WARRANT FOR SPECIAL TOWN MEETING
COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

County of Dukes County, ss

To either of the Constables in the Town of Oak Bluffs, **Greeting:**

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Oak Bluffs who are qualified to vote in Town Affairs and Elections, to assemble at the Martha's Vineyard High School Performing Arts Center, Edgartown-Vineyard Haven Road, Oak Bluffs on Tuesday, April 10, 2012 at 7:00 pm in the evening, then and there to act upon the following articles:

Article 1. To see if the town will vote to transfer $1160.49 (one thousand one hundred sixty dollars and forty nine cents) from the Copy Paper account to the Advertising account to cover a prior year bill or take any other action relative thereto.

Amount	Payee
$1160.49	MV Times

Board of Selectmen
Executive Summary: This Article authorizes the payment of bills from a prior fiscal year. A 9/10 vote is required for the passage of this Article.
Finance and Advisory Board Recommendation: 6-yes, 0-no

Article 2. To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of $143,000 (One Hundred Forty Three Thousand Dollars) from the Ambulance Reserve Fund for the purchase of public safety equipment or take any other action relative thereto.
Ambulance Department
Fire Department
Police Department
Executive Summary: This Article funds the current year of the five-year plan for the use of the Ambulance Reserve Fund to meet the Town's public safety vehicles and equipment needs as follows: **Description: 1.** Replace manual lifting ambulance stretchers with 4 power assist mechanical stretchers to reduce the high risk of job related back injuries due to heavy lifting **($45,000). 2.** Replace Firefighter personal protective gear aka turnout gear. Turnout gear is the fire resistant clothing that firefighters wear to protect them in burning buildings and hazardous conditions. NFPA standards recommend replacing turnout gear every 5 years and can no longer be repaired or cleaned after 10 years. Most of the department's gear has passed its life expectancy of 10 years and is not longer safe **($90,000) 3.** Purchase Thermal Imaging Camera for fire response vehicle which responds to all fire related incidents and investigation. Thermal imaging detects heat patterns or temperature changes in objects and can play a vital role in identifying fire hazards before they become destructive. **($8,000)**

Finance and Advisory Board Recommendation: 6-yes, 0-no

Article 3 To see if the town will vote to transfer from available funds in the Treasurer/Fixed Costs Expenses Account the sum of $14,391.60 to the Town Treasurer Personal Services Account or take any other action relative thereto.

Board of Selectmen
Personnel Board
Executive Summary: This Article funds the differential in pay for the Assistant Town Treasurer who has been performing the duties of the Town Treasurer for the entirety of the fiscal year.
Finance and Advisory Board Recommendation: 6-yes, 0-no

Article 4 To see if the Town will vote to rescind the vote taken at the April 12, 2011 Annual Town Meeting which allocated $160,000 of CPA Funds for an Engineering Study for Niantic

Park and reallocate the same funds to the Open Space Reserve or take any other action relative thereto.
Community Preservation Committee
Executive Summary: This Article rescinds the funding of the Niantic Park project, which was determined to be not eligible under the Commonwealth's rules for funding by Community Preservation funds.
Finance and Advisory Board Recommendation: 6-yes, 0-no

Article 5 To see if the Town will vote to rescind the vote taken at the April 13, 2010 Special Town Meeting to appropriate from Undesignated Reserves the amount of $22,700 for the Affordable Housing project at 54 Pacific Avenue, and relocate the same funds to Undesignated Reserves or take any other action relative thereto.
Community Preservation Committee
Executive Summary: This Article rescinds funding for the proposed affordable housing project at 54 Pacific Avenue due to lack of availability of the property.
Finance and Advisory Board Recommendation: 6-yes, 0-no

Article 6 To see if the Town will vote to allocate from Community Preservation Undesignated Reserves the amount of $ 5,000 to cover administrative expenses for the Community Preservation Committee through July 1, 2012 or take any other action relative thereto.
Community Preservation Committee
Executive Summary: This Article seeks to fund the administrative costs of the Community Preservation Committee for the remainder of the fiscal year.
Finance and Advisory Board Recommendation: 5-yes, 1-no

Article 7 To see if the Town will vote to transfer from overlay surplus the sum of $15,900 for the purpose of updating the Town of Oak Bluffs MassGIS maps and related data and the 2013 interim update of values, with said funds to be expended under the direction of the Board of Assessors, or take any other action relative thereto.
Board of Assessors
Executive Summary: This Article seeks to an update of the Town's Assessing maps and the 2013 update of values for tax assessment purposes.
Finance and Advisory Board Recommendation: 6-yes, 0-no

HEREIN FAIL NOT AND GIVE PUBLIC NOTICE BY CAUSING THIS NOTICE TO BE POSTED IN TWO (2) OR MORE PLACES IN THE TOWN AT LEAST FOURTEEN (14) DAYS BEFORE THE TIME OF SAID MEETING AND MAKE DUE RETURN OF THIS WARRANT WITH YOUR DOINGS TO THE TOWN CLERK AT THE TIME AND PLACE SPECIFIED.

GIVEN UNDER OUR HANDS THIS____DAY OF MARCH, 2012

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Kathleen A. Burton, Chairman

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Gail M .Barmakian

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Gregory A. Coogan

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Michael J. Santoro

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Walter W. Vail

BOARD OF SELECTMEN
TOWN OF OAK BLUFFS

PURSUANT TO THE FOREGOING INSTRUCTIONS, I HEREBY NOTIFY AND WARN THE INHABITANTS OF THE TOWN OF OAK BLUFFS, QUALIFIED TO VOTE AS EXPRESSED IN THIS WARRANT TO VOTE AT THE TIME AND PLACE SPECIFIED.

Attest:

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Constable

OFFICER'S RETURN
COUNTY OF DUKES COUNTY, ss

IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE FOREGOING INSTRUCTIONS, I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT I DID ON THE _____DAY OF MARCH, 2012 GIVE PUBLIC NOTICE BY CAUSING ATTESTED COPIES OF THIS WARRANT TO BE POSTED IN TWO (2) OR MORE PLACES IN THE TOWN OF OAK BLUFFS, AND I HEREBY MAKE RETURN OF THIS WARRANT THIS_____ DAY OF MARCH 2012.

Attest:

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Constable