

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING (FY15) MAY 4, 2015

The Special Town Meeting was called to order at 9:00 p.m. There were 153 voters checked off on the voting list, constituting the quorum requirement of 150 voters.

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

Article 1

- A. The Town voted UNANIMOUSLY, to transfer \$123,123.23 from Free Cash to the following budget lines of Article 2 of the May 5, 2014 Town Meeting (Fiscal year 2015 budget):

Line No.	Description	Amount
19	PILOT to Rockland	\$ 5,500.00
57	Law Account	16,000.00
101	Postage	3,000.00
118	Occupancy (Police)	20,000.00
224	Veterans Benefits	31,000.00
226	Assistant Director (Library)	4,141.24
228	Circulation Supervisor	294.23
231	Senior Library Technician	2,687.76
245	Street Lighting	30,000.00
255	Unemployment	10,500.00

and

- B. The Town voted UNANIMOUSLY, to transfer \$15,000.00 from the Reserve for Appropriation Ambulance Account to budget line 135 – Fire Department expense of the fiscal year 2015 budget, or take any other action relative thereto.

Proposed by the Town Administrator
Finance Committee voted 8-0 to recommend

Article 2

The Town voted UNANIMOUSLY, to transfer \$45,000.00 from the Reserve for Appropriation Ambulance Account for the purchase of a new Fire Command Vehicle, or take any other action relative thereto.

Proposed by the Fire Chief
Finance Committee voted 5-0-1 to recommend

022 This purchase replaces a 2008 vehicle.

Article 3

The Town voted UNANIMOUSLY, to transfer \$90,000.00 from the Technology Stabilization Account to pay costs to update the Network Core Switch and associated hardware and software, or take any other action relative thereto.

Proposed by the Technology Director and Town Administrator
Finance Committee voted 6-0 to recommend

Article 4 Request for Appointment Authority

The Town voted UNANIMOUSLY as amended, to authorize the Board of Health to appoint an elected member of the Board to serve as an Assistant Health Inspector, and if a member is so appointed, to set the salary for such appointed Board Member at the rate of \$26.00 per hour, or take any other action relative thereto.

Proposed by the Board of Health
Finance Committee voted 6-0 to recommend

Article 5

The Town voted UNANIMOUSLY, to transfer \$200,895.95 from the Water-Sewer Enterprise Fund Retained Earnings to pay the principal and interest on debt authorized under Article 30 of the Annual Town Meeting of May 6,7, 2013, for the purposes of costs associated with the water main replacements throughout the Town.

Proposed by the Treasurer-Collector and the Town Administrator
Finance Committee voted 6-0 to recommend

Note: This retires the initial debt incurred last year for a Bond Anticipation Note issued to cover the engineering costs associated with the \$3,200,000.00 DPW Water Main Project.

Article 6

The Town voted UNANIMOUSLY, to transfer \$251,833.33 from Enterprise Retained Earnings to pay the first payment for a \$3,000,000 General Obligation Water Bond authorized by a vote of Town Meeting, Article 30, on May 7, 2013, or take any other action relative thereto.

Proposed by the Town Treasurer-Collector
Finance Committee voted 6-0 to recommend

Article 7

The Town voted UNANIMOUSLY, to authorize the sale of property located at 35 East Avenue, acquired through tax foreclosure; such sale to be conducted via public auction or other reasonable means, or take any other action relative thereto.

Proposed by the Town Administrator

Article 8 – PASSED OVER

To see if the town will vote to accept Lyons Lane as a public way as described as follows:
Description of Meets and Bounds

Proposed by the Planning Board

Article 9

The Town voted UNANIMOUSLY, to transfer \$8,625.00 from free cash to pay costs for the first year of a three year collective bargaining agreement for the period of July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2017 between the Town and Whitman Public Library Employees, SEIU Local 888, or take any other action relative thereto.

Proposed by the Board of Selectmen

Finance Committee voted 8-0 to recommend

Article 10

The Town voted UNANIMOUSLY, to transfer \$25,000.00 from Enterprise Retained Earnings for engineering services related to evaluating water main integrity and to establish a unidirectional flushing program, or take any other action relative thereto.

Proposed by the Department of Public Works
Finance Committee voted 6-0 to recommend

Article 11

The Town voted UNANIMOUSLY, to transfer \$46,213.00 from the Capital Stabilization account to reimburse the Whitman Hanson Regional School District for the purchase of dish washing machines at the Conley and Middle Schools, or take any other action relative thereto.

Proposed by the Board of Selectmen
Finance Committee voted 6-0 to recommend

Article 12

The Town voted UNANIMOUSLY, to transfer \$20,500.00 from Capital Stabilization to pay for costs to replace the hot water heater in the Whitman Middle School, or take any other action relative thereto.

Proposed by the Whitman Hanson Regional School Committee
Finance Committee voted 6-0 to recommend

Article 13

The Town voted UNANIMOUSLY, to transfer \$400,000.00 from Enterprise Retained Earnings to pay an unpaid bill to the City of Brockton for Wastewater Treatment, or take any other action relative thereto.

Proposed by the Town Administrator
Finance Committee voted 8-0 to recommend

Article 14

The Town voted UNANIMOUSLY, to transfer \$192.00 from Free Cash to pay an unpaid medical bill or take any other action relative thereto.

Proposed by the Town Administrator
Finance Committee voted 8-0 to recommend

The Special Town Meeting adjourned at 9:10 p.m. and the Annual Town Meeting reconvened.

A TRUE RECORD ATTEST:

TOWN CLERK - WHITMAN