

**TOWN OF IPSWICH**

**ANNUAL TOWN MEETING**

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**Warrant Article Synopses**

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## WARRANT ARTICLE SYNOPSES

### ARTICLE 1 CONSENT CALENDAR

#### SUMMARY:

The first two items set the salaries for all elected officials as presented in the Town's operating budget and designate the positions to be filled at the Town elections. The polls for the Town election will open at 7:00 a.m. and close at 8:00 p.m.

This article authorizes payment-in-lieu-of-taxes of **\$275,000** to the Town from available funds in the Electric Light Department.

In accordance with Massachusetts General Laws, this article authorizes the Board of Selectmen to appoint an Acting Town Manager during vacation or leave of absence of the Town Manager with an exemption from the state conflict-of-interest law.

#### FISCAL IMPACT:

This is a standard article that appears each year on the Annual Town Meeting Warrant. The payment-in-lieu-of-taxes (PILOT) from the Electric Light Department is determined according to a formula established by the Board of Selectmen acting as the Electric Light Commission at one-fourth cent (**\$.0025**) for each kilowatt hour of electricity sold. The Electric Light Department PILOT payment provides additional revenue for the Town General Fund.

## **ARTICLE 2 FINANCE COMMITTEE ELECTION**

### **SUMMARY:**

The article calls for election of one Finance Committee member, to be elected by the Town Meeting. The Finance Committee recommends the election of Marion W. Swan for a term of three years.

### **FISCAL IMPACT:**

There is no financial impact.

## ARTICLE 3 FY'10 BUDGET AMENDMENTS

### SUMMARY:

#### TRANSFERS

<u>Dept</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Account #</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>
Selectmen	Salary	11221-5111		999.92
Selectmen	Advertising	11222-5304	3,500.00	
Town Mgr	Salary	11231-5113		1,300.00
Town Mgr	Temp PT	11231-5121		287.50
Town Mgr	Labor Relations	11232-5308	8,394.00	
Legal	Legal Services	11242-5312		78,000.00
Reserve Fund	Reserve Fund	11322-5730	10,000.00	
Accounting	Overtime	11341-5131	1,000.00	
Purchasing	Permanent Wages	11361-5115	2,697.98	
Purchasing	Safety Supplies	11362-5426	200.00	
Purchasing	Mileage	11362-5711	174.98	
Purchasing	Meals & Lodging	1362-5712	141.23	
Purchasing	Conference Reg.	1362-5733	50.00	
Assessor	Appointed Salary	11371-5112		1,318.21
Assessor	Sick Leave Buyback	11371-5126		5,631.79
Treasurer	Legal Deeds	11382-5303	295.00	
Treasurer	Data Processing	11382-5306	44.00	
Treasurer	Printed Forms	11382-5422	3,000.00	
Treasurer	Conference Reg.	11382-5733	100.00	
Treasurer	Cash Variance	11382-5935	100.00	
Treasurer	Banking Fees	11382-5936	100.00	
Information Tech	Equipment	11543-5815		6,785.00
Town Clerk	Maintenance Contract	11612-5244	95.00	
Town Clerk	Printed Forms	11612-5422	200.00	
Town Clerk	Meals & Lodging	11612-5712	607.00	
Town Clerk	Conference Reg.	11612-5733	200.00	
Planning	Program Supp	11712-5583	50.00	
Planning	Conference Reg.	11712-5733	150.00	
Planning	Special Printing	11712-5423	100.00	
Planning	Legal Deeds	11712-5303	50.00	
Planning	Training	11712-5511	100.00	

Planning Contracts	Postage	11722-5342	100.00	
Planning Contracts	Advertising	11722-5304	100.00	
Conservation	Other Equipment	11732-5485	300.00	
Conservation	Pubs & Subs	11732-5732	100.00	
Historical Comm.	Other Consultants	11752-5311	150.00	
Benefits	Health Insurance	11911-5175		41,000.00
Benefits	Medicare	11911-5194		7,600.00
Insurance	Package Insurance	11922-5742	10,000.00	
Misc Exp	Leases	11932-5270	100.00	
Misc Exp	Postage	11932-5342	3,000.00	
Police	Diff/Incent	12101-5141	15,000.00	
Police	Maintenance Contract	12102-5244	9,446.21	
Police	Ambulance	12102-5381	9,350.00	
Fire	Sick Leave Buyback	12201-5126		18,782.48
Fire	Med Exam	12202-5301	600.00	
Fire	Two Way Radio	12202-5344	1,000.00	
Fire	Printed Forms	12202-5422	200.00	
Fire	Fire Prevention	12202-5490	250.00	
Fire	Training	12202-5511	3,000.00	
Building Insp.	Training	12512-5511	200.00	
Building Insp.	Oil & Lube	12512-5481	75.00	
Building Insp.	Other Consultants	12512-5311	200.00	
Building Insp..	Software	12513-5821	8,000.00	
Harbormaster	Other Pay	12951-5123	1,000.00	
Shellfish	Appointed Salary	12961-5112		6,147.97
PW Admin	Appt Salary	14211-5112	13,466.26	
Equip Maint	Overtime	14221-5131	1,444.28	
Equip Maint	Gasoline	14222-5215	11,374.00	
Equip Maint	Diesel Fuel	14222-5216	11,250.55	
Hwy	Other Pay	14241-5123	2,253.15	
Forestry	Perm Wages	14251-5115	3,000.00	
Sanitation	Sanitary Collection	14312-5385	59,784.00	
Facilities	Oil Heat	14722-5213	5,165.00	
Facilities	Building Supplies	14722-5431	2,000.00	
Facilities	Electricity	14722-5211	2,600.00	
Facilities	Gas	14722-5212	1,700.00	
Cemetery	Appointed Salary	14911-5112		1,527.73
Cemetery	Perm Wages	14911-5115		1,669.32
Cemetery	Sick Leave Buyback	14911-5126		16,967.74

Health	Permanent Wages	15121-5115		436.08
Health	Association Dues	15122-5731	100.00	
Health	Conference Reg.	15122-5733	200.00	
Veterans Services	Medical	15432-5772		26,000.00
Library	Office Equip	16102-5725	573.00	
Library	Training	16102-5511	350.00	
Library	Repair/Replace	16102-5340	200.00	
Recreation	Civic Observances	16202-5354	500.00	
Recreation	Program Supp	16202-5583	500.00	
Recreation	Conference Reg.	16202-5733	300.00	
Recreation	Program Services	16202-5351	500.00	
Debt Service	Short Term Interest	17002-5916		1,326.90
Debt Service	Debt Issue Exp	17002-5930	5,000.00	
			215,780.64	215,780.64

**APPROPRIATE**

Town Ins Recovery	Transfer to General	D61102-5950	40,194.81	
Fire	Motor Vehicles	12202-5245		40,194.81

**FISCAL  
IMPACT:**

These are transfers from within the FY 2010 budget which do not have a fiscal impact. The appropriation is from an insurance reimbursement account for the damage to a fire vehicle during the Melanson's fire.

## ARTICLE 4 FY 2011 MUNICIPAL OPERATING BUDGET

### SUMMARY:

The Fiscal 2011 operating budget for Town departments, according to the guideline set by the Finance Committee is **\$13,258,830** plus **\$933,044** in excluded debt service for the Library addition, New Town Hall and the open space bond, for a total **\$14,191,874**. This budget is offset by **\$165,949** in non-tax revenues, leaving **\$14,025,925** net to be raised and appropriated.

### FISCAL IMPACT:

The town budget of **\$14,191,874** represents an increase in spending of **1½ %** over Fiscal 2010. The Town budget represents **38.3 %** of total General Fund spending.



## ARTICLE 5 FY 2011 SCHOOL OPERATING BUDGET

### SUMMARY:

The Fiscal 2011 School Department operating budget totaling **\$20,363,261** is presented according to the guideline set by the Finance Committee. The FY'11 School Budget is offset by **\$92,500** in non-tax revenues, leaving **\$20,270,761** net to be raised and appropriated.

Funding for the FY'11 budget includes **\$2,595,637** under the Massachusetts Chapter 70 school aid program. This is the amount recommended by the Governor and may change during legislative consideration of the state budget.

### FISCAL IMPACT:

The Ipswich School Department budget of **\$20,363,261** represents a **1½ %** increase over Fiscal 2010. The School budget represents **61.7%** of total General Fund spending.

## ARTICLE 6 HIGH SCHOOL/MIDDLE SCHOOL DEBT

### SUMMARY:

This article appropriates **\$2,544,125** in scheduled debt service for the High School/Middle School project. Debt service for the High School/Middle School project was excluded from the Proposition 2 ½ tax limitation in a Town election in 1996. The Massachusetts School Building Authority will reimburse the Town for **\$1,389,800** of the debt service for this project in FY'11

### FISCAL IMPACT:

The net cost to the taxpayer in FY'11 for the High School/Middle School project will be **\$1,154,325**. The net cost represents **\$0.42** on the tax rate. It will account for **\$211** of the average tax bill of **\$5,265** on the average house valued at **\$456,270**.

## ARTICLE 7 FY 2011 WHITTIER VOCATIONAL TECHNICAL HIGH SCHOOL BUDGET

### SUMMARY:

**\$350,095** is appropriated for the Whittier RVT High School. This represents a decrease of **\$102,311** over the FY '10 assessment. The FY'11 Whittier budget recommendation was approved by the Regional School Committee on March 6, 2010.

Enrollment of students from Ipswich decreased from 27 in 2009 to 23 in FY 2010. The Town's assessment constitutes **2.28%** of the total assessment for the Whittier School.

### FISCAL IMPACT:

The proposed Whittier budget for Fiscal 2011 represents a **22.6%** decrease in the assessment for Ipswich over Fiscal 2010.

## ARTICLE 8 FY 2011 WATER AND SEWER BUDGETS

### SUMMARY:

The total Water Division budget for **FY'11** is set at **\$2,624,667**. The revenue estimates for the Water Division for **FY'11** include **\$2,283,407** in water user fees; **\$275,760** from the water surplus account; **\$45,000** from water liens; **\$20,500** in application fees and other miscellaneous revenues for total net revenues of **\$2,624,667**.

Capital projects funded within the Water Division budget include: 1) **\$75,000** for meters; 2) **\$32,000** for vehicle replacement; 3) **\$12,000** for services and mains; 4) **\$10,000** for leak detection; 5) **\$7,500** for inspection & painting of tanks; 6) **\$20,000** for fume hood cabinets; 7) **\$8,000** for chemical tank inspection at the filtration plant; 8) **\$50,000** for GAC bed replacement; 9) **\$25,000** for HVAC improvements; 10) **\$15,000** for filtration plant systems evaluation; 11) **\$11,000** for SCADA installations; 12) **\$20,000** for well upgrades; 13) **\$50,000** for sludge handling for a total of **\$335,500**.

This article includes, as a second and separate portion, the **FY'11** Sewer Division budget. The Sewer Division budget totals **\$1,492,041**. Capital projects funded within the Sewer Division budget include; 1) **\$5,000** for meters; 2) **\$20,000** for door & window replacement at the plant; and 3) **\$50,000** for infiltration & inflow mitigation; 4) **\$25,000** for collection system upgrades for a total of **\$100,000**.

Revenue estimates for the Sewer Division for **FY'11** include: 1) **\$25,500** from sewer liens; 2) **\$6,500** in sewer betterment payments; 3) **\$426,000** in septage treatment fees, application fees and other miscellaneous revenues; and 4) **\$1,034,041** in sewer use fees, for a total of **\$1,492,041**.

### FISCAL IMPACT:

The Water and Sewer Division budgets are funded through user charges. There is no impact on the tax levy. The average cost to the homeowner will be about **\$694** per year for water service and (if connected) about **\$566** for sewer treatment service. These calculations are based on an average 12,000 cubic feet of water (90,000 gallons) consumption per year.

## ARTICLE 9 CITIZENS' PETITION

### SUMMARY:

This article requests that Town Meeting vote **\$1,500** to subsidize "Ipswich Illuminated," an event planned for October 2, 2010. The Ipswich Illuminated event will repeat the program presented during the 375<sup>th</sup> Celebration which featured small floating bonfires on the Ipswich River between the Riverwalk and the Choate Bridge.

### FISCAL IMPACT:

No source of funds has been identified in the petition. Ordinarily, if the Town Meeting approves the appropriation, the monies would be taken from free cash.

## **ARTICLE 10 CITIZENS' PETITION**

### **SUMMARY:**

This petition seeks to repeal that part of the Ipswich Shellfish Rules and Regulations which authorizes the Selectmen to make private grants for shellfish farming on clam flats that are deemed unproductive.

This petition is not legally valid. State statute grants the power to adopt shellfish rules and regulations to the Board of Selectmen. Town Meeting lacks jurisdiction to change shellfish rules and regulations.

### **FISCAL IMPACT:**

There is no fiscal impact.

## ARTICLE 11 COMMITTEE REPORTS

### SUMMARY:

Standing Committees of the Town report at the Annual Town Meeting on their activities during the previous year. Sometimes laced with humor, these reports provide a breather from action on the other business of the meeting.

The Standing Committees of the Town include the Historic District Study Committee; the Commuter Rail Committee; the Ipswich Coalition on Youth; the Hall-Haskell Committee; the Open Space & Recreation Committee and the *Ad Hoc* Committee examining the Feoffees of the Grammar School. These committees were established by the Town Meeting and are entitled to report.

Other committees have been established by the Board of Selectmen and the Town Manager. Reports of Selectmen appointed committees are carried in the Town Report, and the Moderator feels that this is sufficient. However, any committee not established by Town Meeting may offer a verbal report under this article with prior permission from the Moderator.

The list of functioning committees not established by Town Meeting includes: the Affordable Housing Trust Fund Committee; the Agricultural Commission; the Council on Aging; the Athletic Playing Fields Study Committee; the Audit Committee; the Historic Bridge Advisory Committee; the Commission on Energy Use and Climate Protection; the ICAM Board; the Cemetery and Parks Commission; the Community Development Plan Implementation Task Force; the Coastal Pollution Control Committee; the Cultural Council; the Deer Management Committee; the Eight Towns and the Bay Committee; the Emergency Management Committee; the Fair Housing Committee; the Government Study Committee; the Ipswich Bay Circuit Trail Committee; the Library Trustees; the Open Space Committee; the Mosquito Control Advisory Board; the Parking Committee; the Recreation Committee; the Public Safety Facilities Committee; the Recycling Committee; the Sandy Point Advisory Committee; the Shellfish Sub-Committee; the Shade Tree and Beautification Committee; the Storm Water Advisory Committee and the Waterways Advisory Committee.

### FISCAL IMPACT:

The reports themselves have no fiscal impact.

## ARTICLE 12 SENIOR TAX DEFERRAL PROGRAM

### SUMMARY:

The Senior Tax Deferral Program allows any Massachusetts resident 65 years of age or older who has lived in the Commonwealth for at least ten years and in the home proposed for tax deferral for at least five years to apply to the Board of Assessors for a partial or full tax deferral for the year. Under current Ipswich rules, the gross income from all sources of the individual seeking tax deferral may not exceed **\$20,000**.

State statute was amended in 2008 to permit municipalities to raise the income limit to **\$40,000** from all sources. This article proposes to raise the income limit in Ipswich to **\$40,000**.

Under the statute, the interest rate charged against deferred taxes is eight (8) percent. Municipalities are now authorized to establish an interest rate of between four (4) and eight (8) percent.

### FISCAL IMPACT:

The immediate impact would be some loss of tax revenue during the fiscal year. Over the longer run, however, the Town would collect the deferred taxes with substantial interest.



## **ARTICLE 13 PINE SWAMP ROAD LAND TRANSFER**

### **SUMMARY:**

The purpose of this article is to allow conveyance of a 0.8-acre parcel of land that was purchased by the Town in the late 19<sup>th</sup> Century. The land is not being used and has a compromised title. In exchange, the Town will receive a conservation restriction and a public trail easement on the adjacent land to which the 0.8 acre parcel would be added.

### **FISCAL IMPACT:**

There is no fiscal impact.

## ARTICLE 14 PAVEMENT MANAGEMENT PROGRAM BOND

### SUMMARY:

The Department of Public Works and Water Department have three major projects on their list for the next three construction seasons: Central and South Main Streets, Washington Street and the North Green project.

The Town has applied for Federal Recovery Act funding of **\$2** million for Central and South Main Streets through the Boston Metropolitan Planning Organization's (MPO) Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). This is a very competitive program, and the Town will know if the Central/South Main project is accepted onto the TIP by early summer 2010.

The Selectmen have determined that Central and South Main is the highest priority infrastructure project for the Town. If the project is not accepted by the MPO as a TIP funded project, the proposed **\$2** million borrowing will be used to fund street reconstruction and stormwater improvements on Central and South Main Streets.

If the Central/South Main project is TIP funded, the borrowing will be programmed for Washington Street and the North Green Improvement project.

Washington Street will include a new water line and full reconstruction of the roadway with sidewalks and a bike lane. The project will be undertaken jointly by the DPW and the Water Department with one firm doing the complete design and one firm doing all construction.

It is expected that the water line replacement will begin in late summer and the street reconstruction will be done in the spring of 2011. The Water Department has funding for the water line; the Town will require approximately **\$800,000** for the street work. Given the scale of this project, the only resource available for funding would be borrowing.

The North Green project will utilize a grant of **\$1.1** million in Federal "Enhancement" funding through the Metropolitan Planning Organization's TIP program for curbing, sidewalks, period lighting, and reduction of paved surface in front of the Library and Methodist Church. However, Federal funds may not be used for street reconstruction.

The plan is for the Water Department to replace the water line in late 2011 with the other improvements including street reconstruction to take place during the 2012 construction season. The DPW will require **\$500,000** for the street reconstruction. Again, the only resource available for a project this large is bonding.

FISCAL  
IMPACT:

Borrowing **\$2** million for ten years at 4.00% interest will cost **\$270,000** in the first year in additional debt service for principal and interest. The additional debt service would be accommodated by transferring funds within the operating budget rather than through a debt exclusion override. There will be no increase in the tax burden for residents.

## ARTICLE 15 APPROPRIATION FOR CHAPTER 90

### SUMMARY:

Each year the state contributes funds to the cities and towns for street and road improvements under the "Chapter 90" program. This year, the Patrick Administration will provide **\$346,381** to the Town under Chapter 90. Article 17 will accept these funds from the Commonwealth.

### FISCAL IMPACT:

Chapter 90 monies are provided by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts; the local fiscal impact will be zero.

## ARTICLE 16 REVOLVING FUNDS

### SUMMARY:

The article authorizes certain revolving funds under the terms of the Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 53 E ½. Fees collected by departments under this article are deposited into special, revolving accounts that are separate from the General Fund of the Town. Revolving fund monies must be expended for purposes directly related to the mission of their respective departments. The following revolving funds are proposed for acceptance by Town Meeting:

- 1) A **Council on Aging Revolving Fund** to finance fee-based, special trips and functions for senior citizens. There is a **\$100,000** limit on COA Revolving Fund expenditures during the fiscal year. The Council on Aging requests a **\$100,000** limit because the department is sponsoring more trips for seniors to ever more distant places.
- 2) A **Health Department Revolving Fund**. The source of this fund is Health Department inspection fees. The fund is used to underwrite additional, administrative help in the Health Department and to pay related expenditures. No more than **\$7,000** may be expended by the Health Department Revolving Fund in FY'11.
- 3) A new **Health Department Public Health Revolving Fund** is created and funded through Medicare Part B reimbursements to cover the costs of administering influenza and pneumococcal vaccines. No more than **\$10,000** may be expended by the Health Department from monies transferred into the Public Health revolving fund during the fiscal year.
- 4) A **Historical Commission Revolving Fund** is re-authorized. This fund will pay for preservation of town records and the purchase of expendable supplies. No more than **\$5,000** may be expended by the Historical Commission from monies transferred into this fund in FY'11. The source of funds is the sale of publications, such as replicas of the Declaration of Independence and other historical documents.
- 5) A **Facilities Department Revolving Fund** is created to pay for custodial and other services associated with the use of the gymnasium and other Town Hall facilities by outside organizations, for special events sponsored by municipal departments and for the provision of services to Ipswich Community Access Media. The source of funds is fees collected from organizations utilizing Town Hall facilities. No more than **\$20,000** may be expended from the Facilities Department Revolving Fund from monies transferred into the fund during the fiscal year.
- 6) The **Shellfish Department Revolving Fund**. In Fiscal 2005, the Town authorized a surcharge of **\$50** on shellfish licenses with an understanding that all such funds would be spent on improvements to the shellfish resources of the

Town. At the Special Town Meeting in October 2005, the Town created a revolving fund where the **\$50** license surcharge fees are deposited. Before any funds are expended from the shellfish fund, a plan and budget must be submitted to and approved by the Town Manager. No more than **\$15,000** may be expended from the Shellfish Revolving Fund during Fiscal 2011.

FISCAL  
IMPACT:

Revolving funds operate outside the General Fund of the Town, and as such, they do not impact the local tax rate

## **ARTICLE 17 ASCENSION CHURCH PARKING LOT EASEMENT**

### **SUMMARY:**

The Ascension Church parking lot on County Street is regularly used by Ipswich residents attending athletic events on the playing fields adjacent to Town Hall. This article will authorize the Selectmen to accept a non-exclusive easement from Ascension Memorial Church for residents to use the parking lot when attending athletic events on the playing fields.

In consideration of the easement for use by town residents, the Public Works Department will provide plowing service during winter snow storms.

### **FISCAL IMPACT:**

The fiscal impact on the DPW budget will be very small.

## ARTICLE 18 WETLANDS PROTECTION BY-LAW AMENDMENT

### SUMMARY:

This amendment to the Town's Wetlands Protection Bylaw will eliminate the **\$1,000** limit on the amount the Conservation Commission can assess on a petitioner to hire a consultant to review the Notice of Intent and/or Request for Determination of Applicability. The Commission encounters some complex filings where the cost of consulting services may exceed **\$1,000**.

The by-law currently reads:

“The Commission is authorized to require the applicant to pay the reasonable costs and expenses borne by the Commission for reasonable expert engineering and consultant services deemed desirable by the Commission to review the Notice of Intent and/or the Request for Determination of Applicability, up to a maximum of one thousand dollars (**\$1,000.00**). Said payment can be required at any time in the deliberations prior to a final decision being rendered. Said services may include, but are not limited to, wetland resource area surveys and delineations, wetland resource area reports, hydro-geological and drainage analysis, wildlife evaluations, shellfish surveys and environmental/land use law.”

### FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no impact on the general fund budget.



## **ARTICLE 19 POSTING OF WARRANTS**

### **SUMMARY:**

The Town's by-law, Chapter II, Section 3 (b) requires the Town Clerk to publish every warrant in the newspaper and also to have the warrant posted at all meeting houses. This article will amend the by-law to require posting in one public place in each precinct and publication in a newspaper for all Town Meeting warrants but not those solely related to elections.

### **FISCAL IMPACT:**

Eliminating the requirement for posting of election warrants will save the Town several hundreds of dollars per election.

## ARTICLE 20 WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT UPGRADE

### SUMMARY:

This article calls for a bond issue for the purchase of equipment, construction and rehabilitation of the solids handling facilities at the wastewater treatment facility. The work will consist of the purchase and installation of a new centrifuge for solids dewatering, rehabilitation of the existing 13 year old belt filter press, new sludge transfer pumps, new waste activated sludge pumps, new polymer feed system, new dewatered solids conveyer system and a new truck loading hopper with a cost of **\$1.8** million based on the design estimate prepared by Tighe and Bond Engineers.

### FISCAL IMPACT:

The cost of this project will be borne by the Wastewater Department rate payers. There is no impact on the FY 2011 tax rate.

## ARTICLE 21 FEOFFEES TRUST

### SUMMARY:

This article requests the School Committee to continue its action in Probate Court to seeking to modify the Trust that established the Feoffees of the Grammar School as the governing board of the Trust. The School Committee action asks the Court to create a publically appointed board to replace the current board in which four members are privately appointed and three members are Selectmen serving *ex.officio*. The article also urges a resolution of the Feoffees litigation with Little Neck residents in a manner that fully protects the interests of the Ipswich Public Schools and the Town of Ipswich. Finally, it requests the School Committee to proceed in consultation with other Town bodies including the Board of Selectmen and Finance Committee.

### FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no impact on the FY 2011 tax rate.

## **ARTICLE 22 RECONSIDERATION**

### **SUMMARY:**

This article will permit the Town Meeting to reconsider any and all previous articles raising and appropriating money which have a direct impact on the tax levy for the next fiscal year. The purpose is to finalize a budget to be balanced and in compliance with the levy limit provisions of Proposition 2½, so that certification of the FY 2011 tax rate can be completed successfully.

### **FISCAL IMPACT:**

The impact will not be known until all other money articles have been acted upon.