# **TOWN OF LEE**

# FY2006 ANNUAL TOWN MEETING



MAY 12, 2005 AT 7:30 PM

LEE MIDDLE & HIGH SCHOOL

## **WARRANT**

# COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS BERKSHIRE. S.S.

To any of the Constables of the Town of Lee, Greetings:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify all of the inhabitants of the Town of Lee, qualified to vote in Town Affairs, to met at the **Lee Middle/High School Auditorium on Thursday, May 12, 2005 at the hour of 7:30 p.m.** in the evening, for the purposes then and there, to take action upon the following Articles, namely:

#### ANNUAL TOWN MEETING WARRANT ARTICLES

## Article 1. Town Reports

To receive the reports of the Selectmen, Town Accountant and the other officers, boards, commissions and committees of the Town.

## Article 2. FY06 Operating Budgets

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds any sum or sums of money for the maintenance of the several departments of the Town and for any other necessary changes, or pass any vote or votes in relation thereto.

CENEDAL COMEDNIATIVE				
GENERAL GOVERNMENT	EXPENDED	DUDCET	DEOLIECTED	EIN COMM
CODE NUMBER		BUDGET	REQUESTED	FIN. COMM.
	FY04	FY05	FY2006	RECOMM.
				FY2006
114 MODERATOR				
Personnel	150.00	150.00	150.00	150.00
Expenses	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL 114	150.00	150.00	150.00	150.00
122 SELECTMEN				
Personnel	32,593.94	33,010.00	37,443.00	36,693.00
Expenses	3,153.80	3,620.00	3,620.00	3,620.00
TOTAL 122	35,747.74	36,630.00	41,063.00	40,313.00
123 TOWN ADMINISTRATOR				
Personnel	61,992.00	63,231.00	64,812.00	64,812.00
Expenses	1,717.52	3,370.00	3,370.00	3,370.00
TOTAL 123	63,709.52	66,601.00	68,182.00	68,182.00
131 FINANCE COMMITTEE				
Personnel	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Expenses	150.00	350.00	350.00	350.00

TOTAL 131	150.00	350.00	350.00	350.00

GENERAL GOVERNMENT CODE NUMBER	EXPENDED	BUDGET	REQUESTED	FIN. COMM.
CODE NUMBER	FY04	FY05	FY2006	RECOMM. FY2006
135 TOWN ACCOUNTANT				
Personnel	37,372.00	38,111.00	43,598.00	42,569.00
Expenses	32,593.44	24,700.00	26,220.00	26,220.00
TOTAL 135	69,965.44	62,811.00	69,818.00	68,789.00
141 ASSESSORS				
Personnel	66,725.91	69,544.00	75,193.00	74,164.00
Expenses	13,784.43	14,767.00	14,692.00	14,692.00
TOTAL 141	80,510.34	84,311.00	89,885.00	88,856.00
145 TREASURER				
Personnel	34,956.32	35,731.00	40,464.00	39,520.00
Expenses	9,009.08	6,197.00	6,931.00	6,931.00
TOTAL 145	43,965.40	41,928.00	47,395.00	46,451.00
146 COLLECTOR				
Personnel	53,006.75	54,421.00	60,484.00	59,060.00
Expenses	11,301.97	12,925.00	12,605.00	12,605.00
TOTAL 146	64,308.72	67,346.00	73,089.00	71,665.00
151 TOWN COUNSEL				
Personnel	22,602.96	23,041.00	23,700.00	23,700.00
Expenses	2,077.15	4,000.00	4,000.00	4,000.00
TOTAL 151	24,680.11	27,041.00	27,700.00	27,700.00
155 INFORMATION TECHNOLOGIES				
Personnel	0.00	10,440.00	10,440.00	10,440.00
Expenses	8,655.28	7,447.00	7,138.00	7,138.00
TOTAL 155	8,655.28	17,887.00	17,578.00	17,578.00
156 LAND USE ASSISTANT				
Personnel	16,251.40	16,706.00	19,453.00	18,990.00
Expenses	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL 156	16,251.40	16,706.00	19,453.00	18,990.00
161 TOWN CLERK				
Personnel	35,575.46	36,689.00	38,304.00	37,638.00
Expenses	1,495.58	1,682.00	1,497.00	1,497.00
TOTAL 161	37,071.04	38,371.00	39,801.00	39,135.00

GENERAL GOVERNMENT				
CODE NUMBER	EXPENDED FY04	BUDGET FY05	REQUESTED FY2006	FIN. COMM. RECOMM. FY2006
163 LICENSING/REGISTRATION				
Personnel	3,446.00	3,907.00	2,700.00	2,700.00
Expenses	3,423.45	2,550.00	3,490.00	3,490.00
TOTAL 163	6,869.45	6,457.00	6,190.00	6,190.00
171 CONSERVATION COMMISSION				
Personnel	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Expenses	998.78	700.00	700.00	700.00
TOTAL 171	998.78	700.00	700.00	700.00
175 PLANNING BOARD				_
Personnel	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Expenses	2,874.61	2,875.00	2,875.00	2,875.00
TOTAL 175	2,874.61	2,875.00	2,875.00	2,875.00
176 ZONING BOARD				
Personnel	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Expenses	991.95	1,460.00	1,585.00	1,585.00
TOTAL 176	991.95	1,460.00	1,585.00	1,585.00
188 LEE C.D.C.				
Personnel	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Expenses	500.00	500.00	500.00	500.00
TOTAL 188	500.00	500.00	500.00	500.00
195 TOWN REPORTS				
Personnel	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Expenses	3,380.00	4,000.00	4,000.00	4,000.00
TOTAL 195	3,380.00	4,000.00	4,000.00	4,000.00
196 OFFICE EQUIP. MAINTENANCE				
Personnel	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Expenses	9,588.70	10,400.00	11,000.00	11,000.00
TOTAL 196	9,588.70	10,400.00	11,000.00	11,000.00
197 STAFF DEVELOPMENT				
Personnel	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Expenses	780.73	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00
TOTAL 197	780.73	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00

TOTAL GENERAL GOVERNMENT	471,149,21	488.024.00	522,814.00	516,509.00
TOTAL GENERAL GOVERNMENT	7/1,17/21	700,027.00	322,014.00	310,303.00

PUBLIC SAFETY				
CODE NUMBER	EXPENDED FY04	BUDGET FY05	REQUESTED FY2006	FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMM. FY2006
210 POLICE				
Personnel	703,022.60	716,601.00	735 193 00	733,548.00
Expenses	51,752.82	58,956.00	51,100.00	51,100.00
TOTAL 210	754,775.42	775,557.00	786,293.00	784,648.00
221 FIRE DEPARTMENT	Ź	,	,	,
Personnel	13,916.84	15,842.00	16,238.00	16,238.00
Total Expenses	54,231.76	52,322.00	52,429.00	52,429.00
TOTAL 221	68,148.60	68,164.00	68,667.00	68,667.00
241 BUILDING INSPECTOR				
Personnel	53,867.03	56,910.00	60,143.00	59,796.00
Total Expenses	3,684.12	3,580.00	4,145.00	4,145.00
TOTAL 241	57,551.15	60,490.00	64,288.00	63,941.00
242 GAS INSPECTOR				
Personnel	4,117.92	4,221.00	4,221.00	4,221.00
Total Expenses	470.69	660.00	660.00	660.00
TOTAL 242	4,588.61	4,881.00	4,881.00	4,881.00
244 SEALER/WEIGHTS MEAS.				
Personnel	4,653.00	4,770.00	4,770.00	4,770.00
Total Expenses	82.86	700.00	700.00	700.00
TOTAL 244	4,735.86	5,470.00	5,470.00	5,470.00
245 WIRING INSPECTOR				
Personnel	5,412.00	5,548.00	5,548.00	5,548.00
Total Expenses	1,041.33	700.00	700.00	700.00
TOTAL 245	6,453.33	6,248.00	6,248.00	6,248.00
246 PLUMBING INSPECTOR	<b># 5</b> 0 / 5 -			
Personnel	5,294.00	5,426.00	5,426.00	5,426.00
Total Expenses	585.40	935.00	935.00	935.00
TOTAL 246	5,879.40	6,361.00	6,361.00	6,361.00
291 CIVIL DEFENSE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Personnel Expenses	0.00 624.50	0.00 550.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL 291	624.50 624.50	550.00 550.00	<b>0.00</b>	0.00 <b>0.00</b>
299 COMMUNICATIONS	024.30	330.00	0.00	0.00
Personnel	138,698.91	143,317.00	144,778.00	144,778.00
Expenses	13,480.73	16,325.00	17,200.00	17,200.00
TOTAL 299	152,179.64	159,642.00	161,978.00	161,978.00
TOTAL PUBLIC SAFETY	1,054,936.51	1,087,363.00	1,104,186.00	1,102,194.00
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EDUCATION						
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	CODE NUMBER	EXPENDED	BUDGET	REQUESTED	COMMITTEE	

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FY 2004	FY 2005	FY 2006	RECOMM.
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· ·	·	·	178,650.00
	·		13,500.00
	·		161,316.00
·			0.00
	·		149,282.00
	·		392,895.00
		·	3,908,839.00
			778,835.00
1,146,844.21	1,229,975.00	1,244,866.00	1,244,866.00
91,562.19	93,437.00	116,012.00	116,012.00
77,083.00	102,218.00	107,088.00	107,088.00
26,446.70	26,551.00	35,607.00	35,607.00
6,845,986.00	7,118,612.00	7,326,831.00	7,326,831.00
-515,956.00	-650,000.00	-699,206.00	-699,206.00
6,330,030.00	6,468,612.00	6,627,625.00	6,627,625.00
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EXPENDED	BUDGET	REOUESTED	COMMITTEE
			RECOMM.
			FY2006
23,430.86	29,169.00	31,145.00	30,895.00
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118,219.77	124,234.00	122,513.00	122,427.00
98,731.94	98,950.00	105,940.00	105,940.00
216,951.71	223,184.00	228,453.00	228,367.00
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148,460.52	153,046.00	160,625.00	160,625.00
105,734.18	81,680.00	82,970.00	82,970.00
254,194.70	234,726.00	243,595.00	243,595.00
0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
48,375.01	56,450.00	56,450.00	56,450.00
48,375.01	56,450.00	56,450.00	56,450.00
0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
3,168.75	14,965.00	14,850.00	14,850.00
3,168.75	14,965.00	14,850.00	14,850.00
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	77,083.00 26,446.70 6,845,986.00 -515,956.00 6,330,030.00  EXPENDED FY04  23,430.86 2,725.62 26,156.48  118,219.77 98,731.94 216,951.71  148,460.52 105,734.18 254,194.70  0.00 48,375.01 48,375.01 0.00 3,168.75	6,545.00 6,500.00 214,609.00 211,218.00 161,550.00 170,100.00 20,853.00 13,500.00 187,159.01 206,214.00 8,233.00 0.00 102,550.00 127,617.00 362,867.09 381,087.00 3,736,683.81 3,819,421.00 702,999.99 730,774.00 1,146,844.21 1,229,975.00 91,562.19 93,437.00 77,083.00 102,218.00 26,446.70 26,551.00 6,845,986.00 7,118,612.00 -515,956.00 -650,000.00 6,330,030.00 6,468,612.00  EXPENDED FY04 BUDGET FY05  EXPENDED FY04 PY05  EXPENDED 31,769.00 2,725.62 2,600.00 2,725.62 2,600.00 2,725.62 2,600.00 2,725.62 2,600.00 2,725.62 153,046.00 118,219.77 124,234.00 98,731.94 98,950.00 216,951.71 223,184.00  148,460.52 153,046.00 105,734.18 81,680.00 254,194.70 234,726.00  0.00 0.00 48,375.01 56,450.00  48,375.01 56,450.00  0.00 0.00 3,168.75 14,965.00	6,545.00         6,500.00         6,500.00           214,609.00         211,218.00         233,441.00           161,550.00         170,100.00         178,650.00           20,853.00         13,500.00         13,500.00           187,159.01         206,214.00         161,316.00           8,233.00         0.00         0.00           102,550.00         127,617.00         149,282.00           362,867.09         381,087.00         392,895.00           3,736,683.81         3,819,421.00         3,908,839.00           702,999.99         730,774.00         778,835.00           1,146,844.21         1,229,975.00         1,244,866.00           91,562.19         93,437.00         116,012.00           77,083.00         102,218.00         107,088.00           26,446.70         26,551.00         35,607.00           6,845,986.00         7,118,612.00         7,326,831.00           -515,956.00         -650,000.00         -699,206.00           6,330,030.00         6,468,612.00         6,627,625.00           118,219.77         124,234.00         122,513.00           98,731.94         98,950.00         105,940.00           148,460.52         153,046.00         160,625.00

Personnel	2,467.53	3,040.00	3,155.00	3,155.00
Expenses	13,930.19	16,129.00	16,249.00	16,249.00
TOTAL 654	16,397.72	19,169.00	19,404.00	19,404.00
192 PUBLIC BLDGS AIROLDI BLDG				
Personnel	14,121.66	16,235.00	17,201.00	16,777.00
Expenses	18,504.28	20,600.00	19,750.00	19,750.00
TOTAL 192/193	32,625.94	36,835.00	36,951.00	36,527.00
193 PUBLIC BLDGS MEMORIAL HALL				
Personnel	11,785.77	12,303.00	13,345.00	13,267.00
Expenses	26,923.89	26,900.00	29,500.00	29,500.00
TOTAL 192/193	38,709.66	39,203.00	42,845.00	42,767.00
TOTAL PUBLIC WORKS	603,741.72	628,098.00	687,993.00	687,155.00
HUMAN SERVICES	000,741.72	020,070.00	007,555.00	007,122.00
TOWN SERVICES				FINANCE
CODE NUMBER	EXPENDED	BUDGET	REQUESTED	COMMITTEE
	FY04	FY05	FY2006	RECOMM.
				FY2006
511 BOARD OF HEALTH				
Personnel	0.00	510.00	510.00	510.00
Expenses	0.00	255.00	255.00	255.00
TOTAL 511	0.00	765.00	765.00	765.00
522 LEE REGIONAL V.N.A.				
Personnel	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Expenses	20,810.00	20,810.00	20,810.00	20,810.00
TOTAL 522	20,810.00	20,810.00	20,810.00	20,810.00
523 BERKSHIRE MENTAL HEALTH				
Personnel	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Expenses	4,240.00	2,120.00	2,184.00	2,184.00
TOTAL 523	4,240.00	2,120.00	2,184.00	2,184.00
540 CABLE ADVISORY COMM				
Personnel	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Expenses	80.00	150.00	150.00	150.00
TOTAL 540	80.00	150.00	150.00	150.00
541 COUNCIL ON AGING				
Personnel	25,033.00	35,962.00	40,166.00	39,565.00
Expenses	12,744.38	12,952.00	12,952.00	12,952.00
TOTAL 541	37,777.38	48,914.00	53,118.00	52,517.00
542 LEE YOUTH COMMISSION				
Personnel				
Expenses				
TOTAL 542	44,537.00	47,537.00	47,537.00	47,537.00
543 VETERAN'S SERVICES				
Personnel	4,112.00	4,194.00	4,299.00	4,299.00
Expenses	23,333.21	26,437.00	26,437.00	26,437.00
TOTAL 543	27,445.21	30,631.00	30,736.00	30,736.00
TOTAL HUMAN SERVICES	134,809.59	150,777.00	155,300.00	154,699.00

RECREATION & CULTURE				
CODE NUMBER	EXPENDED	BUDGET	REQUESTED	FIN COMM

		FY04	FY05	FY2006	RECOMM.
					FY2006
610 LEE LIBRARY					
Personnel		121,691.00	125,516.00	129,078.00	129,078.00
Expenses		61,517.00	65,906.00	67,940.00	67,940.00
LIG/MEG GRANT		-5,694.00	-5,654.00	-6,760.00	-6,760.00
T	OTAL 610	177,514.00	185,768.00	190,258.00	190,258.00
620 SANDY BEACH					
Personnel		17,858.77	19,837.00	20,217.00	20,217.00
Expenses		7,257.13	6,305.00	6,526.00	6,526.00
T	OTAL 620	25,115.90	26,142.00	26,743.00	26,743.00
691 HISTORICAL COMM.					
Communications		2.22	200.00	200.00	200.00
Expenses		35.00	285.00	285.00	285.00
T	OTAL 691	37.22	485.00	485.00	485.00
693 WAR MEMORIALS					
Personnel		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Expenses		2,288.46	2,600.00	2,600.00	2,600.00
T	OTAL 693	2,288.46	2,600.00	2,600.00	2,600.00
TOTAL RECREATION & CU	LTURE	204,955.58	214,995.00	220,086.00	220,086.00

DEBT SERVICE						
				FINANCE		
CODE NUMBER	EXPENDED	BUDGET	REQUESTED	COMMITTEE		
	FY04	FY05	FY2006	RECOMM.		
				FY2006		
700 DEBT SERVICE						
Retirement of Debt	390,000.00	540,000.00	700,000.00	700,000.00		
Long Term Interest	639,949.09	504,548.00	628,061.26	628,061.26		
Short Term Interest	405,650.34	677,750.00	2,500.00	2,500.00		
TOTAL 700	1,435,599.43	1,722,298.00	1,330,561.26	1,330,561.26		

INTERGOVERNMENTAL				
CODE NUMBER	EXPENDED FY04	BUDGET FY05	REQUESTED FY2006	FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMM. FY2006
830 INTERGOVERNMENTAL				
Berk. Regional Planning Comm.	3,363.58	3,448.00	3,534.00	3,534.00
TOTAL 810	3,363.58	3,448.00	3,534.00	3,534.00

MISCELLANEOUS - (FIXED COSTS)				
CODE NUMBER	EXPENDED FY04	BUDGET FY05	REQUESTED FY2006	FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMM. FY2006
910 EMPLOYEE BENEFITS				

911 Medicare	(5173)	70,815.91	86,000.00	82,000.00	82,000.00
911 Berk County Retirement	` /	384,248.17	·	,	· · ·
912 Health Insurance	(5171)	1,202,092.31	,	,	
912 Life Insurance	(5175)	13,694.92	16,143.00	15,160.00	15,160.00
912 Worker's Comp.	(5176)	38,951.76	42,000.00	44,100.00	44,100.00
912 Police Medical	(5177)	699.70	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
	TOTAL 910	1,710,502.77	1,956,637.00	2,376,431.00	2,374,602.00
945 LIABILITY INSURAN	CE				
Gen/Prop/Vehicle Liab.	(5742)	70,255.00	89,741.00	94,228.00	94,228.00
-	TOTAL 945	70,255.00	89,741.00	94,228.00	94,228.00
946 OTHER INSURANCES					
Police Accident	(5745)	25,000.00	25,000.00	27,825.00	27,825.00
	TOTAL 946	25,000.00	25,000.00	27,825.00	27,825.00
TOTAL MISC	ELLANEOUS	1,805,757.77	2,071,378.00	2,498,484.00	2,496,655.00

## Article 3. Town Administrator Compensation for Additional Hours Worked

To see if the Town will vote to amend Article 2 with respect to raising and appropriating or transferring from available funds the sum of \$9,259, or any other amount, for the purpose of increasing the Town Administrator's salary (Account 123) to compensate for a regular workweek increase from thirty-five hours to forty hours, or to take any other action relative thereto. **Finance Committee recommends approval**.

#### Article 4. Reserve Fund

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$50,000, or any other amount, to the Reserve Fund (Account 132) for unanticipated expenses in fiscal year 2006, and to meet said appropriation, raise \$20,000, or any other amount, and to transfer from available funds \$30,000, or any other amount, or to take any other action relative thereto.

132 RESERVE FUND	Expended FY04	Budget FY05	Budget FY06
Total	22,925.65	40,000.00	50,000.00

## Finance Committee recommends approval.

## **Article 5. Ambulance Service Budget**

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$190,014, or any other amount, for the maintenance of the Ambulance Department (Account 231) in fiscal year 2006 and to meet that appropriation transfer from available funds \$80,000, or any other amount, and transfer from the ambulance receipts reserved for appropriation the amount of \$110,014, or any other amount, or to take any other action relative thereto.

231 AMBULANCE	Expended FY04	Budget FY05	Budget FY06	Finance Comm.
				Recommends
Personnel	62,840.86	64,955.00	72,046.00	71,002.00
Expenses	38,753.22	39,879.00	117,968.00	117,978.00
Total	101,594.08	104,834.00	190,014.00	188,970.00

#### **Article 6. Animal Control**

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$14,425, or any other amount, for the maintenance of Animal Control (Account 292) in fiscal year 2006 and to meet that appropriation raise \$14,425, or any other amount, such amount to be offset by receipts of \$7,212, or any other amount, from the Town of Lenox, or take any other action relative thereto.

292 ANIMAL CONTROL	Expended FY04	Budget FY05	Budget FY06
OFFICER			
Personnel	9,108.92	9,903.00	10,150.00
Expenses	3,544.40	4,275.00	4,275.00
Sub Total	12,653.32	14,178.00	14,425.00
Less Other Town	6,326.66	-7,089.00	-7,212.00
Total	6,326.66	7,089.00	7,213.00

# Finance Committee recommends approval.

# **Article 7.** Sewer Department Budgets

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$535,209 or any other amount, for the maintenance of the Sewer Department (Accounts 440, 442 & 443) in fiscal year 2006 and to meet that appropriation raise \$535,209 or any other amount, such amount to be offset by the receipts of the Sewer Department, or to take any other action relative thereto.

440, 442, 443 SEWER	Expended FY04	Budget FY05	Budget FY06	Finance Comm.
DEPT.				Recommends
Personnel	169,497.64	203,110.00	222,860.00	220,243.00
Expenses	262,639.34	294,642.00	312,349.00	312,349.00
Total	432,136.98	497,752.00	535,209.00	532,592.00

## Finance Committee recommends approval.

## **Article 8.** Water Department Budget

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$846,558, or any other amount, for the maintenance of the Water Department (Account 452) in fiscal year 2006, and to meet that appropriation raise \$846,558, or any other amount, such amount to be offset by the receipts of the Water Department, or to take any other action relative thereto.

452 WATER DIST.	Expended FY04	Budget FY05	Budget FY06	Finance Comm.
				Recommends
Personnel	303,998.81	331,580.00	321,126.00	320,444.00
Expenses	478,194.25	504,138.00	525,432.00	525,432.00
Total	782,193.06	835,718.00	846,558.00	845,876.00

## Finance Committee recommends approval.

## **Article 9.** Cemetery Budget

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$68,427, or any other amount, for the maintenance of the Cemetery Department (Account 491) in fiscal year 2006, and to meet said appropriation raise \$61,927 or any other amount, and transfer from the Perpetual Care Interest Account \$6,500, or any other amount, or to take any other action relative thereto.

491 CEMETERY	Expended FY04	Budget FY05	Budget FY06
Personnel	47,410.00	49,315.00	49,567.00
Expenses	19,940.73	15,360.00	18,860.00
Subtotal	67,350.73	64,675.00	68,427.00
Perpetual Care Interest	-8,000.00	-3,000.00	-6,500.00
Total	59,350.73	61,675.00	61,927.00

# Finance Committee recommends approval.

## **Article 10.** Health Department Budget

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$185,152, or any other amount, for the maintenance of the Health Department (Account 519) in fiscal year 2006, and to meet that appropriation raise \$181,135, or any other amount, such amount to be offset by receipts totaling \$107,388, or any other amount, from the Towns of Lenox and Stockbridge, or to take any other action relative thereto.

519 TRI-TOWN	Expended FY04	Budget FY05	Budget FY06
HEALTH DEPT.			
Personnel	151,192.24	167,817.00	157,915.00
Expenses	32,311.65	27,237.00	27,237.00
Subtotal	183,503.89	195,054.00	185,152.00
Less In-kind	-3,217.00	-3,217.00	-3,217.00
Subtotal	180,286.89	191,837.00	181,135.00
Less Other Towns/Grants	-106,624.94	-119,287.00	-107,388.00
Total	73,661.95	72,150.00	74,547.00

## Finance Committee recommends approval.

#### **Article 11.** Salaries of Elected Officials

To see if the Town will vote to fix the salaries of all elected officials as required by law for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2005 or to take any other action thereto.

## **Article 12.** Composition of the Board of Selectmen

To see if the Town will give the Selectmen a non-binding consensus as to the desirability of increasing the composition of the Board of Selectmen from three to five members, or to take any other action relative thereto.

#### **Article 13.** Home Composting Bins Revolving Account

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Department of Public Works to establish a revolving fund for Home Composting Bins under the provisions of Chapter 44, Section 53E1/2, as amended by Sections 72 and 73 of the Acts of 1994, in the amount of \$3,800, or any other amount, and that the receipts of said Home Composting Bins be designated to this account, or to pass any vote or votes relative thereto. **Finance Committee recommends approval.** 

## **Article 14.** Trolley Revolving Account

To see if the Town will vote to establish a revolving fund under the provisions of Chapter 44, Section 53E ½, as amended by Section 72 and 73 of the Acts of 1994, for the Lee Trolley fiscal year 2006 operating budget, in the amount of \$10,000, or any other amount, and that the receipts of the Trolley be designated to this account, or to take any other action relative thereto. **Finance Committee recommends approval.** 

## **Article 15.** Fire Prevention Inspection Revolving

To see if the Town will vote to establish a revolving fund under the provisions of Chapter 44, Section 53E ½, as amended by Section 72 and 73 of the Acts of 1994, for Fire Prevention Inspection fiscal year 2006 operating budget, in the amount of \$10,000, or any other amount, and that the receipts of the fire prevention inspection fees be designated to this account, or to take any other action relative thereto. **Finance Committee recommends approval.** 

# **Article 16.** Blanket Federal Grant Application Authorization

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen, or other Town Departments with the knowledge of the Board of Selectmen, to apply for and accept grants from the Federal Government, Commonwealth of Massachusetts or any other source, and to expend the same for purposes received without further appropriation, or to take any other action relative thereto.

## Article 17. Ambulance Building Principal and Interest Payment

To see if the Town will vote to transfer from the ambulance receipts reserved for appropriation the sum of \$51,025, or any other amount, for the ninth of fifteen payments due on the ambulance building, or to take any other action relative thereto. **Finance Committee recommends approval.** 

## **Article 18.** Ambulance Installment Payment

To see if the Town will vote to transfer from the ambulance receipts reserved for appropriation the sum of \$25,000, or any other amount, for the fourth and final payment due on the 2000 ambulance, or to take any other action relative thereto. **Finance Committee recommends approval.** 

## **Article 19. Automatic External Defibrillator Repalcements**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or to transfer from available funds the sum of \$8,000, or any other amount, for the purpose of replacing four defibrillator's for which parts or service can not be obtained, or to take any other action relative thereto. **Finance Committee recommendation pending.** 

#### **Article 20.** Chamber of Commerce Advertising and Marketing Campaign

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or to transfer from available funds the sum of \$17,000, or any other amount, to the Lee Chamber of Commerce, for the purpose of advertising and marketing the Town of Lee, or to take any other action relative thereto. **The Finance Committee recommends approval.** 

## **Article 21.** Fire Department Water Tank Truck Upgrade

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or to transfer from available funds the sum of \$10,000, or any other amount, for the purpose of repairing and retrofitting a surplus 1980 Department of Public Works truck with a 1,500 gallon water tank from a 1963 chassis, or to take ay other action relative thereto. **Capital Outlay and Finance Committees recommend approval.** 

## **Article 22.** Police Cruiser Replacement

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of \$26,670, or any other amount, for the purpose of purchasing a police cruiser, or to take any other action relative thereto. Capital Outlay and Finance Committees recommend approval.

#### **Article 23.** Police Cruiser Mobile Data Terminals

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or to transfer from available funds the sum of \$20,200, or any other amount, for the purchase of mobile data computer terminals for two police cruisers, or to take an other action relative thereto. **Capital Outlay and Finance Committees recommend approval.** 

#### **Article 24.** Dispatch Center Console Replacement

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or to transfer from available funds the sum of \$10,700, or any other amount, for the purchase and installation of a new dispatch workstation in the Communications Center, or to take any other action relative thereto. **Capital Outlay and Finance Committees recommend approval.** 

## Article 25. Chapter 90 Authorization

To see if the Town will vote to expend the sum of \$182,066, or any other amount, from fiscal year 2006 "Chapter 90" funds as provided by the Commonwealth for the purpose of repairing the Town's bridges, or to take any other action relative thereto. **Capital Outlay and Finance Committees recommend approval.** 

## Article 26. Road Repair and Paving

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of \$200,000, or any other amount, for the purpose of repairing and paving the Town's roads, or to take any other action relative thereto. **Capital Outlay and Finance Committees recommend approval.** 

#### Article 27. Public Works Vehicles and Equipment

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of \$146,500, or any other amount, for the purpose of purchasing a roadside tractor mower, a medium size dump truck with a sander and plow, a replacement plow for a large truck and a power washer, or to take any other action relative thereto. **Capital Outlay and Finance Committees recommend approval.** 

## **Article 28.** Utility Trailer for Waterline Breaks

To see if the Town will vote to transfer from the Water Available Surplus Account the sum of \$10,000, or any other amount, for the purpose of purchasing and stocking a trailer with materials and equipment needed to repair water main breaks, or to take any other action relative thereto. **Capital Outlay and Finance Committees recommend approval.** 

#### **Article 29.** Water Meter Installation Debt Service

To see if the Town will vote to transfer from the Water Available Surplus Account the sum of \$114,375, or any other amount, for the second of five payments due on the water meter installation borrowing, or to take any other action relative thereto. **Finance Committees recommend approval** 

# **Article 30.** Wastewater System Extraordinary Repairs

To see if the Town will vote to transfer from the Sewer Available Surplus Account the sum of \$10,000, or any other amount, for the purpose of effecting repairs and improvements to the Wastewater Treatment Plant and the Sewer Collection System, or to take any other action relative thereto. **Capital Outlay and Finance Committees recommend approval.** 

# **Article 31.** Wastewater Treatment Plant Roof Repair

To see if the Town will vote to transfer from the Sewer Available Surplus Account the sum of \$4,000, or any other amount, for the purposed of making temporary repairs to the roof of the Wastewater Treatment Plant, or to take any other action relative thereto. **Finance Committee recommends approval.** 

# **Article 32.** Information Technology Upgrade

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or to transfer from available funds the sum of \$210,000, or any other amount, for the purchase and installation of a new integrated municipal software system and the required hardware, or to take any other action relative thereto. **Capital Outlay and Finance Committees recommend approval.** 

## **Article 33.** Sandy Beach Reserve Account

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or to transfer from available funds the sum of \$2,900, or any other amount, for the purpose of repairing any extraordinary damage cause by storms or vandalism, or to take any other action relative thereto. **Finance Committee does not recommend approval.** 

## Article 34. Zoning Board of Appeals Library and Training Materials

To see if the Town will raise and appropriate or to transfer from available funds the sum of \$1,000, or any other amount, for the purpose of purchasing reference and training materials for the Zoning Board of Appeals, or to take any other action relative thereto. **Finance Committee recommends approval.** 

#### Article 35. Memorial Hall Repairs

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or to transfer from available cash the sum of \$9,000, or any other amount, for the purpose of repairing the exterior masonry wall, replacing the basement floor tile, repairing the courtroom exterior doors, and replacing the first floor water cooler at Memorial Hall, or to take any other action relative thereto. **Finance Committee recommends approval.** 

## Article 36. Highway Garage/Salt Shed/Cemetery Building Repairs

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or to transfer from available funds the sum of \$12,000, or any other amount, to replace two overhead doors and to install two passage doors at the highway garage; to replace the salt shed roof vent; and, to replace a passage door at the cemetery building, or to take any other action relative thereto. **Capital Outlay and Finance Committees recommend approval.** 

## Article 37. Library Roof Repair

To see if the Town will raise and appropriate or to transfer from available funds the sum of \$4,000, or any other amount, to repair the library roof, or to take any other actions relative thereto. **Finance Committee recommends approval.** 

## **Article 38.** Senior Center Relocation and Set-up Expense

To see if the Town will raise and appropriate or to transfer from available funds the sum of \$850, or any other amount, for the purpose of relocating the Senior Center from the Airoldi Building to the former Central School Building, or to take any other action relative thereto. **Finance Committee recommends approval.** 

# Article 39. Quarry Hill Business Park Tax Increment Financing Agreement

To see if the Town will vote to approve a Tax Increment Financing Agreement (TIF) in the Quarry Hill Business Park Economic Opportunity Area under the Massachusetts Economic Development Incentive Program M.G.L. Chapter 23A, Section 3E and M.G.L. Chapter 40, Section 59 and an agreement pursuant to this statute between the Town and Barrington Coffee Roasting Co., Inc., or its designee or to take any action relative thereto, or to pass vote or votes relative thereto. **Board of Assessors recommends approval.** 

## Article 40. East Lee Economic Opportunity Area and Special Tax Assessment

To see if the Town will approve the establishment of an Economic Opportunity Area (EOA) in the area shown as Lot 40 of Assessor's Map 20 in East Lee and that the Town authorize the Board of Selectmen to approve the granting of a Special Tax Assessment (STA) for AJT Realty Trust to be undertaken within the said Economic Opportunity Area, or to take any other action relative thereto. **Board of Assessors recommends approval.** 

## **Article 41.** Voting Area Name Change

To see if the Town will vote to petition the legislature to enact special legislation amending Chapter 665 of the Acts of 1968 by changing the word "precincts" to "districts" wherever the word "precincts" appears, or to take any other action relative thereto.

#### Article 42. Regional Board of Health Study

To see if the Town will vote to instruct the Board of Health to explore the possibility of establishing a regional Board of Health consisting of the Towns of Lee, Lenox and Stockbridge, under the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 111, Section 27B, or to take any other action relative thereto. **Board of Health recommends approval.** 

## **Article 43.** Long-term Material Recycling Facility Contract

To see if the Town will approve a ten (10) year contract with Recycle America Alliance and the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection for the receipt and processing of the Town's Recyclable Materials at the Springfield Materials Recycling Facility, or to take any other action relative therto. **Recycling Committee recommends approval.** 

## **Article 44.** Community Software Consortium Inter-municipal Agreement

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into an inter-municipal agreement with other participating municipalities to help the participants improve their Computer Assisted Mass Appraisal (CAMA) and Tax Administration software, and to engage in joint purchasing of products and services related to such software, or to take any other action relative thereto. **Board of Assessors recommends approval.** 

## Article 45. Regional Public Health Mutual Aid Agreement

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into an inter-municipal Mutual Aid agreement with other Berkshire County towns for shared Board of Health Services, or to take any other actions relative thereto. **Board of Health recommends approval.** 

## **Article 46.** Two-thirds Town Meeting Voting Bylaw

To see if the Town will vote to adopt the following general bylaw or to take any other action relative thereto:

The Moderator may take votes requiring a two-thirds vote in the same manner in which he/she conducts the taking of a vote when a majority is required. If the moderator declares that there is a two-thirds majority, it shall be recorded as such, unless his or her decision is immediately questioned.

## Article 47. Publishing of the Annual Town Meeting on a Calendar Year Basis

To see if the Town will vote to publish the Annual Town Report on a calendar year rather than fiscal year basis, or to take any other action relative thereto.

# **Article 48. Zoning District Change**

To see if the Town will amend the zoning bylaws of the Town by deleting Section 199-6. Location of districts, and substituting the following:

#### 199-6. Location of districts; Zoning Map.

The location and boundaries of these districts are hereby established as shown on a map entitled "Zoning Map of Lee, Massachusetts" dated April 16, 1974, and revised February 28, 1984, and revised May 27, 1992, and revised July 14, 1994, and revised February 9, 1995, and revised May 11, 1995, and revised November 22, 2004, bearing the signature of the members of the Planning Board and on file in the office of the Town Clerk, which map, with all explanatory matter thereon, is hereby made a part of this chapter.

- A. Where a street constitutes a zone boundary, the center line of that street is the boundary.
- B. The flood plain shall be considered as overlying other districts. See 199.25.

and to amend Section **199.5. Types of districts.** by deleting Paragraph K and Paragraph L. in their entirety, and by substituting the following:

- K. Commercial Business Corridor (CBC): comprising the CBC District.
- L. Downtown Commercial Business Corridor (DCBC): comprising of the DCBC District."

or to take any other action related thereto.

#### Planning Board recommends approval.

## **Article 49. Zoning Table of Dimension Change**

To see if the Town will add a new footnote #18 to the Table of Dimensional Requirements to the heading entitled Zoning District for the Commercial Business Corridor designation to read as follows or take any other action relative thereto:

Footnote #18 - By Special Permit, the Special Permit Granting Authority may allow structures to be erected that are greater than 2 ½ stories and up to 40 feet in height provided that the lot is a minimum of 1.75 acres.

## Planning Board recommends approval.

## Article 50. Zoning Parking Change in the Office Park and Light Industrial District

To see of the Town will amend paragraph 199-60-D(1) of its Zoning Bylaw by adding the sentences printed below:

Parking may be allowed in the front of the building only if in the opinion of the Planning Board, as part of the site plan review, the topography of the lot limits the parking areas available on the side or the rear of the structure. In that case special emphasis will be placed on natural screening of those areas where parking is needed in the front of the building.

## Planning Board recommends approval.

## **Article 51.** Personal Property Tax Agreement for Gas Turbine Power Plant

To see if the Town will vote to approve the August 23, 2004 Tax Agreement between the Town, acting through its Board of Assessors, and Consolidated Edison Energy MA, Inc., a subsidiary of Consolidated Edison, for the term of three years covering fiscal years 2005, 2006 and 2007 beginning on July 1, 2004 and ending on June 30, 2007, which agreement establishes a \$700,000 Personal Property valuation for Consolidated's 20MW Jet Type Gas Turbine located on Woodland Road, or to take any other action relative thereto. **Board of Assessors recommends approval.** 

## Article 52. Surplus Land Disposition

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to sell to the highest bidder, provided that such bid is \$2,000 or more, a .50 acre parcel of surplus Town owned land accepted in lieu of taxes and located at 460 Leisure Lee Road, or to take any other action relative thereto.

You are hereby directed to notify and warn the Inhabitants of the Town of Lee qualified to vote in town affairs, to meet at the Airoldi Building on Railroad Street, in Lee, on **Monday, May 16, 2005** at 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. to cast their votes for the following officers:

Moderator One for the term of one year

Selectman One for the term of three years

School Committee Members Three for the term of three years

Planning Board Member One for the term of five years

Housing Authority One for the term of five years

#### To vote for Town Meeting Representatives as follows:

District I Three for the term of three years

One for a term of two years

District II Three for the term of three years

Two for a term of three years

District III Three for the term of three years

District IV Three for the term of three years

District V Three for the term of three years

Two for a term of three years

District VI Three for the term of three years

One for a term of one year

And to vote upon the following non binding referendum:

Are you in favor of changing the comp by increasing the number of Selectmen	
Yes No	
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	his Warrant by posting true and attested copies thereof, in three 7) days at least, before the day and hour of holding said meeting
Therefore, Fail Not and make due retu the Town of Lee, at or before the day and hou	arn of said Warrant with your doing thereon to the Town Clerk or of holding said meeting.
Given under our hands at Lee, this	day of April, 2005.
Gordon D. Bailey, Chairman	
Frank A. Consolati	
Patricia D. Carlino	
As per instruction in this Warrant, I have post this day of April, 2005 in three pul	·
Constable	