

WARRANT ARTICLES
FOR BUDGET AND BOND PUBLIC HEARING
JANUARY 17, 2011

To the inhabitants of the Town of Milford in the County of Hillsborough, in the State of New Hampshire, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified that the Budget & Bond Hearing Meeting of the Town of Milford will be held, in accordance with "Senate Bill 2" (RSA 40:13), in said Milford, on Monday, the seventeenth (17th) day of January 2011, in the Milford Town Hall Auditorium at six-thirty o'clock (6:30 p.m.) in the evening to discuss bond and budget hearing Articles to be presented at the Deliberative Session.

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, the services of an interpreter will be provided as requested. Such requests must be received in the Milford Board of Selectmen's Office, Town Hall, One Union Square, Milford, NH 03055-4240, at least two (2) calendar weeks prior to the event. The Town will attempt to honor any requests received after this time period.

Bond Hearing

FIRE/AMBULANCE FACILITY LANDS ACQUISITION & VACANT BUILDING DEMOLITION - \$540,000

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Hundred and Forty Thousand (\$540,000) Dollars to purchase three (3) lots adjacent to the existing downtown fire station so as to allow for future development of a joint fire / emergency management / ambulance service facility and to authorize the Selectmen to raise this appropriation by borrowing not more than \$540,000 in bonds, bond anticipation notes, or notes therefore in accordance with the Municipal Finance Act, (RSA 33) and, further, to authorize the Selectmen to issue and negotiate such bonds, bond anticipation notes, or notes and to determine conditions and the rate of interest thereon, such funding to be repaid from general taxation, and to authorize the Selectmen to contract for and expend any Federal or State aid that may be available for this purchase, and to authorize the Selectmen to take all other necessary action to carry out this project, said actions to include anything necessary to prepare said land so that it would be available for the future development of such facility including due diligence, site assessments, and demolition of existing structures. Five Hundred Thousand (\$500,000) Dollars of this warrant article is to purchase the three (3) lots and Forty Thousand (\$40,000) Dollars is for the demolition of two vacant buildings. This is a Special Article in accordance with RSA 32. The Board of Selectmen supports this Article (5-0).The Budget Advisory Committee supports this article (?-?). ***The bond payment of this Article has an estimated tax impact of \$0.047 (\$4.70 on a home valued at \$100,000) commencing in 2012.***

FIRE/AMBULANCE FACILITY ARCHITECTURAL & ENGINEERING PLANS - \$250,000

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Hundred and Fifty Thousand (\$250,000) Dollars to develop architectural and engineering plans for the future development of a joint fire / emergency management / ambulance service facility and to authorize the Selectmen to raise this appropriation by borrowing not more than \$250,000 in bonds, bond anticipation notes, or notes therefore in accordance with the Municipal Finance Act, (RSA 33) and, further, to authorize the Selectmen to issue and negotiate such bonds, bond anticipation notes, or notes and to determine conditions and the rate of interest thereon, such funding to be repaid from general taxation, and to authorize the Selectmen to contract for and expend any Federal or State aid that may be available for this purchase, and to authorize the Selectmen to take all other necessary action to carry out this project, said actions to include anything necessary to prepare said land so that it would be available for the future development of such facility including costs of engineering and design of such a contemplated facility. This is a Special Article in accordance with RSA 32. This Warrant Article is contingent on the successful passage of Article XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX - Fire/Ambulance Facility Lands Acquisition & Vacant Building Demolition. The Board of Selectmen supports this Article (5-0).The Budget Advisory Committee supports this article (?-?). ***The bond payment of this Article has an estimated tax impact of \$0.022 (\$2.20 on a home valued at \$100,000) commencing in 2012.***

WATER UTILITIES DEPARTMENT - SANITARY SEWER SYSTEM REHABILITATION - \$270,000

To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Seventy Thousand (\$270,000) Dollars to rehabilitate approximately 5,500 feet of sanitary sewer system using a cured-in-place pipe (CIPP) process involving seven streets in Milford, and to authorize the Water and Sewer Commissioners to raise this appropriation by borrowing not more than Two Hundred Seventy Thousand (\$270,000) Dollars, under the Municipal Finance Act, RSA 33, and to issue bonds, bond anticipation notes or notes therefore, and to determine the rate of interest thereon, to be repaid from the wastewater users provided that such bonds or notes shall be the general obligation of the Town and to authorize the Water and

Sewer Commissioners to contract for and expend any Federal or State aid that may be available for this project, or take any other action relative thereto. The Water and Sewer Commissioners support this Article (3-0). The Budget Advisory Committee supports this article (?-?). This is a special Warrant Article in accordance with RSA 32.

UNION STREET WATER MAIN REPLACEMENT PROJECT - \$246,000

To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Forty-six Thousand Dollars (\$246,000) to replace 900 feet of 6 inch water main pipe with 12 inch pipe, beginning at a point about 75 feet North of the intersection of Orange and Union Street terminating at a point approximately 50 feet South of the Union Street railroad crossing, and to authorize the Water and Sewer Commissioners to raise this appropriation by borrowing not more than Two Hundred Forty-Six Thousand Dollars (\$246,000) in accordance with the Municipal Finance Act, RSA 33, and to be repaid from water users provided that such bonds or notes shall be the general obligation of the Town and to authorize the Water and Sewer Commissioners to contract for and expend any Federal or State aid that may be available for this project, or take any other action relative there to. The Water and Sewer Commissioners support this Article (3-0). The Budget Advisory Committee supports this article (?-?). This is a special Warrant Article in accordance with RSA 32.

Budget Hearing

OPERATING BUDGET - \$11,708,252

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, as an operating budget not including appropriations by Special Warrant Articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget in an amount totaling Eleven Million, Seven Hundred Eight Thousand, Two Hundred Fifty-two (\$11,708,252) Dollars. Should this Article be defeated, the operating budget shall be Eleven Million, Five Hundred Sixty Thousand, and Two Hundred Seventy-four (\$11,560,274) Dollars which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous actions of the Town, or by law, or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13 X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only. The Board of Selectmen (5-0) and the Budget Advisory Committee (?-?) support this Article. ***This Article has an estimated tax impact of \$4.403 (\$440.30 on a home valued at \$100,000).***

WASTEWATER TREATMENT OPERATING BUDGET - \$1,735,642

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Million, Seven Hundred Thirty-five Thousand, Six Hundred Forty-two (\$1,735,642) Dollars to operate and maintain the Wastewater Treatment Facility and the Sanitary Sewer Collection System, said appropriation to be offset by income received from wastewater user charges, or take any other action relative thereto. This is a Special Warrant Article in accordance with RSA 32 and is paid for by the wastewater user fees. The Water & Sewer Commissioners (3-0) and the Budget Advisory Committee (?-?) support this Article.

WATER DEPARTMENT OPERATING BUDGET- \$1,381,757

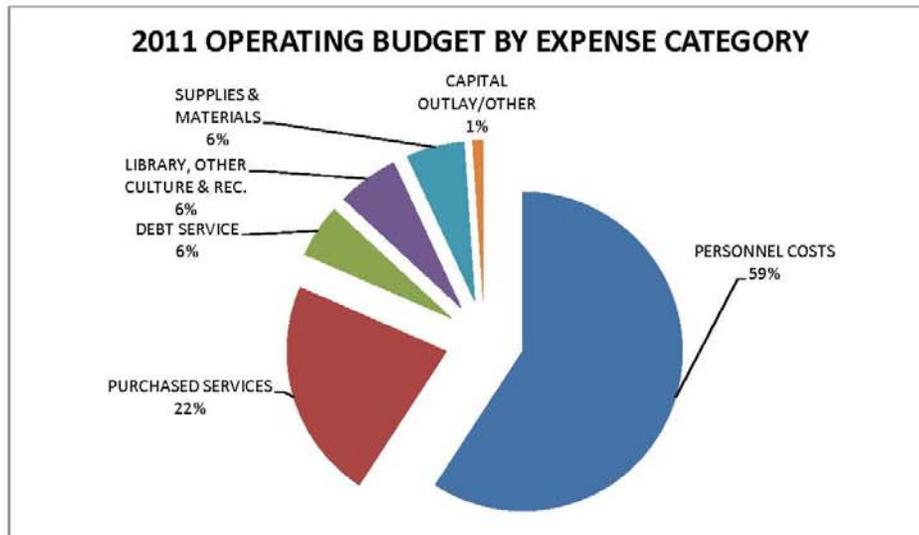
To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Million, Three Hundred Eighty-one Thousand, Seven Hundred Fifty-seven (\$1,381,757) Dollars to operate and maintain the Water Department, said appropriation to be offset by income received from the water user charges, or take any other action relative thereto. This is a Special Warrant Article in accordance with RSA 32 and is paid for by the water user fees. The Water & Sewer Commissioners (3-0) and the Budget Advisory Committee (?-?) support this Article.

2011 PROPOSED BUDGET BY DEPARTMENT

PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATION	2010	2010	2011	CHANGE \$	CHANGE %
	ACTUAL (Note 2) AS OF 01/13/2011 (unaudited)	ADOPTED BUDGET	PROPOSED BUDGET		
Executive - Administration	\$ 281,763	\$ 299,997	\$ 301,282	\$ 1,285	0.4%
District Court	\$ 26,158	\$ -	\$ 21,800	21,800	100.0%
Elections, Registrations & Vital Statistics	\$ 124,289	125,162	\$ 122,612	(2,550)	-2.0%
Assessing	\$ 160,321	193,850	\$ 191,450	(2,400)	-1.2%
Finance & Tax Administration	\$ 258,801	255,418	\$ 267,497	12,079	4.7%
Information Systems	\$ 333,996	326,253	\$ 341,133	14,880	4.6%
Legal	\$ 49,422	50,500	\$ 39,500	(11,000)	-21.8%
Employee Benefits (Note 1)	\$ 1,946,455	1,976,725	\$ 2,139,446	162,721	8.2%
Community Development	\$ 356,253	356,243	\$ 367,413	11,170	3.1%
Insurance	\$ 106,915	113,000	\$ 113,000	-	0.0%
Community Media	\$ 66,753	67,035	\$ 15,750	(51,285)	-76.5%
Police	\$ 1,967,620	2,056,943	\$ 2,016,606	(40,337)	-2.0%
Ambulance	\$ 508,635	497,323	\$ 540,152	42,829	8.6%
Fire & Emergency Management	\$ 490,881	494,901	\$ 524,306	29,405	5.9%
Other Public Safety (MACC Base & Hydrant Rental)	\$ 541,141	541,001	\$ 560,291	19,290	3.6%
Department of Public Works	\$ 2,065,500	2,146,416	\$ 2,186,596	40,180	1.9%
General Government Buildings	\$ 184,057	202,334	\$ 199,862	(2,472)	-1.2%
Cemeteries	\$ 117,620	114,589	\$ 122,544	7,955	6.9%
Welfare Admn. & Direct Assistance	\$ 176,468	137,503	\$ 170,659	33,156	24.1%
Other Health & Welfare (Host Homes & Mediation)	\$ 10,500	10,500	\$ 10,500	-	0.0%
Recreation	\$ 113,920	111,381	\$ 115,068	3,687	3.3%
Library	\$ 654,162	654,162	\$ 688,304	34,142	5.2%
Other Culture & Recreation (Historical Society)	\$ 3,000	3,000	\$ 3,000	-	0.0%
Conservation	\$ 21,646	21,646	\$ 21,935	289	1.3%
Debt Service	\$ 694,019	694,022	\$ 627,546	(66,476)	-9.6%
TOTAL OPERATING BUDGET	\$ 11,260,295	\$ 11,449,904	\$ 11,708,252	\$ 258,348	2.3%

Note 1: All employee benefit costs are accounted for in this department and are not allocated to corresponding departments.

Note 2: 2010 actual numbers are not finalized and are reported as of 01/13/2011. Audit adjustments are still outstanding.



Appropriation Warrant Articles

ROUTE 101A / ROUTE 13 / OVAL IMPROVEMENTS GRANT - \$155,000

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Seven Hundred Seventy-five Thousand (\$775,000) Dollars (\$155,000 to be raised by general taxation and \$620,000 from Federal Grant) for engineering of, potential right-of-way acquisition for, and construction of improvements to Route 101A, Route 13, and The Oval, including but not limited to vehicular and pedestrian safety enhancements in the downtown area of Milford generally described as that area bordered by the Nashua Street / Tonella Road intersection; the South Street / Prospect Street / Lincoln Street intersections; the Elm Street / Cottage Street intersection; and the Mont Vernon Street / Amherst Street / Grove Street intersections. Said safety enhancements shall be based on completed and ongoing traffic studies within the Town, and shall include, but may not be limited to, sidewalks, crosswalks, utility relocation and undergrounding, paving, parking, and access management. The amount of One Hundred Fifty-five Thousand (\$155,000) Dollars is the final remaining match amount required of the Town necessary to obtain the full Federal transportation earmarked funding of Two Million, Eight Hundred Thousand (\$2,800,000) Dollars. This is a Special Article in accordance with RSA 32. The Board of Selectmen (4-1 (Selectman Carmen Opposed)) and the Budget Advisory Committee (?-?) support this Article. ***This Article has an estimated tax impact of \$0.097 (\$9.70 on a home valued at \$100,000).***

PUBLIC WORKS TRACTOR/LOADER/BACKHOE - \$150,000

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into a 5-year lease/purchase agreement, subject to a fiscal funding clause which will protect the Town in the event of non-appropriation, for the purpose of lease-purchasing a tractor/loader/backhoe with the appropriate equipment for highway department operation (it will replace the current 1998 Ford tractor/loader/backhoe) and to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirty nine Thousand, Three Hundred (\$39,300) Dollars for the first year's payment for this purpose. The total purchase price of this vehicle is One Hundred Fifty Thousand (\$150,000) Dollars. If this article passes, future years' payments will be included in the operating budget. This is a Special Warrant Article in accordance with RSA 32. The Board of Selectmen supports this Article (4-1 (Selectman Putnam Opposed)) and the Budget Advisory Committee supports this Article (?-?). ***This Article has an estimated tax impact of \$0.025 (\$2.50 on a home valued at \$100,000).***

ROUTE 13 SOUTH/EMERSON ROAD/ARMORY ROAD INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS - \$90,000

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Four Hundred Fifty Thousand (\$450,000) Dollars (\$90,000 be raised by general taxation and \$360,000 from federal Congestion Mitigation Air Quality (CMAQ) funding) for the construction of east-bound and west-bound turning lanes with signalization upgrades at the intersection of NH Route 13, Emerson Road, and Armory Road. This will be a Special Article in accordance with RSA 32. Note: If the project does not receive federal CMAQ funding, the request for \$90,000 (20% matching funds) will be withdrawn. The Board of Selectmen (4-1 (Selectman Carmen Opposed)) and the Budget Advisory Committee (?-?) support this Article. ***This Article has an estimated tax impact of \$0.056 (\$5.60 on a home valued at \$100,000).***

SOCIAL SERVICES - \$35,000

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirty-five Thousand (\$35,000) Dollars for the purpose of providing funding to Social Service agencies for Milford residents or take any other action relative thereto. This is a Special Article in accordance with RSA 32. The Board of Selectmen (4-1 (Selectmen Daniels Opposed)) and the Budget Advisory Committee (?-?) support this Article. ***This Article has an estimated tax impact of \$0.022 (\$2.20 on a home valued at \$100,000).***

NON-EMERGENCY COMMUNITY TRANSPORTATION BUS SERVICE - \$35,000

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirty-five Thousand (\$35,000) Dollars for the purpose of providing the Town's share of funding to the Souhegan Valley Transportation Collaborative (SVTC) in order to continue operating a regional, non-emergency, wheelchair-accessible transportation service providing rides within the designated service area to seniors, people with disabilities, and the general public, or take any other action relative thereto. This is a Special Article in accordance with RSA 32. The Board of Selectmen (5-0) and the Budget Advisory Committee (?-?) support this Article. ***This Article has an estimated tax impact of \$0.022 (\$2.20 on a home valued at \$100,000).***

PUMPKIN FESTIVAL, HOLIDAY DECORATIONS AND PLANTINGS - \$20,000

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty Thousand (\$20,000) Dollars for purposes of Pumpkin Festival support by Public Works, Police, Fire, and Ambulance Departments; purchase and planting of flowers for the Oval and Stone Bridge areas; purchase of lights, garland, etc. for holiday decorations; or take any other action relative thereto. This is a Special Article in accordance with RSA 32. The Board of Selectmen (5-0) and the Budget Advisory Committee (?-?) support this Article. ***This Article has an estimated tax impact of \$0.013 (\$1.30 on a home valued at \$100,000).***

DO-IT OPERATING BUDGET SUPPORT - \$20,000

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty Thousand (\$20,000) Dollars for the purpose of continued partial funding for community and economic development programs in and around downtown administered by the Milford Downtown Ongoing Improvement Team (DO-IT), or take any other action relative thereto. By request of DO-IT. This is a Special Warrant Article in accordance with RSA 32. The Board of Selectmen (5-0) and the Budget Advisory Committee (?-?) support this Article. ***This Article has an estimated tax impact of \$0.013 (\$1.30 on a home valued at \$100,000).***

CONSERVATION LANDS FUND - \$10,000

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000.00 (Ten Thousand Dollars) to add to the Conservation Land Fund created in accordance with RSA 36-A, said land fund being allowed to accumulate from year to year and to be available for the acquisition of property, conservation easements and other RSA 36A purposes, or take any other action relative thereto. This is a Special Warrant Article in accordance with RSA 32. The Board of Selectmen (3-2 (Selectmen Daniels and Putnam opposed)) support this Article. The Budget Advisory Committee (?-?) support this Article. ***This Article has an estimated tax impact of \$0.006 (\$0.60 on a home valued at \$100,000).***

SUMMER BAND CONCERTS - \$9,000

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Nine Thousand (\$9,000) Dollars for the purpose of holding the traditional summer evening Band Concerts (\$6,000 bands, \$2,000 sound system,

\$1,000 crossing detail), or take any other action relative thereto. This is a Special Article in accordance with RSA 32. The Board of Selectmen (5-0) and the Budget Advisory Committee (?-?) support this Article. ***This Article has an estimated tax impact of \$0.006 (\$0.60 on a home valued at \$100,000).***

MEMORIAL, VETERANS & LABOR DAY PARADE TOWN SUPPORT - \$6,000

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Six Thousand (\$6,000) Dollars for Town support to the Memorial, Veterans and Labor Day Parades by Public Works, Police Department and other Town departments. Departmental support costs and materials associated with the provision of these services will be charged against this appropriation. This is a Special Article in accordance with RSA 32. The Board of Selectmen (5-0) and the Budget Advisory Committee (?-?) support this Article. ***This Article has an estimated tax impact of \$0.004 (\$0.40 on a home valued at \$100,000).***

Non-Appropriation Warrant Articles

ESTABLISHMENT OF THE BROX PROPERTIES (Tax Map 38, Lots 4, 5, 5-1, 6, 9, 11, 12, 13, and 14) PUBLIC INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENT FUND – \$0

To see whether the town will vote, pursuant to RSA 31:19-a, to create an expendable trust fund known as ***The BROX Properties Public Infrastructure Improvement Fund*** the purposes of said trust shall be to defray the cost of the construction of municipal infrastructure improvements in the form of highway improvements and/or the provision of municipal water and sewer facilities servicing the above referenced BROX properties, located in the West Milford Tax Increment Financing District, when, as and if the construction of such improvements is approved by the boards, agencies and other bodies from which approval of such construction is required. The Selectmen shall be agents to expend the trust. The Board of Selectmen (5-0) and the Budget Advisory Committee (?-?) support this Article. ***This Article has an estimated tax impact of \$0.00 (\$0.00 on a home valued at \$100,000).***

DIVERSION OF PROCEEDS OF SALE OF FORMER POLICE STATION PROPERTY (Tax Map 13, Lot 5) - \$0

To see whether the town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to deposit any proceeds realized from the sale of the former Police Station property (Tax Map 13, Lot 5), which sale the Selectmen authorized to undertake by virtue of the approval of Article 18 at the 2001 town meeting, in ***The BROX Properties Public Infrastructure Improvement Fund***. This article is contingent on the passage of the preceding article establishing the ***The BROX Properties Public Infrastructure Improvement Fund***. The Board of Selectmen (5-0) and the Budget Advisory Committee (?-?) support this Article. ***This Article has an estimated tax impact of \$0.00 (\$0.00 on a home valued at \$100,000).***

MODIFICATION OF AUTHORIZATION FOR SELECTMEN SALE OF THE BROX PROPERTIES (Tax Map 38, Lots 4, 5, 5-1, 6, 9, 11, 12, 13, and 14) - \$0

To see whether the town will vote to modify the authority given to the Selectmen to sell the BROX properties by virtue of the approval of Article 18 at the 2001 town meeting, which currently authorizes the Selectmen to sell such property, located in the West Milford Tax Increment Financing District, for 'industrial' purposes, so that the authority will include the ability to sell such property for both 'industrial' and 'commercial' purposes, said authority in all other respects to remain in full force and effect. The

Board of Selectmen (5-0) and the Budget Advisory Committee (?-?) support this Article. ***This Article has an estimated tax impact of \$0.00 (\$0.00 on a home valued at \$100,000).***

JOINING CONCORD REGIONAL SOLID WASTE / RESOURCE RECOVERY COOPERATIVE - \$0

To see if the town will authorize the Board of Selectman to join the Concord Regional Solid Waste / Resource Recovery Cooperative (Co-op) as a full member on behalf of the residents of Milford. This Article has an unknown estimated tax impact. The tax impact cannot be calculated until the anticipated cost savings are realized via operational savings. The Board of Selectmen support this article (4-1 (Selectmen Daniels opposed)) and the Budget Advisory Committee (?-?) support this Article. ***This Article has an estimated tax impact of \$0.00 (\$0.00 on a home valued at \$100,000).***

JOINING SINGLE STREAM RECYCLING CO-OP - \$0

To see if the town will authorize the Board of Selectman to join the Concord Regional Solid Waste / Resource Recovery Cooperative (Co-op) as an associate member for the purpose of processing recyclable materials via single stream recycling on behalf of the residents of Milford. This Article has an unknown estimated tax impact. The tax impact cannot be calculated until the anticipated cost savings are realized via operational savings. The Board of Selectmen (?-?) and the Budget Advisory Committee (?-?) support this Article. ***This Article has an estimated tax impact of \$0.00 (\$0.00 on a home valued at \$100,000).***

TOWN FOREST LANDS – TUCKER BROOK TOWN FOREST - \$0

To see if the Town will vote to establish Map 40 Lot 16 as on the 2010 tax map (part, of Map 40 Lot 14 as per the March 31 2008 Voluntary Lot Merger), as town forest land pursuant to the provisions of RSA 31:110 through 113, and to designate this land as part of the Tucker Brook Town Forest, or take any other action relative thereto; said lot having been conveyed to the Town of Milford by deed recorded in the Hillsborough County Registry of Deeds in Vol. 2842 Pg. 767, dated May 5 1981 (This is a housekeeping issue, said lot having been erroneously omitted from the 1987 Town Meeting for such classification). The Board of Selectmen (5-0) and the Budget Advisory Committee (?-?) support this Article. ***This Article has an estimated tax impact of \$0.00 (\$0.00 on a home valued at \$100,000).***

TOWN FOREST LANDS – MAYFLOWER HILL TOWN FOREST - \$0

Shall the town vote to rescind the vote on Article 15 of the March 11, 2008, town meeting and vote instead to establish as town forest land, in accordance with RSA 31:110 through 31:113, town owned parcels Map 9 Lots 1, 1-38, 1-39 and 1-40, identified as open space on the plan entitled "Lot Consolidation/Subdivision, Patch Hill, Prepared for Patch Hill Development LLC" and recorded in the H.C.R.D. as Plan 1132772, and to consolidate Parcel 9-1-38 with Map 8 Lot 92, which is the Mayflower Hill Town Forest. Map 9 Lots 1, 1-39 and 1-40 do not abut Map 8 Lot 92 and shall remain under their original identification, though they form part of the Mayflower Hill Town Forest. The Board of Selectmen (5-0) and the Budget Advisory Committee (?-?) support this Article. ***This Article has an estimated tax impact of \$0.00 (\$0.00 on a home valued at \$100,000).***

Petition Warrant Article

To direct the moderator to create a “Joint Services Study Committee” charged with reviewing the services currently delivered separately by the Town and Milford School District and determining the service(s) that will be less costly, and more effective and efficient, when combined into one unit that delivers the service(s) to both government organizations. The committee membership is to include one Selectman, one School Board member, one Town Budget Committee member, one School Budget Committee member, one Town finance department employee, one School District finance department employee and three individuals from the community at large. The committee chairperson will be one of the three community members. The “Joint Services Study Committee” must deliver a report of its findings to the Board of Selectmen and the School Board no later than October 28, 2011 so its recommendations may be incorporated into the March 2012 budget proposals.