

DOINGS AT THE MAY 3, 2012 ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

Registrars Karen Czerwinski and Beverly Rhodes were checkers for this meeting. The meeting was called to order by Moderator, Gerald Devine @ 7:22pm. A total of 228 voters were checked off for this meeting. Proper return of service for the warrant was noted and Pledge of Allegiance was given. Special thanks were given to Tom Waskiewicz and David Farnham (Annual report dedications) for their years of service to the Town of Hadley. Hadley Fire Dept made Tom Waskiewicz an honorary member of the FD for his fundraising efforts toward the purchase of new gear. The Moderator explained the procedure for town meeting and that he would be using *Town Meeting Time* for reference. It was noted that Articles 4, 22, 23, and 24 would not be read in their entirety.

ARTICLE 1. Motion was made and seconded that the Town authorize the Board of Selectmen to apply for and expend Massachusetts Small Cities Program grants or monies, or any Federal or State grants or monies, received as set forth in the appropriate application.

The Moderator declared Article 1 passed unanimously.

ARTICLE 2. Motion was made and seconded that the Town appropriate funds provided to the Town by the State under Chapter 90 Type money and such other funds as the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Highway Division may provide, and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into contracts with Commonwealth of Massachusetts Highway Division for Chapter 90 Type money allocated to the Town.

The Moderator declared Article 2 passed unanimously.

ARTICLE 3. Motion was made and seconded that the Town authorize the Treasurer with the approval of the Select Board, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2011 in accordance with the provisions of the Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 4 and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year, in accordance with Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 17.

The Moderator declared Article 3 passed unanimously.

ARTICLE 4. Motion was made and seconded that the Town authorize revolving funds under Massachusetts General Law Chapter 44, Section 53E½ for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2012 as printed in the warrant.

The Moderator declared Article 4 passed unanimously.

ARTICLE 5. Motion was made and seconded that the Town transfer from Free Cash **\$21,000.00** to cover costs associated with the FY 2012 budget as follows:

	FROM	TO
(4) Select Board		
Salaries and Expense	\$348,271.00	\$369,271.00

The Moderator declared Article 5 passed unanimously.

ARTICLE 6. Motion was made and seconded that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$__\$12,092,367.00_____,
and appropriate from Sewer Receipts____\$784,829.00____,
and take from Water Reserve _____\$10,000.00_____,
and appropriate from Water Receipts ____\$1,072,237.00_____,
and transfer from Free Cash ____\$80,260.00_____ for the maintenance and operation of the town in fiscal year 2013 as recommended by the Finance Committee, including debt and interest, and to fix the salary of all elected officials, including, if appropriate, Selectmen, Town Clerk, Town Collector, Town Treasurer, Town Assessors, Town Constables, Board of Health, Elector under the Oliver Smith Will, Planning Board, and Park and Recreation Commission, and to provide a reserve fund.

Depts. read by Howard Koski -- declared passed by majority
Depts. read by John Allen -- declared passed by majority
Depts. read by Linda Sanderson -- declared passed by majority **
Depts. read by Glenn Clark – declared passed by majority
Depts. read by Frank Aquadro—declared passed by majority

Total Budget read by Gerald Devine - \$14,039,693.00 – declared passed by majority

** There was an amendment brought forth by Christine Markowski, 3 Edgewood Terrace, to transfer from the stabilization account the sum of \$200,000.00 thus increasing the school department allocation from 5.6 Million to 5.8 Million. The amendment failed by majority.

ARTICLE 7. Motion was made and seconded that the Town transfer **\$10,000.00** from Water Reserves to the Water Plant Filtration Stabilization fund as per the provisions of MGL Chapter 40, Section 5B, for the purpose of repairing and replacing water plant filtration membranes and associated expenses.

The moderator declared Article 7 passed unanimously.

ARTICLE 8. Motion was made and seconded that the Town transfer **\$65,000.00** from the Sewer Impact Fee account to the Wastewater Reserves.

The moderator declared Article 8 passed unanimously.

ARTICLE 9. Motion was made and seconded that the Town take from Free Cash **\$2,800.00** for the digitalization of the text data from the Hadley Assessors maps and to provide for the setup and operation of an Internet-based GIS service,

And further, that the Town transfer **\$6,000.00** from Overlay Surplus Reserve to the Finance Committee FY 2012 Reserve Fund.

The moderator declared Article 9 passed unanimously.

ARTICLE 10. Motion was made and seconded that the Town transfer from Capital Stabilization **\$240,000.00** to repair the Senior Center and Town Hall.

The moderator declared Article 10 passed. 180 yes 3 no

ARTICLE 11. ZATYRKA PARK SALE TABLED

ARTICLE 12. Motion was made and seconded that the Town take from Water Reserves **\$8,023.00** and take from Sewer Reserves **\$8,265.00** to adjust a charge made to water and wastewater use charges.

The Moderator declared Article 12 passed unanimously.

ARTICLE 13. Motion was made and seconded that the Town transfer from Free Cash **\$16,000.00** to pay into an irrevocable trust established under the provisions of MGL Chapter 32B, Section 20 for the purpose of paying benefits to retiring employee.

The Moderator declared Article 13 passed unanimously.

ARTICLE 14. Motion was made and seconded that the Town accept the report of the Community Preservation Committee on the fiscal year 2013 budget and to reserve for later appropriation the following sums of money from the Community Preservation Fund estimated annual revenues:

Open Space Preservation	\$30,000.00
Historic Preservation	\$30,000.00
Housing	\$30,000.00

And appropriate **\$5,000.00** from the FY 2013 Community Preservation General Fund receipts for the administrative expenses of the Committee.

The Moderator declared Article 14 passed unanimously.

ARTICLE 15. Motion was made and seconded that the Town appropriate from Community Preservation Act General Funds for historical preservation purposes **\$15,000.00** for renovation of the chimney of Goodwin Memorial Library.

The Moderator declared Article 15 passed by majority vote.

ARTICLE 16. Motion was made and seconded that the Town appropriate **\$38,000.00** from Community Preservation Act funds (Historical set aside) for a study of historical requirements for use of Community Preservation Act funding to repair historic Town buildings.

After MUCH discussion the Moderator declared Article 16 passed by majority vote.

ARTICLE 17. Motion was made and seconded that the Town appropriate from Community Preservation Act general funds **\$3,500.00** for the Town's share of an Agricultural Preservation Restriction for the preservation of 6 acres of open space (owned by Janet and Walter Wanczyk off Cemetery Road) (Assessors Map 4G, Lot 25) and authorize the Select Board to accept an Agricultural Preservation Restriction for said land.

The Moderator declared Article 17 passed unanimously.

ARTICLE 18. Motion was made and seconded that the Town appropriate from Community Preservation Act general funds **\$5,000.00** for the Town's share of an Agricultural Preservation Restriction for the preservation of 9 acres of open space (owned by William and Joanne Zaskey on Mount Warner Road) (Assessors Map 11A, Lot 19) and authorize the Select Board to accept an Agricultural Preservation Restriction for said land.

The Moderator declared Article 18 passed unanimously.

ARTICLE 19. Motion was made and seconded that the Town appropriate from Community Preservation Act general funds **\$6,500.00** for the Town's share of an Agricultural Preservation Restriction for the preservation of 36 acres of open space, owned by Pioneer Valley Waldorf School Association on Bay Road (Assessors Map 12A, Lots 28 and 29) and authorize the Select Board to accept an Agricultural Preservation Restriction for said land.

The Moderator declared Article 19 passed unanimously.

ARTICLE 20. Motion was made and seconded that the Town appropriate from Community Preservation Act General Funds for historical preservation purposes **\$8,500.00** to replace and paint deteriorated columns of the First Church Steeple and require First Church to grant the Town a historic preservation restriction on First Church, and further authorize the Select Board to accept said preservation restriction on behalf of the Town.

The Moderator declared Article 20 passed unanimously.

ARTICLE 21. Motion was made and seconded that the Town appropriate **\$7,500.00** from Community Preservation Act General Funds for an assessment of Lake Warner and require *the property owner** to grant the Town an open space restriction on Lake Warner, and further authorize the Select Board to accept said open space restriction on behalf of the Town.

The Moderator declared article 21 passed by majority

**According to Town Council "friendly amendment" changing Valley Land Trust to property owner for clarification.*

ARTICLE 22. Motion was made and seconded that the Town amend Chapter 24 of the Code of the Town of Hadley as delineated in Article 22 of the Annual Town Meeting warrant for May 3, 2012 and incorporated by reference herein.

The Moderator declared Article 22 passed by majority vote.

ARTICLE 23. Motion was made and seconded that the Town adopt the changes to the Zoning Bylaw as delineated in Article 23 of the Annual Town Meeting warrant for May 3, 2012 and incorporated by reference herein.

The Moderator declared Article 23 passed. 90 yes 11 no

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ARTICLE 24. Motion was made and seconded that the Town adopt the changes to the Zoning Bylaw as delineated in Article 24 of the Annual Town Meeting warrant for May 3, 2012 and incorporated by reference herein.

AMENDMENT VOTED: Motion was made and seconded to amend section 7.8.2 by striking the word “political”.

The Moderator declared the amendment passed by majority.
Motion was made and seconded to vote on Article 24 as amended.

The Moderator declared Article 24 passed. 104 yes. 4 no.

ARTICLE 25. Motion was made and seconded that the Town amend Section 6.1 of the Zoning Bylaw by replacing the word Zoning Enforcement Officer the second and third time it appears in this Section with the words Building Inspector.

The Moderator declared Article 25 passed unanimously.

ATTEST:

Jessica Spanknebel
Town Clerk
Hadley, MA