

DOINGS AT THE OCTOBER 27, 2022 SPECIAL FALL TOWN MTG

Mary Lou Laurenza, Laura Blajda and Linda Klemyk were checkers for this meeting. The meeting was called to order by Moderator, Kirk Whatley @ 7:01pm @ Hopkins Academy Cafeteria. A total of 163 voters were checked off for this meeting. Proper return of service for the warrant was noted and Pledge of Allegiance was given. The Moderator announced acting in accordance with *Town Meeting Time*.

At the Town of Hadley Special Town Meeting that convened on October 27, 2022 at the Hopkins Academy Cafeteria with a quorum of 100 present and declared dissolved on October 27, 2022 by the Moderator, the following articles were so voted:

Article 1 Motion was made and seconded that the Town vote to amend the FY2023 annual budget from **\$19,421,603** to **\$19,641,131** and as funding therefor, raise and appropriate and transfer from available funds the amounts in Table A.1 as presented at the October 27, 2022, Special Town Meeting and incorporated by reference herein
The Moderator declared Art 1 passed unanimously.

Article 2 Motion was made and seconded the Town vote to amend the FY2023 Enterprise Fund annual budgets from **\$2,482,697** to **\$2,522,319** and as funding therefor, raise and appropriate and transfer from available funds the amounts in Table B.1 as revised below and presented at the October 27, 2022, Special Town Meeting and incorporated by reference herein:
The Moderator declared Article 2 passed unanimously.

Article 3.1 Motion was made and seconded that the Town transfer funds from various accounts as delineated in Article 3.1 of the Special Town Meeting warrant for October 27, 2022, and incorporated by reference herein.

Meeting	Description	Account Number	Balance	Transfer to:
STM 14 Art 10 10/13/14	PSC Insulation	02-222-5815-S10000	\$9,500	Capital Stabilization
STM 17 (2) Art.5-2 10/5/17	PSC Sally Port Repairs	02-210-5840-S54000	\$19,500	Capital Stabilization
STM 18 Art 6A-9 10/18/18	HVAC Attic Venting	02-215-5854-201005	\$5,002.50	Capital Stabilization

The Moderator declared Article 3.1 passed unanimously.

Article 3.2 Motion was made and seconded the Town vote to re-appropriate funds from completed projects as delineated in Article 3.2 of the Special Town Meeting warrant for October 27, 2022, and incorporated by reference herein.

Meeting	Description	Account Number	Amount to be Redirected	Purpose for which Redirected
STM 18-Art 6G	School Security Upgrades	30-300-5870-301006	\$2,746.99	School Ceiling Tiles Replacement

The Moderator declared Article 3.2 passed unanimously.

Article 4 Motion was made and seconded that the Town vote to appropriate **\$1,860,364** for expenses associated with the capital projects as delineated in Article 4 of the Special Town Meeting warrant for October 27, 2022 and incorporated by reference herein and to fund said appropriation to transfer **\$48,298** from Free Cash, **\$53,333** from Water Reserves, **\$42,333** from Sewer Reserves, **\$20,000** from Hadley Media Reserve and **\$38,000** from Capital Stabilization and the Treasurer with the approval of the Select Board is authorized to borrow **\$1,658,400** under and pursuant to Chapter 44, Sections 7 and 8 of the General Laws, and or any other statutory authority.

Police – Body Cameras	\$46,464	Capital Stabilization: \$38,000 Free Cash: \$8,464
DPW HWY – 1 Ton Dump Truck	\$120,000	Borrow within Levy
DPW International 5 Ton Dump/Sander	\$310,000	Borrow within Levy
DPW – Water – Callahan Well Reconditioning	\$35,000	Water Reserves
DPW- Water – 1 Ton Truck	\$100,000	Borrow (Water)
DPW – Sewer – 1 Ton Truck	\$100,000	Borrow (Sewer)
DPW – Sewer – Roof Replacement	\$25,000	Borrow (Sewer)
DPW – Sewer – Grant Match to Study Department Upgrades	\$24,000	Sewer Reserves

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DPW – Hwy/Water/Sewer Tractor	\$80,000	Borrow within Levy: \$26,667 Borrow (Water): \$26,667 Borrow (Sewer): \$26,666
DPW-Hwy/Water – Pay Loader	\$260,000	Borrow within Levy: \$195,000 Borrow (Water): \$65,000
DPW – Hwy/Water/Sewer Vactor Truck	\$500,000	Borrow within Levy: \$166,667 Borrow (Water): \$166,667 Borrow (Sewer): \$166,666
DPW – Mini Loader	\$55,000	Free Cash: \$18,334 Water Reserves: \$18,333 Sewer Reserves: \$18,333
School – Ceiling Tiles Replacement	\$163,400	Borrow within Levy
School – Smoke Alarm Replacement & Upgrades	\$21,500	Free Cash: \$21,500
Hadley Media – Equipment	\$20,000	Hadley Media Reserves

There was an hour discussion on this article. Town Treasurer, Linda Sanderson explained this is how capital budgeting should work. All projects would be within the levy and the town can no longer continue to put off essential equipment.

The Moderator declared Article 4, requiring a 2/3rds vote, passed 155-8.

Article 5 Motion was made and seconded the Town vote to appropriate **\$17,661.67** and transfer funds as delineated in Article 5 of the Special Town Meeting warrant for October 27, 2022 and incorporated by reference herein.

Vendor	Charge	From
Graphic Controls (2)	\$873.87	Sewer Reserves
Morton Salt (2)	\$14,962.25	Free Cash
Cablecast- Software Maintenance	\$1,600.00	Hadley Media Reserves
USA Waste & Recycling	\$225.55	Free Cash

The Moderator declared Article 5 passed unanimously.

Article 6 Motion was made and seconded the Town vote to extend the completion deadline for the CPA projects delineated in Article 6 of the Special Town Meeting warrant for October 27, 2022, and incorporated by reference herein.

Meeting	Description	Account Number	Deadline Extension
ATM 2020	Library Window and bracket	21-610-5240-210002	One Year
ATM 2021	Hockanum Cemetery Fence	21-491-5800-210009	One Year

The Moderator declared Article 6 passed unanimously.

Article 7 Motion was made and seconded the Town transfer funds to and from various accounts as delineated in Article 7 of the Special Town Meeting warrant for October 27, 2022, and incorporated by reference herein.

Meeting	Description	Account Number	Unused Balance	Transfer to
STM 2019 Art. 13	Russell School Roof	21-490-5825-S82000	8,000	CPA Historic
ATM 2021 Art. 1	Emergency Rental Assistance	21-183-5300-210010	25,000	CPA Housing
ATM 2021 Art. 2	Russellville Cemetery	21-691-5580-210003	15,810	CPA General
STM 2021 Art. 9	HES Picnic Tables	21-300-5580-210015	285.33	CPA Open Space

The Moderator declared Article 7 passed unanimously.

Article 8 Motion was made and seconded the Town vote to transfer **\$22,760** from the Community Preservation Act Historic Set-Aside Fund and **\$2,240** from the Community Preservation Act General Fund to complete the Hockanum Cemetery Fence project, said funds to be expended under the direction of the Hadley Cemetery Committee and the Town Administrator, any unexpended funds will automatically be returned to the foregoing Community Preservation Act fund if not used within two years of the date of Town Meeting approval.

The Moderator declared Article 8 passed 161-2.

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Article 9 Motion was made and seconded that the Town appropriate \$1,546,700 for the Hadley Public Schools, Hopkins Academy Athletic Fields Rehabilitation and Creation – Phase II project, said funds to be expended under the direction of the Hadley Public School Committee and the Town Administrator and to meet said appropriation vote to transfer **\$90,965** from the Community Preservation Act Open Space Fund, **\$705,735** from the Community Preservation Act General Fund and the Treasurer with approval of the Select Board is authorized to borrow **\$750,000** under M.G.L. Chapter 44B or any other enabling authority and to issue bonds or notes of the Town therefor. The Select Board is authorized to enter into such agreement or agreements on behalf of the Town as may be necessary to accomplish the purposes of this motion. Any amounts remaining unexpended or unencumbered at the end of two years following the date of this vote shall revert to the Community Preservation Act Fund.

The Moderator declared Article 9 passed 162-1.

Article 10 & Article 11 TAKE NO ACTION

Article 12 Motion was made and seconded the Town approve Art 12 as printed in the Supplemental Warrant Information **CLIMATE CHANGE EMERGENCY DECLARATION (Non Binding)**

There was 45 minute back and forth discussion on this Article. Most anti-article were concerned with any State or Federal mandates being forced on the Town. Those pro-article, although in favor, weren't specific on what this declaration would bind the Town to.

The Moderator declared Article 12 failed, Yes = 72, No = 83

A true copy ATTEST:

Jessica Spanknebel
Town Clerk
Hadley, MA