

# Town of Ayer



## FALL TOWN MEETING WARRANT

Ayer High School Auditorium  
Monday, October 27, 2008 @ 7:00 p.m.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts  
Middlesex, ss.

### GREETINGS:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Ayer qualified to vote in Town Elections and Affairs to meet at the Laura S. Leavitt Auditorium in the Ayer Middle/Senior High School on Monday, the Twenty-seventh day of October, 2008, at seven o'clock in the evening (7:00 p.m.) then and there to act on the following articles:

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereof to the Town Clerk before the date appointed for said meeting.

Given under our hands this 7th day of October AD 2008.

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Carolyn L. McCreary

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Cornelius F. Sullivan

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Richard D. Gilles

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James M. Fay

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Gary J. Luca

### AYER BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Any persons needing disability related assistance (such as signing, etc.) at the town meeting please contact the Selectmen's Office at 978-772-8220 before October 16, 2008. We shall make every reasonable effort to assist you.

Large print version of the text of this warrant is available upon request.

**ARTICLE 1: PAY PRIOR YEAR BILLS**

To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds the following sums of money to pay unpaid bills from previous fiscal years as described below, as authorized under General Laws Chapter 44, sec.64, or take any action thereon or in relation thereto.

FY08	Planning & Development:	legal ads	\$ 264.60
		office supplies	\$ 177.20
FY07	Planning:	office supplies	\$ 170.04
	Clerk:	office supplies	\$ 19.90
FY06	Treasurer:	office supplies	\$ 108.47

Sponsor: Town Accountant; Board of Selectmen 9/10 Vote Required  
Finance Committee:

*NOTE: Article No. 2 relates to four collective bargaining agreements that have been ratified between collective bargaining units and the School Committee. The transfers of approximately \$87,262 are necessary to ensure adequate funding for personnel as part of the reduction in the Town’s health insurance premium contribution from 86 percent to 75 percent and a corresponding wage adjustment to employees. Additional information will be presented at the Special Town Meeting.*

**ARTICLE 2: CONTRACT FUNDING FOR SCHOOL DEPARTMENT**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer from available funds such sum or sums of money required to fund settled collective bargaining agreements within the School Dept., or take any action thereon or in relation thereto.

Sponsor: Board of Selectmen Simple Majority Vote Required  
Finance Committee:

*NOTE: Articles No. 3 and 4 relate to collective bargaining agreements that are under negotiation as of the date of the warrant closure. If the Board of Selectmen and collective bargaining units reach agreement prior to the Special Town Meeting more information will be provided at such meeting. If funds are transferred from the stabilization account a two-thirds vote is required.*

**ARTICLE 3: CONTRACT RATIFICATION AND SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET (Police Superior Officers)**

To see if the town will vote to ratify the collective bargaining agreement between the Town of Ayer and the New England Police Benevolent Association (Superior Officers) for the period of July 1, 2007 through June 30, 2010, and to raise and appropriate and/or transfer from available funds such sum or sums of money required to fund the collective bargaining agreement, or take any other action thereon or in relation thereto.

Sponsor: Board of Selectmen Majority Vote Required  
Finance Committee:

**ARTICLE 4: CONTRACT RATIFICATION AND SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET (Police Patrol Officers)**

To see if the town will vote to ratify the collective bargaining agreement between the Town of Ayer and the Ayer Police Patrol Officers Association for the period of July 1, 2008 through June 30, 2011, and to raise and appropriate and/or transfer from available funds such sum or sums of money required to fund the collective bargaining agreement, or take any other action thereon or in relation thereto.

Sponsor: Board of Selectmen  
Finance Committee:

Majority Vote Required

**ARTICLE 5: TAX INCREMENT FINANCING AGREEMENT**

To see if the Town will vote to: (a) approve a Tax Increment Financing (TIF) Plan and TIF Agreement between G.V. Moore Lumber, Inc. (or other entity name) and the Town of Ayer for property located off Mill Street as shown on Assessors' Map 26, Parcel 83, within the Town of Ayer Economic Opportunity Area, both on file with the Board of Selectmen and Town Clerk and incorporated herein by reference, which plan provides for tax exemptions over a fifteen (15) year period for the exemption terms as follows:

Year	Exemption Percentage
Year 1	100%
Year 2	100%
Year 3	100%
Year 4	75%
Year 5	75%
Year 6	75%
Year 7	75%
Year 8	75%
Year 9	50%
Year 10	50%
Year 11	50%
Year 12	50%
Year 13	25%
Year 14	25%
Year 15	25%

(b) authorize the Board of Selectmen to execute the TIF Agreement, and any documents relating thereto, and to take such other actions as are necessary or appropriate to implement those documents; (c) authorize the Board of Selectmen to submit all such documents to the Economic Assistance Coordinating Council of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts for approval and designation of the TIF Plan and Certified Project; (d) take such other and further action as may be necessary or appropriate to carry out the purposes of this article; and (e) take any other action thereon or in relation thereto,

Sponsor: Board of Selectmen  
Finance Committee:

Majority Vote Required

**ARTICLE 6: TAX INCREMENT FINANCING AGREEMENT**

To see if the Town will vote to: (a) approve a Tax Increment Financing (TIF) Plan and TIF Agreement between Entegris, Inc. (or other entity name) and the Town of Ayer for property located at 4 Copeland Drive shown on Assessors' Map 28, Parcel 124, within the Town of Ayer Economic Opportunity Area, both on file with the Board of Selectmen and Town Clerk and incorporated herein by reference, which plan provides for tax exemptions over a period of years as follows:

*[[Exemption schedule to be determined and presented at Town Meeting]]*

(b) authorize the Board of Selectmen to execute the TIF Agreement, and any documents relating thereto, and to take such other actions as are necessary or appropriate to implement those documents; (c) authorize the Board of Selectmen to submit all such documents to the Economic Assistance Coordinating Council of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts for approval and designation of the TIF Plan and Certified Project; (d) take such other and further action as may be necessary or appropriate to carry out the purposes of this article; and (e) take any other action thereon or in relation thereto,

Sponsor: Board of Selectmen  
Finance Committee:

Majority Vote Required

**ARTICLE 7: DESIGNATION OF TRENCH PERMITTING OFFICER**

To see if the Town will, pursuant to MGL c. 82A, sec. 2, vote to designate the Superintendent of the Dept. of Public Works as the Town's officer to issue permits for the purpose of creating a trench as that term is defined by MGL c. 82A, sec. 4 and 520 CMR 14, or take any action thereon or in relation thereto.

Sponsor: Board of Selectmen  
Finance Committee:

Simple Majority Vote Required

**A True Copy Attest:**

As directed in the foregoing warrant, I have this day posted three attested copies in three public places, one of which was the Town Hall at least fourteen days before said meeting, all as herein directed.

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Clark W. Paige, Constable

Date: \_\_\_\_\_