

**TOWN OF DENNIS
Annual Town Meeting
Warrant
And
Recommendations
Of the
Finance Committee**

Fiscal 2015



**May 6, 2014
7:00 PM, Tuesday
Nathaniel Wixon Middle School**

Please bring this Report to the Town Meeting

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Selectmen's Report to the Annual Town Meeting

May 6, 2014

The process of developing and delivering a balanced municipal operating budget to the Finance Committee for their recommendation takes many months of presentations, review and public hearings by the Board of Selectmen. The Selectmen acknowledge the rigorous work and shared commitment by Town Administrator Rick White, Assistant Town Administrator Sandy Fife and all of the department managers in structuring a budget proposal within the limits of Proposition 2 ½ to provide essential services to the citizens and business of Dennis.

The municipal operating budget is presented to you under Article 4. Fixed costs such as energy, utilities, property insurance and health insurance and pension benefits are usually the budget busters that have caused the Town to reduce or eliminate spending in other key areas such as maintenance of buildings and public spaces. Every effort has been made to minimize budget growth while continuing to meet the Town's obligations. Through careful planning and analysis, the proposed budget reflects departmental costs that sustain a level of service that we believe to be acceptable.

The Dennis-Yarmouth Regional School District Budget is presented under Article 7. This year, the District School Committee, the District Superintendent and Finance Director developed a budget that recognized their mandated educational obligations as required by state and federal acts while at the same time acknowledging the financial limitations of each member town.

Cape Cod Regional Technical High School is a highly successful academic and vocational educational facility and has recently experienced a decrease in the number of Dennis students attending which lowers our assessment for FY 2015. There are 12 Cape Cod member towns. The assessment to each town has been calculated in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 70 since 1993. We ask your support for Dennis' assessed share of this outstanding school district under Article 5. Article 6 requests Town Meeting to establish a stabilization fund for the Technical High School.

Articles 8, 9 and 10 address emergency repairs to the Ezra Baker Roof. Structural damage was found that has compromised the structural integrity of the roof and has required the school to close off the gym section of the building.

Article 8 transfers \$10,000 from free cash to do a forensic engineering audit of the structure to analyze what caused the failure. Article 9 raises and appropriates \$115,335 to pay for the cost to do temporary repairs, including architectural and engineering services, abatement of any asbestos, and shoring columns until the permanent repairs can be done. Article 10 requests funding for the permanent repairs. This article will be discussed in depth during the Town Meeting.

The Capital Budget is presented under Articles 18 and 19 and is a vital component of maintaining and rehabilitating our current assets in terms of buildings, recreational facilities and roads, etc. We continue to build on the initial long-range planning efforts for acquiring, maintaining and funding the Town's capital needs. The Board of Selectmen believes it is vitally important to plan for the investment and re-investment into the town's equipment and facilities. When the voters of Dennis passed a permanent override of \$1.4 million for Capital, they provided a funding basis by which to deliberately plan for capital improvements and we, as a Board, are very appreciative of this support. We wish to express our many thanks to the Capital Outlay Committee who is charged with the responsibility of reviewing and evaluating all requests from department managers and Dennis schools. The Committee then submits their recommendations to the Board of Selectmen for the current year along with their five-year projection.

Maintaining safe and adequate access and enjoyment of our beaches, parks, waterways and golf courses has sometimes been a challenge given the constraints of the recent economy yet, not to plan for them and meet some minimal standards means we may risk the loss of use, and perhaps the loss of the resource altogether. We believe it is critical to the overall financial health of the Town to maintain access to these wonderful resources and promote them as tourist attractions. We have deliberately grouped these articles together as the "Capital Articles" so that the voters can get a comprehensive picture of the overall effort being made to maintain and improve these assets.

Please listen carefully to the presentations made by the sponsors of all the Articles. Consider the pros and cons of each and vote what you believe to be in the best interest of the Town of Dennis.

It is the hope of the Board of Selectmen that you attend the Annual Town Meeting on May 6, 2014 beginning at 7:00 PM at the Nathaniel H. Wixon Middle School. We also ask that you cast your vote at the Annual Town Election on

Tuesday, May 13, 2014. It is your participation in deciding these issues that will have a lasting impact on the future and quality of life in our community. Again, it is our privilege to serve you.

Respectfully submitted,

Paul R. McCormick, Chair
Heidi S. Schadt, Vice Chair
Wayne Bergeron
Sheryl A. McMahon
Alan Tuttle

The Finance Committee Report to the

May 6, 2014 Annual Town Meeting

To the Citizens and Voters of the Town of Dennis

After the long winter months and hopefully the warm sun now shining upon us, it is a sign that one of the longest annual rituals must take place, the annual town meeting. The town meeting is ingrained into the New England image as much as pot luck dinners and church on Sundays. Long used as an open forum where everyone has a voice and vote, it is loosely based on a democratic process developed in Athens around 400 BC and has represented small town government in New England for over 300 years. It is the single time when all of the citizens of a community can gather and legislate policy, budgets and how they wish to be taxed.

Tonight ends the process of many meetings over the last several months between town administration, department heads and citizens as your Finance Committee presents its recommendations to you this evening. Our recommendations are made after thoughtful discussion of the article, an examination of the financial implications to the taxpayers and the need to maintain the community's needs and services.

We ask you to examine the attached charts to see how your tax dollars are to be spent in the next fiscal year. In our Commonwealth the greatest tax revenue for any community is the local property tax. The tax rate during this current fiscal year (FY 14) is \$6.35 with the CPA assessment at \$6.54. Based on spending estimates if approved at this town meeting the new tax rate for the next fiscal year (FY 15) is currently estimated to be \$6.69 with the CPA assessment at \$6.89. These numbers (FY 15) are estimated on current property valuations as of January 2013. When the Finance Committee is looking at budgets and expenditures we are mindful that every \$58,904 in expenditures equals one cent on the tax rate. It has always been our goal to work with administration and the Board of Selectmen to keep the expenditures within the limitations of Proposition 2 ½ and have major expenditures placed on a debt exclusion vote.

Below are some of the highlights of the major warrant articles you will see tonight:

ARTICLE 4 ~ OPERATIONAL BUDGET This budget funds the day to day operations of the town. Despite numerous requests from various department heads

for more staff, your Finance Committee has only supported administration's request for one additional staff member in the Buildings Department and a part time staffing position in the Fire Department for clerical staff. Almost all of the increases in the budget are due to contractual wage and step increases.

ARTICLE 7 ~ SCHOOL FUNDING We have examined both the Dennis-Yarmouth Regional School and Cape Cod Technical School budget and support both for the requested funding. There has been some recent controversy regarding the funding mechanism for the Dennis-Yarmouth Regional District. Your Finance Committee has since last fall taken the position that we support funding the school budget under the Chapter 70 funding formula. While we would prefer the per pupil expenditure formula, which has had been the method used for over 40 years, there appears to be little appetite to return to that method. Over the past two years we had accepted a 2 ½ percent increase over the prior year. However, that number did not take into effect what the assessment would be under the statutory Chapter 70 state formula. Your Finance Committee in evaluation of the financial numbers could not justify Yarmouth's assessment of \$278,312 being placed on the Dennis taxpayer. The Finance Committee supports fully funding the DY School budget and hope that the School Committee makes no further cuts so that they continue to make the necessary strides to keep our children within the District to reduce Charter and School Choice tuitions.

ARTICLES 15 & 16 ~ PETITION ARTICLES There are two citizens' petition articles on tonight's warrant. The right of citizens to petition to place an article on the warrant with ten signatures is a time honor tradition and law. In regards to the first article calling for Withdrawal from the Cape Cod Commission the Finance Committee has issued no recommendation. The second petition article calls for a change in the makeup of your Finance Committee. While we respect the right of any citizen to petition town meeting for discussion, your Finance Committee is in unanimous opposition to this proposed change. The Finance Committee believes that they are able to offer fair and non-political recommendations for your consideration without the influence of individual interest groups and the need to seek political contributions in seeking elected office.

ARTICLE 28 ~ SOLAR STABILIZATION FUND With the start of our new "solar farm" at the former town landfill the town over the next several years will be receiving several million dollars as well as helping our environment when the farm goes on-line. We support the separate fund to place this additional revenue so that it does not go into the general revenue account. The Finance Committee hopes to

have fruitful discussion with the Board of Selectmen regarding the distribution of the revenue and hopefully offer some relief to the taxpayer.

ARTICLES 19 & 20 ~ CAPITAL EXPENDITURES We have reviewed the capital expenditures as submitted by the Capital Outlay Committee. The Finance Committee is pleased with the success of the program where funds are set aside on a previous voter approved override to fund our capital needs. These designated funds in addition to \$400,000 from the meals tax revenue is used for capital needs. This has been a successful program not requiring borrowing to fund capital request.

ARTICLES 9 & 10 ~ EZRA BAKER SCHOOL The articles for the Ezra Baker School funds the needed repair for the roof over the gym. Due to some structural issues the roof was in danger of collapse which has put the gym out of use for the past several months. This has put a great deal of strain on the school operation and the loss of several classrooms. A committee comprised of representations from the Board of Selectmen, Finance Committee, Building Committee, Administration and School Committee have been meeting to find the most efficient way to repair the roof structure and address potential liability.

There are a number of other articles contained in the warrant which will be discussed at town meeting. The Finance Committee urges you to listen to all of the parties as they speak on their concerns. Town meeting is a unique opportunity for all of the citizens to gather, speak and vote on how they wish to be governed. We ask that you consider the recommendations made to you by your Finance Committee so that Dennis remains a community where it is affordable to live with quality services.

As we start our town meeting we would also like to express our thanks to our administrative staff and our dedicated municipal employees who keep our town operating and safe on a daily basis.

Respectfully submitted,

James W Plath Jr., Chairman
Robert Prall - Clerk
Lester Jay Murphy
Patricia Stone

William Crowell , Vice Chairman
Rachel Baroni
Peter McDowell

FUND BALANCES a/o 03/31/2014 – balances before Town meeting expenditure

STABILIZATION FUND ~ \$2,256,379

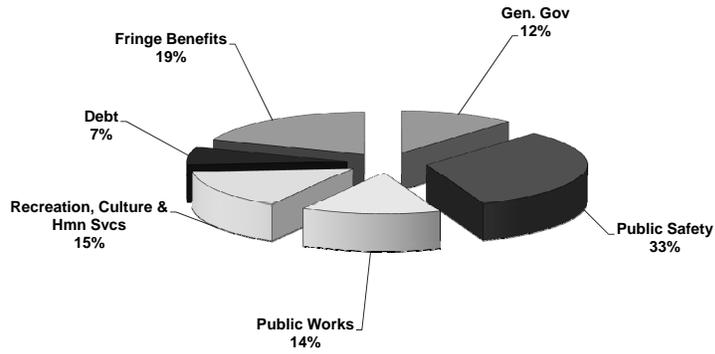
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND ~ \$983,733.59

FREE CASH ~ \$799,383.26

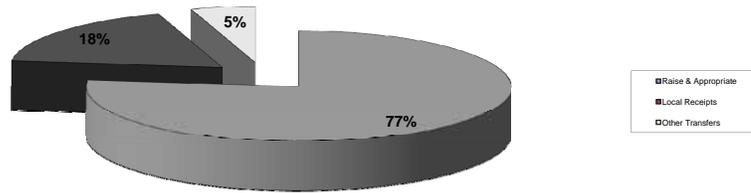
SINGLE FAMILY HOME VALUATION AND TAX RATE SHIFT

YEAR	AVE VALUE	TAX RATE	AVE TAX BILL
FY 2004	345,909	4.87	\$1,684.58
FY 2005	381,410	4.57	\$1,743.04
FY 2006	424,102	4.26	\$1,806.67
FY 2007	450,923	4.20	\$1,893.88
FY 2008	452,165	4.35	\$1,966.92
FY 2009	440,923	5.07	\$2,235.48
FY 2010	423,534	5.27	\$2,232.02
FY 2011	407,314	5.59	\$2,276.89
FY 2012	392,604	5.88	\$2,309.00
FY 2013	392,500	6.09	\$2,504.15
FY 2014	394,200	6.35	\$2503.00

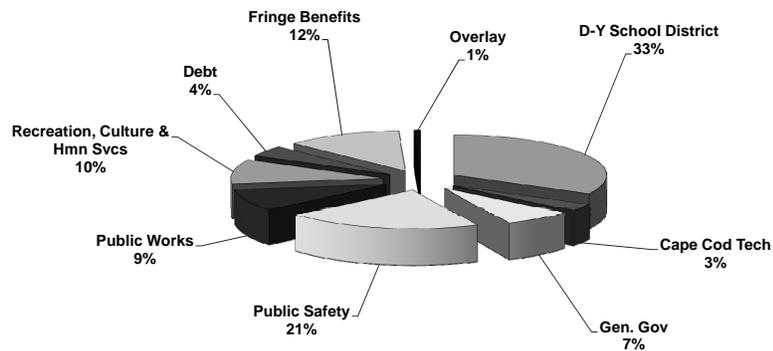
Town of Dennis
FY 2015
Proposed General Fund Budget



Town of Dennis
FY 2015
Total Revenue Sources



Town of Dennis
FY 2015
Total General Fund and School Budgets



**MAY 6, 2014
TOWN OF DENNIS
ANNUAL TOWN MEETING**

**THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
BARNSTABLE, ss.**

GREETING

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 Town affairs, to meet at the Nathaniel H. Wixon School Auditorium, 901 Route 134, South Dennis, in said Town, on **Tuesday, the 6th day of May, 2014, at 7 o'clock in the evening**, then and there to act on the following articles:

DENNIS WARRANT WITH FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS

ARTICLE 1

Written Reports

To see if the Town will vote to accept the reports of the Town Officers as presented.

(By the Selectmen)

ARTICLE 2

Oral Reports

To hear and act on any heretofore unpublished committee reports.

(By the Selectmen)

ARTICLE 3

DEM MA CH.91 §29

To see if the Town will vote to assume liability in the manner provided by Section 29, Chapter 91 of the Massachusetts General Laws as amended, for all damages that may be incurred by the work to be performed by the Mass. Department of Environmental Management for the improvement, development, maintenance and protection of tidal and non-tidal rivers and streams, harbors, tidewaters, foreshores, and shores along a public beach in accordance with Section 11 of Chapter 91 of the Massachusetts General Laws and authorize the Selectmen to execute and deliver a bond of indemnity therefore to the Commonwealth.

(By the Selectmen)

BOS: 4-0-0 to place & support.

FC: 6-0-0 to recommend as printed.

ARTICLE 4

Town Operating Budget

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds for the operating expenses of the Town for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2014 and ending June 30, 2015, or take any other action relative thereto:

(By the Selectmen)

BOS: 4-0-0 to place & support.

FC: 6-0-0 to:

Recommend to raise and appropriate \$28,604,995 for the article.

Recommend to transfer \$200,000 from Overlay Reserve to Finance Committee Reserve Fund, Line Item #8A.

Recommend to transfer \$53,183 from the Cable Special Revenue Fund to Town Administrator Personal Services, Line Item #3.

Recommend to transfer \$8,250 from Cable Special Revenue Fund to Legal, Purchase of Services, Line Item #28.

Recommend to transfer \$583 from Cable Special Revenue Fund to Central Purchasing Purchase of Services, Line Item #13.

Recommend to transfer \$6,000 from Waterways Maintenance & Improvement Fund to Central Purchasing Supplies, Line Item #14.

Recommend to transfer \$22,711 from Cable Special Revenue Fund to Central Purchasing Supplies, Line Item #14.

Recommend to transfer \$130,417 from the Cable Special Revenue Fund to Information Tech & Data Management Personal Services, Line Item #30.

Recommend to transfer \$10,500 from the Cable Special Revenue Fund to Information Tech & Data Management Purchase of Services, Line Item #31.

Recommend to transfer \$4,992 from the Cable Special Revenue Fund to Public Property/Buildings, Personal Services, Line Item #50.

Recommend to transfer \$11,229 from the Cable Special Revenue Fund to Property/Liability Insurance, Other Charges – Expenditures, Line Item #55.

Recommend to transfer \$1,075,000 from the Ambulance Receipts Reserve for Appropriations Account to Fire Dept. Personal Services, Line Item #62.

Recommend to transfer \$50,000 from Waterways Maintenance & Improvement Fund to Harbormaster Capital Outlay, Line Item #78.

Recommend to transfer \$35,000 from Cemetery Lots Sales Account to Dept. of Public Works, Personal Services, Line Item #84.

Recommend to transfer \$1,000 from the Bass River Receipts Reserved Account to Beach Purchase of Service Line Item #130.

Recommend to transfer \$1,007 from the Cable Special Revenue Fund to Fringe Benefits, Worker's Comp., Line Item #151.

Recommend to transfer \$1,437 from the Cable Special Revenue Fund to Fringe Benefits, Unemployment Insurance, Line Item #152.

Recommend to transfer \$16,858 from the Cable Special Revenue Fund to Fringe Benefits, Retirement Contribution, Line Item #153.

Recommend to transfer \$28,962 from the Cable Special Revenue Fund to Fringe Benefits, Group Insurance, Line Item #154.

Recommend to transfer \$1,854 from the Cable Special Revenue Fund to Fringe Benefits, Medicare Tax, Line Item #155.

Recommend to transfer \$660,000 from the Community Preservation Act Fund to Retirement of Debt Principal, Line Item #147.

Recommend to transfer \$19,525 from the Septic Loan Program Account to Retirement of Debt Principal, Line Item #147.

Recommend to transfer \$164,500 from the Community Preservation Act Fund to Long Term Debt – Interest, Line Item #148, and any unexpended transfer be returned to the Community Preservation Act Fund.

Making a total of \$31,108,003.

And further recommend that said appropriations be allocated in accordance with line item amounts defined under the column, FinCom Recommended FY2015.



**Town of Dennis(2015)
Operating Budget - FY 2015**

	Actual Expended FY 2012	Actual Expended FY 2013	Revised Appropriated FY 2014	Department Requested FY 2015	Selectmen Recommended FY 2015	Finance Committee Recommended FY 2015
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<u>100122</u>	<u>SELECTMEN</u>					
1	4,212	33,174	3,213	3,213	3,213	3,213
2	6,272	6,706	8,000	8,000	8,000	8,000
	10,484	39,880	11,213	11,213	11,213	11,213

<u>100129</u>	<u>TOWN ADMINISTRATOR</u>					
3	559,098	568,559	588,900	601,480	601,480	601,480
3A	301,488	23,929	89,009	62,000	62,000	62,000
4	28,059	25,596	28,302	30,450	30,450	30,450
5	5,194	5,590	7,500	6,000	6,000	6,000
6	44,033	38,252	45,000	-	-	-
	937,872	661,926	758,711	699,930	699,930	699,930

<u>100131</u>	<u>FINANCE COMMITTEE</u>					
7	920	1,506	1,200	1,200	1,200	1,200
8	1,007	1,062	1,400	1,400	1,400	1,400
8A	75,324	58,119	206,036	237,805	237,805	245,805
	77,251	60,687	208,636	240,405	240,405	248,405

<u>100135</u>	<u>ACCOUNTANT</u>					
9	152,459	164,153	173,272	179,143	177,438	177,438
10	36,000	36,000	43,000	43,000	43,000	43,000
11	449	414	500	500	500	500
12	944	2,163	2,505	2,505	2,505	2,505
	189,853	202,730	219,277	225,148	223,443	223,443

<u>100138</u>	<u>CENTRAL PURCHASING</u>					
13	403,533	421,130	465,360	479,753	509,753	509,753
14	435,107	434,081	456,600	469,000	459,000	459,000
	838,639	855,211	921,960	948,753	968,753	968,753



**Town of Dennis(2015)
Summary Budget Book - FY 2015**

	Actual Expended FY 2012	Actual Expended FY 2013	Revised Appropriated FY 2014	Department Requested FY 2015	Selectmen Recommended FY 2015	Finance Committee Recommended FY 2015
100141 ASSESSORS						
15 Personal Services	283,828	283,348	271,244	268,849	268,849	268,849
16 Purchase of Services	3,078	2,371	28,776	2,100	2,100	2,100
17 Supplies	583	700	900	1,250	1,250	1,250
18 Other Charges - Expenditure	6,818	4,919	7,255	7,550	7,550	7,550
TOTAL ASSESSORS	294,307	291,337	308,174	279,749	279,749	279,749

100142 REVALUATION

19 Personal Services	15,778	22,761	22,924	24,687	24,687	24,687
20 Purchase of Services	33,000	33,000	25,000	50,600	50,600	50,600
21 Supplies	242	80	7,433	3,300	3,300	3,300
22 Other Charges - Expenditure	243	-	500	500	500	500
TOTAL REVALUATION	49,263	55,841	55,857	79,087	79,087	79,087

100147 TREASURER / COLLECTOR

23 Personal Services	231,901	191,782	234,999	243,168	243,168	243,168
24 Purchase of Services	22,427	77,033	27,040	24,740	24,740	24,740
25 Supplies	3,385	2,228	3,387	2,387	2,387	2,387
26 Other Charges - Expenditure	673	1,053	3,020	2,880	2,880	2,880
TOTAL TREASURER / COLLECTOR	258,386	272,095	268,446	273,175	273,175	273,175

100151 LAW DEPARTMENT

27 Personal Services	78,981	81,072	83,827	86,392	86,392	86,392
28 Purchase of Services	155,684	145,418	165,300	155,300	155,300	155,300
29 Other Charges - Expenditure	967	1,553	2,300	2,300	2,300	2,300
TOTAL LAW DEPARTMENT	235,632	228,043	251,427	243,992	243,992	243,992



Town of Dennis(2015)
Summary Budget Book - FY 2015

	Actual Expended FY 2012	Actual Expended FY 2013	Revised Appropriated FY 2014	Department Requested FY 2015	Selectmen Recommended FY 2015	Finance Committee Recommended FY 2015
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100155 INFORMATION TECH & DATA MANA

30 Personal Services	182,295	208,220	218,541	196,859	195,919	195,919
31 Purchase of Services	156,047	172,585	176,544	167,194	167,194	167,194
32 Supplies	5,913	5,849	5,913	5,913	5,913	5,913
33 Other Charges - Expenditure	160	223	400	400	400	400
34 Capital Outlay	50,000	43,050	50,000	47,000	47,000	47,000
TOTAL INFORMATION TECH & DAT.	394,415	429,926	451,398	417,366	416,426	416,426

100158 TAX TITLE FORECLOSURE

35 Purchase of Services	12,000	23,399	12,000	16,000	16,000	16,000
TOTAL TAX TITLE FORECLOSURE	12,000	23,399	12,000	16,000	16,000	16,000

100161 CLERK

36 Personal Services	73,700	76,724	79,977	83,998	83,998	83,998
37 Purchase of Services	5,798	8,452	7,200	7,200	7,200	7,200
38 Supplies	383	207	400	400	400	400
39 Other Charges - Expenditure	1,098	1,401	1,520	1,470	1,470	1,470
TOTAL CLERK	80,979	86,784	89,097	93,068	93,068	93,068

100162 ELECTIONS

40 Personal Services	14,009	34,204	21,011	30,450	30,450	30,450
41 Purchase of Services	13,199	15,827	14,700	16,310	16,310	16,310
42 Supplies	1,100	1,562	1,625	900	900	900
TOTAL ELECTIONS	28,308	51,593	37,336	47,660	47,660	47,660

100171 NATURAL RESOURCES / CONSERVA

43 Personal Services	299,361	331,294	314,687	321,508	326,188	326,188
44 Purchase of Services	2,647	20,106	24,500	21,500	21,500	21,500
45 Supplies	15,686	12,311	14,250	10,485	10,485	10,485
46 Other Charges - Expenditure	1,732	3,020	2,560	1,910	1,910	1,910
TOTAL NATURAL RESOURCES / CON	319,426	366,730	355,997	355,403	360,083	360,083



Town of Dennis(2015)
Summary Budget Book - FY 2015

	Actual Expended FY 2012	Actual Expended FY 2013	Revised Appropriated FY 2014	Department Requested FY 2015	Selectmen Recommended FY 2015	Finance Committee Recommended FY 2015
100175 PLANNING						
47 Personal Services	114,218	118,600	123,104	129,803	129,803	129,803
48 Purchase of Services	121	107	400	400	400	400
49 Other Charges - Expenditure	738	734	1,000	800	1,000	1,000
TOTAL PLANNING	115,077	119,441	124,504	131,003	131,203	131,203
100192 PUBLIC PROPERTY / BUILDINGS						
50 Personal Services	354,068	341,003	365,568	388,223	442,115	442,115
51 Purchase of Services	116,754	116,499	141,641	141,641	141,641	141,641
52 Supplies	55,335	61,875	69,725	70,625	71,125	71,125
53 Other Charges - Expenditure	15,187	13,136	14,300	16,800	18,942	18,942
54 Capital Outlay	3,387	3,564	1,900	1,000	1,000	1,000
TOTAL PUBLIC PROPERTY / BUILDINGS	544,731	536,077	593,134	618,289	674,823	674,823
100193 PROPERTY / LIABILITY INS						
55 Other Charges - Expenditure	271,904	312,666	336,480	372,665	372,665	372,665
TOTAL PROPERTY / LIABILITY INS	271,904	312,666	336,480	372,665	372,665	372,665
100195 TOWN REPORTS						
56 Purchase of Services	8,160	8,028	8,500	8,500	8,500	8,500
TOTAL TOWN REPORTS	8,160	8,028	8,500	8,500	8,500	8,500
100210 POLICE						
57 Personal Services	3,999,041	4,180,254	4,706,506	4,764,967	4,783,828	4,783,828
58 Purchase of Services	129,238	143,672	140,844	140,844	140,844	140,844
59 Supplies	77,968	68,109	66,101	66,101	66,101	66,101
60 Other Charges - Expenditure	7,512	6,451	8,012	8,012	8,012	8,012
61 Capital Outlay	137,500	137,500	157,500	157,500	157,500	157,500
TOTAL POLICE	4,351,259	4,535,986	5,078,963	5,137,424	5,156,285	5,156,285



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100220						
<u>FIRE</u>						
62 Personal Services	3,649,232	3,745,478	4,101,924	4,192,964	4,206,659	4,206,659
63 Purchase of Services	221,455	248,063	211,725	213,825	221,025	221,025
64 Supplies	141,410	147,159	160,700	158,700	150,200	150,200
65 Other Charges - Expenditure	6,670	6,432	6,900	6,900	6,900	6,900
66 Capital Outlay	7,868	9,372	9,400	7,400	7,400	7,400
TOTAL FIRE	4,026,635	4,156,504	4,490,649	4,579,789	4,592,184	4,592,184
100241						
<u>BUILDING INSPECTOR</u>						
67 Personal Services	358,053	365,332	375,636	383,822	386,498	386,498
68 Supplies	2,299	2,670	6,261	2,761	2,761	2,761
69 Other Charges - Expenditure	6,333	6,529	8,167	7,167	7,167	7,167
TOTAL BUILDING INSPECTOR	366,686	374,531	390,064	393,750	396,426	396,426
100292						
<u>ANIMAL CONTROL</u>						
70 Personal Services	79,489	81,377	89,138	92,627	92,627	92,627
71 Purchase of Services	7,738	6,744	8,050	8,050	8,050	8,050
72 Supplies	3,097	3,007	3,800	3,800	3,800	3,800
73 Other Charges - Expenditure	50	70	70	70	70	70
TOTAL ANIMAL CONTROL	90,374	91,197	101,058	104,547	104,547	104,547
100295						
<u>HARBORMASTER</u>						
74 Personal Services	186,710	200,030	209,411	215,185	215,185	215,185
75 Purchase of Services	33,533	35,796	33,218	32,418	32,418	32,418
76 Supplies	8,082	10,662	10,748	10,748	10,748	10,748
77 Other Charges - Expenditure	249	475	701	701	701	701
78 Capital Outlay	47,649	53,830	54,100	50,900	50,900	50,900
TOTAL HARBORMASTER	276,224	300,793	308,178	309,952	309,952	309,952



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100411						
<u>ENGINEERING / SURVEYOR</u>						
79 Personal Services	336,400	336,848	357,673	374,048	369,455	369,455
80 Purchase of Services	9,271	2,450	2,450	2,450	2,450	2,450
81 Supplies	2,227	2,884	3,150	3,350	3,350	3,350
82 Other Charges - Expenditure	1,049	759	1,100	1,100	1,100	1,100
83 Capital Outlay	-	-	950	-	-	-
TOTAL ENGINEERING / SURVEYOR	348,947	342,942	365,323	380,948	376,355	376,355

100422 DEPT. OF PUBLIC WORKS

84 Personal Services	1,317,457	1,348,865	1,495,702	1,551,800	1,551,800	1,551,800
85 Purchase of Services	92,201	96,675	124,132	131,574	131,574	131,574
86 Supplies	244,495	252,096	260,844	262,846	262,846	262,846
87 Supplies - Paving, Resurfacing	108,000	107,827	108,000	108,000	108,000	108,000
88 Other Charges - Expenditure	5,336	5,025	7,835	7,835	7,835	7,835
89 Capital Outlay	16,445	15,050	8,445	9,395	9,395	9,395
TOTAL DEPT. OF PUBLIC WORKS	1,783,934	1,825,537	2,004,958	2,071,450	2,071,450	2,071,450

100423 SNOW AND ICE REMOVAL

90 Personal Services	21,642	97,407	93,620	93,620	93,620	93,620
91 Purchase of Services	19,183	64,235	53,760	53,760	53,760	53,760
92 Supplies	38,233	132,341	38,257	38,257	38,257	38,257
TOTAL SNOW AND ICE REMOVAL	79,058	293,983	185,637	185,637	185,637	185,637

100424 STREET LIGHTING

93 Purchase of Services	146,768	148,334	150,000	45,000	45,000	45,000
TOTAL STREET LIGHTING	146,768	148,334	150,000	45,000	45,000	45,000



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100433						
<u>WASTE COLLECT / DISPOSAL</u>						
94 Personal Services	403,470	432,438	475,215	487,465	487,465	487,465
95 Purchase of Services	482,465	370,788	496,650	484,901	484,901	484,901
96 Supplies	42,825	34,450	42,265	41,665	41,665	41,665
97 Other Charges - Expenditure	1,946	2,847	3,925	3,925	3,925	3,925
TOTAL WASTE COLLECT / DISPOSAL	930,706	840,522	1,018,055	1,017,956	1,017,956	1,017,956

100510 HEALTH INSPECTION SERVICE

98 Personal Services	315,733	314,134	328,707	338,688	338,688	338,688
99 Purchase of Services	18,942	21,202	28,320	28,320	28,320	28,320
100 Supplies	2,691	2,614	2,700	2,700	2,700	2,700
101 Other Charges - Expenditure	2,904	2,633	2,720	2,720	2,720	2,720
TOTAL HEALTH INSPECTION SERVI	340,270	340,584	362,447	372,428	372,428	372,428

100541 COUNCIL ON AGING

102 Personal Services	172,751	188,704	196,045	193,899	193,899	193,899
103 Supplies	2,500	2,497	2,500	2,500	2,500	2,500
104 Other Charges - Expenditure	5,108	5,349	6,350	6,350	6,350	6,350
TOTAL COUNCIL ON AGING	180,359	196,550	204,895	202,749	202,749	202,749

100543 VETERAN'S SERVICES

105 Purchase of Services	40,131	41,622	42,119	43,152	43,152	43,152
106 Other Charges - Expenditure	128,920	155,766	157,881	157,881	157,881	157,881
TOTAL VETERAN'S SERVICES	169,051	197,388	200,000	201,033	201,033	201,033

100548 COMM. ON DISABILITIES

107 Purchase of Services	2,000	1,255	2,000	2,000	500	500
108 Other Charges - Expenditure	847	505	859	859	2,359	2,359
TOTAL COMM. ON DISABILITIES	2,847	1,760	2,859	2,859	2,859	2,859



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100599 OTHER HUMAN SERVICES						
109 CAPABILITIES	4,300	4,300	4,300	4,300	4,300	4,300
110 CAPE COD CHILD DEVELOPMENT	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000
111 ARC OF CAPE COD	-	-	2,000	-	-	-
112 CONSUMER ASSIST COUNCIL	550	550	550	750	750	750
113 INDEPENDENCE HOUSE	3,000	3,000	3,000	3,000	3,000	3,000
114 SOUTH COASTAL LEGAL SERVICES	2,700	2,700	2,700	2,800	2,800	2,800
115 SALVATION ARMY	2,500	2,500	3,000	3,500	3,500	3,500
116 AIDS SUPPORT GROUP OF CAPE COD	2,500	2,500	2,500	2,500	2,500	2,500
117 SIGHT LOSS SERVICES INC.	3,000	3,500	3,500	3,500	3,500	3,500
118 ELDER SERVICES/MEALS	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000
119 FAMILY PANTRY	4,500	4,500	5,000	5,500	5,500	5,500
120 BIG BROTHERS/BIG SISTERS	2,000	2,000	2,000	1,500	1,500	1,500
121 HANDS OF HOPE	4,200	4,200	4,500	5,000	5,000	5,000
122 GOSNOLD CENTER	3,000	3,330	3,500	3,500	3,500	3,500
TOTAL OTHER HUMAN SERVICES	42,250	43,080	46,550	45,850	45,850	45,850

100610 LIBRARY

123 Personal Services	209,027	232,102	244,473	253,750	253,750	253,750
124 Purchase of Services	18,671	18,769	19,170	21,215	21,215	21,215
125 Supplies	70,329	72,292	75,500	88,700	88,700	88,700
126 Other Charges - Expenditure	144,930	145,996	146,559	150,051	158,974	158,974
TOTAL LIBRARY	442,957	469,159	485,702	513,716	522,639	522,639

100630 RECREATION

127 Personal Services	90,945	94,648	96,311	102,779	102,779	102,779
128 Purchase of Services	3,569	3,822	4,200	4,200	4,200	4,200
TOTAL RECREATION	94,514	98,470	100,511	106,979	106,979	106,979



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<u>100635</u> <u>BEACHES</u>						
129 Personal Services	500,058	515,339	555,734	552,008	552,008	552,008
130 Purchase of Services	80,659	112,361	110,451	109,251	109,251	109,251
131 Supplies	23,191	23,265	23,265	23,265	23,265	23,265
132 Other Charges - Expenditure	5,217	6,487	8,575	8,575	8,575	8,575
133 Capital Outlay	15,648	16,677	16,700	16,700	16,700	16,700
TOTAL BEACHES	624,774	674,128	714,725	709,799	709,799	709,799
<u>100640</u> <u>GOLF</u>						
134 Personal Services	1,016,594	1,044,859	1,131,824	1,108,369	1,108,369	1,108,369
135 Purchase of Services	195,885	237,565	261,300	260,100	260,100	260,100
136 Supplies	309,282	330,502	346,849	346,849	346,849	346,849
137 Other Charges - Expenditure	4,059	5,628	8,165	8,165	8,165	8,165
138 Capital Outlay	4,471	4,430	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000
TOTAL GOLF	1,530,291	1,622,984	1,753,138	1,728,483	1,728,483	1,728,483
<u>100691</u> <u>HISTORICAL COMMISSION</u>						
139 Purchase of Services	1,622	200	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500
TOTAL HISTORICAL COMMISSION	1,622	200	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500
<u>100692</u> <u>S. DENNIS HISTORIC DIST. COMM.</u>						
140 Personal Services	11,346	8,195	10,024	11,019	11,019	11,019
141 Purchase of Services	100	100	201	185	100	100
142 Supplies	222	173	224	224	224	224
TOTAL S. DENNIS HISTORIC DIST. C	11,668	8,468	10,449	11,428	11,343	11,343
<u>100693</u> <u>HISTORICAL DIST-OKHRHD</u>						
143 Personal Services	32,521	18,645	25,052	25,644	25,644	25,644
144 Purchase of Services	300	411	515	500	300	300
145 Supplies	299	273	300	300	300	300
146 Other Charges - Expenditure	219	126	219	219	219	219
TOTAL HISTORICAL DIST-OKHRHD	33,338	19,456	26,086	26,663	26,463	26,463



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100710	<u>RETIREMENT OF DEBT PRINCIPAL</u>					
147 Debt Services	1,339,525	1,579,525	1,574,525	1,554,525	1,554,525	1,554,525
	1,339,525	1,579,525	1,574,525	1,554,525	1,554,525	1,554,525
100751	<u>INTEREST LONG TERM DEBT</u>					
148 Debt Services	630,525	599,079	544,508	494,951	494,951	494,951
	630,525	599,079	544,508	494,951	494,951	494,951
100752	<u>INTEREST SHORT TERM DEBT</u>					
149 Debt Services	10,811	10,423	4,170	1,923	1,923	1,923
	10,811	10,423	4,170	1,923	1,923	1,923
100910	<u>FRINGE BENEFITS</u>					
150 SICK PAY LIABILITY	8,841	8,281	5,000	25,000	25,000	25,000
151 WORKERS COMPENSATION	123,030	166,933	159,912	172,883	175,883	175,883
152 UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE	148,925	116,697	130,000	130,000	132,000	132,000
153 RETIREMENT CONTRIB/TOWN	2,113,130	2,319,055	2,463,612	2,660,701	2,666,978	2,666,978
154 GROUP INSURANCE-HRA	2,412,322	2,221,955	2,358,562	2,523,661	2,418,601	2,418,601
155 GOVERNMENT TAXES/TN.SHARE	186,337	201,009	222,000	237,550	239,550	239,550
	4,992,584	5,033,931	5,339,086	5,749,795	5,658,012	5,658,012
100998	<u>OTHER FINANCING USES</u>					
156 Debt Services	-	62,500	62,500	62,500	62,500	62,500
	-	62,500	62,500	62,500	62,500	62,500
	27,514,664	28,470,408	30,538,682	31,075,040	31,100,003	31,108,003
	REPORT GRAND TOTAL					

ARTICLE 5

Cape Cod Tech Operating Budget

To see if the Town will vote to approve an annual school budget for the Cape Cod Regional Technical High School for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2014 and see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds for the operating expenses of the Cape Cod Regional Technical High School system for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2014 or take any other action relative thereto.

(By the Cape Cod Reg'l Technical High School)

BOS: 5-0-0 to place & support.

FC: 5-0-0 to recommend a total budget of \$13,908,300 and to raise and appropriate \$1,487,244 for the article in accordance with the Ch.70 formula.

ARTICLE 6

Cape Cod Tech Stabilization Fund Establishment

To see if the Town will vote pursuant to MGL Chapter 71, §16G ½ to allow the Cape Cod Regional Technical High School to establish a stabilization fund for future facility capital costs, or to take any other action relative thereto.

(By the Selectmen)

BOS: 5-0-0 to place & support.

FC: 5-0-0 to recommend the article as printed.

ARTICLE 7

D-Y School Assessment

To see if the Town will vote to approve an annual school budget for the Dennis-Yarmouth Regional School District for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2014 and to see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds for the operating expenses of the Dennis-Yarmouth Regional School District for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2014, or take any other action relative thereto.

(By the Dennis-Yarmouth Reg'l School Committee)

BOS: 3-0-1 to place & support.

FC: 7-0-0 to recommend to raise and appropriate \$16,026,220 for the Fiscal Year 2015 operating expenses of the D-Y School District and a total budget of \$54,253,259 in accordance with the Ch.70 formula.

ARTICLE 8

Forensic Engineering Audit – Ezra H. Baker School Roof

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds as sum of money as authorized by the Regional District School Committee of the

Dennis-Yarmouth Regional School District to pay for a forensic engineering audit of the Ezra H. Baker School Roof, or take any other action relative thereto

(By the Selectmen)

BOS: 5-0-0 to place & support.

FC: 7-0-0 to recommend a transfer of \$10,000 from free cash for the article.

ARTICLE 9

Ezra H. Baker School Roof – Temporary Repairs

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds and/or borrow a sum of money as authorized by the Regional District School Committee of the Dennis-Yarmouth Regional School District to pay for temporary roof repairs to the Ezra H. Baker School, or to take any other action relative thereto.

(By the Selectmen)

BOS: 5-0-0 to place & support.

FC: 7-0-0 to recommend to raise and appropriate \$115,335 for the article.

ARTICLE 10

Ezra H. Baker School Roof – Permanent Repairs

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds and/or borrow a sum of money as authorized by the Regional District School Committee of the Dennis-Yarmouth Regional School District to pay for permanent roof repairs to the Ezra H. Baker School, or to take any other action relative thereto.

(By the Selectmen)

BOS: 5-0-0 to place

FC: Recommendation to be made at Town Meeting.

ARTICLE 11

Ezra H. Baker School Emergency Septic System Repairs

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money to pay the Dennis-Yarmouth Regional School District for emergency repairs to the Ezra H. Baker School septic system, or take any other action relative thereto.

(By the Selectmen)

BOS: 5-0-0 to place & support.

FC: 6-0-1 to recommend to raise and appropriate \$54,412, transfer \$27,835 from Article #10 of the May 4, 2010 Annual Town Meeting and transfer \$31,316 from Article #15 of the May 3, 2011 Annual Town Meeting for a total of \$113,563 for the article.

ARTICLE 12

CPC Budget

To see if the Town will vote to approve a Community Preservation Committee Budget for Fiscal Year 2015 as follows: to appropriate or set-aside for future appropriation for the Fiscal Year 2015 Community Preservation Fund estimated annual revenues for each of the following purposes: community housing; open space; and historic preservation; and further, to appropriate sums of money for debt service, and for Community Preservation Committee Expenses; and to reserve for future appropriation from the Fiscal Year 2015 Community Preservation Fund estimated annual revenues a sum of money to be placed in the FY2015 Undesignated Reserve for general Community Preservation Act purposes, or take any other action relative thereto.

(By the Community Preservation Committee)

BOS: 4-0-0 to place and support.

FC: 5-0-0 to recommend that the following amounts be appropriated from the Community Preservation Fund: 1) 10% Reserved for Community Housing - \$138,449.87; 2) 10% Open Space - \$138,449.87 ; 3) 10% Reserved for Historic Preservation - \$138,449.87; 4) Debt Service - \$824,500; 5) Short-term interest - \$ - 0-; 6) Community Preservation Committee Expenses - \$15,000; and 7) Reserved for undesignated purposes - \$129,649.08; for a total of \$1,384,498.69 for the article.

ARTICLE 13

Reduce Tax Rate

To see if the Town will vote to transfer a sum of money from available funds for the purpose of reducing the tax rate for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2014, or take any other action relative thereto.

(By the Selectmen)

BOS: 5-0-0 to place & support.

FC: 5-0-0 to recommend transferring \$50,000 from free cash for the article.

ARTICLE 14

FY2014 Budget Supplements

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money to supplement the following Fiscal Year 2014 Line Item appropriations under Article 4 of the May 7, 2013 Annual Town Meeting, or take any other action relative thereto:

- a. Finance Committee, Reserve Fund, Line Item #8A \$ 45,000
- b. Snow & Ice, Personal Services, Line Item #91. 55,621
- c. Snow & Ice, Purchase of Services, Line Item #92 38,245
- d. Snow & Ice, Supplies, Line Item #93. 159,347

Total \$298,213

(By the Selectmen)

BOS: 5-0-0 to place & support.

FC: 7-0-0 to recommend to transfer \$298,213 from free cash for the article.

ARTICLE 15

Removal from Cape Cod Commission

To see if the Town will vote to direct the Board of Selectmen to place the following question on the next election ballot *“Shall the Town of Dennis petition the General Court of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts asking that the Town of Dennis be released from membership in and removed from the authority of the Cape Cod Commission and the Cape Cod Commission Act?”* or to take any other action relative thereto.

(By Petition)

BOS: 3-1-1 to oppose the article.

FC: 7-0-0 to make no recommendation on the article.

ARTICLE 16

Amendment to Finance Committee By-Law

To see if the Town will vote to amend Article 1, §8-2 and 8-3 the so-called Finance Committee By-Law that sets forth the Appointments, organization and Filling of vacancies on the Finance Committee, so that as amended, the sub sections will read as follows:

“§8-2 Appointments; organization.

There shall be a Finance Committee consisting of seven (7) members all registered voters of the Town of Dennis. There shall be an election of four (4) Finance Committee members from the citizens of the Town at the next Town election after such bylaw becomes effective. Two of the elected Finance Committee positions shall be for a two (2) year term and two for a three (3) year term. The Moderator shall appointment three (3) members for two (2) year terms. Elected Finance Committee members shall serve upon election. The Moderator shall appoint members to fill vacancies within thirty (30) days of the close of an Annual Town Meeting to fill those places vacant by reason of their term of office expiring. Said Committee shall choose its own officers and shall serve without pay.

§8-3 Filling of vacancies.

Whenever a vacancy occurs in said committee, said vacancy shall be filled by the appointing authority and the appointment shall be to fill out the unexpired term of the person whose office has been vacated. The Moderator, Chairman of The Finance Committee and Chairman of the Board of Selectmen shall meet within thirty (30) days of any vacancy of an elected member and by majority vote appoint a successor to fill out the unexpired term of the person whose office has been vacated.”

(By Petition)

BOS: 4-1-0 to support.

FC: 7-0-0 to recommend indefinite postponement of the article.

ARTICLE 17

Prior Year's Unpaid Bills

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money to pay for the following prior year's unpaid bill, or take any other action relative thereto:

(By the Selectmen)

BOS: 5-0-0 to place

FC: Recommendation to be made at Town Meeting.

ARTICLE 18

Elected Officials

To see if the Town will vote to fix the salary and compensation of the following elected officers of the Town for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2014 and ending June 30, 2015, as provided for in Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 41, Section 108 and acts and amendment thereof, and raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money therefore:

- 5 Selectmen at \$ 2,000 each
- 1 Moderator at \$ 450
- 1 Town Clerk at \$ 61,929

And that the salaries and compensations be fixed as given in this article and further, that all other elected officers serve without compensation, or take any other action relative thereto.

(By the Selectmen)

BOS: 4-0-0 to place & support.

FC: 7-0-0 to recommend to raise and appropriate \$72,379 for the article.

ARTICLE 19

Capital Outlay – Raise & Appropriate

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money to be used to purchase or fund the following capital outlay equipment or projects for Fiscal Year 2015, or take any other action relative thereto:

1. DPW

a. Replace 1999 Dump Truck (H11)	\$ 205,000*	
b. Traffic Signal Repairs	<u>20,000*</u>	
		\$ 225,000

2. <u>Engineering</u>		
a. Sidewalk Eng./Construction	\$ 225,000	
b. DP-Rt.28 Sidewalk Improvements-Phase 1	100,000	
c. Secondary Roads	300,000	
d. WD-Rt.28 Sidewalk Improvements-Phase 2	50,000*	
e. Drainage	<u>75,000</u>	\$ 750,000
3. <u>Fire Dept.</u>		
a. Portable Fire Radio Equipment	\$ 21,000	
b. Engine 115- Year 4 of 4yr. Lease	<u>137,000</u>	\$ 158,000
4. <u>Harbormaster</u>		
a. 10 Year Comp. Permit Eng. & Permitting	\$165,000	
b. Maintenance Dredging	<u>50,000*</u>	\$ 215,000
5. <u>Information Tech& Data Management</u>		
a. Network Storage	<u>\$ 16,000</u>	\$ 16,000
6. <u>Natural Resources</u>		
a. Replace 2008 Pickup Truck	\$ 36,000	
b. Dr. Bottero Rd. Design, Permit, Construction	<u>50,000</u>	\$ 86,000
7. <u>Police</u>		
a. Electronic Control weapons	\$ 25,000	
b. Portable Radio Replacement	30,000*	
c. Replace (5) Mobile Computers	<u>35,000</u>	\$ 90,000
8. <u>Public Property/Buildings</u>		
a. Dennis Pines Siding and Trim	\$ 50,000	
b. Harbor/Beach Bathrooms/Septic Upgrades	115,000	
c. Dennis Pines Window/Door Replacement	60,000	
d. Dennis Highlands Design Services	<u>50,000</u>	\$ 275,000
9. <u>Recreation</u>		
a. SeaView Playland Recreational Courts	<u>\$114,000</u>	\$ 114,000
10. <u>Waste Collection/Disposal</u>		
a. Replace (4) Containers	<u>\$ 45,000*</u>	\$ 45,000

***Meals Tax**

GRAND TOTAL **\$1,974,000**

(By the Selectmen)

BOS: 5-0-0 to place & support.

FC: 7-0-0 to recommend to raise & appropriate \$1,974,000 for the article.

ARTICLE 20

Capital Outlay – Other Funding Sources

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money to purchase or fund the following capital outlay items, and further, to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into a lease purchase agreement or agreements for a term not to exceed five (5) years, or take any other action relative thereto:

1. <u>Beaches</u>		
a. Replace 2007 Ford Explorer	\$ 5,000	
b. Beach Paving Parking Lots	<u>70,400</u>	\$ 75,400
2. <u>Fire</u>		
a. Replace Ambulance 107 –Year 3 of 3 yr. Lease	92,000	
b. Replace Ambulance 104 –Year 1 of 3yr. Lease	<u>97,000</u>	\$189,000
3. <u>Golf</u>		
a. Dennis Pines Renovations	\$325,000	
b. Golf Equipment -Lease C (year 2 of 3 year lease) 116,000 mowers - 2 rough, 3 greens, 2 fairway & spray tank	116,000	
c. Irrigation Pump Replacement-Pines/Highlands	45,000	
d. Irrigation Satellites	40,000	
e. Golf Equipment -Lease D (4 year lease) mowers – 2 greens, 2 rough	<u>60,000</u>	\$586,000
4. <u>Harbor</u>		
a. Maintenance Dredging	<u>\$100,000</u>	\$100,000
GRAND TOTAL		\$ 950,400

(By the Selectmen)

BOS: 5-0-0 to place & support.

FC: 7-0-0 to recommend the following transfers for the article:

- 1. \$ 75,400 from Beach Capital Improvement Fund**
- 2a.b. \$189,000 from Ambulance Receipts**
- 3. \$586,000 from Golf Capital Improvement Fund**
- 4. \$100,000 from Waterways Dredge & Maintenance CIF**

ARTICLE 21

Home Rule Petition for Prevailing Wages Exemption

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of selectmen to petition the General Court for special legislation seeking the Town’s exemption from complying with sections 26 through 27G of chapter 149 of the General Laws for projects estimated to cost \$50,000 or less, in the following form:

AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE PREVAILING WAGE IN THE TOWN OF DENNIS

Section 1. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the Town of Dennis shall be exempt from complying with sections 26 through 27G of Chapter 149 of the General Laws for projects estimated to cost \$50,000 or less.

Section 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Or take any other action relative thereto.

(By the Selectmen)

BOS: 5-0-0 to place and support.

FC: 7-0-0 to recommend the article as printed.

ARTICLE 22

Dennis Police Superior Officers Agreement

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money to fund a collective bargaining agreement between the Town and the Dennis Police Superior Officers for Fiscal Year 2014, or take any other action relative thereto.

(By the Selectmen)

BOS: 5-0-0 to place & support.

FC: 6-0-0 to recommend a transfer of \$8,370 from Article 4 of the May 7, 2013 Annual Town Meeting, Line Item #3A, Town Administrator Settlements for the article.

ARTICLE 23

Municipal Capital Stabilization Fund

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money to be deposited into the Municipal Capital Stabilization Fund, as authorized by G.L. c. 40, §5B, to be used to purchase or fund capital equipment or projects, or to take any other action relative thereto.

(By the Selectmen)

BOS: 5-0-0 to place and support

FC: 5-0-0 to recommend to raise and appropriate \$91,702 for the article.

ARTICLE 24

New 9-hole Senior (65+) Golf Fee

To see if the Town will vote, in accordance with the Selectmen's Fee Limitation By-Law, to establish a new 9-hole Senior (65+) Golf Fee of \$20.00, and further, that said fee may be amended from time to time by the Board of Selectmen in accordance with said By-law, or take any other action relative thereto.

(By the Selectmen)

BOS: 4-0-1 to place and support.

FC: 6-0-0 to recommend the article as printed.

ARTICLE 28

Solar Stabilization Fund

To see if the Town will vote to establish a Solar Stabilization Fund as authorized by MGL Chapter 40, §5B, for the deposit of monies from the sale of any renewable energy credits to Nstar and other revenue sources from the Town of Dennis Landfill Solar project, or take any other action relative thereto.

(By the Selectmen)

BOS: 5-0-0 to place & support.

FC: Recommendation to be made at Town Meeting.

ARTICLE 29

Solar Stabilization Funding

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money to be deposited into the Solar Stabilization Fund established under Article 28 of this Town Meeting, or take any other action relative thereto.

(By the Selectmen)

BOS: 5-0-0 to place & support.

FC: 6-1-0 to recommend to raise & appropriate \$166,229 for the article.

ARTICLE 30

Flood Zone Amendments

To see if the Town of Dennis will vote to amend Section 6 of the Zoning By-Law, "Floodplain District", by deleting the existing text of Section 6 in its entirety and replacing it with the following:

Section 6: Floodplain District

6.1 STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

The purposes of the Floodplain District are to:

- 1) Ensure public safety through reducing the threats to life and personal injury;
- 2) Eliminate new hazards to emergency response officials;
- 3) Prevent the occurrence of public emergencies resulting from water quality, contamination, and pollution due to flooding;
- 4) Avoid the loss of utility services which if damaged by flooding would disrupt or shut down the utility network and impact regions of the community beyond the site of flooding;
- 5) Eliminate costs associated with the response and cleanup of flooding conditions;
- 6) Reduce damage to public and private property resulting from flooding waters.

6.2 FLOODPLAIN DISTRICT BOUNDARIES AND BASE FLOOD ELEVATION AND FLOODWAY DATA

6.2.1 FLOODPLAIN DISTRICT BOUNDARIES AND BASE FLOOD ELEVATION DATA

The Floodplain District is herein established as an overlay district. The District includes all special flood hazard areas within the Town of Dennis designated as Zone AE or VE on the Barnstable County_Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM) issued by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) for the administration of the National Flood Insurance Program. The map panels of the Barnstable County FIRM that are wholly or partially within the Town of Dennis are panel numbers:

25001C0389J
25001C0393J
25001C0394J
25001C0413J
25001C0576J
25001C0577J
25001C0579J
25001C0581J
25001C0582J
25001C0583J
25001C0384J
25001C0587J
25001C0589J
25001C0591I
25001C0592J
25001C0593J
25001C0594J
25001C0611J
25001C0613J

dated July 16, 2014_. The exact boundaries of the District may be defined by the 100-year base flood elevations shown on the FIRM and further defined by the_Barnstable County_ Flood Insurance Study (FIS) report dated _July 16, 2014_. The FIRM and FIS report are incorporated herein by reference and are on file with the Town Clerk, Planning Board, Building Official, and Conservation Commission.

6.2.2 BASE FLOOD ELEVATION AND FLOODWAY DATA

1. **Floodway Data.** In Zone AE, along watercourses that have not had a regulatory floodway designated, the best available Federal, State, local, or other floodway data shall be used to prohibit encroachments in floodways which would result in any increase in flood levels within the community during the occurrence of the base flood discharge.

2. **Base Flood Elevation Data.** Base flood elevation data is required for subdivision proposals or other developments greater than 50 lots or 5 acres, whichever is the lesser, within unnumbered A zones.

6.3 NOTIFICATION OF WATERCOURSE ALTERATION

In a riverine situation, the Natural Resources Director shall notify the following of any alteration or relocation of a watercourse:

- Adjacent Communities
- NFIP State Coordinator
Massachusetts Department of Conservation and Recreation
251 Causeway Street, Suite 600-700
Boston, MA 02114-2104
- NFIP Program Specialist
Federal Emergency Management Agency, Region I
99 High Street, 6th Floor
Boston, MA 02110

6.4 USE REGULATIONS

6.4.1. REFERENCE TO EXISTING REGULATIONS

The Floodplain District is established as an overlay district to all other districts. All development in the district, including structural and non-structural activities, whether permitted by right or by special permit must be in compliance with Chapter 131, Section 40 of the Massachusetts General Laws and with the following:

- Section of the Massachusetts State Building Code which addresses floodplain and coastal high hazard areas (currently 780 CMR);
- Wetlands Protection Regulations, Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) (currently 310 CMR 10.00);
- Inland Wetlands Restriction, DEP (currently 310 CMR 13.00);
- Coastal Wetlands Restriction, DEP (currently 310 CMR 12.00);
- Minimum Requirements for the Subsurface Disposal of Sanitary Sewage, DEP (currently 310 CMR 15, Title 5);
- Minimum Requirements of the Subsurface Disposal of Sewage Regulations Town of Dennis
- Dennis Wetland Protection By-law

Any variances from the provisions and requirements of the above referenced state or local regulations may only be granted in accordance with the required variance procedures of these state or local regulations.

6.4.2 OTHER USE REGULATIONS

- 1) In Zone AE, along watercourses that have a regulatory floodway designated on the Town of Dennis FIRM Map encroachments are prohibited in the regulatory floodway which would result in any increase in flood levels within the community during the occurrence of the base flood discharge.
- 2) Man-made alteration of sand dunes within Zone VE which would increase potential flood damage are prohibited.
- 3) All new construction within Zone VE must be located landward of the reach of mean high tide.
- 4) All subdivision proposals must be designed to assure that:
 - a) such proposals minimize flood damage;
 - b) all public utilities and facilities are located and constructed to minimize or eliminate flood damage; and
 - c) adequate drainage is provided to reduce exposure to flood hazards.
- 5) Existing contour intervals of site and elevations of existing structures must be included on plan proposal.
- 6) All applicants for development plans impacted by an "Area of Special Flood Hazard," shall complete the Town of Dennis Staff Review process, which coordinates review by the Dennis Planning, Natural Resources, Health, Engineering, Building, Police and Fire Departments, prior to filing for the first required permit.

6.5 PERMITTED USES

The following uses of low flood damage potential and causing no obstructions to flood flows are encouraged provided they are permitted in the underlying district and they do not require structures, fill, or storage of materials or equipment:

- 1) Agricultural uses such as farming, grazing, truck farming, horticulture, etc.
- 2) Forestry and nursery uses.
- 3) Outdoor recreational uses, including fishing, boating, play areas, etc.
- 4) Conservation of water, plants, wildlife.
- 5) Wildlife management areas, foot, bicycle, and/or horse paths.
- 6) Temporary non-residential structures used in connection with fishing, growing, harvesting, storage, or sale of crops raised on the premises.
- 7) Buildings lawfully existing prior to the adoption of these provisions.

6.6 DEFINITIONS

AREA OF SPECIAL FLOOD HAZARD is the land in the floodplain within a community subject to a one percent or greater chance of flooding in any given year. The area may be designated as Zone AE or VE.

BASE FLOOD means the flood having a one percent chance of being equaled or exceeded in any given year.

COASTAL HIGH HAZARD AREA means an area of special flood hazard extending from offshore to the inland limit of a primary frontal dune along an open coast and any other area subject to high velocity wave action from storms or seismic sources. The area is designated on a FIRM as Zone VE.

DEVELOPMENT means any manmade change to improved or unimproved real estate, including but not limited to building or other structures, mining, dredging, filling, grading, paving, excavation or drilling operations.

DISTRICT means floodplain district.

FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY (FEMA) administers the National Flood Insurance Program. FEMA provides a nationwide flood hazard area mapping study program for communities as well as regulatory standards for development in the flood hazard areas.

FLOOD INSURANCE RATE MAP (FIRM) means an official map of a community on which FEMA has delineated both the areas of special flood hazard and the risk premium zones applicable to the community.

FLOOD INSURANCE STUDY means an examination, evaluation, and determination of flood hazards, and, if appropriate, corresponding water surface elevations, or an examination, evaluation and determination of flood-related erosion hazards.

FLOODWAY means the channel of a river or other watercourse and the adjacent land areas that must be reserved in order to discharge the base flood without cumulatively increasing the water surface elevation.

LOWEST FLOOR means the lowest floor of the lowest enclosed area (including basement or cellar). An unfinished or flood resistant enclosure, usable solely for parking of vehicles, building access or storage in an area other than a basement area is not considered a building's lowest floor, PROVIDED that such enclosure is not built so as to render the structure in violation of the applicable non-elevation design requirements of NFIP Regulations 60.3.

MANUFACTURED HOME means a structure, transportable in one or more sections, which is built on a permanent chassis and is designed for use with or without a permanent foundation when connected to the required utilities. For floodplain management purposes the term "manufactured home" also includes park trailers, travel

trailers, and other similar vehicles placed on a site for greater than 180 consecutive days. For insurance purposes, the term "manufactured home" does not include park trailers, travel trailers, and other similar vehicles.

MANUFACTURED HOME PARK OR SUBDIVISION means a parcel (or contiguous parcels) of land divided into two or more manufactured home lots for rent or sale.

NEW CONSTRUCTION means, for floodplain management purposes, structures for which the "start of construction" commenced on or after the effective date of a floodplain management regulation adopted by a community. For the purpose of determining insurance rates, NEW CONSTRUCTION means structures for which the "start of construction" commenced on or after the effective date of an initial FIRM or after December 31, 1974, whichever is later.

ONE-HUNDRED-YEAR FLOOD - see BASE FLOOD.

REGULATORY FLOODWAY - see FLOODWAY

SPECIAL FLOOD HAZARD AREA means an area having special flood and/or flood-related erosion hazards, and shown on FIRM as Zone AE or VE.

STRUCTURE means, for floodplain management purposes, a walled and roofed building, including a gas or liquid storage tank, that is principally above ground, as well as a manufactured home. STRUCTURE, for insurance coverage purposes, means a walled and roofed building, other than a gas or liquid storage tank, that is principally above ground and affixed to a permanent site, as well as a manufactured home on foundation. For the latter purpose, the term includes a building while in the course of construction, alteration, or repair, but does not include building materials or supplies intended for use in such construction, alteration, or repair, unless such materials or supplies are within an enclosed building on the premises.

SUBSTANTIAL DAMAGE means damage of any origin sustained by a structure whereby the cost of restoring the structure to its before-damaged condition would equal or exceed 50 percent of the market value of the structure before the damage occurred.

SUBSTANTIAL IMPROVEMENT means any repair, reconstruction, or improvement of a structure, the cost of which equals or exceeds 50 percent of the market value of the structure either (a) before the improvement or repair is started, or (b) if the structure has been damaged and is being restored, before the damage occurred. For the purposes of this definition, "substantial improvement" is considered to occur when the first alteration of any wall, ceiling, floor, or other structural part of the building commences, whether or not that alteration affects the external dimensions of the structure.

ZONE AE (for new and revised maps) means the 100-year floodplain where the base flood elevation has been determined.

ZONES B, C, AND X are areas identified in the community Flood Insurance Study as areas of moderate or minimal flood hazard. Zone X replaces Zones B and C on new and revised maps.

ZONE VE (for new and revised maps) means a special flood hazard area along a coast subject to inundation by the 100-year flood with additional hazards due to velocity (wave action). Base flood elevations have been determined.

(By the Planning Board)

BOS: 5-0-0 to place & support.

FC: 5-0-0 to recommend the article as printed.

ARTICLE 31 Golf Capital Improvement Fund By-law Amendment

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Golf Capital Improvement Fund By-Law adopted under Article 22 of the May 4, 2010 Annual Town Meeting and pursuant Chapter 9 of the Acts of 2007, authorizing the establishment of said fund, by deleting the wording in its entirety and replacing it with the following:

“The Board of Selectmen is hereby authorized to amend the fees to be deposited into the Golf Capital Improvement Fund as follows:

5% of the green fees, and
28% of all membership fees”

or take any other action relative thereto.

(By the Selectmen)

BOS: 3-1-0 to place and support.

FC: 6-0-0 to recommend the article as printed.

ARTICLE 32 Corporation Bathhouse Debt Pay Down

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and transfer from the Beach Capital Improvement Fund a sum of money to pay down the principal and interest costs (year 3 of a 4-year ban) associated with the borrowing authorized under Article 29 of the May 3, 2011 Annual Town Meeting for funding the design, engineering and construction of a new Corporation Beach Bathhouse, or to take any other action relative thereto.

(By the Selectmen)

BOS: 5-0-0 to place & support.

FC: 7-0-0 to recommend a transfer of \$202,922 from the Beach Capital Capital Improvement Fund.

ARTICLE 33

Corporation Beach Coastal Bank Repair

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds or borrow a sum of money to fund the construction and repairs to the Corporation Beach Coastal Bank, or take any other action relative thereto.

(By the Selectmen)

BOS: 5-0-0 to place & support.

FC: 5-2-0 to recommend borrowing \$451,000 for the article and future payments shall come from the Beach Capital Improvement Fund.

ARTICLE 34

Black Ball Hill Road, Dennis – Temporary Repairs

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds or borrow a sum of money to make temporary repairs to Black Ball Hill Road, a private road in Dennis, open to and used by the general public within Dennis, pursuant to the provisions of MGL c.80 and the Town of Dennis “Temporary Repairs of Private Ways By-Law”, Chapter 156, Section 3-6, adopted at the May 3, 2005 Annual Town Meeting under Article 31, and in accordance with the vote to of the Board of Selectmen on February 18, 2014, declaring that the repairs to said private way are required because of public necessity and convenience, and further, that the owners of said land benefited by said temporary repairs shall be assessed their proportionate share of betterments as specified in said by-law, and in accordance with Chapter 117 of the Acts of 1997 (Town of Dennis Betterment Assessment and Fund Act), or to take any other action relative thereto.

(By the Selectmen)

BOS: 5-0-0 to place & support.

FC: 4-0-1 to recommend borrowing \$194,640 for the article.

ARTICLE 35

South Street, Dennis Port - Road Layout

To see if the Town will vote to accept as a public town way the layout of South Street in the Village of Dennis Port from Main Street (Rt.28) to Depot Street, as shown on a plan hereinafter referred to, as reported at a public hearing on March 25, 2014, and recommended and laid out, altered and relocated by the Board of Selectmen, and filed with the Town Clerk, and further, to authorize the Board of Selectmen to acquire by purchase, gift or eminent domain on behalf of the Town, an easement to use, for all purposes for which public ways are so laid out, as shown on a plan entitled “Layout Plan of South Street, Dennis Port, MA Prepared For Town of Dennis”, by Surveying and Mapping Consultants, dated February 7, 2014, and further, to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds, or borrow a sum of money for this purpose and any expenses related thereto, and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to take all related actions necessary or appropriate to effect this acquisition, or take any action relative thereto.

(By the Selectmen)

BOS: 5-0-0 to place & support.

FC: 5-0-0 to recommend a transfer of \$2,300 from free cash for the article.

ARTICLE 36

Telegraph Road, Dennisport - Road Layout

To see if the Town will vote to accept as a public town way a portion of Telegraph Road in the Village of Dennis Port from Main Street (Rt.28) to Upper County Road, as shown on the plan hereinafter referred to, as reported at a public hearing on March 25, 2014, and recommended and laid out, altered and relocated by the Board of Selectmen, and filed with the Town Clerk, and further to authorize the Board of Selectmen to acquire by purchase, gift or eminent domain on behalf of the Town, an easement to use, for all purposes for which public ways are so laid out, as shown on a plan entitled "Easement for Widening of Telegraph Road, Dennis Port, MA Prepared For Town of Dennis", by Surveying and Mapping Consultants, dated December 4, 2013, and further, to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds, or borrow a sum of money for this purpose and any expenses related thereto, and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to take all related actions necessary or appropriate to effect this acquisition, or take any action relative thereto.

(By the Selectmen)

BOS: 5-0-0 to place & support.

FC: 5-0-0 to recommend a transfer of \$4,100 from free cash for the article.

ARTICLE 37

99 YR. LEASE – EXTENSION OF CC RAIL TRAIL

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into a ninety-nine (99) year lease with the Massachusetts Department of Transportation ("MassDOT"), as Lessor, to lease a portion of the railroad right of way extending from the current terminus of the Cape Cod Rail Trail at or near the Town boundary line with the Town of Yarmouth at Bass River running to the intersection with Route 134 as shown on a plan entitled "Massachusetts Department of Transportation Highway Division, Preliminary Right of Way Plans, Cape Cod Rail Trail Extension in the Towns of Yarmouth & Dennis, Barnstable County," dated February 7, 2013, prepared by Vanasse Hangne Brustlin, Inc., a copy of which is on file with the Town Clerk, and as may be amended, for purposes of the construction, operation, maintenance and repair of a multi-use rail trail/bicycle path, and further to authorize the Board of Selectmen to assign said Lease to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Department of Conservation and Recreation ("DCR") for the continued operation and maintenance of the multi-use path, and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to execute any and all documents and take all actions necessary or appropriate to effectuate the foregoing, or take any action relative thereto.

(By the Selectmen)

BOS: 5-0-0 to place & support.

FC: 5-0-0 to recommend the article as printed.

ARTICLE 38

EASEMENTS – RAIL TRAIL

To see if the Town will vote authorize the Board of Selectmen, for purposes of establishing, constructing, operating and maintaining a multi-use rail trail/bicycle path for non-motorized transportation, open space and recreation purposes and for all other purposes for which rail trails are now or hereafter may be used in the Commonwealth, to acquire by purchase, gift, eminent domain or otherwise, fee, easement, leasehold, license and/or other real property interests in, on, over, across, under and along (a) all or any portion of the land, premises, easements, rights-of-way and other rights in Dennis being a portion of the Cape Cod Rail Trail extending from the current terminus of the Cape Cod Rail Trail at or near the Town boundary line with the Town of Yarmouth at the Bass River running to the intersection with Route 134 as shown on a plan entitled "Massachusetts Department of Transportation Highway Division, Preliminary Right of Way Plans, Cape Cod Rail Trail Extension in the Towns of Yarmouth & Dennis, Barnstable County," dated February 7, 2013, prepared by Vanasse Hangen Brustlin, Inc., a copy of which is on file with the Town Clerk, and as may be amended and (b) abutting and underlying properties as necessary for clearing title to said railroad right-of-way, laying out a multi-use rail trail/bicycle path in that right of way and associated easements, and providing access to the rail trail area for construction, maintenance and repair purposes, on such terms and conditions as the Board of Selectmen may determine, and further, to authorize the Board of Selectmen to take all related actions necessary or appropriate to effect this acquisition

(By the Selectmen)

BOS: 5-0-0 to place & support.

FC: 5-0-0 to recommend the article as printed.

ARTICLE 39

Marijuana Excise Taxes Legislation

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to petition the General Court for special legislation authorizing the Town to impose a local sales tax on the sale of medical marijuana; provided, however, that the General Court may make clerical or editorial changes of form only to said bill, unless the Board of Selectmen approves amendments thereto prior to enactment by the General Court, and provided further that Board of Selectmen is hereby authorized to approve amendments which shall be within the scope of the general public objectives of this petition.

AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF DENNIS TO IMPOSE A LOCAL SALES TAX ON THE SALE OF MEDICAL MARIJUANA

Section 1. (a) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 6 of chapter 64H or any other general or special law to the contrary, the Town of Dennis is hereby authorized to impose a local sales tax upon (1) the retail sale of medical marijuana sold by a medical marijuana treatment center licensed by the commonwealth pursuant to chapter 369 of the acts of 2012 originating within the town, (2) the wholesale sale of medical marijuana by a treatment center located in the town to another treatment center located in another

municipality, (3) the wholesale sale of medical marijuana cultivated in the Town of Dennis to a licensed medical marijuana treatment center located in another municipality, and (4) the wholesale value of medical marijuana cultivated in the Town of Dennis and sold by a licensed medical marijuana treatment center located in another municipality. The sales tax imposed under this Act shall be at a rate of 5 per cent of the gross receipts from the retail or wholesale sale of medical marijuana. The sales tax imposed under this section shall be paid to the Treasurer of the Town on a quarterly basis.

Section 2. This act shall take effect upon passage.

Or take any other action relative thereto.

(By the Selectmen)

BOS: 5-0-0 to place & support.

FC: 5-0-0 to recommend the article as printed.

ARTICLE 40

Landscape Improvements to Bass River Park

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money to pay for landscape improvements at the Bass River Park in West Dennis, or take any other action relative thereto.

(By the Selectmen)

BOS: 5-0-0 to place & support.

FC: 6-1-0 to recommend a transfer of \$18,000 from the Bass River Park Receipts Reserved for Appropriation Account.

ARTICLE 41

Shellfish Mitigation Fund Seed Purchase & Equipment

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money to purchase shellfish "seed", construct a new upweller to hold additional seed, repair/upgrade the existing upweller to maintain existing seed grow-out activities, and purchase new equipment necessary to maintain the shellfish transplant program, or take any other action relative thereto.

(By the Selectmen)

BOS: 5-0-0 to place & support.

FC: 6-0-0 to recommend a transfer of \$9,735 from the Shellfish Mitigation Fund for the article.

ARTICLE 42

Rescinding Authorized Debt

To see if the Town will vote to rescind the following debt authorizations:

1. Manse Restoration – rescind balance of \$120,000 from original appropriation of \$1,620,000 voted under Article 3 of the October 27, 2009 Special Town Meeting.
2. Wrinkle Point Temporary Road Repairs – rescind authorization of \$205,000 voted under Article 44 of the May 5, 2009 Annual Town Meeting - no borrowing was necessary.
3. Old Fort Field/Hague Acquisition of Perpetual Conservation Restriction – rescind authorization of \$385,000 voted under Article 5 of November 16, 2010 Special Town Meeting, funded with grant funds, no borrowing occurred.

or take any other action relative thereto.

(By the Selectmen)

BOS: 5-0-0 to place & support.

FC: 5-0-0 to recommend the article as printed.

ARTICLE 43

Cable Receipts Transfer

To see if the Town will vote to transfer a sum of money from Cable Receipts to the Capital Improvement Fund, or take any other action relative thereto.

(By the Selectmen)

BOS: 4-0-0 to place & support.

FC: to recommend transferring \$39,541 from Cable Receipts to the CIF.

ARTICLE 44

Cable Revolving Fund – MGL c.44, §53E ½

To see if the Town will vote to re-authorize for Fiscal Year 2015 the crediting to the Cable Receipts Revolving Fund, as established by vote of the Dennis Annual Town Meeting on May 4, 2010, Article 27, and pursuant to MGL Chapter 44, Section 53E ½, providing for a means by which monies received from Cable Receipts may, after receipt, be expended, and without further appropriation to fund cable related expenses, by the Board of Selectmen, up to a limit of fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000.00) during Fiscal Year 2015, or take any other action relative thereto.

(By the Selectmen)

BOS: 4-0-0 to place & support.

FC: 6-0-0 to recommend the article as printed.

ARTICLE 45

COA Revolving Fund – MGL c.44, §53E ½

To see if the Town will vote to re-authorize for Fiscal Year 2015 the crediting to the Council-On-Aging Revolving Fund, as established by vote of the Dennis Annual Town Meeting on May 2, 1995, Article 42, and pursuant to the MGL Chapter 44, Section

53E ½, providing for a means by which fees or charges received in connection with a Council-On-Aging program or activity, may after receipt, be applied directly and without further appropriation to support that program or activity, for expenditure by the Director of the Council-On-Aging, up to a limit of one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000.00) during Fiscal Year 2015, or take any other action relative thereto.

(By the Selectmen)

BOS: 5-0-0 to place & support.

FC: 7-0-0 to recommend the article as printed.

ARTICLE 46

COA Bus Revolving Fund, c.44, §53E ½

To see if the Town will vote to re-authorize for Fiscal Year 2015 the crediting to the Council On-Aging Bus Revolving Fund, as established by vote of the Dennis Annual Town meeting on May 4, 2010, Article 29, and pursuant to MGL Chapter 44, Section 53E ½, providing a means by which fees or charges received from the operation of the Council-On-Aging Bus may, after receipt and authorization by the Council-On-Aging Director, be applied directly and without further appropriation to support the operations of said bus, for expenditure by the Council On Aging Director, up to a limit of thirty-five thousand dollars (\$35,000.00) during Fiscal Year 2015, or take any other action relative thereto.

(By the Selectmen)

BOS: 5-0-0 to place & support.

FC: 7-0-0 to recommend the article as printed.

ARTICLE 47

Golf Revolving Fund – MGL c.44, §53E ½

To see if the Town will vote to re-authorize for Fiscal Year 2015 the crediting to the Golf Department Revolving Fund, as established by vote of the Dennis Annual Town Meeting on May 4, 2010, Article 21, and pursuant to MGL Chapter 44, Section 53E ½, providing for a means by which 25% of Cart Rental Fee received may after receipt, be applied directly without further appropriation to the fund to pay for the rental of golf carts. In addition, revenue from the Golf Course Pro-Shops fees or charges may be applied directly, without further appropriation to support the operations of the Golf Pro-Shops. In addition, revenue from GHIN (Golf Handicap and Information Network) be applied directly, without further appropriation to the fund to pay Massachusetts Golf Association dues for members handicaps, after receipt and authorization by the Golf Director, be applied directly and without further appropriation to support the operations for expenditure by the Golf Director, up to a limit of three hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$350,000.00) during Fiscal Year 2015, or take any other action relative thereto.

(By the Selectmen)

BOS: 4-0-0 to place & support.

FC: 6-0-0 to recommend the article as printed.

ARTICLE 48

Library Revolving Fund, c.44, §53E ½

To see if the Town will vote to re-authorize for Fiscal Year 2015 the crediting to the Town Library Revolving Fund, as established by vote of the Dennis Annual Town Meeting on May 5, 1998, Article 16, and pursuant to MGL Chapter 44, Section 53E ½, providing for a means by which fees, fines or charges received in connection with a Town Library program or activity may, after receipt, be applied directly and without further appropriation to support that program or activity, for expenditure by the Library Director up to a limit of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000.00) during Fiscal Year 2015, or take any other action relative thereto.

(By the Selectmen)

BOS: 5-0-0 to place & support.

FC: 6-0-0 to recommend the article as printed.

ARTICLE 49

Board of Health Revolving Fund, c.44, §53E ½

To see if the Town will vote to re-authorize for Fiscal Year 2015 the crediting to the Board of Health Medicare Reimbursement Revolving Fund, as established by vote of the Dennis Annual Town Meeting on May 3, 2005, Article 18, pursuant to MGL Chapter 44, Section 53E ½ , providing for a means by which reimbursements received from Medicare for flu shots may, after receipt, be applied directly and without further appropriation to the purchase of additional vaccine or other medical supplies, and costs associated with providing volunteer management and clinical support, by the Health Director up to a limit of twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000) during Fiscal Year 2015, or take any other action relative thereto.

(By the Board of Health)

BOS: 5-0-0 to place & support.

FC: 6-0-0 to recommend the article as printed.

ARTICLE 50

Recreation Dept. Revolving Fund c.44,§53E ½

To see if the Town will vote to re-authorize for Fiscal Year 2015 the crediting to the Recreation Department Revolving Fund established by vote of the Dennis Annual Town Meeting on May 8, 2012, Article 26, and pursuant to MGL Chapter 44, Section 53E 1/2 , providing for a means by which fees or charges in connection with a Recreation program or activity, may after receipt, be applied directly and without further appropriation to support that program or activity, for expenditure by the Recreation Director, up to a limit of one hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$150,000) during Fiscal Year 2015, or take any other action relative thereto.

(By the Selectmen)

BOS: 4-0-0 to place & support.

FC: 6-0-0 to recommend the article as printed.

And to meet at several precincts in said Town at the following places:

Precinct 1, Dennis, Carleton Hall, 1006 Old Bass River Road

Precinct 2, East Dennis, Dennis Senior Center, 1045 Route 134

Precinct 3, Dennis Port, Dennis Public Library, 5 Hall Street

Precinct 4, West Dennis, 1867 West Dennis Graded School House, 67 School Street

Precinct 5, South Dennis, Dennis Police Station, 90 Bob Crowell Road

In said Dennis on Tuesday, the thirteenth day of May 2014, at 7:00 a.m. then and there to vote for election of the following officers:

Two Selectmen for three years; one Dennis-Yarmouth Regional School Committee Member for three years; one Water District Commissioner for three years; and one Old Kings Highway Regional Historic District Commissioner for four years.

And you are directed to serve this **WARRANT**, by posting up attested copies thereof at EACH OF THE POST OFFICES in said TOWN OF DENNIS, seven (7) days, at least before the time of holding said meeting.

HEREOF FAIL NOT, and make a due return of this **WARRANT**, with your doings thereof, to the TOWN CLERK, at the time and place of the meeting as aforesaid.

Given unto our hands this 25th day of April, in the year of our Lord Two Thousand Fourteen.

Paul R. McCormick
Paul R. McCormick, Chairman
Heidi S. Schadt
Heidi S. Schadt, Vice Chairman
Sheryl A. McMahon
Sheryl A. McMahon
Wayne A. Bergeron
Wayne A. Bergeron
Alan M. Tuttle
Alan M. Tuttle

A True Copy, Attest

Theresa T. Bunce
Theresa T. Bunce, Town Clerk

BARNSTABLE, ss.

PURSUANT TO THE WITHIN WARRANT, I have notified and warned the Inhabitants of the Town of Dennis by posting up attested copies of the same at EACH OF THE POST OFFICES, TOWN HALL ANNEX, SOUTH DENNIS AND ON THE PRINCIPAL BULLETIN BOARD IN TOWN HALL, SOUTH DENNIS, SEVEN (7) days before the date of the meeting, as within directs.

Gerald M. Salvatore
Constable of Dennis

April 25, 2014
Date

A GLOSSARY OF COMMONLY USED TERMS

Abatement - A complete or partial cancellation of a levy imposed by a governmental unit, applicable to tax levels and special assessments.

Amortization - Gradual elimination of an obligation, such as a bond, according to a specified schedule of times and amounts. The principal amount of a home mortgage, for example, is amortized by annual payments.

Appropriation - An authorization granted by town meeting to make expenditures and to incur obligations for specific purposes. An appropriation is usually limited in amount and as to the time when it may be expended.

Assessed Valuation - A valuation set upon real estate or other property by a government as a basis for levying taxes. Equalized assessed valuation, as determined by local assessors, adjusted by the State Department of Revenue on a biennial basis to reflect a full and fair market value ("equalized valuation"). 100% assessment refers to local assessments which are intended to approximate full and fair cash value of property.

Available Funds - Sum of funds appropriated and raised by the town, but not expended in the years for which they were appropriated, minus uncollected taxes for prior years. Must be certified by the Massachusetts Bureau of Accounts before it can be used. Also known as "Free Cash."

Betterment - An addition made to, or change made in, a fixed asset which is expected to prolong its life or to increase its efficiency. The term is also applied to sidewalks, sewers, and highways; "improvements" could be another designation.

Bond - Written promise to pay a specified sum of money, called the face value (par value) or principal amount, at a specified date or dates in the future, called the maturity date(s) together with periodic interest at a specified rate. The difference between a note and a bond is that the latter runs for a longer period of time and requires greater legal formality.

Bond Anticipation Note (BAN) - Short-term note of a government sold in anticipation of bond issuance. BANs are full faith and credit obligations.

Budget - A plan of financial operations embodying an estimate of proposed expenditures for a given period and the proposed means of financing them. A budget may be "preliminary" - the financial plan presented to the town meeting, or "final" - the plan approved by that body.

Budget Message - Statement summarizing the plans and policies contained in the budget report, including an explanation of the principal budget items, an outline of the municipality's experience during the past year and its financial status at the time of the message, and recommendations regarding financial policy for the coming year.

Capital Budget - A plan for the expenditure of public funds for capital purposes, showing as income the revenues, special assessments, free surplus, and down payment appropriations to be applied to the cost of capital project or projects, expenses of issuance of obligation, engineering supervision, contracts, and any other related expenses.

Capital Expenditure - Non-recurring payments for capital improvements including construction, acquisition, site development and overhead costs. The fees for architects, engineers, lawyers, and other professional services plus the cost of financing; advance planning may be included.

Capital Improvements - Acquisition, construction, replacement of, or major repairs to capital plant facilities, with a relatively long useful life.

Capital Project - A major nonrecurring physical acquisition expenditure often including planning, acquisition, and construction phases.

Cherry Sheet - An annual statement received by the assessors from the Department of Revenue detailing estimated receipts for the next fiscal year from various state aid accounts and the Local Aid Fund (Lottery) and estimated charges payable by the assessors in setting the tax rate. Supplemental Cherry Sheets may be issued during the year and there is no guarantee that the estimated receipts and charges shown thereon will not vary from actual receipts and charges. (Name derived from the pink color of the document.)

Debt Authorization - Formal approval to incur debt by municipal officials, in accordance with procedures stated in M.G.L., Ch. 44, specifically Sections 1, 2, 3, 4a, 6 - 15.

Debt Service - The cost (usually stated in annual terms) of the principal retirement and interest of any particular issue.

Fiscal Year - The Commonwealth, state and municipalities (as of 1974) operate on a fiscal year which begins on July 1 and ends on June 30. The number of the fiscal year ends; e.g. the 1998 fiscal year is July 1, 1997 to June 30, 1998; the 1999 fiscal year will be from July 1, 1998 to June 30, 1999.

Free Cash (Budgetary Fund Balance) - Free cash represents the portion of surplus revenue which the municipality is able to appropriate. Technically, free cash is money that is appropriated but not spent, less unpaid back taxes. That is, it is money that the community raised to spend for a particular item but was left over because the full appropriation was not expended. From this surplus the municipality's liabilities are subtracted - i.e., unpaid taxes. The remainder, if any, is certified annually by the Department of Revenue as the community's free cash. Amounts from certified free cash may be appropriated by the community for expenditures or to offset property taxes.

General Fund - The fund into which the general (non-earmarked) revenues of the municipality are deposited and from which money is appropriated to pay the general expenses of the municipality.

Growth Revenue - The amount of property tax revenue that a community can add to its allowable tax levy from new construction, alterations, subdivision or change of use which increases a parcel value by at least 50%, or more than \$100,000 for commercial and industrial property. It is computed by applying the prior year's tax rate to the increase in valuation.

Note - A short-term loan, typically of a year or less in maturity.

Overlay - The amount raised by the assessors in excess of appropriations and other charges for the purpose of creating a fund to cover abatements and to avoid fractions.

Reserve Fund - A fund established by the annual town meeting which is under the control of the finance committee and from which transfers may be made for extraordinary or unforeseen expenditures. It may be composed of an appropriation of not more than 5% of the tax levy for the preceding year, or money transferred from the overlay reserve, or both.

Revolving Funds - Those funds which may be used without appropriation and which are established for particular uses such as school athletics, continuing education programs, school lunch programs, self supporting recreation and park services, conservation, etc.

Stabilization Fund - A special reserve account created to provide for capital improvements which is invested until used. Towns may appropriate into this fund in any year an amount no more than ten percent of the prior year's tax levy. The outstanding balance in the account cannot exceed 10% of the town's equalized valuation. Generally, it requires a 2/3 vote of Town Meeting to appropriate money from the Stabilization Fund.

Surplus Revenue - This is the amount by which cash, accounts receivable and other floating assets exceed the liabilities and reserves.

Unfunded Pension Liability - Unfunded pension liability is the difference between the value assigned to the retirement benefits already earned by a town's employees and the assets the town's retirement system will have on hand to meet these obligations. The dollar value of the unfunded pension liability is driven by assumptions about interest rates at which a retirement system's assets will grow and the rate of future costs of living increases to pensioners.

Uniform Municipal Accounting System (UMAS) - A comprehensive and practical municipal accounting system that conforms to Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP) for local governments. UMAS is regarded by the Department of Revenue as the professional standard for modern municipal accounting in Massachusetts.

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

ESTIMATED TAX RATE

CURRENT 2014 TAX RATE:

Current Tax Rate ~ \$6.35 per thousand.

Current Tax Rate With CPA ~ \$6.54 per thousand.

ESTIMATED 2015 TAX RATE:

Estimated 2015 Tax Rate for the Operational and Capital Budgets ~ \$6.69 per thousand

CPA Surcharge of 3% adds - \$0.20

Estimated 2015 Tax Rate with CPA - \$6.89 per thousand.

The above tax rate estimates are based upon actual FY 2014 real estate values (as of January 1, 2013). The Actual FY 2015 tax rate will be set in the fall and will be based on values as of January 1, 2014.