

TOWN OF HALIFAX
MAY 8, 2017

Annual Town Meeting
Quorum 100

As Voted
Present 230
Guests 12

Please note that except for Articles 1 through 4, the actual order in which articles will be voted upon will be determined by lottery under the Town's by-laws, Chapter 47. The Moderator, at the Moderator's discretion, shall determine whether the article so chosen is contingent upon any articles yet to be acted upon and, if so, shall determine which articles must be acted upon and in which order before having Town Meeting act on the article chosen. Otherwise, the article numbers shown below are used to identify the articles.

Moderator John Bruno called the meeting to order at 7:35 p.m. Town Clerk Barbara J. Gaynor read the Call to the Meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance recited immediately thereafter. Mr. Bruno explained the lotter system regarding the order of the articles.

ARTICLE 1 To hear and act on the reports of the Town Officers and Committees.

Board of Selectmen – Thomas Millias
Passed Unanimously

Thomas Millias read a statement from the Board of Selectmen and Gordon C. Andrews read a statement from the Finance Committee.

ARTICLE 2 Voted to amend the Wage and Personnel By-Law as recommended by the Wage and Personnel Board:

What follows is the list of amendments recommended by the Wage and Personnel Board. A list of other proposed amendments either not voted upon or not recommended is available in the Selectmen's Office, on the Town's website:

http://www.town.halifax.ma.us/Pages/HalifaxMA_Bcomm/Selectmen/townmeetings/town

and at the Town Meeting. The Town's practice is that, in addition to the amendments recommended by the Wage and Personnel Board, these proposals can be brought up at Town Meeting – Charlie Seelig, April 7, 2017.

Except for the following proposed amendments to the Wage and Personnel By-Law, the Wage and Personnel Board recommends that all positions and provisions in the By-Law remain unchanged.

To grant all non-union Wage and Personnel employees an across the board wage increase of 2%.

Proposed by the Wage and Personnel Board – Diane Ruxton

Grades & Steps

GRADE 2	Step 1	Step 2	Step 3	Step 4	Step 5	Step 6
From:	14.02	14.75	15.54	16.36	17.21	17.73
To:	14.30	15.05	15.85	16.69	17.55	18.08
GRADE 4						
From:	15.69	16.44	17.23	18.03	18.90	19.47
To:	16.00	16.77	17.57	18.39	19.28	19.86
GRADE 6						
From:	17.46	18.22	18.95	19.74	20.54	21.15
To:	17.81	18.58	19.33	20.13	20.95	21.57
GRADE 7						
From:	19.09	19.83	20.59	21.39	22.21	22.87
To:	19.47	20.23	21.00	21.82	22.65	23.33
GRADE 8						
From:	20.70	21.47	22.22	23.04	23.86	24.58
To:	21.11	21.90	22.66	23.50	24.34	25.07
GRADE 10						
From:	56,738	58,343	59,993	61,686	63,431	65,336
To:	57,873	59,510	61,193	62,920	64,700	66,643
GRADE 11						
From:	63,510	65,139	66,809	68,520	70,277	72,385
To:	64,781	66,442	68,146	69,891	71,863	73,833
GRADE 12						
From:	77,876	79,564	81,289	83,056	84,856	87,402
To:	79,434	81,156	82,914	84,718	86,554	89,151
GRADE 14						
From:	81,280	82,940	84,634	86,361	88,122	90,766
To:	82,906	84,599	86,327	88,089	89,885	92,582

Grade "U" Unclassified

Administrative and Clerical

	From:	To:
Registrar of Voters	12.99	13.25
Election Workers	12.48	12.73
Assessing Lister	12.44	12.69
Water Inspector	35.68	36.39
Veterans Agent/Service Officer	14,391.00	14,679.00
Assistant Building Inspector	2,073.00	2,115.00

Police Department

	From:	To:
Special Duty Officers	23.18	23.64
Police Matron	16.99	17.33

COA Grant Positions

Assistant Outreach Worker	14.75
Geriatric Nurse	18.00

Fire Department

	Step 1	Step 2	Step 3	Step 4
Call Firefighter				
From:	17.76	18.29	18.84	19.40
To:	18.12	18.66	19.22	19.79
Call Firefighter EMT				
From:	19.17	19.75	20.35	20.95
To:	19.55	20.15	20.76	21.37
Call Firefighter EMT-I				
From:	19.53	20.12	20.72	21.35
To:	19.92	20.52	21.13	21.78
Call Firefighter EMT-P				
From:	19.98	20.57	21.19	21.83
To:	20.38	20.98	21.61	22.27
Call Lieutenant	Step 1	Step 2	Step 3	Step 4
From:	19.21	19.79	20.38	21.00
To:	19.59	20.19	20.79	21.42
Call Lieutenant EMT				
From:	20.75	21.37	22.02	22.67
To:	21.17	21.80	22.46	23.12
Call Lieutenant EMT-I				
From:	21.13	21.77	22.42	23.09
To:	21.55	22.21	22.87	23.59
Call Lieutenant EMT-P				
From:	21.61	22.26	22.93	23.61
To:	22.04	22.71	23.39	24.08

Call Captain	Step 1	Step 2	Step 3	Step 4
From:	20.79	21.42	22.06	22.72
To:	21.21	21.85	22.50	23.17
Call Captain EMT				
From:	22.46	23.13	23.82	24.54
To:	22.91	23.59	24.30	25.03
Call Captain EMT-I				
From:	22.87	23.56	24.27	24.99
To:	23.33	24.03	24.76	25.49
Call Captain EMT-P				
From:	23.39	24.10	24.82	25.56
To:	23.86	24.58	25.32	26.07
Call Deputy Chief	Step 1	Step 2	Step 3	Step 4
From:	22.83	23.52	24.23	24.95
To:	23.29	23.99	24.71	25.45
Call Deputy Chief EMT	Step 1	Step 2	Step 3	Step 4
From:	24.66	25.40	26.16	26.95
To:	25.15	25.91	26.68	27.49
Call Deputy Chief EMT-I				
From:	25.12	25.87	26.64	27.45
To:	25.62	26.39	27.17	28.00
Call Deputy Chief EMT-P				
From:	25.68	26.46	27.25	28.07
To:	26.19	26.99	27.80	28.63

Parks and Recreation

	From:	To:
Director/Instructor - 2	19.92	20.32
Supervisor	15.81	16.13
Assistant/Instructor 1	11.15	11.38
Life Guard	14.65	14.95
Aide/Helper	MA Minimum Wage	

Other

	From:	To:
Recycling Laborer/Heavy Equip. Operator	22.38	23.29
Cemetery Superintendent	10,618.00	10,831.00
Inspector of Animals	2,988.00	3,048.00
Sealer of Weights & Measures	2,517.00	2,568.00

Passed

- 1.) To create the position of Human Resource Manager to be Classified at a Grade 10.

Proposed by the Wage and Personnel Board – Diane Ruxton
Failed

- 2.) Under Section 35.12, Membership, Letter D, add the following:
Notwithstanding the provisions of Subsection A, in the event that there are only two appointed members on the Wage and Personnel Board, a member of the Board of Selectmen or a member of the Finance Committee shall serve as members of the Wage and Personnel Board, such member is to be designated by a majority vote of the Board of Selectmen and Finance Committee.

Proposed by the Wage and Personnel Board – Diane Ruxton
Passed Unanimously

- 3.) Under Section 35.17, Increases, Letter A, replace the following:
Each employee in a position for which step rates are provided will be considered for an increase in compensation to a higher rate for that position after completion of the required period of continuous service and an annual performance evaluation of M (meets expectation), E (exceeds expectation), or CE (consistently exceeds expectation).

Yearly performance evaluations shall be completed every year for each step increase 30 days prior to the employee's anniversary date. A cover sheet signed by both the employee and department head stating that the evaluation has been completed shall be attached to the change of status form. A copy of the employee's yearly evaluation is to be kept in the employee's personnel file.

With the following:

Each employee in a position for which step rates are provided will be considered for an increase in compensation to a higher rate for that position after completion of the required period of continuous service and an annual performance evaluation of Above Average: Consistently fulfills job requirements and extends contributions beyond them; regularly meets and sometimes exceeds goals. Satisfactory: Consistently meets minimum job requirements but makes limited effort beyond them; adequate achievement of goals.

Yearly performance evaluations shall be completed every year for each step increase 30 days prior to the employee's anniversary date. A cover sheet signed by both the employee and department head stating that the evaluation has been completed shall be attached to the change of status form. A copy of the employee's yearly evaluation is to be kept in the employee's personnel file.

Proposed by the Wage and Personnel Board – Diane Ruxton
Passed Unanimously

4.) Under Section 35.17, Increases, Letter C, remove the following:

Any employee who has been at the maximum step on his/her schedule for five (5) years may, upon recommendation of his department head, be considered for a merit increase to be acted upon at the Annual Town Meeting, said merit increase to be no more than five percent (5%) of the employee's base salary. Performance Evaluation forms must be completed annually. The employee must have received an overall rating of CE (Consistently Exceeds), for 5 consecutive years and while on their top step. The Board from time to time shall review the work of all positions covered by the plan, such reviews to be scheduled so that all positions will be reviewed at intervals of not more than three years.

Proposed by the Wage and Personnel Board - Diane Ruxton
Passed Unanimously

5.) Under Section 35.21, replace the following:

35-21. Longevity

- A. Effective July 1, 2007, a full-time/part-time employee who qualifies for the Plymouth County Retirement System, who has worked consistently without a break in service due to resignation or termination will be paid longevity compensation on the anniversary of his/her employment hire date according to the following schedule:

Years of Full-Time Service Completed (20 to 40 hrs. per wk.)	Compensation (per year)	Years of Part-Time Service Completed (under 20 hrs. per wk.)	Compensation (per year)
10 through 14 years	\$ 150.00	10 through 14 years	\$ 75.00
15 through 19 years	\$ 250.00	15 through 19 years	\$ 125.00
20 through 24 years	\$ 500.00	20 through 24 years	\$ 250.00
25 through 29 years	\$ 750.00	25 through 30 years	\$ 375.00
30 years & thereafter	\$1,000.00	30 years & thereafter	\$ 500.00

With the following:

35-21. Longevity

- A. Effective July 1, 2017, a full-time/part-time employee who qualifies for the Plymouth County Retirement System, who has worked consistently without a break in service due to resignation or termination will be paid longevity compensation on the anniversary of his/her employment hire date according to the following schedule:

Years of Full-Time Service Completed (20 to 40 hrs. per wk.)	Compensation (per year)	Years of Part-time Service Completed (under 20 hrs. per wk.)	Compensation (per year)
10 through 14 years	\$ 520.00	10 through 14 years	\$ 250.00
15 through 19 years	\$ 750.00	15 through 19 years	\$ 350.00
20 through 24 years	\$ 1,000.00	20 through 24 years	\$ 500.00
25 through 29 years	\$ 1,250.00	25 through 30 years	\$ 625.00
30 years & thereafter	\$1,500.00	30 years & thereafter	\$ 750.00

Proposed by the Wage and Personnel Board – Diane Ruxton
Passed Unanimously

7.) Under Appendix A, Group C Extra Details, replace the following:
Extra Details to outside contractors (not town-related details) are to be paid at an hourly rate equal to a full-time Captain's hourly rate and will be for a minimum of four hours' pay.

With the following:

Extra Details to outside contractors (not town related details) are to paid a two-hour minimum at an hourly rate of \$50.00 per hour. Details for the Town of Halifax shall be paid based upon the employee's regular rate.

Proposed by the Wage and Personnel Board – Diane Ruxton
Passed Unanimously

ARTICLE 3 Voted to determine the salaries of several elective Town Officers, July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018:

	<u>2014-2015</u>	<u>2015-2016</u>	<u>2016-2017</u>	<u>2017-2018</u>
Moderator	\$200	\$200	\$200	\$200
Town Clerk	\$37,853	\$47,790	\$48,746	\$53,036
Selectmen (each)	\$1,500	\$1,500	\$1,500	\$1,500
Treasurer-Collector	\$64,849	\$65,498	\$66,808	\$68,145
Assessors (each)	\$1,500	\$1,500	\$1,500	\$1,500
Highway Surveyor	\$68,798	\$69,486	\$70,876	\$72,294

Proposed by the Finance Committee – Gordon C. Andrews
Passed Unanimously

A motion made by Kim R. Roy and seconded to adjourn the Annual Town Meeting to begin the Special Town Meeting.

The Annual Town Meeting adjourned at 8:16 p.m.

The Annual Town Meeting reconvened at 8:34 p.m.

ARTICLE 4 Operating Budget.

To determine what sums of money the Town will raise and appropriate, including appropriations from available funds, to defray charges and expenses to the Town, including debts and interest or take any action thereon.

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Proposed by the Finance Committee – Gordon C. Andrews
Passed Unanimously

Item#	Account Description	Expended FY15	Expended FY16	Budget FY17	Recommended FY18
General Government					
1	Moderator - Salary	200	200	200	200
2	Selectmen - Salary	4,500	4,500	4,500	4,500
3	Town Administrator - Salary	88,354	89,486	91,266	93,582
4	Selectmen - Clerical	69,552	73,125	75,623	78,197
5	Selectmen - Expense	2,991	3,626	3,975	3,925
6	Law	38,251	56,522	42,200	63,000
7	Town Hall - Electricity	15,107	17,497	18,100	18,100
8	Town Reports	7,720	8,197	5,700	5,700
9	Audit	19,500	20,000	20,750	25,999 (A)
10	Finance Committee - Clerical	2,697	2,844	4,985	5,165
11	Finance Committee - Expense	176	176	359	359
12	Accountant - Salary	70,762	71,465	73,609	75,572
13	Accountant - Clerical	46,854	47,498	48,253	49,772
14	Accountant - Expense	1,549	1,442	1,625	1,625
15	Data Processing	57,643	74,234	84,838	90,462
16	Assessors - Salary	4,500	4,500	4,500	4,500
17	Assessor/Appraiser, Principal - Salary	62,229	64,468	67,440	71,545
18	Assessors - Clerical	62,104	62,791	69,620	63,424
19	Assessors - Expense	10,630	13,472	13,670	13,615
20	Office Machines - Expense	5,840	5,574	7,300	7,300
21	Treasurer - Clerical	57,975	58,690	59,547	61,302
22	Treasurer - Expense	6,027	6,793	6,500	6,500
23	Treasurer - Tax Title	800	1,955	2,500	2,500
24	Treasurer - Banking & Payroll Expense	6,325	7,226	8,100	8,300

Item#	Account Description	Expended FY15	Expended FY16	Budget FY17	Recommended FY18
25	Clerk - Salary	37,853	47,790	48,746	54,036
26	Clerk - Clerical	30,719	32,549	34,401	36,673
27	Clerk - Expense	2,367	4,331	3,735	4,930
28	Elections and Registration	45,029	12,779	16,600	12,025
29	Treasurer-Collector Salary	64,849	65,498	66,808	69,145
30	Collector - Clerical	55,561	56,484	60,100	63,624
31	Collector - Expense	12,878	15,927	14,850	14,850
32	Wage and Personnel - Clerical	1,942	2,674	5,082	5,164
33	Wage and Personnel - Expense	236	238	250	250
34	Recruitment and Employment Costs	5,828	4,889	7,500	7,500
35	Conservation Commission - Expense	338	504	1,100	1,100
36	Planning Board - Expense	376	512	2,000	2,000
37	Board of Appeals - Expense	465	760	825	825
38	Regulatory - Clerical	67,234	68,363	72,091	71,175
39	Building Committee - Clerical	10,717	10,847	11,044	11,208
40	Building Committee - Expense	312	417	450	450
41	Town Buildings - Custodial	158,881	161,532	170,124	188,859
42	Town Buildings - Expense	41,979	30,160	30,850	32,810
43	Town Buildings - Preventative Maintenance	31,538	42,296	45,150	48,051
44	Town Buildings - Snow & Ice Expense	2,218	1,928	3,000	3,000
Total General Government		1,213,606	1,256,759	1,309,866	1,381,162

Item#	Account Description	Expended FY15	Expended FY16	Budget FY17	Recommended FY18
Public Safety - Police					
45	Police - Chief Salary	98,336	100,629	102,627	102,627
46	Police - Wages	896,303	905,021	994,214	1,004,954
47	Police - Training	4,751	6,923	8,714	8,714
48	Police - Clerical	44,725	43,450	44,173	44,872
49	Police - Expense	66,232	66,426	62,485	62,485
50	Police - Station Electricity	21,129	23,358	24,100	24,100
51	Police - Cruiser Maintenance	10,271	13,877	12,000	11,000
	Total Public Safety - Police	1,141,747	1,159,684	1,248,303	1,258,752
Public Safety - Fire					
52	Fire - Chief Salary	100,932	101,664	103,597	103,597
53	Fire - Clerical	38,736	39,359	40,152	41,450
54	Fire - Wages	555,359	580,096	883,328	898,892
55	Fire - Training	52,687	52,540	58,831	58,831
56	Fire - Expense	29,189	31,572	30,000	30,000
57	Fire - Station Maintenance	11,783	13,089	13,533	16,785
58	Fire - Vehicle/Equipment Maintenance	25,460	23,383	25,565	25,565
59	Ambulance - Supplies	16,270	19,382	20,000	21,500
60	Ambulance Billing	6,198	7,481	7,500	7,500
	Total Public Safety - Fire	836,614	868,566	1,182,506	1,204,120
Public Safety - Other Public Safety					
61	Emergency Management - Expenses	1,541	1,545	1,545	1,545
62	Building Inspector - Wages	73,770	53,653	61,550	64,557
63	Building Inspector, Assistant - Wages	2,011	1,753	2,073	2,115

Item#	Account Description	Expended FY15	Expended FY16	Budget FY17	Recommended FY18
64	Building Inspector - Expense	4,206	4,779	4,750	4,750
65	Sealer of Weights and Measures - Salary	2,442	2,467	2,517	2,568
66	Sealer of Weights and Measures - Expense	618	441	522	527
67	Animal Control Officer - Salary	15,458	10,282	17,420	18,056 (B)
68	Animal Control Officer - Expense	1,442	2,454	4,616	4,616 (B)
	Total Public Safety - Other Public Safety	101,488	77,374	94,993	98,734
Public Safety - Communications					
69	Communications Center - Wages	264,438	269,488	300,686	15,150
70	Communications Center - Expense	2,459	2,923	3,000	0
71	Dispatch Services				150,450
	Total Communications	266,897	272,411	303,686	165,600
	Total Public Safety	2,346,746	2,378,035	2,829,498	2,727,206
Schools					
72	Elementary School	4,934,205	5,130,726	5,156,701	5,300,271
73	Vocational Education	51,164	54,971	159,000	189,000
74	Special Needs - Tuition	1,219,976	1,562,875	1,585,611	1,758,999
75	Special Needs - Transportation	332,659	343,283	389,171	422,769
76	Silver Lake Assessment - Operating	4,165,866	3,644,729	4,334,517	4,280,676
77	Silver Lake Assessment - Debt	550,882	509,338	511,156	478,296 (C)
	Total Schools	11,254,752	11,245,925	12,136,156	12,430,011
Public Works - Highway					
78	Highway - Surveyor Salary	68,798	69,486	70,876	72,294
79	Highway - Wages	283,433	261,238	291,373	299,966
80	Highway - Clerical	38,583	39,371	40,170	41,469

Item#	Account Description	Expended FY15	Expended FY16	Budget FY17	Recommended FY18
81	Highway - Expense	4,393	4,904	4,971	6,221
82	Highway - Barn Maintenance	10,975	8,877	10,100	10,100
83	Highway - Equipment	48,303	48,438	48,500	48,500
84	Highway - Town Roads	71,981	73,695	74,355	74,355
85	Highway - Snow and Ice	177,509	174,979	177,509	177,509
86	Street Lights	23,043	25,198	27,300	27,300
87	Traffic Lights	5,949	5,480	5,500	5,500
88	Tree Warden Salary	0	0	1	1
89	Tree Maintenance	3,500	3,200	3,500	3,500
90	Insect and Pest Control	0	0	1	1
	Total Public Works - Highway	736,467	714,866	754,156	766,716
Public Works - Cemetery					
91	Cemetery - Superintendent Salary	10,305	10,409	10,618	10,831
92	Cemetery - Wages	66,155	66,705	70,161	70,023
93	Cemetery - Supplies and Equipment	5,750	5,712	5,770	6,020
	Total Public Works - Cemetery	82,210	82,826	86,549	86,874
Public Works - Water					
94	Water - Superintendent Salary	65,977	68,313	71,434	76,560
95	Water - Wages	174,315	167,643	182,620	192,640
96	Water - Clerical	42,996	43,751	45,345	53,558
97	Water - Supply	147,301	164,451	182,100	182,100
98	Water - Insurance	42,283	23,978	57,954	60,579
99	Water - Retirement	11,188	14,534	13,000	19,000
100	Water - Legal Fees	0	0	1,500	1,500

Item#	Account Description	Expended FY15	Expended FY16	Budget FY17	Recommended FY18
101	Water - Meters	19,825	24,789	25,000	25,000
102	Water - Gas & Oil	10,047	7,029	13,750	13,750
103	Water - Vehicles	4,513	6,547	9,000	9,000
104	Water - Tower & Wells Maintenance	21,702	0	100,000	100,000
Total Public Works - Water		540,147	521,035	701,703	733,687 (E)
Public Works - Solid Waste					
105	Recycling Office - Clerical	26,368	26,706	27,631	28,819
106	Recycling Office - Expense	2,632	2,505	2,890	3,190
107	Recycling Center - Wages	69,919	73,740	80,115	70,122
108	Recycling Center - Expense	25,631	25,541	21,400	28,000
109	Hazardous Waste Collection	8,978	12,138	12,335	12,335
110	Trash Collection/Disposal	197,285	196,807	225,921	227,962
Total Public Works - Solid Waste		330,813	337,437	370,292	370,428 (F)
Total Public Works		1,689,637	1,656,164	1,912,700	1,957,705
Health and Human Services					
111	Board of Health - Clerical	39,787	39,686	41,077	41,939
112	Board of Health - Expense	5,495	7,042	7,395	7,873
113	Board of Health - Inspections	63,669	64,306	65,586	67,393
114	Board of Health - Nursing Service	7,000	7,000	7,000	7,000
115	Board of Health - Landfill - Engineering	13,450	13,740	14,250	15,233
116	Inspector of Animals	2,900	2,792	2,988	3,048
117	Council on Aging - Wages	166,290	176,986	179,510	177,232
118	Council on Aging - Expense	8,486	8,722	8,880	8,880

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119	Pope's Tavern - Electricity	2,378	2,895	3,000	3,000
120	Veterans Agent - Salary	13,968	14,108	14,391	14,679
121	Veterans Agent - Expense	1,215	1,708	1,288	1,300
122	Veterans Service Officer	0	0	0	0
123	Veterans Benefits	152,508	150,300	190,000	195,700
124	Housing Authority	0	0	1	1
125	ADA Expense	0	0	1	1
Total Health and Human Services		477,146	489,285	535,367	543,279
Culture and Recreation					
126	Library - Director Salary	60,709	63,391	57,388	60,682
127	Library - Wages	157,905	131,386	158,097	161,644
128	Library - Expense	85,349	83,931	100,145	97,505
129	Youth and Recreation - Wages	13,429	14,578	15,810	16,127
130	Youth and Recreation - Expense	13,184	12,964	13,216	13,216
131	Youth and Recreation - Director	16,217	16,386	16,715	17,050
132	Parks - Wages	0	0	100	100
133	Parks - Expense	446	374	450	450
134	Cable Television	0	142,000	185,000	202,000 (O)
135	Patriotic Celebrations	288	84	400	400
136	Historical Commission	2,166	2,263	2,499	2,499
137	Historic District Commission	0	0	446	446
138	Holidays in Halifax	2,626	3,306	3,395	3,395
139	Halifax Fireworks			2,350	3,200
140	Beautification Committee - Expense	500	0	500	500
141	Music Rights	0	335	350	350

Item#	Account Description	Expended FY15	Expended FY16	Budget FY17	Recommended FY18	
142	Agricultural Committee			750	0	
143	Website Committee - Expense	2,750	2,850	3,050	3,050	
Total Culture and Recreation		355,569	473,848	560,661	582,614	
Debt Service						
144	Debt - Water Extension Project	92,700	89,250	85,725	82,163	(G)
145	Debt - School/Library Project	0	0	0	0	
146	Debt - Police Station	147,555	141,345	0	0	(H)
147	Debt - Water Pollution Abatement Trust	10,400	10,400	10,400	10,400	(I)
148	Debt - Water Pollution Abatement Trust II	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	(J)
149	Debt - Landfill Capping	122,625	118,688	114,188	110,138	(K)(L)
150	Interest on Temporary Loans	0	0	5,000	5,000	
Total Debt Service		383,280	374,683	225,313	217,700	
Fixed Costs						
151	Plymouth County Retirement	934,616	1,008,901	1,090,406	1,129,620	(M)
152	Group Insurance - Town Share	882,425	864,627	1,035,000	1,030,844	
153	Medicare - Town Share	111,109	113,555	115,383	119,771	
154	Insurance	255,759	148,937	275,000	265,000	
155	OPEB – Other Post Employments Benefits				35,000	(N)
156	Telephone	27,257	28,762	29,200	29,200	
157	Gas & Oil - All Departments	101,129	67,233	110,000	110,000	
158	Heating - All Buildings	44,344	29,021	62,500	62,500	
Total Fixed Costs		2,356,639	2,261,036	2,717,489	2,781,935	
Total Operating Costs		20,077,375	20,135,735	22,227,040	22,621,613	

Funding Notes	FY15	FY16	FY17	FY18
(A) From Solid Waste Retained Earnings	6,666	6,666	6,916	7,166
(A) From Water Fund/Revenue	6,666	6,666	6,916	7,166
(B) From Dog Fund	21,274	21,524	21,865	22,672
(C) Under Debt Exclusion	550,882	529,728	490,766	478,296
(D) Finance Committee was unable to reach a majority recommendation.				
(E) From Water Fund/Revenue	579,440	620,038	698,779	733,687
(F) From Solid Waste Fund Revenue	147,935	320,000	275,000	220,428
From Solid Waste Fund Retained Earnings	215,356	45,187	94,239	150,000
(G) From Water Retained Earnings	92,700	89,250	85,725	82,163
(H) Under Debt Exclusion	147,555	141,345	0	0
(I) From Abatement Trust Revenue	10,400	10,400	10,400	10,400
(J) From Abatement Trust Revenue	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000
(K) Under Debt Exclusion	122,625	118,688	114,188	109,716
(L) From Fund Balance Reserved for Bond Premium	683	601	507	422
(M) From Water Retained Earnings	46,000	46,000	50,000	53,000
(N) Annual Town Meeting on May 9, 2016, Article 22 added OPEB as a Line Item for this year. \$35,000 was appropriated in FY15, FY16 & FY17.				
(O) Cable PEG Access Fund				202,000

ARTICLE 15 Voted to transfer from undesignated fund balance the sum of \$150 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 E. Garron
Passed Unanimously

ARTICLE 44 To see if the Town will vote to accept Bourne Drive and Danson Road or take any action thereon.

Proposed by the Board of Selectmen
Passed Over Unanimously

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

ARTICLE 29 Voted to transfer from undesignated fund balance the sum of \$19,617 to replace the apparatus bay door openers at the Fire Station.

Proposed by the Fire Chief – Kim R. Roy
Passed Unanimously

ARTICLE 34 Voted to transfer from undesignated fund balance the sum of \$9,500 to replace two furnaces as part of completing phase 2 of the furnace replacement at the Town Hall.

Proposed by the Municipal and School Building Committee – Kim R. Roy
Passed Unanimously

ARTICLE 41 Voted to transfer from undesignated fund balance the sum of \$3,500 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 Robin Maher, et al – Troy E. Garron
Passed Unanimously

ARTICLE 30 Voted to transfer from undesignated fund balance the sum of \$9,000 to update the telephone system at the Halifax Fire Station.

Proposed by the Fire Chief – Kim R. Roy
Passed Unanimously

ARTICLE 40 Voted to transfer from undesignated fund balance the sum of \$28,100 for new computer servers at the Halifax Town Hall.

Proposed by the Town Administrator – Kim R. Roy
Passed Unanimously

ARTICLE 23 Voted to transfer the sum of \$49,435 from the Water Department Retained Earning Account to purchase and equip a new service truck and to sell or trade the 2004 truck.

Proposed by the Board of Water Commissioners – Keith Swanson
Passed Unanimously

ARTICLE 50 Voted to amend the Code of the Town of Halifax by adding the following by-law:

Halifax Foreclosed Properties By-Law

Registration and Maintenance of Foreclosed Properties

Section 1 - Purpose; Enforcement Authority

(1) Unsecured and un-maintained foreclosed properties present a danger to the safety and health of the public, occupants, abutters, neighbors, and public safety officers. It is the purpose and intent of this bylaw to protect and preserve public safety, health, welfare and security, and the quiet enjoyment of occupants, abutters and neighbors, and to minimize hazards to public safety personnel inspecting or entering such properties by:

a. Requiring all residential, commercial, and industrial property owners, including lenders, trustees and service companies, to register and maintain foreclosed properties with the town; and by

b. Regulating the maintenance and security of foreclosed properties to help prevent blighted and unsecured properties.

(2) The Building Commissioner and/or Building Inspector of the Town of Halifax is empowered to enforce this bylaw.

Section 2 - Definitions

When used in this bylaw, the following terms shall have the following meanings, unless a contrary intention clearly appears:

(1) "Vacant" means a residential, commercial or industrial property which has not been actively used or occupied within the preceding sixty days. This definition does not include property that is unoccupied while undergoing renovations, or while undergoing repairs due to fire or other casualty, or to residential property that is temporarily vacant due to seasonal absences.

(2) "Town" means the Town of Halifax

(3) "Commissioner" means the Building Commissioner or the Building Inspector of the Town of Halifax or his/her designee.

(4) "Days" means consecutive calendar days.

(5) "Foreclosed" means a residential, commercial or industrial property, placed as security for a real estate loan, as to which all rights of the mortgagor or his grantee in the property have been terminated as a result of a default of the loan.

(6) "Foreclosing" means the process by which a property, placed as security for a real estate loan, is prepared for sale to satisfy the debt if the borrower defaults.

(7) "Local" means within twenty miles of the property in question.

(8) "Mortgagee" means the creditor, including but not limited to service companies, lenders in a mortgage agreement, or any successor in interest and/ or assignee of the mortgagee's rights, interests or obligations under the mortgage agreement.

(9) "Owner" means every person, entity, service company, property manager or real estate broker who alone or severally with others has legal or equitable title to any property or has care, charge or control of any property in any capacity, including but not limited to agent, executor, executrix, administrator, administratrix, trustee or guardian of the estate of the holder of legal title; or mortgagee in

possession of any such property; or is an agent, trustee or other person appointed by the courts and vested with possession or control of any such property; or is an officer or trustee of the association of unit owners of a condominium. Each such person is bound to comply with the provisions of these minimum standards as if he/she were the owner. However, this bylaw shall not apply to a condominium association created pursuant to M.G.L. c. 183A to the extent that such association forecloses on or initiates the foreclosure process for unpaid assessments due or owing to the association. "Owner" also means every person who operates a rooming house or is a trustee who holds, owns or controls mortgage loans for mortgage-backed securities transactions and has initiated the foreclosure process.

(10) "Property" means any residential, commercial or industrial property or portion thereof, located in the Town including but not limited to buildings and structures situated on the property; excepted from this definition is any and all property owned by the Town, the state, or the federal government.

(11) "Residential Property" means any property that contains one or more units used, intended, or designed to be occupied for living purposes.

Section 3 – Registration

(1) All owners of foreclosed properties shall register such properties with the Commissioner on forms provided by the Commissioner within seven days of the date of foreclosure. If the owner is an out-of-state corporation, person, or other entity, the owner shall appoint an in-state agent authorized to accept service of process and other documents under this bylaw.

a. Each registration must state the owner's or agent's name, telephone number and mailing address located within the Commonwealth of Massachusetts including name of owner, street number, street name, city or town, and zip code; the mailing address shall not be a post office box.

b. Each registration must also certify that the property has been inspected by the owner and must identify whether the property is vacant. Each registration must designate a property manager, who shall be a local individual or local property management company responsible for the

maintenance and security of the property. This designation must state the individual or company's name, direct telephone number, and local mailing address; the mailing addresses shall not be a post office box. The property manager shall be available twenty-four hours per day, every day, by telephone and/ or electronic mail notification, and shall respond to all notifications from the Commissioner to secure, maintain, inspect or repair the property within 24 hours.

(2) All property registrations pursuant to this section are valid for one calendar year from the date when the registration is received by the Commissioner. An annual registration fee of one hundred dollars (\$100.00) must accompany the registration form. Subsequent registrations and fees are due within thirty days after the date of the expiration of the previous registration. Subsequent registrations must certify whether the property remains in foreclosure.

(3) Any owner that has registered a property under this section must report any change in information contained in the registration within ten days of the change.

(4) Once the property is sold, the owner shall provide the Commissioner with written proof of sale.

Section 4 - Maintenance and Security Requirements

(1) Properties subject to this bylaw must be maintained in accordance with the State Building Code, sanitary code, and town bylaws. The owner or property manager must inspect and maintain the property on at least a monthly basis for as long as the property is vacant.

(2) The owner shall maintain properties subject to this section, including but not limited to maintaining and keeping in good repair any building(s), structure(s), and improvements, the removal of trash and debris, and the regular mowing of lawns, pruning and/ or trimming of trees and shrubbery, and upkeep of other landscape features.

(3) The owner shall repair or replace broken windows or doors within thirty days of breakage. Boarding up doors and windows is prohibited except as a temporary measure for no longer than thirty days.

(4) In accordance with state law, including but not limited to Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 143, Sections 6 through 10 and the State Building Code, property that is vacant must be safe and must be secured from exposure to the elements and so as not to be accessible to unauthorized persons.

(5) Compliance with this section does not relieve the owner of any applicable Obligations set forth in regulations, covenant conditions and restrictions, and/or homeowner's association rules and regulations.

Section 5 - Inspections

Pursuant to the State Building Code, the Commissioner or his/her designee shall have the authority and the duty to inspect properties subject to this bylaw for compliance with this bylaw and to issue citations for any violations. The Commissioner or his/her designee shall have the discretion to determine when and how such inspections are to be made, provided such determination is reasonably calculated to ensure that this bylaw is enforced.

Section 6 – Penalties

(1) In addition to any other means of enforcement available to the Commissioner, the Commissioner may enforce this bylaw by means of noncriminal enforcement pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 40 Section 21D and Chapter 1 of these bylaws. The following penalties are established for purposes of said noncriminal disposition:

- a. A failure to initially register with the Commissioner pursuant to Section 3: three hundred dollars (\$300.00).
- b. A failure to properly designate the name of the local individual or local property management company responsible for the maintenance and the security of the property. Pursuant to Section 5 -903: three hundred dollars (\$300.00) for each violation, and a like penalty for each day's continuation of such violation.
- c. A failure to maintain and/ or to secure the property pursuant to Section 4: three hundred dollars (\$300.00) for each violation and a like penalty for each day's continuation of such violation.

(2) The penalties provided in this section shall not be construed to restrict the Town from pursuing other legal remedies available to the Town. Where penalty is not specific violation of this bylaw shall be subject to a fine not to exceed three hundred dollars (\$300.00) for each violation; each day shall be considered a new violation. Unpaid penalties shall be subject to the municipal charges lien pursuant to G. L. c. 40, sec. 58.

Section 7 - Appeals

Any persons aggrieved by the requirements of this bylaw or by a decision issued hereunder may seek relief in any court of competent jurisdiction as provided by the laws of the Commonwealth.

Section 8 - Applicability

If any provisions of this bylaw impose greater restrictions or obligations than those imposed by any general law, special law, regulation, rule, ordinance, order or policy, then the provisions of this bylaw shall control.

Section 9 – Severability

If any provision of this bylaw is held to be invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, then such provisions shall be considered separately and apart from this bylaw's remaining provisions, which shall remain in full force and effect.

Proposed by the Board of Selectmen – Kim R. Roy
Passed

ARTICLE 24 Voted to transfer from undesignated fund balance the sum of \$80,000 to purchase and equip with miscellaneous police equipment two (2) new marked police vehicles to be used for patrol.

Proposed by the Police Chief – Edward Broderick
Passed Unanimously

ARTICLE 32 Voted to transfer from undesignated fund balance the sum of \$12,500 to repair the chimneys on the following buildings: Museum of Halifax, Old School House, Blacksmith's Shop and Pope's Tavern.

Proposed by the Municipal and School Building Committee – Gerard Elliott
Passed Unanimously

ARTICLE 35 Voted to transfer from Solid Waste Retained Earning the sum of \$7,200 to replace the Recycling Center's two rear garage doors with new hardware, motors, one section of panel with glass windows and the other three sections with insulated solid panels.

Proposed by the Municipal and School Building Committee
– Troy E. Garron

Passed Unanimously

ARTICLE 7 Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$75,000 to the Reserve Fund to cover extraordinary or unforeseen expenditures during Fiscal Year 2018 in accordance with Chapter 40, Section 6 of the Massachusetts General Laws, and to transfer from available funds the sum of \$25,000 to the Water Department Reserve Fund.

Proposed by the Finance Committee – Gordon C. Andrews

Passed Unanimously

ARTICLE 49 Voted to accept Chapter 64N, Section 3 of the Massachusetts General Laws which reads as follows:

Local tax option. Any city or town may impose a local sales tax upon the sale or transfer of marijuana or marijuana products by a marijuana retailer operating within the city or town to anyone other than a marijuana establishment at a rate not greater than 2% of the total sales price received by the marijuana retailer as a consideration for the sale of marijuana or marijuana products. A marijuana retailer shall pay a local sales tax imposed under this section to the commissioner at the same time and in the same manner as the sales tax due to the commonwealth.

And impose a 2% local sales tax of the total sales tax received by the marijuana retailer as a consideration for the sale of marijuana or marijuana products upon the sale or transfer of marijuana or marijuana products by a marijuana retailer operating within the city or town to anyone other than a marijuana establishment.

Proposed by the Board of Selectmen – Kim R. Roy

Passed Unanimously

ARTICLE 27 Voted to transfer from undesignated fund balance the sum of \$10,000 to purchase new turn-out gear for Fire Department personnel.

Proposed by the Fire Chief – Kim R. Roy
Passed Unanimously

ARTICLE 47 Voted to amend the Code of the Town of Halifax by amending Chapter 147 (Streets and Sidewalks), Section 11 by replacing the following:

§ 147-11. Inclusion on warrant; public hearing; filing of plans; notice; damages.

B. the Selectmen shall give a public hearing thereon not less than thirty (30) days before the next Annual Town Meeting. They shall give notice of the same by publication once in each of two (2) successive weeks in a newspaper whose circulation is widely read in the town, the last publication to be at least seven (7) days before the date of said public hearing.

With the following:

§ 147-11. Inclusion on warrant; public hearing; filing of plans; notice; damages.

B. The Selectmen shall give a public hearing thereon not less than thirty (30) days before the next Annual Town Meeting. They shall give notice of the same by publication once in each of two (2) successive weeks in a newspaper whose circulation is widely read in the town, the last publication to be at least seven (7) days before the date of said public hearing. The petitioners under Chapter 147-7 shall pay for the cost of the notice.

Proposed by the Town Administrator – Kim R. Roy
Passed Unanimously

ARTICLE 46 Voted to amend the Code of the Town of Halifax by amending Chapter 183 (Licenses of Delinquent Taxpayers), Section 1 by replacing the following:

§ 183-1. Listing of delinquent taxpayers.

The Tax Collector or other municipal official responsible for records of all municipal taxes, assessments, betterments and other municipal charges, hereinafter referred to as the “Tax Collector,” shall annually furnish to each department, board

commission or division, hereinafter referred to as the “licensing authority,” that issues licenses or permits including renewals and transfers, a list of any person, corporation or enterprise, hereinafter referred to as the “party,” that has neglected or refused to pay any local taxes, fees, assessments, betterments or other municipal charges for not less than a twelve-month period, and that such party has not filed in good faith a pending application for an abatement of such tax or a pending petition before the appellate Tax Board.

With the following:

§ 183-1. Listing of delinquent taxpayers.

The Tax Collector or other municipal official responsible for records of all municipal taxes, assessments, betterments and other municipal charges, hereinafter referred to as the “Tax Collector,” shall periodically furnish to each department, board commission or division, hereinafter referred to as the “licensing authority,” that issues licenses or permits including renewals and transfers, a list of any person, corporation or enterprise, hereinafter referred to as the “party,” that has neglected or refused to pay any local taxes, fees, assessments, betterments or other municipal charges for not less than a thirty-day period, and that such party has not filed in good faith a pending application for an abatement of such tax or a pending petition before the appellate Tax Board.

Proposed by the Town Administrator – Kim R. Roy
Passed Unanimously

ARTICLE 38 Voted to transfer from the Waterways Fund the sum of \$5,000 for improvements to the Town’s boat ramp on East Monponsett Pond.

Proposed by the Town Administrator – Kim R. Roy
Passed Unanimously

ARTICLE 16 Voted to transfer from available funds the sum of \$0 to meet the Town’s share and to appropriate the sum of \$269,658 from available funds under Chapter 10 of the Acts of 2017 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 – Kim R. Roy
Passed Unanimously

ARTICLE 17 Voted to transfer from undesignated fund balance the sum of \$150,000 for the maintenance of Town roads.

Proposed by the Highway Surveyor – Kim R. Roy
Passed Unanimously

ARTICLE 36 Voted to transfer from undesignated fund balance the sum of \$12,000 for the Assessors’ Triennial Revaluation Account.

Proposed by the Board of Assessors – John Shiavone
Passed Unanimously

ARTICLE 31 Voted to transfer from undesignated fund balance the sum of \$10,000 to purchase IV pumps for the Halifax Fire Department.

Proposed by the Fire Chief – Kim R. Roy
Passed Unanimously

ARTICLE 28 Voted to transfer from undesignated fund balance the sum of \$280,000 to purchase and equip an ambulance for the Fire Department.

Proposed by the Fire Chief – Kim R. Roy
Passed Unanimously

ARTICLE 43 Voted to transfer from Water Department Retained Earning the sum of \$70,000 for the second year principal payment of the Water Tower Painting and Repair debt and \$5,985 for the second year of interest on the same debt and that a new

line item be established for this purpose as part of the Town's operating budget.

Proposed by the Treasurer-Collector – Pamela R. Adduci
Passed Unanimously

ARTICLE 14 Voted to raise and appropriate \$6,403 to fund the provisions of the collective bargaining agreement for Fiscal Year 2018 between the Fire Chief Jason Viveiros and the Town of Halifax.

Proposed by the Board of Selectmen – Kim R. Roy
Passed

ARTICLE 10 Voted to raise and appropriate \$6,719 to fund the provisions of the collective bargaining agreement for Fiscal Year 2018 between AFSCME AFL-CIO Union Council 93, Local 1700 (Highway/Cemetery) and the Town of Halifax.

Proposed by the Board of Selectmen – Thomas Millias
Passed Unanimously

ARTICLE 6 Voted to amend the Codes of the Town of Halifax by adding a new section to permanently establish and authorize revolving funds for use by certain town department, boards, committees, agencies or officers under Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 44, § Section 53E-1/2, until removed by Town Meeting, to read as follows:

DEPARTMENTAL REVOLVING FUNDS

1. Purpose. This by-law/ordinance establishes and authorizes revolving funds for use by town/city departments, boards, committees, agencies or officers in connection with the operation of programs or activities that generate fees, charges or other receipts to support all or some of the expenses of those programs or activities. These revolving funds are established under and governed by General Laws Chapter 44, § 53E1/2.
2. Expenditure Limitations. A department or agency head, board, committee or officer may incur liabilities against and spend monies from a revolving fund established and authorized by this by-law/ordinance without appropriation subject to the following limitations:
 - A. Fringe benefits of full-time employees whose salaries or wages are paid from the fund shall also be paid from the fund [except for those employed as school bus drivers].

- B. No liability shall be incurred in excess of the available balance of the fund.
 - C. The total amount spent during a fiscal year shall not exceed the amount authorized by town meeting/town/city council on or before July 1 of that fiscal year, or any increased amount of that authorization that is later approved during that fiscal year by the board of selectmen and finance committee.
- 3. Interest. Interest earned on monies credited to a revolving fund established by this by-law/ordinance shall be credited to the general fund.
 - 4. Procedures and Reports. Except as provided in General Laws Chapter 44, § 53E1/2 and this by-law, the laws, charter provisions, by-laws, rules, regulations, policies or procedures that govern the receipt and custody of Town monies and the expenditure and payment of Town funds shall apply to the use of a revolving fund established and authorized by this by-law/ordinance.

The town accountant shall include a statement on the collections credited to each fund, the encumbrances and expenditures charged to the fund and the balance available for expenditure in the regular report the town accountant provides the department, board, committee, agency or officer on appropriations made for its use.

- 5. Authorized Revolving Funds.
 - A. Each revolving fund authorized for use by a town/city department, board, committee, agency or officer.
 - B. The department or agency head, board, committee or officer authorized to spend from each fund.
 - C. The fees, charges and other monies charged and received by the department, board, committee, agency or officer in connection with the program or activity for which the fund is established that shall be credited to each fund by the town accountant.
 - D. The expenses of the program or activity for which each fund may be used
 - E. Any restrictions or conditions on expenditures from each fund;
 - F. Any reporting or other requirements that apply to each fund;
 - G. The fiscal years each fund shall operate under this by-law

Revolving Fund	Authorized to Spend Fund	Fees, Charges or Other Receipts Credited to Fund	Program or Activity Expenses Payable from Fund	Restricts. or Conditions on Expense Payable from Acct.	Other Requirements/ Reports	
Conservation Commission	Conservation Commission	fees for review of permits, postage & advertising	consulting services, postage & ads	\$20,000	none	FY18 & thereafter
Board of Health consulting	Board of Health	fees for review of permits	consulting services	\$30,000	none	FY18 & thereafter
Recycling bins	Highway Surveyor	fees for purchase of bins	purchase of bins	\$ 5,000	none	FY18 & thereafter
Earth Removal Review	BOS	fees for review of permits	consulting services	\$10,000	none	FY18 & thereafter
Planning Board consulting	Planning Board	fees for review of permits	consulting services	\$30,000	none	FY18 & thereafter
Bldg. Inspector consulting	Bldg. Inspector	fees for review of permits	consulting services	\$15,000	none	FY18 & thereafter
Youth & Rec. Programs	Youth & Rec.	fees for programs	Youth & Rec. Programs	\$80,000	none	FY18 & thereafter
CPR Classes	Fire Chief	fees for classes	CPR instructors & materials	\$ 5,000	none	FY18 & thereafter
ZBA consulting	ZBA	fees for review of permits, postage & advertising	consulting services, postage, legal ads	\$25,000	none	FY18 & thereafter
Library computer/printers/copier	Library Trustees	computer/printer/copier fees	computer/printer/copier supplies	\$ 5,000	none	FY18 & thereafter
Selectmen legal advertising	BOS	payments for legal ads	legal ads	\$ 1,500	none	FY18 & thereafter
Council on Aging Elderbus	Council on Aging	transportation fees & donations	Elderbus operation including wages	\$10,000	none	FY18 & thereafter
Inspector wages	Bldg. Inspector	fees for permits	80% for plumbing, gas & wiring inspectors; remainder to general fund	\$60,000	none	FY18 & thereafter
Concession stand	BOS	use, lease & utility payments	maintenance, repairs, replacement, utility costs	\$10,000	none	FY18 & thereafter
Solar Projects	BOS	fees & payments from project applicants	consulting & legal costs	\$10,000	none	FY18 & thereafter
Library book replacement	Library Trustees	fees for lost or damaged books	book replacement	\$ 2,000	none	FY18 & thereafter

Proposed by the Town Administrator – Kim R. Roy
Passed Unanimously

ARTICLE 18 Voted to transfer from undesignated fund balance the sum of \$205,000 for a large dump truck for the Highway Department.

Proposed by the Highway Surveyor – Kim R. Roy

The Moderator could not hear a majority so a Standing Count was called.

Yes: 133 No: 44

Passed

ARTICLE 21 Voted to transfer from One Hundred Four Thousand Two Dollars and Fifty-Two Cents (\$104,002.52) from the Landfill Capping Costs and appropriate an additional amount of One Million, Eight Hundred Ninety-Five Thousand, Nine Hundred Ninety-Seven Dollars and Forty-Eight Cents (\$1,895,998.48) for a total of Two Million Dollars (\$2,000,000) to be expended under the direction of the Halifax Municipal and School Building Committee for repairs, renovation and expansion of Pope's Tavern including the building, associated infrastructure, and grounds, located at 506 Plymouth Street, including but not limited to any architectural, engineering, and administrative work associated with this project (the "Project") including the payment of all costs incidental or related thereto and to meet this appropriation the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, is authorized to borrow said amount under M.G.L. Chapter 44, or pursuant to any other enabling authority.

Proposed by the Municipal & School Building Committee – John Campbell

Two thirds vote is required

Passed

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

Passed Unanimously

ARTICLE 22 To see if the Town will vote to transfer \$70,000 from Municipal and School Building Committee - Council on Aging Architectural and Building Plans for repairs to Pope's Tavern or take any other action relative thereto.

Proposed by the Municipal & School Building Committee

Passed Over Unanimously

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, 2017.

Revolving Fund	Authorized to Spend Fund	Revenue Source	Use of Fund	FY2018 Spending Limit
Conservation Commission	Conservation Commission	fees for review of permits, postage & 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	\$10,000
Planning Board consulting	Planning Board	fees for review of permits	consulting services	\$30,000
Building Inspector consulting	Building Inspector	fees for review of permits	consulting services	\$15,000
Youth and Recreation Programs	Youth and Recreation	fees for programs	Youth & 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 & advertising	consulting services, postage, legal ads	\$25,000
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
Council on Aging Elderbus	Council on Aging	transportation fees & donations	Elderbus operation including wages	\$10,000
Inspector wages	Building Inspector	fees for permits	80% for plumbing, gas and wiring inspectors; remainder to general fund	\$60,000
Concession stand	Board of Selectmen	use, lease & utility payments	maintenance, repairs, replacement, utility costs	\$10,000
Solar Projects	Board of Selectmen	fees and payments from project applicants	consulting and legal costs	\$10,000
Library book replacement	Library Trustees	fees for lost or damaged books	book replacement	\$ 2,000

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 9 Voted to raise and appropriate \$303 to fund the provisions of the collective bargaining agreement for Fiscal Year 2018 between AFSCME AFL-CIO Union Council 93, Local 1700 (Dispatchers) and the Town of Halifax.

Proposed by the Board of Selectmen – Thomas Millias
Passed Unanimously

ARTICLE 20 Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$50,000 to be expended under the direction of the Halifax School Building Committee for repairs and renovations to the Halifax Elementary School, located at 464 Plymouth Street, including but not limited to the security system, including but not limited to any architectural, engineering, and administrative work associated with this project or take any other action relative thereto.

Proposed by the Board of Selectmen – Troy E. Garron
Passed Unanimously

ARTICLE 26 Voted to transfer from undesignated fund balance the sum of \$5,000 to purchase and maintain communications equipment for the Fire Department.

Proposed by the Fire Chief – Kim R. Roy
Passed Unanimously

ARTICLE 37 Voted to transfer from the Wetland Fund the sum of \$7,500 for additional hours for the Conservation Commission Secretary for wetlands protection work and review.

Proposed by the Conservation Commission – Kim R. Roy
Passed Unanimously

ARTICLE 19 Voted to appropriate the sum of Nine Hundred Seventy-Seven Thousand Dollars (\$977,000) to be expended under the direction of the Halifax School Building Committee for repairs and renovations to the Halifax Elementary School, located at 464 Plymouth Street, including but not limited to the fire suppression system, including but not limited to any architectural, engineering, and administrative work associated with this project “the “Project”) and including the payment of all costs incidental or related thereto and to that to meet this appropriation the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, is authorized to borrow

said amount under M.G.L. Chapter 44, or pursuant to any other enabling authority.

Proposed by the Board of Selectmen – Thomas Millias

A two-thirds vote is required.

Passed

ARTICLE 11 Voted to raise and appropriate \$6,616 to fund the provisions of the collective bargaining agreement for Fiscal Year 2018 between Massachusetts C.O.P., Local 459 (Sergeants) and the Town of Halifax.

Proposed by the Board of Selectmen – Troy E. Garron

Passed Unanimously

ARTICLE 39 Voted to transfer from undesignated fund balance the sum of \$6,500 to refurbish the doors and replace the lock system at the Halifax Town Hall.

Proposed by the Municipal and School Building Committee – Gerard Elliott

Passed Unanimously

ARTICLE 48 Voted to amend the Code of the Town of Halifax by amending Chapter 167 (Zoning), by adding the following:

§ 167-3. Definitions

MARIJUANA ESTABLISHMENT - a marijuana cultivator, marijuana testing facility, marijuana product manufacturer, marijuana retailer or any other type of licensed marijuana-related business, all as defined the Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 94H.

§ 167-7. (C) Schedule of Use Regulations

Commercial Uses	AR	B	I	I-2	C
Marijuana Establishment [See § 167-D(15)]	N	N	SP	N	N

§ 167-7. (D) Specific Use Regulations

(15) Marijuana Establishments

Marijuana Establishments may be allowed by special permit in the Industrial District. The Special Permit Granting Authority shall be the Planning Board and the following regulations shall apply:

1. No Marijuana Establishment shall be located within 500 hundred linear feet of any school or child care facility or where children generally congregate, any other Marijuana Establishment or any establishment licensed to pour alcohol under the provision of G.L. c.138 § 12.

Distances shall be calculated by direct measurement of a straight line from the nearest property line of the facility in question to the nearest property line of the Marijuana Establishment.

2. The hours of operation of Marijuana Establishment may be set by the Planning Board, but at no time shall the facilities be open between the hours of 8 pm and 8 am.

3. The special permit shall be granted for a term of 2 years from the dates of issuance. A renewal application shall be submitted 90 days prior to expiration date of the special permit and will be subject to a public hearing in accordance with G.L. c.40A § 9, 11 and 15. The special permit will become null and void if the applicant does not construct or commence within one year of granting a permit.

4. In addition to this by-law, any permit applied for and/or issued for a Marijuana Establishment shall comply with all State laws and regulations concerning Marijuana Establishments.

5. There will be no displayed products in the facilities windows or be visible from any street or parking lot.

6. Business owners shall provide security measures for the facility to include one or more fencing, lighting, surveillance cameras, gates and alarm system to ensure the safety of any persons and to protect the premises from theft.

7. Signage will conform to the current sign by-laws in section 167-13 and any exterior sign may identify the establishment but will not contain any other advertisement.

And changing the following from:

(14) Medical Marijuana Treatment Centers:

Medical Marijuana Treatment Centers may be allowed by special permit in the Industrial and I-2 District. The Special Permit Granting Authority shall be the Planning Board and the following regulations shall apply:

To:

(14) Medical Marijuana Treatment Centers:

Medical Marijuana Treatment Centers may be allowed by special permit in the Industrial District. The Special Permit Granting Authority shall be the Planning Board and the following regulations shall apply:

Proposed by the Board of Selectmen – Kim R. Roy

Planning Board voted in favor for this article.

Two-thirds vote is required.

Passed Unanimously

- ARTICLE 25 Voted to transfer from undesignated fund balance the sum of \$8,000 and transfer from Article 21 (Police Vehicles) of the Annual Town Meeting of May 9, 2016 the sum of \$8,000 for a total of \$16,000 to purchase and equip with miscellaneous police equipment two (2) new ATVs to be used for patrol.

Proposed by the Police Chief – Edward Broderick

Passed Unanimously

- ARTICLE 33 Voted to transfer from undesignated fund balance the sum of \$7,000 to replace Office Lighting Phase 1 of 2 with LED fixtures in the Town Hall and wiring over the next two years.

Proposed by the Municipal and School Building Committee – Gerard Elliott

Passed Unanimously

- ARTICLE 13 Voted to raise and appropriate \$2,553 to fund the provisions of the collective bargaining agreement for Fiscal Year 2018 between the Police Chief Edward Broderick and the Town of Halifax.

Proposed by the Board of Selectmen – Troy E. Garron

Passed Unanimously

- ARTICLE 45 To see if the Town will vote to accept Heron Road or take any action thereon.

Proposed by Richard Springer

Passed Over Unanimously

ARTICLE 12 Voted to raise and appropriate \$23,594 to fund the provisions of the collective bargaining agreement for Fiscal Year 2018 between the Halifax Association of Police Patrolmen and the Town of Halifax.

Proposed by the Board of Selectmen - Troy E. Garron
Passed Unanimously

ARTICLE 42 Voted to transfer from undesignated fund balance the sum of \$3,500 to support South Shore Women's Resource Center for domestic violence intervention and prevention services for its residents.

Proposed by Barbara Brenton, et al – Troy E. Garron
Passed Unanimously

ARTICLE 8 Voted to raise and appropriate \$14,760 to fund the provisions of the collective bargaining agreement for Fiscal Year 2018 between IAFF, Local 3159 (Firefighters) and the Town of Halifax.

Proposed by the Board of Selectmen – Kim R. Roy
Passed Unanimously

ARTICLE 51 To see if the Town will vote to elect one Board of Assessors member for a term of three years, one Board of Health member for a term of three years, one Highway Surveyor for a term of three years, one Board of Library Trustees member for a term of two years, two Board of Library Trustees members for a term of three years, one Park Commissioner member for a term of three years, one Planning Board member for a term of four years, one Planning Board member for a term of five years, two Halifax Elementary School Committee members for a term of three 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 Board of Water Commissioners for a term of three years.

QUESTION 1: Shall the Town of Halifax be allowed to exempt from the provisions of proposition two and one-half, so-called, the amounts required to pay for the bonds issued to pay for the costs of repairs and renovations to the Halifax Elementary School, including but not limited to the fire suppression system, including but not limited to any architectural,

engineering, and administrative work associated with this project?

Yes ____

No ____