

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING-MARCH 2, 2009-PROCEEDINGS

The meeting was called to order by the Moderator Kevin G. Rudden. The Moderator noted that the warrant had been duly posted and properly served. Non Residents were allowed into the meeting:

Jean Berthold, Assistant Assessor

Michelle Sanford, Town Crier

Gregory Carell, The Carell Group, Inc. Architect

The rules and procedures for the meeting discussed.

- ARTICLE 1** Vote to transfer \$10,000 from Interest on Short Term Debt (Line Item 752A) and \$6,592.75 from Board of Health Engineering (Line Item 165C) to pay the annual cost of the temporary trailer for Public Safety.
UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE
- ARTICLE 2** Voted to transfer \$1,200 from Unemployment Insurance (Line Item 913A) to Planning Board Expense (Line Item 175B).
UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE
- ARTICLE 3** Voted to Passover this article.
UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE
- ARTICLE 4** Voted to transfer \$10,000 from Health Insurance (Line Item 914A) and \$3,375 from Aid to Veterans (Line Item 543C) and \$3,625 from Town Counsel (Line Item 151B) to Road Machinery Expense (Line Item 421A).
UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE
- ARTICLE 5** Voted to appropriate \$80,000 from the Community Preservation Budgeted Reserve account to be used for the purpose of correcting the drainage problem on the foundation of the Town Hall in order to prevent water damage to the vault that contains the historical records, seal the vault so that it is leak-proof, and purchase and install a climate control system, purchase shelving and restore the historical records in the Town Hall.
MAJORITY VOICE VOTE
- ARTICLE 6** Voted to appropriate \$56,345 to complete the repair of the Town Hall Roof, with \$43,345 from the Community Preservation Historical Preservation account and \$13,000 from the Community Preservation Budgeted Reserve account.
UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE
- ARTICLE 7** Voted to amend Article 12 of the Special Town Meeting of November 19, 2007 to include the purchase of bleachers, trash barrels and field maintenance and renovation as voted by the Community Preservation Committee.
UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE
- ARTICLE 8** Voted to raise and appropriate, borrow, or transfer from available funds, \$3,447,654 to construct and originally equip a new police station, contingent upon the passage of a proposition 2 ½ debt exclusion vote in accordance with Mass General Laws Chapter 59, Section 21C (m). 2/3 vote needed
2/3 Vote Hand Count
YES 52
NO 14
- ARTICLE 9** Voted to transfer \$20,000 from Town Counsel (Line Item 151B) to Town Hall Services Utilities (Line Item 199D).
MAJORITY VOICE VOTE
- ARTICLE 10** Voted to transfer \$2,300 from Police Department Matching Grants and \$8,000 from Fire Department Overtime Salaries & Wages (Line Item 220A5) and \$2,200 from Dispatch Overtime (Line Item 299A1) to Police Department Expense (Line Item 210G).
UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE
- ARTICLE 11** Voted to transfer \$9,400 from Fire Department New Equipment (Line Item 220D) and \$2,000 from Dispatch Salaries & Wages (Line Item 299A) and \$3,000 from Police and Fire Accident Insurance (Line Item 919A) and \$5,600 from Town Counsel (Line Item 151B) to Police Department Wages - Overtime (Line Item 210E).
MAJORITY VOICE VOTE
- ARTICLE 12** Voted to transfer \$10,520 from the Stabilization Account and \$680 from Health Insurance (Line Item 914A) and \$1,300 from Unemployment Compensation (Line Item 913A) to Fire Department Expense (Line Item 220B). 2/3 vote needed
UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE

ARTICLE 13 Voted to transfer \$25,000 from Fire Department Fulltime Wages & Salaries (Line Item 220A4) to Fire Department Call Salaries & Wages (Line Item 220A2).
UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE

ARTICLE 14 Voted to ratify the vote of the Taft Public Library Trustees to increase the number of elected Trustees from 3 to 5 effective May 12, 2009.
UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE

ARTICLE 15 Voted pursuant to MGL c. 82A, sec 2 to designate the Highway Surveyor and the Building Inspector as the Town's officers to issue permits for the purpose of creating a trench as that term is defined by MGL c. 82A, sec4 and CMR 14.00.
UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE

The warrant was dissolved at 8:25pm. The tellers for the meeting were Kathryn Rich, Nancy Fleury, and Deb Costa. The officer on duty was Brian Massey. There were 71 voters in attendance.

A true copy. Attest:

Margaret Bonderenko
Town Clerk