The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

BERKSHIRE SS

To either of the Constables, of the TOWN OF SAVOY, in the County of Berkshire, Greetings

IN THE NAME OF The Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town, qualified to vote in elections and Town Affairs, to meet at the FIRE HOUSE in the TOWN OF SAVOY on WEDNESDAY the FIRST day of OCTOBER 2025 at 6:00 0'clock in the evening, and then and there to act of the following articles:

Meeting opened at 6:03 pm with 36 voters in attendance.

ARTICLE #1: To see if the town will vote to transfer the sum of $18,871.00 from Stabilization Account to cover the shortfall in the Alternative Transportation expenditures from FYE 2025.

Motion: Mrs. Boody
Second: Mrs. Saucier
Discussion: Why was this not on the original budget? Smith Vocational bussing. Not budgeted correctly. $190/day for transportation. One student. Miscommunication about amount. Money already spent. Estimated based on what was thought. New accountant gave more accurate numbers. Purchasing a vehicle was not cost effective. Will talk to Windsor for next year to consolidate.
Opposed: Met 2/3 majority, motion carries

ARTICLE #2: To see if the town will vote to transfer the sum of $44,823.18 from Stabilization Account to cover the shortfall in the Snow and Ice expenditures from FYE 2025.

Motion: Mrs. Boody
Second: Mr. Kaczowski

Discussion: How much is the stabilization account? As of 9/30/2025 it was $468,295.93. Approximately the same budgeted as last year. Not increased in 10 years.
Opposed: Motion unanimous and carries

ARTICLE #3: To see if the town will vote to transfer the sum of $37,149.87 from Stabilization Account to cover the shortfall in the Prior Year Encumbrance from FYE 2025. (School related)

Motion: Mrs.Cooper
Second: Mrs. Saucier

Motion to amend to remove school related and read accounting clean up from previous years, mostly town related.
Motion: Mrs.Saucier
Second: Mrs. Cooper
Opposed: Motion to amend article unanimous and carries
Discussion: Explain where it's going. Accounting issues, now rectified with new accountant. Money legitimately spent, just not put in the right bucket. I have nothing to show exactly where it went. We don't know where it's going? Substantial amount of money to not show where it's going. Have another STM with breakdown? Bills were paid, but not out of correct budget. Bills were paid, but not on time, so went into free cash. Wound up with more money in free cash than expected. Money has already been spent, just making paperwork catch up. Are we budgeting bigger amounts for next year so we don't have to keep doing this? This accountant is on top of our finances now. She and the treasurer have done well by the town. Previously trying to budget on incomplete records. Didn't have complete books before. Information is available for public viewing using FOIA. Will have audit this fiscal year. First since 2014.
Opposed: Motion unanimous and carries

ARTICLE #4: To see if the Town will approve the $16,779,269 borrowing authorized by the Northern Berkshire Vocational Regional School District (the "District"), for the purpose of paying costs of the McCann Technical High School Accelerated Repair Program at 70 Hodges Cross Rd., North Adams, MA 01247, for school building roof repairs and exterior glass replacement, including the payment of all costs incidental or related thereto (the "Project"), which proposed repair project would materially extend the useful life of the school and preserve an asset that otherwise is capable of supporting the required educational program, and for which the District may be eligible for a

school construction grant from the Massachusetts School Building Authority ("MSBA"), said amount to be expended at the direction of the School Building Committee. The MSBA's grant program is a non-entitlement, discretionary program based on need, as determined by the MSBA, and any Project costs the District incurs in excess of any grant approved by and received from the MSBA shall be the sole responsibility of the District and its member municipalities. Any grant that the District may receive from the MSBA for the Project shall not exceed the lesser of (1) sixty-four percent (64%) of eligible, approved project costs, as determined by the MSBA, or (2) the total maximum grant amount determined by the MSBA.

Details See Appendix A.

Motion: Mrs. Boody
Second: Mrs. Reinhardt
Discussion: Mr. James Brosnan, superintendent of Northern Berkshire Vocational Regional School District, gave information about the repairs needed for the school and how they hope it will be funded. The school is 65 years old and needs a new roof and new windows to keep it in good shape. We have been good stewards of the building to keep it in good shape. That is why the state is considering us for this project. Repair rather than rebuild. Appendix A and the supplement dated 9/30/2025 cover this information. Asking for a portion each year for 15 or 20 years. All towns involved need to approve for the project to go forward. District agreement says Savoy has 1.9% based on population of town. Locked into that amount for the life of the project. Project will last 2-3 years. Will be applying for grants. Asking state if students can help with the project as part of their studies. After much thought, state thinks it's a good idea. Nobody thought of it before. Flooding toilets are not an issue. Monitoring bathroom use has alleviated the problem with students causing problems. If this gets voted down, Savoy students would go to Hoosac Valley. More of our students go to McCann than Hoosac Valley. Is there a way to fund this without raising our taxes? It will cost a lot less to just repair this building rather than build a new school. The state will pay 64% of the project. Appreciation of a good presentation. Susan Reinhardt is rep from Savoy.
Opposed: Motion unanimous and carries

ARTICLE #5: To see if the Town will vote to amend the General Bylaws to add a new provision authorizing the Town Clerk to make non-substantive clerical changes to bylaws enacted at Town Meeting as shown below and to authorize the Town Clerk to assign such numbering as is appropriate to bring said bylaw into conformance with the existing codification; or take any vote or votes in relation thereto.

*X-X Non-substantive Editorial Revisions ONLY. Details see Appendix B.

The Town Clerk shall hereby be authorized to assign appropriate numbers to bylaw sections, subsections, paragraphs and subparagraphs, where none are approved by Town Meeting and if such are approved by Town Meeting, with the approval of the Select Board, to make non-substantive,

substantive, editorial revisions to correct scrivener's errors and to ensure consistent and appropriate sequencing and numbering, provided that such editorial revisions shall be identified by a footnote or other convention.

Motion: Mrs. Saucier
Second: Mrs. Luczynski
Discussion: To make the by-laws easier to read. Wasn't a group paid to reorganize the by-laws? They did it. Why is this necessary when reorganizing the by-laws? They needed reorganization. Why didn't they also number them? Why does the renumbering need to be voted on? State laws? Given a grant because they needed updating. Reorganized by looking at other towns. Consolidated information. Collins Center was used to reorganize the by-laws. Recommended bringing it to the town to vote. Get town's approval for format change.
Opposed: Motion unanimous and carries

And you are directed to serve these warrants, by posting up attested copies of the same on the bulletin board at the Savoy Town Hall and on the notice board at the Savoy Transfer Station at least (7) SEVEN days before the time of holding the meeting. HEREOF, fail not and make do return of this warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk at the time and place of meeting, as aforesaid.

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:10 pm: Mrs. Kunzmann

Given under our hands this 23 23rdh Day of September in the year TWO-THOUSAND AND TWENTY-FIVE.

TOWN OF

Justin Kaczowski

Marie Saucier

SAVOY

Brenda Smith

SELECT BOARD

A True Copy. Attest:

Phil Reeves, Constable
BERKSHIRE SS

Pursuant to the within Warrant, I have notified and warned the inhabitants of the Town of Savoy by posting up attested copies of the same at (2) Two Public Places (7) SEVEN days before the date of the meeting, as within directed.

Phil Reeves, Constable of Savoy 9/24/25 date posted

A True Copy
Attest
Valerie Reiner, Savoy Town Clerk