

ARTICLE 5 Voted to continue the following Revolving Funds for certain Town departments under the Massachusetts General Laws or regulations cited for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2013.

Revolving Fund	Authorized to Spend Fund	Revenue Source	Use of Fund	FY2014 Spending Limit
Conservation Commission	Conservation Commission	Fees for review of permits, postage and advertising	Consulting Services, postage and ads	\$20,000
Board of Health Consulting	Board of Health	Fees for review of permits	Consulting services	\$30,000
Recycling bins	Highway Surveyor	Fees for purchase of bins	Purchase of bins	\$5,000
Earth Removal Review	Board of Selectmen	Fees for review of permits	Consulting services	\$15,000
Planning Board Consulting	Planning Board	Fees for review of permits	Consulting services	\$50,000
Building Inspector Consulting	Building Inspector	Fees for review of permits	Consulting services	\$15,000
Youth & Recreation Programs	Youth and Recreation	Fees for Programs	Youth and Recreation Programs	\$80,000
CPR Classes	Fire Chief	Fees for Classes	CPR instructors and materials	\$5,000
ZBA Consulting	Zoning Board of Appeals	Fees for review of permits, postage and advertising	Consulting services, postage, legal ads	\$15,000
Library computer, printers and copier	Library Trustees	Computer/printer/copier fees	Computer/printer/copier supplies	\$5,000
Selectmen Legal Advertising	Board of Selectmen	Payments for Legal ads	Legal ads	\$1,500
COA Elderbus	Council on Aging	Transportation fees & donations	Elderbus operation including wages	\$8,000
Inspector Wages	Building Inspector	Fees for permits	80% for plumbing, gas and wiring inspectors wages; remainder to general fund	\$30,000
Concession Stand	Board of Selectmen	Use, lease and utility payments	Maintenance, repairs, replacement	\$10,000

In all cases, all the revolving funds are authorized under MGL Chapter 44, Section 53E-1/2.

Proposed by the Finance Committee – Gordon C. Andrews

Passed Unanimously

ARTICLE 6 Voted to transfer from Overlay Surplus the sum of \$75,000.00 to the Reserve Fund to cover extraordinary or unforeseen expenditures during Fiscal Year 2014 in accordance with Chapter 40, Section 6 of the Massachusetts General Laws, and to transfer from available funds the sum of \$25,000.00 to the Water Department Reserve Fund.

Proposed by the Finance Committee – Gordon C. Andrews

Passed Unanimously

ARTICLE 7 Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,954.00 to fund the provisions of the collective bargaining agreement for Fiscal Year 2014 between AFSCME AFL-CIO Union Council 93, Local 1700 (Dispatchers) and the Town of Halifax.

Proposed by the Board of Selectmen – Michael Schleiff

Passed

ARTICLE 8 Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,711.00 to fund the provisions of the collective bargaining agreement for Fiscal Year 2014 between AFSCME AFL-CIO Union Council 93, Local 1700 (Highway/Cemetery) and the Town of Halifax.

Proposed by the Board of Selectmen – Michael Schleiff

Passed Unanimously

ARTICLE 9 Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$9,156.00 to fund the provisions of the collective bargaining agreement for Fiscal Year 2014 between IBPO, Local 309 (Sergeants) and the Town of Halifax.

Proposed by the Board of Selectmen - Troy Garron

Passed Unanimously

ARTICLE 10 Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$12,458.00 to fund the provisions of the collective bargaining agreement for Fiscal Year 2014 between IAFF, Local 3159 (Firefighters) and the Town of Halifax.

Proposed by the Board of Selectmen – Kim Roy

Passed Unanimously

ARTICLE 11 Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$8,986.00 to fund the provisions of the collective bargaining agreement for Fiscal Year 2014 between the Halifax Association of Police Patrolmen and the Town of Halifax.

Proposed by the Board of Selectmen – Troy Garron

Passed Unanimously

ARTICLE 12 Vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$104.00 to fund the provisions of the collective bargaining agreement between the Police Chief and the Town of Halifax or take any action thereon.

Proposed by the Board of Selectmen –Troy Garron

Passed Unanimously

ARTICLE 13 A motion was made by Robert Badore and seconded to PASS OVER the following article. – Passed Unanimously

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of \$0 to meet the Town's share and to appropriate the sum of \$407,602.00 from available funds under Chapter _____ of the Acts of 2013 as the State's share of the cost of work under Chapter 90, Section 34(2)(a) of the General Laws, for the purposes as set forth in the memorandum of agreement with the Massachusetts Highway Department including maintaining, repairing, improving, and constructing town and county ways and bridges, sidewalks adjacent to said ways and bridges, bike ways and other projects eligible for funding as a "transportation enhancement project" as described in the Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act of 1991, P.L. 102-240, salt storage sheds, public use off-street parking facilities related to mass transportation, for engineering services and expenses related to highway transportation enhancement and mass transportation purposes, for care, repair, storage, purchase, and long-term leasing of road building machinery, equipment and tools, and for the erection and maintenance of direction signs and warning signs or take any action thereon.

Proposed by the Highway Surveyor

Passed Over Unanimously

ARTICLE 14 Voted to establish a Revolving Fund under the jurisdiction of the Board of Selectmen in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 44, Section 53E-1/2 of the Massachusetts General Laws to pay for the Town's share of the cost of a non-profit cable public access studio. The maximum annual expenditure for this fund shall be \$100,000.00. All revenues derived from any license or contract with a cable television provider are to be deposited in this fund and the Town shall transfer said revenues to support the non-profit entity.

Proposed by the Board of Selectmen – Troy Garron

Passed

ARTICLE 15 A motion was made by Kim Roy and seconded to PASS OVER the following article. - Passed Unanimously

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money for the purchase of a new portable public address system for municipal events and meetings or take any action thereon.

Proposed by the Board of Selectmen

Passed Over Unanimously

ARTICLE 16 Voted to transfer from Undesignated Fund Balance the sum of \$1,000.00 from Undesignated to repair and/or replace the telephone system in the Selectmen's Office.

Proposed by the Board of Selectmen – Kim Roy

Passed Unanimously

ARTICLE 17 Voted to transfer from Undesignated Fund Balance the sum of \$25,650.00 to purchase a sign for the Halifax Fire Department which would include an LED informational sign.

Proposed by the Board of Selectmen – Kim Roy

The Moderator could not hear a majority.

The Moderator requested as standing count.

Passed: Yes 56 No 24

ARTICLE 18 Voted to transfer from Undesignated Fund Balance the sum of \$400.00 to purchase and install an additional air conditioner unit for the Town Hall computer room.

Proposed by the IT Director – Kim Roy

Passed Unanimously

ARTICLE 19 Voted to transfer from Undesignated Fund Balance the sum of \$10,000.00 for the Assessors' FY 2017 Triennial Revaluation Account for assistance in the revaluation and related costs.

Proposed by the Board of Assessors – John Shiavone

Passed Unanimously

ARTICLE 20 Voted to transfer from Undesignated Fund Balance the sum of \$7,000.00 to fund GASB 45, the "Financial Reporting by Employers for Post Employment Benefits Other than Pensions".

Proposed by the Town Treasurer – Kathleen Shiavone

Passed Unanimously

ARTICLE 21 Voted to transfer from Undesignated Fund Balance the sum of \$40,000.00 to purchase and equip with miscellaneous police equipment one (1) new marked police vehicle to be used for patrol.

Proposed by the Police Chief – Sgt. Edward Broderick

Passed Unanimously

ARTICLE 22 Voted to transfer from Undesignated Fund Balance the sum of \$7,072.00 to purchase and repair radios and pagers for the Fire Department.

Proposed by the Fire Chief – William Carrico

Passed Unanimously

ARTICLE 23 Voted to transfer from Undesignated Fund Balance the sum of \$15,000.00 to purchase new turn-out gear for Fire Department personnel.

Proposed by the Fire Chief – William Carrico

Passed Unanimously

ARTICLE 24 Voted to transfer from Undesignated Fund Balance the sum of \$6,000.00 to purchase new SCBA Masks and replacement parts for SCBA masks for the Fire Department.

Proposed by the Fire Chief – William Carrico

Passed Unanimously

ARTICLE 25 Voted to transfer from Undesignated Fund Balance the sum of \$2,500.00 for the purchase of Emergency Management supplies.

Proposed by the Board of Selectmen – Kim Roy

Passed Unanimously

ARTICLE 26 Voted to transfer from Undesignated Fund Balance the sum of \$15,000.00 for computer hardware and software and accompanying materials and equipment for the Halifax Elementary School.

Proposed by the Halifax Elementary School Committee – Cassandra Hanson

Passed unanimously

ARTICLE 27 Voted to transfer from Undesignated Fund Balance the sum of \$150,000.00 for the maintenance of Town roads.

Proposed by the Highway Surveyor – Robert Badore

Passed Unanimously

ARTICLE 28 Voted to transfer from Undesignated Fund Balance the sum of \$60,000.00 to purchase and equip an F350 or equivalent 6-Wheel Dump Truck and trade or sell the 1997 Ford 6-Wheel Dump Truck.

Proposed by the Highway Surveyor – Robert Badore

Passed Unanimously

ARTICLE 29 Voted to transfer from Solid Waste Fund Retained Earnings the sum of \$9,900.00 to perform repairs to the Recycling Center including roof and siding.

Proposed by the Municipal and School Building Committee – Gerard Elliott

Passed Unanimously

ARTICLE 30 Voted to transfer from Undesignated Fund Balance the sum of \$11,128.00, as the Town's twenty percent (20%) share, to purchase a new 2013 Dodge or equivalent Wheelchair Minivan for the purpose of senior transportation at the Council On Aging.

Proposed by the Council on Aging – Barbara Brenton

Passed unanimously

ARTICLE 31 Voted to transfer from Undesignated Fund Balance the sum of \$500.00 to purchase a copy machine for the Council on Aging.

Proposed by the Council on Aging – Barbara Brenton

Passed Unanimously

ARTICLE 32 Voted to transfer from Undesignated Fund Balance the sum of \$489.00 to purchase a desk for the Council on Aging.

Proposed by the Council on Aging – Barbara Brenton

Passed Unanimously

ARTICLE 33 Voted to transfer from Undesignated Fund Balance the sum of \$10,000.00 to re-roof the Old School House and Water Department/Building Committee building.

Proposed by the Municipal and School Building Committee – Gerard Elliott

Passed unanimously

ARTICLE 34 Voted to transfer from Undesignated Fund Balance the sum of \$9,890.00 to replace the waste oil burner at the Town Barn.

Proposed by the Municipal and School Building Committee – Gerard Elliott

Passed Unanimously

ARTICLE 35 Voted to transfer from Undesignated Fund Balance the sum of \$5,000.00 and \$3,000.00 from Article 18 (Municipal and School Building Committee – Replace windows in Town Hall Tower) for the Special Town Meeting of May 9, 2011 for a total of \$8,500.00 for building repairs (to include but not limited to siding and paint, window treatments, rug repair and/or replacement, pumps, motors and compressors related to HVAC, replacement of water heaters and preventive maintenance on garage bay doors) for the Town buildings.

Proposed by the Municipal and School Building Committee – Gerard Elliott

Passed Unanimously

ARTICLE 36 Voted to transfer from the Stabilization 1 Fund the sum of \$85,000.00 to replace the Fire Station and School/Emergency Shelter generators, if Federal or State Grant Monies are received for this purpose or there are any monies remaining once this project is completed, said remaining monies shall not be used for any other purpose but can only be transferred to the Stabilization 1 Fund at a future Town Meeting.

Proposed by the Municipal and School Building Committee – Gerard Elliott

Passed unanimously

**A motion made by Kim Roy and seconded, to adjourn the meeting until Tuesday, May 14, 2013 at 7:30 p.m.
The meeting reconvened at 8:05 p.m. when a quorum was reached.**

ARTICLE 37 Voted to transfer from Undesignated Fund Balance the sum of \$6,850.00 to paint the interior of the library.

Proposed by the Municipal and School Building Committee – Gerard Elliott

Passed Unanimously

ARTICLE 38 Voted to transfer from Undesignated Fund Balance the sum of \$27,000.00 to finish carpeting at the Homes Public Library.

Proposed by the Municipal and School Building Committee – Gerard Elliott

Passed Unanimously

ARTICLE 39 Voted to transfer from Undesignated Fund Balance the sum of \$3,650.00 to have the sprinkler systems flushed and tested at the Police Station, Town Hall and Library.

Proposed by the Municipal and School Building Committee – Gerard Elliott

Passed Unanimously

ARTICLE 40 Voted to transfer from Undesignated Fund Balance the sum of \$5,000.00 to purchase and install a backup generator for use at the Town Barn or other buildings as needed.

Proposed by the Municipal and School Building Committee – Gerard Elliott

Passed Unanimously

ARTICLE 41 Vote to transfer from Undesignated Fund Balance the sum of \$13,500.00 to purchase and install a security system at Town Hall.

Proposed by the Board of Selectmen – Michael Schleiff

Failed

ARTICLE 42 Voted to transfer from Undesignated Fund Balance the sum of \$14,241.01 and transfer from Article 20 of the Annual Town Meeting of May 9, 2011 (Town Hall painting and siding) the sum of \$4,258.99 for a total of \$18,500.00 to repair and repave the COA/Water Department roadway.

Proposed by the Municipal and School Building Committee – Gerard Elliott

Passed Unanimously

ARTICLE 43 Voted to transfer from Undesignated Fund Balance the sum of \$26,800.00 to repair and repaint the Fire Station bay floor or sections of that floor.

Proposed by the Municipal and School Building Committee- Gerard Elliott

Passed Unanimously

ARTICLE 44 Voted to transfer from Article 31 of the Annual Town Meeting of May 14, 2012 (Painting Great Hall) the sum of \$2,212.44 and transfer from Article 18 of the Annual Town Meeting of May 11, 2009 (Painting and Siding Town Hall) the sum of \$3,767.56 for a total of \$5,980.00 to repaint the front stairwell and stage of the Great Hall.

Proposed by the Municipal and School Building Committee – Gerard Elliott

Passed Unanimously

ARTICLE 45 Voted to transfer from Undesignated Fund Balance the sum of \$9,500.00 for architectural plans for repairs, renovations and/or a possible addition for Pope's Tavern.

Proposed by the Municipal and School Building Committee- Gerard Elliott

Passed

- ARTICLE 46 Voted to transfer from Undesignated Fund Balance the sum of \$10,000.00 to repair and improve the Summit Street ball fields.

Proposed by the Youth and Recreation Commission – Richard Steele

Passed

- ARTICLE 47 Voted to transfer from Overlay Surplus the sum of \$35,000.00 to the “Other Post Employment Benefits Liabilities Irrevocable Trust Fund”.

Proposed by the Finance Committee – Gordon C. Andrews

Passed Unanimously

- ARTICLE 48 Voted to transfer from Undesignated Fund Balance the sum of \$150.00 for the use of the Trustees for County Cooperative Extension Service and authorize the Selectmen to appoint a Town Director within fifteen days as provided in revised Chapter 128, Section 41 of the Massachusetts General Laws.

Proposed by the Board of Selectmen – Troy Garron

Passed Unanimously

- ARTICLE 49 Voted to transfer from Undesignated Fund Balance the sum of \$3,500.00 to contract with South Shore Women’s Resource Center for domestic violence intervention and prevention services for its residents.

Proposed by Paige Hughes, et al. – Troy Garron

Passed Unanimously

- ARTICLE 50 Voted to transfer from Undesignated Fund Balance the sum of \$3,500.00 to support South Coastal Counties Legal Services, Inc.’s continued free legal services in civil matters to elders, low-income families and their children.

Proposed by Teresa Pardo, et al. – Troy Garron

Passed Unanimously

- ARTICLE 51 Voted to establish a grant agreement between the Monponsett Pond Watershed Association and the Town of Halifax for a public purpose of support, which grant agreement may be exempt/excluded from the provisions of G.L. c. 30B and that the Town vote to transfer from Stabilization 3 – Water System Protection funds the sum of \$2,000 to fund said grant.

Proposed by Board of Selectmen – Troy Garron

A two-thirds majority vote is required.

Passed Unanimously

- ARTICLE 52 Vote to accept a donation of land shown on Assessors’ Map 11, Parcel 1816, containing 0.1653 acres at 0 Mill Street CL; Map 10, Parcel 1786, containing 0.2755 acres at 0 Mill Street CL; Map 69, Parcel 6, containing 3.21 acres at 0 Pine Street; Map 128, Parcel 1, containing 3.44 acres at 0 East Street; Map 128, Parcel 4, containing 1.23 acres at 0 East Street; and Map 109, Parcel 11, containing 2.61 acres at 0 River Street, from Clayton M. & Mildred E. Merrick.

Proposed by the Board of Selectmen – Michael Schleiff

Passed Unanimously

- ARTICLE 53 Voted to accept a donation of land shown on Assessors' Map 22, Parcel 1A, on Garden Road, and shown as Parcel PL-I-24, on a plan entitled "Land Acquisition Plan, Town of Halifax, Plymouth County", as prepared by Vernon J. LeBlanc, Andover Engineering, Inc., dated 7/15/1996, recorded at the Plymouth County Registry of Deeds in Plan Book 00039, Page 139, from the Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority.

Proposed by the Board of Selectmen – Michael Schleiff

Passed

- ARTICLE 54 Voted to accept a donation of land shown on Assessors' Map 61, Parcel 68R, containing .1179 acres at 0 Clyde O. Bosworth Road, from Bosworth Development Trust.

Proposed by the Board of Selectmen – Michael Schleiff

Passed Unanimously

- ARTICLE 55 Vote to approve the Agreement for Payment in Lieu of Taxes for Real and Personal Property (the "PILOT Agreement") as approved by the Board of Selectmen on April 23, 2013 among and by the Town of Halifax and the solar energy generation company Independence Solar V, LLC (or their eligible assignee), as such PILOT Agreement was negotiated by the Board of Assessors on behalf of the Board of Selectmen.

Proposed by the Board of Assessors – Thomas Millias

Passed

- ARTICLE 56 Voted to extend for one year the provisions of General Laws Chapter 59, Section 5, Clause 56 which authorizes the Board of Assessors upon acceptance to grant a real and personal property tax abatement up to 100 per cent of the total tax assessed to members of the Massachusetts National Guard and to Reservists on active duty in foreign countries for the fiscal year they performed such service subject to eligibility criteria as has been established by the Board of Assessors. This extension is to be effective July 1, 2013 for Fiscal Year 2014.

Proposed by the Board of Assessors – Thomas Millias

Passed Unanimously

- ARTICLE 57 Voted to amend the Code of the Town of Halifax, Chapter 13-17 (Communications Center Committee) by deleting the following:

§13-17. Establishment; membership.

There is established a Committee of six (6) members to be responsible for administration and development of a communications center, to be made up of the Police Chief, Fire Chief and a representative of each of the following departments: Board of Selectmen, Water Department, Highway Department and Civil Defense.

And replacing it with:

§13-17. Communications Center.

The Halifax Board of Selectmen shall have jurisdiction over and responsibility for the administration of the Halifax Communication Center and will designate one or more individuals to supervise and oversee the day-to-day operations of the Center.

Proposed by the Board of Selectmen. – Michael Schleiff

Passed

ARTICLE 58 Voted to amend the Code of the Town of Halifax, Chapter 32 (Officers and Employees) by adding the following:

§32-8. Standard Operating Procedures

It shall be the responsibility of each department head to keep, maintain and update, in written form, the standard operating procedures of that department.

Proposed by the Board of Selectmen – Kim Roy

Passed Unanimously

ARTICLE 59 Voted to amend Chapter 82 (Dogs and Other Animals) of the Code of the Town of Halifax by:

(A) In Chapter 82, replacing all instances of the phrase “Dog Officer” with the phrase “Animal Control Officer.”

Proposed by the Board of Selectmen – Kim Roy

Passed Unanimously

ARTICLE 60 Voted to amend the Code of the Town of Halifax, Chapter 88 (Fees) by adding the following:

§ 88-4. Fees for Flammable Storage Licenses

The initial registration fee for a flammable storage license shall be fifty dollars (\$50). The annual fee for a flammable storage license shall be fifty dollars (\$50). The late fee for the failure to pay the license fee on time shall be fifty dollars (\$50) per month in whole or any part.

Proposed by the Board of Selectmen – Kim Roy

Passed Unanimously

ARTICLE 61 Voted to amend the Code of the Town of Halifax, Chapter 156-2 (Trailers) by replacing the following:

§ 156-2. Hearing upon renewal; notice.

Before approval for a renewal is given, a public hearing shall be held by the Selectmen. Two notices of such hearing shall be given by the Board of Selectmen, at the expense of the applicant, at least ten days prior thereto by an advertisement in an official publication of, or in a newspaper of general circulation in the Town of Halifax. A copy of said notice shall be given to the applicant who shall notify, by certified mail, all owners on land directly abutting said location, including those across the street, as appearing in the most recent tax list certified by the Board of Assessors. Proof of notice to the abutters must be provided by the applicant to the Board no later than at the time of the public hearing. If a renewal is granted by the Selectmen, the Board can extend that renewal for an additional 90 days without requiring another public hearing.

With the following:

§ 156-2. Hearing upon renewal; notice.

Before approval for a renewal is given, a public hearing shall be held by the Selectmen. A notice of such hearing shall be given by the Board of Selectmen on the Town of Halifax web site. A copy of said notice shall be given to the applicant who shall notify, by certified mail, all owners on land directly abutting said location, including those across the street, as appearing in the most recent tax list certified by the Board of Assessors. The Board of Assessors may waive any fee for said list, due to the hardship of the applicant. Proof of notice to the abutters must be provided by the applicant to the Board no later than at the time of the public hearing. If a renewal is granted by the Selectmen, the Board can extend that renewal for an additional 90 days without requiring another public hearing.

Proposed by the Board of Selectmen – Kim Roy

Passed unanimously

A motion was made by Gordon C. Andrews to PASS Over the following article. – Passed Unanimously

- ARTICLE 62 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money to the Stabilization Fund in accordance with Chapter 40, Section 5B of the Massachusetts General Laws or take any action thereon.

Proposed by the Finance Committee

Passed Over Unanimously

- ARTICLE 63 Voted to have the position of Treasurer-Collector be appointed by the Board of Selectmen for a term not to exceed three years, this to take effect on May 16, 2015 and to place the following question on the Town Election ballot for May 17, 2014:

Shall the Town vote to have its elected Treasurer-Collector become an appointed Treasurer-Collector of the Town?

Yes _____ No _____

Proposed by the Board of Selectmen – Kim Roy

Passed

Troy Garron motioned to adjourn to a time certain being Saturday, May 18, 2013 from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. to meet at the Halifax Elementary School. Passed Unanimously

We adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

The polls were opened at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday, May 18, 2013.

- ARTICLE 64 Voted to elect one Assessor for three years, one Board of Health member for three years, two Constables for a term of three years, one Halifax Elementary School Committee member for a term of three years, two Holmes Public Library Trustees for a term of three years, one Housing Authority Member for a term of five years, one Park Commissioner for a term of three years, one Planning Board member for a term of five years, one Silver Lake Regional School Committee member for a term of three years, one Board of Selectmen member for a term of three years, and one Water Commissioner for a term of three years.

Yes _____ No _____

Warden Gayle Peck closed the polls at 6:00 p.m. The election results are on the next page.

Respectfully submitted,
Barbara J. Gaynor, Town Clerk