

TOWN OF HALIFAX

May 11, 2015

Special Town Meeting
Quorum 100

As Voted
Present 156
Guests 12

HALIFAX ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

The order in which the articles were voted upon was determined by lottery under the Town's by-laws, Chapter 47. The article numbers are used to identify the articles.

Moderator John Bruno called the meeting to order at 9:25 p.m.

Moderator John Bruno explained the new by-law for voting at town meeting was being utilized. He explained that the articles are chosen by lottery, but if there are articles that are contingent upon each other, then the articles would be voted together.

ARTICLE 4 Voted to transfer \$12,350 from Line 156 (Gas & Oil All Departments) of Article 5 of the May 12, 2014 Annual Meeting to the following line items of Article 5 of the Annual Town Meeting of May 12, 2014:

- Line 7 - Town Hall Electricity, \$1,400
- Line 43 - Town Building Committee Electricity, \$100
- Line 51 - Police Station Maintenance, \$5,000
- Line 74 - Elementary School, \$4,750
- Line 99 - Water Supply, \$5,000
- Line 111 - Recycling Center Expense, \$600
- Line 122 - Pope's Tavern Electricity, \$100
- Line 132 - Library Expense, \$400

Proposed by the Town Administrator – Kim R. Roy

Passed Unanimously

ARTICLE 13 Voted to transfer \$10,240 from Line 157 (Heating All Buildings) of Article 5 of the May 12, 2014 Annual Town Meeting to be added to Line 63 (Building Inspector – Salary) of Article 5 of the Annual Town Meeting of May 12, 2014 to pay for earned and unused vacation time upon the retirement of the current Building Inspector.

Proposed by the Board of Selectmen – Kim R. Roy

Passed Unanimously

ARTICLE 8 Voted to transfer the sum of \$83,975 from Stabilization Fund #3 (Water System Protection) for continuation of the invasive weed remediation project in Monponsett Pond.

Proposed by the Board of Selectmen – Troy E. Garron

Requires a two-thirds majority vote

Passed Unanimously

ARTICLE 2 Voted to transfer from Undesignated Fund Balance the sum of \$1,605.80 to replenish Article 46, Repair and Improve Summit Street Fields of the Annual Town Meeting of May 13, 2013 in order to correct an accounting error.

Proposed by the Town Accountant – Sandra Nolan

Passed Unanimously

ARTICLE 6 Voted to transfer \$2,500 from Line 157 (Heating All Buildings) of Article 5 of the May 12, 2014 Annual Town Meeting and \$2,500 from Line 156 (Insurance) of Article 5 of the Annual Town Meeting of May 12, 2014 for a total of \$5,000 to be added to Line 154 (Insurance) of Article 5 of the Annual Town Meeting of May 12, 2014 for a total of \$258,300.

Proposed by the Town Administrator – Troy E. Garron

Passed Unanimously

ARTICLE 9 Voted to transfer \$130 from Line 156 (Gas & Oil All Departments) of Article 5 of the May 12, 2014 Annual Town Meeting to pay for a streetlight on Aldana Road beginning on July 1, 2015.

Proposed by the Board of Selectmen – Troy E. Garron

Failed

ARTICLE 11 Voted to approve the revised and increased Silver Lake District Operating Budget for Fiscal Year 2014-2015 including applying \$160,000 from the District's Excess and Deficiency Budget to pay for snow and ice removal and associated expenses with no change in the Town's assessment.

Proposed by the Silver Lake Regional School Committee – Cassandra Hanson

Passed Unanimously

ARTICLE 5 Voted to transfer \$5,000 from Article 20 of the May 12, 2014 Annual Town Meeting (School Flat Roof Repair) to the Town's Unemployment Compensation Fund.

Proposed by the Town Treasurer – Kathleen Shiavone

Passed Unanimously

ARTICLE 7 Voted to transfer from Stabilization 3 (Water System Protection) the sum of \$19,240 for continuation of the algae remediation project in Monponsett Pond.

Proposed by the Board of Selectmen – Troy E. Garron

Requires a two-thirds majority vote

Passed Unanimously

A motion was made by Kim Roy and seconded to pass over the following article.

Motion to pass over – Passed Unanimously

ARTICLE 10 To see if the Town will vote to transfer \$100,000 to assist in the creation of a solar farm/solar field on the Town's capped landfill off Hemlock Lane or take any other action thereon.

Proposed by the Solar Field Committee

Passed Over Unanimously

ARTICLE 12 Voted to appropriate \$53,476.57 from the Cable Television Revolving Fund to make contracted payments to Carver-Halifax Access Television.

Proposed by the Board of Selectmen – Troy E. Garron

Passed Unanimously

ARTICLE 1 Voted to transfer from Line 157 (Heating all Buildings) of Article 5 the sum of \$11,000 to be added to Line 127 (Veterans' Benefits) of Article 5 of the Annual Town Meeting of May 12, 2014.

Proposed by the Town Accountant – Sandra Nolan

Passed Unanimously

A motion to pass over the following article was made by Sandra Nolan and seconded.

Motion to pass over – Passed Unanimously

ARTICLE 3 To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds the sum of \$28,000 to be added to Line 87 (Highway – Snow and Ice) of Article 5 of the Annual Town Meeting of May 12, 2014 for a total of \$208,509 or take any action thereon.

Proposed by the Town Accountant

Passed Over Unanimously

A motion was made by Michael J. Schleiff and seconded to dissolve the meeting and to reconvene the Annual Town Meeting.

The Special Town Meeting dissolved at 10:05 p.m.

A five minute recess was called before reconvening the Annual Town Meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara J. Gaynor

Town Clerk