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**TOWN OF ACTON, MAINE
WARRANT
TO
Robert Anderson
A CITIZEN IN THE TOWN OF ACTON
YORK, SS
GREETINGS:**

In the name of the State of Maine you are hereby requested to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town of Acton, qualified to vote in Town affairs to assemble at the Acton Town Hall on June 14, 2016 at **8 o'clock in the morning** to act on the following articles, to wit:

ARTICLE 1: To choose a moderator for said meeting.

Richard Nass was elected moderator by written secret ballot.

ARTICLE 2: To elect by secret ballot: one (1) Selectman, Assessor and Overseer of the Poor for a three year term.

151	KRYZAK, JR., THEODORE J.
451	MILLER, ELISE M. - ELECTED
53	MORSE, JONATHAN H.
16	BLANKS/WRITE-INS

ARTICLE 3: To elect by secret ballot: one (1) Road Commissioner (Northerly District One) for a three year term.

236	LETOURNAU, JOSEPH D.
433	MOONEY, SCOTT E. - ELECTED
2	BLANKS/WRITE-INS

ARTICLE 4: To elect by secret ballot: One (1) member of the School Committee for a one year term, and one (1) member of the School Committee for a three year term.

One (1) member of the School Committee for a one year term:

495	BEARSE, JEANETTE E. - ELECTED
176	BLANKS/WRITE-INS

One (1) member of the School Committee for a three year term:

518	COBB, AMANDA - ELECTED
153	BLANKS/WRITE-INS

ARTICLE 5: Shall the Town vote to allow the Treasurer to execute a bond in the Town of Acton's name in the amount of \$75,527 for a 5 year term with an interest rate of (up to) 6%, to raise and appropriate (up to) \$17,522 for the payments on the loan; **and** appropriate a total of \$100,000 for the purpose of purchasing a +/- 25 acre parcel of land, which is a portion of Map 220 Lot 002, known as Romac Orchards including the summit of Goat Hill. The balance of funds, \$24,473 shall come from the

Forestry Committee Reserve Fund. *Said purchase is contingent upon fundraising efforts of the Three River Land Trust to contribute an additional \$75,000 prior to June 30, 2017.*

Treasurer's Financial Statement

1. Total Indebtedness.

a. Bonds outstanding and unpaid:	\$ 574,846
b. Bonds authorized and un-issued:	\$ 0
c. Bonds to be issued if this question is approved	\$ 75,527

Total: \$ 650,373

2. Costs.

At an estimated maximum interest rate of 6% for a 5 year maturity, the estimated cost of this bond issue will be \$87,609.

Principal:	\$75,527
Interest:	\$12,082
Total Debt Service:	\$87,609

3. Validity.

The validity of the bonds and the voters' ratification of the bonds may not be affected by any errors in the above estimates. If the actual amount of the total debt services of the bond issues varies from the estimate, the ratification by the electors is nevertheless conclusive and the validity of the bond issue is not affected by reason of the variance.

**Signed this 4th Day of April, 2016
ss/Michelle L. Rumney, Treasurer**

326	YES - ARTICLE 5 PASSED
257	NO
88	BLANKS/WRITE-INS

The polls for election of officers and the referendum questions will open immediately after the election of a Moderator and will remain open until eight o'clock in the evening. After the closing of the polls, the meeting will be recessed until **Saturday, June 18, 2016 at Nine o'clock in the morning**, when action on the remaining articles will begin at the Acton Elementary School.

ARTICLE 7: To see if the Town will vote to abolish the existing Conservation Committee and Forest Committee, and combine their existing duties through the creation of a new "Conservation and Forest Committee," which shall be composed of Seven (7) members, all initially elected at the June 2016 Annual Town Meeting as follows:

Two (2) members elected for one (1) year; Two (2) members elected for two (2) years; and Two (2) members elected for three (3) years; and with each subsequently elected official to serve a three year term. The seventh member of the Committee shall be the Town Forester.

Board of Selectmen Recommends: Approve the article as written (3 yes, 0 no)

Warrant and Finance Committee Recommends: Approve the article as written (6 yes, 0 no)

Larissa Crockett made a motion to approve the article as written and as recommended by the Warrant and Finance Committee. Seconded by William Williams, motion carried, article passed.

ARTICLE 8: To choose Two (2) members of the Conservation and Forest Committee for a one (1) year term; Two (2) members for a two (2) year term; and Two (2) members for a three (3) year term.

(If Article 7 fails, postpone this article indefinitely)

Two (2) members for a one (1) year term:

Hannah Phillips	39 - Elected
Mark Hurd	37 - Elected
Robert Seckar	17

Two (2) members for a two (2) year term:

Wesley Ham	19 - Elected
William Maloney	16 - Elected
Mark Hurd	2

Two (2) members for a three (3) year term:

Carl Davis	19 - Elected
Thomas Cashin	17 - Elected

ARTICLE 9: To choose three (3) members of the Warrant and Finance Committee for a two year term,(Brian Bisson, Nancy Ruma and Tom Cashin's term expired (Cashin's alternate seat became regular member with Neal's resignation) one (1) alternate member for a two year term (Cashin's alternate)

Three (3) members for a two year term:

Nancy Ruma	42 - Elected
Thomas Cashin	35 - Elected
Sarah Cognata	26 - Elected
Rollin Waterhouse	21

One (1) alternate member for a two year term:

Rollin Waterhouse	4 - Elected
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ARTICLE 10: To choose two (2) members to the Town Road Committee for a two year term. (Robert T. Gore and Richard Weymouth's terms have expired)

Robert T. Gore	3 - Elected
VACANT	No Other Nominations Received

ARTICLE 11: To choose two (2) members to the Town Forest Committee for a three year term (Wesley Ham and Mark Hurd's terms have expired)

(If Article 7 passes this article shall be tabled indefinitely)

Article 11 tabled indefinitely.

ARTICLE 12: To see if the Town will vote to make the following changes to the Town of Acton Zoning Ordinance.

~~4.2.2.6 (a) -- SPECIAL EXCEPTIONS -- The Planning Board may approve a Conditional Use Permit for a single family residential structure and any accessory structures in the Resource Protection District, provided that the applicant demonstrates that all of the following conditions are met:~~

- ~~a. There is no location on the property, other than a location within the Resource Protection District, where the structure can be built;~~
- ~~b. The lot on which the structure is proposed was established and recorded in the York County Registry of Deeds before the adoption of the Resource Protection District (9/29/2011);~~
- ~~c. All proposed buildings, sewage disposal systems and other improvements are:
 - ~~1. Located on natural ground slopes of less than 20%; and~~
 - ~~2. Located outside of 75 feet, horizontal distance, of a stream or upland edge of a wetland;~~~~
- ~~d. The total ground floor area of all principal and accessory structures within the Resource Protection Buffer is limited to a maximum of 1,500 square feet.~~

Board of Selectmen Recommends: Approve the article as written (3 yes, 0 no)

Warrant and Finance Committee Recommends: Approve the article as written (5 yes, 1 no)

Larissa Crockett made a motion to approve the article as written and as recommended by the Warrant and Finance Committee. Seconded by William Williams, motion carried, article passed.

ARTICLE 13: To see if the Town will vote to make the following changes to the Town of Acton Zoning Ordinance.

~~4.2.2.6 (b) -- SPECIAL EXCEPTIONS -- The Planning Board may approve a Conditional Use Permit for a single family residential structure and any accessory structures in the Resource Protection District, outside of the Shoreland Zone, provided that the applicant demonstrates that all of the following conditions are met:~~

- ~~a. There is no location on the property, other than a location within the Resource Protection District, where the structure can be built;~~
- ~~b. The lot on which the structure is proposed was established and recorded in the York County Registry of Deeds before the adoption of the Resource Protection District (9/29/2011);~~

~~c. All proposed buildings, sewage disposal systems and other improvements are:~~

~~1. Located on natural ground slopes of less than 20%; and~~

~~2. Located outside of 75 feet, horizontal distance, of a stream or upland edge of a wetland;~~

~~d. The total ground floor area of all principal and accessory structures within the Resource Protection Buffer is limited to a maximum of 1,500 square feet.~~

Board of Selectmen Recommends: Approve the article as written (2 yes, 1 no)

Warrant and Finance Committee Recommends: Approve the article as written (5 yes, 1 no)

Larissa Crockett made a motion to approve the article as written and as recommended by the Warrant and Finance Committee. Seconded by William Williams, motion carried, article passed.

ARTICLE 14: To see if the Town will authorize the Board of Selectmen to appropriate and expend monies from the undesignated fund balance for the purchase of equipment or to use as they deem advisable to meet unanticipated expenses and emergencies that occur during fiscal year ~~2016~~ 2017. (Maximum expenditure of \$15,000.00).

Board of Selectmen Recommends: Approve the article as written (3 yes, 0 no)

Warrant and Finance Committee Recommends: Approve the article as written (6 yes, 0 no)

Larissa Crockett made a motion to approve the article as written and as recommended by the Warrant and Finance Committee. Seconded by William Williams, motion carried, article passed.

ARTICLE 15: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to reimburse the members of the Acton Fire and Rescue for any National Disaster or State of Emergency, or other emergency situation that exceeds 8 hours in duration, at the same rates as established by ~~Article 37~~ 8 to be assigned at the Fire Chief's discretion. Firefighters or Rescue members same as laborers, Fire Chief same as Road Commissioner, funds to come from the undesignated fund balance if the event is not a declared event or money is not available in the Emergency Disaster Reserve Fund.

Board of Selectmen Recommends: Approve the article as written (3 yes, 0 no)

Warrant and Finance Committee Recommends: Approve the article as written (6 yes, 0 no)

Larissa Crockett made a motion to approve the article as written and as recommended by the Warrant and Finance Committee. Seconded by William Williams, motion carried, article passed.

ARTICLE 16: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to dispose of surplus town-owned equipment, having a value of less than or equal to \$500.00, on such terms and conditions as they deem advisable and to execute any necessary documents to accomplish said purpose. (All equipment having a value of more than \$500.00 shall be put out to public bid). Funds received from such sales shall be placed in a Capital Reserve account for the associated department.

Board of Selectmen Recommends: Approve the article as written (3 yes, 0 no)

Warrant and Finance Committee Recommends: Approve the article as written (6 yes, 0 no)

Larissa Crockett made a motion to approve the article as written and as recommended by the Warrant and Finance Committee. Seconded by William Williams, motion carried, article passed.

ARTICLE 17: To see if the Town will vote to put the funds received from the sale of the tax acquired property during the year 2016/2017 into the Capital Improvement Fund.

Board of Selectmen Recommends: Approve the article as written (3 yes, 0 no)

Warrant and Finance Committee Recommends: Approve the article as written (6 yes, 0 no)

Larissa Crockett made a motion to approve the article as written and as recommended by the Warrant and Finance Committee. Seconded by William Williams, motion carried, article passed.

ARTICLE 18: To see if the Town will authorize the Board of Selectmen to sell any tax-acquired property and to issue a quit claim deed for the same. Sale to be by sealed bids or public auction if to other than the owner of record at the time of foreclosure, and no Selectman during the term of his or her office may acquire from the Town any interest in real estate acquired by the Town on account of nonpayment of taxes unless the owner of record at the time of foreclosure was the Selectman or the son, daughter, spouse, or parent of the Selectman.

Board of Selectmen Recommends: Approve the article as written (3 yes, 0 no)

Warrant and Finance Committee Recommends: Approve the article as written (6 yes, 0 no)

Larissa Crockett made a motion to approve the article as written and as recommended by the Warrant and Finance Committee. Seconded by William Williams, motion carried, article passed.

ARTICLE 19: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen, upon request of the Treasurer, to allow the Treasurer to waive foreclosure of a tax lien on a specified property for a specified year with reference to the Tax Lien Certificate recorded in the York County Registry of Deeds, in circumstances where the Board of Selectmen determine that foreclosure may encumber the Town.

Board of Selectmen Recommends: Approve the article as written (3 yes, 0 no)

Warrant and Finance Committee Recommends: Approve the article as written (5 yes, 1 no)

Larissa Crockett made a motion to approve the article as written and as recommended by the Warrant and Finance Committee. Seconded by William Williams, motion carried, article passed.

ARTICLE 20: To see if the Town will vote to have Real Estate and Personal Property taxes first payment come due on October 14, 2016 and the second payment on April 14, 2017.

Board of Selectmen Recommends: Approve the article as written (3 yes, 0 no)

Warrant and Finance Committee Recommends: Approve the article as written (6 yes, 0 no)

Larissa Crockett made a motion to approve the article as written and as recommended by the Warrant and Finance Committee. Seconded by William Williams, motion carried, article passed.

ARTICLE 21: To see what interest the Town will vote to charge on all taxes after October 14, 2016 and April 14, 2017. Maximum rate of interest allowed is 7 % per annum.

Board of Selectmen Recommends: Interest rate of 7% per annum (3 yes, 0 no)

Warrant and Finance Committee Recommends: Interest rate of 7% per annum (6 yes, 0 no)

Larissa Crockett made a motion to approve the article as written and allow a maximum of 7% per annum as recommended by the Warrant and Finance Committee. Seconded by William Williams, motion carried, article passed.

ARTICLE 22: To see if the Town will vote to set the interest rate to be paid by the Town on abated taxes at 3%, pursuant to 36 M.R.S.A. 506-A.

Board of Selectmen Recommends: Interest rate of 3% per annum (3 yes, 0 no)

Warrant and Finance Committee Recommends: Interest rate of 3% per annum (6 yes, 0 no)

Larissa Crockett made a motion to approve the article as written and as recommended by the Warrant and Finance Committee. Seconded by William Williams, motion carried, article passed.

ARTICLE 23: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Tax Collector to accept the pre-payment of taxes before the Tax Commitment.

Board of Selectmen Recommends: Approve the article as written (3 yes, 0 no)

Warrant and Finance Committee Recommends: Approve the article as written (6 yes, 0 no)

Larissa Crockett made a motion to approve the article as written and as recommended by the Warrant and Finance Committee. Seconded by William Williams, motion carried, article passed.

ARTICLE 24: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to make application for and execute any documents related to any grant or donation, to accept any such grants or donations or any fees and appropriate such funds for their designated use so long as they do not require matching funds or encumber the Town in any way. The Treasurer shall be notified of any grant applications and a copy shall be kept on file in the Treasurer's Office.

Board of Selectmen Recommends: Approve the article as written (3 yes, 0 no)

Warrant and Finance Committee Recommends: Approve the article as written (6 yes, 0 no)

Larissa Crockett made a motion to approve the article as written and as recommended by the Warrant and Finance Committee. Seconded by William Williams, motion carried, article passed.

ARTICLE 25: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate all the funds received from the State from snowmobile registration revenue to local Snowmobile Clubs for maintaining their snowmobile trails, on condition that those trails are to be open to the public for outdoor recreation purposes at no charge.

Board of Selectmen Recommends: Approve the article as written (3 yes, 0 no)

Warrant and Finance Committee Recommends: Approve the article as written (6 yes, 0 no)

Larissa Crockett made a motion to approve the article as written and as recommended by the Warrant and Finance Committee. Seconded by William Williams, motion carried, article passed.

ARTICLE 26: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate revenues received from MEMA/FEMA claims during the Fiscal Year into the Emergency Disaster Reserve Fund. Said funds are to be utilized at the discretion of the Board of Selectmen to restore budgets of the various departments for expenses incurred during a declared event.

Board of Selectmen Recommends: Approve the article as written (3 yes, 0 no)

Warrant and Finance Committee Recommends: Approve the article as written (5 yes, 1 no)

Larissa Crockett made a motion to approve the article as written and as recommended by the Warrant and Finance Committee. Seconded by William Williams, motion carried, article passed.

ARTICLE 27: To see if the Town will vote to join the Maine Public Employees Retirement System (MainePERS) as a new Participating Local District effective July 1, 2016, and:

- a) Acton votes to offer Regular Plan AN to its eligible general government employees. For its Firefighters, the Town elects to offer Special Plan 2N.
- b) The Town authorizes the Board of Selectmen to sign the contract between the Town of Acton and the Maine Public Employees Retirement System;
- c) The Town elects to exclude Part Time employees from the plan. Full-time is currently defined as a minimum of *21 hours per week on a continuing basis*. The following is a list of classes of employees who are **excluded** from MainePERS participation and who are currently covered under Social Security:

Volunteer Fire/EMS being paid stipends:

Per Diem Fire/EMS:

Road Department :

Election Workers:

Seasonal Transfer Station Workers:

- d) The Town will allow employees to purchase service rendered prior to July 1, 2016. The Town will not participate in the purchase of the prior service; employees are responsible for paying the full liability association with this service.

Board of Selectmen Recommends: Approval of joining Maine PERS (3 yes, 0 no)

Warrant and Finance Committee Recommends: To join Maine PERS, subject to the conditions contained in the article (6 yes, 0 no)

Larissa Crockett made a motion to approve the article as written and as recommended by the Warrant and Finance Committee. Seconded by William Williams, motion carried, article passed.

ARTICLE 28: To see if the Town will raise and appropriate **\$25,000** for contributions to the **Maine Public Employees Retirement System** (MainePERS) from July 1, 2016 to June 30, 2017.

Board of Selectmen Recommends: Approve the article as written (3 yes, 0 no)

Warrant and Finance Committee Recommends: Approve the article as written (6 yes, 0 no)

Larissa Crockett made a motion to approve the article as written and as recommended by the Warrant and Finance Committee. Seconded by William Williams, motion carried, article passed.

ARTICLE 29: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$763,687** for **GENERAL GOVERNMENT (Dept. 102)** for wages, operational costs, and employee benefits for the following departments:

102-01	Governing Body	\$ 29,389
102-02	Town Gym	\$ 4,550
102-03	Office Assistants	\$ 41,007
102-04	Warrant and Finance Committee	\$ 266
102-05	Municipal Management	\$ 436,079
102-07	Elections	\$ 6,883
102-08	Registrar of Voters	\$ 4,570
102-09	Planning Board	\$ 3,800
102-11	Finance/Treasury Dept	\$ 42,721
102-12	Town Clerk/Tax Collector Dept	\$ 46,997
102-13	Assessment Dept	\$ 41,400
102-15	CEO/Land Use Dept	\$ 106,025

Board of Selectmen Recommends: Approve the article as written (3 yes, 0 no)

Warrant and Finance Committee Recommends: Approve the article as written (6 yes, 0 no)

Larissa Crockett made a motion to approve the article as written and as recommended by the Warrant and Finance Committee. Seconded by William Williams, motion carried, article passed.

ARTICLE 30: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$4,108 FOR HEALTH & WELFARE (Dept 103)** this includes \$108 for Health Officer Stipend cost and \$4,000 for General Assistance.

Board of Selectmen Recommends: Approve the article as written (3 yes, 0 no)

Warrant and Finance Committee Recommends: Approve the article as written (6 yes, 0 no)

Larissa Crockett made a motion to approve the article as written and as recommended by the Warrant and Finance Committee. Seconded by William Williams, motion carried, article passed.

ARTICLE 31: To see if the Town will vote to allow the Selectmen to negotiate the renewal of the contract for **Contract Deputy Services** provided by the York County Sherriff's Department in conjunction with the Town of Shapleigh, for a period of up to 4 years; and to raise and appropriate **\$46,000** for the cost of the contract for the ensuing year.

Board of Selectmen Recommends: Approve the article as written (3 yes, 0 no)

Warrant and Finance Committee Recommends: Approve the article as written (6 yes, 0 no)

Larissa Crockett made a motion to approve the article as written and as recommended by the Warrant and Finance Committee. Seconded by William Williams, motion carried, article passed.

ARTICLE 32: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to hire a full time **Fire/Rescue Chief** and negotiate a salary not to exceed \$65,000. *(The appropriation for the salary is included in the article below)*

Board of Selectmen Recommends: Approve the article as written (3 yes, 0 no)

Warrant and Finance Committee Recommends: Approve the article as written (6 yes, 0 no)

Larissa Crockett made a motion to approve the article as written and as recommended by the Warrant and Finance Committee. Seconded by William Williams, motion carried, article passed.

ARTICLE 33: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$ **630,206** for **PUBLIC SAFETY (Dept 104)** to be expended as follows:

<u>Account</u>	<u>Department</u>	
104-03/05	Fire-Rescue Dept	\$ 588,163
104-07	Street Lights	\$ 1,700
104-09	Animal Control	\$ 9,783
104-30	Communications	\$ 29,267
104-40	EMA Director	\$ 1,293
TOTALS:		\$ 630,206

Board of Selectmen Recommends: Approve the article as written (3 yes, 0 no)

Warrant and Finance Committee Recommends: Approve the article as written (6 yes, 0 no)

Larissa Crockett made a motion to approve the article as written and as recommended by the Warrant and Finance Committee. Seconded by William Williams, motion carried, article passed.

ARTICLE 34: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate up to **\$31,000** from the *Undesignated Fund* for the repair of the **Fire Station Roof** at 1725 Route 109.

Board of Selectmen Recommends: Approve the article as written (3 yes, 0 no)

Warrant and Finance Committee Recommends: Approve the article as written (6 yes, 0 no)

Larissa Crockett made a motion to approve the article as written and as recommended by the Warrant and Finance Committee. Seconded by William Williams, motion carried, article passed.

ARTICLE 35: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$10,800** to the **EQUIPMENT EXPENSE RESERVE** for the Fire Department. **(Dept 104-03)**

Board of Selectmen Recommends: Approve the article as written (3 yes, 0 no)

Warrant and Finance Committee Recommends: Approve the article as written (5 yes, 1 no)

Larissa Crockett made a motion to approve the article as written and as recommended by the Warrant and Finance Committee. Seconded by William Williams, motion carried, article passed.

ARTICLE 36: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$0** to the **FIRE DEPARTMENT CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND** toward the future purchase of a new fire truck.

Board of Selectmen Recommends: Approve the article as written (3 yes, 0 no)

Warrant and Finance Committee Recommends: Approve the article as written (1 yes, 5 no)

Larissa Crockett made a motion to approve the article as written. Seconded by William Williams, motion carried, article passed.

ARTICLE 37: To see if the Town will vote to ratify the overdraft in the **Sand/Salt Stockpile** account in the amount of **\$13,801.06** from the undesignated fund.

Board of Selectmen Recommends: Approve the article as written (3 yes, 0 no)

Warrant and Finance Committee Recommends: Approve the article as written (6 yes, 0 no)

Larissa Crockett made a motion to approve the article as written and as recommended by the Warrant and Finance Committee. Seconded by William Williams, motion carried, article passed.

ARTICLE 38: To see if the Town will vote to pay wages and equipment for repair and maintenance of public ways according to the following schedule:

Wages

Road Commissioners	\$24.70 per hour
Laborer, Operators & Truck Drivers	\$11.00 to \$18.00 per hour

General Equipment

Backhoe 2WD	\$44.80 per hour
4WD	\$49.80 per hour
Loaders (base rate for 1 yd loader)	\$37.40 per hour
Loaders over 1 yd capacity	\$20.15 per hour per additional cubic yd capacity
Loading at stockpile	\$ 2.00 per cubic yard moved
Grader GVW 21,000	\$70.00 per hour
Chainsaw & hand held power tools	\$ 6.98 per hour
Mowing Tractor	\$36.00 per hour
Trucks 4 cubic yds	\$34.00 per hour
Trucks 7 cubic yds	\$44.00 per hour
Trucks 12 cubic yds	\$54.00 per hour
10 Wheeler	\$64.00 per hour
Patrol Trucks	\$27.85 per hour
4WD Pickups pushing Front Runner Rake	\$38.60 per hour
Excavators up to 20,000 lbs	\$57.65 per hour
Excavators over 20,000 lbs	\$67.65 per hour
Excavators over 40,000 lbs	\$87.65 per hour
Multi-use Tractors	\$47.65 per hour
Dozers D3, D4	\$57.65 per hour
Dozers over 24,000	\$73.00 per hour
Equipment Attachments	\$ 1.25 per hour

Winter Road Maintenance Equipment

2WD	\$50.20 per hour
4WD 26,000 lbs GVW and over	\$52.65 per hour
4WD 1 Ton between 12,500-25,999 GVW	\$43.37 per hour
¾ Ton Truck	\$38.60 per hour
Trucks with wing add	\$ 2.20 per hour
Contractor owned sander add	\$ 5.00 per hour
Sand Screen	\$43.05 per hour

Town to furnish cutting edges, bolts and brushes for mechanical sweepers and cut off wheels for equipment used exclusively for maintaining Town of Acton roads.

Cost of Operations: The above rates are based on fuel prices up to and including \$4.30 per gallon. The Town of Acton will pay an additional \$1.00/hr for each \$0.25 increase per gallon for equipment utilizing diesel fuel. This will be based on the fuel price at Boonies in Shapleigh on each Sunday. Such price will determine the fuel allowance for the following week's warrant.

Board of Selectmen Recommends: Approve the article as written (3 yes, 0 no)

Warrant and Finance Committee Recommends: Approve the article as written (6 yes, 0 no)

Larissa Crockett made a motion to approve the article as written and as recommended by the Warrant and Finance Committee. Seconded by William Williams, motion carried, article passed.

ARTICLE 39: To see if the Town will vote to raise **\$225,854** and appropriate **\$251,000** for **District One Roads (Dept 105)** to be expended as follows: *(\$25,146 appropriated from the Road Capital Improvement fund for Surfacing/Reconstruction.)*

105-10	District 1 Winter Maintenance	\$ 76,530
105-12	District 1 Summer Maintenance	\$ 84,470
105-14	District 1 Road Surfacing/Reconstruction	\$ 90,000

Board of Selectmen Recommends: Approve the article as written (3 yes, 0 no)

Warrant and Finance Committee Recommends: Rejection of article as written (6 yes, 0 no)

Larissa Crockett made a motion to approve the article as written. Seconded by William Williams, motion carried, article passed.

ARTICLE 40: To see if the Town will vote to raise **\$225,854** and appropriate **\$251,000** for **District Two Roads (Dept 105)** to be expended as follows: *(\$25,146 appropriated from the Road Capital Improvement fund for Surfacing/Reconstruction.)*

105-20	District 2 Winter Maintenance	\$ 76,530
105-22	District 2 Summer Maintenance	\$ 84,470
105-24	District 2 Road Surfacing/Reconstruction	\$ 90,000

Board of Selectmen Recommends: Approve the article as written (3 yes, 0 no)

Warrant and Finance Committee Recommends: Rejection of article as written (6 yes, 0 no)

Larissa Crockett made a motion to approve the article as written. Seconded by William Williams, motion carried, article passed.

ARTICLE 41: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$135,421** for shared **Road Accounts (Dept 105)** to be expended as follows:

105-30	Stockpile-Sand/Salt	\$ 120,383
105-32	Public Works Building/Equipment	\$ 15,038

Board of Selectmen Recommends: Approve the article as written (3 yes, 0 no)

Warrant and Finance Committee Recommends: Approve the article as written (5 yes, 1 no)

Larissa Crockett made a motion to approve the article as written and as recommended by the Warrant and Finance Committee. Seconded by William Williams, motion carried, article passed.

ARTICLE 42: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$273,362** for the **TRANSFER STATION. (Dept 105-40)**

Board of Selectmen Recommends: Approve the article as written (3 yes, 0 no)

Warrant and Finance Committee Recommends: Approve the article as written (6 yes, 0 no)

Larissa Crockett made a motion to approve the article as written and as recommended by the Warrant

and Finance Committee. Seconded by William Williams, motion carried, article passed.

ARTICLE 43: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate up to **\$12,400** from the **Recreation Capital Improvement** funds for operation of the **RECREATION DEPARTMENT (Dept 113-01)**.

Board of Selectmen Recommends: Approve the article as written (3 yes, 0 no)

Warrant and Finance Committee Recommends: Approve the article as written (6 yes, 0 no)

Larissa Crockett made a motion to approve the article as written and as recommended by the Warrant and Finance Committee. Seconded by William Williams, motion carried, article passed.

ARTICLE 44: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$250** for **CONSERVATION. (Dept 106-01)**

Board of Selectmen Recommends: Approve the article as written (3 yes, 0 no)

Warrant and Finance Committee Recommends: Approve the article as written (6 yes, 0 no)

Larissa Crockett made a motion to amend the article to read: " To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$250** for the Conservation and Forest Committee. **(Dept 106-01)**; amendment seconded by William Williams. Motion carried, amendment passed.

Larissa Crockett made a motion to approve the article as amended. Seconded by William Williams, motion carried, amended article passed.

ARTICLE 45: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate up to **\$ 297,924** for **COUNTY TAX. (Dept 108-51)**

Board of Selectmen Recommends: Approve the article as written (3 yes, 0 no)

Warrant and Finance Committee Recommends: Approve the article as written (6 yes, 0 no)

Larissa Crockett made a motion to approve the article as written and as recommended by the Warrant and Finance Committee. Seconded by William Williams, motion carried, article passed.

ARTICLE 46: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$538** for **PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT** to be expended as Forester's Stipend. **(Dept 107-05)**

Board of Selectmen Recommends: Approve the article as written (3 yes, 0 no)

Warrant and Finance Committee Recommends: Approve the article as written (6 yes, 0 no)

Larissa Crockett made a motion to approve the article as written and as recommended by the Warrant and Finance Committee. Seconded by William Williams, motion carried, article passed.

ARTICLE 47: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$2,750** for **CEMETERY** maintenance, placement of flags, markers, and repair of Veteran's graves. **(Dept 109-01)**

Board of Selectmen Recommends: Approve the article as written (3 yes, 0 no)

Warrant and Finance Committee Recommends: Approve the article as written (6 yes, 0 no)

Larissa Crockett made a motion to approve the article as written and as recommended by the Warrant and Finance Committee. Seconded by William Williams, motion carried, article passed.

ARTICLE 48: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$66,775** for the following **DONATIONS (Dept 109-20):**

Acton Food Pantry	\$ 2,500
Acton-Shapleigh Historical Society	\$ 1,000
Acton-Shapleigh YCC	\$ 22,000
American Red Cross	\$ 1,000
Balch Lake Improvement Association	\$ 5,000
Home Health VN	\$ 1,000
Kids Free To Grow Child Abuse	\$ 400
Lifeflight Foundation	\$ 612
Saco River Corridor Commission	\$ 300
Sexual Assault Response Services	\$ 258
Southern Maine Veterans Cemetery Assoc	\$ 1,000
Woodfords Family Services	\$ 100
York County Shelter	\$ 500
Acton Public Library	\$ 18,840
Acton Wakefield Watershed Alliance	\$ 6,150
Caring Unlimited	\$ 656
(CSI) Maine Behavioral Health	\$ 515
GELIA	\$ 2,060
Southern Maine Agency on Aging	\$ 1,545
York County Community Action	<u>\$ 1,339</u>
	\$ 66,775

Board of Selectmen Recommends: Approve the article as written (2 yes, 1 no)

Warrant and Finance Committee Recommends: Raise and appropriate \$66,775 with \$1,000 from the Southern Maine Veterans Cemetery Assoc being redistributed to the Acton Public Library to make that total \$19, 840; all other figures remain the same. (5 yes, 0 no, 1 abstention)

Larissa Crockett made a motion to approve the article as recommended by the Warrant and Finance Committee. Seconded by William Williams, motion carried, article passed.

ARTICLE 49: To see if the Town will vote to raise **\$10,835** and appropriate **\$13,335 FOR DAMS:** **(Dept 109-50)** *\$2,500 to come from the Dams Capital Improvement Fund.*

Mousam Watershed Dam Coalition Annual Maintenance	\$ 5,310
Mousam Watershed Dam Coalition 2016 Capital Improvements	\$ 2,500
Dam Capital Improvement Reserve Fund	\$ 5,000
Balch Lake Dam Operator Stipend	\$ 525

Board of Selectmen Recommends: Approve the article as written (3 yes, 0 no)

Warrant and Finance Committee Recommends: Approve the article as written (6 yes, 0 no)

Larissa Crockett made a motion to approve the article as written and as recommended by the Warrant and Finance Committee. Seconded by William Williams, motion carried, article passed.

ARTICLE 50: To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of **\$40,024** for wages and operational costs of the **ACTON PUBLIC ACCESS TV, also known as APAT. (Dept 111)**

Board of Selectmen Recommends: Approve the article as written (3 yes, 0 no)

Warrant and Finance Committee Recommends: Approve the article as written (6 yes, 0 no)

Larissa Crockett made a motion to approve the article as written and as recommended by the Warrant and Finance Committee. Seconded by William Williams, motion carried, article passed.

ARTICLE 51: To see if the Town will vote appropriate from the *Undesignated Fund*, up to **\$20,000** for the construction of **Front Entrance/Walkway to the Library**.

Board of Selectmen Recommends: Approve the article as written (3 yes, 0 no)

Warrant and Finance Committee Recommends: Appropriating up to \$7,500 (6 yes, 0 no)

Larissa Crockett made a motion to approve the article as written and as recommended by the Warrant and Finance Committee. Seconded by William Williams, motion carried, article passed.

ARTICLE 52: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate up to **\$50,000** from the *Undesignated Fund* for replacing **Siding** and the rear exterior **Fire-Exit Stairs** at the Town Hall.

Board of Selectmen Recommends: Approve the article as written (3 yes, 0 no)

Warrant and Finance Committee Recommends: Appropriate up to \$15,000 to reconstruct the egress stairway (6 yes, 0 no)

Larissa Crockett made a motion to approve the article as recommended by the Warrant and Finance Committee. Seconded by William Williams, motion carried, article passed.

ARTICLE 53: To see if the Town will vote to carry forward the following fund balances and allow the balance carried forward to be appropriated to the designated department for the ensuing year.

Acton Tree Lighting Donation Fund

Cemetery Fund

Conservation Committee

Dist. 1 & 2 Road Surfacing and Reconstruction Reserve Funds

Dist.1 & 2 Summer Maintenance Reserve Funds

Dist. 1 & 2 Winter Maintenance Reserve Funds (*brought back*)

Fire Dept Grants, Donations, Scholarships

FEMA- Emergency Disaster Reserve Fund

Forestry Committee

Fuel Assistance Donations

Gravel Processing

Gym Donations

Mary Grant Committee

Neighbors Helping Neighbors Donations

and to carry forward but **not** appropriate these following fund balances:

Ambulance Reserve Fund (*Acton Amb. Assoc funds*)

Capital Improvement Fund

Dams Capital Improvement Fund

Fire Dept Capital Improvement Fund (*Truck*)

Recreation Capital Improvement Funds

Road Capital Improvement Fund (*LRAP Funds*)

All other unexpended fund balances and revenues to lapse into the undesignated fund. *Lapsed school balances to be designated for school funding only.*

Board of Selectmen Recommends: Approve the article as written (3 yes, 0 no)

Warrant and Finance Committee Recommends: To amend the article as follows, (5 yes, 1 no) - To see if the Town will vote to carry forward the following fund balances and allow the balance carried forward to be appropriated to the designated department for the ensuing year.

Cemetery Fund

Conservation Committee

Dist. 1 & 2 Road Surfacing and Reconstruction Reserve Funds

FEMA- Emergency Disaster Reserve Fund

Forestry Committee

Gravel Processing

and to carry forward but **not** appropriate these following fund balances:

Ambulance Reserve Fund (*Acton Amb. Assoc funds*)

Capital Improvement Fund

Dams Capital Improvement Fund

Fire Dept Capital Improvement Fund (*Truck*)

Recreation Capital Improvement Funds

Road Capital Improvement Fund (*LRAP Funds*)

All other unexpended fund balances and revenues to lapse into the undesignated fund. *Lapsed school balances to be designated for school funding only.*

Larissa Crockett made a motion to approve the article as recommended by the Warrant and Finance Committee, also to include Dist. 1 & Dist. 2 Summer Maintenance Reserve Funds. Seconded by William Williams, motion carried, article passed.

ARTICLE 54: To see if the Town will vote to accept any and all funds received from the State of Maine and the Federal Government and appropriate any designated revenues received to their designated use.

Board of Selectmen Recommends: Approve the article as written (3 yes, 0 no)

Warrant and Finance Committee Recommends: Approve the article as written (5 yes, 1 no)

Larissa Crockett made a motion to approve the article as written and as recommended by the Warrant and Finance Committee. Seconded by William Williams, motion carried, article passed.

ARTICLE 55: To see if the Town of Acton will authorize to transfer funds up to the amount of \$65,000 from the schools undesignated funds to Article II, Regular Instruction to cover the expense of a foreign language teaching position.

School Committee Recommends: Approve the article as written (4 yes, 1 no)

Warrant and Finance Committee Recommends: Approve the article as written (6 yes, 0 no)

Larissa Crockett made a motion to approve the article as written and as recommended by the Warrant and Finance Committee. Seconded by William Williams, motion carried, article passed.

ARTICLE 56: To see if the Town of Acton will authorize the transfer of excess funds from the School's Undesignated Fund Balance to offset taxes, contingent on the Acton School Department Fund Balance Policy and there being a surplus at the end of the Fiscal Year.

School Committee Recommends: Approve the article as written (5 yes, 0 no)

Warrant and Finance Committee Recommends: Approve the article as written (6 yes, 0 no)

Larissa Crockett made a motion to approve the article as written and as recommended by the Warrant and Finance Committee. Seconded by William Williams, motion carried, article passed.

ARTICLE 57: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate up to \$636,400 from Fiscal Year 2016-2017 Municipal Revenues and up to \$300,000 from Municipal Undesignated Fund Balance to reduce the amount to be raised by taxation during the tax commitment.

Board of Selectmen Recommends: Approve the article as written (2 yes, 1 no)

Warrant and Finance Committee Recommends: Disapproval of the article based on the auditor's recommendation of the Town's maintaining an Undesignated Fund Balance of approximately \$950,000; said balance does not include the school's Undesignated Fund Balance.

Larissa Crockett made a motion to disapprove the article as recommended by the Warrant and Finance Committee. Seconded by William Williams, motion carried, article failed.

Signed this 31st day of May, 2016.

ss/Theodore Kryzak Jr.

ss/ William Shields

ss/Edward Walsh

True Attested Copy

ss/Jennifer Roux, Town Clerk

Larissa Crockett made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 1:05pm, seconded by Mary Station. Motion carried, meeting adjourned.