	\$116,915
Expenses	\$73,499	\$73,163	\$76,950	\$79,775	\$79,775	3.67%	\$79,775
Total 139	\$212,088	\$196,156	\$234,418	\$196,690	\$196,690	-16.09%	\$196,690
151 TOWN COUNSEL							
Professional Services and Special Counsel	\$80,253	\$75,718	\$85,000	\$85,000	\$85,000	0.00%	\$85,000
Total 151	\$80,253	\$75,718	\$85,000	\$85,000	\$85,000	0.00%	\$85,000

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154 MANAGEMENT INFORMATION SYSTEMS							
Salaries	\$66,576	\$68,762	\$71,975	\$71,975	\$71,975	0.00%	\$71,975
Expenses	\$150,624	\$152,910	\$159,135	\$159,135	\$159,135	0.00%	\$159,135
Total 154	\$217,200	\$221,672	\$231,110	\$231,110	\$231,110	0.00%	\$231,110
156 TAX TITLE FORECLOSURE							
Expenses	\$0	\$0	\$40,000	\$40,000	\$40,000	0.00%	\$40,000
Total 156	\$0	\$0	\$40,000	\$40,000	\$40,000	0.00%	\$40,000
161 TOWN CLERK							
Elected/Appointed Salaries	\$51,070	\$52,000	\$53,560	\$53,560	\$53,560	0.00%	\$53,560
Salaries	\$40,756	\$41,404	\$44,233	\$45,169	\$45,169	2.12%	\$45,169
Expenses	\$4,606	\$3,953	\$5,115	\$5,115	\$5,115	0.00%	\$5,115
Total 161	\$96,432	\$97,357	\$102,908	\$103,844	\$103,844	0.91%	\$103,844
162 ELECTIONS							
Expenses	\$30,296	\$32,270	\$41,615	\$42,175	\$42,175	1.35%	\$42,175
Total 162	\$30,296	\$32,270	\$41,615	\$42,175	\$42,175	1.35%	\$42,175
163 REGISTRATION							
Salaries	\$1,200	\$1,200	\$1,400	\$1,400	\$1,400	0.00%	\$1,400
Expenses	\$7,518	\$6,513	\$7,600	\$8,100	\$8,100	6.58%	\$8,100
Total 163	\$8,718	\$7,713	\$9,000	\$9,500	\$9,500	5.56%	\$9,500
The Board of Registrars is authorized to appoint one of its members, excluding the Clerk, to serve as Census Updater and to pay said Registrar \$10.00 per hour, not to exceed \$1,000 of the total expense budget.							
171 CONSERVATION COMMISSION							
Salaries	\$39,914	\$32,249	\$32,252	\$33,220	\$32,252	0.00%	\$32,252
Expenses	\$9,355	\$9,572	\$10,665	\$11,690	\$10,690	0.23%	\$10,690
Total 171	\$49,269	\$41,821	\$42,917	\$44,910	\$42,942	0.06%	\$42,942

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172 PLANNING BOARD							
Elected/Appointed Salaries	\$5,000	\$4,750	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000	0.00%	\$5,000
Salaries	\$50,627	\$45,795	\$48,040	\$48,040	\$48,040	0.00%	\$48,040
Expenses	<u>\$4,875</u>	<u>\$3,336</u>	<u>\$5,898</u>	<u>\$5,898</u>	<u>\$5,898</u>	0.00%	<u>\$5,898</u>
Total 172	\$60,502	\$53,881	\$58,938	\$58,938	\$58,938	0.00%	\$58,938
173 ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS							
Salaries	\$7,200	\$7,050	\$7,275	\$7,275	\$7,275	0.00%	\$7,275
Expenses	<u>\$627</u>	<u>\$572</u>	<u>\$807</u>	<u>\$807</u>	<u>\$807</u>	0.00%	<u>\$807</u>
Total 173	\$7,827	\$7,622	\$8,082	\$8,082	\$8,082	0.00%	\$8,082
183 DISABILITY COMMISSION							
Salaries	\$1,500	\$1,375	\$1,500	\$1,500	\$1,500	0.00%	\$1,500
Expenses	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$102</u>	<u>\$1,300</u>	<u>\$1,300</u>	<u>\$1,300</u>	0.00%	<u>\$1,300</u>
Total 183	\$1,500	\$1,477	\$2,800	\$2,800	\$2,800	0.00%	\$2,800
189 PUBLIC BUILDINGS MAINTENANCE							
Salaries	\$91,433	\$86,618	\$86,651	\$87,261	\$87,261	0.70%	\$87,261
Expenses	\$207,402	\$180,849	\$203,300	\$203,300	\$203,300	0.00%	\$203,300
Total 189	\$298,835	\$267,467	\$289,951	\$290,561	\$290,561	0.21%	\$290,561
190 OTJ INJURY FOR DEDUCTIBLE (On the job)							
Expenses	\$4,719	\$7,421	\$15,000	\$15,000	\$15,000	0.00%	\$15,000
Total 190	\$4,719	\$7,421	\$15,000	\$15,000	\$15,000	0.00%	\$15,000
191 WORKER'S COMPENSATION AGENT							
Salaries	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000	0.00%	\$5,000
Total 191	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000	0.00%	\$5,000
192 EMPLOYEE SICK DAY BUY-BACK FUND							
Salaries	\$0	\$0	\$15,000	\$15,000	\$15,000	0.00%	\$0
Transfers	\$0	\$0	\$15,000	\$15,000	\$15,000	100.00%	\$15,000
Total 192	\$0	\$0	\$15,000	\$15,000	\$15,000	100.00%	\$15,000

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193 PROPERTY & LIABILITY INSURANCE							
Expenses	<u>\$271,769</u>	<u>\$264,122</u>	<u>\$290,000</u>	<u>\$290,000</u>	<u>\$290,000</u>	0.00%	<u>\$290,000</u>
Total 193	\$271,769	\$264,122	\$290,000	\$290,000	\$290,000	0.00%	\$290,000
194 RETIREMENT ASSESSMENT							
Expenses	<u>\$1,567,321</u>	<u>\$1,647,627</u>	<u>\$1,775,099</u>	<u>\$1,870,099</u>	<u>\$1,870,099</u>	5.35%	<u>\$1,870,099</u>
Total 194	\$1,567,321	\$1,647,627	\$1,775,099	\$1,870,099	\$1,870,099	5.35%	\$1,870,099
195 MEDICARE/EMPLOYER SHARE							
Expenses	<u>\$318,665</u>	<u>\$321,665</u>	<u>\$320,000</u>	<u>\$330,000</u>	<u>\$330,000</u>	3.13%	<u>\$330,000</u>
Total 195	\$318,665	\$321,665	\$320,000	\$330,000	\$330,000	3.13%	\$330,000
196 TOWN REPORTS							
Expenses	<u>\$1,128</u>	<u>\$1,800</u>	<u>\$3,000</u>	<u>\$3,000</u>	<u>\$3,000</u>	0.00%	<u>\$3,000</u>
Total 196	\$1,128	\$1,800	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$3,000	0.00%	\$3,000
197 PHYSICAL/OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH							
Expenses	<u>\$29,026</u>	<u>\$25,590</u>	<u>\$32,000</u>	<u>\$32,000</u>	<u>\$32,000</u>	0.00%	<u>\$32,000</u>
Total 197	\$29,026	\$25,590	\$32,000	\$32,000	\$32,000	0.00%	\$32,000
198 INSURANCE DEDUCTIBLE							
Expenses	<u>\$1,000</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$1,000</u>	<u>\$1,000</u>	<u>\$1,000</u>	0.00%	<u>\$1,000</u>
Total 198	\$1,000	\$0	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,000	0.00%	\$1,000
199 DAMAGES TO PERSONS/PROPERTY							
Expenses	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$1</u>	<u>\$1</u>	<u>\$1</u>	0.00%	<u>\$1</u>
Total 199	\$0	\$0	\$1	\$1	\$1	0.00%	\$1
210 POLICE DEPARTMENT							
Salaries	\$2,580,718	\$2,392,217	\$2,515,325	\$2,515,326	\$2,515,326	0.00%	\$2,515,326
Expenses	<u>\$126,395</u>	<u>\$131,322</u>	<u>\$149,400</u>	<u>\$149,400</u>	<u>\$149,400</u>	0.00%	<u>\$149,400</u>
Total 210	\$2,707,113	\$2,523,539	\$2,664,725	\$2,664,726	\$2,664,726	0.00%	\$2,664,726

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220 FIRE DEPARTMENT							
Salaries	\$1,510,187	\$1,462,254	\$1,582,048	\$1,637,563	\$1,628,173	2.92%	\$1,628,173
Expenses	<u>\$91,450</u>	<u>\$94,897</u>	<u>\$93,285</u>	<u>\$96,585</u>	<u>\$96,585</u>	3.54%	<u>\$96,585</u>
Total 220	\$1,601,637	\$1,557,151	\$1,675,333	\$1,734,148	\$1,724,758	2.95%	\$1,724,758
251 TOWN INSPECTOR							
<i>Town Inspector is regionalized with the Town of Blackstone and budget costs are shared.</i>							
Salaries	\$136,756	\$125,429	\$127,826	\$129,080	\$129,080	0.98%	\$129,080
Expenses	<u>\$4,971</u>	<u>\$4,725</u>	<u>\$5,988</u>	<u>\$5,988</u>	<u>\$5,988</u>	0.00%	<u>\$5,988</u>
Total 251	\$141,727	\$130,154	\$133,814	\$135,068	\$135,068	0.94%	\$135,068
252 SEALERS OF WEIGHTS/MEASURES							
Salaries	\$3,000	\$2,705	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$3,000	0.00%	\$3,000
Expenses	<u>\$205</u>	<u>\$1,061</u>	<u>\$1,000</u>	<u>\$1,000</u>	<u>\$1,000</u>	0.00%	<u>\$1,000</u>
Total 252	\$3,205	\$3,766	\$4,000	\$4,000	\$4,000	0.00%	\$4,000
253 INSPECTOR OF PLUMBING AND GAS							
Salaries	\$21,034	\$21,383	\$22,639	\$23,032	\$23,032	1.74%	\$23,032
Expenses	<u>\$150</u>	<u>\$180</u>	<u>\$245</u>	<u>\$245</u>	<u>\$245</u>	0.00%	<u>\$245</u>
Total 253	\$21,184	\$21,563	\$22,884	\$23,277	\$23,277	1.72%	\$23,277
255 ELECTRICAL INSPECTOR							
Salaries	\$23,657	\$23,121	\$28,000	\$27,000	\$27,000	-3.57%	\$27,000
Expenses	<u>\$482</u>	<u>\$200</u>	<u>\$200</u>	<u>\$1,200</u>	<u>\$1,200</u>	500.00%	<u>\$1,200</u>
Total 255	\$24,139	\$23,321	\$28,200	\$28,200	\$28,200	0.00%	\$28,200

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292 ANIMAL CONTROL							
Salaries	\$90,018	\$90,674	\$98,258	\$98,308	\$98,308	0.05%	\$98,308
Expenses	\$5,598	\$6,036	\$9,700	\$9,700	\$9,700	0.00%	\$9,700
Total 292	\$95,616	\$96,710	\$107,958	\$108,008	\$108,008	0.05%	\$108,008
<i>Animal Control is regionalized with the Town of Franklin and budget costs are shared.</i>							
294 TREE WARDEN							
Elected/Appointed Salaries	\$6,500	\$6,500	\$6,500	\$6,500	\$6,500	0.00%	\$6,500
Salaries	\$84	\$437	\$3,700	\$3,700	\$3,700	0.00%	\$3,700
Expenses	\$10,494	\$10,130	\$20,626	\$20,626	\$20,626	0.00%	\$20,626
Total 294	\$17,078	\$17,067	\$30,826	\$30,826	\$30,826	0.00%	\$30,826
299 AUXILIARY POLICE							
Expenses	\$5,764	\$5,764	\$5,766	\$5,766	\$5,766	0.00%	\$5,766
Total 299	\$5,764	\$5,764	\$5,766	\$5,766	\$5,766	0.00%	\$5,766
300 SCHOOL DEPARTMENT							
Elected/Appointed Salaries	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000	0.00%	\$5,000
School Department Budget	\$20,347,486	\$19,697,486	\$19,834,986	\$19,934,986	\$19,934,986	0.50%	\$19,934,986
Total 300	\$20,352,486	\$19,702,486	\$19,839,986	\$19,939,986	\$19,939,986	0.50%	\$19,939,986
302 BLACKSTONE VALLEY VOCATIONAL (67 Bellingham students attending)							
Expenses	\$761,236	\$757,544	\$644,205	\$719,519	\$719,519	11.69%	\$719,519
Total 302	\$761,236	\$757,544	\$644,205	\$719,519	\$719,519	11.69%	\$719,519
303 SCHOOL TRANSPORTATION							
Expenses	\$1,282,206	\$1,742,883	\$1,900,001	\$1,900,000	\$1,800,000	-5.26%	\$1,800,000
Total 303	\$1,282,206	\$1,742,883	\$1,900,001	\$1,900,000	\$1,800,000	-5.26%	\$1,800,000
421 HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION							
Salaries	\$96,254	\$97,682	\$101,123	\$102,641	\$102,641	1.50%	\$102,641
Expenses	\$21,814	\$21,081	\$21,150	\$21,150	\$21,150	0.00%	\$21,150
Total 421	\$118,068	\$118,763	\$122,273	\$123,791	\$123,791	1.24%	\$123,791

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422 HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION/MAINTENANCE (Road Maintenance)							
Salaries	\$385,262	\$320,803	\$332,232	\$338,502	\$338,502	1.89%	\$338,502
Expenses	\$261,824	\$281,387	\$293,700	\$293,700	\$293,700	0.00%	\$293,700
Total 422	\$647,086	\$602,190	\$625,932	\$632,202	\$632,202	1.00%	\$632,202
423 SNOW AND ICE REMOVAL							
Salaries	\$123,849	\$91,919	\$20,000	\$20,000	\$20,000	0.00%	\$20,000
Expenses	\$664,073	\$412,557	\$80,000	\$80,000	\$80,000	0.00%	\$80,000
Total 423	\$787,922	\$504,476	\$100,000	\$100,000	\$100,000	0.00%	\$100,000
424 STREET LIGHTING							
Expenses	\$158,038	\$146,636	\$160,000	\$160,000	\$160,000	0.00%	\$160,000
Total 424	\$158,038	\$146,636	\$160,000	\$160,000	\$160,000	0.00%	\$160,000
425 HIGHWAY MAINTENANCE (Motor Vehicle Maintenance)							
Expenses	\$70,372	\$69,783	\$82,000	\$82,000	\$82,000	0.00%	\$82,000
Total 425	\$70,372	\$69,783	\$82,000	\$82,000	\$82,000	0.00%	\$82,000
426 GAS AND OIL							
Expenses	\$142,900	\$163,796	\$164,000	\$164,000	\$164,000	0.00%	\$164,000
Total 426	\$142,900	\$163,796	\$164,000	\$164,000	\$164,000	0.00%	\$164,000
433 SOLID WASTE (Recycling Center)							
Expenses	\$1,232	\$813	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$2,000	0.00%	\$2,000
Total 433	\$1,232	\$813	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$2,000	0.00%	\$2,000
439 SANITARY LANDFILL							
Expenses	\$1,539	\$3,078	\$4,000	\$4,000	\$4,000	0.00%	\$4,000
Total 439	\$1,539	\$3,078	\$4,000	\$4,000	\$4,000	0.00%	\$4,000

Account Description	Actual FY2009	Actual FY2010	Appropriated FY2011	Department Head Requested FY2012	Board of Selectmen Recommended FY2012	% Change FinCom vs. FY2011 budget	Finance Committee's Recommendations FY2012
491 CEMETERY DEPARTMENT							
Elected/Appointed Salaries	\$3,600	\$3,600	\$3,600	\$3,600	\$3,600	0.00%	\$3,600
Expenses	\$6,098	\$6,258	\$6,300	\$6,300	\$6,300	0.00%	\$6,300
Total 491	\$9,698	\$9,858	\$9,900	\$9,900	\$9,900	0.00%	\$9,900
510 BOARD OF HEALTH							
Elected/Appointed Salaries	\$106					0.00%	
Salaries	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$3,000	0.00%	\$3,000
Expenses	\$93,024	\$89,038	\$92,797	\$93,443	\$93,443	0.70%	\$93,443
Total 510	\$11,459	\$10,019	\$12,061	\$12,061	\$12,061	0.00%	\$12,061
	\$107,589	\$102,057	\$107,858	\$108,504	\$108,504	0.60%	\$108,504
541 COUNCIL ON AGING							
Salaries	\$113,784	\$64,034	\$65,561	\$65,561	\$65,561	0.00%	\$65,561
Expenses	\$23,291	\$21,260	\$21,260	\$21,260	\$21,260	0.00%	\$21,260
Total 541	\$137,075	\$85,294	\$86,821	\$86,821	\$86,821	0.00%	\$86,821
543 VETERANS SERVICES							
Salaries	\$3,000	\$0				0.00%	\$0
Expenses	\$21,250	\$16,949	\$26,250	\$26,250	\$26,250	0.00%	\$26,250
Total 543	\$24,250	\$16,949	\$26,250	\$26,250	\$26,250	0.00%	\$26,250
549 VETERANS GRAVE AGENT							
Salaries	\$0	\$0	\$600	\$600	\$600	0.00%	\$600
Expenses	\$0	\$0	\$250	\$250	\$250	0.00%	\$250
Total 549	\$0	\$0	\$850	\$850	\$850	0.00%	\$850
610 LIBRARY							
Elected/Appointed Salaries	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$600	\$600	100.00%	\$600
Salaries	\$281,095	\$274,537	\$284,898	\$287,363	\$287,363	0.87%	\$287,363
Expenses	\$181,764	\$155,149	\$157,100	\$161,486	\$161,486	2.79%	\$161,486
Total 610	\$462,859	\$429,686	\$441,998	\$449,449	\$449,449	1.69%	\$449,449

Account Description	Actual FY2009	Actual FY2010	Appropriated FY2011	Department Head Requested FY2012	Board of Selectmen Recommended FY2012	% Change FinCom vs. FY2011 budget	Finance Committee's Recommendations FY2012
630 PARKS AND RECREATION							
Elected/Appointed Salaries	\$3,050	\$3,050	\$3,050	\$3,050	\$3,050	0.00%	\$3,050
Salaries	\$47,078	\$92,763	\$98,500	\$98,500	\$98,500	0.00%	\$98,500
Expenses	\$51,567	\$51,134	\$47,028	\$47,028	\$47,028	0.00%	\$47,028
Total 630	\$101,695	\$146,947	\$148,578	\$148,578	\$148,578	0.00%	\$148,578
650 HISTORICAL COMMISSION							
Expenses	\$4,754	\$4,144	\$4,500	\$4,500	\$4,500	0.00%	\$4,500
Total 650	\$4,754	\$4,144	\$4,500	\$4,500	\$4,500	0.00%	\$4,500
651 CULTURAL COUNCIL							
Salaries	\$5,625	\$5,625	\$7,500	\$7,500	\$7,500	0.00%	\$7,500
Expenses	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%	\$0
Total 651	\$5,625	\$5,625	\$7,500	\$7,500	\$7,500	0.00%	\$7,500
660 MEMORIAL DAY/VETERANS DAY							
Expenses	\$9,710	\$9,856	\$12,000	\$12,000	\$12,000	0.00%	\$12,000
Total 660	\$9,710	\$9,856	\$12,000	\$12,000	\$12,000	0.00%	\$12,000
710 DEBT SERVICE-PRINCIPAL PAYMENT							
Expenses	\$3,408,619	\$3,400,728	\$3,774,118	\$3,774,118	\$3,774,118	0.00%	\$3,774,118
Total 710	\$3,408,619	\$3,400,728	\$3,774,118	\$3,774,118	\$3,774,118	0.00%	\$3,774,118
715 DEBT SERVICE-INTEREST ON BONDS							
Expenses	\$1,973,313	\$1,840,765	\$1,832,675	\$1,832,675	\$1,832,675	0.00%	\$1,832,675
Total 715	\$1,973,313	\$1,840,765	\$1,832,675	\$1,832,675	\$1,832,675	0.00%	\$1,832,675
990 TRANSFER TO WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION TRUST FUND							
Inter-Fund Transfer	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%	\$0
Total 990	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%	\$0

Account Description	Actual FY2009	Actual FY2010	Appropriated FY2011	Department Head Requested FY2012	Board of Selectmen Recommended FY2012	% Change FinCom vs. FY2011 budget	Finance Committee's Recommendations FY2012
991 TRANSFER TO UNEMPLOYMENT TRUST FUND							
Inter-Fund Transfer	\$50,000	\$50,000	\$200,000	\$200,000	\$200,000	0.00%	\$200,000
Total 991	\$50,000	\$50,000	\$200,000	\$200,000	\$200,000	0.00%	\$200,000
992 TRANSFER TO GROUP INSURANCE TRUST FUND							
Inter-Fund Transfer	\$3,125,000	\$3,125,000	\$4,925,000	\$35,000	\$35,000	100.00%	\$35,000
Total 992	\$3,125,000	\$3,125,000	\$4,925,000	\$4,925,000	\$4,925,000	0.00%	\$4,925,000
			\$4,960,000	\$4,960,000	\$4,960,000	0.71%	\$4,960,000
996 TRANSFER TO CAPITAL INVESTMENT TRUST FUND							
Inter-Fund Transfer	\$100	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%	\$0
Total 996	\$100	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%	\$0
997 TRANSFER TO COMP ABS FUND							
Inter-Fund Transfer	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$35,000	\$35,000	\$35,000	0.00%	\$35,000
Total 997	\$0	\$5,000	\$35,000	\$35,000	\$35,000	0.00%	\$35,000
Total General Fund	\$42,394,651	\$41,434,883	\$44,385,603	\$44,767,702	\$44,656,494	0.61%	\$44,656,494

(By :Board of Selectmen)

RECOMMENDED by the Finance Committee, Funding as follows:

(Vote: (3 recused themselves from voting-see Note below)

\$0	from	Ambulance Receipts
\$20,559	from	Title V Receipts
\$0	from	Stabilization Fund
\$0	from	Overlay Surplus
\$44,635,935	from	Taxation
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\$44,656,494		

Note: FinCom Members who recused themselves from a certain budget vote:

Toni Picariello (Tax Title); Roland Lavallee (School Department); Ray Szczepan (Moderator)

Account Description	Actual FY2009	Actual FY2010	Appropriated FY2011	Department Head Requested FY2012	Board of Selectmen Recommended FY2012	% Change FinCom vs. FY2011 budget	Finance Committee's Recommendations FY2012
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ARTICLE 2. TRASH ENTERPRISE

To see what sums the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Trash Enterprise for a period commencing July 1, 2011 through June 30, 2012; or act or do anything in relation thereto. (By Board of Selectmen)

100 Trash - Operating Expenses (430 Solid Waste Collection/Disposal) - This is a new 7 year Contract.							
"And to authorize an agreement in excess of three (3) years"							
Elected/Appointed Salaries	\$21,421	\$25,461	\$26,352	\$26,882	\$26,882	2.01%	\$26,882
Expenses	\$1,443,845	\$1,459,848	\$1,504,300	\$1,504,300	\$1,504,300	0.00%	\$1,504,300
Total 430	\$1,465,266	\$1,485,309	\$1,530,652	\$1,531,182	\$1,531,182	0.03%	\$1,531,182

RECOMMENDED by the Finance Committee. Funding: Trash Enterprise Receipts. (Vote: 5/0)

FinCom member Raymond Szczepan recused himself from the vote.

ARTICLE 3. WATER ENTERPRISE

To see what sums the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Water Enterprise for a period commencing July 1, 2011 through June 30, 2012; or act or do anything in relation thereto. (By Board of Selectmen)

200 Water - Operating Expenses (450 Water Operating)							
Reserve Fund			\$0	\$50,000	\$50,000	100%	\$50,000
Elected/Appointed Salaries	\$598,334	\$664,511	\$721,622	\$733,881	\$733,881	1.70%	\$733,881
Expenses	\$1,360,953	\$1,092,098	\$1,355,518	\$1,305,518	\$1,305,518	-3.69%	\$1,305,518
Total 450	\$1,959,287	\$1,756,609	\$2,077,140	\$2,089,399	\$2,089,399	0.59%	\$2,089,399

RECOMMENDED by the Finance Committee. Funding: Water Enterprise Receipts. (Vote: 6/0)

ARTICLE 4. SEWER ENTERPRISE

To see what sums the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Sewer Enterprise for a period commencing July 1, 2011 through June 30, 2012; or act or do anything in relation thereto. (By Board of Selectmen)

300 Sewer - Operating Expenses (460 Sewer Operating)							
Reserve Fund			\$25,000	\$25,000	\$25,000	100%	\$25,000
Elected/Appointed Salaries	\$97,491	\$99,724	\$112,664	\$114,599	\$114,599	1.72%	\$114,599
Expenses	\$497,985	\$534,138	\$669,301	\$669,294	\$669,294	0.00%	\$669,294
Total 460	\$595,476	\$633,862	\$806,965	\$808,893	\$808,893	0.24%	\$808,893

RECOMMENDED by the Finance Committee. Funding: Sewer Enterprise Receipts. (Vote: 6/0)

ARTICLE 5. CONVEYANCES AND EASEMENTS

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to accept and/or purchase conveyances or easements, sewers, water lines, retaining walls and streets, and to raise and appropriate a sum of money to carry out said purposes; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

(By: Board of Selectmen)

RECOMMENDED By the Finance Committee.

Funding: \$1.00 from taxation.

FinCom commentary: This article authorized the Board of Selectmen to accept and/or purchase conveyances or easements for town projects. The \$1.00 requested is to keep the account open.

ARTICLE 6. PURCHASE OF SURPLUS EQUIPMENT

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money and to authorize the D.P.W. Director, in conjunction with other Town Departments, to purchase surplus government equipment for the Town; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

(By: Board of Selectmen)

RECOMMENDED by the Finance Committee.

Funding: \$1.00 from taxation

FinCom commentary: This article authorized the Department of Public Works Director to purchase surplus equipment. The \$1.00 requested is to keep the account open.

ARTICLE 7. TOWN PROPERTY AUCTION

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen and their successors in office to sell at public auction any of the property which the Town may have acquired or may hereafter acquire through proceedings based upon non-payment of taxes or under proceedings for the sale of lands of low value, to impose upon the property so sold such restrictions, reservations or conditions as shall be deemed expedient, and to execute quitclaim deeds and other instruments thereto; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

(By: Board of Selectmen)

RECOMMENDED by the Finance Committee.

FinCom commentary: This article authorizes the Board of Selectmen to sell, by auction, real estate taken for non-payment of taxes and other town property, such as vehicles, equipment, etc. The Collector is compiling a list of property now.

ARTICLE 8. HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to accept and enter into contracts for the expenditure of funds to be allotted by the State under authorization of Chapter 90 of the Massachusetts General Laws, (as pertaining to Highway Funds) for the construction, reconstruction, and improvement of Town roads, said funds to be borrowed in anticipation of State Revenue; and expended under the direction of the D.P.W. Director; or act or do anything in relation thereto.
(By: D.P.W. Director)

RECOMMENDED by the Finance Committee.

FinCom commentary: This is the annual Chapter 90 Article. It is anticipated that the Town will receive approximately \$510,000 from the State. This money will be used for various road repairs, along with the \$1,000,000 requested in Article 10. This article authorizes the Board of Selectmen to accept the money from the State.

ARTICLE 9. AMEND ARTICLE 1.

To see if the Town will vote to amend Article 1 of the 2010 Annual Town Meeting by reducing, adding to, deleting, amending appropriations or transferring funds from various sources into items within Article 1; or act or do anything in relation thereto.
(By: Board of Selectmen)

RECOMMENDED by the Finance Committee. Funding: \$997,675.00 to be transferred as listed.

<u>Department</u>	<u>Amount Requested</u>	<u>Transfer from</u>	<u>FinCom Commentary</u>
CFO Salaries	\$8,500.00	Treasurer Salaries	<i>Reorganizing employment positions.</i>
CFO Salaries	\$39,800.00	Collector Salaries	<i>Reorganizing employment positions</i>
Police Expenses	\$5,400.00	Police Salaries	<i>To repair the jail cells.</i>
Solid Waste Salaries	\$500.00	Solid Waste Expenses	<i>Transferring the Town Hall custodian to the Recycling Center.</i>
On the Job Injuries	\$15,000.00	Free Cash	<i>Medical Expenses</i>

Snow and Ice	\$45,000.00	Debt Interest	<i>This is to pay the bills for the snow and ice storms this winter. Only \$100,000 was budgeted.</i>
	\$600,000.00	Free Cash	
School Budget	\$75,000.00	School Transportation	<i>The money saved on transportation will be spent on classroom and custodial supplies.</i>
Debt Principal	\$200,000.00	Debt Long Term Interest	<i>To pay off the HS roof project and the School Critical Needs project (Macy repairs).</i>
Fire Expenses	\$8,475.00	Ambulance Receipts Reserved	<i>This amount is the Town's share of a \$161,000 grant for a "Fire Training Facility".</i>
TOTAL	\$997,675.00		

ARTICLE 10. CAPITAL OUTLAY

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money which **shall not exceed 1.5 million dollars** and to determine how such appropriation shall be raised, whether by transfer of available funds, by taxation, by borrowing or otherwise, and if by borrowing to authorize the issuance and sale of general obligation bonds or notes of the Town therefore for the purpose of financing the purchase, construction, reconstruction and/or engineering costs associated with various capital outlay items or improvements proposed by Town Departments, Boards or Committees; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

(By: Board of Selectmen)

RECOMMENDED by the Finance Committee.

Funding: \$1,185,000.00 to be funded as listed.

RECOMMENDED by the Capital Improvement Committee ("CIC")

<u>Department</u>	<u>Amount requested</u>	<u>Transferred from:</u>	<u>FinCom Commentary</u>	<u>FinCom & CIC Vote:</u>
School Technology Phase II	\$185,000.00	Free Cash	<i>This if the 2nd year of the 5-year plan. They are asking for 150 computers, 40 network switches and 2 servers</i>	FinCom: 6/0 (FinCom member Roland Lavalley recused himself from the vote.) CIC: 3/1

Various Road Repairs	\$1,000,000.00	Borrowing	<i>The FinCom & CIC recommended this badly needed expenditure with a list of roads being repaired and the cost. See next page for list.</i>	FinCom: 7/0 CIC: 5/0
School Department			<i>A \$600,000 expenditure for the Middle School Boilers will be voted at a Special Town Meeting on June 13, 2011.</i>	
TOTAL	\$1,185,000.00			

ARTICLE 11. NON-CAPITAL OUTLAY EXPENDITURES (Expenditures of Less Than \$50,000)

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money which **shall not exceed \$1,000,000** and to determine how such appropriation shall be raised, whether by transfer of available funds, by taxation, by borrowing or otherwise, and if by borrowing to authorize the issuance and sale of general obligation bonds or notes of the Town therefore for the purpose of financing the purchase of various non-capital outlay items or improvements proposed by Town Departments, Boards or Committees; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

(By: Board of Selectmen)

RECOMMENDED by the Finance Committee.

Funding: \$50,000 to be funded as listed:

<u>Department</u>	<u>Amount requested</u>	<u>Transferred from:</u>	<u>FinCom Commentary</u>	<u>FinCom Vote</u>
Assessors Revaluation	\$45,000.00	Overly Surplus	<i>This is the yearly request to prepare and update the revaluation.</i>	Vote: 7/0
EMPG Grant Match (Emergency Management Performance Grant)	\$5,000.00	Debt Interest	<i>This is the Town's contribution to the grant. The purpose of the grant is to assist state and local governments in enhancing and sustaining all-hazards emergency management capabilities.</i>	Vote: 6/0
TOTAL	\$50,000.00			

Road Committee - 2011 Road Construction Plan

April 19, 2011 - Meeting

Location

Road Funds available if \$1.0 Million added at May Town Meeting

Project \$ Description (Status)

\$ 2,254,000 Chapter 90 (2010-2011), Oct 2010 Appropriation, May 2011 Appropriation

Blackstone - Contract 2010-9 Lorusso	\$ 150,000	Project Completion (Top Course of Pavement)
Pearl Street	\$ 400,000	Complete Recon with Storm Drains (Getting ConCom Permits)
Grove Street	\$ 130,000	Level and Overlay, with removal of sand berm where applicable
Maple Street (Ray Ave to Hartford Ave) - DESIGN	\$ 94,300	Design of Road and Drainage Improvements
Cross at Lake	\$ 40,000	Drains installed and geometric improvements (may get Pulaski contractor to construct but we will have to pay for the work)
Nason (Hartford Ave - Bruce)	\$ 250,000	New Drainage System to connect to existing drains south of Bruce Road Pulverize/Reclaim Base Course, Regrade, & Pave 6".
Nason (Bruce to Taunton/Patricia/Wethersfield Intersection)	\$ 140,000	Replace Cold Patch areas with HMA, Leveling and Overlay 2"
Lake Street - (Wrentham Road to Reservoir Road)	\$ 161,333	Reclaim base, regrade for better drainage, pave with 6" HMA
Lake Street - (Reservoir Road to Pulaski Boulevard)	\$ 95,000	Remove cold patch, regrade and repave isolate areas followed by Chip Seal
Lake St (Pulaski - High Ridge)	\$ 266,000	Replace Cold Patch areas with HMA, Leveling and Overlay 2" from limit of proposed Pulaski project to end of High Ridge improvement with a small section of realign and regrade.
Crack & Chip Seal & Microsurface (Main Routes - List being drafted)	\$ 150,000	Preventative Maintenance (PM) Crack Seal, Chip Seal, Micro Surfacing. Provides water seal that extends pavement life.
\$ 1,876,633		

Option A will be done if Fafard is ready and willing to fund the Cross Street sewer costs in the summer of 2011.

Option A - Cross St Storm Drains (Dupre Road to and west of Canale Drive)	\$ 410,000	ConCom approved closed drainage system with stormwater quality basin at Dupre and Cross. We should coordinate with Fafard's Lakeview Estates 40B construction (gravity and force main sewers) Fafard will contribute cash for a Town contractor to install the sewer pipes and cover curb to curb paving costs.
Option B will be done if Fafard is NOT ready and willing to fund the sewer costs in 2011, and the Cross St drains will be postponed to 2012.		
Option B - Lake St (High Ridge to Cross)	\$ 205,333	Replace Cold Patch areas with HMA, Leveling and Overlay 2" from end of High Ridge improvement to Cross Street.

On the possible list for 2012 to be considered by the Road Com over the next few months - if \$4.0 Million at October 2011 Town Meeting
 Mann St (with water mains), Wrentham Road (Lake St to Parks Dept with Drainage Improvements), Maple Street (all), Hartford Ave (Rt 126), South Maple Street (all), subdivision roads and minor lanes (Med, Lisa Ann, Quail Run, Chestnut, Oak Terrace West, Little Tree)

ARTICLE 12. REVOLVING FUNDS

To see if the Town will vote to adopt provisions of Chapter 44, Section 53E-1/2, of the General Laws to allow the following:

1. To allow the **Bellingham Public Library Trustees** to create a special revolving fund from revenues received from **overdue books and video fines** and to authorize the Trustees to use said funds for purchasing books, videos, library materials, and to make payment to temporary or part-time employees and independent contractors, **not to exceed \$15,000.**
2. To allow the **D.P.W.** to create a special revolving fund from the revenues received for services provided to **open cemetery graves** and to authorize the DPW to use said funds to make payments for salaries and other related expenses **not to exceed \$7,500.**
3. To allow the **Board of Health** to create a special revolving fund from the revenues received for services provided for **food inspections** and to authorize the Board to use said funds for salaries and other related expenses **not to exceed \$35,000.**
4. To allow the **Commission on Disability** to create a special revolving fund from revenues received from **gifts, grants and fees** and to authorize the use for purchasing equipment and supporting materials, and to authorize the Commission to use said funds to make payment to temporary or part-time employees and independent contractors, **not to exceed \$10,000.**
5. To allow the **Bellingham Police Department** to create a special revolving fund from revenues received from **third party vendors hired by the Police Department**, details with assigned vehicles for the detail; and to authorize the Department to use funds for the repair, replacement and/or for the purchase of equipment or vehicles for the Police Department, **not to exceed \$40,000**; or act or do anything in relation thereto.
6. To allow the **Bellingham Conservation Commission** to create a special revolving fund from revenues received by applicants under the Town's local **wetlands protection by-law**; **not to exceed \$5,000**; and to authorize the Commission to use said funds for potential land purchases, in supplementation of funds in the Town's Land Acquisition Trust; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

(By: Library Trustees, D.P.W., Board of Health, Commission on Disability, Police Department, and Conservation Commission)

**Revolving Fund No. 1 above RECOMMENDED by the Finance Committee.
(Vote: 6 in favor/1 opposed)**

Revolving Funds No. 2 through 5 above are RECOMMENDED by the Finance Committee.
(Vote: 4 in favor/0 opposed)
Revolving Fund No. 6 above RECOMMENDED by the Finance Committee.
(Vote: 4 in favor/1 opposed)

Per M.G.L. c.44, §53E ½ below are the Revolving Funds Annual Report for the period ending March 30, 2011.

No.	Department	Account Description	Amount
1.	Library Trustees	<u>Overdue Fines:</u> Beginning Balance Revenue Expenditures Remaining Balance	 \$4,938.37 \$15,438.48 (\$11,797.87) \$8,578.98
2.	D.P.W.	<u>Selling Cemetery Graves</u> Beginning Balance Revenue Expenditures Remaining Balance	 \$6,040.29 \$1,600.00 (\$416.48) \$7,123.81
3.	Board of Health	<u>Food Establishment Inspections</u> Beginning Balance Revenue Expenditures Remaining Balance	 \$35,000.00 \$20,100.00 (\$5,103.34) \$49,996.66
4.	Commission on Disability	<u>Gifts-Grants-Fees</u> Beginning Balance Revenue Expenditures Remaining Balance	 \$776.11 \$.00 (\$.00) \$776.11
5.	Police Department	<u>Assigned Vehicles Details for 3rd-Party Venders</u> Beginning Balance Revenue Expenditures Remaining Balance	 \$9,446.35 \$10,955.00 (\$2,834.61) \$17,566.74
6.	Conservation Commission	<u>Wetlands Protection By-law Fees (for additional fees)</u> Beginning Balance Revenue Expenditures Remaining Balance	 This is a new account

FinCom commentary: If the balance at the end of the fiscal year is greater than the "not-to-exceed" amount, that balance goes to the general fund.

ARTICLE 13. APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS-SEWAGE DISPOSAL SYSTEMS, FUEL STORAGE TANKS & DELEADING DWELLINGS

To see if the Town will vote to raise the sum of up to \$300,000 of monies for the purpose of remediating failing residential subsurface sewage disposal systems, underground fuel storage tanks and deleading dwellings with dangerous levels of lead, pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 111, Section 127B ½ and Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 80 (Betterments) and to determine how such appropriation should be raised whether by taxation, transfer of available funds, borrowing or otherwise and if by borrowing, to authorize the issuance of bonds or notes by the Town at one time or from time to time; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

(By: Board of Health)

RECOMMENDED by the Finance Committee.

Funding: \$300,000 from borrowing.

FinCom commentary: This Article allows the Town to offer a loan to homeowners in order to repair their residential failing septic system through the Department of Environmental Protection ("DEP") Revolving Fund. This is only for existing septic systems. A homeowner with a problem can apply for the loan and if approved, will need to pay it back at 2% interest. The charges are placed as a lien (same as a betterment) on the property. The homeowner can pay-off the loan over 20 years.

ARTICLE 14. RESTAURANT ALL ALCOHOL LICENSE

To see if the Town will vote to direct the Board of Selectmen to petition the Legislature to enact legislation granting the Board of Selectmen the authority to issue an additional All Alcoholic Restaurant License for Gary A. Jolicoeur, for the property located at 28 Wrentham Road, Bellingham, Massachusetts.

Notwithstanding any General or Special law, or any rule or regulation to the contrary, the local alcohol licensing authority shall not approve the transfer of said license to any other location. Said license may be re-issued by the local alcohol licensing authority at the same location if an applicant for said license files with said authority a letter in writing with said authority and proves that any and all applicable taxes have been paid.

If the license granted under this section is cancelled, revoked or no longer in use, such license shall be returned physically, with all of the legal rights, privileges and restrictions pertaining thereto, to the local alcohol licensing authority. Notwithstanding Section 17 of Chapter 138 of the General Laws, or any other general or special law to the contrary, the local alcohol licensing authority may then grant the license to a new applicant at the same location and under the same conditions specified in the preceding paragraph, or act or do anything in relation thereto.

(By: Petition: Gary A. Jolicoeur, 77 Elm Street, Blackstone, MA 01504)

RECOMMENDED by the Finance Committee.

FinCom commentary: The Petitioner is requesting the Board of Selectmen to petition the Legislature for an all alcohol license for the "old" Beverly Club location on 28 Wrentham Road. Mr. Jolicoeur owns the property, renovations have started and he will be seeking a tenant. Having the license is a "positive" for trying to find a person who wants to operate a restaurant.

ARTICLE 15. ZONING AMENDMENT

To see if the Town will vote to extend the existing Business 2 Zoning District into the existing Suburban Zoning District along the southerly side of Pulaski Boulevard in a easterly direction and at a depth of 200 feet from the southerly edge of Pulaski Boulevard, for a distance to include the following parcels of land shown on Bellingham Assessors Map 88 as Parcel 22 (159 Lake Street owned by Kevin Blake and Michelle K. Robinson, Norfolk Deeds, Book 16090, Page 528); Parcel 21 (1211 Pulaski Boulevard owned by Scott & Karen Rhodes, Norfolk Deeds Book 28202, Page 42); Parcel 20A (1221 Pulaski Boulevard owned by William P. Hemstedt Jr. & Linda E. Hemstedt, Norfolk Deeds, Book 7058, Page 229); Parcel 20 (1231 Pulaski Boulevard owned by Martin L. Carl & Carlotta S. Surette, Norfolk Deeds Book 14604, Page 57); Parcel 19 (1241 Pulaski Boulevard owned by Timothy A. Pickering & Leann Matatal, Norfolk Deeds, Book 12061, Page 9); and Bellingham Assessors Map 89 as Parcel 30A (1271 Pulaski Boulevard owned by Maurice & Anne Marie Ferland, Norfolk Deeds, Book 11824, Page 724, and Book 15449, Page 210) and Parcel 30 (1281 Pulaski Boulevard owned by Marie A. Collamati, Norfolk Deeds, Book 2842, Page 21 and Book 15449, Page 217).

Said Parcels are shown on the attached Plan attached herewith and made a part hereof and to act or do anything in relation thereto.

(By: Petition: Scott & Karen Rhodes, 127 Lake Street, Bellingham, MA 02019)

The Finance Committee recommends PASSING OVER this Article.

The Planning Board recommends PASSING OVER this Article.

FinCom commentary: The Petitioner has requested that this Article be passed over at this time.

ARTICLE 16. AMEND ZONING BY-LAW SECTION 3300

To see if the Town will vote to Amend the Bellingham Zoning By-Laws Section 3300 Parking and Loading Requirements in the following manner:

Section 3320 (d) a portion of which reads “ plus one space per 100 square feet of function space not designed for eating,” be deleted.

Section 3320 (g) which reads “Retail Businesses, Printing Shop/Copy Center, Other Service Establishments:

One parking space per 150 square feet of gross floor area, but not fewer than three spaces per separate enterprise.” **Be amended to read:**

Section 3320 (g) Retail Businesses, Printing Shop/Copy Center, Other Service Establishments:

One parking space per 150 square feet of area used by patrons plus one space for each employee on the largest shift.

or Act or do anything in relation thereto.

(By: Petition: Lee G. Ambler, Esq., 6 Mendon Street, Bellingham, MA 02019)

The Finance Committee recommends PASSING OVER this Article.

The Planning Board recommends PASSING OVER this Article.

FinCom commentary: The Petitioner has requested that this Article be passed over at this time.

ARTICLE 17. ACCEPTANCE OF PUBLIC WAYS – JAMIE DRIVE, TONI DRIVE, SIDNEY LANE

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to accept the deeds to Jamie Drive, Toni Drive, and Sidney Lane in the town of Bellingham to be accepted as public ways, title to the way and easements appurtenant thereto, and vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for associated costs, said sum to be raised by taxation; or act or do anything related thereto.

(By: DPW)

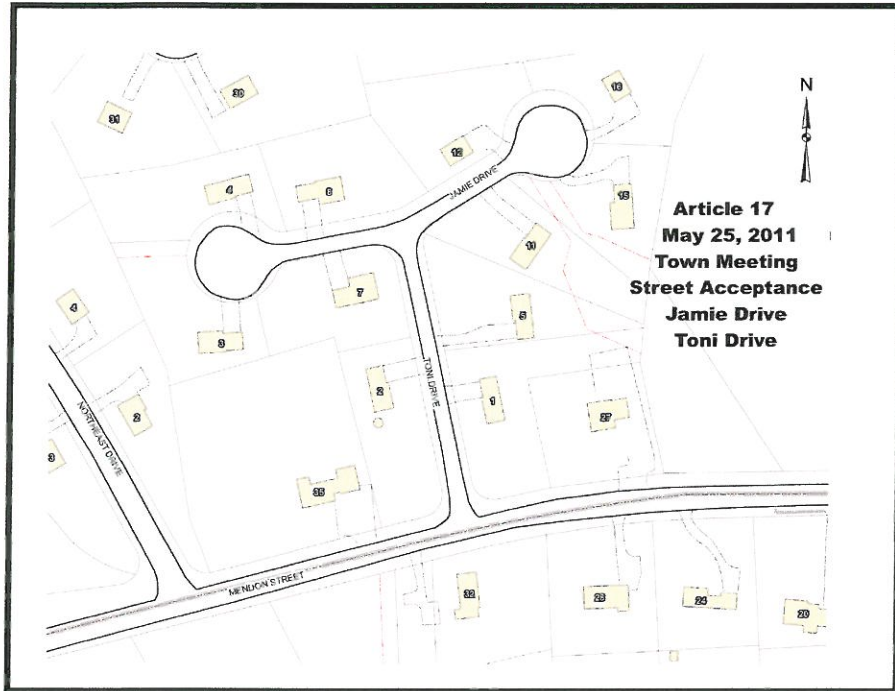
RECOMMENDED by the Finance Committee.

Recommended by the Police Department.

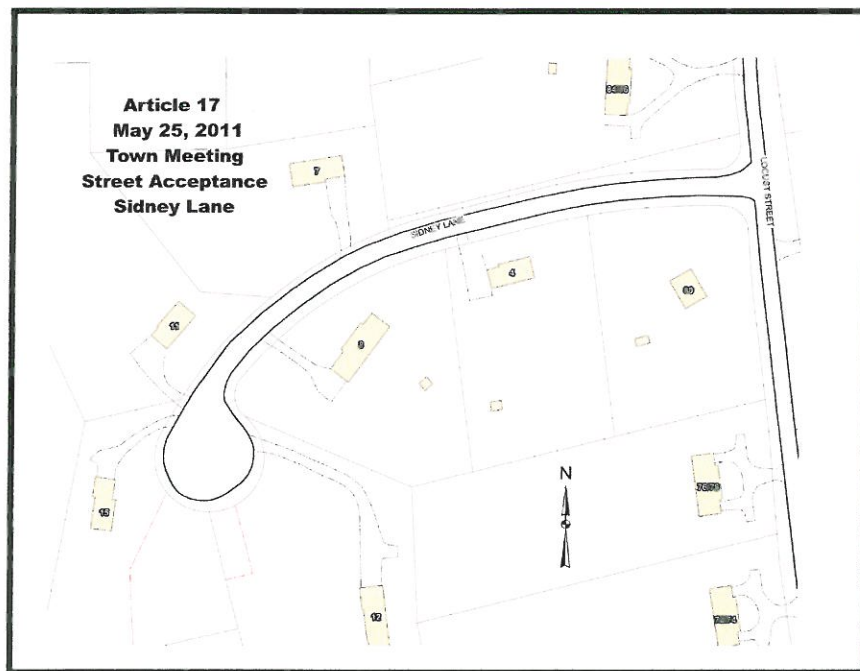
Recommended by the Conservation Commission.

Recommended by the Planning Board.

FinCom commentary: These road acceptance articles were all recommended by the ConCom, Planning, DPW, FinCom, and BOS for the town meeting in October of 2005. They were passed over because of the death of the Petitioner's Attorney and they had no representation at Town Meeting. The Planning Board had released the bond and the Town had the deeds on file. This Article is to complete the process for acceptance.



Off of Mendon Street.



Off of Locust Street.

ARTICLE 18. GRANT OF EASEMENT – 2 SOUTH MAIN STREET TO 400 PULASKI BOULEVARD

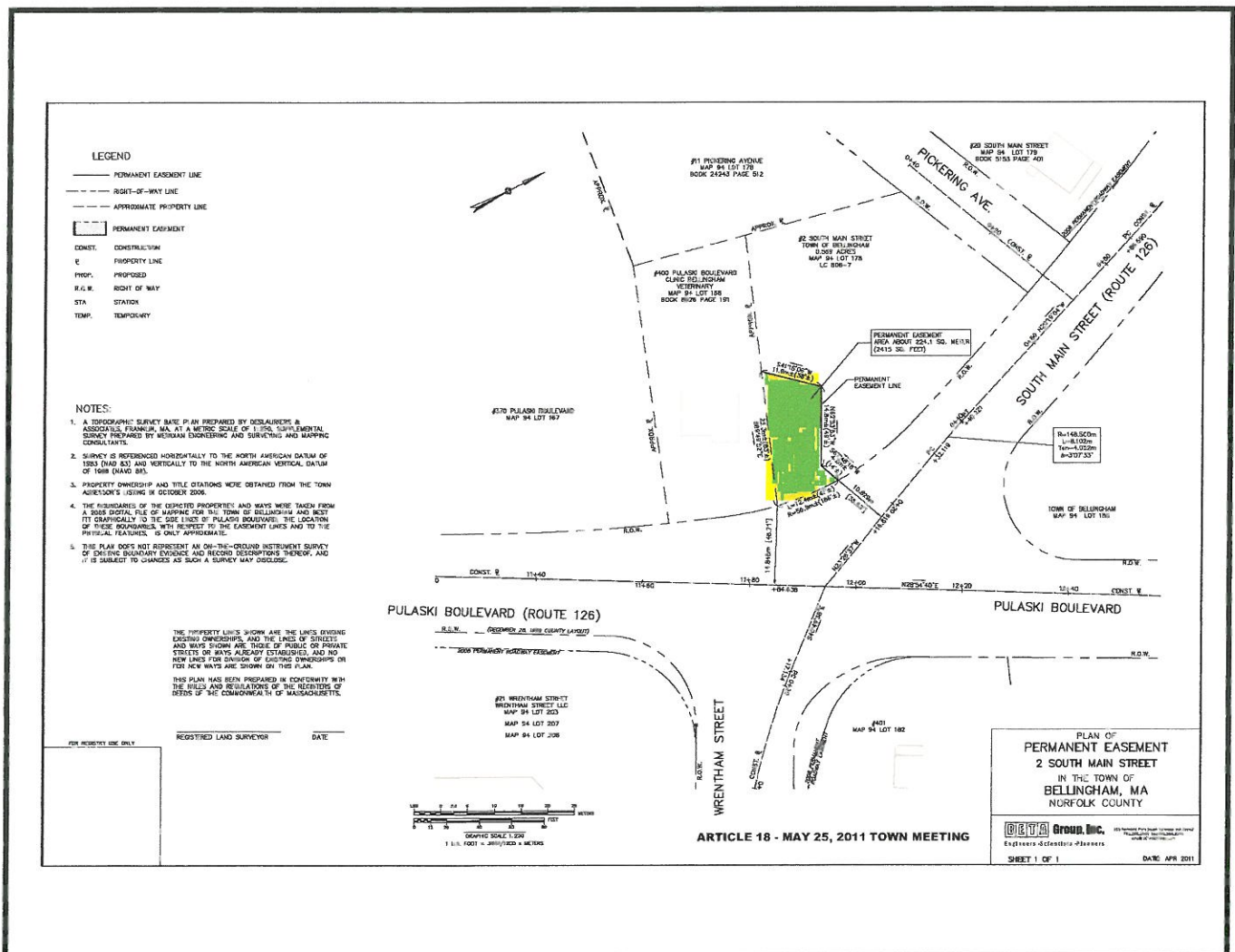
To see if the Town will vote to grant a permanent parking and egress easement on the Town owned parcel known as 2 South Main Street (the old Bank of America parcel) to the owners of

the owners of 400 Pulaski Boulevard, said easement to include five (5) parking spaces and a driveway exit as shown on the plan entitled "Bellingham Pulaski Boulevard, Sheet No. 112 of 192 total sheets Project File No. 602493 Traffic Signal Plan Pulaski Boulevard/South Main Street (Route 126)/Wrentham Road Location 1", dated Revision 11/2/2010, a copy of said plan to be on file with the Town fourteen (14) days prior to the town meeting, or act or do anything related thereto.

(By: Board of Selectmen)

RECOMMENDED by the Finance Committee.

FinCom commentary per Department of Public Works: The easement is to allow for the modification of the Bellingham Veterinary Clinic access to parking. Once Pulaski Blvd construction was underway the property was damaged and all parking was eliminated. The Mass DOT revisited the driveway issue. It was agreed it would be safer to provide a signalized exit near the South Main Street stop line, and MassDOT agreed to fund the change order. This modified the easement needed which will now include some of the exit drive, which is on the 2 South Main St (Town owned) parcel. The appraisal for the easement is \$5,000 which the Washakowski's did not accept. They now have a traffic light signal at their "exit" driveway.



ARTICLE 19. PURCHASE OF LAND

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to purchase, or take by eminent domain title to two parcels of land, both owned by Winiker Realty Trust, one parcel containing 21 acres and the second parcel containing 3 acres and 66 rods, both being more or less, being located off the northerly side of North Street, and as described in Norfolk Deeds Book 4301, Page 635 and in Norfolk Deeds Book 7934, Page 244, and to vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to provide payment for said purchase or eminent domain taking, and to determine how such appropriation shall be raised, whether by transfer of available funds, by taxation, by borrowing or otherwise, and if by borrowing to authorize the issuance and sale of general obligation bonds or notes of the Town therefore for the purpose of financing the purchase or taking, or act or do anything in relation thereto.

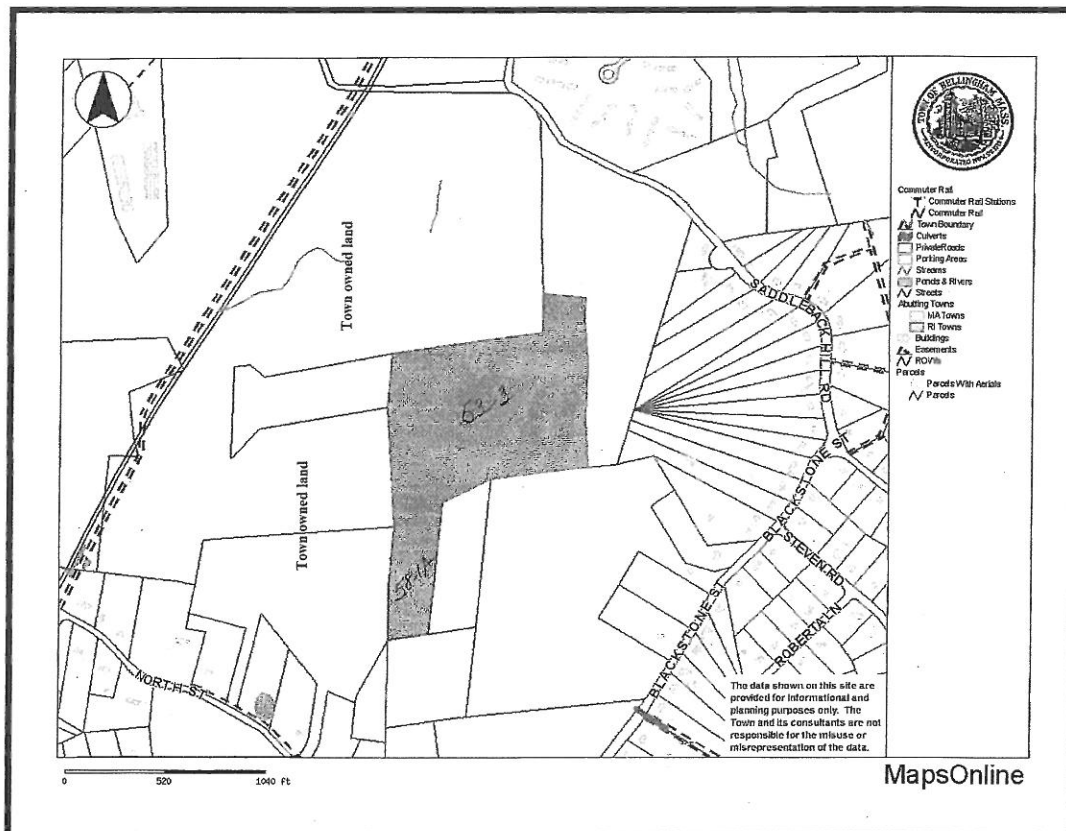
(By: Board of Selectmen)

The Finance Committee does NOT RECOMMEND this Article.

(Vote: 5 in favor not to recommend/0 against)

The Conservation Commission recommends this Article.

FinCom commentary: See map below: With the state of the fiscal restrains of the Town's finances, the FinCom had recommended this real estate purchase be funded with \$100,000 transferred from the Conservation Commission Land Acquisition Trust Fund (Balance in fund: \$171,000) and \$25,000 from borrowing. The Conservation Commission did not agree with that proposal, wanting \$50,000 from their Fund and \$75,000 from borrowing.



ARTICLE 20. ACCEPTANCE OF MGL CHAPTER 138, SECTION 33B

To see if the Town will vote to accept provisions of Chapter 138, Section 33B of the Mass. General Laws providing the Selectmen with the discretion to permit Section 12 (on-premise) licensees to sell alcoholic beverages between the hours of 10 AM and 12 Noon on Sundays; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

(By: Board of Selectmen)

RECOMMENDED by the Finance Committee.

(Vote: 6 in favor/1 against)

FinCom commentary: This article is being requested so that restaurants in Town can serve liquor on Sundays starting at 10:00 a.m. Some restaurants have requested this so they can offer alcoholic drinks with brunch, bridal showers, etc. See M.G.L. below:

Mass. General Law

Chapter 138: Section 33B. Sales of alcoholic beverages by on-premise licensees on Sundays and certain legal holidays; sales between 10:00 A.M. and 12:00 noon

Section 33B. The local licensing authority of any city or town which accepts this section may authorize licensees under section twelve to sell alcoholic beverages between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 12:00 noon on Sundays, the last Monday in May and on Christmas day or on the day following when said day occurs on Sunday.

ARTICLE 21. REVISION TO TOWN ZONING BYLAW SECTION 4900 WATER RESOURCE DISTRICT MAP – EXPANDED ZONE II – WELL 12

To see if the Town will vote to amend Section 4900 Water Resource Districts of the Zoning Bylaws by, adding to the Water Resource District Map the expanded area of the Drinking Water Supply Well #12 Zone II shown on the map titled “Bellingham Water Resource District Map Addition Proposed May 25, 2011”, which is on file with the Town Clerk’s office, said map to be on file with the Town fourteen days prior to the town meeting, or act or do anything related thereto.

(By: DPW)

RECOMMENDED by the Finance Committee.

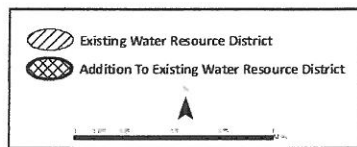
Recommended by the Conservation Commission.

Recommended by the Planning Board.

FinCom commentary: The only change to the map is the area around Well #12, which is located at Cliff Road off of High Street. The DEP has approved this change.

Bellingham Water Resource District Map Addition
Proposed May 25, 2011

ARTICLE 21
MAY 25, 2011
TOWN MEETING



ARTICLE 22. REVISION TO TOWN ZONING BYLAW SECTION 2130(b)

To see if the Town will amend Section 2130(b) of the Town's Zoning Bylaws **by deleting said Section in its entirety and replacing it** with the following:

(b) Lots split by district boundary line. Where a lot is transected by a zoning district boundary line, the regulations of these Zoning By-laws applicable to the lesser restricted district may, at the option of the owner, be deemed to govern in the more restricted district, up to a distance of not more than thirty (30) feet from said district boundary.

or take any other action in relation thereto.

(By: Planning Board)

**RECOMMENDED by the Finance Committee.
RECOMMENDED by the Planning Board.**

FinCom commentary: It is believed that the Bylaw change means when a piece of property is zoned within two zoning districts, the owner has the option to choose what zoning district they want in order to develop or improve their property up to 30 feet from the zoning line.

Existing By-Law:

2130. Where a district boundary line divides any lot existing at the time such boundary line is adopted, the Zoning regulations shall apply as follows.

(a) In the case of a use allowed in both districts, the lot shall be considered as a whole, and the dimensional regulations of the district in which the majority of the lot frontage lies shall apply to the entire lot.

(b) In the case of a use not allowed in one of the districts in which the lot lies, but allowed in another, the lot shall be considered as if divided into separate portions by either the district boundary line or a line parallel to that line and not more than 30 feet within the less restricted district, with development of each resulting portion of the lot to meet all requirements of the district in which the majority of that portion's frontage is located (including use, lot area, frontage, and yards).

ARTICLE 23. REVISION TO TOWN ZONING BYLAW SECTION 2140

To see if the Town will amend Section 2140 of the Town's Zoning Bylaws **by deleting said Section in its entirety and replacing it** with the following:

2140. Lots Split by Town Line. When a lot in one ownership is situated in part in the Town of Bellingham and in part in an adjacent city or town, the regulations and restrictions of this Zoning By-Law shall be applied to an application for a

building permit to the extent that the proposed structure will be located in Bellingham. Land located in the adjacent city or town may be used to satisfy Bellingham's minimum lot area, frontage and yard requirements. If the structure is located in the adjacent city or town, construction shall be governed by the zoning regulations of the adjacent city or town.

or take any other action in relation thereto.

(By: Planning Board)

The Finance Committee recommends PASSING OVER this Article.

The Planning Board recommends PASSING OVER this Article.

ARTICLE 24. AMEND ARTICLE 2 (Trash)

To see if the Town will vote to amend Article 2 of the 2010 Annual Town Meeting by reducing, adding to, deleting, amending appropriations or transferring funds from various sources into items within Article 2; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

(By: Board of Selectmen)

The Finance Committee recommends PASSING OVER this Article.

FinCom commentary: There are no transfers requested at this time.

ARTICLE 25. AMEND ARTICLE 3 (Water)

To see if the Town will vote to amend Article 3 of the 2010 Annual Town Meeting by reducing, adding to, deleting, amending appropriations or transferring funds from various sources into items within Article 3; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

(By: Board of Selectmen)

The Finance Committee recommends PASSING OVER this Article.

FinCom commentary: There are no transfers requested at this time.

ARTICLE 26. AMEND ARTICLE 4 (Sewer)

To see if the Town will vote to amend Article 4 of the 2010 Annual Town Meeting by reducing, adding to, deleting, amending appropriations or transferring funds from various sources into items within Article 4; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

(By: Board of Selectmen)

The Finance Committee recommends PASSING OVER this Article.

FinCom commentary: There are no transfers requested at this time.

ARTICLE 27. UNPAID BILLS

To see if the Town will vote to raise, appropriate or transfer a sum of money for the payment of certain unpaid bills; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

(By: Finance Committee)

The Finance Committee recommends PASSING OVER this Article.

FinCom commentary: There are no unpaid bills to be paid.

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