

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

June 9, 2014

Pursuant to the warrant issued by the Board of Selectmen, duly served and legally posted by a constable of the Town, Moderator Norman Orrall called the meeting to order at 6:42 P.M. at Apponequet Regional High School Auditorium when 100 registered voters had been checked in. Tellers had been appointed and sworn in by the Town Clerk, Janet L. Tracy. They included Marilyn Hunt, Joanne Corrieri-Upham and Rick Velez.

We began with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America and we held a brief moment of silence in memory of the following: **AARON H. BEECH, JR.**- Call Firefighter – 1952; **CHARLES E. ORRALL**- Call Firefighter-Lieutenant 1961 – 2008; **LUKE LEONARD, JR.**- Southeastern Massachusetts Regional Planning and Economical Development District Commission 1970 – 2005; Industrial & Development Commission 1979 – 1981; Vocational Education Committee 1990 – 1991; Growth Study Committee 1991 – 1993; Volunteer Observer for Middleboro/Lakeville Nemasket River Herring Fishery 1995 – 1996, 1997 – 2007 & 2012; Fish Warden for Middleboro/Lakeville Nemasket River Herring Fishery 1996 & 2005 & 2008; Taunton Water Shed Alliance 1997 – 2002; Master Plan SubCommittee 2001 – 2002; Master Plan Implementation Committee 2005; Lakeville Planning Committee 2001 – 2004; Community Preservation Act Action Committee 2005; Director of Veterans Services 1988.

Mr. Orrall read his usual ground rules of identifying oneself, going to the microphone to speak and submitting motions in writing.

A motion was made to allow non-residents to speak or to be heard- so moved, seconded and passed unanimously. Then he entertained a motion to waive the reading of the warrant, seconded; unanimous. We then proceeded to Article #1.

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 2014 for various accounts in the General Fund, and Park Enterprise Account, all as set forth on the document entitled, “Article #1 Special Town Meeting Transfers June 9, 2014”.

**ARTICLE #1
SPECIAL TOWN MEETING TRANSFERS
JUNE 9, 2014**

Transfer/Appropriate From:		Transfer/Appropriate To:	
GENERAL FUND			
Reserve Fund	\$ 96,000.00	Snow & Ice Wages	\$ 36,043.45
Employee Benefits	\$ 85,977.84	Snow & Ice Expenses	\$ 155,256.74
Legal Expenses	\$ 6,400.00	Veterans Benefits/Fuel	\$ 48,000.00
Property & Liability Insurance	\$ 4,000.00	Veterans Benefits/Medical	\$ 22,000.00
General Gov't Contracted Services	\$ 4,200.00	General Gov't Prior Yr Exp	\$ 4,200.00
FY 14 Old Colony Assessment	\$ 27,331.00		
Old Colony Feasibility Study	\$ 5,365.00		
Out of District Voke Ed Tuition	\$ 18,860.00		
Insurance Recoveries	\$ 1,266.35		
Police Sergeants Wages	\$ 27,968.00	Police Lieutenant Wages	\$ 30,568.00
Police Unused Sick Leave Bonus	\$ 1,600.00		
Police Wages Holiday	\$ 6,500.00		
Street Lighting Expense	\$ 2,000.00		
Fire Department Wages	\$ 8,600.00		
TOTALS:	\$296,068.19	TOTALS:	\$ 296,068.19
Park Wages	\$ 26,000.00	Park Wages	\$ 26,000.00
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Unanimous

Article 2: It was voted that the Town appropriate \$20,000.00, initially borrowed under and pursuant to a vote of the Town adopted under Article 13 of the Warrant at the Annual Town Meeting held on June 13, 2011, to pay costs of repaving at the Police Station, which funds are no longer needed to complete the project for which they were borrowed, to instead pay costs of repairs to the roof of the Police Station, including the payment of all costs incidental and related thereto, or take any other action relative thereto.

Unanimous

Article 3: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to convey to the *Commonwealth of Massachusetts*, on such terms and conditions, and for such consideration, as the Board deems appropriate, all or a portion of the parcel of vacant land located on *Howland Road*, Lakeville, containing 636 acres, more or less, shown as "Lot 2" on a plan recorded with the Plymouth Registry of Deeds in Plan Book 41, Plan 702, and being the premises described in a deed recorded in Book 18180, Page 228, and to execute a deed and any or all agreements, assignments, certificates, affidavits, releases, settlement statements and other documents as may be necessary or desirable in effectuating the conveyance, and to take any other action the Board deems necessary or desirable in connection therewith.

A motion to amend Article 3 of the Special Town Meeting to state a minimum price of \$760,000.00 was made and seconded. After a lengthy discussion, the motion to amended Article 3 passed by Majority.

Amended -Article 3: It was voted that the Town authorize the Board of Selectmen to convey to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, on such terms and conditions, and for such consideration, as the Board deems appropriate, all or a portion of the parcel of vacant land located on *Howland Road*, Lakeville, for not less than \$760,000, containing 636 acres, more or less, shown as "Lot 2" on plan recorded with the Plymouth Registry of Deeds in Plan Book 41, Plan 702, and being the premises, described in a deed recorded in Book 18180, Page 228, and to execute a deed and any or all agreements, assignments, certificates, affidavits, releases, settlement statements and other documents as may be necessary or desirable in effectuating the conveyance, and to take any

other action the Board deems necessary or desirable in connection therewith

Passed by Majority

Article 4: It was voted that the Town accept the following provision of Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 60A, Section 1, which grants an exemption from motor vehicle excise taxes to former prisoners of war: "The *excise tax* imposed by this section shall not apply to a motor vehicle owned and registered by a *former prisoner of war* defined as any regularly appointed, enrolled, enlisted, or inducted member of the military forces of the United States who was captured, separated and incarcerated by an enemy of the United States during an armed conflict; provided, however, that the excise tax shall not apply to a motor vehicle owned and registered by the surviving spouse of a deceased former prisoner of war, until such time as the surviving spouse remarries or fails to renew such registration."

Unanimous

Article 5: It was voted that the Town authorize the Board of Selectmen to accept any and all property and rights in property that the *Lakeville Development Corporation* has in the Town of Lakeville, including, without limitation, options to purchase, rights of first refusal, and any other right, title and interest held by said Corporation, which Corporation is to be thereafter dissolved; or to do anything in connection therewith.

Unanimous

Article 6: It was voted that the Town rescind the vote taken under Article 12 of the May 10, 1993 Special Town Meeting, and to reinstate the vote taken under Article 20 of the August 19, 1985 Special Town Meeting, so that the current *Wage and Personnel Board* is disbanded, and the Board of Selectmen is once again authorized to act as the Wage and Personnel Board and to adopt or amend a Classification and Compensation Plan at its discretion.

Unanimous

Motion to dissolve came at 7:45 PM.

A true copy of the record:

ATTEST: Janet Tracy, Town Clerk