

**Town of Mashpee
Mashpee High School
Special Town Meeting
Monday, May 1, 2017**

Town Meeting opened at 7:12 PM.
Voters Present 167
Quorum 100

Barnstable, ss:

Greetings to the Constables of the Town,

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and summon the inhabitants of the Town of Mashpee who are qualified to vote in the elections to meet at the Mashpee High School on Monday, the 1st day of May 2017 at 7:00 p.m. for the following purposes:

To act on the articles contained in the following Warrant:

Article 1

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and transfer from unexpended amounts previously borrowed by the Town for the Fire Sub-station Project, but which are no longer needed to complete the projects for which they were borrowed, the sum of \$174,000 to pay costs associated with building and parking lot improvements at the Mashpee Public Safety complex, or take any other action relating thereto.

Submitted by the Board of Selectmen

Explanation: These funds are excess bond proceeds remaining from the fire sub-station construction project, which are needed to pay costs associated with replacement of the roof and reconstruction of the parking lot at the Police Station. These funds must be used for projects which may be bonded for an equal/greater term than the original loan.

The Board of Selectmen recommend approval of Article 1 by a vote of 5-0

The Finance Committee recommend approval of Article 1 by a vote of 6-0

Motion made by Selectman Andrew Gottlieb.

Motion: I move the Town vote to appropriate and transfer from unexpended amounts previously borrowed by the Town for the Fire Sub-station Project, but which are no longer needed to complete the projects for which they were borrowed, the sum of \$174,000 to pay costs associated with building and parking lot improvements at the Mashpee Public Safety complex.

Motion passes unanimously at 7:14 PM.

Article 2

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and transfer the sum of \$134,000 from revenue available for appropriation to the Snow & Ice Account, or take any other action relating thereto.

Submitted by the Department of Public Works

Explanation: This article is necessary to fund a deficit in the Snow & Ice Account.

The Board of Selectmen recommend approval of Article 2 by a vote of 5-0

The Finance Committee recommend approval of Article 2 by a vote of 6-0

Motion made by Selectman John Cahalane.

Motion: I move the Town vote to appropriate and transfer the sum of \$134,000 from revenue available for appropriation to the Snow & Ice Account.

Motion passes unanimously at 7:15 PM.

Article 3

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and transfer the sum of \$74,000 from revenue available for appropriation to the Retirement Expense Account, or take any other action relating thereto.

Submitted by the Town Accountant/Finance Director

Explanation: The initial estimate that was budgeted for the FY 2017 Barnstable County Retirement Assessment was less than the final figure. This article will fund the difference between the estimated and actual assessment figures.

The Board of Selectmen recommend approval of Article 3 by a vote of 5-0

The Finance Committee recommend approval of Article 3 by a vote of 6-0

Motion made by Selectman Thomas O'Hara.

Motion: I move the Town vote to appropriate and transfer the sum of \$74,000 from revenue available for appropriation to the Retirement Expense Account.

Motion passes unanimously at 7:15 PM.

Article 4

To see if the Town will vote to rescind the authority to issue the following un-issued balances of authorized bonds or notes pursuant to the votes adopted under the following articles to the extent said authority has not been previously exercised, or take any other action relating thereto.

<u>Town Meeting Date</u>	<u>Article #</u>	<u>Balance</u>	<u>Project</u>
May 6, 2013	8	\$610,543	Chapter 90-FY 2014
May 5, 2014	7	\$605,199	Chapter 90-FY 2015
May 4, 2015	11	\$605,455	Chapter 90-FY 2016

Submitted by the Town Accountant/Finance
Director

Explanation: This article is for the purpose of rescinding bonds authorized for Chapter 90 projects for the various years noted. The bonds are not needed and rescinding the authorizations will enable them to be removed from the general ledger.

The Board of Selectmen recommend approval of Article 4 by a vote of 5-0

The Finance Committee recommend approval of Article 4 by a vote of 6-0

Motion made by Selectman Carol Sherman.

Motion: I move the Town vote to rescind the following un-issued balances of authorized bonds or notes pursuant to the votes adopted under the following articles to the extent said authority has not been previously exercised:

<u>Town Meeting Date</u>	<u>Article #</u>	<u>Balance</u>	<u>Project</u>
May 6, 2013	8	\$610,543	Chapter 90-FY 2014
May 5, 2014	7	\$605,199	Chapter 90-FY 2015
May 4, 2015	11	\$605,455	Chapter 90-FY 2016

Motion passes unanimously at 7:17 PM.

Article 5

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and transfer the sum of \$3,953 from revenue available for appropriation to pay previous fiscal year compensation as follows:

Scott Halligan	\$1,079
Frances Boulos	\$1,013
Theresa Lambert	\$ 900
Carla Newbrey	\$ 961

or take any other action relating thereto.

Submitted by the Human Resources Department

Explanation: The Service Employees International Union, Local 888 Clerical Unit contract stipulates under Article XIV "Sick Leave Incentive" that "Any employee covered by this Agreement who uses five (5) or less sick days in a fiscal year, and who have accumulated 50 or

more days of sick leave may buy back up to five (5) days of sick leave.” After a complete audit was performed, the employees named above were found to be eligible to receive such compensation as specified by the Union contract.

The Board of Selectmen recommend approval of Article 5 by a vote of 5-0

The Finance Committee recommend approval of Article 5 by a vote of 6-0

Motion made by Selectman Andrew Gottlieb.

Motion: I move the Town vote to appropriate and transfer the sum of \$3,953 from revenue available for appropriation to pay previous fiscal year compensation as follows:

Scott Halligan	\$1,079
Frances Boulos	\$1,013
Theresa Lambert	\$ 900
Carla Newbrey	\$ 961

Motion passes unanimously at 7:18: PM.

Article 6

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and transfer from the Septic Betterment Reserved Receipts account the sum of \$5,892, with said funds to be distributed to the Board of Health Salary/Wage account, or take any other action relating thereto.

Submitted by the Board of Health

Explanation: The funds will pay for a part-time (19 hours/week at \$12.00/hour) Administrative Clerk position, effective January 1, 2017 under the PAP-D contract, for a scanning clerk to scan existing and incoming documents for the Board of Health. The Title V Low Interest Loan Account is not part of the general fund so the tax rate will not be affected.

The Board of Selectmen recommend approval of Article 6 by a vote of 5-0

The Finance Committee recommend approval of Article 6 by a vote of 5-0

Motion made by Selectman John Cahalane.

Motion: I move the Town vote to appropriate and transfer from the Septic Betterment Reserved Receipts account the sum of \$5,892, with said funds to be distributed to the Board of Health Salary/Wage account.

Motion passes unanimously at 7:19PM.

Article 7

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and transfer, pursuant to the provisions of M.G.L. Chapter 44B, §5 to reserve from the Community Preservation Fund Budgeted for Appropriation Reserve, the following amounts:

\$4,963	10% Open Space/Recreation Purposes
\$4,963	10% for Historic Purposes
\$4,963	10% for Community Housing Purposes

or take any other action relating thereto.

Submitted by the Community Preservation Committee

Explanation: This is a “clean-up” article to meet the requirement of reserving funds from the supplemental CPA FY 2017 Trust Fund distribution. After receiving additional CPA funding from the FY 2017 State budget, which was a total of \$49,634, the Town is required to reserve the required 10% of that amount, for each of the Community Preservation Reserves. Funding shall derive from the Community Preservation Budgeted for Appropriation Reserve.

The vote of the Community Preservation Committee was 4-0 in support of this article.

The Board of Selectmen recommend approval of Article 7 by a vote of 5-0

The Finance Committee recommend approval of Article 7 by a vote of 6-0

Motion made by Selectman Thomas O’Hara.

Motion: I move the Town vote to appropriate and transfer, pursuant to the provisions of M.G.L. Chapter 44B, §5 to reserve from the Community Preservation Fund Budgeted for Appropriation Reserve, the following amounts:

\$4,963	10% Open Space/Recreation Purposes
\$4,963	10% for Historic Purposes
\$4,963	10% for Community Housing Purposes

Motion passes unanimously at 7:21 PM.

Article 8

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and transfer the sum of \$15,230 from the Community Preservation Open Space/Recreation Reserve pursuant to the provisions of M.G.L., Chapter 44B, §5 for the purpose of funding the Mashpee Trail Map Guide and Mashpee National Wildlife Refuge Brochure including necessary costs and expenses related thereto, as recommended by the Community Preservation Committee, or take any other action relating thereto.

Submitted by the Community Preservation Committee

Explanation: The goal of this project is to create a new Mashpee Trail Map Guide that will update Mashpee trails which have been verified for safety. Walking trails acknowledge the Town's commitment to conservation and provide residents and visitors the opportunities for hiking through diverse landscape, woodlands, marshes, bogs, beaches and ponds. A total of 10,000 trail map guides are proposed to be printed. The project includes the update of the MNWR brochure. There are very few Refuge brochures remaining from the 1997 pamphlets re-printed through a 2013 grant. The informational trail map guide and MNWR brochures would be disseminated at the Mashpee Town Hall, the Chamber of Commerce and other site locations including kiosks which are widely used and situated along the trails and within the MNWR to provide key information and mapping for recreational activities. A total of 5,000 MNWR brochures would be printed with CPA funding. Additional funding is being sought from the Town of Falmouth Community Preservation Committee in collaboration for this project. If the project is supported by the Town of Falmouth, the cost would be reduced by one half.

The vote of the Community Preservation Committee was 4-0 in support of this article.

The Board of Selectmen recommend approval of Article 8 by a vote of 5-0

The Finance Committee recommend approval of Article 8 by a vote of 5-0

Motion made by Selectman Carol Sherman.

Motion: I move the Town vote to appropriate and transfer the sum of \$15,230 from the Community Preservation Open Space/Recreation Reserve pursuant to the provisions of M.G.L., Chapter 44B, §5 for the purpose of funding the Mashpee Trail Map Guide and Mashpee National Wildlife Refuge Brochure including necessary costs and expenses related thereto, as recommended by the Community Preservation Committee.

Motion passes unanimously at 7:22 PM.

Article 9

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and transfer the sum of \$10,130 from the Community Preservation Historic Reserve pursuant to the provisions of M.G.L., Chapter 44B, §5 for the purpose of funding the Mashpee National Wildlife Refuge History Booklet including necessary costs and expenses related thereto, as recommended by the Community Preservation Committee, or take any other action relating thereto.

Submitted by the Community Preservation Committee

Explanation: In honor of the 20th anniversary of the Mashpee National Wildlife Refuge (MNWR), this project would document the unique history of the Refuge from the Past into the Future to increase local community awareness, appreciation and support. The project would address the lack of documentation for the Refuge's history as citizens and congressional support in establishing the MNWR have retired, moved on, and have passed during the twenty-year time span. The project would fund a contracted writer/editor to research and produce the official history document, and support the design and publication of a 24 page 8.5" x 11" bound booklet, 1,000 printed copies. The

Refuge history documentation will complement the Town's recent history documentation "Mashpee in Words and Pictures" by Rosemary Burns Love. Additional funding is being sought from the Town of Falmouth Community Preservation Committee in collaboration for this project. If the project is supported by the Town of Falmouth, the cost would be reduced by one half.

The vote of the Community Preservation Committee was 4-0 in support of this article.

The Board of Selectmen recommend approval of Article 9 by a vote of 5-0

The Finance Committee recommend approval of Article 9 by a vote of 5-0

Motion made by Selectman Gottlieb.

Motion: I move the Town vote to appropriate and transfer the sum of \$10,130 from the Community Preservation Historic Reserve pursuant to the provisions of M.G.L., Chapter 44B, §5 for the purpose of funding the Mashpee National Wildlife Refuge History Booklet including necessary costs and expenses related thereto, as recommended by the Community Preservation Committee.

Motion passes unanimously at 7:23 PM.

Article 10

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and transfer the sum of \$20,000 from the Cemetery Reserved Receipt Account to the FY 2017 Cemetery Operating Expense Account, or take any other action relating thereto.

Submitted by the Cemetery Commission

Explanation: This article will transfer funds collected from the sale of cemetery plots in Great Neck Woods Cemetery to the expense budget for use for chip sealing the roads within said cemetery.

The Board of Selectmen recommend approval of Article 10 by a vote of 5-0

The Finance Committee recommend approval of Article 10 by a vote of 6-0

Motion made by Selectman John Cahalane.

Motion: I move the Town vote to appropriate and transfer the sum of \$20,000 from the Cemetery Reserved Receipt Account to the FY 2017 Cemetery Operating Expense Account.

Motion passes unanimously at 7:24 PM.

Article 11

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and transfer the sum of \$34,000 from the Interest Outside 2 ½ account to the Principal Outside 2 ½ account and further appropriate and transfer \$36,000 from the Interest Inside 2 ½ account to the Principal Inside 2 ½ account, or take any other action relating thereto.

Submitted by the Tax Collector/Treasurer

Explanation: This article is for the purpose of distributing the funds in the proper accounts from an advance refunding completed in April 2016. These funds could not be appropriated in annual Town meeting as the Advance refunding was completed after warrant article submission. The advance refunding will save the Town money in interest on the 2006 & 2008 bond issues as the borrowing interest rate is lower over the last 10 years remaining on the life of the bonds. The present value of the savings over 10 years is \$599,000.

The Board of Selectmen recommend approval of Article 11 by a vote of 5-0

The Finance Committee recommend approval of Article 11 by a vote of 6-0

Motion made by Selectman Thomas O'Hara.

Motion: I move the Town vote to appropriate and transfer the sum of \$34,000 from the Interest Outside 2 ½ account to the Principal Outside 2 ½ account and further appropriate and transfer \$36,000 from the Interest Inside 2 ½ account to the Principal Inside 2 ½ account.

Motion passes unanimously at 7:25 PM.

Special Town Meeting adjourned at 7:25 PM.

And you are hereby directed to serve this Warrant by posting up attested copies thereof, one at the Town Hall, one at the Post Office, and one each on the bulletin boards, thirty days at least before said meeting.

Hereof fail not and make return of this Warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk at the time and place of said meeting.

Given under our hands this 27th day of March in the year two thousand and seventeen.

Per Order of,
Mashpee Board of Selectmen

Andrew R. Gottlieb
John J. Cahalane
Thomas F. O'Hara
Carol A. Sherman
John J. Cotton


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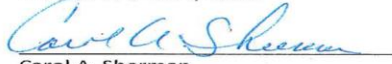
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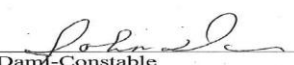

Andrew R. Gottlieb, Chairman


John J. Cahalane, Vice-Chairman


Thomas F. O'Hara, Clerk


Carol A. Sherman


John J. Cotton


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Posted March 30, 2017