

**SPECIAL TOWN MEETING  
MAY 12, 2014**

**COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS**

**HAMPDEN, SS**

To Ms. Laurie Gibbons, Town Clerk of the Town of Ludlow in said County:

**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 on Town affairs to meet at the **Exit 7 Theater**, Chestnut Street, Ludlow, Massachusetts on **Monday May 12, 2014** at 8:00 p.m. for the purpose of acting on the following articles in the warrant.

**ARTICLE 1:** To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds a sum of money for **UNPAID BILLS and/or OVEREXPENDED ACCOUNTS OF PREVIOUS YEARS**. Pass any vote or take any action relative thereto. Submitted by the Board of Selectmen.

**ARTICLE 2:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer from available funds a sum of money to be applied to close-out a number of deficit balances in old special articles accounts and capital projects from the Fiscal Years 1999 to 2009; pass any vote or take any action relative thereto. Submitted by the Board of Selectmen.

**ARTICLE 3:** To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds in the treasury and/or from free cash sufficient funds to cover the substantial over time and unusual expenses incurred by the Police Department; pass any vote or take any action relative thereto. Submitted by the Board of Selectmen.

**ARTICLE 4:** To see if the Town will vote to allow the Board of Selectmen to investigate the possible assessment of betterments for water upgrades and tie-ins with South Hadley Water Department for Pinecone Lane; pass any vote or take any action relative thereto. Submitted by the Board of Selectmen.

**ARTICLE 5:** To see if the Town will vote to amend the Bylaws of the Town of Ludlow, Chapter III, “Regulating Certain Occupations”, Section 2 by adding the following word “pawnbroker” to the first line after the words “No person shall be a” so that Section 2 will read as follows:

Section 2: No person shall be a **pawnbroker**, collector of or a dealer in junk, old metals, or secondhand articles, or a keeper of a shop, for the purchase, sale or barter of junk, old metals or secondhand articles without first obtaining a license therefor from the Board of Selectmen upon payment of a fee of at least one-hundred (\$100.00) dollars annually.

Pass any vote or take any action relative thereto. Submitted by the Board of Selectmen.

**ARTICLE 6:** To see if the Town will vote to amend the Bylaws of the Town of Ludlow by adding a new section “F” to Chapter III, “Regulating Certain Occupations”, Section 6, Pawn Shops/Buyers and Sellers of Gold which will outline the process to be used to license pawnbrokers in the Town and which will read as follows:

**F.**

1. **License:** Pawnbrokers shall not be authorized to engage in business in the Town of Ludlow until obtaining a pawnbroker's license certificate.
2. **License Certificate:** The license certificates are issued by the Board of Selectmen. The license certificate fee is as set by Chapter III, “Regulating Certain Occupations”, Section 2. The license year begins July 1 annually. All licenses expire June 30 following the date of issuance regardless of the date of issuance. The license certificate shall be posted in a conspicuous place in the office of the licensee so that it will be in full view of the public at all times. If a pawnbroker operates more than one place of business, additional licenses may be obtained by filing a separate application for each additional place of business. Such license may not be transferred or assigned. Said application fee shall not be charged for those businesses legally operating on the effective date of this chapter's enactment.
3. **Renewal of License:** All licenses expire on June 30 next following the date of issuance and must be renewed by the applicant on or before the date of expiration at the Town of Ludlow’s Board of Selectmen for a fee as set by Chapter III, “Regulating Certain Occupations”, Section 2. Said renewal fee shall not be charged for those businesses legally operating on the effective date of this chapter's enactment.

Pass any vote or take any action relative thereto. Submitted by the Board of Selectmen.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies of the same in seven (7) public places in the Town fourteen (14) days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

A true copy,

ATTEST:

MANUEL D. DILVA

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CHAIRMAN

CARMINA D. FERNANDES

AARON L. SAUNDERS

WILLIAM E. ROONEY

BRIAN M. MANNIX

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BOARD OF SELECTMEN

LUDLOW, MASSACHUSETTS

*April 1, 2014*

I hereby certify that I have posted the above warrant in seven (7) places in the Town of Ludlow.

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Town Clerk