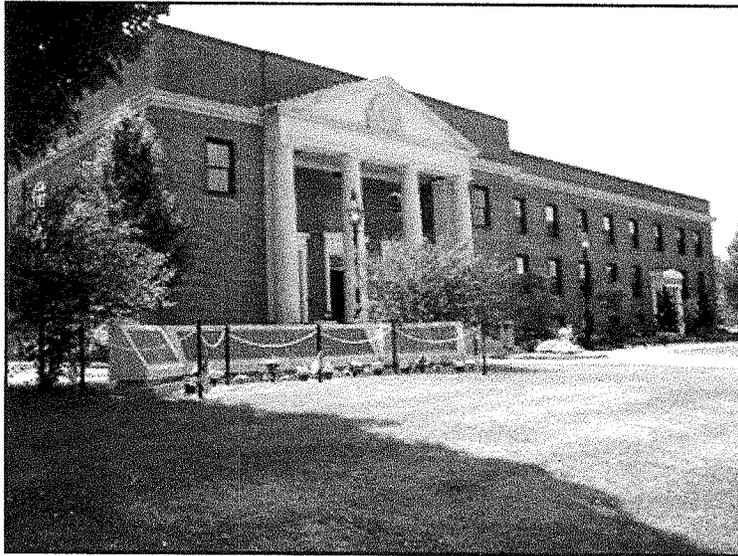


**Annual Town Meeting/
Special Town Meeting
May 2, 2016
7:00PM**



**Warrant and Recommendations
Submitted by the Board of Selectmen**

**THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN
2016**

ANN MARIE O'NEILL, CHAIR

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Dear Stoneham Residents

Welcome to Stoneham's Annual Town Meeting. Tonight there are twenty three articles within the Annual Town Meeting and three articles within the Special Town Meeting that are presented to you for consideration. All motions will be projected on a large screen that will be updated live as the motions are amended. The office of the Board of Selectmen has once again thoughtfully assembled this booklet containing all the articles and motions, accompanied by recommendations from various boards, in an effort to provide you with all the information you need to make an informed decision.

This year Stoneham saw a rise in new growth, allowing us to increase our workforce and add services to the town. In FY 16 we added three new positions to the police force and appropriated money for two new firefighters. Unfortunately, with retirements at SFD our staffing level remained the same. If Town Meeting approves tonight's budget we will be adding an additional two officers to the police force. We will add two new firefighters for a total of four new hires at the fire department this year. Stoneham High School and Stoneham Central Middle School achieved Level 1 status in the state's accountability program, making them one of only seventeen pairs of same district high and middle schools recognized by the state. In addition, they achieved a ranking of 41 in the recent Boston Magazine listing of Eastern MA districts. The Stoneham Substance Abuse Coalition (SSAC) has increased their presence in our community, and in partnership with state funding they added a Coordinator in their mission to combat the drug epidemic in our town and to erase the stigma of addiction.

Our efforts to revitalize downtown and attract businesses that are a good fit for our culture are beginning to pay off. Stoneham saw several new restaurants open this year to the delight of residents. Tonight you will be voting on a TIF (tax increment financing), which is a public financing tool used to create incentives to developers for community-improvement projects. If it passes, the town will enjoy an attractive new building that will house a restaurant and other businesses right in the middle of our down town. A by-product of the town's Downtown Vision Plan is increased volunteer involvement with the creation of a Neighborhood Group, Merchant Group and Transportation Group. Their efforts helped with a much needed increase of bus service in Stoneham. There was a lot of excitement surrounding new innovative community events such as the unique Skating Rink on the Common, the trendy Food Truck Festival and the launch of one of the most successful Farmer's Markets in the area!

We came together as a community to save the Stone Zoo earlier this year when state funding was at stake. We are now working to create a bus stop by the zoo to bring this valuable asset closer to our community. We negotiated one of the highest Impact Agreements ever realized in the state for a highway sign host agreement. The town will receive \$6 million dollars over the course of 50 years. Utilizing the first year lease will enable us to give back to the community as a whole with the resurrection of a Recreation Department benefitting our youngest citizens to our most seasoned. In May our newly hired Recreation Director will introduce unique and varied programming.

There was a big focus on grants this year. Stoneham was one of the first communities to apply for and receive grants from the state's Compact Community. We selected three sectors in which to receive assistance: budget transparency, economic competitiveness and open space. It has been a pleasure to see so much blossom in town this year. None of it could have been accomplished without the collective hard work and dedication of our citizens, boards, volunteers, and employees. Tonight is your opportunity to continue to let your voice be heard and vote to help further shape your community!

I want to thank the various boards in town, department heads, and the Town Administrator for their hard work and dedication in crafting tonight's articles. The result of this collaboration is the articles and the FY 2017 budget presented tonight for your consideration and vote. We are continually striving to meet the needs of our citizens and, although not always perfect, we are constantly working and will continue to work to improve town service through creative ideas and sound financial principles that are in balance with the quality of life for Stoneham residents.

I want to thank all of you for coming out tonight to participate in the democratic process of our town government. We are all caretakers of this great town and decisions that are made tonight will affect Stoneham not only next year but many for generations to come.

Very truly yours,

Board of Selectmen

Ann Marie O'Neill
Chairman

DEFINITION OF TERMS

CHERRY SHEET – So-called because of its color, this is a balance sheet issued each year by the State. It charges our Town with its share of expenses for running various state agencies and county government. It credits our Town with its share of corporate excise tax, income tax, sales and use tax and Massachusetts School funds (State Aid). The Assessors are required to use the estimates in developing the tax rate.

APPROPRIATION – An authorization by Town Meeting to spend money for a particular purpose.

AVAILABLE FUNDS – (Sometimes called “Free Cash”) Money left over from the previous fiscal year as a result of budget under runs and/or under estimates of revenues.

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.

LOCAL RECEIPTS – Also called “Estimated Receipts”. Examples are motor vehicles excise tax, license and permit fees, and interest income; all of which must be “estimated” in projecting annual budget funding sources.

OVERLAY – The overlay is the amount raised by the Assessors in excess of appropriations and other charges for the purpose of creating a fund to cover abatements granted and avoiding fractions.

BOND ANTICIPATION NOTE (BAN) – Short-term note of a government, sold in anticipation of bond issuance. BANs are full faith and credit obligations.

RESERVE FUND – A sum appropriated at Town Meeting, not to exceed 5% of the tax levy for that fiscal year. This fund is to provide for extraordinary or unforeseen expenditures. No direct drafts against this fund can be made, but transfers from the Fund may be voted by the Finance and Advisory Board.

REVOLVING FUNDS – These accounts can contain money either from specific sources or from taxation or both. The Treasurer can draw money from these accounts without an appropriation by town meeting vote. None of these funds go to Surplus Revenue on June 30th.

PARLIAMENTARY PROCEDURE: A REFERENCE SHEET FOR TOWN MEETING

Parliamentary law is based on the premise that a deliberating body of persons is a free agent, that the will of the majority prevails, but that the rights of all members of the group are respected.

The descriptions below pertain to some major elements and rules and methods used when a meeting follows parliamentary procedure, such as a Town Meeting. It was drawn up abbreviated in this form to assist you in understanding and participating in the procedures at Town Meeting.

- 1.) A **MOTION** is a proposal that the assembly take a certain action or position. It is necessary to obtain the floor before one can make a specific motion and open it for discussion by the group. The motion must also be submitted in writing. Most motions must be seconded. (An exception would be a question of order, or an inquiry, etc.)
- 2.) **TO OBTAIN THE FLOOR** it is necessary to be recognized by the Chairperson or Moderator. One should stand, address the chair: "Mr. Moderator" and be acknowledged. The speaker should state his name and address for the record. A member who has already had the floor in debate of a certain pending question may not debate the question again, provided the floor is claimed by one who has not yet spoken on that question.
- 3.) AN **AMENDMENT** is a secondary motion, which charges the original motion somewhat (by adding or deleting a word or phrase, or substituting word or words). The amendment is voted on, the debate returns to the original motion, as amended, if the amendment is approved.
- 4.) **DEBATE** refers to the discussion of the merits of the proposal or opposition to it; sometimes the Moderator will alternate speakers for and against the motion. Debate must pertain to the immediate pending question only - - the motion on the floor. Irrelevant issues are out of order.
- 5.) **MOVE OR CALL THE QUESTION** is a motion that supersedes a previous motion and is a method to end debate. When the question has been moved, the Moderator calls for a vote to end debate; if two-thirds of the assembly votes yes, the debate is ended, and the group must then vote on the pending question. If the vote fails, debate resumes.
- 6.) **PUTTING THE QUESTION** – when the debate ends, the Moderator asks if the group is ready for the question, fully states the motion to be voted on, and then calls for the "ayes" and "nays".
- 7.) **MOVE FOR RECONSIDERATION** – A motion can only be reconsidered once, so, often at Town Meetings proponents of a motion which has passed will move to reconsider, and ask that the assembly vote no, so that the matter is closed. However, if an assembly agrees by a two-thirds vote to reconsider a proposal, the debate opens as if the previous debate has not already taken place.

**RECOMMENDATIONS
MAY 2, 2016
ANNUAL TOWN MEETING**

#	Article Description	Board of Selectmen	Finance Board
1	Elected Officers	favorable	favorable
2	Choose Other Town Officers	favorable	favorable
3	Hear Reports	favorable	favorable
4	Fix Salaries of Elected Officials	favorable	favorable
5	Revolving Fund - Recreation Department	favorable	favorable
6	Revolving Fund - Farmers Market	favorable	favorable
7	Revolving Fund - Stoneham Public Library	favorable	favorable
8	Revolving Fund - Board of Health	favorable	favorable
9	Revolving Fund - Senior Center (rental space)	favorable	favorable
10	Revolving Fund - Senior Center (outings and transportation)	favorable	favorable
11	Revoloving Fund - Fire Station	favorable	favorable
12	FY 2017 Budget	favorable	
13	Turf Field Appropriation	unfavorable	unfavorable
14	FY 2016 Invoices	favorable	favorable
15	Establish Post-Employment Benefits Liability Trust Fund	favorable	favorable
16	TIF Plan for 370-380 Main Street and 10 Central Street	favorable	favorable
17	Reduction in force / credit for service	favorable	unfavorable
18	Dates for warrant openings and closings	favorable	favorable
19	Public Way acceptance - Spaulding Road	favorable	favorable
20	Public Way acceptance - Winship Drive	favorable	favorable
21	Abandon Drainage Easement	favorable	favorable
22	Cable Television Access Fund	IP	IP
23	PEG Access and Cable Related Fund	IP	IP

Warrant for Annual Town Meeting

Tuesday, April 5, 2016

To either of the Constables of the Town of Stoneham in the County of Middlesex,
GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Stoneham qualified to vote in elections and Town affairs to meet in the Town Hall, 35 Central Street, on Tuesday, April 5, 2016, at seven o'clock in the forenoon to act on the following articles of this warrant:

Article 1. To choose the following officers:

Two (2) Selectmen for three (3) years.

One (1) School Committee Member for three (3) years.

One (1) Board of Health Member for three (3) years. One

(1) Planning Board Member for five (5) years. One (1)

Board of Assessors Member for three (3) years. One (1)

Housing Authority Member for five (5) years. Two (2)

Library Trustees for three (3) years.

One (1) Town Clerk for three (3) years.

For consideration of the following Articles, the meeting shall be adjourned to meet in the Town Hall at 7:00 o'clock in the evening on Monday, May 2, 2016, in accordance with provisions of Article II, section 2-3 of the By-Laws of the Town of Stoneham.

Article 2. To choose all other necessary Town officers for the ensuing year in such a manner as the Town may determine.

Board of Selectmen

Motion for Article 2. Move that the Town vote to choose all other necessary Town officers for the ensuing year in such a manner as the Town may determine.

Board of Selectmen

ARTICLE 2: THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN TO PRESENT AT TOWN MEETING.

ARTICLE 2: THE FINANCE AND ADVISORY BOARD RECOMMENDS FAVORABLE ACTION.

PASSED () DEFEATED () INDEFINATELY POSTPONED ()

Article 3.To hear the reports of Town officers and committees and to act thereon and to choose committees.

Board of Selectmen

Motion for Article 3. Move that the Town vote to accept the reports of Town officers and as presented.

Board of Selectmen

ARTICLE 3: THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN TO PRESENT AT TOWN MEETING.

ARTICLE 3: THE FINANCE AND ADVISORY BOARD RECOMMENDS FAVORABLE ACTION.

PASSED () DEFEATED () INDEFINATELY POSTPONED ()

Article 4. To see if the Town will vote to fix the salaries of the several elective officers and the Boards of the Town for the 2016/2017 fiscal year.

Town Moderator	\$0
Board of Assessors	\$1,200
Board of Selectmen	\$3,000
Town Clerk	\$68,641

Board of Selectmen

Motion for Article 4. Move that the Town vote to fix the salaries of the several elective officers and the Boards of the Town for the 2016/2017 fiscal year.

Town Moderator	\$0
Board of Assessors	\$1,200
Board of Selectmen	\$3,000
Town Clerk	\$68,641

Board of Selectmen

ARTICLE 4: THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN TO PRESENT AT TOWN MEETING.

ARTICLE 4: THE FINANCE AND ADVISORY BOARD RECOMMENDS FAVORABLE ACTION.

PASSED () DEFEATED () INDEFINATELY POSTPONED ()

Article 5. To see if the Town will vote pursuant to the authority granted under Massachusetts General Laws, including Chapter 44, Section 53E 1/2, to establish a Revolving Fund for the purpose of receiving revenues and making disbursements in connection with a Recreation Department and activities pursuant thereto, or take any other action in relation thereto.

Board of Selectmen

Motion for Article 5. Move that the Town vote pursuant to the authority granted under Massachusetts General Laws, including Chapter 44, Section 53 E 1/2, to establish a Revolving Fund for the purpose of receiving revenues and making disbursements in connection with a Recreation Department and activities pursuant thereto, and authorize expenditures by the Recreation Director, not to exceed \$200,000 during Fiscal Year 2017 which may be made from such fund.

Board of Selectmen

ARTICLE 5: THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN TO PRESENT AT TOWN MEETING.

ARTICLE 5: THE FINANCE AND ADVISORY BOARD RECOMMENDS FAVORABLE ACTION.

PASSED () DEFEATED () INDEFINATELY POSTPONED ()

Article 6. To see if the Town will vote to authorize a revolving fund under Massachusetts General Law Chapter 44, Section E1/2, for the purpose of using receipts generated from fees charged for the Farmers' Market to cover costs associated with this programming, and authorize expenditures by Town Planner, not to exceed \$40,000 during Fiscal Year 2017 which may be made from such fund. In addition, to transfer any balance remaining on June 30, 2016 from the existing account (Fund #3460) into the authorized Revolving account, or anything in relation thereto.

Board of Selectmen

Article 6. Move that the Town vote to authorize a revolving fund under Massachusetts General Law Chapter 44, Section 53E1/2, for the purpose of using receipts generated from fees charged for the Farmers' Market to cover costs associated with this programming, and authorize expenditures by the Town Planner, not to exceed \$40,000 during Fiscal Year 2017 which may be made from such fund. In addition, to transfer any balance remaining on June 30, 2016 from the existing account (Fund #4360) into the authorized Revolving account.

Board of Selectmen

ARTICLE 6: THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN TO PRESENT AT TOWN MEETING.

ARTICLE 6: THE FINANCE AND ADVISORY BOARD RECOMMENDS FAVORABLE ACTION.

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Article 7. To see if the Town will vote to authorize a revolving fund under Massachusetts General Law Chapter 44, Section 53EYi, for the purpose of using receipts generated from photocopying services offered to the public at the Stoneham Public Library to pay for the lease of the photocopier and copy paper and authorize expenditure by the Stoneham Public Library Director, not to exceed Three Thousand Dollard (\$3,000) during Fiscal Year 2017 which may be made from such fund.

Board of Selectmen

Motion for Article 7. Move that the Town vote to authorize a revolving fund under Massachusetts General Law Chapter 44, Section 53E1/2, for the purpose of using receipts generated from photocopying services offered to the public at the Stoneham Public Library to pay for the lease of the photocopier and copy paper and authorize expenditure by the Stoneham Public Library Director, not to exceed Three Thousand Dollard (\$3,000) during Fiscal Year 2017 which may be made from such fund.

Board of Selectmen

ARTICLE 7: THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN TO PRESENT AT TOWN MEETING.

ARTICLE 7: THE FINANCE AND ADVISORY BOARD RECOMMENDS FAVORABLE ACTION.

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Article 8. To see if the Town will vote to reauthorize a revolving fund under Massachusetts General Law Chapter 44, Section 53E1/2 for the purpose of using receipts generated from fees charged for public health services to cover the costs of these services, and authorize expenditures by the Board of Health, not to exceed \$50,000 during Fiscal Year 2017 which may be made from such fund. In addition, transfer any balance remaining on June 30, 2016 from the existing Revolving account into the reauthorized Revolving account. Or do anything in relation thereto.

Board of Selectmen

Article 8. Move that the Town vote to reauthorize a revolving fund under Massachusetts General Law Chapter 44, Section 53E1/2 for the purpose of using receipts generated from fees charged for public health services to cover the costs of these services, and authorize expenditures by the Board of Health, not to exceed \$50,000 during Fiscal Year 2017 which may be made from such fund. In addition, transfer any balance remaining on June 30, 2016 from the existing Revolving account into the reauthorized Revolving account.

Board of Selectmen

ARTICLE 8: THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN TO PRESENT AT TOWN MEETING.

ARTICLE 8: THE FINANCE AND ADVISORY BOARD RECOMMENDS FAVORABLE ACTION.

PASSED () DEFEATED () INDEFINATELY POSTPONED ()

Article 9. To see if the town will vote to reauthorize a revolving fund under Massachusetts General Law Chapter 44, Section 53E1/2, for the purpose of using receipts generated from renting space at the Senior Center building to help pay the cleaning, utilities and maintenance costs of the senior center, and authorize expenditures by the Council on Aging Director, not to exceed \$30,000 during Fiscal Year 2017 which may be made from such fund. In addition, transfer any balance remaining on June 30, 2016 from the existing Revolving account into the reauthorized Revolving account. Or do anything in relation thereto.

Board of Selectmen

Motion for Article 9. Move that the Town vote to reauthorize a revolving fund under Massachusetts General Law Chapter 44, Section 53E1/2, for the purpose of using receipts generated from renting space at the Senior Center building to help pay the cleaning, utilities and maintenance costs of the senior center, and authorize expenditures by the Council on Aging Director, not to exceed \$30,000 during Fiscal Year 2017 which may be made from such fund. In addition, transfer any balance remaining on June 30, 2016 from the existing Revolving account into the reauthorized Revolving account.

Board of Selectmen

ARTICLE 9: THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN TO PRESENT AT TOWN MEETING.

ARTICLE 9: THE FINANCE AND ADVISORY BOARD RECOMMENDS FAVORABLE ACTION.

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Article 10. To see if the town will vote to reauthorize a revolving fund under Massachusetts General Law Chapter 44, Section 53E1/2, for the purpose of using receipts generated from fees charged for outings and transportation services at the Senior Center to cover costs associated with these outings and providing these transportation services, and authorize expenditures by the Council on Aging Director, not to exceed \$40,000 during Fiscal Year 2017 which may be made from such fund. In addition, transfer any balance remaining on June 30, 2016 from the existing Revolving account into the reauthorized Revolving account. Or do anything in relation thereto.

Board of Selectmen

Motion for Article 10. Move that the Town vote to reauthorize a revolving fund under Massachusetts General Law Chapter 44, Section 53E1/2, for the purpose of using receipts generated from fees charged for outings and transportation services at the Senior Center to cover costs associated with these outings and providing these transportation services, and authorize expenditures by the Council on Aging Director, not to exceed \$40,000 during Fiscal Year 2017 which may be made from such fund. In addition, transfer any balance remaining on June 30, 2016 from the existing Revolving account into the reauthorized Revolving account.

Board of Selectmen

ARTICLE 10: THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN TO PRESENT AT TOWN MEETING.

ARTICLE 10: THE FINANCE AND ADVISORY BOARD RECOMMENDS FAVORABLE ACTION.

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Article 11. To see if the Town will vote to reauthorize a revolving fund under Massachusetts General Law Chapter 44, Section 53E1/2 for the purpose of using receipts generated from renting space at the Fire Station to pay the utility, cleaning and maintenance costs, and capital improvements of the Fire Station, and authorize expenditures by the Fire Chief, not to exceed \$40,000 during Fiscal Year 2017 which may be made from such fund. In addition, transfer any balance remaining on June 30, 2016 from the existing Revolving account into the reauthorized Revolving account. Or do anything in relation thereto.

Board of Selectmen

Article 11. Move that the Town vote to reauthorize a revolving fund under Massachusetts General Law Chapter 44, Section 53E1/2 for the purpose of using receipts generated from renting space at the Fire Station to pay the utility, cleaning and maintenance costs, and capital improvements of the Fire Station, and authorize expenditures by the Fire Chief, not to exceed \$40,000 during Fiscal Year 2017 which may be made from such fund. In addition, transfer any balance remaining on June 30, 2016 from the existing Revolving account into the reauthorized Revolving account.

Board of Selectmen

ARTICLE 11: THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN TO PRESENT AT TOWN MEETING.

ARTICLE 11: THE FINANCE AND ADVISORY BOARD RECOMMENDS FAVORABLE ACTION.

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Article 12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate from taxation or by transfer from available funds, such sums as may be necessary to defray Town charges for the ensuing year, including debt and interest and a reserve fund, or do anything in relation thereto.

Board of Selectmen

Article 12. Move that the Town vote to raise and appropriate from taxation or by transfer from available funds, the sum of Seventy-One Million One Hundred One Thousand Three Hundred Thirty Dollars (\$71,101,330) to defray Town charges for the ensuing year, including the Town operating budget for the year beginning July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017; said sum as itemized on Exhibit A.

Board of Selectmen

ARTICLE 12: THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN TO PRESENT AT TOWN MEETING.

ARTICLE 12: THE FINANCE AND ADVISORY BOARD RECOMMENDS FAVORABLE ACTION.

PASSED () DEFEATED () INDEFINATELY POSTPONED ()

May 2, 2016 ANNUAL TOWN MEETING ARTICLE #12-(EXHIBIT A)

DEPARTMENT	FY17 BUDGET		
	PERSONNEL	OPERATING	TOTAL
114 Town Moderator	\$0	\$220	\$220
122 Board of Selectmen	\$82,232	\$10,000	\$92,232
123 Town Administrator	\$347,711	\$42,500	\$390,211
132 Reserve Fund	\$0	\$25,000	\$25,000
135 Town Accountant	\$178,740	\$5,550	\$184,290
141 Board of Assessors	\$131,204	\$4,600	\$135,804
145 Treasurer	\$252,916	\$18,350	\$271,266
151 Town Counsel	\$111,283	\$6,725	\$118,008
155 GIS/MIS	\$149,668	\$130,802	\$280,470
161 Town Clerk	\$121,988	\$4,200	\$126,188
162 Elections & Registrations	\$79,811	\$17,900	\$97,711
172 Whiphill Park	\$0	\$10,950	\$10,950
182 Planning Bd/BOA/Conserv.	\$54,370	\$1,160	\$55,530
185 Economic and Comm Dev	\$70,278	\$30,000	\$100,278
192 Public Property Maint.	\$500	\$80,612	\$81,112
210 Police Department	\$3,724,535	\$323,095	\$4,047,630
211 Traffic Directors	\$151,480	\$4,500	\$155,980
212 Dispatchers	\$382,026	\$18,200	\$400,226
220 Fire Department	\$2,843,932	\$126,450	\$2,970,382
241 Building & Wire	\$174,200	\$6,900	\$181,100
291 Civil Defense	\$2,000	\$0	\$2,000
300 Public Schools	\$0	\$26,734,742	\$26,734,742
397 Essex North Shore Agricultural & Technical School	\$0	\$340,000	\$340,000
398 Minuteman Voc. School	\$0	\$60,000	\$60,000
399 Northeast Voc. School	\$0	\$970,818	\$970,818
400 Public Works Admin.	\$974,494	\$951,023	\$1,925,517
440 Sewer	\$541,180	\$4,694,484	\$5,235,664
450 Water	\$492,091	\$3,405,850	\$3,897,941
510 Board of Health	\$146,074	\$10,740	\$156,814
541 Council on Aging	\$103,931	\$38,500	\$142,431
542 Recreation Department	\$68,500	\$14,500	\$83,000
543 Veterans	\$42,513	\$179,900	\$222,413
610 Public Library	\$550,670	\$210,150	\$760,820
631 Arena	\$182,446	\$259,280	\$441,726
710 Maturing Debt & Interest	\$0	\$5,201,827	\$5,201,827
911 Contributory Pension	\$0	\$5,538,241	\$5,538,241
912 Health Insurance	\$0	\$7,938,620	\$7,938,620
919 Unclassified	\$161,986	\$1,474,797	\$1,636,783
920 Non-Departmental	\$0	\$37,385	\$37,385
950 OPEB Trust Contribution	\$0	\$50,000	\$50,000
Total Budgets:	\$12,122,759	\$58,978,571	\$71,101,330

Said Sum to be raised or transferred as follows:

Revenue of the Current Year	\$60,177,566
By transfer from the Cemetery Perpetual Income Fund	\$35,000
By transfer from the Sale of Lots & Graves Res. For Approp.	\$50,000
By transfer from the Whip Hill Trust	\$10,000
By transfer from the BOS Stockwell Trust	\$3,500
By transfer from the RCN/Verizon Operating Cable Funds	\$32,500
By transfer from the Capital Stabilization Fund	\$100,000
By transfer from the Estimated Sewer Receipts to:	
Department #440 Sewer Department	\$5,235,664
Department #710 Debt Service	\$147,136
Department #135 Town Accountant	\$13,630
Department #145 Town Treasurer	\$20,508
Department #155 MIS/GIS Department	\$21,204
Department #911 Contributory Pension	\$206,748
Department #912 Health Insurance	\$154,089
Department #919 Unclassified Budget	\$65,135
By transfer from the Estimated Water Receipts to:	
Department #450 Water Department	\$3,897,941
Department #710 Debt Service	\$500,645
Department #135 Town Accountant	\$12,296
Department #145 Town Treasurer	\$18,500
Department #155 MIS/GIS Department	\$19,128
Department #911 Contributory Pension	\$187,910
Department #912 Health Insurance	\$136,449
Department #919 Unclassified Budget	\$55,781
Total Estimated Revenues	\$71,101,330

Article 13. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of One Million Two Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$1,250,000) to construct a synthetic turf football field and lighting for said field, including infrastructure related to and necessary for said field and lighting, and to further authorize the funds remaining after the completion of said expenditures, if any, to be used for the construction or reconstruction, whether in whole or in part, of other athletic fields and/or facilities in the Town, and that the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, be authorized to sell from time to time, town notes, bonds or other evidence of indebtedness in the amount of One Million Two Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$1,250,000) in accordance with the applicable provisions of Massachusetts General Laws, including Chapter 44, Section 7, and further to: (i) any grants or gifts accepted by or for the Town for these purposes shall be in addition to the funding otherwise authorized hereby, and (ii) authorize the Board of Selectmen and/or Town Administrator to take any action needed or helpful in furtherance hereof. Or do anything in relation thereto.

John F. DePinto 3
Rebecca Lane

Motion for Article 13. Petitioner to present at Town Meeting

**John F. DePinto
3 Rebecca Lane**

ARTICLE 13: JOHN F. DEPINTO TO PRESENT AT TOWN MEETING.

ARTICLE 13: THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN RECOMENDS UNFAVORABLE ACTION.

ARTICLE 12: THE FINANCE AND ADVISORY BOARD RECOMMENDS UNFAVORABLE ACTION.

PASSED () DEFEATED () INDEFINATELY POSTPONED ()

Article 14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds, a sum of money to amend the Fiscal Year 2016 departmental budgets approved under Article No. 1 of the June 8, 2015 Special Town Meeting, as amended. Or do anything in relation thereto.

Board of Selectmen

Motion for Article 14. Move that the Town vote to amend various Fiscal Year 2016 departmental budgets approved under Article No. 1 of the June 8, 2015 Special Town Meeting, as amended (as shown in Exhibit B).

Board of Selectmen

ARTICLE 14: THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN TO PRESENT AT TOWN MEETING.

ARTICLE 14: THE FINANCE AND ADVISORY BOARD RECOMMENDS FAVORABLE ACTION.

PASSED () DEFEATED () INDEFINATELY POSTPONED ()

**MAY 2, 2016 ANNUAL TOWN MEETING
ARTICLE #14-(EXHIBIT B)**

DEPARTMENT	FY16 BUDGET			5/2/2016 ATM ADJUSTMENTS			REVISED FY16 BUDGET		
	PERSONNEL	OPERATING	TOTAL	PERSONNEL	OPERATING	TOTAL	PERSONNEL	OPERATING	TOTAL
114 Town Moderator	\$0	\$220	\$220			\$0	\$0	\$220	\$220
122 Board of Selectmen	\$80,268	\$10,000	\$90,268			(\$8,000)	\$72,268	\$10,000	\$82,268
123 Town Administrator	\$340,926	\$42,500	\$383,426		\$17,000	\$17,000	\$340,926	\$59,500	\$400,426
132 Reserve Fund	\$0	\$50,000	\$50,000		(\$50,000)	(\$50,000)	\$0	\$0	\$0
135 Town Accountant	\$218,119	\$1,550	\$219,669			\$0	\$218,119	\$1,550	\$219,669
141 Board of Assessors	\$126,264	\$4,800	\$131,064	\$3,700		\$3,700	\$129,964	\$4,800	\$134,764
145 Treasurer	\$249,428	\$18,350	\$267,778	\$12,800		\$12,800	\$262,228	\$18,350	\$280,578
151 Town Counsel	\$110,732	\$6,725	\$117,457			\$0	\$110,732	\$6,725	\$117,457
155 GIS/MIS	\$109,175	\$130,721	\$239,896	(\$2,000)	\$4,500	\$2,500	\$107,175	\$135,221	\$242,396
161 Town Clerk	\$119,992	\$4,200	\$124,192			\$0	\$119,992	\$4,200	\$124,192
162 Elections & Registrations	\$69,311	\$18,100	\$87,411	\$2,500	(\$2,500)	\$0	\$71,811	\$15,600	\$87,411
172 Whiphill Park	\$0	\$10,950	\$10,950			\$0	\$0	\$10,950	\$10,950
182 Planning Bd/BOA/Conserv.	\$41,543	\$1,160	\$42,703			\$0	\$41,543	\$1,160	\$42,703
185 Economic and Comm Dev	\$68,224	\$30,000	\$98,224	\$1,000	(\$1,000)	\$0	\$69,224	\$29,000	\$98,224
192 Public Property Maint.	\$500	\$80,612	\$81,112			\$0	\$500	\$80,612	\$81,112
210 Police Department	\$3,580,075	\$385,870	\$3,965,945	(\$11,000)		(\$11,000)	\$3,569,075	\$385,870	\$3,954,945
211 Traffic Directors	\$137,030	\$4,500	\$141,530	(\$6,000)		(\$6,000)	\$131,030	\$4,500	\$135,530
212 Dispatchers	\$381,380	\$17,440	\$398,820			\$0	\$381,380	\$17,440	\$398,820
220 Fire Department	\$2,756,616	\$124,850	\$2,881,466			\$0	\$2,756,616	\$124,850	\$2,881,466
241 Building & Wire	\$182,822	\$6,900	\$189,722			\$0	\$182,822	\$6,900	\$189,722
291 Civil Defense	\$2,000	\$0	\$2,000			\$0	\$2,000	\$0	\$2,000
300 Public Schools	\$0	\$25,888,516	\$25,888,516			\$0	\$0	\$25,888,516	\$25,888,516
397 Essex North Shore Agricultural & T	\$0	\$300,000	\$300,000		(\$17,200)	(\$17,200)	\$0	\$282,800	\$282,800
398 Minuteman Voc. School	\$0	\$50,000	\$50,000		\$7,200	\$7,200	\$0	\$57,200	\$57,200
399 Northeast Voc. School	\$0	\$1,076,254	\$1,076,254			\$0	\$0	\$1,076,254	\$1,076,254
400 Public Works Admin.	\$842,432	\$889,700	\$1,732,132		\$135,000	\$135,000	\$842,432	\$1,024,700	\$1,867,132
440 Sewer	\$601,332	\$4,545,620	\$5,146,952			\$0	\$601,332	\$4,545,620	\$5,146,952
450 Water	\$532,390	\$3,599,951	\$4,132,341			\$0	\$532,390	\$3,599,951	\$4,132,341
510 Board of Health	\$144,023	\$5,140	\$149,163			\$0	\$144,023	\$5,140	\$149,163
541 Council on Aging	\$102,193	\$33,500	\$135,693			\$0	\$102,193	\$33,500	\$135,693
542 Recreation Department	\$30,000	\$18,000	\$48,000	(\$17,000)		(\$17,000)	\$13,000	\$18,000	\$31,000
543 Veterans	\$41,276	\$177,700	\$218,976			\$0	\$41,276	\$177,700	\$218,976
610 Public Library	\$553,371	\$207,850	\$761,221	\$26,000	(\$1,000)	\$25,000	\$579,371	\$206,850	\$786,221
630 Unicorn Golf	\$139,017	\$275,850	\$414,867	(\$50,000)	(\$50,000)	(\$100,000)	\$89,017	\$225,850	\$314,867
631 Arena	\$175,067	\$259,280	\$434,347	\$3,000		\$3,000	\$178,067	\$259,280	\$437,347
710 Maturing Debt & Interest	\$0	\$4,705,299	\$4,705,299			\$0	\$0	\$4,705,299	\$4,705,299
911 Contributory Pension	\$0	\$5,135,261	\$5,135,261			\$0	\$0	\$5,135,261	\$5,135,261
912 Health Insurance	\$0	\$7,628,413	\$7,628,413	(\$135,000)		(\$135,000)	\$0	\$7,493,413	\$7,493,413
918 Capital	\$0	\$323,000	\$323,000	\$25,000		\$25,000	\$0	\$348,000	\$348,000
919 Unclassified	\$19,079	\$1,416,000	\$1,435,079	(\$6,000)	\$219,000	\$213,000	\$13,079	\$1,635,000	\$1,648,079
920 Non-Departmental	\$0	\$37,085	\$37,085			\$0	\$0	\$37,085	\$37,085
Total Budgets:	\$11,754,585	\$57,521,867	\$69,276,452	(\$51,000)	\$151,000	\$100,000	\$11,703,585	\$57,672,867	\$69,376,452

Said Sum to be raised or transferred as follows:

Revenue of the Current Year
 By transfer from the 225 Fallon Road Fund
 By transfer from the Cemetery Perpetual Income Fund
 By transfer from the Sale of Lots & Graves Res. For Approp.
 By transfer from the Sale of Dog License Fund
 By transfer from the Whip Hill Trust
 By transfer from the BOS Stockwell Trust
 By transfer from the RCN/Verizon Operating Cable Funds
 By transfer from the Capital Stabilization Fund
 By transfer from Surplus Revenue
 By transfer from Overlay Surplus

By transfer from the Estimated Sewer Receipts to:

Department #440 Sewer Department
 Department #710 Debt Service
 Department #135 Town Accountant
 Department #145 Town Treasurer
 Department #155 MIS/GIS Department
 Department #911 Contributory Pension
 Department #912 Health Insurance
 Department #919 Unclassified Budget

By transfer from the Estimated Water Receipts to:

Department #450 Water Department
 Department #710 Debt Service
 Department #135 Town Accountant
 Department #145 Town Treasurer
 Department #155 MIS/GIS Department
 Department #911 Contributory Pension
 Department #912 Health Insurance
 Department #919 Unclassified Budget

Total Estimated Revenues

\$58,334,180
\$27,088
\$21,000
\$50,000
\$7,077
\$10,000
\$3,500
\$32,500
\$450,000
\$48,000
\$0
\$5,146,952
\$28,380
\$14,375
\$22,038
\$19,063
\$245,863
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Article 15. To see if the Town will vote to establish an Other Post-Employment Benefits Liability Trust Fund (OPEB), as defined in Chapter 32B, section 20 of the Massachusetts General laws, or to do anything in relations to.

Board of Selectmen

Motion for Article 15. Move that the Town vote to accept Chapter 32B, section 20 of the Massachusetts General Laws to establish an Other Post-Employment Benefits Liability Trust Fund (OPEB), as defined therein.

Board of Selectmen

ARTICLE 15: THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN TO PRESENT AT TOWN MEETING.

ARTICLE 15: THE FINANCE AND ADVISORY BOARD RECOMMENDS FAVORABLE ACTION.

PASSED () DEFEATED () INDEFINATELY POSTPONED ()

Article 16. To see if the Town will vote to authorize entry into the Tax Increment Financing Plan (also known as a TIF Plan) with C&S Capital Properties LLC, or its successor, pursuant to all the applicable provisions of the Massachusetts General Laws, including MGL, Chapter 40, Section 59 and Chapter 59, Section 5 in connection with the development of property located at both 370-380 Main Street and 10 Central Street, Stoneham, MA, as shown on the Board of Assessors Map 18, Parcel 213, 214 and 217 as described in the Economic Development Incentive Program Local Incentive Only application prepared by C&S Capital Properties LLC, on file at the Town Clerks' Office, and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to take such action as is necessary to obtain approval of the Tax Incentive Program Local Incentive Only application and to implement the Tax Increment Financing Plan (TIP); or do anything in relation thereto.

LEGAL DESCRIPTION

Lot A-1

A certain parcel of land situated in Stoneham, Mass. bounded and described as follows: Beginning at a drill hole on the easterly side line of Main Street, said point being 153.19 feet along the easterly sideline of Main Street from Central Square; thence running S 89° -57'-09" E a distance of 71.54 feet to a point; thence turning and running N 17°-46'-32" W a distance of 12.84 feet to an iron pipe; thence turning and running S 67° -22'-18" E a distance of 74.07 feet to a drill hole at the westerly sideline of Central Street; thence turning and running S 27° -39'-51" W along the westerly sideline of Central Street a distance of 41.10 feet to a drill hole; thence turning and running N 72° -04'-56" W a distance of 66.75 feet to a railroad spike; thence turning and running S 01° -05'-55" E a distance of 25.24 feet to a pk (nail); thence turning and running N 88° -53'-55" W a distance of 4.00 feet to a railroad spike; thence turning and running S 10° -14'-36" W a distance of 45.00 feet to a drill hole; thence turning and running N 80° -25 '-58" W to the easterly sideline of Main Street a distance of 50.50 feet to a railroad spike; thence turning and running N 00° -02'-51" E along the easterly sideline of Main Street a distance of 93.25 feet to a drill hole at the point of beginning; Containing an area of 8,928 square feet and shown as Lot A-1 on a plan entitled PLAN OF LAND 370-380 MAIN STREET & 10 CENTRAL STREET STONEHAM, MASS. dated January 26, 2016 by Benchmark Survey.

Board of Selectmen

Motion for Article 16. Move that the Town vote to authorize entry into the Tax Increment Financing Plan (also known as a TIF Plan) with C&S Capital Properties LLC, or its successor, pursuant to all the applicable provisions of the Massachusetts General Laws, including MGL, Chapter 40, Section 59 and Chapter 59, Section 5 in connection with the development of property located at both 370-380 Main Street and 10 Central Street, Stoneham, MA, as shown on the Board of Assessors Map 18, Parcel 213, 214 and 217 as described in the Economic Development Incentive Program Local Incentive Only application prepared by C&S Capital Properties LLC, on file at the Town Clerks' Office, and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to take such action as is necessary to obtain approval of the Tax Incentive Program Local Incentive Only application and to implement the Tax Increment Financing Plan (TIP).

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DESCRIPTION**

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Board of Selectmen

ARTICLE 16: THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN TO PRESENT AT TOWN MEETING.

ARTICLE 16: THE FINANCE AND ADVISORY BOARD RECOMMENDS FAVORABLE ACTION.

PASSED () DEFEATED () INDEFINATELY POSTPONED ()

Article 17. To see if the Town of Stoneham will vote to approve Chapter 235 of the Acts of 1994. This local option provides that any firefighter or police officer who is terminated due to a reduction in force and who is reinstated to his or her former position within three years can be credited with service for the period of the layoff; provided that he or she pays into the annuity savings fund of the retirement system an amount equal to the deductions that would have been paid by the member had he or she not been terminated, together with interest. The Act took effect on December 27, 1994.

John J. Scullin
216 North Street

Motion for Article 17. Petitioner to present at Town Meeting.

ARTICLE 17: THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN RECOMENDS FAVORABLE ACTION.

ARTICLE 17: THE FINANCE AND ADVISORY BOARD RECOMMENDS UNFAVORABLE ACTION.

PASSED () DEFEATED () INDEFINATELY POSTPONED ()

Article 18: To see if the Town will vote to amend the Stoneham Town Code, Chapter 2 Administration, Article II Town Meetings, Sections 2-3.1 and 2-7, as follows, with deletions shown by a strike-out and additions underlined.

Sec. 2-3.1. Schedule Special Town Meeting.

A special Town Meeting shall be held in October of each year on a date to be set by the Board of Selectmen. The Warrant for the October Meeting, shall be open for the insertion of articles for a period of not less than fourteen (14) days and shall be closed at least four (4) weeks prior to the scheduled Town Meeting date. Notice of the warrant open and close dates for the October Town Meeting shall be published in some newspaper in the town within seven (7) days after the warrant is open. All other special town meeting ~~shall be open for the insertion of articles for a period of not less than seven (7) days and~~ warrants shall be closed at least two (2) weeks prior to the scheduled town meeting date ~~with notice of the open and close date in some newspaper within the town published within seven (7) days after the warrant is open~~ with sufficient time to provide 14-days' notice of the meeting.

Sec. 2-7. Warrants—Final date for receipt of articles for insertion.

The Selectmen shall annually fix the ~~fourth Monday of February~~ the first Monday of March as the final date on which they will receive Articles for insertion in the Warrant for the annual Town Meeting. All Articles must be presented to the Selectmen in finished form, typed on plain stationery, 8 ½" x 11", double spaced.

Or do anything in relation thereto, including amending Section 2-3.1 with regard to reducing the

time between the close of the warrant for the October Town Meeting and the meeting and/or amending Section 2 -7 regarding the finished form of warrant article submissions.

Board of Selectmen

Motion for Article 18: Move that the Town vote to amend the Stoneham Town Code, Chapter 2 Administration, Article II Town Meetings, Sections 2-3.1 and 2-7, as follows, with deletions shown by a strike-out and additions underlined:

Sec. 2-3.1. Schedule Special Town Meeting.

A special Town Meeting shall be held in October of each year on a date to be set by the Board of Selectmen. The Warrant for the October Meeting, shall be open for the insertion of articles for a period of not less than fourteen (14) days and shall be closed at least ~~four (4)~~ three (3) weeks prior to the scheduled Town Meeting date. Notice of the warrant open and close dates for the October Town Meeting shall be published in some newspaper in the town within seven (7) days after the warrant is open. All other special town meeting ~~shall be open for the insertion of articles for a period of not less than seven (7) days and~~ warrants shall be closed at least two (2) weeks prior to the scheduled town meeting date ~~with notice of the open and close date in some newspaper within the town published within seven (7) days after the warrant is open~~ with sufficient time to provide 14-days' notice of the meeting.

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The Selectmen shall annually fix the ~~fourth Monday of February~~ the first Monday of March as the final date on which they will receive Articles for insertion in the Warrant for the annual Town Meeting. All Articles must be presented to the Selectmen in finished form, typed on plain stationery, 8 ½" x 11", preferably one and one-half double-spaced.

Board of Selectmen

ARTICLE 18: THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN TO PRESENT AT TOWN MEETING.

ARTICLE 18: THE FINANCE AND ADVISORY BOARD RECOMMENDS FAVORABLE ACTION.

PASSED () DEFEATED () INDEFINATELY POSTPONED ()

Article 19: To see if the Town will vote to accept as a Public Way the following way as laid out by the Town Administrator and further described as follows:

A certain roadway situated in the Town of Stoneham, County of Middlesex, Commonwealth of Massachusetts, bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at a point, on the easterly sideline of Winship Drive and the northerly sideline of Spalding Road at land of Kyle J. & Kristin Loehning, thence;

- Southeasterly along a curve to the left, a distance of Forty-Three and Fifty-Five Hundredths (43.55') feet with a radius of Twenty-Five and Zero Hundredths (25.00') feet to a point, thence;
- Easterly along a curve to the right, a distance of Thirty-Six and Ninety-Four Hundredths (36.94') feet with a radius of One Hundred Ninety-Eight and Zero Hundredths (198.00') feet to a point, thence;
- N 68°39'54" E a distance of One Hundred Nineteen and Sixty-Seven Hundredths (119.67') feet to a point, thence;
- Northeasterly along a curve to the left, a distance of Nineteen and Eighty-Eight Hundredths (19.88') feet with a radius of Twenty-Five and Zero Hundredths (25.00') feet to a point, thence;
- Southerly along a curve to the right, a distance of Two Hundred Twelve and Ninety-Five Hundredths (212.95') feet with a radius of Forty-Five and Zero Hundredths (45.00') feet to a point, thence;
- Westerly along a curve to the left, a distance of Nineteen and Eighty-Eight Hundredths (19.88') feet with a radius of Twenty-Five and Zero Hundredths (25.00') feet to a point, thence;
- S 68°39'54" W a distance of One Hundred Nineteen and Sixty-Seven Hundredths (119.67') feet to a point, thence;
- Southwesterly along a curve to the left, a distance of Fourteen and Fifty-eight Hundredths (14.58') feet with a radius of One Hundred Fifty (150.00') feet to a point, thence,
- Southwesterly along a curve to the left, a distance of Fifty-One and Forty-Two Hundredths (51.42') feet with a radius of Twenty-Five and Zero Hundredths (25.00') feet to a point, thence;

Northwesterly along a non-tangent curve to the right, a distance of One Hundred Fourteen and Sixty-Six Hundredths (114.66') feet with a radius of Two Hundred Two and Zero Hundredths (202.00') feet to the point of beginning.

The roadway described is shown as "Spalding Road" on a plan to be recorded entitled, "Road Acceptance Plan of Land in Stoneham and Wakefield, MA," by Hancock Associates, dated December 23, 2015. Said "Spalding Road" contains Fifteen Thousand Seven Hundred and Eighty square feet more or less (15,780+/- S.F.)

Charles F. Houghton
15 Kimball Drive

Motion for Article 19: Move that the Town vote to accept as a Public Way the following way as laid out by the Town Administrator and further described as follows:

A certain roadway situated in the Town of Stoneham, County of Middlesex, Commonwealth of Massachusetts, bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at a point, on the easterly sideline of Winship Drive and the northerly sideline of Spalding Road at land of Kyle J. & Kristin Loehning, thence;

Southeasterly along a curve to the left, a distance of Forty-Three and Fifty-Five Hundredths (43.55') feet with a radius of Twenty-Five and Zero Hundredths (25.00') feet to a point, thence;

Easterly along a curve to the right, a distance of Thirty-Six and Ninety-Four Hundredths (36.94') feet with a radius of One Hundred Ninety-Eight and Zero Hundredths (198.00') feet to a point, thence;

N 68°39'54" E a distance of One Hundred Nineteen and Sixty-Seven Hundredths (119.67') feet to a point, thence;

Northeasterly along a curve to the left, a distance of Nineteen and Eighty-Eight Hundredths (19.88') feet with a radius of Twenty-Five and Zero Hundredths (25.00') feet to a point, thence;

Southerly along a curve to the right, a distance of Two Hundred Twelve and Ninety-Five

Hundredths (212.95') feet with a radius of Forty-Five and Zero Hundredths (45.00') feet to a point, thence;

Westerly along a curve to the left, a distance of Nineteen and Eighty-Eight Hundredths (19.88') feet with a radius of Twenty-Five and Zero Hundredths (25.00') feet to a point, thence;

S 68°39'54" W a distance of One Hundred Nineteen and Sixty-Seven Hundredths (119.67') feet to a point, thence;

Southwesterly along a curve to the left, a distance of Fourteen and Fifty-eight Hundredths (14.58') feet with a radius of One Hundred Fifty (150.00') feet to a point, thence,

Southwesterly along a curve to the left, a distance of Fifty-One and Forty-Two Hundredths (51.42') feet with a radius of Twenty-Five and Zero Hundredths (25.00') feet to a point, thence;

Northwesterly along a non-tangent curve to the right, a distance of One Hundred Fourteen and Sixty-Six Hundredths (114.66') feet with a radius of Two Hundred Two and Zero Hundredths (202.00') feet to the point of beginning.

The roadway described is shown as "Spalding Road" on a plan to be recorded entitled, "Road Acceptance Plan of Land in Stoneham and Wakefield, MA," by Hancock Associates, dated December 23, 2015. Said "Spalding Road" contains Fifteen Thousand Seven Hundred and Eighty square feet more or less (15,780+/- S.F.)

Charles F. Houghton
15 Kimball Drive

ARTICLE 19: CHARLES F. HOUGHTON TO PRESENT AT TOWN MEETING.

ARTICLE 19: THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN RECOMENDS FAVORABLE ACTION.

ARTICLE 19: THE FINANCE AND ADVISORY BOARD RECOMMENDS FAVORABLE ACTION.

PASSED () DEFEATED () INDEFINATELY POSTPONED ()

Article 20. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a Public Way the following way as laid out by the Town Administrator and further described as follows:

A certain road situated in the Town of Stoneham, County of Middlesex, Commonwealth of Massachusetts, bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at a point, on the northerly sideline of land of Christopher & Kathryn Shaker at the Town Line between Stoneham and Wakefield, thence;

- N 70°59'42" W a distance of One Hundred Eleven and Forty-Eight Hundredths (111.48') feet to a point, thence;
- Westerly along a curve to the left, a distance of Fifty-Six and Thirty-Nine Hundredths (56.39') feet with a radius of One Hundred Fifty and Zero hundredths (150.00') feet to a point, thence;
- S 87°27'50" W a distance of One Hundred Thirty-Three and Fifty-Five Hundredths (133.55") feet to a point, thence;
- Northwesterly along a curve to the right, a distance of Three Hundred Thirty and Twenty Hundredths (330.20') feet with a radius of Two Hundred Fifty and Zero Hundredths (250.00') feet to a point, thence;
- N 16°51'29" W a distance of One Hundred Seventy and Forty-Six Hundredths (170.46') feet to a point, thence;
- Northeasterly along a curve to the right, a distance of Two Hundred Thirty-Three and Twenty-One Hundredths (233.21') feet with a radius of One Hundred Twenty-Four and Zero Hundredths (124.00') feet to a point, thence;
- S 89°05'46" E a distance of Eighty-Eight and Two Hundredths (88.02') feet to a point, thence;
- Easterly along a curve to the left, a distance of Eighty-Two and Forty-Nine Hundredths (82.49') feet with a radius of Two Hundred and Zero Hundredths (200.00') feet to a point, thence;
- N 67°16'22" E a distance of Seventy-Seven and Eighty-Two Hundredths (77.82') feet to a point on the Town Line of Stoneham and Wakefield, thence;
- S 21°48'10" E By said Town Line, a distance of Forty-Eight and One Hundredths (48.01 ') feet to a point, thence;

- S 67°16'22" W a distance of Seventy-Seven and Five Hundredths (77.05') to a point, thence;
- Westerly along a curve to the right, a distance of One Hundred Two and Twenty-Nine Hundredths (102.29') feet with a radius of Two Hundred Forty-Eight and Zero Hundredths (248.00') feet to a point, thence;
- N 89°05'46" W a distance of Eighty-Eight and Two Hundredths (88.02') feet to a point, thence;
- Southwesterly along a curve to the left, a distance of One Hundred Forty-Two and Ninety-Four Hundredths (142.94') feet with a radius of Seventy-Six and Zero Hundredths (76.00') feet to a point, thence;
- S 16°51'29" E a distance of One Hundred Seventy and Forty-Five Hundredths (170.45') feet to the point, thence;
- Southeasterly along a curve to the left, a distance of Two Hundred Sixty-Six and Eighty Hundredths (266.80') feet with a radius of Two Hundred Two and Zero Hundredths (202.00') feet to a point, thence;
- N 87°27'50" E a distance of One Hundred Thirty-Three and Fifty-Five Hundredths (133.55') feet to a point, thence;
- Easterly along a curve to the right, a distance of Seventy-four and Forty-Four Hundredths (74.44') feet with a radius of One Hundred Ninety-Eight and Zero Hundredths (198.00') feet to a point, thence;
- S 70°59'42" E a distance of Seventy and Two Hundredths (70.02') feet to a point on the Town Line of Stoneham and Wakefield, thence;
- S 21°48' 19"E By said Town Line, a distance of Sixty-Three and Forty-Two Hundredths (63.42') feet to the point of beginning.

The roadway described is shown as "Winship Drive" on a plan to be recorded entitled, 'Road Acceptance Plan of Land in Stoneham and Wakefield, MA,' by Hancock Associates, dated December 23, 2015. Said "Winship Drive" contains Fifty-Seven Thousand Eight Hundred and twenty square feet more or less (57,820+/-S.F.)

Charles F. Houghton

15 Kimball Drive

Motion for Article 20. Move that the Town will vote to accept as a Public Way the following way as laid out by the Town Administrator and further described as follows:

A certain roadway situated in the Town of Stoneham, County of Middlesex, Commonwealth of Massachusetts, bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at a point, on the northerly sideline of land of Christopher & Kathryn Shaker at the Town Line between Stoneham and Wakefield, thence;

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| N 70°59'42" W | a distance of One Hundred Eleven and Forty-Eight Hundredths (111.48') feet to a point, thence; |
| Westerly | along a curve to the left, a distance of Fifty-Six and Thirty-Nine Hundredths (56.39') feet with a radius of One Hundred Fifty and Zero Hundredths (150.00') feet to a point, thence; |
| S 87°27'50" W | a distance of One Hundred Thirty-Three and Fifty-Five Hundredths (133.55') feet to a point, thence; |
| Northwesterly | along a curve to the right, a distance of Three Hundred Thirty and Twenty Hundredths (330.20') feet with a radius of Two Hundred Fifty and Zero Hundredths (250.00') feet to a point, thence; |
| N 16°51'29" W | a distance of One Hundred Seventy and Forty-Six Hundredths (170.46') feet to a point, thence; |
| Northeasterly | along a curve to the right, a distance of Two Hundred Thirty-Three and Twenty-One Hundredths (233.21') feet with a radius of One Hundred Twenty-Four and Zero Hundredths (124.00') feet to a point, thence; |
| S 89°05'46" E | a distance of Eighty-Eight and Two Hundredths (88.02') feet to a point, thence; |
| Easterly | along a curve to the left, a distance of Eighty-Two and Forty-Nine Hundredths (82.49') feet with a radius of Two Hundred and Zero Hundredths (200.00') feet to a point, thence; |
| N 67°16'22" E | a distance of Seventy-Seven and Eighty-Two Hundredths (77.82') feet to a point on the Town Line of Stoneham and Wakefield, thence; |
| S 21°48'19" E | By said Town Line, a distance of Forty-Eight and One Hundredths (48.01') feet to a point, thence; |

S 67°16'22" W a distance of Seventy-Seven and Five Hundredths (77.05') feet to a point, thence;
Westerly along a curve to the right, a distance of One Hundred Two and Twenty-Nine
Hundredths (102.29') feet with a radius of Two Hundred Forty-Eight and Zero
Hundredths (248.00') feet to a point, thence;

N 89°05'46" W a distance of Eighty-Eight and Two Hundredths (88.02') feet to a point, thence;
Southwesterly along a curve to the left, a distance of One Hundred Forty-Two and Ninety-Four
Hundredths (142.94') feet with a radius of Seventy-Six and Zero Hundredths
(76.00') feet to a point, thence;

S 16°51'29" E a distance of One Hundred Seventy and Forty-Five Hundredths (170.45') feet to the
point, thence;
Southeasterly along a curve to the left, a distance of Two Hundred Sixty-Six and Eighty
Hundredths (266.80') feet with a radius of Two Hundred Two and Zero Hundredths
(202.00') feet to a point, thence;

N 87°27'50" E a distance of One Hundred Thirty-Three and Fifty-Five Hundredths (133.55') feet
to a point, thence;
Easterly along a curve to the right, a distance of Seventy-Four and Forty-Four Hundredths
(74.44') feet with a radius of One Hundred Ninety-Eight and Zero Hundredths
(198.00') feet to a point, thence;

S 70°59'42" E a distance of Seventy and Two Hundredths (70.02') feet to a point on the Town
Line of Stoneham and Wakefield, thence;

S 21°48'19" E By said Town Line, a distance of Sixty-Three and Forty-Two Hundredths (63.42')
feet to the point of beginning.

The roadway described is shown as "Winship Drive" on a plan to be recorded entitled, 'Road Acceptance Plan of Land in Stoneham and Wakefield, MA,' by Hancock Associates, dated December 23, 2015. Said "Winship Drive" contains Fifty-Seven Thousand Eight Hundred and twenty square feet more or less (57,820+/-S.F.)

Charles F. Houghton

15 Kimball Drive

ARTICLE 20: CHARLES F. HOUGHTON TO PRESENT AT TOWN MEETING.

ARTICLE 20: THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN RECOMENDS FAVORABLE ACTION.

ARTICLE 20: THE FINANCE AND ADVISORY BOARD RECOMMENDS FAVORABLE ACTION.

PASSED () DEFEATED () INDEFINATELY POSTPONED ()

Article 21. To see if the Town will vote to abandon a fifteen foot (15.00') wide drainage easement described as follows:

A certain drainage easement in the Town of Stoneham, Middlesex County, Commonwealth of Massachusetts bounded and described as follows:

SOUTHERLY: by Cabot Road, three and seventy-five hundredths feet (3.75') and eleven and fifty-four hundredths feet (11.54');

EASTERLY: one hundred twelve and ninety-nine hundredths feet (112.99');

NORTHERLY: by land now or formerly of Cortina, sixteen and twenty-eight hundredths feet (16.28'); and

WESTERLY: one hundred nine and fifty-one hundredths feet (109.51')

Shown as 15' Drain Easement on a plan entitled "Supplementary Plan Showing Existing Drainage Easements on Lot 8A and Lot 9A on Cabot Road Stoneham, Mass." Dated January 27, 1968 drawn by Francis E Burke RLS recorded at Middlesex South District Registry of Deeds as Plan No. 143 of 1968.

Said Drainage Easement being no longer needed for the purpose for which it was intended. The Town Administrator and Board of Selectmen are hereby authorized to take any action necessary to declare said easement abandoned, or do anything in relation thereto.

Charles F. Houghton
15 Kimball Drive

Move for Article 21: Move that the Town vote to abandon a fifteen foot (15.00') wide drainage easement described as follows:

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ARTICLE 21: THE FINANCE AND ADVISORY BOARD RECOMMENDS FAVORABLE ACTION.

PASSED () DEFEATED () INDEFINATELY POSTPONED ()

Article 22. To see if the Town will vote either or both of the following:

(i) To accept the provisions of M.G.c.44, sec. 53F1/2, as amended by Chapter 352 of the Massachusetts Acts (Session Laws) of 2014 establishing a cable television public access enterprise fund effective fiscal year 2017, and further vote regarding such financial funding provisions and other details as may be required to effectuate this vote and task; and/or

(ii) To accept General Laws Chapter 44, Section 53F3/4 as added by Chapter 352 of the Massachusetts Acts (Session laws) of 2014 in order that the Town may establish in the treasury a separate revenue account to be known as the PEG Access and Cable Related Fund, into which may be deposited cable franchise fees and other cable-related Fund, into which may be deposited cable franchise fees and other cable-related revenues for appropriation for cable-related purposes consistent with cable franchise (license) agreements, including support of PEG (public, educational or governmental) access television services and cable licensing and administration. And further to see if the Town will vote to authorize: (i) the Town Accountant and/or Town Treasurer to transfer any balance of cable-related funds at the end of Fiscal Year 2016 to said PEG Access and Cable Related Fund; and (ii) vote to take such other action(s) as may be required to effectuate this vote and task, including with respect to any funding aspects thereof. Or do anything in relation thereto.

Board of Selectmen

Motion for Article 22. Move that the Town vote to indefinitely postpone the subject matter of Article No. 22.

Board of Selectmen

Article 23. To see if the Town will vote to accept General Laws Chapter 44, Section 53F3/4 in order that the Town may establish in the treasury a separate revenue account to be known as the PEG Access and Cable Related Fund, into which may be deposited cable franchise fees and other cable-related revenues for appropriation for cable-related purposes consistent with cable franchise (license) agreements, including support of PEG (public, educational or governmental) access television services and cable licensing and administration. And further to see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Accountant and/or Town Treasurer to transfer any balance of cable-related funds at the end of Fiscal Year 2016 to said PEG Access and Cable Related Fund. Or do anything in relation thereto.

Board of Selectmen

Motion for Article 23. Move that the Town vote to indefinitely postpone the subject matter of Article No.23.

Board of Selectmen

**RECOMMENDATIONS
MAY 2, 2016
SPECIAL TOWN MEETING**

#	Article Description	Board of Selectmen	Finance Board
1	Zoning - Sign Ordinance	favorable	favorable
2	Gas Station Convenience Store	unfavorable	unfavorable
3	Public Way Acceptance - Spalding Road	favorable	favorable

WARRANT FOR SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

MONDAY, MAY 2, 2016

To either of the Constables of the Town of Stoneham in the County of Middlesex,
Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Stoneham qualified to vote in elections and Town affairs to meet in the **Stoneham Town Hall, 35 Central Street, Stoneham** on

Monday, May 2, 2016

at 8:00 o'clock in the evening to act upon the following articles of this Warrant:

Article 1:

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Stoneham Town Code, Chapter 15 Zoning Bylaws, by amending Section 6.7 Signs, as follows, with additions to the current Section 6.7 underlined below and deletions shown as strikeouts:

6.7 SIGNS:

6.7.4 *Definitions:*

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6.7.4.1 Animated sign: Any sign that uses movement or change of lighting to depict action or create a special effect or scene. This includes any on-premise sign that displays, or is capable of displaying, or has the ability to display, an electronic image or video, which could include text, as well as any sign that uses or is capable of using lights or similar form of electronic display such as light emitting diodes (LEDs) to form a sign message or messages with text and or images wherein the sequence of messages or the rate of change is electronically programmed or can be modified by electronic processes. This definition includes without limitation any on-premise sign that displays or utilizes, or is capable of displaying or utilizing, or has the ability to display or utilize television screens, plasma screens, digital screens, LED displays, video, video boards, and holographic displays, as well as still images,

scrolling images or moving images, utilizing a series or grid of lights that may be changed through electronic means, including cathode ray, plasma screen, liquid crystal (LCD) display, fiber optic or other electronic media or technology.

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6.7.4.5 ~~Billboard: A sign which does not advertise a business or profession conducted, a service offered or a commodity sold upon the premises where such sign is located.~~ An advertising sign or other commercial sign which directs attention to a business, commodity, service or attraction sold, offered or existing elsewhere than upon the same lot where such sign is displayed. This is also known as an off-premise commercial sign or a non-accessory sign.

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6.7.4.11 Changeable copy sign: A sign that is designed so that characters, letters or illustrations can be changed or rearranged either manually or automatically without altering the [non-letter] face of the sign.

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6.7.4.16 Flashing sign: A sign that contains an intermittent or sequential flashing light source, including a sign which exhibits changes in light or color.

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6.7.4.26 On-premise sign: A sign that pertains to the use of the premises on which it is located and maintained, also known as an accessory sign. This is distinguished from a billboard, i.e., an off-premise commercial sign, also known as a non-accessory sign.

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6.7.5 *Prohibited signs:*

The following types of signs are prohibited:

- (a) Animated, moving, flashing, and revolving signs; beacons; searchlights; pennants, portable signs; and balloons.
- (b) Off-premise signs and billboards, except for non-commercial signs and signs permitted pursuant to Sections 6.7.6 (e) and 6.7.8.
- (c) Roof signs.

- (d) Portable signs on wheeled trailers.
- (e) Signs which are attached in any form, shape or manner to a fire escape.
- (f) Any sign not specifically permitted in this bylaw is prohibited.

(g) A prohibited sign includes an on-premise sign that is operated so as to display an electronic image or video, including text, or that is operated using lights, or any form of electronic display, such as light emitting diodes (LEDs), liquid crystal (LCD) displays, plasma screens, cathode rays or any other electronic media or technology, to form a sign message or messages with text and or images wherein the sequence of messages or the rate of change is electronically programmed or can be modified by electronic processes. This includes an on-premise sign that displays any message through an intermittent or sequential light source, which for purposes of this section means more than once per day.

6.7.5.1 Operation of On-Premise Signs - Prohibition.

An on-premise sign shall not be allowed to be operated so as to display an electronic image or video, including text, or use lights or any similar form of electronic display such as light emitting diodes (LEDs), liquid crystal (LCD) displays, plasma screens, cathode rays or any other electronic media to form a sign message or messages with text and or images wherein the sequence of messages or the rate of change is electronically programmed or can be modified by electronic processes. This prohibition on the operation of an on-premise sign includes without limitation any television screen, plasma screen, digital screen, cathode ray, Light emitting diode (LED) display, liquid crystal display (LCD), video display, scrolling image, moving image, video board, holographic display, as well as any other type of display by way of any other electronic means, media or technology, including the display of any still image. On-premise signs may not be operated so as to display any message through an intermittent or sequential light source; and for purposes of this section, intermittent shall mean more than once per day.

6.7.8 *Off-Premise and billboard sign:*

6.7.8.1 Applications: Off-Premise and billboard signs or non-accessory commercial signs (hereinafter also referred to as “signs”billboards in this Section 6.7.8) shall be permitted in the Commercial I and Commercial III Zoning Districts only by grant of a Special Permit issued by the Planning Board. Special permits may be limited to a term of years specified by the Planning Board. Any person desiring a Special Permit under this section shall submit a Special Permit application to the Planning Board together with a filing fee of \$2,500.00 and ten (10) copies of the application materials as outlined below:

- (a) Site Plan and area maps identifying the following features:
 - (i) Location of any existing buildings, parking spaces and traffic circulation pattern on the subject parcel;

- (ii) Proximity of nearest residentially used and residentially zoned property utilizing current area photographs and Stoneham Assessors Maps;
- (iii) Specific location of proposed ~~sign~~ billboard;
- (iv) Details of proposed buffer/landscaping area around billboards ~~signage~~ including species and caliper of trees and/or shrubbery;
- (v) Location of an existing ~~sign(s)~~ billboard(s) on the parcel, including any billboards ~~signs~~ on a building; and
- (vi) Photographs or architectural depiction of proposed billboard ~~sign~~.

- (b) Billboard Sign details shall include the following information:
 - (i) Detailed dimensions and area of any proposed single or multi-faced ~~sign~~ billboard;
 - (ii) Detail sheet of any proposed support structure specifying dimensions and construction type. Upon request by the Planning Board or the Building Inspector, the Applicant shall provide a structural analysis of the support structure stamped by a licensed structural engineer; and,
 - (iii) Lighting proposal, including cut sheets of all proposed lighting fixtures to be either attached to the billboard ~~sign~~, structure or affixed to the ground.
- (c) Additional Requirements:
 - (i) Authorization from the property owner (i.e., lease, etc.) granting permission to install ~~proposed signage~~ the proposed billboard and
 - (ii) Any additional information as may be required by the Planning Board to assist the Board in determining whether the application complies with the intent and requirements of this Section 6.7.8.

- 6.7.8.2 Dimensional Restrictions and Design Guidelines: All billboards ~~signs~~ shall be in compliance with the following requirements:
1. Signs Billboards shall be permitted in the Commercial I and Commercial III Zoning Districts, provided, however, that no ~~sign~~ billboards shall be located further than 100' from any interstate highway layout;
 2. Signs Billboards shall not create a material visual impact to any abutting or adjacent residentially zoned and used property in the Town of Stoneham;
 3. All billboards ~~signs~~ must be permanently affixed to a main support structure. No portable ~~signs~~ billboards shall be permitted.
 4. Billboards Signs shall not have excessive lighting. Electronic ~~signs~~ billboards shall use automatic level controls to reduce light levels at night and under cloudy or other darkened conditions.

5. Exposed back of signs billboards, poles and other support structures must be painted in a color and finished so as to present an attractive and finished appearance which will blend with the natural surroundings.
6. The following types of signs billboards are prohibited:
 - (i) Animated, projected, moving or giving the illusion of movement (including any moving parts), scrolling, flashing (other than as addressed pursuant to Section 6.7.8.2 (6) (ii) and (iii) below), revolving, and blinking, and intermittently (see flashing) illuminated signs billboards, beacons (or any light directed at any location other than the sign billboard itself), searchlights, pennants, and inflatable signs billboards, including balloons;
 - (ii) Signs Billboards with physical movements or any kind that change at intervals of more than once every eight (8) seconds;
 - (iii) Changeable copy or message signs billboards that change at intervals of more than once every eight (8) seconds. Changes of image shall be instantaneous as seen to the human eye and shall not use fading, rolling, window shading, dissolving or similar effects;
 - (iv) Tri-vision signs billboards;
 - (v) Video billboards signs or billboards signs that otherwise give the illusion of video or moving images;
 - (vi) Signs Billboards with sound;
 - (vii) Signs Billboards with pyrotechnics;
 - (viii) Signs Billboards which by reason of position, wording, illustration, size, shape or color obstruct, impair, obscure, interfere with the view of, or may be confused with any traffic control signal or device or which may otherwise obstruct or interfere with traffic.
7. (a) There shall be no more than one sign billboard in the Commercial I Zoning District;
- (b) There shall be no more than one sign billboard along the interstate highway layout in the Commercial III Zoning District.
8. A sign billboard may be double sided. An individual sign billboard or sign billboard face shall not exceed six hundred seventy-two (672) square feet in total area on each side and shall not exceed fourteen (14) feet in height by forty-eight (48) feet in width, as calculated pursuant to Section 6.7.3.1 of these Zoning Bylaws;
9. A sign billboard shall be mounted on a pedestal or other support structure. The top of the sign billboard shall not exceed fifty (50) feet in height from the elevation of the Interstate Highway immediately adjacent thereto. The bottom of the sign billboard shall not exceed seventy (70) feet in height from the normal grade as calculated pursuant to Section 6.7.3.3 of these Zoning Bylaws;
10. There shall be no sign billboard, including a roof sign billboard, on any building, whether erected or otherwise placed or painted on the building;
11. No sign billboard shall be on or otherwise attached to a tree, utility pole, fence or rock;

12. Lighting or other illumination related to the proposed sign billboard shall not project, glare or negatively impact abutting properties and shall not shine onto abutting roadways;
13. The Applicant shall provide a 10' wide landscaped buffer around the base of the support structure to minimize its visual impact.

6.7.8.3 Criteria for Approval: The Planning Board shall not approve any applications for a Special Permit under Section 6.7.8 unless it finds that all of the following conditions are met and/or are incorporated into any Special Permit decision:

1. The specific site is an appropriate location for the proposed sign billboard and the design and layout complies with the standards and requirements set forth in this Bylaw;
2. The proposed sign billboard will not adversely affect the abutting neighborhood or have the effect of causing a hazard to motorists;
3. The sign billboard is in accordance with Section 7.4.3.1 of the Zoning Bylaws. Any Special Permit decision shall require compliance with Section 6.7.7.2 "Certificate of Insurance";
4. Any Special Permit decision shall require compliance with Section 6.7.7.3 "Location of sign billboard; inclusion of permit number on sign billboard";
5. Any Special Permit decision shall require compliance with Section 6.7.7.5 "Maintenance; inspection";
6. All permits are subject to any necessary approvals, restrictions and conditions required and/or issued by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and/or the federal Government; and,

The Planning Board, in granting the special permit, shall attach such additional conditions and safeguards as it deems necessary.

6.7.8.4 Sign Maintenance/Removal:

- (a) All signs billboards and supporting structures shall be kept in good repair and free from tear, rust, and other indices of deterioration.
- (b) If a sign billboard permitted under Section 6.7.8 is abandoned, discontinued, blank, or is in disrepair for a period of ninety (90) days, it shall be cause for its removal. (For purposes of this section, a sign billboard is "blank" if:
 - (i) there is no advertising copy paid for by a person other than the sign billboard owner or advertising an interest other than the rental of the sign for said ninety (90) day period;
 - (ii) it advertises a business or service, enterprise or activity that is no longer operating or being offered or conducted; or
 - (iii) the advertising message it displays becomes illegible in whole or substantial part.) The Building Inspector shall notify the owner and/or manager of the sign billboard and property owner in writing, specifying a forty-five (45) day period to remove or repair. If

the sign billboard has not been removed or repaired within the time period to the satisfaction of the Building Inspector, the Building Inspector may revoke the sign billboard permit and cause the sign billboard to be removed forthwith. All expenses for the removal shall be borne by the sign billboard owner and/or property owner as determined by the Building Inspector.

If the Building Inspector determines that a sign billboard is an immediate threat to public safety irrespective of any stays granted to the sign billboard and/or property owner, the Building Inspector may cause any sign billboard, abandoned or not, and any portion of its support structure if deemed part of the public threat, to be immediately removed, and/or the threatened public area cordoned off. All expenses for protecting the public, including the removal of said sign billboard or stabilization of the public safety threat, shall be borne by the signowner billboard owner and/or property owner as determined by the Building Inspector. A sign billboard which is not abandoned may be returned to its original position, but only after repairs have been made and the public safety threat abated, to the satisfaction of the Building Inspector.

6.7.8.5 Surety:

The Applicant shall provide a financial surety to the Town which will cover the full cost of the removal of any sign billboard which is found to be abandoned, discontinued, blank or is in disrepair, as determined under Section 6.7.8.4. The Applicant shall deposit with the Town Accountant a surety in an amount which shall be determined by the Planning Board. Upon removal of the sign billboard, any remaining funds shall be returned to the Applicant without interest.

6.7.8.6 Nothing in this Section 6.7.8 shall be applicable to On-Premise Signs, also known as accessory signs.

Or do anything in relation thereto.

Planning Board

Motion for Article Number 1:

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4. Signs Billboards shall not have excessive lighting. Electronic ~~signs billboards~~ shall use automatic level controls to reduce light levels at night and under cloudy or other darkened conditions.
5. Exposed back of ~~signs billboards~~, poles and other support structures must be painted in a color and finished so as to present an attractive and finished appearance which will blend with the natural surroundings.
6. The following types of ~~signs billboards~~ are prohibited:
 - (i) Animated, projected, moving or giving the illusion of movement (including any moving parts), scrolling, flashing (other than as addressed pursuant to Section 6.7.8.2 (6) (ii) and (iii) below), revolving, and blinking, and intermittently (see flashing) illuminated ~~signs billboards~~, beacons (or any light directed at any location other than the ~~sign billboard~~ itself), searchlights, pennants, and inflatable ~~signs billboards~~, including balloons;
 - (ii) Signs Billboards with physical movements ~~or of any kind that change at intervals of more than once every eight (8) seconds~~;

- (iii) Changeable copy or message ~~signs~~ billboards that change at intervals of more than once every eight (8) seconds. Changes of image shall be instantaneous as seen to the human eye and shall not use fading, rolling, window shading, dissolving or similar effects;
 - (iv) Tri-vision ~~signs~~ billboards;
 - (v) Video billboards ~~signs~~ or ~~signs~~ billboards that otherwise give the illusion of video or moving images;
 - (vi) ~~Signs~~ Billboards with sound;
 - (vii) ~~Signs~~ Billboards with pyrotechnics;
 - (viii) ~~Signs~~ Billboards which by reason of position, wording, illustration, size, shape or color obstruct, impair, obscure, interfere with the view of, or may be confused with any traffic control signal or device or which may otherwise obstruct or interfere with traffic.
7. (a) There shall be no more than one ~~sign~~ billboard in the Commercial I Zoning District;
 - (b) There shall be no more than one ~~sign~~ billboard along the interstate highway layout in the Commercial III Zoning District.
 8. A ~~sign~~ billboard may be double sided. An individual ~~sign~~ billboard or ~~sign~~ billboard face shall not exceed six hundred seventy-two (672) square feet in total area on each side and shall not exceed fourteen (14) feet in height by forty-eight (48) feet in width, as calculated pursuant to Section 6.7.3.1 of these Zoning Bylaws;
 9. A ~~sign~~ billboard shall be mounted on a pedestal or other support structure. The top of the ~~sign~~ billboard shall not exceed fifty (50) feet in height from the elevation of the Interstate Highway immediately adjacent thereto. The bottom of the ~~sign~~ billboard shall not exceed seventy (70) feet in height from the normal grade as calculated pursuant to Section 6.7.3.3 of these Zoning Bylaws;
 10. There shall be no ~~sign~~ billboard, including a roof ~~sign~~ billboard, on any building, whether erected or otherwise placed or painted on the building;
 11. No ~~sign~~ billboard shall be on or otherwise attached to a tree, utility pole, fence or rock;
 12. Lighting or other illumination related to the proposed ~~sign~~ billboard shall not project, glare or negatively impact abutting properties and shall not shine onto abutting roadways;
 13. The Applicant shall provide a 10' wide landscaped buffer around the base of the support structure to minimize its visual impact.

6.7.8.3 Criteria for Approval: The Planning Board shall not approve any applications for a Special Permit under Section 6.7.8 unless it finds that all of the following conditions are met and/or are incorporated into any Special Permit decision:

1. The specific site is an appropriate location for the proposed sign billboard and the design and layout complies with the standards and requirements set forth in this Bylaw;
2. The proposed sign billboard will not adversely affect the abutting neighborhood or have the effect of causing a hazard to motorists;
3. The sign billboard is in accordance with Section 7.4.3.1 of the Zoning Bylaws. Any Special Permit decision shall require compliance with Section 6.7.7.2 "Certificate of Insurance";
4. Any Special Permit decision shall require compliance with Section 6.7.7.3 "Location of sign billboard; inclusion of permit number on sign billboard";
5. Any Special Permit decision shall require compliance with Section 6.7.7.5 "Maintenance; inspection";
6. All permits are subject to any necessary approvals, restrictions and conditions required and/or issued by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and/or the federal Government; and,

The Planning Board, in granting the special permit, shall attach such additional conditions and safeguards as it deems necessary.

6.7.8.4 Sign Maintenance/Removal:

- (a) All signs billboards and supporting structures shall be kept in good repair and free from tear, rust, and other indices of deterioration.
- (b) If a sign billboard permitted under Section 6.7.8 is abandoned, discontinued, blank, or is in disrepair for a period of ninety (90) days, it shall be cause for its removal. (For purposes of this section, a sign billboard is "blank" if:
 - (i) there is no advertising copy paid for by a person other than the sign billboard owner or advertising an interest other than the rental of the sign for said ninety (90) day period;
 - (ii) it advertises a business or service, enterprise or activity that is no longer operating or being offered or conducted; or
 - (iii) the advertising message it displays becomes illegible in whole or substantial part.) The Building Inspector shall notify the owner and/or manager of the sign billboard and property owner in writing, specifying a forty-five (45) day period to remove or repair. If the sign billboard has not

been removed or repaired within the time period to the satisfaction of the Building Inspector, the Building Inspector may revoke the sign billboard permit and cause the sign billboard to be removed forthwith. All expenses for the removal shall be borne by the sign billboard owner and/or property owner as determined by the Building Inspector.

If the Building Inspector determines that a sign billboard is an immediate threat to public safety irrespective of any stays granted to the sign billboard and/or property owner, the Building Inspector may cause any sign billboard, abandoned or not, and any portion of its support structure if deemed part of the public threat, to be immediately removed, and/or the threatened public area cordoned off. All expenses for protecting the public, including the removal of said sign billboard or stabilization of the public safety threat, shall be borne by the signowner billboard owner and/or property owner as determined by the Building Inspector. A sign billboard which is not abandoned may be returned to its original position, but only after repairs have been made and the public safety threat abated, to the satisfaction of the Building Inspector.

6.7.8.5 Surety:

The Applicant shall provide a financial surety to the Town which will cover the full cost of the removal of any sign billboard which is found to be abandoned, discontinued, blank or is in disrepair, as determined under Section 6.7.8.4. The Applicant shall deposit with the Town Accountant a surety in an amount which shall be determined by the Planning Board. Upon removal of the sign billboard, any remaining funds shall be returned to the Applicant without interest.

6.7.8.6 Nothing in this Section 6.7.8 shall be applicable to On-Premise Signs, also known as accessory signs.

Planning Board

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Article 2: To see if the Town will vote to amend the Stoneham Town Code, Chapter 9, Section 15, as follows, with addition to the current section as underlined below:

Chapter 19, Section 15:

All retail business establishments of any kind, nature or description, including, but not limited to convenience store, supermarkets and department stores, but excluding the restaurants and gasoline selling stations for the retail distribution of petroleum products and the retail and the convenience store products, in town shall be closed between the hours of 12:00 A.M. and 6:00 P.M. each day. (This change would allow a gas station/convenience store to be open 24 hours).

Arthur Sordillo

Motion for Article Number 2: Petitioner to present at Town meeting.

ARTICLE 13: ARTHUR SORDILLO TO PRESENT AT TOWN MEETING.

ARTICLE 13: THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN RECOMENDS UNFAVORABLE ACTION.

ARTICLE 12: THE FINANCE AND ADVISORY BOARD RECOMMENDS UNFAVORABLE ACTION.

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Article 3: To see if the Town will vote to accept as a Public Way the following way as laid out by the Town Administrator and further described as follows:

A certain roadway situated in the Town of Stoneham, County of Middlesex, Commonwealth of Massachusetts, bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at a point, on the easterly sideline of MacArthur Road and the southwesterly corner of land of Maryellen Sheehan, thence;

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| N 81°33'26" E | a distance of One Hundred Seventy-Seven and Twenty-Seven Hundredths (177.27') feet to a point, thence; |
| Northeasterly | along a curve to the left, a distance of Forty-Four and Eighty-Two Hundredths (44.82') feet with a radius of Eighty and Fifty Hundredths (80.50') feet to a point, thence; |
| N 49°39'20" E | a distance of One Hundred One and Thirty-Two Hundredths (101.32') feet to a point, thence; |
| Northerly | along a curve to the left, a distance of Thirty-Four and Forty-Three Hundredths (34.43') feet with a radius of Twenty-Five and Zero Hundredths (25.00') feet to a point, thence; |
| Southeasterly | along a non-tangent curve to the left, a distance of Eighty-Three and Fourteen Hundredths (83.14') feet with a radius of Two Hundred Fifty and Zero Hundredths (250.00') feet to a point, thence; |
| Westerly | along a non-tangent curve to the left, a distance of Thirty-Five and Seventy-Nine Hundredths (35.79') feet with a radius of Twenty-Five and Zero Hundredths (25.00') feet to a point, thence; |
| S 49°39'20" W | a distance of Ninety-Eight and Eighty-Four Hundredths (98.84') feet to a point, thence; |
| Westerly | along a curve to the right, a distance of Sixty-Seven and Sixty-Five Hundredths (67.65') feet with a radius of One Hundred Twenty-One and Fifty Hundredths (121.50') feet to a point, thence; |
| S 81°33'26" W | a distance of One Hundred Eighty-One and Eighty-Nine Hundredths (181.89') feet to a point, thence; |
| N 02°00'57" W | a distance of Forty-One and Twenty-Six Hundredths (41.26') feet to the point of beginning. |

The roadway described is shown as "Spalding Road" on a plan to be recorded entitled, "Road Acceptance Plan of Land in Stoneham and Wakefield, MA," by Hancock Associates, dated December 23, 2015. Said "Spalding Road" contains Fourteen Thousand Eight Hundred and Forty-Six square feet more or less (14,846+/- S.F.)

Charles F. Houghton
15 Kimball Drive

Motion for Article Number 3: Move that the Town vote to accept as a Public Way the following way as laid out by the Town Administrator and further described as follows:

A certain roadway situated in the Town of Stoneham, County of Middlesex, Commonwealth of Massachusetts, bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at a point, on the easterly sideline of MacArthur Road and the southwesterly corner of land of Maryellen Sheehan, thence;

N 81°33'26" E a distance of One Hundred Seventy-Seven and Twenty-Seven Hundredths (177.27') feet to a point, thence;

Northeasterly along a curve to the left, a distance of Forty-Four and Eighty-Two Hundredths (44.82') feet with a radius of Eighty and Fifty Hundredths (80.50') feet to a point, thence;

N 49°39'20" E a distance of One Hundred One and Thirty-Two Hundredths (101.32') feet to a point, thence;

Northerly along a curve to the left, a distance of Thirty-Four and Forty-Three Hundredths (34.43') feet with a radius of Twenty-Five and Zero Hundredths (25.00') feet to a point, thence;

Southeasterly along a non-tangent curve to the left, a distance of Eighty-Three and Fourteen Hundredths (83.14') feet with a radius of Two Hundred Fifty and Zero Hundredths (250.00') feet to a point, thence;

Westerly along a non-tangent curve to the left, a distance of Thirty-Five and Seventy-Nine Hundredths (35.79') feet with a radius of Twenty-Five and Zero Hundredths (25.00') feet to a point, thence;

S 49°39'20" W a distance of Ninety-Eight and Eighty-Four Hundredths (98.84') feet to a point, thence;

Westerly along a curve to the right, a distance of Sixty-Seven and Sixty-Five Hundredths (67.65') feet with a radius of One Hundred Twenty-One and Fifty Hundredths (121.50') feet to a point, thence;

S 81°33'26" W a distance of One Hundred Eighty-One and Eighty-Nine Hundredths (181.89') feet to a point, thence;

N 02°00'57" W a distance of Forty-One and Twenty-Six Hundredths (41.26') feet to the point of beginning.

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Charles F. Houghton
15 Kimball Drive

ARTICLE 13: CHARLES F. HOUGHTON TO PRESENT AT TOWN MEETING.

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