TOWN OF SCITUATE SPECIAL TOWN MEETING OCTOBER 16, 2023

WARRANT ARTICLE 1. Unpaid Prior Year Bills

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds in the Treasury the sum of \$21,294.89 for the purpose of paying prior year unpaid bills; or take any other action relative thereto.

Department	Vendor	Date	Amount	Funding Source
Sewer	National Grid	6/27/2023	\$ 507.51	Wastewater Ret Earn
Sewer	National Grid	6/25/2023	\$ 408.74	Wastewater Ret Earn
Water	Weston & Sampson	6/30/2023	\$ 3,750.00	Water Ret Earn
Water	Univar Solutions	6/6/2023	\$ 727.27	Water Ret Earn
Water	City Electric Supply	6/26/2023	\$ 116.20	Water Ret Earn
Water	Langlan, Eric	6/13/2023	\$ 104.00	Water Ret Earn
Water	Gemini Group	4/6/2023	\$ 3,852.00	Water Ret Earn
Town Administration	Professional Development Academy	4/15/2022	\$ 1,995.00	Free Cash
Town Administration	Lewis Brisbois Bisgaard & Smith LLP	6/30/2023	\$ 2,824.00	Free Cash
Town Administration	Ringleader	4/1/2023	\$ 96.95	Free Cash
Town Administration	Ringleader	5/1/2023	\$ 96.95	Free Cash
Town Administration	Ringleader	6/1/2023	\$ 96.95	Free Cash
Street Lights	National Grid	FY21-23	\$ 2,637.96	Free Cash
Facilities	Drain Shooter	5/24/2023	\$ 395.00	Free Cash
Facilities	Home Depot	FY19	\$ 1,246.56	Free Cash
Fire	West Marine Pro	6/8/2023	\$ 56.94	Free Cash
Police	O'Brien, Gerald	5/8/2023	\$ 150.00	Free Cash
Police	Doughboy Uniforms	5/10/2023	\$ 199.45	Free Cash
Police	West Marine Pro	6/29/2023	\$ 1,289.09	Free Cash
Police	West Marine Pro	6/29/2023	\$ 175.96	Free Cash
Police	West Marine Pro	6/29/2023	\$ 19.98	Free Cash
Police	West Marine Pro	6/29/2023	\$ 79.92	Free Cash
Police	West Marine Pro	6/29/2023	\$ 39.96	Free Cash
Historical Buildings	J C Ehrlich	6/4/2023	\$ 428.50	Free Cash
	Total		\$ 21,294.89	-

Sponsored by: Select Board

MOTION

ARTICLE 1. Unpaid Prior Year Bills (Consent Agenda)

I move that the Town appropriate the sum of \$21,294.89 for the purpose of paying prior year unpaid bills as printed in the warrant and to fund such appropriation, transfer \$11,829.17 from Free Cash, transfer \$8,549.47 from Water Enterprise Fund Retained Earnings and transfer \$916.25 from Wastewater (Sewer) Enterprise Fund Retained Earnings.

Quantum of Vote: 9/10ths

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WARRANT
ARTICLE 2. Compensation of Elected Officials

To see if the Town will vote to amend Article 1 of the April 10, 2023 annual town meeting warrant and establish the Town Clerk's salary as \$89,150.00 effective July 1, 2023 or take any other action relative thereto.

Sponsored by: Select Board

MOTION
ARTICLE 2. Compensation of Elected Officials (Consent Agenda)

I move that the Town amend Article 1 of the April 10, 2023 annual town meeting warrant and establish the Town Clerk's salary as \$89,150.00 effective July 1, 2023.

Quantum of Vote: Majority

WARRANT ARTICLE 3. Fiscal Year 2024 Budget Reconciliations

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds in the Treasury the sum of \$384,087.00 for the purpose of balancing the Fiscal Year 2024 Operating Budgets pursuant to Articles 4, 6, 7, 8 and 9 of the April 10, 2023 Annual Town Meeting warrant; or take any other action relative thereto:

Department	Line Item	Amount	Source	Comment
Sewer Department	Short Term Interest 64440590.592500	\$ 40,500.00	Enterprise Receipts	Additional funds for I & I project that started sooner than expected.
Sewer Department	Emergency Reserve 64440560.578000	\$ 25,000.00	Wastewater Enterprise	Additional funds for any emergency or unexpected repairs. Requires Advisory Committee approval to use.
Sewer Department	Electricity 64440520.521100	\$ 46,155.00	Wastewater Enterprise Receipts	Additional funds based on prior year actuals.
Sewer Department	Capital Outlay 64440580.585100	\$ 26,150.00	Wastewater Retained Earnings	Cost escalation of truck with crane approved Art 3V, ATM 04/2023
Sewer Department	Technical Services 64440520.530900	\$100,000.00	Wastewater Retained Earnings	Town share of regional sewer study with Cohasset & Hull
Widows Walk Golf Course	Capital Outlay 61661580.585100	\$ 23,500.00	Widows Walk Retained Earnings; Unused articles	Replacement of beverage cart
Widows Walk Golf Course	Short Term Interest 61661590.592500	\$ 202.00	Widows Walk Receipts	Actual short term interest on maturing BAN slightly more than estimated.
Transfer Station Enterprise	Hauling Costs	(\$30,000.00)	Transfer Station Enterprise Receipts	To reduce budget due to reduction in Construction & Demolition debris
Water Enterprise	Regular Salaries 65450510.511000	\$125,580.00	Water Enterprise Receipts	Addition of second Assistant Water Superintendent and change in stipends for licenses
Information Technology	Capital Outlay 1155580.585100	\$ 27,000.00	Unused articles	To repair two breaks in the fiber ring that supports the town and school buildings.
	Total	\$384,087.00		

Sponsored by: Select Board

MOTION ARTICLE 3. Fiscal Year 2024 Budget Reconciliations (Consent Agenda)

I move that the Town appropriate the sum of \$384,087.00 for the purpose of balancing the Fiscal Year 2024 Operating Budgets as printed in the warrant pursuant to Articles 4, 6, 7, 8 and 9 of the April 10, 2023 Annual Town Meeting warrant and to fund such appropriation; transfer \$27,000.00 from Article 7-5, STM 11/2022 Permitting System, transfer \$2,363.11 from Sewer Premiums Reserved for Debt, raise \$111,655.00 in Wastewater (Sewer) Enterprise Fund receipts, raise \$125,580.00 in Water Enterprise Fund receipts, raise \$202.00 in Widows Walk Enterprise Fund receipts, transfer \$2,350.00 from Article 3U, ATM 04/2017 Irrigation System Design, transfer \$4,806.00 from Article 3V, ATM 04/2017 HVAC Replacement, transfer \$566.67 from Article 3A, ATM 04/2018 Design & Engineering Improvements, transfer \$1,250.00 from Article 3C, ATM 04/2018 Netting Replacement, transfer \$123,786.89 from Wastewater (Sewer) Enterprise Fund Retained Earnings and transfer \$14,527.33 from Widows Walk Enterprise Fund Retained Earnings and further to reduce the Transfer Station Enterprise Fund receipts raised by \$30,000.00.

Quantum of Vote: Majority

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ARTICLE 4. Establishment of Special Purpose Stabilization Funds

To see if the Town will vote to establish an Opioid Stabilization Fund and a Per- and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances (PFAS) Stabilization Fund pursuant to M.G.L. c. 40, §5B, for the purpose of allocating funds from the opioid and PFAS settlement distributions for the allowable purposes of said distributions and further to transfer \$204,382.55 from available funds in the Treasury to the Opioid Stabilization Fund and any further settlement disbursements to the new funds respectively; or take any other action relative thereto.

Sponsored by: Select Board

MOTION

ARTICLE 4. Establishment of Special Purpose Stabilization Funds (Consent Agenda)

I move that the Town establish an Opioid Stabilization Fund and a Per- and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances (PFAS) Stabilization Fund pursuant to M.G.L. c. 40, §5B, for the purpose of allocating funds from the opioid and PFAS settlement distributions for the allowable purposes of said distributions and further to transfer \$204,382.55 from Free Cash to the Opioid Stabilization Fund and any further settlement disbursements to the two new funds respectively.

Quantum of Vote: 2/3rds

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ARTICLE 5. Old Stockbridge Landfill

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds in the Treasury or otherwise provide the sum of \$250,000.00, for the purpose of continuing the required studies of the Old Stockbridge capped landfill, or take any other action relative thereto.

Sponsored by: Select Board

MOTION

ARTICLE 5. Old Stockbridge Landfill

Select Board-Karen Canfield

I move that the Town appropriate \$250,000.00 for the purpose of continuing the required studies of the Old Stockbridge capped landfill and to fund such appropriation; transfer \$250,000.00 from Free Cash.

Quantum of Vote: Majority

Advisory committee-Conor Doherty

VOTE- Declared Unanimous in Favor

WARRANT

ARTICLE 6. Maintenance, Improvement & Protection of Open Spaces

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds or otherwise provide the sum of \$35,000.00 to be expended under the direction of the Conservation Commission, for the purpose of maintaining, improving, protecting, or otherwise conserving and properly utilizing open spaces, pursuant to M.G.L. Chapter 40, Section 8C, or take any other action relative thereto.

Sponsored by: Conservation Commission

MOTION

ARTICLE 6. Maintenance, Improvement & Protection of Open Spaces (Consent Agenda)

I move that the Town appropriate the sum of \$35,000.00 to be expended under the direction of the Conservation Commission, for the purpose of maintaining, improving, protecting, or otherwise conserving and properly utilizing open spaces, pursuant to M.G.L. Chapter 40, Section 8C and to fund such appropriation transfer \$35,000.00 from Free Cash.

Quantum of Vote: Majority

WARRANT ARTICLE 7. Grant Matches

To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds in the Treasury the sum of \$108,500.00 to provide matching funds for grants; or take any other action relative thereto:

Purpose	Amount	Source	
Old Gates Feasibility Study	\$8,500.00	Free Cash	
Community Health Needs Assessment	\$20,000.00	Free Cash	
Design/Engineering Harbormaster Building	\$80,000.00	Waterways Enterprise Re	tained Earnings
		& Unused articles	

Sponsored by: Select Board

MOTION

ARTICLE 7. Grant Matches (Consent Agenda)

I move that the Town appropriate the sum of \$108,500.00 to provide matching funds for grants as printed in the warrant and to fund such appropriation; transfer \$28,500.00 from Free Cash, transfer \$4,220.92 from Article 3BB, ATM 04/2021 Repowering Unit 1, transfer \$1,493.05 from Article 3BB, ATM 04/2023 Replace Truck 2, transfer \$582.63 from Waterways Enterprise premiums reserved for debt and transfer \$73,703.40 from Waterways Enterprise Fund Retained Earnings.

Quantum of Vote: Majority

WARRANT ARTICLE 8. Transfers to Reserves

To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds in the Treasury the sum of \$1,487,774.00 for the following purposes; or take any other action relative thereto:

To	Amount	Reason
Water Enterprise Capital Stabilization	\$100,000.00	For future capital projects
Capital Stabilization	\$500,000.00	For future capital projects
Transfer Station Capital Stabilization	\$ 50,000.00	For future capital projects
Other Post Employment Benefits Trust	\$250,000.00	Additional funding for OPEB liability
Other Post Employment Benefits Trust	\$ 39,698.00	50% of unfunded OPEB liability –
Office I obt Employment 2	•	Widows Walk (Golf) Enterprise Fund
Other Post Employment Benefits Trust	\$314,156.00	50% of unfunded OPEB liability –
Office I out Employment Series II		Water Enterprise Fund
Other Post Employment Benefits Trust	\$ 88,803.00	50% of unfunded OPEB liability –
Office I ost Employment Benefits 2200		Transfer Station Enterprise Fund
Other Post Employment Benefits Trust	\$113,734.00	25% of unfunded OPEB liability –
Office 1 ost Employment Benefits 11 ass	,	Wastewater (Sewer) Enterprise Fund
Other Post Employment Benefits Trust	\$ 31,383.00	25% of unfunded OPEB liability –
Office 1 ost Employment Benefits 11 ast	+ J=	Waterways Enterprise Fund
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Sponsored by: Select Board

MOTION ARTICLE 8. Transfers to Reserves

Select Board-Andrew Goodrich

I move that the Town appropriate the sum of \$1,487,774.00 to existing reserves for the purposes as listed in the warrant and to fund such appropriation transfer \$750,000.00 from Free Cash, transfer \$414,156.00 from Water Enterprise Fund Retained Earnings, transfer \$113,734.00 from Wastewater (Sewer) Enterprise Fund Retained Earnings, transfer \$138,803.00 from Transfer Station Enterprise Fund Retained Earnings, \$31,383.00 from Waterways Enterprise Fund Retained Earnings and transfer \$39,698.00 from Widows Walk Enterprise Fund Retained Earnings.

Quantum of Vote: Majority

Advisory Committee-Patrice Metro

VOTE-Declared Unanimous in Favor

WARRANT ARTICLE 9.

Retirement of Debt

To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds in the Treasury the sum of \$1,077,618.00 for the purpose of retiring the debt for the following purposes

Project	Authorized	<u>Amount</u>
Widows Walk Clubhouse & Parking	ATM 04/21, Art 3CC	\$295,000.00
High School Roof	ATM 04/22, Art 3Y	\$782,618.00

Sponsored by: Select Board

MOTION

ARTICLE 9. Retirement of Debt (Consent Agenda)

I move that the Town appropriate the sum of \$1,077,618.00 for the purpose of retiring the debt for the purposes listed in the warrant and to fund such appropriation; transfer \$295,000.00 from Widows Walk Enterprise Fund Retained Earnings and transfer \$782,618.00 from Free Cash.

Quantum of Vote: Majority

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ARTICLE 10.

Rescission of Borrowing Authorizations

To see if the Town will vote to rescind the following borrowing authorizations for the stated purposes.

Project	Authorized	Amount	Reason
Upgrade Well 17A	ATM 04/18, Art 3RR	\$810,510	Project complete
Well 17A Green Sand Filter Const	ATM 04/19, Art 3U	\$1,413,613	Project complete
Cedar Point Sewer-Betterment	STM 06/20, Art 4	\$846,205	Project complete
High School Roof	ATM 04/22, Art 3Y	\$262,382	Project complete
Senior Center & Vets Mem Gym	STM 05/19, Art 1	\$32,450	Project complete

Or take any other action relative thereto.

Sponsored by: Select Board

MOTION ARTICLE 10.

Rescission of Borrowing Authorizations (Consent Agenda)

I move that the Town rescind the borrowing authorizations for the purposes as listed in the printed warrant.

Quantum of Vote: Majority

Town of Scituate Special Town Meeting October 16, 2023 WARRANT ARTICLE 11.

Capital Improvement Plan

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, borrow, or transfer from available funds in the Treasury, the following sums of money totaling \$4,064,993.00, for the purpose of funding the following capital project costs; or take any other action relative thereto:

	Project	Department	Amount	Funding Source
Α	HS Locker Room Phase 2	School	\$262,382	Free Cash
В	Public Safety Complex- Video Security System- End of Life Replacement	Information Technology/ Public Safety	\$302,611	Free Cash; Unused Articles
С	Replace Water Mains	Water	\$3,500,000	Water Enterprise Supported Borrowing, Unused Articles & Retained Earnings
-	Total		\$4,064,993	=

Sponsored by: Select Board

MOTION ARTICLE 11.

Capital Improvement Plan

Select Board-Maura Curran

I move that the Town appropriate the sum of \$4,064,993.00 for the purpose of funding the capital project costs as listed in the printed warrant and to fund such appropriation transfer \$262,382.00 from Free Cash for Item A- High School Locker Rooms Phase 2;

transfer \$187,038.21 from Free Cash, transfer \$149.47 from Article 1, STM 04/2023 Unpaid PY Bills, transfer \$29,866.79 from Article 3P, ATM 04/2020 Simplivity Data Infrastructure, transfer \$63,190.00 from Article 7-5, STM 11/2020 Permitting System, transfer \$16,863.00 from Article 3M, ATM 04/2021 Phone System Expansion, transfer \$179.47 from Article 3O, ATM 04/2021 Marine Unit Repowering, transfer \$1,649.59 from Article 7-2, STM 11/2020 Fire Station #1 Overhead Doors, transfer \$2,000.00 from Article 3L, ATM 04/2021 Refurbish 2006 Rescue Pumper, transfer \$13.30 from Article 3N, ATM 04/2022 Zoll Monitors (2), transfer \$864.60 from Article 3F, ATM 04/2019 Security Upgrades to Facilities and transfer \$796.57 from General Fund premiums reserved for debt for Item B – Public Safety Complex – Video Security System End of Life Replacement; and

transfer \$4,685.11 from Water Enterprise premiums reserved for Debt, transfer \$495,314.89 from Water Enterprise Fund Retained Earnings and authorize the Treasurer with the approval of the Select Board to borrow \$3,000,000.00 for Item C – Replace Water Mains.

Quantum of Vote: 2/3rds

Advisory Committee-Dan McGuiggin Capital Planning Committee-Chris Carchia

VOTE- Declared Unanimous in Favor

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ARTICLE 12. Community Preservation

To see if the Town will vote to hear and act on recommendations from the Community Preservation Committee (the "CPC") on the Fiscal Year 2024 Community Preservation budget and pursuant to M,G.L. c. 44B (the "Act") to appropriate and/or reserve the sums of money as indicated below (i) to meet the administrative expenses and all other necessary and proper expenses of the CPC for Fiscal Year 2024; (ii) for the acquisition, creation, and preservation of open space; (iii) for the acquisition, creation, preservation, rehabilitation, and restoration of land for recreational use; (iv) for the acquisition, preservation and support of community housing. Appropriations for the items below are to be expended first from any existing reserves for the purposes of such item, then appropriated from Community Preservation FY 2024 estimated revenues, with any excess to be appropriated from Community Preservation unreserved funds unless otherwise specified below. All such sums appropriated are further to be expended subject to all of the terms and conditions of the applications regarding such projects filed with the CPC and the votes of the CPC regarding approval of such items; or take any other action relative thereto.

- 1. \$9,543 From Community Preservation fund balance, to be reserved for the creation and support of Community Housing consistent with the Act;
- 2. \$125,000 Recreation High School Tennis Courts Final Design

Sponsored By: Community Preservation Committee

MOTION ARTICLE 12. Community Preservation

Select Board-Karen Connolly

I move that the Town hear and act on recommendations from the Community Preservation Committee (the "CPC") on the Fiscal Year 2024 Community Preservation budget and pursuant to M,G.L. c. 44B (the "Act") to appropriate the sum of \$134,543.00 as indicated in the printed warrant and funding for such appropriation are to be expended first from any existing reserves for the purposes of such item, then appropriated from Community Preservation FY 2024 estimated revenues, with any excess to be appropriated from Community Preservation unreserved funds unless otherwise specified. All such sums appropriated are further to be expended subject to all of the terms and conditions of the applications regarding such projects filed with the CPC and the votes of the CPC regarding approval of such items.

Quantum of Vote: Majority

Advisory committee-Elise Russo Community Preservation Committee-Dan Fennelly

VOTE-Declared Unanimous in Favor

WARRANT

ARTICLE 13. Amend Street Acceptance - Cavanagh Road

To see if the Town will vote to amend the vote under Article 68 of the 1961 annual town meeting to correct the spelling of Cavanaugh Road to Cavanagh Road; or take any other action relative thereto.

Sponsored by: Select Board

MOTION ARTICLE 13. Amend Street Acceptance - Cavanagh Road (Consent Agenda)

I move that the Town amend the vote under Article 68 of the 1961 annual town meeting to correct the spelling of Cavanaugh Road to Cavanagh Road.

Quantum of Vote: Majority

WARRANT ARTICLE 14. Remove Police Officers, Sergeants and Lieutenants from Civil Service

To see if the Town will vote revoke its acceptance of the former Section 48 of Chapter 31 of the General Laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, voted to under Article 38 of the Warrant for the 1934 Annual Town Meeting, and any amendments thereto insofar as such chapter and section relate to the civil service status of the positions of officers, sergeants and lieutenants of the Police Department of the Town of Scituate, so that the positions of officers, sergeants and lieutenants of the Police Department shall no longer be subject to the provisions of Chapter 31 and the rules and regulations relating thereto except that such revocation shall not affect any civil service rights which have come into existence between the Town and any employee of the Police Department as a result of the original acceptance of the former Section 48.

Sponsored by: Select Board

MOTION ARTICLE 14. Remove Police Officers, Sergeants and Lieutenants from Civil Service

Select Board-Andrew Goodrich

I move that the Town revoke its acceptance of the former Section 48 of Chapter 31 of the General Laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, voted under Article 38 of the Warrant for the 1934 Annual Town Meeting, and any amendments thereto insofar as such chapter and section relate to the civil service status of the positions of officers, sergeants and lieutenants of the Police Department of the Town of Scituate, so that the positions of officers, sergeants and lieutenants of the Police Department shall no longer be subject to the provisions of Chapter 31 and the rules and regulations relating thereto except that such revocation shall not affect any civil service rights which have come into existence between the Town and any employee of the Police Department as a result of the original acceptance of the former Section 48.

Quantum of Vote: Majority

Advisory committee-Conor Doherty

VOTE-Declared Unanimous in Favor

WARRANT
ARTICLE 15. Petition – Seawall Funding

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$7,000,000.00 for the purpose of rebuilding the seawall beginning in front of 181 Turner Road and going southeasterly to 3 Rebecca Road and to repair the existing seawall across the street from 6 Rebecca Road to 14 Rebecca Road, and further to authorize the Treasurer with the approval of the Select Board to raise, borrow, or transfer from available funds, said sum; or take any action relative thereto.

Sponsored by Petition

MOTION ARTICLE 15. Petition – Seawall Funding

William Heggerick

I move the Town appropriate \$ 7,000,000.00 for the purpose of rebuilding the seawall beginning in front of 181 Turner Road and going Southeasterly to 3 Rebecca Road and to repair the existing seawall across the street from 6 Rebecca Road to 14 Rebecca Road, and further to authorize the Treasurer with the approval of the Select Board to borrow said sum.

Quantum of Vote: 2/3rds

Select Board-Maura Curran Advisory Committee-Patrice Metro

Motion made by William Graham to move the question and seconded. Voted and declared 2/3rds in favor to move the question.

VOTE-Main Motion Failed by Card Count

Yes-165

No-113

59.4%

40.6%

WARRANT ARTICLE 16. Petition – Discretion in Law Enforcement

We the tax payers in the town of Scituate, MA, move to amend the General Bylaws Section 30460, to read:

1. "Important Information for Pet Owners" / Scituate Bylaws-

Current wording:

"All dogs are to be leashed at all times when off the owner's property."

New Wording: "All dogs are to be leashed or otherwise under owner's control by voice command or e-collar, at all times."

2. "Rules for Scituate Conservation Trails"

Current wording:

"Dogs must be leashed."

New Wording: "Dogs must be leashed or otherwise under owner's control by voice command or e-collar, at all times."

Sponsored by Petition

MOTION

Article 16 Petition - Discretion in Law Enforcement Petitioner-Sandy Allen

I move to amend the first sentence of Bylaw section 30460 A as follows:

No owner or keeper of a dog shall permit said dog to be in any street, including public or private ways, or ways in existence prior to the adoption of these bylaws, or public place, or on property of another without the express permission of the owner or occupant of such property,

[delete-without such dog being effectively restrained by chain or leash, which chain or leash shall be under the direct and positive control of such owner, keeper or other person.]

[insert- without such dog being leashed, chained, or otherwise under direct and positive control of owner or handler, by effective voice command or effective e collar command; such control & command must insure that such dog does not cause, or has not caused, a disruption dangerous to another dog, other dogs, or human in the area.]

Select Board-Susan Harrison Advisory Committee-Dan McGuiggan

Article 16 continued

Motion made by Paul Bartkiewicz to move the question and seconded. Voted and declared unanimous in favor to move the question.

VOTE-Main Motion Failed by Declared Majority

I hereby certify the foregoing to be a True Copy Attest.

Kathleen A. Gardner

Town Clerk

