

**ANNUAL TOWN MEETING- MAY 4, 2012-PROCEEDINGS**

The Moderator Jay R. Byer called the meeting to order at 7:00PM. The Moderator dispensed with the reading of the warrant, he noted that the warrant had been duly posted and properly served. Non Residents were allowed into the meeting:

Parker Grant- Boy Scout  
Jim Huth- Fire Department  
Robert Mangiaratti-Town Counsel  
Jordan Gans- Mendon Mennonite Church  
Mark Haldeman- Mendon Mennonite Church  
Kevin Zook- Mendon Mennonite Church  
Omar Wenger- Mendon Mennonite Church  
John Thonton-Milford Daily News  
Jean Berthold-Asst. Assessor  
Michelle Sanford-Town Crier  
Dr. Fitzpatrick-Supt. Blackstone Valley Tech.  
John Morte-Treasurer/Collector  
Zack Schofield-Boy Scouts  
Evan McWilliams- Boy Scouts  
Joseph Maruszczak-MURSD Superintendent  
Morgan Rousseau- Milford Daily News  
Nick Consoletti- Boy Scout

The dedication of the Town Report was read by Selectman Chairman, Michael Goddard. Selectman Goddard also read the Senior Citizenship of the year award.

The Boy Scouts led Town Meeting in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**ARTICLE 2** Voted that any motion or amendment to increase any monetary articles or line items as proposed by the Finance Committee, presented at this Town Meeting shall be OUT OF ORDER unless such motion, or amendment, states the source of funding as being from available free cash, or the line item or article that will be reduced by the same amount.

**UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE**

**ARTICLE 3** Voted to fix the salaries and compensations of the elected officials of the Town for FY 13 as follows:

Moderator	\$0
Board of Selectmen, Chairman	\$0
Board of Selectmen, Member	\$0
Board of Assessors	\$0 each member
Town Clerk	\$42,595.
Highway Surveyor	\$73,260.
Board of Health, Chairman	\$0
Board of Health, Member	\$0
Planning Board, Chairman	\$0
Planning Board, Member	\$0
Park Commissioners	-0-
Tree Warden	\$10.91per hour
Water Commissioners	-0-
Taft Library Trustees	-0-
Mendon-Upton Regional Library Dist. Trustee	-0-
Mendon-Upton School Comm. Mem.	-0-
Blackstone Valley School Com. Mem.	-0-
Housing Authority Member	-0-

**UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE**

**ARTICLE 4** Voted to raise and appropriate, and transfer \$20,000 from Overlay Surplus and \$10,000 from Conservation Receipts Reserved for Appropriations to defray charges and expenses of the Town including debt and interest and to provide for a reserve fund for the ensuing year, with the exception of the following line item 310B.

**UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE**

**ARTICLE 4** Voted to raise and appropriate \$569,042 for Line Item 310B.

**UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE**

**ARTICLE 5** Voted that the Town vote on Articles 5 through 12, and 14 in one motion using the “Consent Calendar”

**UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE**

**ARTICLE 5** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate funds provided to the Town by the State under Chapter 90 type money and such other funds as the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Highway Department may provide and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into contracts with the Massachusetts Highway Department for Chapter 90 type money allocated the Town.

**ARTICLE 6** Voted to raise and appropriate \$9,200 to fund the FY13 portion of the Update Valuation Account.

**ARTICLE 7** Vote to raise and appropriate \$10,000 to fund the FY13 portion of the Cyclical Inspection Account.

**ARTICLE 8** Voted to establish a revolving fund as recommended by the Board of Selectmen for the Taft Public Library in accordance with M.G.L. Chapter 44, Section 53E 1/2. The purpose of this fund shall be to replace items lost or damaged by those who borrow materials and to purchase new materials. Receipts to this fund shall be monies paid by borrowers for lost or damaged materials and for overdue fines. The Library Director, with the approval of the Library Board of Trustees, shall be authorized to expend from this fund but at no time exceeding more than the available balance in the revolving fund nor to expend more than six thousand dollars per year.

**ARTICLE 9** Voted to establish a revolving fund as recommended by the Board of Selectmen for the Planning Board in accordance with M.G.L. Chapter 44, Section 53E 1/2. The purpose of this fund shall be to hold deposits made by applicants before the Planning Board for engineering and other applicable fees incurred by the Planning Board for processing the requests of said applicants. The Planning Board Chair, with the approval of the Planning Board, shall be authorized to expend from this fund but at no time exceeding more than the available balance in the revolving fund nor to expend more than thirty thousand dollars per year.

**ARTICLE 10** Voted to establish a revolving fund as recommended by the Board of Selectmen for the Highway Department in accordance with M.G.L. Chapter 44, Section 53E 1/2. The purpose of this fund shall be to hold all monies related to recycling materials including, but not limited to, metal, tires, light bulbs, batteries, etc. collected at the recycling center located at the Highway Department to maintain and improve the recycling facility. The Highway Surveyor, with approval of the Board of Selectmen, shall be authorized to expend from this fund but at no time exceeding more than the available balance in the revolving fund nor to expend more than twenty-five thousand dollars per year.

**ARTICLE 11** To see if the Town will vote to establish a revolving fund as recommended by the Board of Selectmen for the Conservation Commission in accordance with M.G.L. Chapter 44, Section 53E 1/2. The purpose of this fund shall be to hold deposits made by applicants before the Conservation Commission for engineering and other applicable fees incurred by the Conservation Commission for processing the requests of said applicants. The Conservation Commission Chair, with approval of the Conservation Commission, shall be authorized to expend from this fund but at no time exceeding more than the available balance in the revolving fund nor to expend more than twenty-five thousand dollars per year.

**ARTICLE 12** Voted to approve the Mendon Land Use Committee's Five Year Land Use Plan, copies of which are available in the Town Clerk's office and the Taft Public Library.

**ARTICLE 14** Vote to raise and appropriate \$2500 for Police Department State/Federal General Matching Grants.

**ARTICLE 13** Voted to transfer \$28,848.57 from the Ambulance Reserve Account to fund the FY13 Ambulance lease payment.

**UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE**

**ARTICLE 15** Voted to transfer \$96,239 from the Community Preservation Funds Account to fund a portion of the FY 13 Fino Land Debt.

**UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE**

**ARTICLE 16** Voted to transfer \$6000 from the Community Preservation Open Space Account to fund the removal of the non-native invasive water chestnut weeds in Inman Pond on the Meadow Brook Woods property in the spring of 2012.

**UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE**

**ARTICLE 17** Voted to transfer \$20,000 from the Community Preservation Affordable Housing Account to advertise for and hire a one-year, part-time an Affordable Housing Coordinator.

**MAJORITY VOICE VOTE**

**ARTICLE 18** Voted to raise and appropriate \$16,000 to pay the yearly rental cost of the temporary trailer for Public Safety usage.

**UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE**

**ARTICLE 19** Voted to authorize the Board of Selectmen to appoint one of its members to the Conservation Commission to a term of three years ending June 30, 2015.

**UNANIMOS VOICE VOTE**

**ARTICLE 20** Voted to approve the establishment of a cemetery proposed by the Mennonite Church on land located at 70 Cape Rd. which property is owned by the Mennonite Church, plans for such cemetery are available for inspection at the Board of Health office.

**MAJORITY VOICE VOTE**

**ARTICLE 21** Voted that the Town vote Articles 21 through 27 in one motion using the “Consent Calendar.”  
**UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE**

- ARTICLE 21** Voted to accept the street known as **Deer Hill Road** as a public way in the Town of Mendon provided, however, the grantor provide to the Town a certificate of title and deed acceptable to the Board of Selectmen with respect to the roadway and easements.
- ARTICLE 22** Voted to accept the street known as **Freeman Place** as a public way in the Town of Mendon provided, however, the grantor provide to the Town a certificate of title and deed acceptable to the Board of Selectmen with respect to the roadway and easements
- ARTICLE 23** Voted to accept the street known as **Leone Lane** as a public way in the Town of Mendon provided, however, the grantor provide to the Town a certificate of title and deed acceptable to the Board of Selectmen with respect to the roadway and easements.
- ARTICLE 24** Voted to accept the street known as **Lowell Drive** as a public way in the Town of Mendon provided, however, the grantor provide to the Town a certificate of title and deed acceptable to the Board of Selectmen with respect to the roadway and easements.
- ARTICLE 25** Voted to accept the street known as **Millbrook Drive** as a public way in the Town of Mendon provided, however, the grantor provide to the Town a certificate of title and deed acceptable to the Board of Selectmen with respect to the roadway and easements.
- ARTICLE 26** Voted to accept the street known as **Springbrook Court** as a public way in the Town of Mendon provided, however, the grantor provide to the Town a certificate of title and deed acceptable to the Board of Selectmen with respect to the roadway and easements.
- ARTICLE 27** Voted to accept the street known as **Forest Park Drive** as a public way in the Town of Mendon provided, however, the grantor provide to the Town a certificate of title and deed acceptable to the Board of Selectmen with respect to the roadway and easements.

**UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE**

**ARTICLE 28** Voted to adjourn this Annual Town Meeting until 7:00am on May 15, 2012 in the Miscoe Hill School gymnasium, for the sole purpose of conducting the Annual Town Election and further that this Annual Town Meeting warrant will be dissolved immediately upon the closing of the polls on that date.

**UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE**

The warrant was dissolved at 8:09pm. The tellers for the meeting were Nancy Fleury, Ruth Grady, Patricia Ghelli and Ann Vandersluis. The officer was Sgt. David Kurczy.  
There were 73 voters in attendance.

A true copy. Attest:

Margaret Bonderdnko  
Town Clerk

**ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION MAY 15, 2012-PROCEEDINGS**

The polls were opened at 7:00am in the Wilho Frigard Gymnasium of the Miscoe Hill School. The election workers were sworn in by the Town Clerk. The ballot box was checked and shown to be empty by Margaret Bonderenko and Warden Carol Cook. Lt. Donald Blanchette was on duty until 1:30pm. Officer Bruce Poirier was the officer on duty until the close of polls.

Poll workers from 7:00am to 5:00pm were: John Hogarth, Gloria Hogarth, Nancy Bradley, Ruth O’Grady, Martha Gebelein and Mary Ames.

The poll workers from 5:00pm to the close of counting were: Tom Irons, Laura Taylor, Patricia Ghelli, Ann Vandersluis, Kathryn Rich and Nancy Fleury until the close of counting.

Total votes cast were 398. Warden Carol Cook announced the results at 8:10pm.

**Moderator- 1 year**

Jay R. Byer	315
Blanks	80
Sean Nicholson	1
Ernest Horn	1
Sean Rogan	1

**Selectman- 3 years**

Michael C. Goddard	293
Blanks	103
Kevin Rudden	1
Roger Boulanger	1
Dennis Shaheen	1
Rolland Morin	1

**Town Clerk- 3 years**

Margaret R. Bonderenko	317
Blanks	80
Ernest Horn	1

**Board of Health- 3 years**

Thomas E. Fichtner	286
Blanks	111
Ward Bowman	1

**Assessor- 3 years**

Thomas D. Hackenson	280
Blanks	116
Eugene Debbs	1
Mike Ammendolia	1

**Park Commissioner- 3years**

Joseph A. Flaherty	278
Blanks	118
Ed Mullarkey	1
John Colombo	1

**Water Commissioner- 3years**

Dean D'Alessandro	2
Richard Ferrucci	2
Peter Reiffarth	2
Kevin Rudden	2
Casey Comer	1
Brian Massey	1
Larry O'Donnell	1
Dan Gardner	1
Thomas Gately	1
Vin Cataldo	1
George Bonderenko	1
Kevin Jason	1
Patrick Carmody	1
Allan Royce Kent	1
Bob Gilchrist	1
Stephen Hackenson	1

**Taft Public Library Trustee Member- 3 years**

Robert E. Carlson	296
Blanks	101
Henry Fischer	1

**Taft Public Library Trustee Member- 2 years**

William S. McHenry	280
Blanks	118

**Mendon-Upton Regional School Committee Member- 3years**

Leigh A. Martin	199
Kevin G. Rudden	191
Michelle Grant	1
Blanks	7

**Planning Board – 5years**

Damon Tinio	275
Blanks	117
Kevin Rudden	1
John Quirk	1
Liana Moore	1
Lawney Tinio	1
Peggy Veal	1
Ernest Horn	1

**Mendon Housing Authority- 5 years**

Peter I. Denton	302
Blanks	96

The results were announced at 8:10pm. There were 398 votes cast.

A true copy. Attest:

Margaret Bonderenko  
Town Clerk