

**TOWN OF LINCOLN, MASSACHUSETTS**  
**ANNUAL TOWN MEETING: Saturday, March 25, 2006 - 9:30 a.m.**  
**ANNUAL ELECTION: Monday, March 27, 2006 - 7:30 a.m.**

**WARRANT**



TOWN OF LINCOLN

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

MIDDLESEX, Ss

To either of the Constables of the Town of Lincoln in said County:

GREETINGS:

In the name of the Commonwealth you are hereby required to notify the legal voters of said Town of Lincoln qualified to vote at Town Meeting for the transaction of Town Affairs to meet for the annual election at the Smith School Gymnasium on Monday, the twenty-seventh day of March, 2006 next, starting at 7:30 a.m., then and there to act on the following Article 1, **and also to meet for the annual town meeting in the Donaldson Auditorium in said Lincoln on Saturday, the twenty-fifth day of March, 2006 at 9:30 a.m., then and there to act on the following articles, except Article 1,** by posting a copy of this Warrant, by you attested, in said Town, seven days at least before the twenty-fifth day of March next."

The polls for voting the ballot on Monday, March twenty-seventh will be opened at 7:30 a.m. and will be closed at 8:00 p.m.

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Any person requiring this warrant in a larger print format, or anyone requiring handicap related assistance at the town meeting, please contact the Selectmen's Office at 781-259-2600 prior to Monday, March 13, 2006. Every reasonable attempt will be made to provide the necessary assistance.

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Note: Town meeting shall be continued to Tuesday, March 28, 2006 at 7:30 p.m. if needed.

ARTICLE 1

To bring in their votes for one or more members for each of the following offices;

Town Clerk for one year  
Selectman for three years  
Treasurer for one year  
Assessor for three years  
School Committee member for three years  
School Committee member for two years  
Water Commissioner for three years  
Board of Health member for three years  
Cemetery Commissioner for three years  
Planning Board member for five years  
Commissioner of Trust Funds for three years  
Trustee of Bemis Fund for three years  
Trustee of Bemis Fund for one year  
DeCordova & Dana Museum and Park Trustee for four years  
Housing Commission member for three years  
Recreation Committee member for three years  
Regional School Committee member (2) for three years

ARTICLE 2

To bring in their votes for any Committees, Commissioners, Trustees, and other officers required by law to be elected by ballot or otherwise.

Selectmen

ARTICLE 3

To hear and act upon the reports of the Town Officers, Committees, Commissioners and Trustees.

Selectmen

ARTICLE 4

To fix the salaries and compensation of the several elective officers of the Town and to determine whether any Department, Board or Committee shall be authorized to employ for additional compensation any of its members and to fix additional compensation of such members; or take any other action relative thereto.

Selectmen

ARTICLE 5

To see if the Town will vote to accept Chapter 73, Section 4 of the Act of 1986 as amended by Chapter 126 of the Acts of 1988, for the purpose of increasing the real estate tax exemptions by 100 percent to all persons who qualify for property tax exemptions under Clauses 17, 17C, 17C1/2, 17D, 22, 22A, 22B, 22C, 22D, 22E, 37, 37A, 41, 41B and 41C under Chapter 59, Section 5 of the Massachusetts General Laws; or take any other action relative thereto.

Assessors

ARTICLE 6

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money by taxation, by transfer from available funds, by borrowing or any combination thereof, to fund the Town's Senior Tax Work-off Program, established pursuant to Massachusetts General Law Chapter 59, Section 5K, and by vote of the Town under Article 6 of the 2003 Annual Town Meeting; or take any other action relative thereto.

Selectmen

ARTICLE 7

To raise and appropriate money for the necessary and expedient purposes of the Town; or take any other action relative thereto.

Finance Committee

ARTICLE 8

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money by taxation, by transfer from available funds, by borrowing or any combination thereof, to purchase a new pickup with plow for the DPW, and to see if the Town will authorize the disposal by sale or otherwise of excess vehicles and equipment; or take any other action relative thereto.

Selectmen

ARTICLE 9

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money by taxation, by transfer from available funds, by borrowing or any combination thereof, to purchase a new ambulance and related equipment for the Lincoln Fire Department, and to see if the Town will authorize the disposal by sale or otherwise of excess vehicles and equipment; or take any other action relative thereto.

Selectmen

ARTICLE 10

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money by taxation, by transfer from available funds, by borrowing or any combination thereof, to purchase two cruisers and related equipment for the Lincoln Police Department, and to see if the Town will authorize the disposal by sale or otherwise of excess vehicles and equipment; or take any other action relative thereto.

Selectmen

ARTICLE 11

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money by taxation, by transfer from available funds, by borrowing or any combination thereof, to purchase new computer equipment for Town departments including hardware, software, licenses, installation, training, maintenance and other related costs; or take any other action relative thereto.

Selectmen

ARTICLE 12

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money by taxation, by transfer from available funds, by borrowing or any combination thereof, to purchase a new tractor with mower and other accessories for the Conservation Commission; or take any other action relative thereto.

Conservation Commission

ARTICLE 13

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money by taxation, by transfer from available funds, by borrowing or any combination thereof, to repair windows at the Lincoln Schools; or take any other action relative thereto.

School Committee

ARTICLE 14

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money by taxation, by transfer from available funds, by borrowing or any combination thereof, to repair exterior doors at the Lincoln Schools; or take any other action relative thereto.

School Committee

ARTICLE 15

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money by taxation, by transfer from available funds, by borrowing or any combination thereof, to repair or replace the skylights at the Lincoln Schools; or take any other action relative thereto.

School Committee

ARTICLE 16

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money by taxation, by transfer from available funds, by borrowing or any combination thereof, to replace gutters and down spouts at the Lincoln Schools; or take any other action relative thereto.

School Committee

ARTICLE 17

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money by taxation, by transfer from available funds, by borrowing or any combination thereof, to repair and relocate the sewage pump controls at the Lincoln Schools; or take any other action relative thereto.

School Committee

ARTICLE 18

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money by taxation, by transfer from available funds, by borrowing or any combination thereof, to rehabilitate classrooms at the Lincoln Schools; or take any other action relative thereto.

School Committee

ARTICLE 19

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money by taxation, by transfer from available funds, by borrowing or any combination thereof, to purchase replacement computers for the Lincoln Schools including hardware, software, site licenses, installation fees and other related costs; or take any other action relative thereto.

School Committee

ARTICLE 20

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money by taxation, by transfer from available funds, by borrowing or any combination thereof, to replace the carpet at the Lincoln Public Library; or take any other action relative thereto.

Library Trustees

ARTICLE 21

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money by taxation, by transfer from available funds, by borrowing or any combination thereof, to be used for the construction, reconstruction, and/or repair of roads and bridges and related costs pursuant to the State's Chapter 90 and/ or other state roadway reimbursement programs, and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to accept and expend any funds received from the Commonwealth for such purposes; or take any other action relative thereto.

Selectmen

ARTICLE 22

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money by taxation, by transfer from available funds, by borrowing or any combination thereof, for the repair and maintenance of certain Town buildings; or take any other action relative thereto.

Selectmen

ARTICLE 23

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money by taxation, by transfer from available funds, by borrowing or any combination thereof, for the repair and maintenance of the Lincoln Library; or take any other action relative thereto.

Library Trustees

ARTICLE 24

To see if the Town will vote to accept G.L. c.44, §55C, and establish a Municipal Affordable Housing Trust Fund to provide for the creation and preservation of affordable housing for the benefit of low and moderate income households, said trust fund to be managed, pursuant to G.L. c.44, §55C, by a five-member Board of Trustees appointed by the Board of Selectmen for terms not to exceed two years, of whom at least one member shall be a Selectman; or take any other action relative thereto.

Selectmen

ARTICLE 25

To hear a report from the Community Preservation Committee on the Fiscal Year 2007 Community Preservation Budget, and to appropriate or reserve for later appropriation monies for the administrative expenses of the Community Preservation Committee, the payment of debt service, the undertaking of Community Preservation projects and all other necessary and proper expenses for the year, and to determine whether such sums shall be raised from Community Preservation Fund, transferred from available funds, borrowed, appropriated from the stabilization fund, or any combination of these methods; or take any other action relative thereto.

Community Preservation Committee

ARTICLE 26

To see if the Town will vote to transfer \$20,000, more or less, from the water surplus to purchase new hardware and software to help facilitate the semi-annual meter reading process and billing function; or take any other action relative thereto.

Water Commissioners

ARTICLE 27

To see if the Town will vote to transfer \$30,000, more or less, from the water surplus to retain the necessary technical support to evaluate the options of repairing, replacing or relocating the water storage tank on Bedford Road; or take any other action relative thereto.

Water Commissioners

ARTICLE 28

To see if the Town will vote to transfer \$20,000, more or less, from the water surplus to purchase replacement filters which are available under the current warranty program in effect from the time of construction of the filtration plant; or take any other action relative thereto.

Water Commissioners

ARTICLE 29

To see if the Town will vote to transfer \$50,000, more or less, from the water surplus to upgrade the electrical service and stand-by power at the Tower Road well; or take any other action relative thereto.

Water Commissioners

ARTICLE 30

To see if the Town will vote to authorize payment of a FY05 bill for the Water Department, and to transfer from water surplus for such purposes; or take any other action relative thereto.

Water Commissioners

ARTICLE 31

To see if the Town will vote to amend Article IX of the General By-laws by deleting in its entirety the current Section 14, Water Supply, and replacing it with a new section, as substantially set forth in a copy of which is on file with the Town Clerk, which will, among other things, address compliance with orders issued by the Department of Environmental Protection during a declared State of Water Supply Emergency, and authorize the Water Commissioners to declare a State of Water Supply Conservation and impose restrictions on water uses when the Commissioners determine a shortage of water exists and conservation measures are appropriate; or take any other action relative thereto.

Water Commissioners

ARTICLE 32

To see if the Town will vote to approve a Preliminary Development and Use Plan pursuant to Section 12.7 of the Town of Lincoln Zoning Bylaws, the South Lincoln Overlay District, for the redevelopment of the Mall at Lincoln Station (consisting of Parcel 95-38, as shown on the Town Assessors Maps); or take any action relative thereto.

Rural Land Foundation

ARTICLE 33

To see if the Town will vote to amend the General By-laws by inserting a new bylaw, to be known as the "Town of Lincoln Neighborhood Conservation District By-law", as substantially set forth in a copy of which is on file with the Town Clerk, which will, among other things, authorize establishment of Neighborhood Conservation Districts that would establish standards for a neighborhood to conserve the architectural integrity of particular neighborhoods in such districts, and authorize establishment of Neighborhood Conservation District Commissions to implement the provisions of the By-law; or take any other action relative thereto.

Planning Board

ARTICLE 34

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning By-law by deleting in its entirety Section 16, Signs, and replacing it with a new section, as substantially set forth in a copy of which is on file with the Town Clerk, which will, among other things, add a temporary sign permit requirement and reformat the current By-law; or take any other action relative thereto.

Planning Board

ARTICLE 35

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning By-law, Section 13.3 by deleting the words "total area of the enclosed space in" and replacing it with the words "Gross Floor Area of," so that the section will read as follows:

The Gross Floor Area of all buildings on any lot shall not exceed twenty-five (25) percent of the area of the lot.

Or take any other action relative thereto.

Planning Board

ARTICLE 36

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning By-law by deleting in its entirety Section 14.3, Accessory Apartments in an R-1 District, and replacing it with a new section, as substantially set forth in a copy of which is on file with the Town Clerk, which will, among other things, add a cap of two new units of unrestricted accessory apartments per year, with affordable units not being affected by the cap, and proposes

further reformat and clarify the current Section 14.3.; or take any other action relative thereto.

Planning Board

ARTICLE 37

To see if the Town will vote to hear a report of the Lincoln Planning Board regarding implementation of a Master Plan; or take any action relative thereto.

Planning Board

ARTICLE 38

To receive and act on a recommendation from the Board of Selectmen and Finance Committee with regard to the presentation of the annual Bright Light Award, and to raise and appropriate the necessary funds to support this award; or take any other action relative thereto.

Selectmen

ARTICLE 39

To see if the Town will vote to endorse the Board of Selectmen moving ahead with the establishment of an Agricultural Commission whose purpose shall be to facilitate and encourage the pursuit of agriculture in the Town; promote agricultural-based economic opportunities in the Town; act as mediators, advocates, educators and/or negotiators on farming issues; act in an advisory capacity on farming issues for established town departments, boards and commissions; pursue all initiatives appropriate to create a sustainable agricultural community and to encourage the pursuit of agriculture as a career opportunity and lifestyle; or take any other action relative thereto.

Selectmen

ARTICLE 40

To see if the Town will vote to reauthorize revolving accounts previously established by vote of the Town under Massachusetts General Law, Chapter 44, Section 53E ½, for the following purposes: school bus fees, pre-school tuitions, fire alarm maintenance fees, firearms licenses fees and housing rental income, said fees to be expended by the authorized entity without further appropriation; or take any other action relative thereto.

Selectmen

ARTICLE 41

To see if the Town will authorize the Board of Selectmen to petition the General Court for enactment of legislation in collaboration with the neighboring towns of Arlington, Concord and Lexington to designate state highway route 2A, the Battle Road Corridor, as a State scenic byway, or take any action relative thereto.

Selectmen

ARTICLE 42

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to file a petition with the Great and General Court in order to allow the Town, through its Board of Selectmen, to issue a license for the sale of beer ("malt products") and wine with said license to be subject to the provisions of G.L. Ch. 138, and that, upon passage of said special act by the Great and General Court, the authority to issue said license shall not be effective until the question allowing the Town to issue a beer and wine license, as described above, is passed by a majority of the votes on a ballot question at the Town election succeeding passage of the special act.

Citizen Petition

ARTICLE 43

To see if the Town will vote the following Petition Resolution for a Lincoln Town Warrant supporting United States House Resolution 636, (H.R. 636) Title: Town Support for H.R. 636: Censure of George W. Bush

Whereas President George W. Bush knowingly misled Congress and the American people into an illegal preemptive war against Iraq, costing its citizens billions of tax dollars and countless American and Iraqi lives

And has admitted to conducting warrantless wiretaps in direct violation of the laws of the Congress of the United States.

The above certainly being High Crimes and Misdemeanors are impeachable offenses under Article II Section 4 of the United States Constitution.

Be it resolved that by a vote of a majority at the Annual Town Meeting of Lincoln, the Town of Lincoln supports H.R. 636 to censure and possibly impeach President George W. Bush.

Be it further resolved that a copy of said warrant, if passed, be sent to Senators Edward Kennedy and John Kerry, and Representatives John Conyers, Jr. and Edward Markey, and the local press including but not limited to the Lincoln Journal, The Boston Globe and Boston Herald.

Citizen Petition

ARTICLE 44

To see if the Town will vote to transfer a sum of money from the remaining Stabilization Fund balance to reduce the FY '07 tax rate; or take any other action relative thereto.

Finance Committee

ARTICLE 45

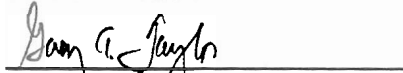
To see if the Town will vote to transfer from free cash or any other source of funds a sum of money to reduce the total amount to be raised by taxation pursuant to the votes previously taken under Article 7 of this Warrant; or any other article of this Warrant authorizing the appropriation of funds; or take any other action relative thereto.

Finance Committee

Hereof fail not and make return of this Warrant with your doings, thereon to the Town Clerk, at or before the time for the meeting aforesaid. Given under our hands this the 9<sup>th</sup> day of February in the year of our Lord two thousand and six.

  
Sarah Cannon Holden, Chair

  
Sara A. Mattes

  
Gary A. Taylor

SELECTMEN OF LINCOLN