

# COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Berkshire, ss.

Greeting:

To either of the Constables of the Town of Becket,

In the name of the Commonwealth, you are hereby required to notify and warn the proprietors of The Sherwood Forest Lake District who are qualified to vote in District affairs to meet in the BECKET TOWN HALL, 557 Main Street, on the 10<sup>th</sup> Day of June, 2017, at 1:00 o'clock P.M., for the following purposes:

## Annual District Meeting

The moderator who presided at the previous Annual District meeting or in the absence of that moderator the District Clerk will preside, call the meeting to order and determine if a quorum of the proprietors are present in person and/or by proxy. If the presiding moderator or in his absence the District Clerk determines that a quorum is present, this Annual District Meeting of the Sherwood Forest Lake District shall proceed to:

**Article 1:** To see if the District proprietors will vote to elect a moderator, who should, but not need be, a proprietor of the District. Said newly elected moderator shall again certify to the Annual District Meeting that a quorum, consisting of fifty (50) proprietors of the District in attendance or by proxy, is present.

**Majority Vote Required**

**Article 2:** To see if the District proprietors will vote to raise and appropriate such sums of money as may be needed to defray the expenses of the District for the 2018 fiscal year as delineated in Chapter 107 of the Acts of 2010 and as set forth in the attached proposed SFLD - Operating Budget - FY2018:

**Prudential Committee: Recommend**

**Majority Vote Required**

**Article 3:** The moderator shall entertain nominations from the floor for District clerk/treasurer to see if the District proprietors will vote by secret ballot to elect a clerk/treasurer who must be a proprietor entitled to vote at district meetings. The term of service shall be three (3) years from the date of this Annual District Meeting and/or until the election and qualification of the clerk/treasurer's successor. The clerk/treasurer must be bonded within ten (10) days of the assumption of office or the office will be declared vacant.

**Majority Vote Required**

**Article 4:** The moderator shall entertain nominations from the floor for District assistant treasurer to see if the District proprietors will vote by secret to elect an assistant treasurer who must be a proprietor entitled to vote at district meetings. The assistant treasurer will only assume the duties of the treasurer if the treasurer's position become vacant or if the treasurer is incapacitated and incapable of performing the duties of the office due to illness or incapacity as determined by a licensed medical professional or the courts. The assistant treasurer must be bonded within ten (10) days of the assumption of office or the office will be declared vacant. The term of service shall be three (3) years from the date of this Annual District Meeting and/or until the election and qualification of the assistant treasurer's successor.

**Majority Vote Required**

**Article 5:** The moderator shall entertain nominations from the floor for individuals to fill three (3) Prudential Committee positions. The moderator will then have the District proprietors vote to elect by secret ballot three (3) regular members, each of whom shall be proprietors of the district, and none of whom may be the clerk, treasurer, or assistant treasurer, to the Prudential Committee from among those nominated. The terms of service of the three elected regular members shall be three (3) years from the date of this Annual District Meeting and/or until the election and qualification of their successors.

**Majority Vote Required**

**Article 6:** To see if the District proprietors will vote to amend CHAPTER II DISTRICT OFFICERS of the Sherwood Forest Lake District By-Laws by deleting the last sentence in Section 1 which reads as follows: *"The Committee may appoint a superintendent for each of the following areas: dams, lakes and boats/beaches, each of whom will serve at the discretion of the Committee."* in its entirety and replace it with a new sentence to read as follows:

Section 1. (new last sentence) The District proprietors may annually elect a superintendent for each of the following areas: dams, lakes and a boats/beaches, each of whom will serve voluntarily under the supervision of the Prudential Committee. A superintendent must be a proprietor and may also be an elected Prudential Committee member.

**Prudential Committee: Recommend**

**Majority Vote Required**

**Article 7:** To see if the District proprietors will vote to appoint from among those nominated from the floor, a proprietor who may or may not be a Prudential Committee member to each of the following voluntary positions; Superintendent of Dams, Superintendent of Beaches and Boats, and Superintendent of Lakes, and to have these individuals report to and serve under the direction of the Prudential Committee. The terms of service of each superintendent shall be one (1) year from the date of this Annual District Meeting and/or until the election and qualification of their successors or to take any other action relative thereto.

**Prudential Committee: Recommend**

**Majority Vote Required**

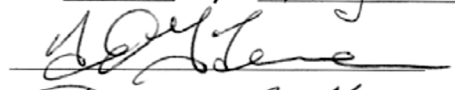
**Article 8:** To see if the District proprietors will vote to exclude those proprietors who have been recommended by the Prudential Committee on the attached list as having met the criteria set forth in Section 21 of Chapter 107 of the Acts of 2010, including submitting an Opt-Out Form or its equivalent stating the reason for seeking exclusion and exemption from taxation and having agreed to release any easement rights to access the lakes and beaches in the District if their request is acted upon favorably. The Prudential Committee may charge a reasonable fee to the petitioner in order to verify that the petitioner is the record titleholder for the parcel. The exclusion from taxation does not become final until a release of easement rights acceptable to the Prudential Committee is recorded in the Berkshire Middle District Registry of Deeds and petitioner has paid all recording fees. A copy of the recorded release and vote of the Prudential Committee also must be filed with the Town of Becket's Board of Assessors by the petitioner.

**Prudential Committee: Recommendation annotated for each petitioner's request      Majority Vote Required**

And you are further directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies of the same at the usual places designated by the town 14 days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon at the time and place of said meeting.

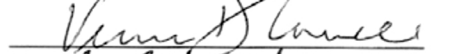
Given under our hands this 7<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2017



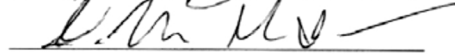
Prudential



Committee




of



Sherwood Forest



Lake District







I have served this warrant as directed above.

Attest   
Constable

Becket, Massachusetts MAY 7, 2017  
(date)