

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING (FY12) MAY 7, 2012

The Special Town Meeting was called to order at 7:57 p.m. There were 227 voters checked off on the voting list, constituting the quorum requirement of 150 voters.

Acting Town Clerk, Dawn M. Varley read the warrant and the meeting voted as follows:

Article 1

The Town voted **UNANIMOUSLY** to transfer the sum of \$46,384.00 from the budget lines of the Fiscal 2012 budget as voted in the May 2, 2011 Annual Town Meeting to the budget lines as noted below, or take any other action relative thereto:

<u>From Line No.</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>To Line No.</u>
6 Assistant Town Administrator	\$5,024.00	173 Vocational Transportation
6 Assistant Town Administrator	5,168.00	172 Norfolk Cty Agricultural High School
6 Assistant Town Administrator	1,192.00	Special Purpose – Pay property tax to Rockland
335 [Sewer] Budget Reserve	5,000.00	315 [Sewer] Union Labor Salaries
123 [Police] All other Services	30,000.00	117 [Police] Expense

Proposed by the Town Administrator
Finance Committee Voted 8-0 to Recommend

Article 2

The Town voted **UNANIMOUSLY** to transfer the sum of \$147,763.69 from Water Enterprise Retained Earnings to pay a prior year bill to the City of Brockton for the purchase of water.

Proposed by the Board of DPW Commissioners
Finance Committee Voted 8-0 to Recommend

Article 3

The Town voted BY **STANDING VOTE, YES – 166, NO -52** to accept G.L. c. 64L, § 2(a) to impose a local meals excise.

Proposed by the Town Administrator

Article 4

The Town voted **UNANIMOUSLY** to transfer the sum of \$60,000.00 from the Reserve for Appropriation Ambulance Fund (Ambulance Receipts) to the following budget lines of Article 2 of the May 2, 2011 Annual Town Meeting, or take any other action relative thereto.

All Other Services	\$40,000.00
Expense	20,000.00

Proposed by the Fire Chief
Finance Committee Voted 8-0 to Recommend

Article 5 – Deleted

Article 6

The Town voted **UNANIMOUSLY** to transfer the sum of \$2,100.00 from Budget Line 95 – Expense, of the May 2, 2011 Annual Town Meeting for the purpose of purchasing chairs for the Whitman Senior Center, or take any other action relative thereto.

Proposed by the Town Administrator
Finance Committee Voted 9-0 to Recommend

Article 7

The Town voted **UNANIMOUSLY** to appropriate the sum of \$65,700.00 from free cash to fund a revenue shortfall and bring the Fiscal Year 2012 revenues and expenditures in balance, or take any other action relative thereto.

Proposed by the Board of Selectmen and Finance Committee
Finance Committee Voted 9-0 to Recommend

Article 8

The Town voted **BY STANDING VOTE YES-227, NO - 6** to appropriate the sum of \$8,000,000.00 to pay costs of designing, constructing, originally equipping and furnishing a new Department of Public Works Facility, including the payment of all costs incidental and related thereto; that to meet this appropriation the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, is authorized to borrow said amount under and pursuant to Chapter 44, Section 7(3) of the General Laws, or pursuant to any other enabling authority, and to issue bonds or notes of the Town therefor; provided, however, that no sums shall be borrowed or expended hereunder unless and until the Town shall have voted to exclude the amounts needed to repay any borrowing pursuant to this vote from the limitations on total property taxes imposed by Chapter 59, Section 21C of the General Laws (also known as Proposition 2 ½) or take any action relative thereto.

Proposed by the Building Projects Committee and the Board of Selectmen

Article 9

The Town voted **BY STANDING VOTE, YES – 218, NO -13** to transfer the Sum of \$500,000.00 from the Town Stabilization Account, the sum of \$300,000.00 from Sewer Enterprise Free Cash and the sum of \$200,000.00 from Water Enterprise Free Cash, for the purpose of supplementing the appropriation in the aforementioned Article 8 to pay costs of designing, constructing, originally equipping and furnishing a new Department of Public Works Facility, including the payment of all costs incidental and related thereto; and further that this appropriation is contingent upon voter approval of the debt exclusion referenced in said Article 8, or take any other action relative thereto.

Proposed by the Building Projects Committee and the Board of Selectmen

The Special Town Meeting adjourned at 9:37 p.m. and the Annual Town Meeting was reconvened.

A TRUE RECORD, ATTEST:

ASST. TOWN CLERK – WHITMAN