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adopting or changing some Mass General Laws that were either not adopted or adopted incorrectly.

There is also a $75,000 transfer from free cash for Per and Polyflourakyl substances known as PFAS which were found at Lower Road.

Caggiano said this is to cover bills, remediation and bottled water deliveries to affected homes. She said the Board of Health is coming up with a plan for additional testing during next fiscal year.

Warrant signatures

The board approved a new policy to require only one signature for accounts payable and payroll warrants, as Caggiano said the policy of two is putting pressure on the financial team because it is difficult to find a second Select Board member to get it signed, and they have deadlines.

Select Board Vice-Chair William Tinker voted in opposition to this motion, saying the board isn't being given ample time to review the warrants, and he'd requested 48 hours' notice. He also noted the board should be reviewing the warrants at the following meeting when they are approved, as it is a Mass General Law.

Tax rate

The board approved a single tax rate of $12.22 per $1,000 in property tax after the board of assessors said there is not enough commercial or industrial space for a split rate to make sense, and those properties would pay $18.33 per $1,000 if it were implemented.

Town Administrator's report

Caggiano said she met with Mass Redevelopment about the police station, and said she also made it clear to Congressman Jim McGovern that it was a priority in town, so she will hear back in December or January about whether a federal earmark will be given for the project.

Caggiano said Mass Redevelopment may give a match as well.

Caggiano said she spoke with the Executive Office of Education about the school boiler along with the Massachusetts School Building Authority about requesting funds for the roof and window project.

Caggiano said there have been interviews for a wastewater treatment plant operator and a Highway Department worker.

She recognized Town Clerk Ryan Witkos for running the election well, noting Hardwick had its numbers submitted first in the area. She said there's a food drive at the town hall.

Administrative items

The minutes of Aug. 10 were approved and the board voted to close the municipal building at noon on Wednesday, Nov. 25, the day before Thanksgiving.

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on the horizon.

The School Committee also went over some numbers in enrollment, saying there's an unusually small kindergarten enrollment this year at about 21-22 students, which will be put in two classes.

McCormick said enrollment is declining across the state. McCormick noted there are eight students in the pre-K program who could potentially become a part of that class though.

The committee also noted that 200 students from K-12 choice out of North Brookfield, and that does not include students going to Bay Path Regional Vocational Technical School District. About 59 students choice into the district, and fewer than 80 students are in grades 9-12.

Finally, the committee noted there is some advocacy for more funding to rural schools, looking to make the state allot $68 million for rural districts.

Executive Assistant Mary Beth Kularski provided a written correspondence to the Quaboag Current going over the past seven years of this discussion, which she said has been going on much longer.

In the email, she said the newest study started in 2019 with a grant to explore regionalization because it's something the state encourages, and enrollment has been declining, and it looked like it would continue to decline because less people were being born.

She wrote that they looked at the districts in Spencer/East Brookfield, Quabaog and Quabbin Regional School District and found that Quaboag would be the most viable to regionalize with.

Kularski wrote they then moved on to drafting a regional agreement, but the Quaboag Regional School Committee had voted to cease pursuing regionalization in 2024. She wrote that in 2025, a tuition agreement became a talking point, which would require North Brookfield to pay a certain amount to send kids to another district.

Kularski said the current plan is to have a tuition agreement for grades six-12 and keep the elementary school children in town. She wrote that this was voted down in this spring under the former School Committee, but the current committee is opening up talks again.

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Democratic Diana Dizoglio received 1,529 votes and Libertarian Al Ozonoff got 590 votes. Statewide Dizoglio won another term.

Running unopposed, Democrat James P. McGovern was re-elected to Representative in Congress – Second District with 1,573 votes.

Paul M. DePalo, Democrat for Councillor – Seventh District received 1,152 vote and Margaret M. Abboud, Republican got 1,160 votes.

Peter J. Durant, Republican for Senator in General Court Worcester and Hampshire District and candidate for re-election won another term. He received 1,388 votes and his Democratic challenger Shannon M. Teabo got 947 votes.

Donald Berthiaume Jr., a Republican for Representative in General Court – Fifth Worcester District, ran unopposed for re-election. He got 1,727 votes.

District Attorney – Middle District and Register of Probate – Worcester County both ran for re-election unopposed. Democrat Joseph P. Early Jr. District Attorney got 1,614 votes.

Republican Stephanie K. Fattman Register of Probate got 1,718 votes and ran unopposed.

There were nine questions on the ballot.

On Question 1 to expand public records law 2,073 said yes and 316 no.

On Question 2 CPSC collective bargaining, 1,224 said yes and 1,133 no.

On Question 3 all parties primaries, 879 said yes and 1,507 no.

On Question 4 election day registration, 952 said yes and 1,431 no.

On Question 5 state revenue limits, 1,290 said yes and 1,055 no.

On Question 6 nature for all fund, 1,299 said yes and 1,075 no.

On Question 7 single family homes, 753 said yes and 1,620 no.

On Question 8 recreational marijuana, 580 said yes and 1,839 said no.

On Question 9 firearms regulation 949 said yes and 1,473 no.

Public Notices

Town of Barre
Conservation Commission
Notice of Public Hearing

Notice is hereby given in accordance with the Massachusetts General Law, Chapter 131, Section 40, The Wetlands Protection Act, that a public hearing will be held on a **Notice of Intent** requested by Tim DiMauro for the construction of an ADU next to the existing 2-bedroom single family house. All proposed work will be conducted outside the 50-foot buffer of the BVW. Erosion control will be installed prior to construction activities commencing. The ADU sewer will connect into the existing septic tank and existing 4-bedroom leach field for property located at 345 Grogan Road, Assessors Map E, Parcel 283A and recorded with the Worcester District Registry of Deeds Book 26297, Page 144.

From: Tim DiMaruo
345 Grogan Road
Barre, MA 01005

To be held on **Tuesday, December 8, 2026, 2026 at 7:00 p.m.** in the Conservation Commission Office on the 3rd floor of the Henry Woods Building, 40 West Street, Barre, MA 01005.
11/19/2026

NOTICE OF
MORTGAGEE'S
SALE OF REAL ESTATE

Premises: 118 Peach Street, Barre, MA 01005

By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by Jules Fogue Souop to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as mortgagee, as nominee for Primary Residential Mortgage, Inc., and now held by Lakeview Loan Servicing, LLC, said mortgage dated October 16, 2023 and recorded in the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 69763, Page 202, said mortgage was assigned from Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as mortgagee, as nominee for Primary Residential Mortgage, Inc., its successors and assigns to Lakeview Loan Servicing, LLC by assignment dated July 2, 2026 and recorded with said Registry of Deeds in Book 73825, Page 142; for breach of the conditions in said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing the same will be sold at **Public Auction on** December 17, 2026 at 02:00 PM Local Time upon the premises, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage, to wit:

The land with the buildings thereon in Barre, Worcester County, Massachusetts, being shown as Lot #5 on a plan of land entitled, "Plan of Land in Barre to be conveyed to Homecraft Co.," dated May 20, 1976, and recorded with the Worcester District Registry of Deeds in Plan Book 428, Plan 29, bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at a point at the northeasterly corner of Lot #5;

THENCE South 17º 01' 00" East a distance of 175.29 feet to a point;

THENCE South 84° 25' 37" West a distance of 112.23 feet to a point;

THENCE North 17º 01' 00" West a distance of 153.02 feet to Peach Street;

THENCE North 72º 59' 00" East along said Peach Street a distance of 110.00 feet to the point of beginning.

Containing 18,057 square feet of land, more or less and being Lot #5 on said Plan.

For title see deed recorded October 16, 2023, recorded herewith.

The description of the property contained in the mortgage shall control in the event of a typographical error in this publication.

For Mortgagor's Title see deed dated October 12, 2023 and recorded in the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 69763, Page 199.

TERMS OF SALE: Said premises will be sold and conveyed subject to all liens, encumbrances, unpaid taxes, tax titles, municipal liens and assessments, if any, which take precedence over the said mortgage above described.

FIVE THOUSAND ($5,000.00) Dollars of the purchase price must be paid in cash, certified check, bank treasurer's or cashier's check at the time and place of the sale by the purchaser. The balance of the purchase price shall be paid in cash, certified check, bank treasurer's or cashier's check within thirty (30) days after the date of sale.

Other terms to be announced at the sale.

Brock & Scott, PLLC
23 Messenger Street
2nd Floor
Plainville, MA 02762
Attorney for Lakeview Loan Servicing, LLC
Present Holder of the Mortgage
(401) 217-8701
11/19, 11/26, 12/03/2026

THE COMMONWEALTH
OF MASSACHUSETTS
MASSACHUSETTS
DEPARTMENT OF
TRANSPORTATION –
HIGHWAY DIVISION
NOTICE OF A DESIGN
PUBLIC HEARING
Project Description:
Barre – Bridge Replacement,
Br# B-02-003, Valley Road
over Prince River
Project File No. 613303

A Design Public Hearing will be held to present the design for the proposed project in Barre, MA.

WHERE:
Henry Woods Building,
1st Floor Selectboard Meeting Room
40 West Street
Barre, MA 01005

WHEN:
Tuesday,December 8th, 2026 @ 6PM

PURPOSE: The purpose of this hearing is to provide the public with the opportunity to become fully acquainted with the proposed project. All views and comments submitted in response to the hearing will be reviewed and considered to the maximum extent possible.

PROPOSAL: The proposed project consists of replacing the existing Valley Road Bridge over Prince River. The existing bridge structure is in disrepair, is currently closed, and needs to be replaced. The proposed bridge will be approximately of the same size and location as the existing bridge. Valley Road Bridge will remain closed during construction. The proposed roadway configuration of the bridge will consist of an 11-foot wide vehicle lane in each direction with a 4-foot wide buffer on each side. The existing roadway and bridge do not have dedicated sidewalks or separated bicycle accommodations. Bicycle accommodations consisting of a usable shoulder have been provided in accordance with applicable design guides.

A secure right-of-way is necessary for this project. Acquisitions in fee and permanent or temporary easements may be required. The Town of Barre is responsible for acquiring all needed rights in private or public lands. MassDOT's policy concerning land acquisitions will be presented in the hearing.

Project inquiries, written statements and other exhibits regarding the proposed undertaking may be submitted to Carrie E. Lavallee, P.E., Chief Engineer, via e-mail to MassDOTProject Management@dot.state.ma.us or via US Mail to Suite 7550, 10 Park Plaza, Boston, MA 02116, Attention: Project Management, Project File No. 613303. Statements and exhibits intended for inclusion in the public hearing transcript must be emailed or postmarked no later than ten (10) business days (14 calendar days) after the hearing is held.

MassDOT provides translation, interpretation, and other reasonable accommodations upon request. Requests should be made at least ten (10) business days prior to the event. Please contact MassDOT's Highway Project Accommodations office at MassDOTHighwayProject Accommodations@dot.state.ma.us for your accommodation needs.

In case of inclement weather, a cancellation announcement will be posted on the internet at https://www.mass.gov/orgs/highway-division/events.

JONATHAN GULLIVER
HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATOR

CARRIE E. LAVALLEE, P.E.
CHIEF ENGINEER
11/19/2026

Town of Barre
PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE
Tax Classification Hearing

TAKE NOTICE that the Select Board will conduct a Public Hearing on **Monday, November 30, 2026 at 6:00PM** in the Select Board's Meeting Room at the Henry Woods Building, 40 West Street, Barre, MA for the purpose of selecting a residential factor, which will determine the percentages of tax burden to be borne for each class of property for fiscal year 2027. Persons wishing to comment may do so at that time. The Board will also consider written comments received prior to the hearing.

For the Select Board:
The Board of Assessors.
11/19/2026

Commonwealth
of Massachusetts
NOTICE TO COMMERCIAL
TIMBER OPERATORS

The Dept. of Conservation & Recreation, Division of Water Supply Protection, is offering for sale standing timber and cordwood located on the Quabbin and Wachusett Reservoirs and Ware River Watershed. For details, contact the Water Supply Protection Division Office on or before November 30, 2026, at 857-274-7090.
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