

Annual Town Meeting Minutes

June 7, 2021 - 4th Session

Call to Order: at 7:30pm **VIA ZOOM Meeting ID : 829 2722 8770 Password: 193904**


NO Tellers

Attendance Count: 39 + Moderator = Total: 40

Pledge of Alliance at 7:31PM

Making the Motion this Evening: Joe Vecchione IV, Precinct 2

Roll Call at 7:32pm



Town Meeting Member name	Pct	Present /Absent	Town Meeting Member name	Pct	Present /Absent	Town Meeting Member name	Pct	Present /Absent
Arone, A.	1	P	Fowler, J.	8	P	Paolini, M.	7	P
Bartolo, J.	6	P	Goodwin, P.	5	P	Riley, C.	2	P
Berube, K.	9	P	Jones, C.	1	A	Ring, D.	10	P
Brown, W.	6	A	Kelly, D.	9	P	Rodenhiser, J.	1	A
Camuso Sr, R.	2	P	Lavoie, R.	7	P	Rossetti Jr, P.	2	A
Chipouras, J.	7	P	Leuci, W.	4	A	Scrivano, M.	6	A
Cicolini, J.	8	P	Long, R.	9	P	Smith, R.	3	P
Connors Jr, A.	3	P	Lopresti, A.	8	P	Spencer, B.	5	P
Costello, M.	10	A	Manoogian Sr, P.	10	P	Stewart, W.	3	P
Cottam, J.	9	P	McCarthy, S.	7	A	Thompson, R.	3	P
Cross III, W.	8	P	Migliore, M.	5	P	Traverse, T.	8	P
Currie, K.	6	P	Mitchell, J.	5	P	Vecchione IV, J.	2	P
Davis, G.	4	P	Moore, W.	2	P	Wallace, R.	5	P
Delios, P.	10	P	Nickolas, G.	3	P	Whitcomb, A.	4	P
Divirgilio, S.	10	P	Palleschi, R.	7	P	Whitcomb, M.	4	P
Doherty, S.	4	P	Paloma, A.	1	A	Worthley, J.	9	P
Dunn, S.	1	A	Panico, A.	6	P			
						Total Present=	40	
Town Meeting:			6/7/2021			Absent count=	10	
		Date:	June 7, 2021 ATM 4th Session					

Vote to continue the meeting via ZOOM

Unanimous vote yes at 7:37pm

Town Moderator instructions at 7:37pm

Minutes accepted at 7:37pm

Committee or Commission Reports

Finance Committee Chairmen, Ken Depatto speaks at 7:39pm recommendations on 8 financial articles. Article 2 there was only 3 small changes from the original budget from the BOS. Using \$45,000 in waste collections, \$45,000 in insurances and money from the State Aid. Using \$1,400,000.00 from the Stabilization Fund because of the full pandemic year and we did not have reduction in services. Please support our recommendations.

No other committees to report at 7:41pm

Joe Vecchione IV, Precinct 2 asks to take Article 21 out of order at 7:42pm

Seconded at 7:42pm

Unanimous vote to take out of order at 7:42pm

As a courtesy to the Cemetery Committee, Joe Vecchione IV, Precinct 2 moves Article 21 for consideration:

Seconded at 7:43pm

Article As Written:

Article 21. To see if the Town will authorize the Cemetery Commission to use funds within the cemetery account in the amount of \$33,500.00 to purchase a columbarium to be installed for the interment of ashes. (Saugus Cemetery Commission).

Rich Thompson, Precinct 3, Chairman of the Cemetery Commission. The Cemetery is down to 2 remaining spots. Big need in town where actual citizens are waiting to store their ashes in the cemetery. Ron Wallace is here and on the Committee.

Christ Riley, Precinct 2 at 7:44pm asks; What is the capacity of the columbarium? And the time frame?

Rich Thompson states the time is unpredictable. The size is 100 double inches and 2-sided columbarium.

No Discussion

Article 21 as Voted: Voted to recommend the sum of \$33,500.00 for the purchase of a columbarium to be installed for the interment of ashes. The funding source of this appropriation is the Cemetery Land Sales account.

Unanimous Voice Vote Yes at 7:46pm

As a courtesy to the Finance Committee, Joe Vecchione IV, Precinct 2 moves Article 2 for consideration:

Seconded at 7:47pm

Town Moderator explains that there will be two votes on the budget; One vote for using Stabilization Fund and the other vote on the entire budget.

Article as Written:

Article 2. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Town charges for the ensuing Fiscal Year 2022. (Town Manager)

Paul Long, Precinct 9 asks about the money being used in the Stabilization Fund. How much in the Stabilization Fund is left? What is the period of time with the amounts in the Stabilization Fund? What about the free cash available and what period of time? Why such a large amount on the town side?

Town Moderator asks Ken Depatto at 7:52pm, Chairmen Finance Committee to speak.

Scott Crabtree, Town Manager speaks at 7:52pm to give clarity. The money out of Stabilization Fund was to balance the budget. Used \$1,200.00.00 free cash than Stabilization Fund last year. We can reassess this because of projections and unknowns; and what the advisors recommended we should do. There is about \$10,000,000.00 in our Stabilization Fund which helps maintain our Bond Rating even through this pandemic. Other communities have to make layoffs and we do not. The schools increase about \$300,000.00 is the operational budget and is fixed costs.

Paul Long, Precinct 9 asks about the \$1.6 million in cash? Why not use the free cash?

Scott Crabtree, Town Manager states at 8:00pm not sure where we will be at the end of the year, if we need cash.

Bob Palleschi Precinct 7 states at 8:01pm what is our position relative to net school spending?

Ken DePatto, Chairmen Finance Committee answers on Net School Spending.

Scott Crabtree, Town Manager further answers on the Net School Spending.

Dennis Gould, School Committee speaks at 8:04pm states the school department was leveled funded last year. The schools are not getting their fair share compared to the town.

Peter Manoogian, Precinct 10 speaks at 8:05pm pretty hard when the school is not being represented by the Superintendent. The only thing that goes up is the school salaries. There is large amount of students leaving Saugus schools. He is going to wait for the new superintendent to put in a plan.

Town Moderator starts reading the Budget by total of Department numbers, informs Town Meeting Members they need to yell out on “Hold”.

Town Moderator	\$0.00
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Board of Selectmen	\$60,062.00
Town Manager	\$756,482.00
Finance Committee	\$105,00.00
Accounting	\$580,842.00
Assessors	\$439,357.00
Treasurer/Collector	\$436,753.00
Legal Counsel	\$402,873.00
Human Resources	\$265,778.00
Information Technology	\$337,500.00
Town Clerk	\$157,218.00
Election & Registration	\$160,103.00
Conservation Commission	\$55,054.00
Planning Board	\$45,395.00
Board of Appeals	\$31,521.00
Planning & Economic Development	\$228,939.00
Public Safety-Police Department	\$8,607,175.00
Public Safety-Fire Department	\$5,857,780.00
Code Enforcement-Building Inspection	\$202,456.00
Code Enforcement-Gas & Plumbing Inspection	\$79,602.00
Code Enforcement-Sealer of Weights & Measures	\$14,326.00
Code Enforcement-Electrical Inspection	\$80,457.00
Public Safety-Emergency Management	\$23,000.00
Public Safety-Animal Control	\$83,206.00
Harbor Master	\$5,000.00
Public Safety-Dispatcher	\$875,823.00
Vocational Education-Regional Schools	\$3,425,000.00
Department of Public Works	\$5,920,090.00
Engineering Department	\$127,826.00
Building Maintenance & Grounds	\$1,474,260.00
Health Department	\$299,790.00
Council on Aging	\$263,574.00
Veteran Services	\$386,606.00
Handicap Commission	\$0.00
Fair Housing Commission	\$0.00
Library	\$747,444.00
Youth & Recreation	\$145,506.00
Lobsterman Landing	\$17,229.00
Celebrations	\$2,000.00
Debt Services Principal	\$4,156,400.00
Debt Services Interest LTD	\$4,965,514.00
Debt Services Interest STD	\$35,000.00
Employee Benefits	\$24,388,469.00
Other Insurances	\$1,192,644.00
School Department	\$29,075,250.00
Total:	\$97,314,304.00

Hold on Town Managers Office at 8:14pm

Hold on Animal Control at 8:12pm

Hold on Building Maintenance at 8:14pm

Hold on Employee Benefits at 8:17pm

Hold on School Dept Budget at 8:17pm

Chris Rile, Precinct 2 - Hold on the Town Managers office more on the inquiry of the Town’s Website. Need to update? Maybe hire someone to handle the website, maybe a part time job.

Scott Crabtree, Town Manager answers that he is planning on meeting with the Website Host to enhance the website. Or have Department Heads put more effort into keeping their pages up to date.

Joe Vecchione IV, Precinct 2 put the Hold on the Animal Control Officer. Wants to know about the increase of \$21,014.00 in the Salary? Speaks on past year salary increases. What are the different certifications to make the increase, what type of training?

Scott Crabtree, Town Manager speaks at 8:22pm he interviewed and this is what the middle of the road on what people are making in this position.

Joe Vecchione IV, Precinct 2 what certification warrants the salary increase?

Scott Crabtree, Town Manager states this was what the salary is set compared to the other communities. Regarding training and certification can be absorbed by the police department.

Bill Moore, Precinct 2 why is the dog pound not open and animals shipped up to Peabody.

Scott Crabtree, Town Manager answers that is not correct information.

Peter Delios, Precinct 10 speaks at 8:27pm there are other bigger communities around us and our current animal control officer is doing good compared to them.

Chris Riley, Precinct 2 inquiries about page 52 on Waste Collection. Asks the Manager on the line item #2 there is a significant increase?

Scott Crabtree, Town Manager answers at 8:29pm on recycled material. The town has 100% burden on recycling, need to keep an eye on this because of the increase in costs. People being home from the Pandemic increased the amount being picked up. Trying to manage the costs.

Chris Riley, Precinct 2 on page 58 Hold on Building Maintenance and Grounds; the American Legion Building, the people have been looking to get the building done in the Capital Improvement Plan. Can we work into the budget?

Scott Crabtree, Town Manager states different requests over the years, these are cost centers. Could mean it could cost more or less depending on the needs. The building was built before the Town Hall so need to have a company come in to assess it because of the historical aspects. A lot more costly than people think in the Capital Improvement. Maybe look into some grants.

Bill Moore, Precinct 6 what does the \$15,000 on the school admin building entail?

Scott Crabtree, Town Manager answers at 8:37pm on the total on the page is a better way to look at it.

Bill Moore, Precinct 6 wants an itemized list?

Scott Crabtree, Town Manager answers whatever the schools are responsible for not on the town side.

Ken DePatto, Chairmen Finance Committee states at 8:39pm the Finance Committee wanted to create cost centers on what our finance exposure for each of those buildings. This system worked out well to understanding where the money was being spent.

Chris Riley, Precinct 2 Hold on Employee Benefits is more than police and fire budgets combined. Needs to lower this budget, what was a benefit to the town is now a cost to the town. We need to adapt to changes in the market, cannot afford this money on Health Insurance. This is a spending problem.

Bob Palleschi, Precinct 7 speaks at 8:44pm what is the percentage of the fixed costs of the total budget.

Scott Crabtree, Town Manager answers at 8:45pm the fixed costs is what drives most operating budgets.

Peter Manoogian, Precinct 10 on the last topic on the School Budget. The Charter School assessment in school was over \$3 million which is money leaving Saugus because those kids do not go to the Saugus schools. There was a time when the Superintendent would have a clear budget to review. Asks the Town Manager about Chapter 70, retaining students not leaving Saugus would you put that into the Schools.

Scott Crabtree, Town Manager answers at 8:49pm about the needs and where the money will go. He is committed to make the schools successful, when the schools continue to increase without being a success. He is looking forward to the new Superintendent making changes going forward. We are all on the same team.

Bob Palleschi, Precinct 7 speaks at 8:53pm on the School Department on flow of data and decision making.

Steve Divirglio, Precinct 10 regarding the Employee Benefits will never happen because town employees are on town meeting. Hard decisions on this matter need to be made.

Bill Cross, Precinct 8 speaks at 8:55pm Chairman of the Health Insurance for Town Employees. You just see a number, you don't look at the entire numbers. Fire Department is under paid but the health insurance helps. Its us versus them.

Steve Divirglio Precinct 10 is not saying the employee don't deserve it but the tax base doesn't support it.

Tom Whittregde, School Committee Chairman speaks at 8:57pm – it's not a us versus your guys, as far as budget goes post pandemic budget almost recovered. Made a lot of changes to the budget. Bus costs and food costs will be returning that were not used this year.

Ryan Fisher, School Committee speaks at 9:01pm the School Budget has been the budget amount since 2019, \$300,000.00 over 2 years. The town pays the benefit cost to the school employees. Trying to not have cuts, which is the focus right now.

Chris Riley, Precinct 2 at 9:04pm talks about the school budget. People should have watched the Finance Committee meetings on the school budget.

Call for the question


Article 2 as Voted: Voted to recommend the sum of \$97,314,304.00 for Town charges for the ensuing Fiscal Year 2022 as follows:

Municipal Department Operating Budgets	\$67,439,054.00
<u>School Department Operating Budget</u>	<u>\$29,875,250.00</u>
Total	\$97,314,304.00

Source of funding to be provided from the tax levy, local aid, estimated receipts and an amount not to exceed \$1,400,000.00 from the Stabilization Fund of the General Fund.

Roll Call votes on the budget:

Article 2		stablization fund \$1.4 million								
	Pct	Vote		Pct	Vote		Pct	Vote		
Arone, A.	1	Y	Fowler, J.	8	Y	Paolini, M.	7	Y		
Bartolo, J.	6	Y	Goodwin, P.	5	Y	Riley, C.	2	Y		
Berube, K.	9	Y	Jones, C.	1	A	Ring, D.	10	Y		
Brown, W.	6	A	Kelly, D.	9	Y	Rodenhiser, J.	1	Y		
Camuso Sr, R.	2	Y	Lavoie, R.	7	Y	Rossetti Jr, P.	2	A		
Chipouras, J.	7	Y	Leuci, W.	4	A	Scrivano, M.	6	Y		
Cicolini, J.	8	Y	Long, R.	9	Y	Smith, R.	3	Y		
Connors Jr, A.	3	Y	Lopresti, A.	8	A	Spencer, B.	5	Y		
Costello, M.	10	A	Manoogian Sr, P.	10	Y	Stewart, W.	3	Y		
Cottam, J.	9	Y	McCarthy, S.	7	A	Thompson, R.	3	Y		
Cross III, W.	8	Y	Migliore, M.	5	Y	Traverse, T.	8	Y		
Currie, K.	6	Y	Mitchell, J.	5	Y	Vecchione IV, J.	2	Y		
Davis, G.	4	Y	Moore, W.	2	Y	Wallace, R.	5	Y		
Delios, P.	10	Y	Nickolas, G.	3	Y	Whitcomb, A.	4	Y		
Divirgilio, S.	10	Y	Palleschi, R.	7	Y	Whitcomb, M.	4	Y		
Doherty, S.	4		Paloma, A.	1	A	Worthley, J.	9	Y		
Dunn, S.	1	A	Panico, A.	6	Y					



Yea=	40
Nay=	0
Abst=	9

Date: 6/7/2021

Article 2 - \$1.4 Million has passed at 9:12pm by Unanimous Roll Call Vote

Article 2			Budget					
	Pct	Vote		Pct	Vote		Pct	Vote
Arone, A.	1	Y	Fowler, J.	8	Y	Paolini, M.	7	Y
Bartolo, J.	6	Y	Goodwin, P.	5	Y	Riley, C.	2	Y
Berube, K.	9	Y	Jones, C.	1	A	Ring, D.	10	Y
Brown, W.	6	A	Kelly, D.	9	Y	Rodenhiser, J.	1	Y
Camuso Sr, R.	2	Y	Lavoie, R.	7	Y	Rossetti Jr, P.	2	A
Chipouras, J.	7	Y	Leuci, W.	4	A	Scrivano, M.	6	Y
Cicolini, J.	8	Y	Long, R.	9	Y	Smith, R.	3	Y
Connors Jr, A.	3	Y	Lopresti, A.	8	Y	Spencer, B.	5	Y
Costello, M.	10	A	Manoogian Sr, P.	10	Y	Stewart, W.	3	Y
Cottam, J.	9	Y	McCarthy, S.	7	A	Thompson, R.	3	Y
Cross III, W.	8	Y	Migliore, M.	5	Y	Traverse, T.	8	Y
Currie, K.	6	Y	Mitchell, J.	5	Y	Vecchione IV, J.	2	Y
Davis, G.	4	Y	Moore, W.	2	N	Wallace, R.	5	Y
Delios, P.	10	Y	Nickolas, G.	3	Abstain	Whitcomb, A.	4	Y
Divirgilio, S.	10	N	Palleschi, R.	7	Y	Whitcomb, M.	4	Y
Doherty, S.	4		Paloma, A.	1	A	Worthley, J.	9	Y
Dunn, S.	1	A	Panico, A.	6	Y			

Date:

6/7/2021

Yea=

38

Nay=

2

Abst=

8

Article 2 Budget passed by majority Roll Call at 9:16pm

As a courtesy to the Finance Committee, Joe Vecchione IV, Precinct 2 moves Article 8 for consideration:

Seconded at 9:16pm

Article as Written:
Article 8: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money to be transferred to the Stabilization Fund. (Town Manager)
No Discussion

Article 8 as Voted: Voted to recommend Indefinite Postponement.

Unanimous Voice Vote Yes at 9:16pm

As a courtesy to the Finance Committee, Joe Vecchione IV, Precinct 2 moves Article 9 for consideration:

Seconded at 9:17pm

Article as Written:
Article 9: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money to be transferred to the OPEB Trust (Other Post-Employment Benefits Trust). (Town Manager)
No Discussion

Article 9 as Voted: Voted to recommend the transfer of \$150,000.00 to the OPEB Trust (Other Post-Employment Benefits). The source of funding for this article is the July 1, 2020 certified Free Cash.

Unanimous Voice Vote Yes at 9:18pm

As a courtesy to the Finance Committee, Joe Vecchione IV, Precinct 2 moves Article 12 for consideration:

Seconded at 9:19pm

Article as Written:
Article 12: To see if the Town will vote to authorize an amount to be expended from each of the revolving funds listed below and authorized under the Town of Saugus Bylaws as amended April 9, 2018 as Section 405.00 Departmental Revolving Funds for the ensuing Fiscal Year 2022 (Town Manager):
Saugus Senior Center Programs and Activities
Saugus Senior Center Lunch Program
Water System Cross-Connection Program
Town of Saugus Compost Program
Youth & Recreation Programs and Activities

No Discussion

Article 12 as Voted: Voted to recommend the Town authorize the following amounts to be expended from each of the following revolving funds authorized under the Town of Saugus Bylaws Section 405.00 Departmental Revolving Funds for the ensuing Fiscal Year 2022.

Saugus Senior Center Programs and Activities (3705)	\$ 35,000.00
Saugus Senior Center Lunch Program (3704)	\$ 10,000.00
Water System Cross-Connection Program (3703)	\$ 25,000.00
Town of Saugus Compost Program (3702)	\$ 47,000.00
Youth & Recreation Programs and Activities (3700)	\$165,000.00

Unanimous Voice Vote Yes at 9:20pm

As a courtesy to the Finance Committee, Joe Vecchione IV, Precinct 2 moves Article 15 for consideration:

Seconded at 9:20pm

Article as Written:

Article 15: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer to raise and appropriate by borrowing or otherwise for the purpose of designing & constructing improvements to water infrastructure. (Town Manager)

No Discussion

Article 15 as Voted: Voted to recommend Indefinite Postponement.

Unanimous Voice Vote Yes at 9:20pm

As a courtesy to the Finance Committee, Joe Vecchione IV, Precinct 2 moves Article 16 for consideration:

Seconded at 9:22pm

Article as Written:

Article 16: To see if the Town will appropriate a sum of money for purchasing various equipment for town departments, including the payment costs incidental or related thereto; and to determine whether this appropriation shall be raised by borrowing or otherwise; or to take any other action relative thereto. (Town Manager)

Joe Vecchione IV, Precinct 2 speaks at 9:22pm about the Animal Control Officer’s vehicle should be referred to the next Special Town Meeting.

Darren Ring, Precinct 10 speak at 9:22pm asking if the Town Manager is available, because the vehicle is on its last legs and it was a salvage vehicle.

Ken DePatto, Chairmen Finance Committee states it is a salvage vehicle and it is not safe. And the Belmonte needs their camera’s and this would hold it up. If the grant money came forward, which is never guaranteed, they can use. His recommendation is to move forward with this for those reasons.

Scott Crabtree, Town Manager answers at 9:26pm explains how the State Legislative works and maybe not allocated to the end of the year. Right now, the vehicle is inoperable and illegal to use. Animal Control is using an old pickup truck from DPW.

Joe Vecchione IV, Precinct 2 he is not doubting the vehicle needs replacement but could there be other opportunities.

Dennis Gould. School Committee Member states cannot have School Committee Meetings without the cameras.

Call for the question

Article 16 as Voted: Voted to recommend the sum of \$65,000.00 for the purchase of equipment as follows:

Animal Control Vehicle	\$45,000.00
Cameras at Belmonte Upper Elementary (formerly Belmonte Middle School)-an amount not to exceed	\$20,000.00

The funding source for this appropriation is:

July 1, 2020 Certified Free Cash	\$45,000.00
July 1, 2020 Certified Retained Earnings of the PEG Access Enterprise Fund-an amount not to exceed	\$20,000.00

Unanimous Voice Vote Yes at 9:30pm

As a courtesy to the Finance Committee, Joe Vecchione IV, Precinct 2 moves Article 17 for consideration:

Seconded at 9:33pm

Article as Written:

Article 17: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money for the purpose of funding the Stormwater Program required under the NPDES MS4 Permit, including the payment of costs incidental or related thereto; to determine whether this appropriation shall be raised by taxation, transfer from available funds, borrowing or otherwise; or to take any other action relative thereto. (Town Manager)

Peter Manoogian, Precinct 10 speaks at 9:33pm asking for a description of the project? Is it geared towards the worst areas in town?

Scott Crabtree, Town Manager speaks at 9:33pm this is to get us in compliance with the stormwater with other cities and towns. There are different phases.

Brendan O'Regan, DPW Director speaks at 9:34pm on making Saugus in Compliance of the Stormwater Program. Explains more on the programs.

Peter Manoogian, Precinct 10 asks at 9:38pm this 1.2 million will be used as an assessment?

Brendan O'Regan, DPW Director answers on where it will go.

Peter Manoogian, Precinct 10 asks about money used to improve drainage in the Bristow street area in East Saugus.

Scott Crabtree. Town Manager answers that most of this is to get the town in compliance and some of the money in action items.

Brendan O'Regan. DPW Director concurs.

Peter Rossetti, Precinct 2 states the Planning Board did meet with the DPW Director to work on this because the town was not in compliance for many years. Plans for the long range on this.

Robert Long, Precinct 9 speaks at 9:43pm asks the DPW Director what is it for? What is our binding capacity?

Brendan O'Regan, DPW Director answers about the permit and why it is needed.

Paul Long, Precinct 9 asks the Town Manager about borrowing money?

Scott Crabtree, Town Manager answers at 9:47pm about aggressively looking at identifying these issues. Not a lot of borrowing articles in the last few years and we do not have a choice here.

Brendan O'Regan, DPW Director states we are a year or so behind.

Scott Crabtree, Town Manager states it is a mandate.

Bob Pallescshi, Precinct 7 speaks at 9:52pm will this solve waste water treatment Problems?

Brendan O'Regan, DPW Director answers the question.

Scott Crabtree, Town Manager further answers the question.

Article 17 as Voted: Voted to recommend the appropriation of \$1,200,000.00 for the purpose of funding the Stormwater Program required under the NPDES MS4 Permit, including the payment of costs incidental or related thereto; that to meet this appropriation the Treasurer with the approval of the Board of Selectmen is authorized to borrow said sum under M.G.L. c.44, s7(1) or any other enabling authority; and that the Town Manager is authorized to take any other action necessary or convenient to carry out the project. Any premium received upon the sale of any bonds or notes approved by this vote, less any such premium applied to the payment of the costs of issuance of such bonds or notes, may be applied to the payment of costs approved by this vote in accordance with M.G.L. c.44, s20, thereby reducing the amount authorized to be borrowed to pay such costs by a like amount.

Call for the question

Unanimous Voice Vote Yes at 9:55pm

As a courtesy to the Peter Rossetti Jr., Joe Vecchione IV, Precinct 2 moves Article 22 for consideration:

Seconded at 9:56pm

Article as Written:

Article 22: To have Town Meeting review the town owned property at the old water tower site on Summit Ave. as a possible recreational area for the neighborhood as a "tot lot" or just benches with whatever other facilities can be placed there. It is a vacant area. There are no other areas crossing a major road or within a reasonable distance. (Peter Rossetti Jr., Town Meeting Member Precinct 2)
Peter Rossetti, Jr., Precinct 2 speaks at 9:56pm on Article 22. Large open area about an acre in size. Many people in the neighborhood want this be used as a recreational area.

Chris Riley, Precinct 2 is in favor of this article.

Town Moderator will entertain a motion to send back to the maker to devise a plan.

Peter Rossetti Jr., Precinct 2 states to refer back to the Town Manager.

Seconded on the motion at 10:01pm

Article 22 as Voted: To refer back to the Town Manager.

Call for the question

Unanimous Voice Vote Yes at to refer to the Town Manager at 10:01pm

Moderator asks for a motion to adjourn the 2021 Annual Town Meeting.

Motion to adjourn the Annual Town Meeting on June 7, 2021 at 10:02pm

Seconded at 10:02p.m.

Unanimous voice vote at 10:03p.m. to adjourn sine die.

Respectfully submitted

Ellen Joyce Schena
Saugus Town Clerk