THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
TOWN OF DUNSTABLE
WARRANT
SPECIAL TOWN MEETING – October 20, 2014

Middlesex, ss.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Dunstable in the County of Middlesex:

GREETINGS

IN THE NAME OF the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are here by directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town, qualified to vote in elections and town affairs, to meet at the swallow School in said Dunstable on Monday, the Twentieth of October next, at seven o'clock in the evening, and thereafter continuing from day to day until completed, then and there to act on the following articles:

ARTICLE 1 - Approve Unpaid Bills from Previous Fiscal Year(s): To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, borrow, transfer from available funds, or any combination thereof; a sum of money to pay for unpaid bills of prior fiscal years for various Town departments in accordance with the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 44, Section 64, or take any action in relation thereto. (BOARD OF SELECTMEN)

Advisory Committee Recommendation:

ARTICLE 2 – Authorization for Town Clerk to fill vacancy at polls: To see if the Town will vote to accept the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 54 Section 16A, or take any action in relation thereto. (BOARD OF SELECTMEN/TOWN CLERK)

Advisory Committee Recommendation:

ARTICLE 3 – Tuition Manchester Essex Regional School: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, borrow, transfer from available funds, or any combination thereof, a sum of money to pay for tuition for a regional school pupil, or take any action in relation thereto. (BOARD OF SELECTMEN)

Advisory Committee Recommendation:

ARTICLE 4 – Transfer/Reduction of Special Town Meeting 11/12/13 Article 8, River St. Land Survey Funds: To see whether the Town will vote to transfer from funds appropriated under Article 8 of the Special Town Meeting of 11/12/13 (River St. Land Survey) to the Manchester Essex Regional School Transportation account, or take any other actions relative thereto. (BOARD OF SELECTMEN)

ARTICLE 5 – Transportation Manchester Essex Regional School: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, borrow, transfer from available funds, or any combination thereof, a sum of money to pay for transportation for a regional school pupil, or take any action in relation thereto. (BOARD OF SELECTMEN)

Advisory Committee Recommendation:

ARTICLE 6 – Salt Shed Construction: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, borrow, transfer from available funds, or any combination thereof, a sum of money to pay for the construction of a Salt Shed, or take any action in relation thereto. (BOARD OF SELECTMEN/BOARD OF ROAD COMMISSIONERS)

Advisory Committee Recommendation:

ARTICLE 7 – Engineering for Main Street Reconstruction: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, borrow, transfer from available funds, or any combination thereof, a sum of money to pay for the planning, design, architectural and engineering, and other professional service for the repair of a section of Main Street, or take any other action relative thereto. (BOARD OF SELECTMEN/BOARD OF ROAD COMMISSIONERS)

Advisory Committee Recommendation:

ARTICLE 8 – Demolition 160 Pleasant Street: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, borrow, transfer from available funds, or any combination thereof, a sum of money to pay for the demolition of building located at 160 Pleasant Street, or take any other action relative thereto. (BOARD OF SELECTMEN)

Advisory Committee Recommendation:

ARTICLE 9 – Police Cruiser: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, borrow, transfer from available funds, or any combination thereof, a sum of money to pay for the purchase of a police cruiser, or take any other action relative thereto. (BOARD OF SELECTMEN)

Advisory Committee Recommendation:

ARTICLE 10 – Alarm Systems Town Buildings: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, borrow, transfer from available funds, or any combination thereof, a sum of money to pay for alarm systems for town buildings, or take any other action relative thereto. (BOARD OF SELECTMEN)

Advisory Committee Recommendation:

ARTICLE 11 – Sidewalk/Pathway Design/Engineering: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, borrow, transfer from available funds, or any combination

thereof, a sum of money to pay for the design and engineering of a sidewalk/pathway in and around the Town Center, or take any other action relative thereto. (BOARD OF SELECTMEN/SAFE PATHWAYS COMMITTEE)

Advisory Committee Recommendation:

ARTICLE 12 – Consultant to assist Town with MS4 Permit Requirements: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, borrow, transfer from available funds, or any combination thereof, a sum of money to pay for a consultant to assist Town in meeting the stormwater management requirements of any MS4 Permit issued to and for the Town. (BOARD OF SELECTMEN)

Advisory Committee Recommendation:

ARTICLE 13 – Transfer for Repair Water Enterprise Fund: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate by transfer from retained earnings, in the Water Enterprise Fund, a sum of money for the purpose of funding major repairs to existing equipment or other existing capital assets as deemed necessary by the Board of Water Commissioners for FY2015, or take any other action relative thereto. (BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS)

Advisory Committee Recommendation:

ARTICLE 14 - Community Preservation Committee Recommended Transfers: To see what action the Town may vote with respect to any recommended action of the Community Preservation Committee, or take any other action relative thereto. (BOARD OF SELECTMEN/COMMUJNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE)

Advisory Committee Recommendation:

ARTICLE 15 – Fiscal Year 2015 Transfer to Stabilization: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds or borrow pursuant to any applicable statute a sum of money, and if so what amount, for the Stabilization Fund pursuant to G.L. c.40, s. 5B, or take other action relative thereto. (ADVISORY COMMITTEE)

Advisory Committee Recommendation:

ARTICLE 16 - Uses Permitted by Special Permit of the Board of Appeals: To see if the Town will vote to amend Section 6.2 of the Zoning Bylaws, Uses Permitted by Special Permit of the Board of Appeals, by making additions are shown by **{bold}** as follows:

Section 6.2(g)ii

" The apartment shall have its own separate entrance from the outside **{and be no larger than 35% of the floor area of the main residence, or 1200 square feet, whichever is larger.}**"

Section 6.2(g)iii
"The apartment shall have its own kitchen facilities and its own interior toilet facilities **{and have no more than two bedrooms.}**"

or take any other actions relative thereto. (BOARD OF SELECTMEN/PLANNING BOARD)

Planning Board Recommendation: The Planning Board recommends passage of this article.

Advisory Committee Recommendation:

ARTICLE 17 – Uses Permitted by Special Permit of the Planning Board: To see if the Town will vote to amend Section 6.7 of the Zoning Bylaws, Uses Permitted by Special Permit of the Planning Board, by making deletions and insertions/additions (deletions are shown by {~~strikethrough~~} and insertions/additions are shown by **{bold}**) as follows:

6.7.3(B)
"...not less than {~~fifty (50) acres~~} **{five (5) acres.}**"

or take any other actions relative thereto. (BOARD OF SELECTMEN/PLANNING BOARD)

Planning Board Recommendation: The Planning Board recommends passage of this article.

Advisory Committee Recommendation:

ARTICLE 18 - Resolution to see if the Town will vote to approve the following resolution to ban "Fracked Gas" pipelines and to champion sustainable energy:

Whereas a proposed High-Pressure Pipeline carrying natural gas obtained through hydraulic fracturing may come through the Town of Dunstable, or neighboring communities, bringing said fuel en route to Dunstable, Massachusetts to be used for electricity generation; and

Whereas said pipeline goes against current Massachusetts commitments to renewable energies and combating global climate change; and

Whereas said pipeline would destroy unknowable amounts of forest, conservation land and farmland with the installation of the pipeline and maintenance in perpetuity of a 50 foot right-of-way through the use of herbicides; and

Whereas said pipeline would destroy unknowable amounts of wetlands and the flora and fauna dependent upon Dunstable's rivers and streams, all of which have been identified as outstanding resource waters; and

Whereas said pipeline would adversely affect property values of properties within 300 feet of the pipeline as well as probable use of eminent domain to secure parcels along the pipeline route; and

Whereas a high-pressure gas pipeline, by its nature, carries the potential for leak, rupture or devastating explosion causing untold damage to property and lives; and

Whereas said pipeline has the potential to ruin wells and drinking water through blasting activities and/or leakage of methane gas; and

Whereas the cost of said pipeline could require Massachusetts citizens to pay a utility bill tariff as well as environmental costs not required by law for Tennessee Gas Pipeline Company, L.L.C. ("TGP", a subsidiary of Kinder Morgan Energy Partners, L.P.), making ratepayers bear financial risk for the endeavors of a private corporation; and

Whereas, we the citizens of Dunstable, Massachusetts choose not to participate in such encumbrances to the life, vibrancy, economic stability, and general well-being to our neighbors in New York and elsewhere, wherever hydraulic fracturing is occurring and the pressurized pipeline is running; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, that the people of Dunstable, Massachusetts:

1. Hereby call on our Select board to stand in opposition to TGP's high pressured pipeline and not allow it within our town borders;

2. Oppose said pipeline, and any pipeline carrying natural gas obtained through hydraulic fracturing, within the borders of our Commonwealth; and

3. Hereby instruct our state and federal legislators and executive branch officials to enact legislation and take any such other actions as are necessary to disallow such projects that go against our commitments to life, the environment, our economic well-being and our bodily safety, and, instead, to legislate more stringent energy efficiency and further exploration of and subsidies for renewable energy sources.

Or take any other action relative thereto. (CONSERVATION COMMISSION)

And you are hereby directed to serve this warrant, by posting attested copies thereof, one at the Post Office and one at the Town Hall in said Dunstable fourteen days at least before the time of holding such Town Meeting.

HEREOF FAIL NOT, and make due return of this warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, at the time and place of the meeting as aforesaid.

Given under our hands this 30th day of September in the year of our Lord, two thousand fourteen.

Walter F. Alterisio

Kenneth J. Leva

Daniel F. Devlin

I have served this warrant by posting attested copies thereof, one at the Post Office and one at the Town Hall 20 days before said meeting.

9-30-2014
Date

Constable