

**MINUTES FOR THE SPECIAL TOWN MEETING
MAY 14, 2018
SALISBURY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

A quorum (125) being present, Moderator Jerry Klima called the Town Meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. There were 37 non-voters present: Austin Wise, Patricia Wise, Dave Pritchard, Andrew Malatesta, John Hand, Scott Carrigan, Alex Weare, Thomas McEneney, Jeanette Dendy, Jen Rocco Runnion, Ann Dykes, Stacey Hoggard, Kara Kosmes, Diana DiZoglio, Tony Papoulios, Chris Perkins, James O'Rourke, Deborah O'Rourke, Terry Kyrios, John Morris, Cheryl Gorniewicz, Carol Smith, Marcia Dalton, Cindy Levine, Joyce Tomaselli, Jeorgia Tassis-Laskos, Tammy Stanton, Lisa DeMeo, James Sullivan, Larry Saunders, Joanne Ryan, Liz Pettis, Rob Hills, Karen Snow, Brian Forget, Scott Vandewalle.

Anne Jones, Susan Tatro, Liz Wood, Catherine Clinch, Rosemarie Wilcox and Sheila MacPherson were checkers at the door with Assistant Town Clerk, Lynne Karpenko and Board of Registrar, Karen Parent, assisting. Donald Beaulieu, Brud Janvrin, Alana Gilbert and Robert Carroll served as counters throughout the meeting. The gymnasium was designated as the overflow room and was equipped with a 2 way camera feed and microphone.

Action was taken on the articles of the warrant and Moderator Klima declared the meeting adjourned at 7:55 pm

ARTICLE ONE

To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of \$100,000.00 from Free Cash to the Town's Stabilization Fund; or to take any other action relative thereto.

ON PETITION OF THE TOWN MANAGER

Warrant Advisory Committee voted 3 – 2 to recommend approval

Motion: Charles Takesian I move that Article One be approved as herein stated
Seconded & Carried

ARTICLE TWO

To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of \$40,000.00 from Free Cash to the Other Post-Employment Benefits Trust Fund; or to take any other action relative thereto.

ON PETITION OF THE TOWN MANAGER

Warrant Advisory Committee unanimously voted to recommend approval

Motion: Wilma McDonald I move that Article Two be approved as herein stated
Seconded & Carried

ARTICLE THREE

To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of \$10,000.00 from Sewer Enterprise Fund Retained Earnings to the Other Post-Employment Benefits Trust Fund; or to take any other action relative thereto.

ON PETITION OF THE TOWN MANAGER

Warrant Advisory Committee unanimously voted to recommend approval

Motion: Ronalee Ray-Parrott I move that Article Three be approved as herein stated
Seconded & Carried

ARTICLE FOUR

To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of \$25,000.00 from Free Cash to the Compensated Absences Reserve Fund; or to take any other action relative thereto.

ON PETITION OF THE TOWN MANAGER

Warrant Advisory Committee unanimously voted to recommend approval

Motion: Donna Abdulla I move that Article Four be approved as herein stated
Seconded & Carried

ARTICLE FIVE

To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of \$35,000.00 from Sewer Enterprise Fund Retained Earnings to the Compensated Absences Reserve Fund; or to take any other action relative thereto.

ON PETITION OF THE TOWN MANAGER

Warrant Advisory Committee unanimously voted to recommend approval

Motion: Freeman Condon I move that Article Five be approved as herein stated
Seconded & Carried

ARTICLE SIX

To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of \$3,980.27 from Free Cash to the Flood Maps Grant fund for the purpose of eliminating a deficit; or to take any other action relative thereto.

ON PETITION OF THE TOWN MANAGER

Warrant Advisory Committee unanimously voted to recommend approval

Motion: Charles Takesian I move that Article Six be approved as herein stated
Seconded & Carried

ARTICLE SEVEN

To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of \$40,000.00 from Free Cash to FY2018 budget line item number 0100.0123.5305 (Town Manager – Consulting Fees) for the purpose of conducting a building conditions assessment of the former Memorial School and the first floor of Town Hall, including any incidental or related costs; or to take any other action relative thereto.

ON PETITION OF THE TOWN MANAGER

Warrant Advisory Committee unanimously voted to recommend approval

Motion: Charles Takesian I move that Article Seven be approved as herein stated
Seconded & Carried

ARTICLE EIGHT

To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of \$7,000.00 Free Cash to FY2018 budget line item number 0100.0541.5850 (Council on Aging – Capital Outlay) for the purpose of upgrading the phone system at the William Hilton Senior Center, including any incidental or related costs; or to take any other action relative thereto.

ON PETITION OF THE TOWN MANAGER

Warrant Advisory Committee unanimously voted to recommend approval

Motion: Wilma McDonald I move that Article Eight be approved as herein stated
Seconded & Carried

ARTICLE NINE

To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of \$55,000.00 from FY2018 budget line item number 0100.0413.5830.3049 (DPW -Capital Outlay – Pleasant Street/Seabrook Road project) to FY2018 budget line item number 0100.0413.5208 (DPW – Engineering Services) for the purpose of conducting an engineering study of the options for relieving flooding conditions on Liberty Street; or to take any other action relative thereto.

ON PETITION OF THE TOWN MANAGER

Warrant Advisory Committee unanimously voted to recommend approval

Motion: Ronalee Ray-Parrott I move that Article Nine be approved as herein stated
Seconded & Carried

ARTICLE TEN

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to lease/purchase and equip a new truck for the Fire Department for a term in excess of three years in accordance with the provisions of G. L. c.44, §21C, and as funding therefor, to transfer the sum of \$50,000.00 from FY2018 budget line item number 0100.0413.5830.3049 (DPW -Capital Outlay – Pleasant Street/Seabrook Road project) to FY2018 budget line item number 0100.0220.5850 (Fire Department – Capital Outlay – Vehicles) for the purpose of funding the first-year payment of a five-year lease/purchase agreement, including all costs incidental or related thereto; or to take any other action relative thereto.

ON PETITION OF THE TOWN MANAGER

Warrant Advisory Committee unanimously voted to recommend approval

Motion: Donna Abdulla I move that Article Ten be approved as herein stated
Seconded & Carried by a declared 2/3 vote

ARTICLE ELEVEN

To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of \$41,000.00 from Free Cash to FY2018 budget line item number 0100.0210.5850 (Police Department – Capital Outlay – Vehicles) for the purpose of purchasing and equipping a new cruiser for the Police Department, including all incidental or related costs; or to take any other action relative thereto.

ON PETITION OF THE TOWN MANAGER

Warrant Advisory Committee unanimously voted to recommend approval

Motion: Freeman Condon I move that Article Eleven be approved as herein stated
Seconded & Carried

ARTICLE TWELVE

To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of \$45,000.00 from Free Cash to FY2018 budget line item number 0100.0413.5830 (DPW – Capital Outlay - Infrastructure) for the purpose of purchasing all of the street lights in Salisbury from National Grid and maintaining said lights until the Town purchases and installs new LED street lighting throughout the Town, including all incidental or related costs; or to take any other action relative thereto.

ON PETITION OF THE TOWN MANAGER

Warrant Advisory Committee unanimously voted to recommend approval

Motion: Charles Takesian I move that Article Twelve be approved as herein stated
Seconded & Carried

ARTICLE THIRTEEN

To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of \$25,000.00 from Free Cash to FY 2018 Budget line item number 0100.0123.5305 (Town Manager – Consulting Fees) for the purposes of funding the costs of an appraiser and expert appraisal services relative to valuation of land and easements and the costs of acquiring said land and easements as may be necessary or appropriate to construct and use recreational trails in, on and under the parcels of land identified on Sheet No. 20 of a plan of land entitled “Plan and Profile of Salisbury-Multi-Use Trail Extension (Border to Boston Trail) in the Town of Salisbury Essex County Preliminary Right of Way” prepared for the Massachusetts Department of Transportation Highway Division dated March 16, 2018, and the parcels of land identified on Sheet No. 8 of a plan of land entitled “Plan and Profile of Trail Connector @ I-95 in the City/Town of Amesbury and Salisbury Essex County Preliminary Right of Way Plans” prepared for the Massachusetts Department of Transportation Highway Division dated March 7, 2018, copies of which are on file with the Town Clerk, as said plans may be amended; or to take any other action relative thereto.

ON PETITION OF THE TOWN MANAGER

Warrant Advisory Committee unanimously voted to recommend approval

Motion: Wilma McDonald I move that Article Thirteen be approved as herein stated

Seconded & Carried by a declared 2/3 vote

ARTICLE FOURTEEN

To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of \$15,000.00 from Free Cash to FY2018 budget line item number 0100.0123.5305.3030 (Town Manager – Broadway Mall Project) for the purpose of funding improvements to the Broadway Mall, including all incidental or related costs; or to take any other action relative thereto.

ON PETITION OF THE TOWN MANAGER

Warrant Advisory Committee unanimously voted to recommend approval

Motion: Ronalee Ray-Parrott I move that Article Fourteen be approved as herein stated

Seconded & Carried

ARTICLE FIFTEEN

To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of \$30,000.00 from Free Cash to FY2018 budget line item number 0100.0413.5240 (DPW - Building Repair and Maintenance) for the purpose of re-paving sidewalks and making improvements to the façade of the former Memorial School, including all incidental or related costs; or to take any other action relative thereto.

ON PETITION OF THE TOWN MANAGER

Warrant Advisory Committee unanimously voted to recommend approval

Motion: Donna Abdulla I move that Article Fifteen be approved as herein stated

Seconded & Carried

ARTICLE SIXTEEN

To see if the Town will vote to amend the vote taken under Article 19 of the October 23, 2017 Annual Fall Town Meeting regarding funding the Town's share of a U.S. Army Corps of Engineers study of possible solutions for coastal erosion problems on Salisbury Beach, by changing the purpose for which said funds may be used, and to dedicate such funding to be used toward the Town's share of the cost of acquiring sand from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers' dredging of the Piscataqua River for placement on or near Salisbury Beach, including all incidental or related costs; or to take any other action relative thereto.

ON PETITION OF THE TOWN MANAGER

Warrant Advisory Committee voted 4 – 1 to recommend approval

Motion: Freeman Condon I move that Article Sixteen be approved as herein stated

Seconded & Carried

ARTICLE SEVENTEEN

To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of \$45,000.00 from Water Enterprise Fund Retained Earnings to FY2018 budget line item number 7000.0450.5830 (Water Enterprise Fund – Capital Outlay – Infrastructure) for the purpose of funding the replacement of gate valves, including all incidental or related costs; or to take any other action relative thereto.

ON PETITION OF THE TOWN MANAGER

Warrant Advisory Committee unanimously voted to recommend approval

Motion: Charles Takesian I move that Article Seventeen be approved as herein stated

Seconded & Carried

ARTICLE EIGHTEEN

To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of \$55,000.00 from Water Enterprise Fund Retained Earnings to FY2018 budget line item number 7000.0450.5830 (Water Enterprise Fund – Capital Outlay – Infrastructure) for the purpose of funding the replacement of water hydrants, including all incidental or related costs; or to take any other action relative thereto.

ON PETITION OF THE TOWN MANAGER

Warrant Advisory Committee unanimously voted to recommend approval

Motion: Wilma McDonald I move that Article Eighteen be approved as herein stated

Seconded & Carried

ARTICLE NINETEEN

To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of \$250,000.00 from Water Enterprise Fund Retained Earnings to FY2018 budget line item number 7000.0450.5830 (Water Enterprise Fund – Capital Outlay – Infrastructure) for the purpose of funding the replacement of water mains, including all incidental or related costs; or to take any other action relative thereto.

ON PETITION OF THE TOWN MANAGER

Warrant Advisory Committee unanimously voted to recommend approval

Motion: Ronalee Ray-Parrott I move that Article Nineteen be approved as herein stated

Seconded & Carried

ARTICLE TWENTY

To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of \$23,000.00 from Water Enterprise Fund Retained Earnings to FY2018 budget line item number 7000.0450.5278 (Water Enterprise Fund – Purchase of Services – Contracted Maintenance and Repairs) for the purpose of performing an inspection of the Batt Hill water tank; or to take any other action relative thereto.

ON PETITION OF THE TOWN MANAGER

Warrant Advisory Committee unanimously voted to recommend approval

Motion: Donna Abdulla I move that Article Twenty be approved as herein stated

Seconded & Carried

ARTICLE TWENTY-ONE

To take any other action that may be lawfully taken at this meeting.

Motion: Freeman Condon I move to adjourn the special town meeting

Seconded & Carried

Moderator Klima declared the special town meeting adjourned at 7:55 pm

Respectfully Submitted,

/s/: Melinda J. Morrison

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Town Clerk

May 15, 2018