

public notices

LEGAL ADVERTISEMENT TOWN OF WARE FAÇADE IMPROVEMENT 13 NORTH STREET

The Town of Ware invites sealed Bids for the Façade Improvement Project at 13 North Street. The Façade Improvement Project includes the furnishing of all labor, equipment and materials required to complete the installation of vinyl siding, replacement of exterior stairs to the 2nd floor, and replacement of 2nd floor door and windows.

This project is being administered by the Pioneer Valley Planning Commission (PVPC) and funded by the Massachusetts Executive Office of Housing and Livable Communities (EOHLC), FY21 Ware Community Development Block Grant Program.

Contract documents including detailed specifications will be available electronically beginning March 5, 2025 from 9:00 AM through the Pioneer Valley Planning Commission. Electronic copies may be obtained by contacting Sue Ortiz at sortiz@pvpc.org or 413-781-6045.

All bids for this project are subject to the provisions and minimum wage rates required by M.G.L. c.30, §39M as amended, and M.G.L. c.149, §§26 to 27H, inclusive. All applicable Federal minimum wage rates and applicable Federal labor standards shall also apply pursuant to the Davis-Bacon Act. When both State and Federal wage rates are applicable, the higher rate must be paid.

The Awarding Authority encourages, to the extent feasible, the use of minority-, women- and disadvantaged-owned businesses for work under this contract and likewise encourages, to the greatest extent possible, that all bidders take affirmative steps to ensure training and employment for lower-income project area residents and award of subcontracts to HUD-defined Section 3 businesses. Bidders on the work shall make a good faith effort to achieve the goals of the Federal Minority and Women's Business Enterprise (MBE/WBE) policy regarding utilization of MBEs and WBEs in order to be deemed a responsible bidder.

Bid security in the form of a bid bond, certified or cashier's check, payable to the Town of Ware, is required in a dollar amount of not less than five percent (5%) of the total bid amount. A performance bond and labor and materials bond for 50% of the total contract price, issued by a satisfactory surety company shall be required by the successful bidder.

The Town of Ware reserves the right to reject any and all bids, to accept proposals deemed to be in the best interest of the Town, and to waive any informalities or irregularities in the bids received. Bids may not be withdrawn within 30 days of the bid opening.

The Town of Ware, through its Selectboard, reserves the right to waive any informality in the bidding or to reject any and all bids in total or in part as may be deemed to serve the best interest of the Town.

The Town of Ware will not be responsible for any costs incurred by a bidder in preparing and submitting a bid in response to this IFB.

The Town of Ware Selectboard is the Awarding and Contracting Authority.

Bids may be changed or withdrawn prior to the bid opening, but not within the sixty (60) days subsequent to the bid opening, by submission of such a change in writing in a sealed envelope, identifying the submitting party and indicating that it contains a correction of the bid for the Façade Improvement Project at 13 North Street, Ware.

The submission and review of bids must comply with 2 CFR

Part 200, MGL Chapter 30, Section 39M, Massachusetts Executive Office of Housing and Livable Communities/Community Development Fund Program (EOHLC/CDF) policies and other laws and regulations of the Commonwealth. Acceptance of any bid is subject to the continued availability of funds through the EOHLC/CDF grant awarded to the Town of Ware.

Questions regarding this procurement directed to Erica Johnson at PVPC, at ejohnson@pvpc.org.

Hard copy bids for the Façade Improvement Project at 13 North Street for the Town of Ware, Massachusetts, must be received by the Pioneer Valley Planning Commission, 60 Congress Street, 1st Floor, Springfield, MA 01104 by 2:00 p.m. prevailing time, on Monday, March 24th, 2025.

03/06/2025

**TOWN OF WARE
Public Hearing
Monday, March 17, 2025
at 6:30 p.m.**

**Ware Town Hall
126 Main St., Ware MA
FY 2025 Town of Ware CDBG
Application**

The Town of Ware Community Development Authority, with Pioneer Valley Planning Commission, will conduct a Public Hearing on March 17 at 6:30pm at Ware Town Hall, 126 Main St., Ware.

The public is encouraged to attend this meeting to discuss the FY25 application to the Massachusetts Department of Housing and Community Development for up to \$850,000 in available Community Development Block Grant Funds. All people with questions or comments regarding the grant application will have an opportunity to be heard. Those unable to attend can send written comments to the Community Development Authority, Planning Dept., Ware Town Hall, 126 Main St., Ware MA 01082, Attn: Paralee Smith.

The town is seeking input on community needs and projects which would benefit from grant funding. Construction of the Cottage Street Improvements project is currently being reviewed. The CDBG application will also include a request for funding up to five social services programs including, but not limited to, adult basic education and GED preparation, domestic violence prevention, elder services, and community health.

The Ware Town Hall is handicapped accessible. Persons who require special accommodation for either public meeting should contact the town at least one week prior to the hearing date at (413) 967-9648, ext. 118. For further information contact Erica Johnson at PVPC at (413) 781-6045 or ejohnson@pvpc.org, or Para Smith, Director of Planning & Community Development at (413) 967-9648, ext. 118 or psmith@townofware.com 03/06/2025

TOWN OF HARDWICK REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

43 Barre Road, Hardwick MA

The Town of Hardwick is requesting proposals for the acquisition, renovation and re-development of a town-owned historic building located at 43 Barre Road. Please visit the Town of Hardwick website for the full request for proposals. 03/06/2025

TOWN OF HARDWICK PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

Under the provisions of the General Laws of Massachusetts, Chapter 166, and any additions or amendments thereto; please be advised that at their meeting on **Monday, March 10, 2025, at**

6:30 p.m., the Hardwick Select Board will consider a request to give permission to Massachusetts Electric Company d/b/a National Grid and Verizon New England, Inc, to locate poles, wires, and fixtures, including the necessary sustaining and protecting fixtures, along and across the following public way:

Hardwick Pond Road- National Grid to install 1 SO pole beginning at a point approximately 200 feet northeast of the centerline of the intersection of Ware Greenwich Road. National Grid proposes to install pole #1-50, Hardwick MA.

Taylor Hill Road- National Grid to relocate 2 JO poles beginning at a point approximately 465 feet west of the centerline of the intersection of Taylor Hill Road and Delargy Road and continuing approximately 13 feet in the north direction. National Grid proposes to relocate poll 11 twenty feet west and pole 7 forty feet west, Hardwick MA. 02/27, 03/06/2025

Public Notice of Federal Funding: Historic Preservation Fund Paul Bruhn Historic Revitalization Grants Program

**WITHIN THE TOWNS OF
BLANDFORD, GOSHEN, and
MONSON**

(HAMPDEN COUNTY,
MASSACHUSETTS);
HADLEY, SOUTHAMPTON,
AND WARE

(HAMPSHIRE COUNTY,
MASSACHUSETTS);
AND HARDWICK

(WORCESTER COUNTY,
MASSACHUSETTS)
December 31, 2024

To: All interested Agencies,
Groups and Individuals

This is to give notice that the Pioneer Valley Regional Ventures Center has provided \$650,000 in sub-grants through a competitive selection process for eligible historic preservation projects (Grantees) in the Hampden County Towns of Blandford, Goshen and Monson; the Hampshire County Towns of Hadley, Southampton, and Ware; and the Worcester County town of Hardwick. The Pioneer Valley Planning Commission will manage the program. These projects are being supported in part by a grant award by the National Park Service, Department of the Interior, through the Historic Preservation Fund Paul Bruhn Historic Revitalization Grants Program. For more information, visit go.nps.gov/grants. All properties are listed on the National Register of Historic Places and work will meet the *Secretary of the Interior's Standards and*

Guidelines for Archaeology and Historic Preservation. All activities undertaken on the properties during the grant period, regardless of funding source, are considered part of the Federal undertaking for Section 106 purposes. The Grantees shall comply with all applicable federal, state, and local procurement laws and requirements for the use of sub-grant funds to complete the projects. In accordance with 2CFR200.318 and MGL c. 149A, the Grantees will conduct a formal procurement process to select a qualified contractor, or contractors, to complete the pre-approved scope of work.

The following entities and properties have received funding: Blandford Historical Society, 4 North Street, Blandford, \$70,000 for roof replacement; Town of Goshen, 42 Main Street, Goshen, \$89,000 for masonry repair, repairs to the main entry stairs, gutter installation, and kitchen ADA compliance; Town of Monson, 198 Main Street, Monson, \$100,000 for interior plaster repair and painting in the grand hall; Workshop13, 13 Church Street, Ware, \$100,000 for an interior lift to support ADA compliance to the second floor gallery; Porter-Phelps-Huntington Foundation, 113 River Drive, Hadley, \$100,000 for planning and stabilization of the Charles Porter Phelps House ell; Town of Southampton, 8 East Street, Southampton, \$96,000 for exterior masonry repointing and restoration of the historic main entrance steps; and Town of Hardwick, 32 Common Street, Hardwick, \$95,000 for repairs to the roof, exterior masonry, windows and bell tower, and exterior painting. Funding is intended to support the preservation of National Register-listed historic community anchor buildings and serve as a catalyst for commercial and social activity and greater investment to benefit local economies. Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the proposed activity or request further information by contacting Shannon Walsh, Historic Preservation Planner for the Pioneer Valley Planning Commission, 413-657-5052, email swalsh@pvpc.org. 03/06/2025

Notice of Sale of Motor Vehicle under G.L. c. 255., Section 39A

Notice is hereby given by REGIN'S REPAIR 19 CHURCH ST GILBERTVILLE, MA 01031. Pursuant to the provisions of G.L. c. 255, Section 39A, that on 3/10/2025 at 10:00AM

at: Regin's Repair 19 Church St Gilbertville, MA 01031 by private sale, the following Motor Vehicle will be sold to satisfy the garage keeper's lien thereon for storage, towing charges, care and expenses of notices and sale of said vehicle.

Vehicle description:
2006 Honda Accord
Registration#/State: 4HLF12/MA
VIN: 1HGCM56116A042504
Name and address of owner:
Branden Vega
755 Worthington St.
Springfield, MA 01105

By: James M. Regin
Dated: 2/12/2025
02/20, 02/27, 03/06/2025

The Town of Warren Senior Center Roof Replacement Project 2252 Main Street West Warren

The Town of Warren is seeking sealed bids for its Senior Center Asphalt Shingle Roof Replacement Project which will be received at the Office of the Town Administrator, Attn: Jim Ferrera, 48 High Street, P.O. Box 609, Warren, MA, 01083-0609, until the time specified below at which the bids will be publicly opened and read.

Specifications and bid forms may be obtained at the Office of the Town Administrator, 48 High Street, second floor, Warren, MA 01083, Monday through Thursday between 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. or by emailing Jim Ferrera, Town Administrator at townadministrator@warren-ma.gov.

All Work must be completed by no later than Friday, May 30, 2025.

Bids will be due / opened in the Office of the Town Administrator on March 25, 2025, at 2:00p.m. Each Bid must be accompanied by a bid security consisting of a **BID BOND, CASH,** or **CERTIFIED CHECK** issued

by a responsible bank or trust company in the amount of 5% of the bid price.

A performance bond in an amount equal to 100 percent of the total amount of the contract price with a surety company qualified to do business in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts will be required for the faithful performance of the contract, as well as a labor and materials bond in an amount equal to 100 percent of the total contract price.

All bids for this project are subject to applicable public bidding laws of Massachusetts, including, but not limited to G.L. c. 149, §§44A-44H, as amended.

Attention is directed to the minimum wage rates to be paid as determined by the Commissioner of Labor and Workforce Development and the weekly payroll record submittal requirements under the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 149, Section 26 through 27D inclusive.

Selection of the contractor will be based upon bidder qualifications, including evidence of past performance in similar projects, and bid price. The contract will be awarded to the bidder deemed by the awarding authority to be the lowest responsible and eligible bidder.

The bidder agrees that its bid shall be good and may not be withdrawn for a period of 30 days, Saturdays, Sundays and legal holidays excluded, after the opening of the bids.

The Town reserves the right to waive any informalities, to accept or reject, in whole or in part, any or all bids, or take whatever other action may be deemed to be in the best interest of the Town.

The Town of Warren
James J. Ferrera,
Town Administrator
02/27, 03/06/2025

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- 2 Access archives and digital tear sheets by newspaper title.
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Nat Falk has been in business for more than 88 years, offering the best in men's clothing along with personalized service at competitive prices. The business was started on Main Street by Nat Falk in 1936, with Joe Lark becoming the owner in 1977, and his son, Charlie, buying the business in 1999. Since then, Charlie has continued the hallmark of the store, offering three alterations (with some exceptions) on the store with prices at or below its competitors for the same service. Nat Falk offers customer service that is second to none while still offering prices that cater to working people. "In today's market of competitors inflating their prices and then running the same suit week after week, Nat Falk offers everyday great values. We don't play the pricing game," Charlie said. "We offer the best in personalized service at workman's prices." Nat Falk carries name brands such as Carhartt, Levi's, Haggle, Flannels, Levi's Van Heusen, Arrow and Carolina, just to name a few. They carry big and tall sizes and are the place to go for formal wear with a full selection of suits and rentals for that important day. Come in today and enjoy the best in service at unbeatable prices. It is what Nat Falk has been about since 1936.

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NEWS & FEATURES

As a paper of record, we attempt to cover all general news, personality profiles, and community features that we know about. This includes all selectmen and school committee meetings as well as spot planning board, board of health, finance, and other town meetings determined by the issue's relevance to our readers. There are the annual major community event features that we should always cover, but we are more than open to suggestions of other features to celebrate the fabric of our communities and their many interesting occupants. Our loyal advertisers provide funding for this paid staff coverage.

For more information on news or community features for The Ware River News, please email warerivernews@turley.com.

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