

## **SPECIAL TOWN MEETING**

**JUNE 11, 2007**

Pursuant to the warrant issued by the Board of Selectmen, duly served and legally posted by a constable of the Town, Moderator Gordon W. Goodfellow called the meeting to order at 6:44 P.M. at Apponequet High School Auditorium when 100 registered voters had been checked in. Tellers had been appointed and sworn in by Town Clerk, Janet L. Tracy. They included Marilyn Hunt, Robert Marshall and Leanne Cataldo.

We began with Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag and we held a brief moment of silence in memory of the following: **SANDRA J. HORTON-** Town Clerk – 1990 – 2006; Board of Registrars – 1990 – 2006; Personnel Advisory Board – 1991 -1992; Burial Agent – 1993 – 2006; Search Committee for Custodian/Maintenance – 1998; Town Administrator Search Committee – 2000; Public Safety Town Office Building Feasibility – 2003 – 2005; Wage & Personnel Board. **MARY FULLER-** Historical Commission – 1977 – 2005; Master Plan Subcommittee – 2001 – 2002. **MICHAEL STANDISH-** Reserve Patrolman - 1981 & 1985-1988. **ABE VAN LENTEN-**Board of Fire Engineers 1963- 1966; Representative for Town to New England Insurance Rating Association – 1965; Economic Development Area Committee – 1966 & 1967; Planning Board – 1963-1965 & 1971-1977; Development and Industrial Commission – 1974-1975 & 1983 – 1988; Industrial Development Finance Authority – 1983-1988; Board of Assessors – 1973 – 1986.

Gordon read his usual ground rules of identifying oneself, going to the microphone to speak and submitting motions in writing. Then he entertained a motion to waive the reading of the entire warrant – so moved.

**Article 1:** It was voted that the Town transfer and/or appropriate from available funds, certain sums of money in order to defray unanticipated costs for fiscal year 2007 for various accounts in the General Fund, all as set forth on the document entitled, “Article #1 Special Town Meeting Transfers June 11, 2007.

Transfer/Appropriate From:		Transfer/Appropriate To:	
GENERAL FUND			
Reserve Fund	\$50,000.00	Snow & Ice Wage & Expenses	\$23,519.00
Article 2007 Vocational OOD Tuition & Trans	\$27,254.00	Article 2007 Special Needs OOD Tuition & Tran	\$60,000.00
Special Revenue/Reserve for Appropriation	\$15,000.00	Legal Expenses	\$15,000.00
Other Gen Government/Prior Year Expenses	\$3,000.00	Unemployment Expenses	\$9,623.00
Hourly Treasurer/Collector Wages	\$9,178.00	Police Expenses-Cruiser	\$10,000.00
Town Office Expenses	\$15,000.00	Police Expenses	\$5,000.00
Hourly Police Wages	\$15,000.00	Veterans Benefits Expenses	\$12,000.00
Hourly Fire Wages	\$10,000.00	Gas Inspector Fee Expenses	\$3,640.00
Visiting Nurse Expenses	\$1,000.00	Plumbing Inspector Fee Expenses	\$5,000.00
COA Expenses	\$5,000.00	Wire Inspector Fee Expenses	\$4,350.00
Library Expense	\$5,000.00	Street Lights Expense	\$2,000.00
Elected Official/Hwy Surveyor	\$29,400.00	Cable Advisory Expense	\$4,000.00
		Appointed Official/ Superintendent of Streets	\$17,400.00
		Highway Expense	\$10,000.00
		Wages, Building Department	\$2,000.00

		Other General Government Postage	\$1,300.00
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>\$184,832.00</b>	<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>\$184,832.00</b>

### **Unanimous**

**Article 2:** It was voted that the Town pursuant to General Laws, Chapter 40, Section 5B, to create a special purpose stabilization fund for the payment of debt service and costs associated with capital projects, to be known as Debt Service/Capital Projects Stabilization Fund, and further, to transfer Three Hundred Sixty Thousand Dollars (\$360,000.00) from the Special Revenue/ Reserve for Appropriation Account to the stabilization fund created hereunder.

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**Article 3:** It was voted that the Town accept under the provisions of General Laws, Chapter 90, Section 34 (2) (a), an apportionment of Chapter 122, Acts of 2006, in the amount of One Hundred Three Thousand Three Hundred Ninety Seven Dollars (\$103,397.00).

### **Unanimous**

The Moderator divided Article 4 into two (2) parts; one part pertaining to borrowing and the second part pertaining to the location of the new police station. Joe Malani from Kaestle & Boos presented a slide show regarding the new Police Station and the existing Town offices future expansions. After a lengthy presentation, Mr. Malani discussed the following Police Station and Town Offices' needs: Space, Existing Conditions, Needs Assessment, Site Evaluation and Recommendations.

**Article 4:** It was voted that the sum of One Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$150,000) be and hereby is appropriated to pay costs of designing a new Police Station, including but not limited to the hiring of architects, engineers, a project manager, and other professionals for the preparation of designs, working drawings, bid documents and related materials; and for the payment of all other costs incidental and related thereto, and that to meet this appropriation, the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, is hereby authorized to borrow said amount under and pursuant to Chapter 44, Section 7(21) of the General Laws, or

pursuant to any other enabling authority, and to issue bonds or notes of the Town therefore;

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and to approve the proposed location of the new Police Station on Town-owned property located at 28 Precinct Street (Site 4C) as further described on the attached plan; and that the Selectmen are hereby authorized to petition the General Court, if necessary, for Special Legislation authorizing the use of such property for the purpose of constructing a Police Station thereon.

**Unanimous**

Moderator Gordon opened the Annual Town Meeting and declared a recess at 7:20 pm for the Annual Town Meeting.

Motion to dissolve came at 7:33 p m.

A true copy of the record.

Attest: Janet L. Tracy, Town Clerk