

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

BERKSHIRE COUNTY

To one of the constables of the Town of Stockbridge in said county.

GREETINGS:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town, qualified to vote in Town affairs, to meet at the

**STOCKBRIDGE SPORTSMEN'S CLUB
24 WEST STOCKBRIDGE ROAD**

in Stockbridge on **MONDAY, THE TWENTY-FIRST DAY OF MAY 2007** at six-thirty o'clock in the evening Eastern Daylight Time, for the following purposes, to wit:

ARTICLE 1. To choose the following Town Offices viz: one Selectman for three years; one member of the Board of Assessors for three years; one Town Clerk for three years; one Town Collector for one year; one member of Board of Health for three years; one member of the Parks and Recreation Commission for three years; two members of the Planning Board for five years; one member of the Sewer and Water Commission for three years.

All of said officers are to be voted for using the official ballots furnished the voters at the polls. The polls will be opened at Town Hall, 6 Main Street, at 8:00 o'clock a.m. and may be closed at 6:30 o'clock p.m.

Action on the other articles in the warrant will be taken up at 6:30 o'clock p.m. at the Stockbridge Sportsmen's Club, 24 West Stockbridge Road, Stockbridge.

ARTICLE 2. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to execute the U.S. Mayor's Climate Protection Agreement and participate with the International Council for Local Environmental Initiatives (ICLEI) in the Cities for Climate Protection Campaign, or to take any other action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 3. To see if the Town will vote to support the following resolution:

Resolution to Impeach President George W. Bush and Vice President Richard B. Cheney

WHEREAS, George W. Bush and Richard B. Cheney conspired with others to defraud the United States of America by intentionally misleading Congress and the public regarding the threat from Iraq in order to justify a war in violation of Title 18 United States Code, Section 371; and

WHEREAS, George W. Bush has admitted to ordering the National Security Agency to conduct electronic surveillance of American civilians without seeking warrants from the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Court of Review, duly constituted by Congress in 1978, in violation of Title 50 United States Code, Section 1805; and

WHEREAS, George W. Bush and Richard B. Cheney conspired to commit the torture of prisoners in violation of the "Federal Torture Act" Title 18 United States Code, Section 113C, the UN Torture Convention and the Geneva Convention, which under Article VI of the Constitution are part of the "supreme law of the land"; and

WHEREAS, George W. Bush and Richard B. Cheney acted to strip American citizens of their constitutional rights by ordering indefinite detention without access to legal counsel, without charge and without the opportunity to appear before a civil judicial officer to challenge the detention, based solely on the discretionary designation by the President of a U.S. citizen as an "enemy combatant", all in subversion of law; and

WHEREAS, In all of this George W. Bush and Richard B. Cheney have acted in a manner contrary to their trust as President and Vice President, subversive of constitutional government to the great prejudice of the cause of law and justice, and to the manifest injury of the people of Stockbridge, Massachusetts, and of the United States of America; and

WHEREAS, Petitions from the country at large may be presented by the Speaker of the House according to Clause 3 of House Rule XII;

Be it resolved that George W. Bush and Richard B. Cheney, by such conduct, warrant impeachment and trial, and removal from office and disqualification to hold and enjoy any office of honor, trust or profit under the United States;

Be it resolved further by the Town of Stockbridge, Massachusetts, That our senators and representatives in the United States Congress be, and they are hereby, requested to cause to be instituted in the Congress of the United States proper proceedings for the investigation of the activities of the George W. Bush and Richard B. Cheney, to the end that they may be impeached and removed from such office.

Be it resolved further, That the Clerk of the Town of Stockbridge, Massachusetts be, and is hereby, instructed to certify to the Speaker of the House of Representatives, under the seal of the Town of Stockbridge, Massachusetts, a copy of this resolution and its adoption by the Town of Stockbridge, Massachusetts, as a petition, and request that this petition be delivered to the Office of the Clerk and entered in the United States Congressional Journal. The copies shall be marked with the word "Petition" at the top of the document and contain the original authorizing signature of the Clerk, Town of Stockbridge, Massachusetts.

or to take any other action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 4. PETITION ARTICLE:

Article/petition for 2007 Stockbridge Annual Town Hall Meeting.
STOCKBRIDGE SUPPORTS 911 FAMILIES

Where as; the town of Stockbridge supports the victim's families of September 11, 2001.

Where as; the Town of Stockbridge supports the 911 Families public plea for "America to stand behind us in demanding a new independent 911 Investigation."

Where as; this petition/article will be sent to all state/federal governmental representatives requesting a new Independent 911 Investigation.

ARTICLE 5. To choose all other Town Officers necessary to be chosen at the Annual Town Meeting.

ARTICLE 6. To hear the report of any Town Officer or Committee, and to see if the Town will vote to accept all printed reports, or to take any other action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 7. To see if the Town will vote to fix the salary and compensation of all elective officers of the Town as provided by Chapter 41, Section 108 of the General Laws as amended: Moderator, Selectmen, Town Clerk, Town Treasurer, Town Collector, Board Of Assessors, Board of Health, Tree Warden, and to raise and appropriate a sum of money therefor, or to take any other action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the following purposes, or to take any other action in relation thereto:

- Section 1. MODERATOR
2. SELECTMEN'S DEPARTMENT
3. TOWN ADMINISTRATOR
4. FINANCE DEPARTMENT
5. RESERVE FUND

6. ACCOUNTANT
7. ASSESSORS' DEPARTMENT
8. TREASURER'S DEPARTMENT
9. TOWN COLLECTOR'S DEPARTMENT
10. LEGAL DEPARTMENT
11. TOWN CLERK'S DEPARTMENT
12. ELECTIONS & REGISTRATIONS
13. CONSERVATION COMMISSION
14. PLANNING BOARD
15. BOARD OF APPEALS
16. TOWN HALL AND TOWN OFFICES
17. TOWN REPORT
18. INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DIRECTOR
19. POLICE DEPARTMENT
20. FIRE DEPARTMENT
21. LEE AMBULANCE SERVICE
22. ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER
23. BUILDING INSPECTOR
24. GAS INSPECTOR
25. PLUMBING INSPECTOR
26. WIRE INSPECTOR
27. EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT
28. TREE WARDEN DEPARTMENT
29. VOCATIONAL EDUCATION
30. ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT
31. HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT
 - a.) MACHINERY
 - b.) COMPACTOR
 - c.) CEMETERY
32. STREETLIGHTS
33. TRASH REMOVAL
34. SEWER DEPARTMENT
35. WATER DEPARTMENT
36. HYDRANT RENTAL
37. HEALTH DEPARTMENT
 - a) BOARD OF HEALTH
 - b) HEALTH OFFICER
38. LEE REGIONAL VISITING NURSE ASSOCIATION
39. MENTAL HEALTH & SUBSTANCE ABUSE SERVICES
40. COUNCIL ON AGING
41. VETERAN'S SERVICES
42. STOCKBRIDGE LIBRARY
43. CHIME TOWER
44. PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION
45. HISTORICAL COMMISSION
46. MEMORIAL DAY COMMITTEE
47. HISTORIC DISTRICT & HISTORIC PRESERVATION
48. LONG-TERM DEBT & SHORT-TERM DEBT
49. BERKSHIRE REGIONAL RETIREMENT SYSTEM
50. UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION
51. BERKSHIRE COUNTY INSURANCE GROUP
52. INSURANCE

ARTICLE 9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds, a sum of money for the assessment of the Berkshire Hills Regional School District, or to take any other action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds, a sum of money toward the Berkshire Hills Regional School District's capital cost of constructing the new school buildings, or to take any other action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds, a sum of money for moving expenses related to moving from Town Hall to the new offices at the Plain School, or to take any other action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds, a sum of money to purchase a vehicle for the Police Department, or to take any other action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 13. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds, a sum of money to purchase two defibrillators and two pulse-oxygen meters for the Police Department, or to take any other action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds, a sum of money to increase the Stabilization Fund, which sum is specified for the purchase of a fire truck, or to take any other action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 15. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds, a sum of money to paint the Glendale Fire Station, or to take any other action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 16. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds, a sum of money for resurfacing selected Town roads as determined by the Board of Selectmen and the Highway Superintendent, or to take any other action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 17. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds, a sum of money to purchase a new truck for the Highway Superintendent, or to take any other action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 18. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds, a sum of money to be added to the Stockbridge Bowl Fund, established by Article 22 of the 1990 Annual Town Meeting, pursuant to section 5 of Chapter 40 of the General Laws, to be used, upon further appropriation, for maintenance, dredging, cleaning or improvement of the Stockbridge Bowl; public access thereto; retaining walls, piers, wharves or moorings thereof; or law enforcement or fire prevention in connection therewith, or to take any other action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 19. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money from the Stockbridge Bowl Fund for expert and legal fees and related expenses associated with contracting for, designing, and obtaining the necessary permits and approvals for installation of a bypass pipe located in the outlet channel thereof, or to take any other action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 20. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds, a sum of money for the construction of a new water storage tank, or to take any other action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 21. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from Water Available Surplus, a sum of money to be used for the repair and replacement of water lines, or to take any other action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 22. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from Water Available Surplus, a sum of money to be added to sums previously transferred for the water meter program, or to take any other action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 23. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from Water Available Surplus, a sum of money to clean the water storage tanks, or to take any other action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 24. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from Water Available Surplus and Sewer Available Surplus, a sum of money to digitalize the mapping of the water and sewer lines within the Town, or to take any other action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 25. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from Water Available Surplus, a sum of money to engineer and fix the Screen House at the Pumping Station, or to take any other action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 26. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from Water Available Surplus, a sum of money to be added to the General Fund to reimburse the Reserve Fund, or to take any other action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 27. To see if the Town will vote to reduce the principal on the Water Treatment loan at the USDA with a sum of money that is left at the end of the completion of the project, or to take any other action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 28. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from Water Available Surplus, a sum of money to study and plan for a new water tank and water main improvements, or to take any other action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 29. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from Sewer Available Surplus, a sum of money to provide for a portion of the cost of the debt service payment (principal and interest) of the Sewer System Expansion and Update Project authorized by Article 3 of the Special Town Meeting of April 1, 2002, or to take any other action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 30. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from Sewer Available Surplus, a sum of money to be added to the funds appropriated at the May, 2006 Annual Town Meeting, Article 21 for the Park Street Sewer Line Rehabilitation Project, or to take any other action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 31. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from Sewer Available Surplus, a sum of money to purchase a new truck for the Sewer Department, or to take any other action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 32. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from Sewer Available Surplus, a sum of money to install safety railing around the oxidation ditches, or to take any other action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 33. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from Sewer Available Surplus, a sum of money to be added to the General Fund to reimburse the Reserve Fund, or to take any other action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 34. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds, a sum of money to meet the Town's share of the cost of participating with other communities for the collection of household hazardous waste, or to take any other action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 35. To see if the Town will vote, as recommended by the Community Preservation Committee and pursuant to the Community Preservation Act, to:

- a. appropriate or transfer from the Community Preservation Fund a sum of money to provide financial assistance for the Pine Woods project for affordable housing purposes;
- b. appropriate or transfer from the Community Preservation Fund a sum of money to the CPA Open Space Reserve Fund for open space purposes; and a sum of money for Lake Management;
- c. appropriate or transfer from the Community Preservation Fund a sum of money to the CPA Historical Preservation Reserve Fund for the renovation of Procter Hall; a sum of money for the preservation of archival of photographs for the Norman Rockwell Museum; a sum of money for Citizens Hall exterior restoration and architectural services at IS183; and a sum of money for Chesterwood to conserve its plaster molds of wreaths on light posts for South Street Bridge.

d. appropriate or transfer from the Community Preservation Fund a sum of money for the Community Preservation Committee's Administrative budget to be used for general department expenses, and to hire technical expertise or engage other services to advise the Community Preservation Committee and the Town on anticipated projects involving CPA funds.

or to take any other action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 36. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds, a sum of money to resurface the Tennis Courts, or to take any other action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 37. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds, a sum of money to update the digitalized mapping for the Town, or to take any other action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 38. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds, a sum of money for legal and expert witness fees and related expenses associated with defending against actions filed in court challenging the Town's Zoning Bylaws, Subdivision Regulations or seeking judicial review of decisions made thereunder, or to take any other action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 39. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds, a sum of money to purchase furnishings for the Senior Center at the new Town Offices, or to take any other action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 40. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money to purchase a used van for the Council on Aging, or to take any other action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 41. To see if the Town will vote to accept, for all types of adjudicatory hearings held by Town boards, Chapter 39, Section 23D of the General Laws, or to take any other action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 42. To see if the Town will vote, pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 40, Section 4A of the General Laws to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into mutual aid agreements with other area governmental units for the provision of public health, public works, animal control, inspectional services, emergency management and emergency medical services, in accordance with an inter-municipal mutual aid agreement to be entered into between the Town and the governmental units, or to take any other action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 43. To see if the Town will vote, pursuant to Chapter 30B, Section 12(b) of the General Laws, to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into a contract for up to ten years with a telephone service provider for the provision of telephone services to Town departments, said contract to be made on terms and conditions as the Board shall determine, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 44. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning Bylaws by:

(a) Striking from Section 2.2 thereof the definition of "Building Height" and replacing it with the following:

BUILDING HEIGHT: The vertical distance to the highest point of flat or mansard roofs including the top of a parapet or, in the case of pitched roofs, to the highest point of the ridge or top of the roof from the lowest existing grade that is both within six (6) feet of the walls of a building and more than six (6) feet from a creek, river, stream, pond or lake.

And

(b.) adding to Section 5.5 thereof a new footnote appurtenant to the lines pertaining to the Residence R-4, Residence R-2, Residence R-1, Residence R-C, and Business B Districts as follows:

(i) In the event that a building is less than six (6) feet from a creek, river, stream, pond, or lake, the maximum building height shall be two and one half stories and 25 feet.

Or take any other action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 45. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning Bylaws by

A. Adding, in appropriate alphabetical order, a new definition to section 2.2 as follows:

TEMPORARY STRUCTURE: Any tent, membrane structure, car port, storage unit, rigid canopy or similar portable or demountable structure, supported in whole or in part by members resting on the ground and lacking a permanent foundation, of a size and design sufficient and appropriate to allow the parking of an automobile therein.

B. Adding new section 4.11.B.23 as follows:

[B. Accessory Uses]	[R-4]	[R-2]	[R-1]	[R-C]	[B]	[M]
23. Temporary Structures erected for a period of less than 180 days	SPP	SPP	SPP	SPP	SPP	SPP

or to take any other action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 46. To see if the Town will vote to petition the General Court for the passage of a Special Act substantially as follows:

AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE CONSERVATION COMMISSION OF THE TOWN OF STOCKBRIDGE.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

Notwithstanding section 8C of chapter 40 of the General Laws, the board of selectmen of the town of Stockbridge may appoint two alternate members of the conservation commission of the town for staggered terms not to exceed three years.

The chairmen of the conservation commission may designate any of the alternate members to sit on the commission in the case of absence, inability to act or conflict of interest on the part of a member of the commission or, in the event of a vacancy on the conservation commission, until the vacancy is filled in accordance with said section 8C of said chapter 40.

or to take any other action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 47. To see if the Town will vote to transfer a sum of money from available funds for the purpose of lowering the property tax rate, or to take any other action in relation thereto.

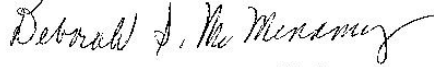
ARTICLE 48. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds, a sum of money to increase the Stabilization Fund as defined in section 5B of Chapter 40 of the General Laws, or to take any other action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 49. To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

You are directed to post true and attested copies of this Warrant, one in each of the Post Offices of said Town, the Town Hall, Stockbridge Firehouse and Interlaken Firehouse, at least seven days before time of said meeting. Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the undersigned or to the Town Clerk at or before the time of said meeting.

Given under our hands at Stockbridge, April 23, 2007

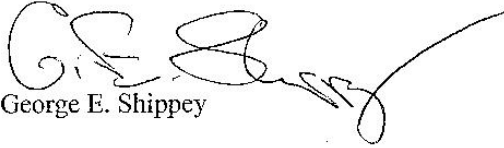
Board of Selectmen



Deborah S. McMenamy, Chairman



J. Cristopher Irsfeld



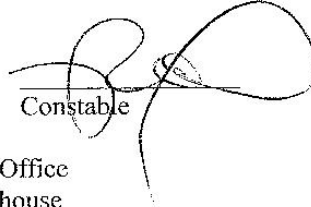
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