



Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Town of Hardwick

Town Clerk, Ryan J. Witkos

10 November 2022

To All Interested Parties:

An approval of a location by the Hardwick Board of Selectmen (BOS) pursuant to G.L. Chapter 128A § 13A occurred on November 9, 2022. Those wishing to protest this decision may file a petition(s) with my office no later than **November 29, 2022 at 5:00 p.m.**

As of November 9, 2022, there are (1,985) one thousand nine hundred eighty-five registered voters in Hardwick. The statutory requirement for those protesting against such approval taking effect, and for the BOS to reconsider their approval, is (239) two hundred thirty-nine registered voters. The Board of Registrars will certify up to (335) three hundred thirty-five registered voters which is the statutory twelve percent of registered voters plus an additional two fifths thereof as required by G.L. Chapter 53 § 7.

Petition(s) need not be under the same language, nor must they all be submitted at the same time. Petition(s) may be submitted as sheets are filled or not filled and will be certified in the order they are received. Petition(s) will be accepted during the Town Clerk's normal business hours which are posted under the calendar section at www.townofhardwick.com.

If the twelve percent threshold is met prior to the November 29, 2022 deadline, the BOS shall be notified and are required to reconsider their approval. If their vote remains in the affirmative, they shall call a special election no earlier than thirty-five days from said posted meeting.

A public announcement on our website and at www.mytowngovernment.org/01031 under "Town Clerk" will be made when the necessary number of registered voters has been met.

More information regarding campaign finance requirements will follow. From www.ocpf.us "If you are thinking of undertaking any activity related to a ballot question, we urge you to contact OCPF or your local election official (city or town clerk or election commission) prior to doing so, because expenditures made before a question is placed on the ballot may be subject to the provisions of Chapter 55."

Posted: 10 November 2022 @ 1:15 p.m.

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