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## TOWN OF HOLLISTON ANNUAL TOWN MEETING July 20, 2020

The Holliston Annual Town Meeting of July 20, 2020 (postponed from, May 4, 2020, due to the COVID 19 Pandemic) was held at the Placentino/Miller Cafetorium and was brought to order by Moderator, William Mayer at 7:40 PM, with a quorum of 100 and growing.

Prior to the start of regular business, the Moderator read the warrant and 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:

Travis Ahern Town Administrator

Peter Botelho Assistant Superintendent of Schools

Mary Bousquet Treasurer/Collector

Daniel Brown Special Labor Counsel
Ryan Clapp Conservation Agent

Sharon Emerick Town Accountant

Jonathan Evans Keefe Tech Superintendent-Director

Mark Frank Parks & Recreation Director
Susan Kustka Interim Superintendent of Schools

Daniel MacLeod HPS Director of Technology & Digital Learning

Leslie McDonnell Library Director

Linda Marshall Senior Center Director
Christopher Meo Technology Director
Scott Moles Health Director/Agent

Stacey Ober American Kennel Club Community Outreach Coordinator

Kathryn Peirce Principal Assessor
Sean Reese DPW Director

Dolores Sharek Keefe Tech Dir of Finance and Business Operations

Karen Sherman Town Planner
Matthew Stone Police Chief
Jason Talerman Town Counsel

Dona Walsh Animal Control Officer

Jaclyn Winer

Director of Youth and Family Services

## **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, 2019, be accepted.

## **SECONDED**

**DISCUSSION:** John Cronin, 40 Holly Ln., gave an update on the State of the Town.

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

#### CONSENT AGENDA

SUGGESTED EXPLANATION: In order to expedite the consideration of routine items, Articles 3, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 and 14 will be considered for approval in a single vote, without debate. The Moderator will read each article's number and title and if seven members of the Meeting rise to say "hold", the item will be removed so that it may be debated in the normal course. The remaining articles will be considered individually as printed in the Warrant.

ARTICLE 3: AUTHORIZE TREASURER/COLLECTOR TO SELL FORECLOSED TAX TITLE PROPERTIES

ARTICLE 6: AUTHORIZE THE SELECT BOARD TO SELL SURPLUS EQUIPMENT

ARTICLE 7: AUTHORIZATION TO EXPEND CHAPTER 90 (STATE AID FOR HIGHWAYS PROGRAM)

ARTICLE 8: AMEND INTEREST RATE PER ANNUM

ARTICLE 9: AMEND INCOME REQUIREMENTS

ARTICLE 10: REVOLVING FUND SPENDING LIMITS

ARTICLE 14: COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE

**MOTION**: Move to approve the articles in the Consent Agenda, as those articles are printed in the Warrant.

#### **SECONDED**

**DISCUSSION:** None

VOTE: Unanimously passed by voice call vote to accept the Consent Agenda 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 Select Board, 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. (Select Board)

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

#### CONSENT AGENDA

**ARTICLE 4.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds for the purposes of fixing the salaries and compensation of all elected officers of the Town effective July 1, 2020, which salaries and compensation are printed below.

COMPENSATION SCHEDULE – ELECTED OFFICIALS	FY2020	FY2021
Board of Assessors	\$7,500	\$7,500
Select Board	\$175	\$175
Town Clerk (Salary)	\$69,519	\$77,917
Town Clerk (FY21 Salary Adjustment which shall sunset effective	re June 30, 2021)	\$6,798

or take any action relative thereto. (Select Board)

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

## **SECONDED**

DISCUSSION: Ken Szajda, 676 Fiske St., made a motion to amend Article 4.

**MOTION TO AMEND**: Reducing the compensation amount for the Board of Assessors and the Select Board to \$1.00 per member

## **SECONDED**

DISCUSSION: Mary Greendale, 198 Highland St., agrees that the stipends should be looked at and possibly reconsidered, but feels that the Finance Committee should have spoken to the members of the affected Boards before making this recommendation. She compared it to taking a salary away from an employee and there should be a process to be followed. Tina Hein, 142 Union St., feels there should have been a process for this, and urges Town Meeting to vote against this amendment. Mr. Szajda, said that the Finance Committee was looking at the \$7,500 to balance the budget, and that they had a meeting with the Board of Assessors. Pam Zicko, 180 Fiske St., agrees that this should be brought up at a later date once the proper procedure has been followed. Jay Marsden, 32 Wendy Ln., is in favor of this amendment, and suggests a level playing field to then be discussed next year.

**VOTE ON AMENDMENT:** Failed by hand count vote.

Yes: 36 No: 58

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

**ARTICLE 5.** To see if the Town will vote to amend the Consolidated Personnel By-law Section 29, Job and Wage Classification Plan, by reflecting those revisions, deletions and/or additions to be effective as of July 1, 2020; or take any action relative thereto. **(Select Board)** 

# Job and Wage Classification Plan (Full and Part-Time Employees)

POSITION			Grade	POSITION			Grade
Administrative							
Assessor			400	Custodian			100
Assistant C			200	Dispatcher		200	
-	Senior Cente		400	•	Head Dispatcher		400
	irector, Libra	•	500	Head of Cir	culation, Libr	ary	400
•	Recreation D	irector	400	Library Pag	Library Page		50
Assistant, Town							
Clerk			400	Matron, Po			100
•	Treasurer/Co	llector	400	Outreach C			400
Cataloger,	•		300	Principal Cl			300
Children's I			400	Program Co			200
Crossing G			100	Reference L	.ibrarian		400
	rsion/Comm	unity					
Therapist			500	Technician,	Library		100
				Van Driver			100
GRADE	STEP 1	STEP 2	STEP 3	STEP 4	STEP 5	STEP 6	STEP 7
50	11.43	12.15	12.66	12.98	13.29	13.84	14.12
100	16.96	18.05	18.81	19.27	19.66	20.48	20.92
200	20.13	21.41	22.30	22.85	23.31	24.29	24.81
300	20.76	22.09	23.01	23.56	24.05	25.05	25.58
400	23.90	25.43	26.48	27.13	27.69	28.84	29.46
500	25.93	27.59	28.73	29.44	30.03	31.28	31.97

JOB AND WAGE CLASSIFICATION PLAN-MANAGERIA
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	IVAGE GEASSII I	CATION FEATH-MAIN			
Position		Grade	Position		Grade
Building Inspect	or	M2	Police Chie	Police Chief	
COA Director		M2	Police Lieut	enant	M4
Conservation Ag	gent	M2	Principal As	ssessor	М3
<b>DPW Director</b>		M4	Recreation	Director	M2
Facilities Manag	ger	M3	Town Accor	untant	М3
Fire Chief		M5	Town Admi	nistrator	M6
Health Agent/D	irector	M2	Town Planner		M2
Highway Superi	ntendent	M3	Treasurer/Collector		M4
			Youth & Fa	mily Services	
IT Director		M3	Director		M2
Library Director		M2			
GRADE	MIN	1/3 POINT	MIDPOINT	2/3 POINT	MAX
M2	57,667	67,792	77,917	88,041	98,166
M3	72,549	80,914	89,280	97,645	106,010
M4	91,386	102,144	107,523	112,902	123,660
M5	130,000	142,500	155,000	167,500	180,000
M6	150,000	157,500	165,000	172,500	180,000
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# JOB AND WAGE CLASSIFICATION PLAN-ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT

Administrative Assistant		A2	Office Manager		A1	
GRADE	MIN	1/3 POINT	MIDPOINT	2/3 POINT	MAX	
A1-35 HR/WK	45,721	51,100	53.788	56,478	61,857	
A2-40 HR/WK	57,667	64,420	67,798	71,175	77,928	

# JOB AND WAGE COMPENSATION PLAN-INTERMITTENT AND FIRE DEPARTMENT POSITONS

## **INTERMITTENT RATES**

(Temporary, Seasonal and Per Diem)

Position	Beginning Rate	Each Year Returning	Max Rate
Clerks to the		J	
Boards/Committees	\$18.00	.25 per hour	\$22.00
Per Diem Dispatchers	\$20.00	.25 per hour	\$24.81
Camp Director	\$20.00		\$24.00
Camp Supervisor	\$14.00		\$18.00
Lifeguard Supervisor	\$16.00		\$20.00
Camp Counselors	Minimum Wage	.25 per hour	\$15.00
Life Guards	Minimum Wage plus \$1	.25 per hour	\$15.00
Gate Guards	Minimum Wage	.25 per hour	\$15.00
Clinic Assistants	Minimum Wage	.25 per hour	\$15.00
Program Assistants	Minimum Wage	.25 per hour	\$15.00
Landscaper	Minimum Wage	.25 per hour	\$15.00
Bathroom Cleaners	\$25 per cleaning		
Clinic Counselors	\$25		\$25.00
MultI-Sport Counselor	60% of the clinic revenues		
Recycle Center Supervisor	\$20	.25 per hour	\$24.00
Temporary Clerical Employees	\$18.00	.25 per hour	\$22.00
Temporary DPW Employees	\$15	.25 per hour	\$19.00
	FIREFIGHTERS RATES		
Deputy Chief		Monthly	\$778.75
Captain		Monthly	\$515.75
Lieutenant		Monthly	\$472.25
Firefighter	<b>.</b>	Monthly	\$466.00
Fire-Weekend	Deputy, Captain, Lieutenant	Weekend	\$402.75
Fire-Weekend	Firefighters	Weekend	\$100.00
Fire Hourly	Firefighter	Hourly	\$33.55
	Lieutenant	Hourly	\$34.15
	Captain	Hourly	\$35.75
Tuoinina	Deputy	Hourly	\$38.95
Training		Training	\$75.00

#### Ambulance/EMT

AMB/EMT	First Responder/EMT-Basic	Hourly	\$22.00
AMB/EMT	EMT-Advanced	Hourly	\$23.55
AMB/EMT	EMT-Paramedic	Hourly	\$24.15
EMT/SHIFT STIPEND	First Responder	Shift	\$78.75
	EMT-Basic	Shift	\$84.05
	EMT-Advanced	Shift	\$86.65
	EMT-Paramedic	Shift	\$94.85
Deputy Fire Chief	Deputy/EMS Supervisor	Monthly	\$890.65

**MOTION:** 

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

## **SECONDED**

**DISCUSSION:** Dan Alfred, 315 High St., made a motion to Amend Managerial Salary Ranges, as follows:

## **MOTION TO AMEND:**

M5	117316	131,110	143,687	147,279	161,270
M6	128,827	140,623	148,022	155,421	170,220

DISCUSSION: John Cronin, 40 Holly Ln., said that these current ranges are simply an administrative task, and a housekeeping issue. William Mayer, Moderator, asked if the Finance Committee had a recommendation on this Article and to be mindful of the Open Meeting Law, Mr. Szajda responded that they voted to support Mr. Alfred's amendment. Mr. Cronin noted that the Finance Committee was not posted for a meeting this evening, and asked Town Counsel to evaluate the consensus that the Finance Committee just completed. Mr. Szajda stated that they were not taking a vote he was confirming a vote that was taken earlier in the evening when Town Meeting was convened. Mr. Mayer asked Town Counsel to give an opinion on whether an informal consensus or poll of the Committee is permitted. Jason Talerman, Town Counsel, stated that he believes that Boards and Committees should be posted in order to take votes or deliberate at Town Meeting. Mr. Szajda then stated that the Finance Committee does not have a recommendation on this Article.

**VOTE ON AMENDMENT:** Failed by voice vote.

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

**ARTICLE 6.** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Select Board to hold a public auction for the purpose of disposing of surplus departmental equipment; or take any action relative thereto. (**Select Board**)

**MOTION**: Moved that the Town vote to authorize the Select Board to dispose of surplus equipment, including office equipment, property, and or vehicles during Fiscal Year 2021.

## CONSENT AGENDA

**ARTICLE 7**. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Department of Public Works, with the approval of the Select Board, 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. (**Select Board**)

**MOTION**: Moved that the Department of Public Works with the approval of the Select Board, 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.

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

**ARTICLE 8.** 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, 2020.

## CONSENT AGENDA

**ARTICLE 9.** 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 od 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, 2020.

## CONSENT AGENDA

**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: (Select Board)

Revolving Fund Wetlands Filing Fee	Spending Limit \$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 pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 53E1/2.

## CONSENT AGENDA

ARTICLE 11. 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 Select Board 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 that the Town raise and appropriate \$60,941,576, appropriate \$400,000 from the stabilization fund, appropriate \$2,279,115 from the Water Enterprise Fund, and appropriate \$112,000 from fiscal year 2020 Free Cash 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, with all departmental expenses reflected in the 'recommended' column of the Omnibus Budget as presented in the Report of the Finance Committee; **CONTINGENT UPON ARTICLE 4**: further to raise and appropriate an additional \$7500 for line item 51000 – Board of Assessors Personal Services.

Select Board 01122 51000 Personal Services 52000 Purchased Services 54000 Supplies & Materials 57000 Other Expenses	\$289,855 56,000 300 5,700
TOTAL	\$351,855
Finance Committee 01131 51000 Personal Services 54000 Supplies & Materials 57000 Other Expenses TOTAL	\$ 1,220 50 255 <b>\$ 1,525</b>
Other Financial Administration 57810 Reserve for Transfers <b>TOTAL</b>	01132 \$ 600,000 \$600,000
Town Accountant 01134 51000 Personal Services 52000 Purchased Services 54000 Supplies & Materials 57000 Other Expenses TOTAL	140,363 33,075 550 700 \$17 <b>4,688</b>
Board of Assessors 01141 51000 Personal Services 52000 Purchased Services 54000 Supplies & Materials 57000 Other Expenses TOTAL	\$207,259 21,804 1,000 2,900 \$232,963
Treasurer/Collector 01145 51000 Personal Services 52000 Purchased Services 54000 Supplies & Materials 57000 Other Expenses TOTAL	\$ 328,130 53,298 5,000 3,500 \$ 389,928
Technology 01155 51000 Personal Services 52000 Purchased Services 54000 Supplies & Materials 58000 Capital TOTAL	\$ 97,645 5,025 200 46,226 \$ 149,096
Town Clerk 01161 51000 Personal Services 52000 Purchased Services 54000 Supplies & Materials 57000 Other Expenses	\$ 161,984 5,280 920 3,313

TOTAL		\$ 171,497
Elections 01162 51000 Personal Services 52000 Purchased Services 54000 Supplies & Materials TOTAL		\$ 28,619 4,650 5,665 \$ 38,934
Conservation Commission 51000 Personal Services 52000 Purchased Services 54000 Supplies & Materials 57000 Other Expenses TOTAL	01171	\$ 50,459 2,550 204 1,223 \$ 54,436
Planning Board 01175 51000 Personal Services 52000 Purchased Services 54000 Supplies & Materials 57000 Other Expenses TOTAL		\$ 92,312 2,900 250 500 \$ <b>95,962</b>
Zoning Board of Appeals 51000 Personal Services 52000 Purchased Services 54000 Supplies & Materials 57000 Other Expenses TOTAL	01176	\$ 6,520 4,028 150 225 \$ 10,923
Economic Development 51000 Personal Services 52000 Purchased Services 54000 Supplies & Materials TOTAL	01182	\$ 0 13,867 200 <b>\$ 14,067</b>
Public Buildings 01192 51000 Personal Services 52000 Purchased Services 54000 Supplies & Materials TOTAL		\$ 0 280,850 1,750 \$ <b>282,600</b>
Sustainability Coordinator 52000 Purchased Services <b>TOTAL</b>	01999	\$50,000 <b>\$50,000</b>
Police Department 01210 51000 Personal Services 52000 Purchased Services 54000 Supplies & Materials 57000 Other Expenses 58000 Capital Outlay TOTAL		\$2,877,004 99,710 17,410 22,230 1,435 \$3,017,789
Auxiliary Police 01211 52000 Purchased Services 54000 Supplies & Materials 57000 Other Expenses TOTAL		\$ 190 7,364 6,210 \$ 13,764
Fire Department 01220 51000 Personal Services		\$765,918

52000 Purchased Services 54000 Supplies & Materials 57000 Other Expenses 58000 Capital Outlay TOTAL	79,528 12,000 5,250 13,108 \$875,804
Ambulance 01231 51000 Personal Services 52000 Purchased Services 54000 Supplies & Materials 57000 Other Expenses 58000 Capital Outlay TOTAL	\$ 349,314 104,050 24,100 2,000 0 \$ 479,464
Building Inspection 01241 51000 Personal Services 52000 Purchased Services 54000 Supplies & Materials 57000 Other Expenses 58000 Capital Outlay TOTAL	\$134,876 14,100 700 1,800 2,500 \$ 153,976
Sealer of Weights & Measur 51000 Personal Services 52000 Purchased Services 54000 Supplies & Materials TOTAL	\$ 01244 \$ 0 0 0 \$ 0
Emergency Management 52000 Purchased Services 54000 Supplies & Materials 57000 Other Expense TOTAL	01291 \$ 10,515 311 450 \$ 11,276
Animal Control 01292 51000 Personal Services 52000 Purchased Services 54000 Supplies & Materials TOTAL	\$ 0 38,000 0 \$ 38,000
Schools 01300 51000 Personal Services 52000 Purchased Services 54000 Supplies & Materials 55000 Fuels 56000 Intergovernmental 57000 Other Expenses 58000 Capital Outlay TOTAL	\$ 28,541,938 3,849,731 580,885 54,000 1,527,073 400,781 185,307 \$ 35,139,715
Keefe Technical School: 0 57000 Intergovernmental TOTAL	\$1,214,357 \$1,214,357
DPW Highway Department 51000 Personal Services 52000 Purchased Services 54000 Supplies & Materials 57000 Other Expenses 58000 Capital Outlay TOTAL	\$ 817,487 262,244 64,279 606 320,875 \$ 1,465,491

Facilities Manager 01422

51000 Personal Services 52000 Purchased Services 54000 Supplies & Materials 57000 Other Expenses TOTAL	\$ 95,683 600 500 1,000 \$ 97,783
DPW Snow & Ice Removal 01423 51000 Personal Services 52000 Purchased Services 54000 Supplies & Materials TOTAL	\$ 50,000 106,215 93,785 \$ <b>250,000</b>
Street Lighting 01424 52120 Street Lighting TOTAL	\$ 70,000 <b>\$ 70,000</b>
Solid Waste 01433 52120 Solid Waste TOTAL	\$ 1,222,851 \$ 1,222,851
Wastewater Treatment 01440 52000 Purchased Services 54000 Supplies & Materials TOTAL	\$ 89,790 2,000 \$ <b>91,790</b>
Other Public Works 01499 54000 Motor Vehicle Fuels TOTAL	\$ 115,000 <b>\$ 115,000</b>
Board of Health 01512 51000 Personal Services 52000 Purchased Services 54000 Supplies & Materials 57000 Other Expenses TOTAL	\$ 145,417 7,350 650 1,100 \$ 154,517
Council on Aging 01541 51000 Personal Services 52000 Purchased Services 54000 Supplies & Materials 57000 Other Expenses TOTAL	\$ 175,439 58,272 9,250 1,200 \$ 244,161
Youth Services 01542 51000 Personal Services 52000 Purchased Services 54000 Supplies & Materials 57000 Other Expenses TOTAL	\$ 137,904 6,350 1,000 3,000 \$ 148,254
Veterans' Services 01543 54000 Supplies & Materials 56000 Intergovernmental 57000 Benefits TOTAL	1,450 42,354 50,000 \$ 93,804
Library 01610 51000 Personal Services 52000 Purchased Services 54000 Supplies & Materials 57000 Other Expenses TOTAL	\$ 352,629 74,719 87,355 300 \$ <b>515,003</b>
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Park Commission 01650 51000 Personal Services TOTAL		\$ 131,009 <b>\$ 131,009</b>
Rail Trail 01660 52000 Purchased Services TOTAL		\$ 1,000 \$ 1,000
Celebrations 01692 54000 Supplies & Materials TOTAL		\$ 2,000 \$ 2,000
Debt Service 01710 52000 Purchased Services 57600 Debt Service TOTAL	\$ \$	4,000 3,013,054 <b>3,017,054</b>
County Retirement 01911 51000 Benefits TOTAL	\$ \$	2,144,455 <b>2,144,455</b>
Workers' Compensation 01912 51000 Benefits TOTAL	\$ \$	302,072 <b>302,072</b>
Unemployment 01913 51000 Benefits TOTAL	\$ \$	100,000 <b>100,000</b>
Employee Benefits 01914 51750 Insurance 51790 Benefits TOTAL	\$	5,875,659 1,580,982 <b>7,456,641</b>
Liability Insurance 01945 57000 Other Expenses TOTAL		\$ 275,572 \$ 275,572
Dept. of Public Works Water 51000 Personal Services 52000 Purchased Services 54000 Supplies & Materials 56000 Intergovernmental 57000 Other Expenses 58000 Capital Outlay 57000 Debt Service TOTAL	\$	809,471 495,164 267,701 4,000 5,678 15,000 682,101 \$2,279,115

## **SECONDED**

**DISCUSSION:** Rick Gallimore, 785 Central St., asked why the Personal Services had a larger than normal increase. Ken Szajda, 676 Fiske St., responded that it is largely due to the managerial salary adjustments, and the step increases for staff on the Wage Chart.

**VOTE:** As read, each article was voted on and passed by at least a majority voice vote to accept the motions in Article 11.

**ARTICLE 12.** 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. **(Select Board)** 

**MOTION**: Move that the town raise and appropriate \$1,425,000, and appropriate \$88,000 from Fiscal Year 2020 Free Cash for the Capital Expenditure Fund.

## 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 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, Police, Select Board, Fire, and authorize the Select Board to trade or sell used equipment toward part of the purchase price; or take any action relative thereto. **(Select Board)** 

Department Item/Activity		<u>Estimated</u>	
Cost		·	
School Committee	Miller Roof	\$125,000	
School Committee	Kamitian Field	\$500,000	
School Committee	Technology	\$122,214	
Select Board	1750 Washington Street Improvements	\$8,600	
Select Board	Public Safety Interoperability Improvements	\$283,020	
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**MOTION**: Moved that the Town vote to appropriate \$1,038,834 from the Capital Expenditure Fund to fund the purchase of the items listed in the Article.

## **SECONDED**

**DISCUSSION:** Ron Pipe, 54 Pilgrim Rd., feels that spending \$500,000 on Kamitian Field During these financially difficult times, seems like a misappropriation of funds. He then made a Motion to amend Article 13 as follows:

MOTION TO AMEND: To remove \$500,000 from the Capital Expenditure.

## **SECONDED**

**DISCUSSION:** Ken Szajda, 676 Fiske St., stated that the field is long past its expected life and that this was budgeted for in the Capital Plan as a maintenance item. Tina Hein, 142 Union St., agrees that we should reconsider appropriating the money for this project at this time because her understanding was that we would only be putting forth essential capital items and considers public safety items more essential than the field. Aislinn Weaver, 69 Woodland St., asked why would we replace the field if we may be replacing or moving the High School. Anne Louise Hanstad, School Committee, responded that the field would remain in its current location. Jay Marsden, 32 Wendy Ln., would like to fund this project, as the field has moved into a state of disrepair and has become a safety hazard.

**VOTE ON AMENDMENT**: Failed by voice vote.

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

ARTICLE 14. To see if the Town will vote to act on the report of the Community Preservation Committee for the fiscal year 2021 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: (Community Preservation Committee)

## Reserves

Community Housing Reserve	\$ 66,600
Open Space Reserve	\$ 66,600
Historic Resources Reserve	\$ 66,600
Community Preservation Fund Budget Reserve	\$466,200

## **Appropriations**

Administrative Functions to support the Committee \$5,000;

Total: \$671,000

or take any action relative thereto.

**MOTION**: Moved to (1) appropriate annual Community Preservation reserves and appropriations as printed in the Warrant.

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

**ARTICLE 15.** 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. **(Select Board)** 

**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 15 as stated in the motion.

ARTICLE 16. To see if the Town will vote to change the use of the top three (3) feet of the landfill located at Marshall Street from landfill purposes to general municipal purposes and authorize the Select Board to enter into a Lease Agreement for up to twenty-five years for the reuse of the former landfill off Marshall Street for the purposes of installing and operating a solar photovoltaic facility on terms and conditions which the Board determines are in the best interest of the Town, and further to enter into a Power Purchase Agreement for periods of up to twenty-five years for the purchase of the solar energy generated by the facility, and further in accordance with G.L. c. 59, Sec 38H to authorize the Select Board and the Board of Assessors to negotiate and enter into a tax agreement for the payment of personal property taxes on the solar facility for a period of up to 25 years, or take any action relative thereto. (Select Board)

**MOTION**: Moved that the Town approve the Article as printed in the Warrant.

#### 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 grant an easement, license agreement and or lease agreement with the approval of Town Counsel and the Select Board, and to authorize the Town Administrator to sign the appropriate documents on behalf of the Town for the installation of a roof top solar panels and any related equipment at the 59 Central Street Fire Station, or take any action relative thereto. **(Select Board)** 

**MOTION:** Moved that the Town approve the Article as printed in the Warrant.

#### SECONDED

**DISCUSSION:** None

**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 accept Massachusetts General Law, 53E ½ for the purposes of accepting grants and donations to the Community Farm Committee for rentals and fees for payment of utilities, repairs and maintenance with a limit of \$5,000 per year, or take any action relative thereto. (Select Board)

**MOTION:** Moved that the Town amend Section 5 *Authorized Revolving Funds* of *Article XLIII Revolving Accounts* of the General By-laws, by adding the new revolving fund for the Community Farm Committee, and approving the Fiscal Year 2021 expenditure limit, as printed in the warrant, and to amend the table in said Bylaw by adding the following:

Revolving Fund	Authorized to Spend	Fees/Charges/Receipts	Expenses payable	Other requirements	Fiscal years
Community Farm	Community farm	Rentals and fees	Utilities, repairs	None	Beginning July 1, 2020
	Committee		maintenance		-, = = = =

## **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 accept as public ways, Hopping Brook Road (Sta. 0+00 to Sta. 40+93.02) and Boynton Road in the Hopping Brook Definitive Subdivision, as shown on the plan entitled "Roadway Acceptance plan in Holliston, MA" dated October 18, 2001 (revised through December 2002), prepared by Schofield Brothers of New England, Inc. and Deer Run (Sta. 0+00 to Sta. 6+77.43) in the Courtland Square Definitive Subdivision as shown on a plan entitled "Acceptance Plan 'Deer Run' Holliston, MA" dated September 20, 2011, prepared by GLM Engineering Consultants, Inc. such ways having been laid out as Town Ways by the Select Board and will further vote to authorize the Select Board and acquire by donation, purchase or eminent domain, rights sufficient to use Hopping Brook Road, Boynton Road, Deer Run and Indian Ridge Road South all purposes for which public ways are used in the Town of Holliston, or take any action relative thereto. (Select Board)

**MOTION:** Moved to accept the street acceptances as it is printed in the Warrant and to authorize the Select Board to take any and all actions associated therewith, including the acceptance of deeds and appurtenant easements with respect thereto.

## **SECONDED**

**DISCUSSION: None** 

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

**ARTICLE 20.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds \$5,740.00 for labor, materials, and equipment for the installation and upgrades of a traffic signal at Washington, Woodland and High streets, or take any action relative thereto. (**Select Board**)

**MOTION:** Moved that the Town raise and appropriate \$5,740 for the purpose stated in the article.

#### 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 amend General By-Law Article XL Stormwater Management and Land Disturbance By-Law adopted in May 2008 as follows to reflect goals of the Town's 2019 Stormwater Management Program Plan. New text is represented by *bold italic* text and text to be removed is represented by strikethrough text: A. Purpose

The purpose of this by-law is to control the adverse impacts of increased post-development stormwater runoff, nonpoint source pollution associated with development and redevelopment as well as erosion and sedimentation associated with land disturbance and construction. Increased and contaminated stormwater runoff associated with developed land uses and the accompanying increase in impervious surface are major causes of: impairment of water quality and flow, contamination of drinking water supplies, erosion of stream channels, alteration or destruction of habitat and flooding.

This bylaw seeks to meet the following objectives:

- Minimize damage to public and private property and infrastructure;
- Safeguard the public health, safety, environment and general welfare;
- Protect water resources and prevent contamination of drinking water supplies;
- Require practices that limit soil erosion and sedimentation on construction sites;
- Require practices that control volume and rate of stormwater runoff resulting from land disturbance activities;
- Establish the Town of Holliston's legal authority to ensure compliance with the provisions of this by-law through permitting, inspection, monitoring and enforcement.

## B. Authority

This bylaw is adopted under the authority granted by the Home Rule Amendment of the Massachusetts Constitution and the Home Rule statutes, pursuant to the regulations of the federal Clean Water Act, found at 40 CFR 122.34. This bylaw is intended to meet certain provisions of the Town's requirement to comply with the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Regulations (Phase I and II Rules).

## C. Applicability

No person shall undertake an activity which may include clearing, *grubbing*, grading, *placement of fill*, excavation *of soil* or other site work that will result in a land disturbance exceeding any of the following thresholds, without a Land Disturbance Permit from the Planning Board.

criteria and information, including specifications and standards of the latest editions of the Massachusetts Stormwater Management Policy and Technical Handbooks and Massachusetts Erosion and Sediment Control Guidelines for Urban and Suburban Areas, or local equivalents based on improvements in engineering, monitoring and local maintenance experience. The regulations shall be adopted after a public hearing.

- 4. Waiver. The Board may waive strict compliance with any requirement of this by-law where such action is allowed by federal, state and local statutes and/or regulations, is in the public interest, and is not inconsistent with the purpose and intent of this by-law.
- 5. Delegation of Authority. The Planning Board may choose to delegate, in writing, its authority in whole or in part, to a qualified representative.

## F. General Permit Procedures and Requirements

- 1. Entry. Filing an application for a permit grants the Planning Board and its agents permission to enter the site to verify the information in the application and to inspect for compliance with permit conditions.
- 2. Fee Structure. The Board shall obtain with each submission an Application Fee established by the Board to cover expenses connected with the public hearing and application review. The Board may, at the applicant's expense per the provisions of G.L. Chapter 44, Section 53G, retain a Registered Professional engineer or other professional consultant to advise the Board on any or all aspects of the application.
- 3. Permits. The Planning Board shall, within 30 45 days of the receipt of a completed application:
  - a. Approve the application upon finding that the proposed plan will protect water resources and meets the objectives and requirements of this bylaw;
  - b. Approve the permit with conditions, modifications or restrictions that are required to ensure that the project will protect water resources and meets the objectives and requirements of this bylaw;
  - c. Disapprove the application if the proposed plan will not protect water resources or fails to meet the objectives or requirements of this bylaw.

After an application has been submitted, no tree removal, no utility installation, no ditching, grading or construction of drives, no grading of lots or land, no excavation except for purposes of soil testing, no dredging or filling, and no construction of buildings or structures shall commence on any part of the development site until the application has been reviewed and approved in accordance with this by-law and its' implementing regulations.

- 4. Failure of the Planning Board to take final action upon an application within 30 calendar days of receipt of a complete application shall be deemed to be approval of such application. Upon certification by the Town Clerk that the allowed time has passed without action by the Planning Board, the Permit shall be issued.
- 5. Project Completion. At completion of the project, the permittee shall submit as-built drawings of all structural stormwater controls and treatment best management practices required for the site. *The as-built drawing shall document deviations from the approved plans, if any, and be certified by a registered professional engineer.* This requirement may be waived at the Planning Board's discretion. No occupancy permit shall be granted

unless and until the construction of all site improvements are complete or the work remaining to be done is secured.

G. Appeals. A decision of the Planning Board shall be final.

H. Enforcement. The Planning Board or an authorized agent shall enforce this bylaw and its implementing regulations and may pursue all civil and criminal remedies for such violations. Enforcement shall be further defined and included as part of any regulations promulgated as permitted under this bylaw.

I. Severability If the provisions of any portion of this by-law shall be judged invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, such order of judgment shall not affect or invalidate the remainder of the by-law, or take any action relative thereto. (**Planning Board**)

**MOTION:** Moved that the Town approve changes to Article XL Stormwater Management & Land Disturbance, as printed in the Warrant.

## **SECONDED**

**DISCUSSION:** None

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

**ARTICLE 22.** "A significant number of puppies, kittens, and rabbits sold at local pet shops come from large-scale, commercial breeding facilities (puppy mills) where the health and welfare of the animals are not adequately provided for. The ordinance proposed for the Holliston Town Meeting is as follows:

Section 1. Restrictions on the Sale of Animals No pet store shall sell, deliver, offer for sale, barter, auction, give away, or otherwise transfer or dispose of cats or dogs or rabbits, except for a dog, cat or rabbit displayed by a shelter or animal rescue organization.

Nothing in this section shall prohibit pet stores from collaborating with an animal care facility or animal rescue organization to offer space for such entities to showcase adoptable dogs and cats. The animal rescue organizations must be in compliance with all relevant local, state, and federal guidelines, including but not limited to registration and approval as a 501C3 nonprofit charity, in possession of a current Certificate of Solicitation from the Massachusetts Attorney General's Office, in compliance with state and local kennel bylaws, and be listed as an approved animal rescue operation by the Massachusetts Department of Agricultural Resources.

**Section 2. Transparency.** Any pet shop operating within Holliston, Massachusetts must display prominently a sign next to each available animal the name of the organization and location the animal was received from, and make documentation validating this statement available to consumers as well as animal control officers and other town officials upon request.

**Section 3. Recordkeeping.** Each pet shop shall maintain records sufficient to document the source of each animal it acquires, for at least a period of two years following the date of acquisition. Such records shall be made available immediately upon request to the Holliston Animal Control Officer, Holliston Animal Inspector, Holliston Police or any of their designees.

**Section 4. Penalties.** Any person or entity, except as provided by law, who sells a dog, cat, or rabbit in violation of these bylaws shall be fined three hundred (\$300.00) dollars per violation. Each animal sold or offered for sale in violation of this bylaw shall constitute a separate offense. Any animal being offered for sale or transferred, or displayed in violation of any of these sections may be seized or impounded.

Section 5. Enforcement. The Holliston Animal Inspector, Holliston Animal Control Officer, Holliston Police, or any of their designees shall have the authority to enforce all violations of these sections.

Any animal being offered for sale or transfer, or displayed in violation of these sections, may be seized or impounded, unless the enforcing officer determines that seizure or impoundment will be detrimental to the safety and/or health of the animal.

Animals seized pursuant to this section will be held for a period of seven days. The person or entity in violation of these sections may file an administrative hearing to appeal the seizure within seven days of the seizure of the animal(s). If after seven days, the person or entity fails to file an appeal the animal(s) shall be surrendered to Holliston Animal Control.

Section 6. Severability. If any section, subsection, paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance shall be declared invalid for any reason whatsoever, such decision shall not affect the remaining portions of this Ordinance which shall continue in full force and effect, and to this end the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby declared to be severable.

**Section 7. Applicability.** If any provision of these sections imposes greater restrictions or obligations than those imposed by any other general law, special law, regulations, rule, ordinance, order, or policy, then the provisions of these sections shall control.

Section 8. Effective Date. This ordinance shall become effective 90 days after passage.

## **Definitions**

Animal care facility means an animal control center or animal shelter, maintained by or under contract with any state, county, or municipality, whose mission and practice is, in whole, or significant part, the rescue and placement of animals in permanent homes or rescue organizations.

Animal rescue organization means any not-for-profit organization which has tax-exempt status under Section 501(c)(3) of the United States Internal Revenue Code, whose mission and practice is, in whole or in significant part, the rescue and placement of animals in permanent homes. This term does not include any entity housed on the premises of a breeder or broker, obtains dogs from a breeder or broker in exchange for payment or compensation, or resells dogs obtained from a breeder or broker and provides payment or compensation to such breeder or broker. Breeder means a person who maintains dogs, cats, or rabbits for the purposes of breeding and selling its offspring.

Broker means a person who transfers dogs, cats, or rabbits at wholesale for resale by another. Cat means a member of the species of domestic cat, Felis catus, including kittens.

Dog means a member of the species of domestic dog, Canis familiaris, including puppies.

Flea market means a building, structure, or open area occupied by one or more vendors, other than retail stores, for sale to the public of new or used goods or products.

Offer for sale means to sell, offer for sale or adoption, advertise for the sale of, barter, auction, give away or otherwise dispose of a dog or cat.

*Pet shop* means a retail establishment where dogs and cats are sold, exchanged, bartered or offered for sale as pet animals to the general public at retail. Such definition shall not include an animal care facility or animal rescue organization, as defined.

Rabbit means a small mammal of the family Leporidae of the order Langomorpha Oryctogus cuniculus" (Petition)

**MOTION**: Moved that the Town approve the Article as printed in the Warrant.

## **SECONDED**

**DISCUSSION:** Janeen Cox, 67 Overlook Dr., gave a presentation on the article, which is put forth to protect consumers and animals from inhumane puppy mills, that are commercial facilities that breed up to 1,000 puppies per year under substandard conditions. Gary Zegel, 511 Washington St., questions a by-law that is not enforceable, how would anyone know where a dog actually came from, he also feels that this by-law would put a strain on our resources and encourages we not vote for this. Ms. Cox stated that the Animal Control Officer would be the enforcement agent. Kristen Grace, 14 Hillside Dr., believes in the intent of this article, however she finds issues with some of the definitions in this article are inconsistent with that of the State, she feels this article needs more work before being passed and urges residents not to vote for it. Jay Leary, 146 Karen Cir., made a motion to indefinitely postpone Article 22.

**MOTION:** To indefinitely postpone Article 22

## **SECONDED**

**DISCUSSION:** Ms. Cox explained that the State does not currently regulate Puppy Mills.

**VOTE:** The motion to indefinitely postpone Article 22, failed by voice vote.

**VOTE:** Passed by voice vote to accept Article 22, as stated in the original motion.

The Meeting was adjourned at 10:31 pm.

True Record, ATTEST:

Elizabeth Turner Greendale, CMC/CMMC

Town Clerk