



Wednesday, April 25, 2019
Select Board Minutes
Hopkins Academy Cafeteria - 7:00 PM

Pursuant to notice duly filed with the Town Clerk, a meeting of the Select Board was held at 6:00 p.m. in the in Room 203, Town Hall, 100 Middle Street, Town of Hadley.

Present were: Joyce Chunglo, Chair; Molly Keegan, Clerk; Christian Stanley, Member; David Fill, Member; John Waskiewicz, Member

There was a small group in attendance.

1. Call to Order

1.1 Call to order

Meeting was called to order at 7 pm by Christian Stanly, Select Board Chair.

2. Public Comments: 7:00 - 7:15 pm

2.1 Public Comments

3. New Business

3.1 Annual Town Meeting Warrant Review



Annual Warrant Review

Select Board Public Forum
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TOWN OF HADLEY ANNUAL TOWN MEETING WARRANT REVIEW

Annual Town Meeting
May 2, 2019

Welcome and Thank you!

Thank you:

- Municipal employees,
- Volunteers,
- School maintenance, and Hadley Media.

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The Select Board's intention in presenting this forum is to:

- Provide voters with an overview and context for the Annual Town Meeting.
- Improve voters' understanding of individual warrant articles, and
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Intent of the Forum

The Forum is NOT intended to:

- Take any vote (favorable or unfavorable),
- Provide any group or individual the opportunity to advocate for a particular article, or
- Speak against any article.

- Please refer to the public forum handout for rules and procedures.
- And please attend the Annual Town Meeting, Thursday May 2 at 7:00 p.m. at Hopkins Academy



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Fund Balances

- Stabilization Fund = \$1,930,604,
- CPA = \$2,089,129,
- Water Reserves = \$1,112,447,
- Sewer Reserves = \$129,117,
- Hadley Media Reserves = \$181,582,
- Sewer Impact Fund = \$256,527, and
- Capital Stabilization = \$5,775.

Consent Agenda

The Select Board, Finance Committee, and Moderator identify articles that generate no controversy, need no debate, and can be properly voted by consent.

There are 6 consent articles:

- Article 1: Acceptance of grants.
- Article 2: Acceptance of roads and bridges money.
- Article 3: Temporary borrowing by Treasurer,
- Article 4: Return of money from completed projects,
- Article 5: Funds for the Water Treatment Plant membranes, and
- Article 6: Community Preservation Act housekeeping.

Article 7

**Payment of two prior year
invoices:**

**\$1,468 to ET&L Corp for water line
replacement work, and**

\$568 to the Hadley ZBA



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Article 8 approves the General Fund Budget, and Article 9 approves the Enterprise Fund Budgets for FY 2020

The significant features of the budget are:

1. Enhanced General Government and Human Resources.
2. Enhanced Public Safety.
3. Level services elsewhere in the budget.
4. Continued commitment to following financial management policies.

Article 10 Capital Projects: Cash Appropriations

1. DPW needs \$40,000 to rehabilitate Well #2. Funding is through Water Reserves.
2. DPW requests \$40,000 to add to funds to purchase a septage truck. Funding is through Sewer Impact Fund.
3. DPW requests \$6,000 for IT upgrades. Funding will be divided three ways: Water Reserves, Sewer Reserves, and Raise and Appropriate.

Article 10 Capital (Cont.) Borrowing within the Levy

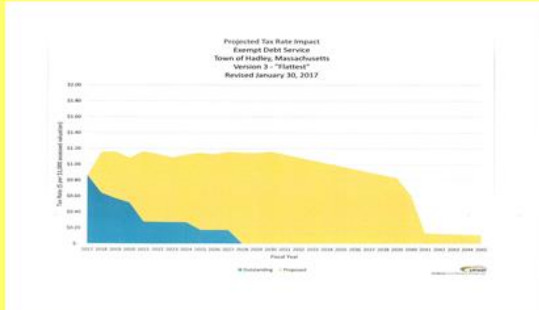
Three capital requests will be borrowed within the levy (no impact on taxes):

- The Town Clerk requests \$7,000 to replace voting booths.
- The Select Board requests \$6,550 for a capital asset survey.
- The Select Board requests \$10,500 for new office furniture.



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Article 10 Capital (cont.): General Fund Borrowing Recap.



Article 10 Capital (Cont.): Debt Exclusion Borrowing

1. DPW requests \$100,000 to clean and repair ditches. Impact on Average Single Family Household = \$4.22/year for 10 years.
2. DPW requests \$75,000 for a skid steer. Impact on Average Single Family Household = \$5.62/year for 5 years.
3. DPW requests \$30,000 for a hot box. Impact on Average Single Family Household = \$2.24/year for 5 years.
4. DPW requests \$60,000 for a mini-excavator. Impact on Average Single Family Household = \$4.38/year for 5 years.

Article 11 Revolving Fund Amendment

This article would increase the amount allowed in the revolving fund for the Treasurer to administer tax liens.

Title	Responsible Department	Purpose	Source of Funds	Annual Expenses Allowed	Maximum Allowable Balance as of June 30
Tax Liens	Treasurer	Underwrite legal expenses associated with collecting tax liens	Fines and Fees associated with collecting tax liens	\$7,500	\$12,000



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Article 12 Unclaimed Property

This is a housekeeping article that improves the Town's ability to dispose of unclaimed property – mostly uncashed checks.

Article 13 Police Private Duty Detail Revolving Fund

This article adds \$19,000 to the existing Police Private Duty Revolving Fund to help expedite payments for road details. The current balance is \$21,000, and future road projects that will strain the revolving fund's ability to function.

Articles 14 & 15 Land Preservation: Szala APR Program (173 acres)

These articles authorize the Select Board to preserve land in North Hadley under the State Agricultural Preservation Restriction Program. \$360,000 is requested from CPA, Transfer of Development Rights and Conservation Land Preservation Funds.



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**Articles 16 & 17
Land Preservation:
Niedbala APR (40 acres)**

These articles authorize the Select Board to preserve land in center Hadley under the State Agricultural Preservation Restriction Program. \$103,864 is requested from CPA and Transfer of Development Rights Fund.

Article 18 CPA Map Preservation

The Town owns four maps circa 1740 that are drawn on animal hide.

\$500 from CPA is requested to preserve the maps.

Article 19 CPA Zatyryka Park

The Park and Recreation Commission requests \$32,000 to complete the reconstruction of Zatyryka Park. Funds would come from CPA.



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Articles 20 & 21 CPA Friends of Lake Warner

1. The Friends of Lake Warner propose to construct a small boardwalk to improve access to Lake Warner. \$1,517 would come from CPA.
2. The Friends of Lake Warner propose to conduct water testing. \$810 would come from CPA.

Article 22 CPA Hopkins Academy Fields

Hopkins Academy requests \$185,000 from CPA to improve the athletic fields at Hopkins Academy.

Article 23 Utility Easement

The Town needs to approve the new utility easement for services to the Senior Center.

This is a requirement of Eversource, as a result of amending the existing easement layout.



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Articles 24 & 25 Amending Protected Recreational Lands

- The Town seeks to amend the designation of protected recreational land by removing "Article 97" protection from the North Hadley ballfield (approx. 1 acre) and applying the same protection to Zatyryka Park (approx. 6 acres).
- The State Legislature must vote to approve this transfer.

Articles 26 and 27 Adult-Use Marijuana

- The first article strengthens an existing bylaw that prohibits the use of marijuana in public spaces.
- The second article is a zoning article that adopts zoning for adult-use marijuana retail sales.
- The Town's adult-use marijuana moratorium expires June 1, 2019.

Article 28 Petition to Amend the State Seal, Flag, and Motto

Petitioners request that the Town ask the Legislature to change the state seal, flag, and motto.



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Annual Town Meeting

**May 2, 2019
at 7 pm
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5. Announcements

The Hadley Mother's Club's recycling day is on Saturday 8 -1.

6. Adjournment

6.1 Adjournment

Motion to adjourn

Motion: Keegan

Second: Fill

Vote: 5-0-0

Meeting was adjourned at 8:15 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer Sanders James