

**WARRANT FOR THE SPECIAL TOWN MEETING  
COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS**

WORCESTER, ss

To the Constable of the Town of Harvard:

Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the said Town, who are qualified to vote in Town affairs, to meet in The Bromfield School on Tuesday, the 28th day of October, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. by the clock to act on the following articles:

**ARTICLE 1: CITIZENS PETITION – NO BILLING FOR AMBULANCE SERVICES**

“To see if the Town will vote to compel the Board of Selectmen to maintain the Harvard Ambulance Service as an all-volunteer, State-certified, citizen-EMT organization whose mission is to provide superior, cost-effective BLS emerger medical services for *all residents, without billing*. The current Board is guided by the majority vote at this Special To Meeting. Future substantive changes to the Service’s operations will require consult with the Ambulance Director an interested citizens, followed by Town Meeting article and vote.”

The following principles apply:

Past and present Board of Selectmen agreements, whether verbal or otherwise, should be honored.

- Selectmen work for the citizens of Harvard, and fundamentally must respect their interest.
- Decisions related to the provisioning and administration of Town emergency medical services are first and foremost the purview of the Harvard Ambulance Service Director, as a representative for the Service, in concert with Police, Fire, and Dispatch operations. BOS financial decisions should not encroach or interfere with the Service’s ability to provide standard-of-care EMS to all citizens and visitors.

(Inserted by Citizens’ Petition)

**ARTICLE 2: AMBULANCE SERVICES – BILLING INSURANCE PROVIDERS**

To see if the Town will vote to confirm the policy instituted by a unanimous vote of the Board of Selectmen to maintain the Harvard Ambulance Service as an all volunteer, state certified organization whose mission is to provide superior emergency medical services at no cost to residents, by billing only the insurance providers for recipients of these services, or pass any vote or votes in relation thereto.

(Inserted by Board of Selectmen)

**ARTICLE 3: DOG LICENSES – AMEND FEES**

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Code of the Town of Harvard, Chapter 24, Article III, § 24-9 (A and B) as follows:

[Key to revisions: underlining = additions; ~~striketrough~~ = deletions]

**ARTICLE III, Dog Licenses [Adopted 11-15-1988 STM by Art. 17]**

§ 24-9. Fees. [Amended 4-30-1994 ATM by Art. 32; 12-3-2002 STM by Art. 10]

A. Notwithstanding the provisions of Section 139 of Chapter 140 of the Massachusetts General Laws or any other provision to the contrary, the annual fees to be charged by the Town of Harvard for the issuance of licenses for dogs shall be as follows: males and females, \$20 25, and altered males and spayed females, \$12 15.

B. Notwithstanding the provisions of Section 137A of Chapter 140 of the Massachusetts General Laws or any other provision of the law to the contrary, the annual fees to be charged by the Town of Harvard for the issuance of licenses for kennels shall be as follows: not more than four dogs, \$35 45, more than four but not more than 10 dogs, \$50 65, and more than 10 dogs, \$75 100.

Or pass any vote or votes in relation thereto.

(Inserted by Town Clerk)

#### ARTICLE 4: CLOSE TOWN HALL ON SATURDAYS

To see if the Town will vote pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 41, Section 110A to keep the Harvard Town Hall closed to the public on Saturdays, or pass any vote or votes in relation thereto.

(Inserted by Board of Selectmen)

And you are directed to serve this Warrant by posting three attested copies thereof, one at the Town Hall, one at the Post Office in Harvard, and one at the Post Office in Still River, as directed by vote of the Town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting. Hereof fail not, and make due return of this Warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk at the time and place of said meeting.

Given under our hands this Fourteenth day of October, Two Thousand and Eight.

  
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Leo F. Blair

  
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Lucy B. Wallace

  
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Timothy A. Clark

  
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Peter E. Warren

  
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Ronald V. Ricci

Board of Selectmen

I hereby certify that I have posted three attested copies of the Warrant for the Annual Town Meeting, one at the Town Hall, one at the Post Office in Harvard, and one at the Post Office in Still River, as directed by vote of the Town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

  
Kerry L. Curley, Constable    Date: Oct 14<sup>th</sup> 2008