

Special Town Meeting –December 10, 2018

At the Special Town Meeting held on Monday December 10, 2018 at the Cohasset High School Sullivan Gymnasium the following articles were contained in the warrant and acted upon as follows.

Checkers sworn in by the Town Clerk, Carol L. St. Pierre at 6:30 p.m. were Elizabeth Anderson, Kelly Grech, Debra Krupczak, Rebekah Matthey, Pearl Smith and Kenneth Warner. Tellers Elizabeth Baker, Philip Faulkner and Peter Pearce were appointed and sworn in by the Moderator Daniel Evans.

The Moderator called the meeting to order at 7:15 p.m. and a quorum of 100 was present at that time. The registered voters checked in on the voting list totaled 125. Precinct 1 - 77 voters and precinct 2 - 48.

Citizens recited the pledge of allegiance.

Voted unanimously to dispense with the reading of the call of the Meeting and Return of Service have been examined by the Moderator and found to be in order.

Then and there to act on the following articles:

Article 1: AMENDMENTS TO FISCAL 2019 OPERATING BUDGET

To see if the Town will vote to amend, modify, increase or decrease, or otherwise, to balance the Fiscal Year 2019 Operating Budget as voted in Article 3 of the April 30, 2018 Annual Town Meeting, including proposed revised appropriations and any additional sums the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, borrow pursuant to any applicable statute, or transfer from available funds or otherwise, for the payment of the salaries and compensation, expenses, equipment, and outlays, capital and otherwise, of the several Town departments, for the current fiscal year, or to take any other action related thereto.

General Fund

Action	Amount	From	To
Line Item Transfer	\$47,011	Permits & Inspections	Department of Public Works

MOVED, that Forty Seven Thousand Eleven Dollars (\$47,011.00) be transferred between budget lines for the item set forth below, amending the amounts appropriated by the Town pursuant to the 2018 Annual Town Meeting held on April 30, 2018 which funds are to be expended by the Town Manager, to supplement certain departmental budgets and appropriations for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2019 as follows:

Action	Amount	From	To
Line Item Transfer	\$47,011.00	Permits & Inspections	Department of Public Works

Motion adopted unanimously.

Article 2: UNPAID BILLS FROM PREVIOUS FISCAL YEARS

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds, and/or borrow, pursuant to any applicable statute, a sum or sums of money, to be expended by the Town Manager, to pay for unpaid bills of the Town, the Water Commission and/or Sewer Commission from previous fiscal years, or to take any other action related thereto.

Department	Vendor	Amount	Description
Sewer	Coughlin Environmental Services	\$1,360.29	Engineering Services

MOVED, that One Thousand Three Hundred Sixty Dollars and Twenty Nine Cents (\$1,360.29) be hereby appropriated to pay the following unpaid bill of the Town, from previous fiscal years, as follows:

Department	Vendor	Amount	Description
Sewer	Coughlin Environmental Services	\$1,360.29	Engineering Services

AND TO meet this appropriation, One Thousand Three Hundred Sixty Dollars and Twenty Nine Cents (\$1,360.29) be transferred from Retained Earnings in the Sewer Enterprise Fund.

A 9/10th vote required. Motion adopted unanimously.

Article 3: STABILIZATION FUNDS

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds, and/or borrow pursuant to any applicable statute, a sum of money to be deposited into the General Stabilization Fund, the Capital Stabilization Fund, Special Education Stabilization Fund and the OPEB Trust Fund, or to take any other action related thereto.

Amount	Source of Funds	Deposited into
\$75,000	Free Cash	General Stabilization Fund
\$500,000	Free Cash	Capital Stabilization Fund
\$25,000	Free Cash	Special Education Stabilization Fund
\$400,000	Free Cash	OPEB Trust Account

MOVED, that the following amounts be appropriated for the following purposes pursuant to the chart below:

Amount	Source of Funds	Deposited into
\$75,000	Free Cash	General Stabilization Fund
\$500,000	Free Cash	Capital Stabilization Fund
\$25,000	Free Cash	Special Education Stabilization Fund
\$400,000	Free Cash	OPEB Trust Account

AND TO meet these appropriations, One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000.00) be transferred from available Free Cash in the Treasury of the Town.

Motion adopted unanimously.

Article 4: ALLOCATION OF FUNDS FOR ONE-TIME COSTS

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds, and/or borrow pursuant to any applicable statute, a sum of money for funding one-time expenditures and projects, or to take any other action related thereto.

Amount	Source of Funds	Purpose	Department
\$6,360	Free Cash	Poll Pads(4 Units) (Voter Check-in Device)	Town Clerk
\$9,000	Free Cash	Road De-icing Pilot Project	DPW
\$20,000	Free Cash	Hazard Mitigation Plan Update	DPW/Planning
\$50,000	Free Cash	Facilities Projects	Facilities

MOVED, that Eighty Five Thousand Three Hundred Sixty Dollars (\$85,360.00) be appropriated to be spent by the Town Manager for the following General Fund purposes:

Amount	Source of Funds	Purpose	Department
\$6,360	Free Cash	Poll Pads (4 Units) for Voter Check-in	Town Clerk
\$9,000	Free Cash	Road De-Icing Pilot Project	DPW
\$20,000	Free Cash	Hazard Mitigation Plan Update	DPW/Planning
\$50,000	Free Cash	Facilities Projects	Facilities

AND TO meet this appropriation, Eighty Five Thousand Three Hundred Sixty Dollars (\$85,360.00) be appropriated from Free Cash in the Treasury of the Town.

Motion adopted unanimously.

Article 5: ADOPTION OF SCENIC ROADWAYS

To see if the Town will vote, as recommended by the Planning Board and pursuant to Section 228-14 of Article II of Chapter 228 of the Town of Cohasset General Bylaws, to designate the following streets for their entire lengths as scenic roads:

- A) Atlantic Avenue,
- B) Nichols Road,
- C) Jerusalem Road,
- D) South Main Street, and
- E) Beach Street;

or to take any other action related thereto.

MOVED, that pursuant to Section 228-14 of the Cohasset General Bylaws the Town hereby designate the following streets for their entire length as scenic roadways:

- A) Atlantic Avenue,
- B) Nichols Road,
- C) Jerusalem Road,
- D) South Main Street,
- E) Beach Street.

Motion adopted unanimously.

ARTICLE 6: CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds, and/or borrow pursuant to any applicable statute, a sum of money to fund various capital improvements, capital projects and/or capital equipment for the various departments, boards, commissions and agencies of the Town, or to take any other action related thereto.

PART A

Amount	Purpose	Department	Source
\$120,000	LED Streetlight Purchase and Installation	Town	Capital Stabilization
\$30,000	Emergency Power Supply, Tide Gate	Town	Capital Stabilization
\$33,825	Police Protective Equipment	Town	Capital Stabilization
\$240,000	Repairs to the Aaron River Reservoir Dam	Water	Water Retained Earnings

PART B:

Amount	Purpose	Department	Source
\$20,000	Professional Services, Design and Bidding for Roof Repairs/Replacement, Town Hall	Town	TBD

MOVED, that Four Hundred Forty Three Thousand Eight Hundred Twenty Five Dollars (\$443,825.00) be appropriated to be spent by the Town Manager with the approval of the Board of Selectmen for the purpose of purchasing certain items or services relating to capital or property, as set forth below:

#	Amount	Purpose	Department	Source
1	\$120,000	LED Streetlight Purchase and Installation	DPW	Capital Stabilization
2	\$30,000	Emergency Power Supply, Tide Gate	DPW	Capital Stabilization
3	\$33,825	Police Protective Equipment	Police	Capital Stabilization
4	\$240,000	Repairs to the Aaron River Reservoir Dam	Water	Water Retained Earnings
5	\$20,000	Professional Services, Design and Bidding for Roof Repairs/Replacement, Town Hall	DPW	Free Cash

AND TO meet this appropriation, One Hundred Eighty Three Thousand Eight Hundred Twenty Five Dollars (\$183,825.00) be transferred from the Town’s Capital Stabilization Fund, Two Hundred Forty Thousand Dollars (\$240,000.00) be transferred from the Retained Earnings of the Water Department, and Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000) be transferred from Free Cash in the Treasury of the Town.

A 2/3’s vote required. Motion adopted unanimously.

Article 7: ACQUISITION OF REAL PROPERTY

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to acquire by purchase or eminent domain pursuant to G.L. c. 40 and G.L. c. 79 two parcels of land containing approximately 7.64 acres and improvements thereto known as 585 Chief Justice Cushing Highway, identified by the Town of Cohasset Assessor records as Parcel D8-52-006 and Parcel D8-52-007, and more particularly described by the plan recorded at the Norfolk County Registry of Deeds in Plan Book 198, as Lot B and the deed recorded at said Registry in Book 6350, Page 279; to see if the Town will vote to appropriate, borrow pursuant to any applicable statute or transfer from available funds, a sum or sums of money for such purposes; to authorize

the Board of Selectmen to take any and all related actions necessary or appropriate to carry out the purposes of this article; or to take any other action related thereto.

MOVED, that the Board of Selectmen be authorized to acquire by purchase or eminent domain pursuant to G.L. c. 40 and G.L. c. 79 two parcels of land containing approximately 7.64 acres and improvements thereto known as 585 Chief Justice Cushing Highway, identified by the Town of Cohasset Assessor records as Parcel D8-52-006 and Parcel D8-52-007, and more particularly described by the plan recorded at the Norfolk County Registry of Deeds in Plan Book 198, as Lot B and the deed recorded at said Registry in Book 6350, Page 279; and to fund this purchase, the sum of Three Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$350,000.000) be appropriated from Free Cash in the Treasury of the Town.

A 2/3's vote required. Motion adopted unanimously.

Article 8: COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE

To see if the Town will vote to hear and act on recommendations by the Community Preservation Committee for Fiscal Year 2019 pursuant to Chapter 44B of the General Laws, also known as the Community Preservation Act: to implement such recommendations by appropriating and/or reserving a sum or sums of money from the Community Preservation Fund established pursuant to the Community Preservation Act for: the acquisition, creation and preservation of open space; the acquisition, preservation, rehabilitation and restoration of historic resources; the acquisition, creation, preservation, rehabilitation and restoration of land for recreational use; the acquisition, creation, preservation and support of community housing; and the rehabilitation or restoration of open space and community housing acquired or created as provided by section 5 of the Community Preservation Act; the administrative expenses and all other necessary and proper expenses of the Community Preservation Committee; to amend any votes previously adopted by Town Meeting on prior recommendations of the Community Preservation Committee; to authorize the Board of Selectmen with the approval of the Community Preservation Committee, to acquire by purchase, gift or eminent domain such real property interests in the name of or enforceable by the Town, or to authorize the conveyance of such real property interests, enforceable by third parties, as may be required by the Community Preservation Act, acting by and through the Board of Selectmen or such other Town board as the Board of Selectmen may designate, including real property interests in the form of permanent affordable housing restrictions, historical preservation restrictions and conservation restrictions that will meet the requirements of Chapter 184 of the General Laws, as may be necessary or proper to carry out the foregoing; or to take any other action related thereto.

Source of Funds	Projects – Extension of Time (Funding approved ATM 2016)	Amount
CPC Revenue	1. Milliken Field Shed/Bathrooms	\$157,686
CPC Revenue	2. 100 Sohier Street – Recreation	\$38,443
	Projects – New Funding	
Affordable Housing Sub Account	3. Trettis House Replacement	\$200,000

MOVED, that the recommendation of the Community Preservation Committee be heard and acted upon as follows:

Source of Funds	Projects – Extension of Time (Funding approved ATM 2016)	Amount
CPC Revenue	1. Milliken Field Shed/Bathrooms	\$157,686
CPC Revenue	2. 100 Sohier Street – Recreation	\$38,443
	Projects – New Funding	
CPC Affordable Housing Sub Account	3. Trettis House Replacement	\$200,000

AND, that after June 30, 2020, any residual unexpended portion of the sums noted above shall not be further expended and shall be restored to the Community Preservation Fund from which the funds were drawn;

AND, that for each of the above recommendations, the Board of Selectmen, or such other Town board as the Board of Selectmen may designate, be authorized to acquire by purchase or gift and hold in the name of or enforceable by the Town and to grant to a nonprofit organization, charitable corporation or foundation, such land, real property interests and permanent affordable housing restrictions, preservation restrictions and conservation restrictions that will meet the requirements of Chapter 184 of the General Laws, as may be necessary or proper to carry out the foregoing.

A 2/3's vote required. Motion adopted unanimously.

It was moved and seconded that this Special Town Meeting be dissolved at 7:47 PM.

Carol L. St. Pierre
Town Clerk