

TOWN OF HOLLISTON  
ANNUAL TOWN MEETING  
MAY 6, 2019  
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The Annual Holliston Town Meeting of May 6, 2019 was held at the High School Auditorium and was brought to order by Town Clerk, Elizabeth Turner Greendale at 7:33 PM, with a quorum of 102 and growing.

The Town Clerk opened the meeting and read the Call of the Meeting and Posting of the Warrant. Ms. Greendale explained that in the absence of the Moderator, she would take nominations from the floor to elect a Temporary Moderator. Selectman Marsden nominated William Mayer, the nomination was seconded. Mr. Marsden made a motion to close nominations, it was seconded. Given that there was only one nomination from the floor Ms. Greendale asked for unanimous consent from Town Meeting that William Mayer be elected Temporary Moderator. Mr. Mayer was unanimously elected Temporary Moderator.

William Mayer was sworn in by Town Clerk, Elizabeth Greendale. Mr. Mayer thanked everyone for entrusting him with this role, he then went over the preliminary rules for Town Meeting then read the following Motion as required by the Town By-Laws.

**PRIOR TO ARTICLE 1**

**MOTION:** Moved that the following non-resident and non-voting Town officials, consultants to committees and petitioners be allowed to speak during the course of this Annual Town Meeting:

Scott Moles	Health Director/Agent
Leslie McDonnell	Library Director
Sharon Emerick	Town Accountant
Kathryn Peirce	Principal Assessor
Brad Jackson	Superintendent of Schools
Peter Botelho	Assistant Superintendent of Schools
Dan MacLeod	Director Technology & Digital Learning
Sean Reese	DPW Director
Karen Sherman	Town Planner
Matt Stone	Police Chief
Chris Meo	Technology Director
Ryan Clapp	Conservation Agent
Jon Evans	Keefe Tech Superintendent
Dolores Sharek	Keefe Tech
Jeff Ritter	Town Administrator
Mary Bousquet	Treasurer/Collector
Jason Talerman	Town Counsel
Dan Brown	Special Labor Counsel
Jaelyn Winer	Youth and Family Services, Director
Linda Marshall	Senior Center Director

Dona Walsh	Animal Control Officer
Kenneth Onofrey	Petitioner
Mark Frank	Recreation Director

**SECONDED**

**DISCUSSION:** Our By-laws require that the Town Meeting vote to allow non-residents and non-voters to address the Town Meeting

**VOTE:** Passed by unanimous voice vote.

**ARTICLE 1.** To hear and act on the report of the Selectmen.

**MOTION:** Moved that the Annual Report of the Town for the 12 month period ending June 30, 2018, be accepted.

**SECONDED**

**DISCUSSION:** Jay Marsden, 32 Wendy Ln., gave an overview of the Warrant.

**VOTE:** Unanimously passed by voice call vote to accept Article 1 as stated in the motion.

**ARTICLE 2.** To hear and act on the report of the Finance Committee.

**MOTION:** Moved that the Annual Report of the Finance Committee be received and laid on the table and that motions offered in the report be accepted as motions before this meeting as the articles and the budget are taken up.

**SECONDED**

**DISCUSSION:** Ken Szajda, 676 Fiske St. and Chairperson of the Finance Committee, gave a presentation updating Town Meeting on the finances of the town.

**VOTE:** Unanimously passed by voice call vote to accept Article 2 as stated in the motion.

**ARTICLE 3.** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer, subject to the approval of the Selectmen, to sell property acquired through foreclosure of tax titles by the Town and other real estate, after first giving notice of the time and place of the sale by posting such notice of sale in some convenient place in the Town, by publishing such notice of such sale in a newspaper having general circulation in the Town and by posting such notice on a Holliston Cable Access Television (HCAT) bulletin board and on the Town's website at least fourteen (14) days before the sale. The Treasurer shall also give notice of such sale to the Executive Director of the Holliston Housing Authority, the Chair of the Holliston Housing Trust and the Chair of the

Holliston Housing Committee or its subsequent equivalent by first class letter at least forty-five (45) days before the sale. The Treasurer may hold a public auction and may reject any bid which he/she deems inadequate, and any such advertisement, notice or indication that real property is to be offered for sale by the Town of Holliston, or any department, commission, or other subdivision of the Town shall include the following statement: "Buyers should be aware that the Town of Holliston does not guarantee this property to be in conformity with existing zoning bylaws."

Whenever the proceeds of the sale or other disposal of real estate, other than that acquired through tax title foreclosure, by the Town of Holliston exceed five hundred dollars, the same shall be applied to the payment of indebtedness incurred in acquiring such real estate or shall be added to the sinking fund, if any, from which said indebtedness is payable, or if no such indebtedness is outstanding will be applied to the Town's Capital Expenditure Fund as established by Chapter 46 of the Acts of 1993. The proceeds of a sale in excess of five hundred dollars of any park land by the Town shall be used only by the Town for acquisition of land for park purposes or for capital improvements to park land; or take any action relative thereto.

**MOTION:** Moved that this Article be approved as presented in the Warrant.

**SECONDED**

**DISCUSSION:** None

**VOTE:** Unanimously passed by voice call vote to accept Article 3 as stated in the motion.

**ARTICLE 4.** To see if the Town will vote to revise the existing Personnel By-law and adopt a new Personnel By-Law to be consistent with the Special Act and to bring the By-law into compliance with State and Federal regulations; or take any action relative thereto. **(Board of Selectmen)**

**MOTION:** Moved that this Article be approved as presented in the revised form available to voters on the website and as depicted in a handout available to Town Meeting.

**SECONDED**

**DISCUSSION:** None

**VOTE:** Unanimously passed by voice call vote to accept Article 4 as stated in the motion.

**ARTICLE 5.** To see if the Town will vote to amend Article XXXII, Personnel Board. Of the General By-laws by deleting it in its entirety. **(Board of Selectmen)**

**MOTION:** Moved that the Town vote to amend the Consolidated Personnel By-Law by eliminating the Town Personnel Board.

**SECONDED**

**DISCUSSION:** None

**VOTE:** Unanimously passed by voice call vote to accept Article 5 as stated in the motion.

**ARTICLE 6.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money for unpaid bills from prior years; or take any action relative thereto. **(Board of Selectmen)**

<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Fiscal Year</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Board</u>
Mead, Talerman & Costa	2018	\$1,036.46	Selectmen
Thomas Chipman Electric	2018	\$201.00	Selectmen

**MOTION:** Moved that the Town raise and appropriate \$1,237.46 for the payment of bills from fiscal year 2018.

**SECONDED**

**DISCUSSION:** None

**VOTE:** Unanimously passed by voice call vote to accept Article 6 as stated in the motion.

**ARTICLE 7.** To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds a sum of money for the purpose of supplementing various accounts of the Town's Fiscal Year 2019 annual operating budget, previously voted by the Town under Article 16, of the Warrant for the 2018 Annual Town Meeting, and under Article 1 of the Warrant for the October 29, 2018 Special Town Meeting; or take any action relative thereto. **(Board of Selectmen)**

**MOTION:** Moved that the Town vote to indefinitely postpone action on this Article.

**SECONDED**

**DISCUSSION:** None

**VOTE:** Unanimously passed by voice vote to Indefinitely Postpone Article 7, as stated in the motion.

**ARTICLE 8.** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to hold a public auction for the purpose of disposing of surplus departmental equipment; or take any action relative thereto. **(Board of Selectmen)**

**MOTION:** Moved that the Town vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to dispose of surplus equipment, including office equipment, property, and or vehicles during Fiscal Year 2020.

**SECONDED**

**DISCUSSION:** None

**VOTE:** Unanimously passed by voice call vote to accept Article 8 as stated in the motion.

**ARTICLE 9.** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Department of Public Works, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, to use and expend sums received from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts as reimbursements under the Chapter 90 State Aid to Highways program for further construction, reconstruction and improvements, including surface treatments of approved public ways within the Town; or take any action relative thereto. **(Board of Selectmen)**

**MOTION:** Moved that the Department of Public Works with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, be authorized to use and expend sums received from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts as reimbursements under the Chapter 90 State Aid to Highways program for further construction, reconstruction and improvements, including surface treatments of approved public ways within the Town.

**SECONDED**

**DISCUSSION:** None

**VOTE:** Unanimously passed by voice call vote to accept Article 9 as stated in the motion.

**ARTICLE 10.** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the spending limits of the following revolving funds established under the Town Bylaw and General Laws Chapter 44, Section 53E ½:

<b>Revolving Fund</b>	<b>Spending Limit</b>
Wetlands Filing Fee	\$40,000
Council on Aging	\$5,000
Composting Kit	\$3,000
Response and Recovery	\$25,000

Abutters List	\$5,000
Building Inspection	\$100,000
Town Hall Rental	\$25,000
Senior Center Van	\$10,000
Agricultural Commission	\$10,000
Sealer of Weights and Measures	\$5,000
Fluorescent Bulb Recycling	\$3,000
Banner	\$5,000
Accident Fee	\$5,000
Inoculation	\$20,000
Cost of Prosecution	\$30,000
Nutrition	\$10,000
Pinecrest Golf Course	\$200,000
Technology Repair and Replenish	\$75,000

**MOTION:** Moved that the Town vote to authorize spending limits for the revolving funds as they are printed in the Warrant and established under the Town's General By-Laws and pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 53E1/2.

**SECONDED**

**DISCUSSION:** None

**VOTE:** Unanimously passed by voice call vote to accept Article 10 as stated in the motion.

**ARTICLE 11.** To see if the Town will vote to accept the provisions of Chapter 73 of the Acts of 1986, as amended by Chapter 126 of the Acts of 1988, authorizing the Board of Assessors to grant an increase of one hundred percent (100%) to all exemptions from property taxes excluding those granted under clause 18 of section 5 of Chapter 59 of the Massachusetts General Laws for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2019; or take any action relative thereto. (**Board of Assessors**)

**MOTION:** Moved that the Town vote to accept the provisions of Chapter 73 of the Acts of 1986, as amended by Chapter 126 of the Acts of 1988, authorizing the Board of Assessors to grant an increase of one hundred percent (100%) to all exemptions from property taxes excluding those granted under clause 18 of section 5 of Chapter 59 of the General Laws for the Fiscal Year commencing July 1, 2019.

**SECONDED**

**DISCUSSION:** None

**VOTE:** Unanimously passed by voice call vote to accept Article 11 as stated in the motion.



**ARTICLE 12.** To see if the Town will vote to increase the gross receipt that seniors may have in the prior calendar year to be eligible to defer property taxes under G.L.184, Chapter,.59 Section 5, Clause 41A from \$20,000 to the amount established annually by the Commissioner of Revenue as the income limit to qualify for the “circuit breaker” state income tax credit for the proceeding state tax year (single seniors who are not heads of households, head of household, and for married couples filing a joint return), with such increase to be effective for deferrals granted for taxes assessed for the fiscal year beginning on July 1, 2019. **(Board of Assessors)**

**MOTION:** Moved that the Town vote to increase the gross receipt that seniors may have in the prior calendar year to be eligible to defer property taxes from \$20,000 to an amount established by the Commissioner of Revenue as outlined under Article 12.

**SECONDED**

**DISCUSSION:** None

**VOTE:** Unanimously passed by voice call vote to accept Article 12 as stated in the motion.

**ARTICLE 13:** To see if the Town will vote to amend the interest rate per annum from 8% to 6% under the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 59, Section 5, clause 41A, which regulates tax deferral for homeowners 65 years or older, pursuant to the authority contained in Chapter 136 of the Acts of 2005, thereby amending said clause 41A; or take any action relative thereto. **(Board of Assessors)**

**MOTION:** Moved that the Town vote pursuant to the provisions of clause 41A as amended of section 5 of General Laws Chapter 59, as amended by Chapter 136 of the Acts of 2005, amending the interest rate per annum from 8% to 6% for tax deferrals for homeowners 65 years or older, for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2019.

**SECONDED**

**DISCUSSION:** None

**VOTE:** Unanimously passed by voice vote to accept Article 13 as stated in the motion.

**ARTICLE 14.** To see if the Town will vote to accept the provisions of section 51 of Chapter 184 of the Acts of 2002, amending the income requirements under Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 59, section 5, clause 41C, or take any action relative thereto. **(Board of Assessors)**

**MOTION:** Moved that the Town vote to accept the provisions of section 51 of Chapter 184 of the Acts of 2002, amending the income requirements under Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 59, section 5, clause 41C, for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2019.

## SECONDED

**DISCUSSION:** None

**VOTE:** Unanimously passed by voice vote to accept Article 14 as stated in the motion.

**ARTICLE 15.** To see what money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds to meet expenses and outlays to Town departments, salaries of Town Officers, sundry and miscellaneous but regular expenditures, for a Reserve Fund, and to appoint trustees or caretakers or authorize the Selectmen to appoint caretakers of the cemeteries of the Town not otherwise provided for, for the ensuing year; or take any action relative thereto.  
**(Omnibus Budget)**

**MOTION:** Move to appropriate the sum of \$64,933,426 to meet the expenses and outlays for Town departments, salaries of Town Officers, sundry and miscellaneous but regular expenditures, for a Reserve Fund and all other expenses of the Town not otherwise provided for, and to meet this appropriation, the sum of \$62,623,034 shall be raised by taxation and the sum of \$2,310,392 shall be transferred from the Water Enterprise Fund, with all departmental expenses reflected on the handout to Town Meeting and as shown on the screen.

**Board of Selectmen 01122**

51000 Personal Services	\$239,855
52000 Purchased Services	56,000
54000 Supplies & Materials	300
57000 Other Expenses	5,700
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$301,855</b>

**Finance Committee 01131**

51000 Personal Services	\$ 1,220
54000 Supplies & Materials	50
57000 Other Expenses	255
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 1,525</b>

**Other Financial Administration 01132**

57810 Reserve for Transfers	\$ 315,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$315,000</b>

**Town Accountant 01134**

51000 Personal Services	139,045
52000 Purchased Services	33,061
54000 Supplies & Materials	550
57000 Other Expenses	700
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$173,356</b>

**Board of Assessors 01141**

51000 Personal Services	\$196,797
52000 Purchased Services	24,000
54000 Supplies & Materials	1,000
57000 Other Expenses	3,473
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$225,270</b>

**Treasurer/Collector 01145**

51000 Personal Services	\$ 323,301
52000 Purchased Services	53,105

54000 Supplies & Materials	5,000
57000 Other Expenses	2,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 383,406</b>

Technology **01155**

51000 Personal Services	\$ 92,184
52000 Purchased Services	5,025
54000 Supplies & Materials	200
58000 Capital	46,226
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 143,635</b>

Town Clerk **01161**

51000 Personal Services	\$ 146,795
52000 Purchased Services	5,280
54000 Supplies & Materials	920
57000 Other Expenses	3,313
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 156,308</b>

Elections **01162**

51000 Personal Services	\$ 14,206
52000 Purchased Services	4,012
54000 Supplies & Materials	3,715
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 21,933</b>

Conservation Commission **01171**

51000 Personal Services	\$ 47,806
52000 Purchased Services	2,418
54000 Supplies & Materials	425
57000 Other Expenses	1,500
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 52,149</b>

Planning Board **01175**

51000 Personal Services	\$ 81,947
52000 Purchased Services	4,900
54000 Supplies & Materials	250
57000 Other Expenses	500
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 87,597</b>

Zoning Board of Appeals **01176**

51000 Personal Services	\$ 7,229
52000 Purchased Services	4,028
54000 Supplies & Materials	150
57000 Other Expenses	0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 11,407</b>

Economic Development **01182**

51000 Personal Services	\$ 9,283
52000 Purchased Services	3,190
54000 Supplies & Materials	200
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 12,673</b>

Public Buildings **01192**

51000 Personal Services	\$ 0
52000 Purchased Services	280,850
54000 Supplies & Materials	1,750
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 282,600</b>

Police Department **01210**

51000 Personal Services	\$2,831,880
52000 Purchased Services	135,104
54000 Supplies & Materials	27,910
57000 Other Expenses	21,460

58000 Capital Outlay	1,435
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$3,017,789</b>

<b>Auxiliary Police 01211</b>	
52000 Purchased Services	\$ 190
54000 Supplies & Materials	7,364
57000 Other Expenses	6,210
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 13,764</b>

<b>Fire Department 01220</b>	
51000 Personal Services	\$773,905
52000 Purchased Services	66,650
54000 Supplies & Materials	11,500
57000 Other Expenses	5,250
58000 Capital Outlay	13,092
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$870,397</b>

<b>Ambulance 01231</b>	
51000 Personal Services	\$ 347,385
52000 Purchased Services	104,050
54000 Supplies & Materials	24,100
57000 Other Expenses	2,000
58000 Capital Outlay	0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 477,535</b>

<b>Building Inspection 01241</b>	
51000 Personal Services	\$132,089
52000 Purchased Services	4,100
54000 Supplies & Materials	700
57000 Other Expenses	1,800
58000 Capital Outlay	25,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 163,689</b>

<b>Sealer of Weights &amp; Measures 01244</b>	
51000 Personal Services	\$ 0
52000 Purchased Services	0
54000 Supplies & Materials	0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 0</b>

<b>Emergency Management 01291</b>	
52000 Purchased Services	\$ 10,515
54000 Supplies & Materials	311
57000 Other Expense	450
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 11,276</b>

<b>Animal Control 01292</b>	
51000 Personal Services	\$ 0
52000 Purchased Services	38,000
54000 Supplies & Materials	0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 38,000</b>

<b>Schools 01300</b>	
51000 Personal Services	\$ 28,267,764
52000 Purchased Services	3,794,268
54000 Supplies & Materials	580,885
55000 Fuels	59,951
56000 Intergovernmental	1,680,330
57000 Other Expenses	379,258
58000 Capital Outlay	184,807
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 34,947,263</b>

<b>Keefe Technical School: 01371</b>	
57000 Intergovernmental	\$1,252,946

**TOTAL** **\$ 1,252,946**

DPW Highway Department **01420**  
51000 Personal Services \$ 818,206  
52000 Purchased Services 151,924  
54000 Supplies & Materials 70,031  
57000 Other Expenses 606  
58000 Capital Outlay 320,875  
**TOTAL** **\$ 1,361,642**

DPW Snow & Ice Removal **01423**  
51000 Personal Services \$ 50,000  
52000 Purchased Services 106,215  
54000 Supplies & Materials 93,785  
**TOTAL** **\$ 250,000**

Street Lighting **01424**  
52120 Street Lighting \$ 62,430  
**TOTAL** **\$ 62,430**

Solid Waste **01433**  
52120 Solid Waste \$ 1,287,851  
**TOTAL** **\$ 1,287,851**

Wastewater Treatment **01440**  
52000 Purchased Services \$ 89,790  
54000 Supplies & Materials 2,000  
**TOTAL** **\$ 91,790**

Other Public Works **01499**  
54000 Motor Vehicle Fuels \$ 115,000  
**TOTAL** **\$ 115,000**

Board of Health **01512**  
51000 Personal Services \$ 136,233  
52000 Purchased Services 6,600  
54000 Supplies & Materials 800  
57000 Other Expenses 1,100  
**TOTAL** **\$ 144,733**

Council on Aging **01541**  
51000 Personal Services \$ 171,492  
52000 Purchased Services 47,700  
54000 Supplies & Materials 10,000  
57000 Other Expenses 1,200  
**TOTAL** **\$ 230,392**

Youth Services **01542**  
51000 Personal Services \$ 117,756  
52000 Purchased Services 6,350  
54000 Supplies & Materials 1,000  
57000 Other Expenses 3,000  
**TOTAL** **\$ 128,106**

Veterans' Services **01543**  
51000 Personal Services \$ 0  
52000 Purchased Services 0  
54000 Supplies & Materials 1,300  
56000 Intergovernmental 42,353  
57000 Benefits 25,000  
**TOTAL** **\$ 68,653**

Library **01610**

51000 Personal Services	\$ 344,699
52000 Purchased Services	75,163
54000 Supplies & Materials	87,555
57000 Other Expenses	300
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 507,717</b>

<b>Park Commission 01650</b>	
51000 Personal Services	\$ 124,218
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 124,218</b>

<b>Celebrations 01692</b>	
54000 Supplies & Materials	\$ 2,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 2,000</b>

<b>Debt Service 01710</b>	
52000 Purchased Services	\$ 4,012
57600 Debt Service	5,294,857
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 5,298,869</b>

<b>County Retirement 01911</b>	
51000 Benefits	\$ 2,010,385
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 2,010,385</b>

<b>Workers' Compensation 01912</b>	
51000 Benefits	\$ 281,947
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 281,947</b>

<b>Unemployment 01913</b>	
51000 Benefits	\$ 50,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 50,000</b>

<b>Employee Benefits 01914</b>	
51750 Insurance	\$ 5,767,481
51790 Benefits	1,602,875
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 7,370,356</b>

<b>Liability Insurance 01945</b>	
57000 Other Expenses	\$ 275,572
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 275,572</b>

<b>Dept. of Public Works Water 61450</b>	
51000 Personal Services	\$ 844,466
52000 Purchased Services	464,500
54000 Supplies & Materials	268,500
56000 Intergovernmental	3,600
57000 Other Expenses	9,000
58000 Capital Outlay	15,000
57000 Debt Service	705,326
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$2,310,392</b>

## SECONDED

**DISCUSSION:** John Varrell, 928 Washington St., asked how much of the Public Buildings budget is going towards 1750 Washington St, and is that building being fully utilized. Jay Marsden, 32 Wendy Ln, stated that there are 3 Departments housed in the building. Mark Frank, Park Director explained that most of their programs are in the back of the building and they ask that people park in the back.

John Varrell, 928 Washington St., asked the School Committee if this budget had an increase for Substitute Teachers, because there seems to be a shortage of Substitutes. Stacey Raffi, 20 Arthur St., said this is a State wide problem and Holliston is doing its best to obtain Substitute Teachers. Tom Chipman, 116 Stagecoach Rd., asked why the Town still wasn't using LED Lighting for our Street lights. Mr. Marsden responded that it is on the Town's list for future improvements with the Green Communities Plan. It has not been done at this time due to the expense of the initial outlay.

**VOTE:** As read each article was voted on and passed by at least majority voice vote to accept the Motions in Article 15 as read.

**ARTICLE 16.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money for the Capital Expenditure Fund; or take any action relative thereto.

**MOTION:** Move to raise and appropriate \$1,750,000 for the Capital Expenditure Fund.

**SECONDED**

**DISCUSSION:** None

**VOTE:** Unanimously passed by voice call vote to accept Article 16, as stated in the motion.

**ARTICLE 17.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds, or borrow a sum of money for the purpose of capital expenditures, including replacement and new vehicles and equipment, for the Schools, Board of Selectmen, Town Clerk, Fire and Public Works Departments (Highway/Water Departments), and authorize the Board of Selectmen to trade or sell used equipment toward part of the purchase price; or take any action relative thereto. **(Board of Selectmen)**

<b>Department</b>	<b>Item/Activity</b>	<b>Estimated Cost</b>
DPW	1 Dump Truck	\$142,000
Town Clerk	Records Management System	\$26,400
Selectmen	Replace Town Hall Front Doors	\$23,000
Schools	Chromebooks	\$165,000
Schools	Networking Infrastructure	\$32,583
Schools	Kamitian Field Visitor's Bleachers	\$50,000
Schools	Placentino/Miller Parking Lot Repairs	\$25,000
Schools	Wheelchair Bus/Van	\$55,000
Schools	Curriculum Materials for Elementary Pilot	\$40,000
Schools	Exterior Security Camera System	\$100,000
Selectmen	Trash and Recycling Carts	\$302,500
Fire Department	Modifications to municipal fire alarm system	\$25,000

**MOTION:** Moved that the Town vote to appropriate \$961,483 from the Capital Expenditure Fund to fund the purchase of those items outlined in the Article.

**SECONDED**

**DISCUSSION:** Lixy Carey, 37 Green St., asked about the Trash and Recycling Carts, Mr. Marsden stated that they are for the new Trash System.

**VOTE:** Unanimously passed by voice call vote to accept Article 17, as stated in the motion.

**ARTICLE 18.** To see if the Town will vote to act on the report of the Community Preservation Committee on the fiscal year 2020 community preservation budget and to appropriate or reserve for later appropriation monies from Community Preservation Fund annual revenues or available funds for the administrative expenses of the Community Preservation Committee, the payment of debt service, the undertaking of community preservation projects and all other necessary and proper expenses for the year; or take any action relative thereto.  
**(Community Preservation Committee)**

Reserves

Community Housing Reserve	\$ 65,900
Open Space Reserve	\$ 65,900
Historic Resources Reserve	\$ 65,900

Appropriations

Administrative Functions to support the Committee	\$8,000
Lake Winthrop Beach Erosion	\$40,000

**MOTION:** Moved to (1) appropriate annual Community Preservation reserves as printed in the Warrant; (2) appropriate \$40,000 from Community Preservation General Revenue to assist the Parks and Recreation Department for Lake Winthrop Erosion remediation; and (3) appropriate \$8,000 from the Community Preservation Fund General Reserve to support the administrative functions of the Community Preservation Committee for the Town of Holliston, for expenses incurred in fiscal 2020.

**SECONDED**

**DISCUSSION:** None

**VOTE:** Unanimously passed by voice call vote to accept Article 18, as stated in the motion.

**ARTICLE 19.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money for the Stabilization Fund; or take any action relative thereto.  
**(Board of Selectmen)**

**MOTION:** Moved that the Town vote to indefinitely postpone this Article.



**SECONDED**

**DISCUSSION:** None

**VOTE:** Unanimously passed by voice call vote to Indefinitely Postpone Article 19, as stated in the motion.

**ARTICLE 20.** To see if the Town will vote to amend the Agreement among the towns of Ashland, Holliston, Hopkinton, Natick and the City of Framingham, with respect to Establishment of a Regional Vocational School District to incorporate prior amendments to said Agreement, to eliminate outdated provisions, to recognize Framingham's change from a town to a city form of government, and to bring said agreement into alignment with the District's existing practices; or take any action relative thereto. **(Board of Selectmen)**

**MOTION:** Moved that the Article be approved as it is printed in the Warrant, in accordance with the amendments on file with the Town Clerk.

**SECONDED**

**DISCUSSION:** None

**VOTE:** Unanimously passed by voice call vote to accept Article 20, as stated in the motion.

**ARTICLE 21.** To see if the Town will vote to transfer from Water Retained Earnings \$600,000 to 330450-58065 Water Treatment Plant, for the purposes of planning, permitting, and design engineering for the Water Treatment Plant to be located off 784 Central Street, or take any action relative thereto. **(Board of Selectmen)**

**MOTION:** Moved that the Town vote to transfer \$600,000 from Water Retained earnings to account number 330450-58065 "Water Treatment Plant."

**SECONDED**

**DISCUSSION:** Bruce Wood, 128 Dalton Rd., stated that last year we appropriated some money for improvements to well 5, he would like to know how this relates to that and whether it will solve the discolored water issue. Ken Szajda, 676 Fiske St., explained that last year we authorized the project and the borrowing for well 5, this is part one of the project, the design plan and engineering, and the \$600,000 is that much less of the \$8 Million we will have to borrow.

**VOTE:** Unanimously passed by voice call vote to accept Article 21, as stated in the motion.

**ARTICLE 22.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds \$10,000 to fund a consultant who will determine what the services and facility needs will be for the Holliston Public Library, and needs for the next twenty (20) years, including but not limited to surveys, focus groups, an assessment of the current building and a vision of what the Library should be doing in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century, or take any action relative thereto.  
**(Board of Library Trustees)**

**MOTION:** Moved that the Town vote to raise and appropriate \$10,000 for the purposes of hiring a library planning consultant.

**SECONDED**

**DISCUSSION:** John Cronin, 40 Holly Ln., asked why there wasn't an abstention on the vote from the Finance Committee. Mr. Szajda explained that there was, but it was omitted from the Finance Committee Report. Matt Coletti, 31 Summitpointe Dr., asked for some clarification or insight on the criteria, qualifications, licensure and bid process. Leslie McDonnell, Library Director, explained that we would go out to bid, and that she has interviewed 3 consultants from the Mass. Board of Library Commissioners. This consultant would map out the next 20 years and what type of improvements we could make.

**VOTE:** Unanimously passed by voice call vote to accept Article 22, as stated in the motion.

**ARTICLE 23.** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen as permitted with the Board of Health and the Conservation Commission in conjunction with the Board of Health to enter into a twenty year Lease Agreement and PILOT Agreement and/or Contract for the reuse of the former landfill off Marshall Street for the purposes of siting a solar field, or take any action relative thereto. **(Board of Selectmen)**

**MOTION:** Moved that the Article be approved as it is printed in the Warrant.

**SECONDED**

**DISCUSSION:** Liz Newlands, 40 Spring St., would like to know what happens to the infrastructure when the 20 year lease is over. Jay Marsden, 32 Wendy Ln., said that the infrastructure will be removed and the site would be returned to its original condition.

**VOTE:** Unanimously passed by voice call vote to accept Article 23, as stated in the motion.

**ARTICLE 24.** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to accept certain easements in land situated at 81 Railroad Street, owner F. D. Realty Trust, and shown on a plan entitled "Conceptual Trail Easement & Parking Layout Upper Charles Trail Blair Square," in Holliston, Massachusetts. Scale 1"=20', dated December 18, 2018, prepared by GLM Engineering Consultants, Inc. more particularly bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at the easterly side of Casey's closest to Central Street 7.75 feet wide and 131.07 feet long; and at the westerly side of Casey's closest to Church Street 7.75 feet wide and 115.13 feet long; or take any action relative thereto. **(Board of Selectmen)**

**MOTION:** Moved that this Article be approved as it is printed in the Warrant.

**SECONDED**

**DISCUSSION:** None

**VOTE:** Unanimously passed by voice call vote to accept Article 24, as stated in the motion.

**ARTICLE 25.** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from available funds a sum of money in anticipation of grant funds to make improvements to Blair Square including but not limited to parking, signage, drainage and fencing, or take any action relative thereto.

**(Board of Selectmen)**

**MOTION:** Move to appropriate \$92,122 in fiscal 2020 from the Community Preservation Fund Open Space Reserve for funding for the construction of the remaining 400' of the Upper Charles Trail in Holliston and 21 parking spaces adjacent to the trail in the area between Central, Railroad and Church Streets, with this vote being contingent upon the Town making application for an equivalent amount for the same purpose under the 2019 Mass Trails Grant Program, with CPA funding approved hereunder offset on a 1:1 basis by any grant money subsequently received.

**SECONDED**

**DISCUSSION:** None

**VOTE:** Unanimously passed by voice call vote to accept Article 25, as stated in the motion.

**ARTICLE 26.** To see if Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds \$1,000 for the ongoing repair and maintenance of the Upper Charles River Rail Trail, or take any action relative thereto. **(Board of Selectmen)**

**MOTION:** Moved that the Town vote to raise and appropriate \$1,000 for the purposes of maintaining the Upper Charles River Rail Trail.

**SECONDED**

**DISCUSSION:** None

**VOTE:** Unanimously passed by voice call vote to accept Article 26, as stated in the motion.

**ARTICLE 27.** To see if the Town will vote to adopt the provisions of Massachusetts General Law, Chapter 90, Section 17C & 18B to allow the Board of Selectmen, to set speed limits of 20 mph or 25 mph, on a street-by-street basis in areas defined by state law as “thickly settled or business districts,” which are not on a state highway, or take any action relative thereto.

**(Board of Selectmen)**

**MOTION:** Moved that this Article be approved as it is printed in the Warrant.

## **SECONDED**

**DISCUSSION:** John Varrell, 928 Washington St., asked if we could make speed Limit changes to the State parts of the roads. Mr. Marsden, replied that the Town was not permitted to do that. Tina Hein, 142 Union St., made a plea to the Town in favor of this.

**VOTE:** Unanimously passed by voice call vote to accept Article 27, as stated in the motion.

**ARTICLE 28.** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to petition the General Court for Special Legislation entitled “Town of Holliston Economic Development Funding Program” Authorizing the Town of Holliston to establish a privately sourced fund for the purpose of creating economic development tools and activities, including but not limited private grant and private loan authorities, and to further authorize the Holliston Economic Development Committee to adopt rules and regulations for the management, acceptance and distribution of funds under the Act; or take any action relative thereto. **(Board of Selectmen/Economic Development Committee)**

Said Legislation to read as follows:

### **An Act Creating the Town of Holliston Economic Development Funding Program**

Be it enacted by the Senate and the House of Representatives, in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same as follows, provided however, that the General Court may make clerical or editorial changes of form only to the bill, unless the Board of Selectmen approve amendments to the bill before enactment by the General Court, and provided further that the Board of Selectmen is hereby authorized to approve amendments which shall be within the scope of the general objectives of this petition.

### **Town of Holliston Economic Development Funding Program**

It is hereby established in the Town of Holliston an Economic Development Funding Program which will create a private grant fund from which individuals or businesses may apply to borrow privately sourced funds in the form of a loan or receive grants in the form of a gift for use on private property and notwithstanding any other law to the contrary, the Town of Holliston shall be permitted as herein set forth create an Economic Development Funding Program for the purposes set forth below and administered and carried out in accordance herewith.

- I. **Purpose:** The overall purpose in the Town of Holliston Economic Development Funding Program ("Program") shall be to provide assistance to private businesses and individuals in order to encourage and facilitate economic development for the benefit of the public welfare, including creation of jobs, the improvement and enhancement of buildings and infrastructure and to increase the value of the real estate and general tax base.
- II. **Administration:** The Program shall be administered by the Holliston Economic Development Committee, which shall adopt rules and regulations, following at least a fourteen (14) day notice and a public hearing. Said rules and regulations shall establish the qualifications for receipt of a loan, grant, gift, operations, administration and other matters necessary to implement and carry out the Program.
- III. **Funding:** The Town shall not be required to appropriate funds to support the Program though the Board of Selectmen may be permitted to accept private gifts of funds to support the Program to be held in a special revenue account for the benefit of the Program. The Economic Development Committee, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, may be permitted to establish sub-categories within the special revenue account for a particular purpose established hereunder. All revenues received from any loan made under the Program, including repayment of loan proceeds, shall be held year to year in the special revenue account and all interest attributable thereto shall be credited to said account.
- IV. **Programs:** The Economic Development Committee, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, may establish programs hereunder, through regulation, the purpose of which shall be to benefit the public welfare through private grants or loans toward private business exterior improvements, including but not limited to, sign and façade improvements, leasehold improvements, acquisition of land and buildings, new construction, building renovation, landscape and property improvements, machinery and equipment purchases and soft cost expenses related to real estate development. Funds may not be used for the improvements to or within the interior of the business premises.
- V. **Expenditure:** The Economic Development Committee, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen shall be permitted to solicit, accept and award grants and issue loans to businesses and individuals who qualify and are eligible in accordance with the rules and regulations of the Program to be used on private property. Notwithstanding the foregoing, no such grant or loan shall be made until the Economic Development Committee has adopted rules and regulations as noted in Section II above.
- VI. **Reporting:** The Economic Development Committee shall annually provide a report to the Town including but not limited to, the amount of donations or appropriations received, amount of grants or loans made and to whom, and the balance of the funds of the Program.

**MOTION:** Moved that this Article be approved as it is printed in the Warrant.

**SECONDED**

**DISCUSSION:** Matt Colletti, 32 Summitpointe Dr., stated the official purpose of the Economic Development Committee.

**VOTE:** Passed by voice call vote to accept Article 28, as stated in the motion.

**ARTICLE 29.** To see if the Town will vote to amend the General By-Law Marijuana By-Law which currently reads “XLVII” to read “XLV,” or take any action relative thereto. **(Town Clerk)**

**MOTION:** Moved that the Article be approved as it is printed in the Warrant.

**SECONDED**

**DISCUSSION:** None

**VOTE:** Unanimously passed by voice call vote to accept Article 29, as stated in the motion.

*\*See letter from Planning Board for Articles 30, 31 & 32*

**ARTICLE 30.** To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning By-law by making the following changes to section I-C, Pre-existing Nonconforming Uses, Structures and Lots; or take any action relative thereto

Item 1. In subsection 2.1.2, add the following sentence: “When a special permit is granted pursuant to this subsection 2, no use variance shall be required.”

Item 2. In subsection 3.2, delete the words “shall also require the issuance of a dimensional variance” and substitute “shall require the issuance of a special permit.”

Item 3. In subsection 3.3, delete the words “the nonconforming nature” and substitute “the gross floor area.”

Item 4. In subsection 3.3.1.4, add the following highlighted words at the end of the sentence: When an existing residence does not meet the required side yard setback, an addition may be constructed on the same line as the existing residence, **so long as such addition does not result in any new nonconformity or exacerbate any existing nonconformity.**

Item 5. In subsection 3.4, delete the words “two years” and substitute “three years.”

Item 6. In subsection 3.5.1, delete the words “two years” and substitute “three years.”

Item 7. In subsection 3.5.1.2, delete the words “in volume or area” and substitute the words “in gross floor area.”

Item 8. In subsection 3.5.1.3, delete the words “in volume or area” and substitute the words “in gross floor area.”

Item 9. In Section I-C, delete the words “six months” and substitute “twelve months.”

Item 10. In Section VI-E, Special Permit Granting Authority, add the following new subsection:

6. Lapse. A special permit shall lapse three (3) years from the grant thereof, which shall not include such time required to pursue or await the determination of an appeal referred to in G.L. c. 40A, s. 17, if a substantial use thereof has not sooner commenced except for good cause or, in the case of permit for construction, if construction has not begun by such date except for good, or take any action relative thereto. **(Planning Board)**

**MOTION:** Moved that this Article be approved as it is printed in the Warrant.

## **SECONDED**

**DISCUSSION:** Ken Szajda, 676 Fiske St., asked that in the future if the Planning Board could elaborate on the small one word changes being made to the by-laws. Karen Langton, 100 Woodland St. made a slide presentation, explaining that these changes were discussed with the Planning Board, Town Counsel and in line with Mass General Law. Chris Canney, Building Inspector gave a summary of the changes along with the slides. A Motion was made and seconded to permit the Moderator to declare a 2/3 vote by voice call, the motion was unanimously voted in favor.

**VOTE:** Unanimously passed by voice call vote to accept Article 30, as stated in the motion.

**ARTICLE 31.** To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning By-law by making the following miscellaneous changes:

**Item 1. In Section IV-A, General Requirements (Intensity Regulations), delete the word “Reserved” from subsection IV-A.4 and substitute the following:**

On all corner lots, between the sidelines of the intersecting streets and a straight line joining points on such sidelines ten (10) feet distant from their point of intersection or, in the case of a rounded corner, a straight line joining the points of intersection of their tangents, no building or structure may be erected and no vegetation may be maintained three (3) feet above the plane through their curb grades.

**Item 2. In Section V-A, delete sentences 5-9, and move to new Section V-R WIND ENERGY SYSTEMS, as follows:**

The construction and operation of all wind energy systems shall be consistent with all local, state and federal requirements, including but not limited to all applicable safety, construction, environmental, electrical, communications and FAA aviation requirements. The Inspector of Buildings shall be supplied with appropriate plot plans and engineering data to determine compliance. Wind energy systems shall be allowed to exceed the height limitations of principal

structures by up to three times if a fall zone equivalent to the tower height is provided on-site. They shall be prohibited in the Village Residential, Village Center Commercial and Commercial zoning districts unless authorized by a Special Permit from the Special Permit Granting Authority (SPGA). The SPGA shall utilize the criteria of Section V-O(4)(a) to guide its findings on such applications.

**Item 3. In Section V-B, Exterior Signs, add the following new subsection:**

**5. Special Permit.** The SPGA may grant a special permit for on-premises larger signs or additional on-premises signs, provided that no substantial detriment shall result to the neighborhood or the Town.

**Item 4. In Section V-C, Off-Street Parking, add the following new entries to subsection 2, renumbering subsection “2.h” to subsection “2.j”:**

- h. Business or professional office: one parking space per 250 square feet of gross floor area.
- i. Medical office or clinic: one parking space per 200 square feet of gross floor area.

**Item 5. In Section V-C, Off-Street Parking, add the following new subsection:**

**4. Special Permit.** The Planning Board may, by special permit, reduce the requirements of this Section if specific site or public safety considerations warrant such a reduction and no substantial detriment shall result.

**Item 6. Amend Section V-N.4 Noise in its entirety and substitute the following therefor:**

4. Noise. No use shall be permitted within the town of Holliston which, by reason of excessive noise generated therefrom, would cause nuisance or hazard to persons or property. Exempt from the provisions of this subsection are (a) vehicles not controlled by an owner or occupant of a lot within the town, (b) temporary construction activities occurring during the hours of 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. on weekdays **and 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Saturday**, (c) occasionally used safety signals, warning devices, emergency pressure relief valves, or other such temporary activity, (d) use of power tools and equipment such as lawn mowers, snow blowers, chainsaws, tractors, and similar equipment for the maintenance of property between the hours of 7 a.m. and 8 p.m. on weekdays and 8 a.m. and 6 p.m. on weekends. For the purposes of this by-law the standards in the following table shall apply:

a. ~~Noise Standards:~~

~~Table E-1~~

~~For Sounds Generated Continuously~~

~~From any Source Not Otherwise~~ ~~Maximum Permitted Sound~~

~~Exempted Above, and Measured~~ ~~Levels (in dBA\*)~~

~~(a) At or beyond the lot line of an adjacent or nearby residence~~ ~~60~~

~~or institutional use, weekdays during the hours of 7a.m. to 6p.m.~~

~~(b) At or beyond the lot line of an adjacent or nearby residence~~

~~or institutional use, Sundays or during the hours of 6 p.m. to~~



7 a.m. weekdays	50
(c) At or beyond the lot line of an adjacent business use	65
(d) At or beyond the lot line of an adjacent industrial use	70

\*dBA shall mean the A-weighted sound pressure levels in decibels, as measured by a general purpose sound level meter complying with the provision of "American National Standards Institute." The instrument shall be properly calibrated and set to the A-weighted response scale, and the meter set to the slow response. Reference pressure shall be 0.0002 microbars.

- b. ~~Exceptions for Intermittent Noise. The levels (dBA) specified in Table 1 may be exceeded by ten (10) dBA, weekdays during the hours of 7 a.m. to 6 p.m., but not at any other time, for a period not to exceed twenty (20) minutes during any one (1) day.~~
- e. ~~Impact Noise. Impact noise such as from a punch press, drop forge hammer, or similar equipment, shall be measured using the fast response of the sound level meter, and shall not exceed the levels specified in Table 1 by more than ten (10) dBA.~~

**Ambient Noise Level.** No person shall operate or cause to be operated any source of sound in a manner that creates a sound level of 10 dBA above ambient, as set forth in 310 CMR 7.10, measured at the property boundary of the receiving land use nor shall any source produce a pure-tone condition at the property line (or at the nearest inhabited buildings). A pure tone condition exists if the sound pressure level, at any given octave band center frequency, exceeds the levels of the two adjacent octave bands by three (3) or more decibels. See <http://www.airandnoise.com/MA310CMR710.html> as may be updated by the Mass. DEP; or take any action relative thereto.  
(Planning Board)

**MOTION:** Moved that this Article be approved as it is printed in the Warrant.

## **SECONDED**

**DISCUSSION:** A Motion was made and seconded to permit the Moderator to declare a 2/3 vote by voice call, the motion was unanimously voted in favor.

**VOTE:** Unanimously passed by voice call vote to accept Article 31, as stated in the motion.

**ARTICLE 32.** To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning By-law by making the following changes to Section I-E, Definitions; or take any action relative thereto.

### **Item 1. Add a new definition of "Building Height" as follows:**

The height of a building shall be measured as the vertical distance from the mean ground level of each side of the building to either the highest point of the exterior in the case of a flat roof or to the peak of the roof in the case of a pitched roof. Chimneys, spires, towers, and other projections not used for human occupancy or storage may extend above the height limits herein fixed except for non-residential structures and wind turbine facilities, which can only exceed the maximum height requirement by special permit granted by the SPGA.

### **Item 2. Add a new definition of "Maximum Percentage of Coverage" as follows:**

The Maximum Percentage of Coverage shall mean coverage of the lot by buildings, structures, and accessory structures only, and shall not include coverage by other impervious surfaces.

**Item 3. Add a new definition of "Setback" as follows:**

The required distance of any building or structure to a front, rear, or side lot line. The Setback shall be measured from the lot line to the closest point of any building or structure, excluding the eave; provided, however, that where the eave is greater than two (2) feet in width, the Setback shall be measured to the eave, or take any action relative thereto.

**(Planning Board)**

**MOTION:** Moved that this Article be approved as it is printed in the Warrant.

**SECONDED**

**DISCUSSION:** A Motion was made and seconded to permit the Moderator to declare a 2/3 vote by voice call, the motion was unanimously voted in favor.

**VOTE:** Unanimously passed by voice call vote to accept Article 32, as stated in the motion.

**ARTICLE 33:** "To see if the Town will vote to direct the Board of Selectmen to create the Regular Part-Time position of Sustainability Coordinator and to appoint a Sustainability Coordinator; and, further to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds appropriate compensation for this position. The Board of Selectmen shall fix the Sustainability Coordinator's compensation in a manner consistent with the Personnel Bylaw and related plan and within the amount annually appropriated for that purpose," or take any action relative thereto. **(Petition)**

**MOTION:** Moved that Town Meeting recommend that the Board of Selectmen create the regular Part-time position of Sustainability Coordinator, and, further, to work with the Finance Committee to identify funds to provide compensation for this position. The Board of Selectmen shall fix the Sustainability Coordinator's compensation in a manner consistent with the Personnel By-law.

**SECONDED**

**DISCUSSION:** Jason Dionne, 129 Locust St., gave Town Meeting an overview of why we need a Sustainability Coordinator and what the position entails. He stated the position would cost Holliston \$40,000 and the coordinator would be responsible for: Assisting in the reduction of current energy use and help transition into renewable energy sources; Securing grants and incentives; Develop outreach programs to engage the public, town departments and the schools. John Cronin, 40 Holly Ln., applauds this group on their efforts, and would also like to see if we could obtain a grant for initial funding. Marcia Holman, 51 Carl Rd., would like to know where this position would fall in the salary/step program because they would start at \$38/hr. Mr. Nickel responded that it would be a \$30,000 position with benefits, bringing the cost up to \$40,000.

Ken Szajda, 676 Fiske St., stated that the Finance Committee supports this Article/Motion as presented. Walter McClennen, 432 Fiske St., made a Motion to Indefinitely Postpone Article 33, it was seconded. Mr. McClennen feels it is premature in terms of presentation to the Town. His concern is the statement "studies show" without giving the Town the opportunity to see the studies. He would like to see this coming from the Selectmen after they have given it due consideration. Matt Coletti, 31 Summitpointe Dr., likes this concept, but agrees this is premature, in that he would like to see more financial projections from the other communities who have this position. Lesley Dooley, 28 Summer St., is opposed to postponing this article due to the latest report from the UN about Climate Change. The Motion to Indefinitely Postpone Article 13 was defeated by voice vote.

**VOTE:** Passed by voice call vote to accept Article 33, as stated in the motion.

**ARTICLE 34:** To see if the Town will vote to grant a full off premises liquor license to Crafted. (**Petition**)

**MOTION:** Moved to see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to petition the State Legislature on behalf of *Crafted*, for one additional Off Premise license for sale of all alcoholic beverages.

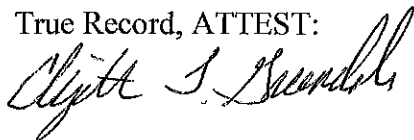
#### **SECONDED**

**DISCUSSION:** Ken Szajda, 676 Fiske St., asked Town Counsel if this was a binding article, Mr. Tallerman's response was that it would be only advisory. Sam Tyler, 353 Chamberlain St., thought the wording wasn't clear that the Selectmen could decide to move forward with this at their discretion. Kathy Pennypacker, 68 Pilgrim Rd., asked why this was before Town Meeting and not a Board of Selectmen issue. Jay Marsden, 32 Wendy Lane, responded that the petitioner did not come before their Board prior to submitting the Petition, and once a Petition is received and signatures are verified the Petition must go on the Warrant. Mr. Tallerman followed up with the fact that Town Meeting is required to approve this as well.

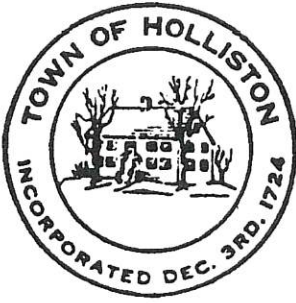
**VOTE:** Passed by voice call vote to accept Article 34, as stated in the motion.

The Meeting was adjourned at 10:46 PM.

True Record, ATTEST:



Elizabeth Turner Greendale, CMC/CMMC  
Town Clerk



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c/o Liz Greendale, Town Clerk  
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RE: Planning Board Report  
Articles 30, 31, and 32 – Zoning By-Law Amendment

With regard to the proposed amendments to the Zoning By-Laws at Sections I-C Pre-Existing Non-Conforming Uses, Structures and Lots and VI-E Special Permit Granting Authority (Article 30), Sections IV-A General Requirements, V-B Exterior Signs, V-C Off-Street Parking, V-N Performance Standards, and V-R Wind Energy Systems (Article 31) and Section I-E Definitions (Article 32), I would respectfully report that the Planning Board held a public hearing as required by MGL, c. 40A, s. 5 on April 4, 2018. The members voted 5-0 to recommend support of the proposed article as printed in the Warrant.

If you should have any questions regarding this matter, Board members will be present at Town Meeting.

Sincerely,

David Thorn  
Chairman

cc Liz Greendale, Town Clerk