

ARTICLE 6 To see if the Town will vote 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, 2014 or take any action thereto.

Revolving Fund	Authorized to Spend Fund	Revenue Source	Use of Fund	FY2015 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	\$10,000
Inspector Wages	Building Inspector	Fees for permits	80% for plumbing, gas and wiring inspectors wages; remainder to general fund	\$35,000
Concession Stand	Board of Selectmen	Use, lease and utility payments	Maintenance, repairs, replacement, utility costs	\$10,000
Cable Television	Board of Selectmen	Fees from any license or contract with a cable television provider	Fund non-profit cable TV access	\$100,000

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

Proposed by the Finance Committee

Finance Committee Recommends

ARTICLE 7 To see if the Town will vote 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 any expenses relating to solar projects sponsored by the Town or by private developers including legal expenditures and payments to consultants to review these projects and any proposed agreements relating to these projects; all revenues derived from any fees or payments for these projects are to be deposited in said fund and the Board of Selectmen is authorized to expend money from said fund, and said fund to have a spending limit of \$10,000 or take any action thereon.

Proposed by the Board of Selectmen

Finance Committee Recommends

ARTICLE 8 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of \$75,000 to the Reserve Fund to cover extraordinary or unforeseen expenditures during Fiscal Year 2015 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 or take any action thereon.

Proposed by the Finance Committee

Finance Committee Recommends

ARTICLE 9 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money to fund the provisions of the collective bargaining agreement for Fiscal Year 2015 between AFSCME AFL-CIO Union Council 93, Local 1700 (Dispatchers) and the Town of Halifax or take any action thereon.

Proposed by the Board of Selectmen

Finance Committee Recommendation at Town Meeting

ARTICLE 10 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money to fund the provisions of the collective bargaining agreement for Fiscal Year 2015 between AFSCME AFL-CIO Union Council 93, Local 1700 (Highway/Cemetery) and the Town of Halifax or take any action thereon.

Proposed by the Board of Selectmen

Finance Committee Recommendation at Town Meeting

ARTICLE 11 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money to fund the provisions of the collective bargaining agreement for Fiscal Year 2015 between IBPO, Local 309 (Sergeants) and the Town of Halifax or take any action thereon.

Proposed by the Board of Selectmen

Finance Committee Recommendation at Town Meeting

ARTICLE 12 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money to fund the provisions of the collective bargaining agreement for Fiscal Year 2015 between IAFF, Local 3159 (Firefighters) and the Town of Halifax or take any action thereon.

Proposed by the Board of Selectmen

Finance Committee Recommendation at Town Meeting

ARTICLE 13 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money to fund the provisions of the collective bargaining agreement for Fiscal Year 2015 between the Halifax Association of Police Patrolmen and the Town of Halifax or take any action thereon.

Proposed by the Board of Selectmen

Finance Committee Recommendation at Town Meeting

ARTICLE 14 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money to fund the provisions of the contract for Fiscal Year 2015 between the Fire Chief and the Town of Halifax or take any action thereon.

Proposed by the Board of Selectmen

Finance Committee Recommendation at Town Meeting

ARTICLE 15 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of \$150 for the use of the Trustees for Plymouth 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

Finance Committee Recommends

ARTICLE 16 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of \$270,938 to meet the Town's share and to appropriate the sum of \$0 from available funds under Chapter _____ of the Acts of 2014 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

Finance Committee Recommends

ARTICLE 17 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of \$150,000 for the maintenance of Town roads or take any action thereon.

Proposed by the Highway Surveyor

Finance Committee Recommends

ARTICLE 18 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of \$86,000.00 to purchase and equip a new Toro Lawn Tractor, or equivalent, or take any action thereon.

Proposed by the Cemetery Superintendent

Finance Committee Recommends

ARTICLE 19 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money to re-line the parking lot at Town Hall including a reconfiguration of the lines to create more handicapped designated parking spaces or take any action thereon.

Proposed by the Municipal and School Building Committee

Finance Committee Recommendation at Town Meeting

ARTICLE 20 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of \$40,000 to repair, renovate, and replace the flat roof at the Halifax Elementary School or take any action thereon.

Proposed by the Municipal and School Building Committee

Finance Committee Recommends

ARTICLE 21 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of \$20,000 to provide matching share funds for any State or Federal grant to study Monponsett Ponds or related water bodies or any State or Federal grant to improve the water quality or remediate problems in Monponsett Ponds or related water bodies or take any action thereon.

Proposed by the Board of Health

Finance Committee Recommends

ARTICLE 22 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds, the sum of \$5,000 to purchase and repair radios and pagers for the fire department.

Proposed by the Fire Chief

Finance Committee Recommends

ARTICLE 23 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of \$20,000 to purchase new turn-out gear for fire department personnel.

Proposed by the Fire Chief

Finance Committee Recommends

ARTICLE 24 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of \$8,000 to purchase new SCBA bottles for the fire department personnel.

Proposed by the Fire Chief

Finance Committee Recommends

ARTICLE 25 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of \$10,000 to repair the fire department station radios.

Proposed by the Fire Chief

Finance Committee Recommends

ARTICLE 26 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds, the sum of \$2,000 for the purpose of purchasing a four-drawer Fire King, or equivalent, file cabinet for the Assessors' Department or take any action thereon.

Proposed by the Board of Assessors

Finance Committee Recommends

ARTICLE 27 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of \$10,000 for the Assessors' FY 2017 Triennial Revaluation Account or take any action thereon.

Proposed by the Board of Assessors

Finance Committee Recommends

ARTICLE 28 To see if the Town will vote to transfer from the Wetlands Fund the sum of \$7,500 for additional hours for the Conservation Commission Secretary to assist applicants in processing wetland applications, as well as contract with wetlands specialists for work including but not limited to the review of permit applications and wetland delineations, or take any action thereon.

Proposed by the Conservation Commission

Finance Committee Recommends

ARTICLE 29 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of \$1,800 to purchase three new desktop copiers/multi-function devices, one for Town Hall, one for the Fire Department and one for the Highway Department and toner supplies and maintenance contracts for these devices or take any other action thereon.

Proposed by the Town Administrator/Office Machines

Finance Committee Recommends

ARTICLE 30 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of \$4,500 for computer hardware and software and accompanying materials and equipment for the Holmes Public Library or take any action thereon.

Proposed by the Board of Library Trustees

Finance Committee Recommends

ARTICLE 31 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of \$13,640 for a part-time receptionist at 19.5 hours a week for the purpose of more adequate coverage at the Council on Aging or take any action thereon.

Proposed by the Council on Aging

Finance Committee Does Not Recommend

ARTICLE 32 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds 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 or take any action thereon.

Proposed by Gilbert Elliot-Smith and others

Finance Committee Recommends

ARTICLE 33 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of \$3,500 to support South Shore Woman's Resource Center for domestic violence intervention and prevention services for its residents or take any action thereon.

Proposed by Ida Hathaway and others

Finance Committee Recommends

ARTICLE 34 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of \$33,345 to purchase computers, monitors, peripheral equipment, warranties, service agreements, software and associated other costs for the Halifax Elementary School or take any action thereon.

Proposed by the Halifax Elementary School Committee

Finance Committee Recommends \$25,000

ARTICLE 35 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of \$25,000 to fund the Town's unemployment costs or take any action thereon.

Proposed by the Town Treasurer-Collector

Finance Committee Recommendation at Town Meeting

ARTICLE 36 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of \$76,000 to purchase and equip two police cruisers or take any action thereon.

Proposed by the Police Chief

Finance Committee Recommends

ARTICLE 37 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds, the sum of \$35,000 to the “Other Post Employment Benefits Liabilities Irrevocable Trust Fund” or take any action thereon.

Proposed by the Finance Committee

Finance Committee Recommends

ARTICLE 38 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds, the sum of \$31,500 for a truck for the Municipal and School Building Committee or take any action thereon.

Proposed by the Municipal and School Building Committee

Finance Committee Recommends

ARTICLE 39 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds, the sum of \$31,500 for repairs, renovations and replacement of the roof at the Halifax Police Station or take any action thereon.

Proposed by the Municipal and School Building Committee

Finance Committee Recommends

ARTICLE 40 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds, the sum of \$53,760 for Phase 2 repairs, renovations and replacement of the alarm system at the Halifax Elementary School or take any action thereon.

Proposed by the Municipal and School Building Committee

Finance Committee Recommends

ARTICLE 41 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds, the sum of \$15,500 for flushing, testing, and repairs of the sprinkler system at the Halifax Elementary School, the Halifax Police Station and the Halifax Town Hall and or take any action thereon.

Proposed by the Municipal and School Building Committee

Finance Committee Recommends

ARTICLE 42 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds, the sum of \$6,000 for repairs, renovations and replacement of the roof at the Halifax Water Department/Municipal and School Building Committee building or take any action thereon.

Proposed by the Municipal and School Building Committee
Finance Committee Recommends

ARTICLE 43 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds, the sum of \$1,600 to upgrade the alarm systems at the Holmes Public Library and the Museum of Halifax or take any action thereon.

Proposed by the Municipal and School Building Committee
Finance Committee Recommends

ARTICLE 44 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of \$500 to replace the porch door at the Council on Aging or take any action thereon.

Proposed by the Council on Aging
Finance Committee Recommendation at Town Meeting

ARTICLE 45 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
Finance Committee Recommendation at Town Meeting

ARTICLE 46 To see if the Town will vote to accept Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 71 Section 16G ½ establishing a stabilization fund for the Silver Lake Regional School District or take any action thereon.

Proposed by the Silver Lake Regional School Committee
Finance Committee Recommendation at Town Meeting

ARTICLE 47 To see if the Town will vote to amend the Code of the Town of Halifax, Chapter 156-2 (Trailers) from the following:

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 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.

Before approval for a renewal is given, a public hearing shall be held by the Selectmen. One notice of such hearing shall be given by the Board of Selectmen on the Town of Halifax web site at least fourteen (14) days before the date of the hearing. 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

Finance Committee Recommendation at Town Meeting

ARTICLE 48 To see if the Town will vote to accept the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 59, Section 5, paragraph 54 and establish a minimum fair cash value of \$3,000 for personal property accounts to be taxed beginning in Fiscal Year 2015 or take any action thereon.

Proposed by the Board of Assessors

Finance Committee Recommendation at Town Meeting

ARTICLE 49 To see if the Town will vote to enact Chapter 148 of the Town of Halifax General Bylaws, entitled “Stretch Energy Code” for the purpose of regulating the design and construction of buildings for the effective use of energy, pursuant to Appendix 115.AA of the Massachusetts Building Code, 780 CMR, the Stretch Energy Code, including future editions, amendments or modifications thereto, a copy of which is on file with the Town Clerk or take any other action relative thereto.

STRETCH ENERGY CODE

§ 148-1 Definitions

§ 148-2 Purpose

§ 148-3 Applicability

§ 148-4 Stretch Code

§ 148-1 Definitions

International Energy Conservation Code (IECC) - The International Energy Conservation Code (IECC) is a building energy code created by the International Code Council. It is a model code adopted by many state and municipal governments in the United States for the establishment of minimum design and construction requirements for energy efficiency, and is updated on a three-year cycle. The baseline energy conservation requirements of the MA State Building Code are the IECC with Massachusetts amendments, as approved by the Board of Building Regulations and Standards.

Stretch Energy Code - Codified by the Board of Building Regulations and Standards as 780 CMR Appendix 115.AA of the 8th edition Massachusetts building code, the Stretch Energy Code is an appendix to the Massachusetts building August 2013 code, based on further amendments to the International Energy Conservation Code (IECC) to improve the energy efficiency of buildings built to this code.

§ 148-2 Purpose

The purpose of 780 CMR 115.AA is to provide a more energy efficient alternative to the Base Energy Code applicable to the relevant sections of the building code for both new construction and existing buildings.

§ 148-3 Applicability

This code applies to residential and commercial buildings. Buildings not included in this scope shall comply with 780 CMR 13, 34, 51, as applicable.

§ 148-4 Stretch Code

The Stretch Code, as codified by the Board of Building Regulations and Standards as 780 CMR Appendix 115.AA, including any future editions, amendments or modifications, is herein incorporated by reference into the Town of Halifax General Bylaws, Chapter 148.

The Stretch Code is enforceable by the Inspector of Buildings or Building Commissioner.

Proposed by the Board of Selectmen

Finance Committee Recommendation at Town Meeting

ARTICLE 50 To see if the Town will vote to amend Chapter 112 (Junk Dealers and Collectors), Section 8 (Materials and Audit Sheets) by deleting the words ~~crossed-out~~ below.

All materials taken in will be held for a minimum of thirty (30) days before resale, trade, melting, changing of appearance or other means of disposal occur.

Audit sheets shall be submitted to the Chief of Police on a weekly basis with record of all transactions, including date of sale, amount, seller's name and address, date of birth, driver's license and state of issue, itemized list and description of article. Each licensee shall also take a color photograph of each item purchased and a color photograph of each person selling items. All audit sheets are to be legible and written in English. The required reports and photographs may be stored and transmitted electronically if the format is approved by the Chief of Police.

Criminal History Check Authorization

The Police Department may conduct State and Federal Fingerprint Based Criminal History check for individuals applying for ~~or in possession of~~ certain licenses including ~~but not limited to~~ those engaged in the business of Hawking and Peddling or other Door-to-Door Salespeople, Pawn Dealers and Hackney Drivers.

An applicant, ~~employee or volunteer~~ seeking to engage in the above employment shall submit, if required by the licensing authority, fingerprints taken by the Police

Department along with a fee of \$100.00 (One Hundred Dollars).

Upon receipt of the fingerprints and the appropriate fee, the Police Department will transmit the fingerprints to the State Police Identification Unit through the Department of Criminal Justice Information Services (DCJIS), formerly the Criminal History System Board (CHSB). ~~The State Police will compare the subject's fingerprints against its criminal file and then submit the fingerprints to the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) for a comparison with national records. The results of the FBI check will be returned to the State Police, which will then disseminate the state and national results back to the Police Department.~~

In rendering a fitness determination, the Police Department will decide whether the record subject has been convicted of (or is under pending indictment for) a crime, which bears upon his/her ability or fitness to serve in that capacity, any felony or a misdemeanor, which involved force or treat of force, controlled substances, or was a sex-related offense.

A record subject may request and receive a copy of his/her criminal history record from the Police Department. Should the record subject seek to amend or correct his/her record, he/she must contact CHSB for a state record or the FBI for records from other jurisdictions maintained in its file.

The Town or any of its officers, departments, boards, committees or other licensing authorities is hereby authorized to deny any application for, or to revoke or suspend any license or permit, including renewals and transfers thereof, for any person who is determined unfit for the license, as determined by the licensing authority, due to information obtained pursuant to this by-law or take any other action thereon.

Proposed by the Board of Selectmen

Finance Committee Recommendation at Town Meeting

ARTICLE 51 To see if the Town will vote to add the following to Chapter 167 (Zoning) of the Code of the Town of Halifax:

Adding the following to Schedule of Use Regulations for Commercial Uses under Section 167-7C:

Use	AR	B	I	I-2	C
Commercial Uses					
Medical Marijuana Treatment Center as a primary or accessory Use [See § 167-7D(14)]	N	N	SP	N	N

Adding the following to Schedule of Use Regulations for Agricultural Uses under Section 167-7C:

Use	AR	B	I	I-2	C
Agricultural Uses					
Medical Marijuana Treatment Center as a primary or accessory Use [See § 167-7D(14)]	N	N	SP	N	N

Note:

AR=Agricultural Residential Zone

B=Business Zone

I=Industrial Zone

I-2=Industrial 2 Zone

C=Conservancy Zone

Adding the following definition to Chapter 167-3 Definitions.

MEDICAL MARIJUANA TREATMENT CENTER – A not-for-profit entity, as defined by Massachusetts law only, registered by the Department of Public health, that acquires, cultivates, possesses, processes (including development of related products such as food, tinctures, aerosols, oils or ointments), transfers, transports, sells, distributes, dispenses or administers marijuana, products containing marijuana, related supplies or education material to qualify patients or their personal caregivers.

Add the following as Chapter 167 167-7D(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:

1. No treatment center shall be located within 500 hundred linear feet of any school or child care facility or where children generally congregate, any other Medical Marijuana Treatment Center 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 Medical Marijuana Treatment Center.

2. The hours of operation of Medical Marijuana Treatment Center may be set by the Planning Board, but at no time shall the facilities be open during 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 Medical Marijuana Treatment Center shall comply with all the requirements of 105 CMR 725.000.
5. No burning, smoking or consuming of any product containing marijuana or related products shall be permitted on or in the premises.
6. There will be no displayed products in the facilities windows or be visible from any street or parking lot.
7. 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.
8. 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.
9. Any Treatment Center is prohibited to sell or distribute marijuana to any persons other than for medical use to qualifying patients.

Proposed by the Zoning By-Law Review Committee

Finance Committee Recommendation at Town Meeting

ARTICLE 52 To see if the Town will vote to replace Section 167-7 subsection (13):

All commercial buildings or structures 5,000 square feet or greater in area are allowable by special permit from the Planning Board in the Commercial, Industrial, Industrial-2 and Conservancy Districts and are not allowed in the Agriculture-Residential Districts. [Added 5-12-2003 ATM, Art. 50]

With the following:

All commercial buildings or structures 15,000 square feet or greater in area of all above ground floors are allowable by special permit from the Planning Board in the Commercial, Industrial, Industrial-2 and Conservancy Districts and are not allowed in the Agriculture-Residential Districts.

Proposed by the Planning Board

Finance Committee Recommendation at Town Meeting

ARTICLE 53 To see if the Town will vote to amend Chapter 149 (Swimming Pools) of the Code of the Town of Halifax:

1. Retitle Chapter 149 as “Swimming Pools, Hot Tubs and Spas”
2. Replace the current Section 2 which reads as follows:
 - § 149-2. Pools to be enclosed by fence or wall.
 - A. Every outdoor residential swimming pool shall be completely surrounded at all times, whether or not the same is filled with water, by a fence or wall not less than five (5) feet in height, except that fences or walls in existence at the time this chapter becomes effective shall satisfy this requirement if they are not less than four (4) feet in height. Each such fence or wall shall be so constructed as not to have openings, holes or gaps larger than four (4) inches in any dimension except for doors and gates and except for picket fences, in which case, however, the gaps between pickets shall not exceed four (4) inches. A building may be used as part such enclosure.
 - B. All gates or doors opening through such enclosure shall be of not less than the same height as the fence or wall and shall be equipped with a self-closing and self-

latching device, located not less than four (4) feet above the ground on the fence or wall for keeping the gate or door securely closed at all times when not in actual use, except that the door of any dwelling which forms a part of the enclosure need not be so equipped. Each such gate or door shall be latched at all times when the swimming pool enclosure is not in use.

With the Following:

Every outdoor residential swimming pool, spa or hot tub shall be completely surrounded at all times, whether or not the same is filled with water, as set out in the Massachusetts State Building Code 780 CMR for "Swimming Pool, Spas and Hot Tubs".

3. Delete Section 3 (Exceptions) which reads as follows:

149-3. Exceptions.

The provisions of § 149-2 shall not be applicable to residential swimming pools with locked enclosures, in existence on the date of enactment of said sections, until the date six (6) months subsequent to such date or enactment.

4. Renumber Section 4 (Violations and penalties) as Section 3.

Proposed by the Zoning By-Law Review Committee

Finance Committee Recommendation at Town Meeting

ARTICLE 54 To see if the Town will vote to replace Section 167-3

Definitions.

SINGLE FAMILY DWELLING – A freestanding structure designed and equipped for occupancy in its entirety by one household or family and having no party wall or walls in common with adjacent house or houses and containing not more than one room for cooking facilities. This excludes house trailers, mobile homes, trailer coaches or similar units designed to be transported over the highway by attached wheels, whether or not on wheels, blocks or a conventional foundation.

With the following:

SINGLE FAMILY DWELLING – A freestanding structure designed and equipped for occupancy in its entirety by one household or family and having no party wall or walls in common with adjacent house or houses. This excludes house trailers, mobile homes, trailer coaches or similar units designed to be transported over the highway by attached wheels, whether or not on wheels, blocks or a conventional foundation.

Proposed by the Planning Board

Finance Committee Recommendation at Town Meeting

And on Saturday, May 17, 2014 from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. to meet at the Halifax Elementary School:

ARTICLE 55 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, two Holmes Public Library Trustees for a term of three years, one Holmes Public Library Trustee for a term of two years, one Holmes Public Library Trustee for a term of one year, one Housing Authority member for a term of five years, one Park Commission member for a term of three 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 Water Commissioner 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 in order to pay costs of purchasing land, buildings, structures, property, and furnishings for a Council on Aging Center including but not limited to any associated costs including any architectural, engineering, administrative and legal work associated with this purchase?

Yes ____ No ____

QUESTION 2 Shall the Town vote to have its elected Treasurer-Collector become an appointed Treasurer-Collector of the Town?

Yes ____ No ____