Annual Town Meeting Minutes
2nd Session
JUNE 30, 2020

Town Moderator Steve Doherty, called the Annual Town Meeting to order on June 29, 2020 at 7:00pm VIA ZOOM Meeting ID 873 5957 6078 Password 647036 with 43 + Moderator = 44. A quorum was met.

NO Tellers

Pledge of Alliance 7:01pm

Roll Call at 7:03pm

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	Doherty, S.	4	P	Paloma, A.	1	P
Ayube, S.	7	P	Dunn, S.	1	P	Panico, A.	6	P
Bartolo, J.	6	P	Fowler, J.	8	P	Paolini, M.	7	A
Berube, K.	9	P	Goodwin, P.	5	P	Riley, C.	2	P
Brown, W.	6	P	Jones, C.	1	P	Ring, D.	10	P
Camuso Sr, R.	2	P	Kelly, D.	9	P	Rossetti Jr, P.	2	P
Cicolini, J.	8	P	Lavoie, R.	7	P	Scrivano, M.	6	P
Connors Jr, A.	3	P	Leuci, W.	4	P	Smith, R.	3	P
Costello, M.	10	P	Long, R.	9	P	Spencer, B.	5	A
Cottam, J.	9	A	Lopresti, A.	8	A	Stewart, W.	3	P
Cross III, W.	8	P	Manoogian Sr, P.	10	P	Thompson, R.	3	P
Currie, K.	6	P	McCarthy, S.	7	P	Traverse, T.	8	P
Davis, G.	4	P	Migliore, M.	5	P	Vecchione IV, J.	2	P
Delios, P.	10	A	Mitchell, J.	5	A	Wallace, R.	5	P
Devlin, F.	1	P	Moore, W.	2	P	Whitcomb, M.	4	P
DiNardo, A.	4	P	Nickolas, G.	3	P	Worthley, J.	9	P
Divirgilio, S.	10	P	Palleschi, R.	7	P	**Total Present=**		**44**
Town Meeting:			**2020 Annual Town Meeting**			**Absent count=**		**6**
		Date:	**6/30/2020 2ND SESSION**					

Making the Motion this Evening: Al DiNardo Precinct 4

Town Moderator mentions at 7:08pm on the instructions of the ZOOM Meeting. Same instructions for Town Meeting as per last night.

No other committees.

As a courtesy, Albert DiNardo Precinct 4 moves Article 3 to the floor for consideration as recommended.

Seconded at 7:10pm by Bob Palleschi

Article as written:

Article 3. To see if the Town will vote to make supplementary appropriations to be used in conjunction with money appropriated under Article 2 of the 2019 Annual Town Meeting during the current fiscal year, and determine whether the money shall be provided by transfer from available funds; or to see what other action the Town wishes to take in the matter. (Town Manager)

Town Manager speaks at 7:11pm that this is a house keeping article each year balances the accounts.

Bob Palleschi speaks at 7:12pm asking about if the Free Cash is certified.

Town Manager states it is. Bob Palleschi asks for the magic number on the bond rating. Town Manager says this is asked each year but in the long term needs a plan. No replenishment will be a problem.

Bob Long speaks at 7:13pm looking at the legal transfers can you give a general summation.

Town Manager speaks at 7:13pm stating this assists Boards and commissions with legal services. But also General costs with litigation.

Peter Manoogian speaks at 7:15pm asking about the 100,000.00 unemployment benefits for school custodians?

Town Manager states Yes but 1 from the Town side.

Article as voted: Voted to recommend the Town make supplementary appropriations in the amount of $779,040.00 to be used in conjunction with the money appropriated under Article 2 of the 2019 Annual Town Meeting during the current fiscal year. The source of funding is $470,500.00 from interdepartmental transfers and $308,540.00 from free cash.

Article 3						2020 Annual Town Meeting		
	Pct	Vote		Pct	Vote		Pct	Vote
Arone, A.	1	Y	Doherty, S.	4		Paloma, A.	1	A
Ayube, S.	7	Y	Dunn, S.	1	Y	Panico, A.	6	Y
Bartolo, J	6	Y	Fowler, J.	8	A	Paolini, M.	7	A
Berube, K.	9	Y	Goodwin, P.	5	Y	Riley, C.	2	Y
Brown, W.	6	Y	Jones, C.	1	Y	Ring, D.	10	Y
Camuso Sr, R.	2	Y	Kelly, D.	9	Y	Rossetti Jr, P.	2	Y
Cicolini, J.	8	Y	Lavoie, R.	7	Y	Scrivano, M.	6	Y
Connors Jr, A.	3	Y	Leuci, W.	4	Y	Smith, R.	3	Y
Costello, M.	10	Y	Long, R.	9	Y	Spencer, B.	5	Y
Cottam, J.	9	A	Lopresti, A.	8	A	Stewart, W.	3	A
Cross III, W.	8	Y	Manoogian Sr, P.	10	Y	Thompson, R.	3	Y
Currie, K.	6	Y	McCarthy, S.	7	Y	Traverse, T.	8	Y
Davis, G.	4	Y	Migliore, M.	5	Y	Vecchione IV, J.	2	Y
Delios, P.	10	A	Mitchell, J.	5	A	Wallace, R.	5	Y
Devlin, F.	1	Y	Moore, W.	2	Y	Whitcomb, M.	4	Y
DiNardo, A.	4	Y	Nickolas, G.	3	Y	Worthley, J.	9	Y
Divirgilio, S.	10	Y	Palleschi, R.	7	Y			

Yea=	41
Nay=	0
Abst=	8

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Article 3 passes unanimous by Roll Call vote Yes at 7:18pm

Bob Palleschi precinct 7 asks at 7:23pm about the Bond Rating.

Town Manager explains at 7:24pm on where we are with the Bond Rating.

Bob Palleschi asks the Town manager about the borrowing aspects for the future.

Town Manager explains the borrowing services and the debt services over time. Our bond rating is a savings.

As a courtesy, Albert DiNardo Precinct 4 moves Article 4 to the floor for consideration as recommended.

Seconded at 7:27pm by Bob Palleschi

Article as written:

Article 4: To see if the Town will vote to make supplementary appropriations to be used in conjunction with money appropriated under Article 6 of the 2019 Annual Town Meeting during the current fiscal year, and determine whether the money shall be provided by transfer from available funds; or to see what other action the Town wishes to take in the matter. (Town Manager)

Martin Costello asks about public safety infrastructure at 7:28pm

Town Manager speaks about water enterprise at 7:27pm

Town Moderator as all in favor Yes, Opposed say NO

Article as voted: Voted to recommend Indefinite Postponement.

Article 4 passes unanimous by Voice Vote Yes at 7:29pm

As a courtesy, Albert DiNardo Precinct 5 moves Article 5 to the floor for consideration as recommended.

Seconded at 7:29pm by Bob Palleschi

Article as written

Article 5: To see if the Town will vote to make supplementary appropriations to be used in conjunction with money appropriated under Article 7 of the 2019 Annual Town Meeting during the current fiscal year, and determine whether the money shall be provided by transfer from available funds; or to see what other action the Town wishes to take in the matter. (Town Manager)

No Discussion

Town Moderator as all in favor Yes, Opposed say NO

Article as voted: Voted to recommend Indefinite Postponement.

Article 5 passes unanimous by Voice Vote Yes at 7:29pm

As a courtesy, Albert DiNardo Precinct 4 moves Article 6 to the floor for consideration as recommended.

Seconded at 7:32pm by Bob Palleschi

Article as written

Article 6: To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Water Enterprise Fund for the ensuing Fiscal Year 2021. (Town Manager)

Bob Palleschi asks at 7:30pm has the cost increased significantly since he was here.

Town Manager states yes each year.

Substitute motion to strike out the bottom line but the math doesn't work by Peter Manoogian.

Peter Manoogian explains the amendment at 7:33pm that this budget is going up 10.3%. He is not comfortable and we are being boxed in to a nearly 11% increase. We should pass this to the MWRA. We never see what this money goes to. Never see water pipes replaced. 4% increase is justifiable.

Town Moderator explains that we need to adjust the other numbers to move the bottom number.

Town Manager states at 7:36pm this is way above what the Town is charged from the MWRA. He explains the other fixed cost in the increases; employment benefits increase, water project, salaries. In the past we got rid of all the preventative and it increased later on. It would be negligent not to have preventive maintenance. It would be a mistake not to support this.

Steve Divirgilio speaks at 7:38pm there are both positive sides from both. The indirect costs have been going up. This water fund is a cash generating fund for the rate payers. We are draining the water fund. Both Water and Sewer funds we need to keep an eye on and help us in the future.

Bob Palleschi speaks at 7:40pm explains when he was the chairman for the finance committee when he developed this formula and it came down to that if touches water it is an overhead indirect expense. Overhead needs to be monitored closely.

Peter Manoogian speaks at 7:42pm Is there a $1m retained earnings in the Water account.

Town Manager speaks at 7:43pm said that there is $1m.

Peter Manoogian at 7:44pm if voted in are we boxed in at a 10.3%?

Town Manager speaks at 7:44pm as the commercial higher rate payers reduce use and demand effects the other payers. What funds we have and rates will use going forward. No recommendations on rates yet.

Wendy Hatch speaks at 7:45pm she has spent a lot of time with the Abrahams Group on this subject. Since many business have been closed, the next billing circle will be substantially lower. There is consumption that the town lost. This has to be taken inter consideration from the historical usage and what could it be. Gone into great details and use different formulas as things go back into some sort of normalcy. Indirect costs are reviewed annually.

Bottom line reduced $6,969,328.00 reduction.

Bob Palleschi speaks at 7:49pm about the retained earnings.

Town Manager answers at 7:50pm we didn't do the work on the infrastructure and preventative maintenance. Cautions having zero in the stabilization fund is not okay.

Amendment by Peter Manoogian at 7:51pm

Seconded at 7:49pm by Bob Long

Bill Brown will be supporting this amendment because rise in the rates. People are financially hurting. This is above a modest increase.

Bob Long speaks at 7:57pm is the $90,000.00 is the repayment of the MWRA Loan and are we still doing this on a yearly bases? Aren't the funds audited? Didn't see a report to town meeting members.

Town Manager speaks at 7:58pm on reports online. Rate increases this is not this, because this not that.

Wendy Hatch speaks at 7:59pm the $90,000.00 is capital outlay equipment on pay as use go cash bases. Yes we still participate in the MWRA program in DPW. The DPW Director put out bid for the replaces and new equipment.

Bob Long speaks at 8:00pm about the audits? Can TMM see these audits.

Town Manager states this information is on line and is pretty detailed.

Peter Manoogian suggests that it has to do with retained earnings and would reduce to 7%. Who is kidding who!

Steve Divirgilio speaks at 8:02pm on retained earnings and it shouldn't be spent. Most of the revenue on the commercial base will be diligent. On the Amendment if you decrease the direct costs wouldn't it money the general fund will not acquire.

Town Manager states that is correct.

Chris Riley speaks at 8:04pm what is the ball park impact to residents?

Town Manager states the impact is $0 to the residents. Maintain the same level of services.

The Amendment is to reduce the Expenses line item to $5,823,171.00 now totaling $6,969,328.00

Article 6	Amendment					2020 Annual Town Meeting		
	Pct	Vote		Pct	Vote		Pct	Vote
Arone, A.	1	N	Doherty, S.	4		Paloma, A.	1	A
Ayube, S.	7	N	Dunn, S.	1	N	Panico, A.	6	N
Bartolo, J	6	N	Fowler, J.	8	N	Paolini, M.	7	A
Berube, K.	9	N	Goodwin, P.	5	N	Riley, C.	2	N
Brown, W.	6	Y	Jones, C.	1	N	Ring, D.	10	Y
Camuso Sr, R.	2	N	Kelly, D.	9	N	Rossetti Jr, P.	2	N
Cicolini, J.	8	N	Lavoie, R.	7	N	Scrivano, M.	6	Y
Connors Jr, A.	3	N	Leuci, W.	4	N	Smith, R.	3	N
Costello, M.	10	N	Long, R.	9	N	Spencer, B.	5	N
Cottam, J.	9	A	Lopresti, A.	8	A	Stewart, W.	3	A
Cross III, W.	8	N	Manoogian Sr, P.	10	Y	Thompson, R.	3	N
Currie, K.	6	A	McCarthy, S.	7	N	Traverse, T.	8	Y
Davis, G.	4	N	Migliore, M.	5	N	Vecchione IV, J.	2	N
Delios, P.	10	A	Mitchell, J.	5	A	Wallace, R.	5	N
Devlin, F.	1	N	Moore, W.	2	Y	Whitcomb, M.	4	N
DiNardo, A.	4	N	Nickolas, G.	3	N	Worthley, J.	9	N
Divirgilio, S.	10	N	Palleschi, R.	7	N			

Yea=	6
Nay=	35
Abst=	8

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Roll call vote on the Amendment fails at 8:12pm

<u>Article as voted:</u> Voted to recommend that the following sums be appropriated to operate the Water Enterprise Fund.

$ 360,947.00 Salaries

$6,308,235.00 Expenses
$ 90,000.00 Capital Outlay
$ 654,440.00 Indirect Cost
$ 40,770.00 Transfer Out to OPEB

$7,454,392.00 Total FY21 Water Enterprise Fund Appropriation

$7,454,392.00 funded from Water Enterprise Fund Revenue, $0.00 to come from Retained Earnings. $654,440.00 is to be appropriated in the General Fund funded by Water Enterprise Fund Revenue for Indirect Costs.

Darren Ring speaks at 8:13pm this aggravates him on town watering fields that are locked.

Town Manager speaks at 8:14pm has any locations that this going on inform the Managers Office.

Darren Ring states specifically at Anna Parker who actually pays for the water?

Town Manager states that the Town pays for the water. The town should control all the fields. The town should not be licensing properties since it is not beneficial for the town.

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

Yea=	39
Nay=	2
Abst=	7

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Article 6 passes majority Roll Call vote Yes at 8:18pm

As a courtesy, Albert DiNardo Precinct 4 moves Article 7 to the floor for consideration as recommended.

Seconded at 8:24pm by Bob Palleschi

Article as written

Article 7: To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Sewer Enterprise Fund for the ensuing Fiscal Year 2021. (Town Manager)

Peter Manoogian has questions: how much retained earnings?

Town Manager states it is $200,990.

Article as voted: Voted to recommend that the following sums be appropriated to operate the Sewer Enterprise Fund.

$ 361,526.00 Salaries
$5,092,292.00 Expenses
$ 62,000.00 Capital Outlay
$ 653,033.00 Indirect Cost / Transfer Out

$ 27,180.00 Transfer Out to OPEB

$6,196,031.00 Total FY21 Sewer Enterprise Fund Appropriation

$6,196,031.00 funded from Sewer Enterprise Fund Revenue and $0.00 to come from Retained Earnings. $653,033.00 is to be appropriated in the General Fund funded by Sewer Enterprise Fund Revenue for Indirect Costs.

Article 7						2020 Annual Town Meeting		
	Pct	Vote		Pct	Vote		Pct	Vote
Arone, A.	1	A	Doherty, S.	4		Paloma, A.	1	Y
Ayube, S.	7	Y	Dunn, S.	1	Y	Panico, A.	6	Y
Bartolo, J	6	Y	Fowler, J.	8	Y	Paolini, M.	7	A
Berube, K.	9	Y	Goodwin, P.	5	Y	Riley, C.	2	Y
Brown, W.	6	Y	Jones, C.	1	Y	Ring, D.	10	Y
Camuso Sr, R.	2	Y	Kelly, D.	9	Y	Rossetti Jr, P.	2	Y
Cicolini, J.	8	Y	Lavoie, R.	7	Y	Scrivano, M.	6	Y
Connors Jr, A.	3	Y	Leuci, W.	4	Y	Smith, R.	3	Y
Costello, M.	10	Y	Long, R.	9	Y	Spencer, B.	5	Y
Cottam, J.	9	A	Lopresti, A.	8	A	Stewart, W.	3	A
Cross III, W.	8	A	Manoogian Sr, P.	10	N	Thompson, R.	3	N
Currie, K.	6	Y	McCarthy, S.	7	A	Traverse, T.	8	Y
Davis, G.	4	Y	Migliore, M.	5	Y	Vecchione IV, J.	2	Y
Delios, P.	10	A	Mitchell, J.	5	A	Wallace, R.	5	Y
Devlin, F.	1	Y	Moore, W.	2	Y	Whitcomb, M.	4	Y
DiNardo, A.	4	Y	Nickolas, G.	3	Y	Worthley, J.	9	Y
Divirgilio, S.	10	ABSTAIN	Palleschi, R.	7	Y			

Yea=	37
Nay=	2
Abst=	9

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Article 7 passes majority Roll Call vote Yes at 8:26pm

As a courtesy, Albert DiNardo Precinct 4 moves Article 8 to the floor for consideration as recommended.

Seconded at 8:30pm by Bob Palleschi

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 for the purpose of funding unpaid bills of a prior fiscal year. (Town Manager)

Peter Manoogian asks at 8:30pm about one of the items of the Legal Expense?

Town Manager states that it is school invoice and it was not paid in the year it was supposed to be paid. Needs to ask the Superintendent.

Peter Manoogian wants to know why the school department didn't use their own counsel.

Town Manager responds that he answered his question.

Peter Manoogian states Town Manager uses that same counsel often.

Article as voted: Voted to recommend the Town appropriate the sum of $160,332.20 for the payment of unpaid bills of the prior fiscal year. The source of funding is $150,113.59 from Fiscal Year 2019 Carryover in the General Fund; $9,558.61 from Fiscal Year 2019 Carryover in the Water Enterprise Fund; and $660.00 from Fiscal Year 2019 Carryover in the Sewer Enterprise Fund.

Article 8						2020 Annual Town Meeting		
	Pct	Vote		Pct	Vote		Pct	Vote
Arone, A.	1	A	Doherty, S.	4		Paloma, A.	1	Y
Ayube, S.	7	Y	Dunn, S.	1	Y	Panico, A.	6	Y
Bartolo, J	6	Y	Fowler, J.	8	Y	Paolini, M.	7	A
Berube, K.	9	Y	Goodwin, P.	5	Y	Riley, C.	2	Y
Brown, W.	6	Y	Jones, C.	1	Y	Ring, D.	10	Y
Camuso Sr, R.	2	Y	Kelly, D.	9	Y	Rossetti Jr, P.	2	Y
Cicolini, J.	8	Y	Lavoie, R.	7	Y	Scrivano, M.	6	Y
Connors Jr, A.	3	Y	Leuci, W.	4	Y	Smith, R.	3	Y
Costello, M.	10	Y	Long, R.	9	Y	Spencer, B.	5	Y
Cottam, J.	9	A	Lopresti, A.	8	A	Stewart, W.	3	A
Cross III, W.	8	A	Manoogian Sr, P.	10	Y	Thompson, R.	3	Y
Currie, K.	6	Y	McCarthy, S.	7	A	Traverse, T.	8	Y
Davis, G.	4	Y	Migliore, M.	5	Y	Vecchione IV, J.	2	Y
Delios, P.	10	A	Mitchell, J.	5	A	Wallace, R.	5	Y
Devlin, F.	1	Y	Moore, W.	2	Y	Whitcomb, M.	4	Y
DiNardo, A.	4	Y	Nickolas, G.	3	Y	Worthley, J.	9	Y
Divirgilio, S.	10	Y	Palleschi, R.	7	Y			

Yea=	40
Nay=	0
Abst=	9

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Article 8 passes unanimous Roll Call vote Yes at 8:36pm

As a courtesy, Albert DiNardo Precinct 4 moves Article 9 to the floor for consideration as recommended.

Seconded at 8:36pm by Bob Palleschi

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 for the purpose of maintaining positive cash flow (fund balance) in the Compost Facility Revolving Fund. (Town Manager)

Bob Palleschi speaks at 8:36pm in years past needed to authorize all the revolving funds by a report. Does this still happen.

Town Manager clarifies at 8:37pm that is correct. However, town meeting needs to just vote on the accounts by the Department of Revenue.

Bob Palleschi asks about reports from the revolving funds.

Town Manager states yes it in the report that was given to you.

Peter Manoogian at 8:39pm wants to know the status on the Compost Facility opening to the public.

Town Manager states you need to make an appointment with consultation from the State and the Health Department recommendations.

Martin Costello at 8:41pm asks about the revisions that had to me made especially financially with the loss.

Town Manager states the money will make up for the loss in stickers, enough money in the account.

Darren Ring asks if only by appointment only? Is someone manning the phones?

Town Manager states Yes on both questions.

Bill Brown speaks at 8:43pm that people don't understand why it's one person at a time when it's so large you can bring in more people with social distancing. Can we do 2 or 3 people at a time?

Article 9						2020 Annual Town Meeting		
	Pct	Vote		Pct	Vote		Pct	Vote
Arone, A.	1	A	Doherty, S.	4		Paloma, A.	1	Y
Ayube, S.	7	Y	Dunn, S.	1	Y	Panico, A.	6	Y
Bartolo, J	6	Y	Fowler, J.	8	Y	Paolini, M.	7	A
Berube, K.	9	Y	Goodwin, P.	5	Y	Riley, C.	2	Y
Brown, W.	6	Y	Jones, C.	1	Y	Ring, D.	10	Y
Camuso Sr, R.	2	Y	Kelly, D.	9	Y	Rossetti Jr, P.	2	Y
Cicolini, J.	8	Y	Lavoie, R.	7	Y	Scrivano, M.	6	Y
Connors Jr, A.	3	Y	Leuci, W.	4	Y	Smith, R.	3	Y
Costello, M.	10	Y	Long, R.	9	Y	Spencer, B.	5	Y
Cottam, J.	9	A	Lopresti, A.	8	A	Stewart, W.	3	A
Cross III, W.	8	A	Manoogian Sr, P.	10	Y	Thompson, R.	3	Y
Currie, K.	6	A	McCarthy, S.	7	Y	Traverse, T.	8	Y
Davis, G.	4	Y	Migliore, M.	5	Y	Vecchione IV, J.	2	Y
Delios, P.	10	A	Mitchell, J.	5	A	Wallace, R.	5	Y
Devlin, F.	1	Y	Moore, W.	2	Y	Whitcomb, M.	4	Y
DiNardo, A.	4	Y	Nickolas, G.	3	Y	Worthley, J.	9	Y
Divirgilio, S.	10	Y	Palleschi, R.	7	Y			

Yea=	40
Nay=	0
Abst=	9

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Article 9 passes unanimous Roll Call vote Yes at 8:44pm

As a courtesy, Albert DiNardo Precinct 4 moves Article 10 to the floor for consideration as recommended.

Seconded at 8:48pm by Bob Palleschi

Article as written

Article 10: 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 2021 (Town Manager):

Saugus Senior Center Programs and Activities (3705)
Saugus Senior Center Lunch Program (3704)
Water System Cross-Connection Program (3703)
Town of Saugus Compost Program (3702)
Youth & Recreation Programs and Activities (3700)

Peter Manoogian asks at 8:48 one of the town members that are part of the Youth Recreation? The services that are related to the line item.

Greg Nikolas answers at 8:49pm on the services that are being done; creating online support services, helping people in and out of recovery.

Article 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 2021.

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)	$ 42,000.00
Youth & Recreation Programs and Activities (3700)	$165,000.00

Article 10						2020 Annual Town Meeting		
	Pct	Vote		Pct	Vote		Pct	Vote
Arone, A.	1	A	Doherty, S.	4		Paloma, A.	1	Y
Ayube, S.	7	Y	Dunn, S.	1	Y	Panico, A.	6	Y
Bartolo, J	6	Y	Fowler, J.	8	Y	Paolini, M.	7	A
Berube, K.	9	Y	Goodwin, P.	5	Y	Riley, C.	2	Y
Brown, W.	6	Y	Jones, C.	1	Y	Ring, D.	10	Y
Camuso Sr, R.	2	Y	Kelly, D.	9	Y	Rossetti Jr, P.	2	Y
Cicolini, J.	8	Y	Lavoie, R.	7	Y	Scrivano, M.	6	Y
Connors Jr, A.	3	Y	Leuci, W.	4	Y	Smith, R.	3	Y
Costello, M.	10	Y	Long, R.	9	Y	Spencer, B.	5	Y
Cottam, J.	9	A	Lopresti, A.	8	A	Stewart, W.	3	A
Cross III, W.	8	Y	Manoogian Sr, P.	10	Y	Thompson, R.	3	Y
Currie, K.	6	Y	McCarthy, S.	7	Y	Traverse, T.	8	Y
Davis, G.	4	Y	Migliore, M.	5	Y	Vecchione IV, J.	2	Y
Delios, P.	10	A	Mitchell, J.	5	A	Wallace, R.	5	Y
Devlin, F.	1	Y	Moore, W.	2	Y	Whitcomb, M.	4	Y
DiNardo, A.	4	Y	Nickolas, G.	3	ABSTAIN	Worthley, J.	9	Y
Divirgilio, S.	10	Y	Palleschi, R.	7	Y			

Yea=	41
Nay=	0
Abst=	7

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Article 10 passes majority Roll Call vote Yes at 8:50pm

As a courtesy, Albert DiNardo Precinct 4 moves Article 11 to the floor for consideration as recommended.

Seconded at 8:54pm by Bob Palleschi

Article as written

Article 11: To see if the Town will vote to increase water rates with all receipts to be held within the Water Enterprise Fund to be used exclusively for water expenses, water maintenance, water debt and interest and water improvement programs, or take any other action relating thereto. (Town Manager)

No Discussion

Article as voted: Voted to refer Article 11 to the next Special Town Meeting

Voice vote Yes or No.

Article 11 passes unanimous by voice vote Yes at 8:54pm

As a courtesy, Albert DiNardo Precinct 4 moves Article 12 to the floor for consideration as recommended.

Seconded at 8:55pm by Bob Palleschi

Article as written

Article 12: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money from available funds in the Transportation Infrastructure Fund for the purpose of conducting line painting on various streets in town. This appropriation is in accordance with Act St. 2016, ch 187 s8(c)(i) and MGL c44 s53.
(Town Manager)

Martin Costello asks at 8:56pm about the money if used for other infrastructures? Specifically the bridge on 107.

Town Manager answers at 8:56pm that is a State project.

Bob Palleschi asks if this is a new infrastructure fund?

Town manager states yes, it is started by the State.

Darren Ring asks about the slippery sidewalks? Cross walks?

Town Manager no this is line paintings for the traffic lines.

Joe Vecchione asks about which streets would get these lines?

Town Manager responds at 8:59pm that the DPW Director has a plan for this money.

Chris Riley has a request about people contacted him about no parking. Can use this money for the new parking.

Town Manager responds to this at 9:01pm stating will be taken care of.

Article as voted: Voted to recommend the Town appropriate the sum of $31,905.95 for purpose of conducting line painting on various streets in town. The source of funding is the Transportation Infrastructure Fund in accordance with Act St. 2016, ch 187 s8c(i) and MGL c44 s53.

Article 12						2020 Annual Town Meeting		
	Pct	Vote		Pct	Vote		Pct	Vote
Arone, A.	1	A	Doherty, S.	4		Paloma, A.	1	Y
Ayube, S.	7	Y	Dunn, S.	1	Y	Panico, A.	6	Y
Bartolo, J	6	Y	Fowler, J.	8	Y	Paolini, M.	7	A
Berube, K.	9	Y	Goodwin, P.	5	Y	Riley, C.	2	Y
Brown, W.	6	Y	Jones, C.	1	Y	Ring, D.	10	Y
Camuso Sr, R.	2	Y	Kelly, D.	9	Y	Rossetti Jr, P.	2	Y
Cicolini, J.	8	Y	Lavoie, R.	7	Y	Scrivano, M.	6	Y
Connors Jr, A.	3	Y	Leuci, W.	4	Y	Smith, R.	3	Y
Costello, M.	10	Y	Long, R.	9	Y	Spencer, B.	5	Y
Cottam, J.	9	A	Lopresti, A.	8	A	Stewart, W.	3	A
Cross III, W.	8	Y	Manoogian Sr, P.	10	Y	Thompson, R.	3	Y
Currie, K.	6	Y	McCarthy, S.	7	Y	Traverse, T.	8	Y
Davis, G.	4	Y	Migliore, M.	5	Y	Vecchione IV, J.	2	Y
Delios, P.	10	A	Mitchell, J.	5	A	Wallace, R.	5	Y
Devlin, F.	1	Y	Moore, W.	2	Y	Whitcomb, M.	4	Y
DiNardo, A.	4	Y	Nickolas, G.	3	Y	Worthley, J.	9	Y
Divirgilio, S.	10	Y	Palleschi, R.	7	Y			

Yea=	42
Nay=	0
Abst=	7

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Article 12 passes unanimous Roll Call vote Yes at 9:02pm

As a courtesy, Albert DiNardo Precinct 4 moves Article 13 to the floor for consideration as recommended.

Seconded at 9:04pm by Maureen Whittcomb

Article as written

Article 13: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of $382,950.41 from the PEG Access Enterprise Fund for the purpose of construction of a PEG Access studio/facility in Saugus and costs related thereto. Said funds to be distributed under the authority and direction of the Board of Selectmen as they see fit pursuant to the current Cable Television Renewal License Agreement and the current agreement between the Town and its designee a PEG access corporation. The source of funds will the funds received under the current Cable Television Renewal License Agreement and held in the PEG Access Enterprise Fund. (Saugus Community Television Inc.)

Amendment made Pete Manoogian:

To make a substitute motion for Article 13 to appropriate $375,000.00.

$25,000.00, will be used for an Agreed Upon Procedures Report from a public accounting firm selected by the Selectmen and engaged by the Town Manager.

Said report will conduct the following relative to the construction of the PEG Access Studio on Main Street:

1.) Review vendor/contractor selection process

2.) Review purchasing policies and procedures for costs related to construction, broadcast related equipment, fixtures, and furnishings

3.) Review and compare original estimates, bids or quotes to current or actual amounts as to vendor, amount, date, description and approval.

4.) Examine invoice or other supporting documentation as to vendor, amount, date, and description.

5.) Review canceled checks, emails, and any correspondence related to project changes or enhancements to original proposal. Review change orders including related communication and approval process.

6.) Interview selected personnel to accomplish the aforementioned including but not limited to: SCTV Executive Director, President, Treasurer, Board Members, Architect, Engineer, Contractor(s), Project Counsel, and Clerk of the Works or someone that acted in that capacity, and the President of the Historical Commission.

7.) Review communications between Architect and any executives or board members from SCTV regarding scope, timing, cost and performance of said project.

The Board of Selectmen may add to or narrow these procedures through a majority vote.

Said firm to be engaged within 3 months of studio occupancy and shall be completed within 90 days of engagement. Said report will be presented to members of the Town Meeting, Finance Committee, Board of Selectmen, and Town Manager and posted on the SCTV and Town websites.

Seconded on Amendment at 9:07pm by Al DiNardo

Al DiNardo speaks at 9:08pm President of Saugus TV. This is a funding article to finish the studio on Main Street which has been a 4 years process. Has been given very little direction. Goes in all the extra costs associated with the project. He respects the Finance Committee and it doesn't support this recommendation. No reason to send back to the BOS. Please visit 30 Main Street to see the accomplishments. Will have an open house in the fall.

Greg Nikolas speaks at 9:16pm who was involved in the beginning and they made lots of mistakes and now Al DiNardo has straightened things out. The current town administration has gotten involved and the town needs to support this.

Peter Manoogian speaks at 9:17pm he consulted Jeff Cicolini who is a partner in a Auditing firm and helped with this amendment. We are in charge of appropriating this money. This amendment will provide the services by the BOS.

Jeff Cicolini speaks at 9:21pm on this article as a member of the BOS and strongly encourage that you not send this back to the BOS. He supports this amendment it will only delay the project if you don't.

Joia Cicolini speaks in favor of the Amendment. There is transparency.

Bob Palleschi asks at 9:24pm what the 4% is based on?

Al DiNardo answers what is negotiated with Comcast. It could change with Comcast based on subscribers.

Rick Smith precinct 3 states it shouldn't be sent back to the BOS. Supports the Amendment.

Martin Costello asks Mr. DiNardo at 9:27pm if the amendment gets past will the audit determine costs saving other than the ones you already know?

Al DiNardo answers at 9:28pm doesn't really know what the audit will do. Based on subscribers.

Darren Ring supports the amendment but asks about the amount it came up with.

Al DiNardo answers at 9:31pm with the costs that came up.

Debra Panetta on the BOS asks to not delay this vote when you will get it back as this Amendment states.

Al Dinardo speaks at 9:33pm on what the numbers were and are now. Be at the historical society for rent free for 17 years just covering expenses.

Bob Long speaks at 9:35pm asks how much was paid on the construction? How do we owe? How much more the spend to bring the studio up and running.

Al DiNardo answers that the project will completed in 3 weeks and thinks $150,00.00 is owed but not sure. Still have electronics need to be purchased. This amount of money will pay construction.

Jeff Cicolini States at 9:38 there was a duplicate line item budget.

Debra Panetta states that the 45,000 was part of the next article. $25,000 was part of the audit.

Peter Rossetti states at 9:40pm voices his support of the Cable Studio.

Chris Riley is in support of this article at 9:40pm. Need transparency.

Wendy Hatch says the source of funding will be from retained earnings.

Voted to move the motion on the floor at 9:42pm

Seconded at 9:43pm

Article 13	Move the Question					2020 Annual Town Meeting		
	Pct	Vote		Pct	Vote		Pct	Vote
Arone, A.	1	A	Doherty, S.	4		Paloma, A.	1	Y
Ayube, S.	7	Y	Dunn, S.	1	Y	Panico, A.	6	Y
Bartolo, J	6	Y	Fowler, J.	8	Y	Paolini, M.	7	A
Berube, K.	9	Y	Goodwin, P.	5	Y	Riley, C.	2	Y
Brown, W.	6	N	Jones, C.	1	Y	Ring, D.	10	Y
Camuso Sr, R.	2	Y	Kelly, D.	9	Y	Rossetti Jr, P.	2	Y
Cicolini, J.	8	Y	Lavoie, R.	7	Y	Scrivano, M.	6	N
Connors Jr, A.	3	Y	Leuci, W.	4	Y	Smith, R.	3	Y
Costello, M.	10	Y	Long, R.	9	Y	Spencer, B.	5	N
Cottam, J.	9	A	Lopresti, A.	8	A	Stewart, W.	3	A
Cross III, W.	8	Y	Manoogian Sr, P.	10	N	Thompson, R.	3	Y
Currie, K.	6	Y	McCarthy, S.	7	Y	Traverse, T.	8	N
Davis, G.	4	Y	Migliore, M.	5	Y	Vecchione IV, J.	2	N
Delios, P.	10	A	Mitchell, J.	5	A	Wallace, R.	5	Y
Devlin, F.	1	Y	Moore, W.	2	Y	Whitcomb, M.	4	Y
DiNardo, A.	4	Y	Nickolas, G.	3	Y	Worthley, J.	9	Y
Divirgilio, S.	10	ABSTAIN	Palleschi, R.	7	Y			

Yea=	35
Nay=	6
Abst=	7

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Vote to move the question passes by Roll Call majority vote Yes at 9:45

No more discussion

Town Moderator moves the Amendment.

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

Yea=	40
Nay=	1
Abst=	7

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Article 13 Amendment passes by majority Roll Call vote Yes at 9:52pm

As a courtesy, Albert DiNardo Precinct 4 moves Article 14 to the floor for consideration as recommended.

Seconded at 9:52pm by Peter Rossetti

Article as written

Article 14: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of $497,602.60 from the PEG Access Enterprise Fund for the purpose of funding operating budget of the PEG Access studio/facility in Saugus for the period of July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021. Said funds to be distributed under the authority and direction of the Board of Selectmen as they see fit pursuant to the current Cable Television Renewal Agreement and the current agreement between the Town and its designee a PEG access corporation. The source of funding will be the funds received under the current Cable Television Renewal Agreement and held in the PEG Access Enterprise Fund. (Saugus Community Television Inc.)

Al DiNardo speaks at 9:52pm he would like to thank TMM on the previous article. This article is the FY 2021 budget. SCTV has expanded with all that they cover around town. Please support this article.

Bill Brown speaks at 9:54pm about lasts night budget and now here we are here with the Cable Station to approve this money and have no information on the working of the cable station. As the cable station brought their reports up to date as per the State. Can town meeting get some financial information. He will not vote for anything on the cable station until he gets some information.

Al Di Nardo asks Bill Brown what has been left in the dark? Many years ago there were lots of problems in the past. The station does audits but it takes years. The entire Board of Directors have worked really hard to get this cable station up. Did go thru a budget process.

Fatima Allen Treasury of the Cable TV and she was told everyone at town hall received the audits and you can review their books.

Debra Panetta speaks at 10:02pm as a copy of the SCTV Financial Statements which the BOS reviewed to make their recommendations. Many back in forth before making a decision.

Bill Brown asks why don't Town Meeting doesn't have any information on financial Information.

Jeff Cicolini speaks at 10:05pm in support.

Article as voted: Voted to recommend the Town appropriate the sum of $452,602.60 for the purpose of funding the operating budget of the PEG Access studio/facility in Saugus for the period of July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021. The source of funding is the PEG Access Enterprise Fund Revenue received under the current Cable Television Renewal Agreement held in the PEG Access Enterprise Fund

Article 14						2020 Annual Town Meeting		
	Pct	Vote		Pct	Vote		Pct	Vote
Arone, A.	1	Y	Doherty, S.	4		Paloma, A.	1	A
Ayube, S.	7	Y	Dunn, S.	1	Y	Panico, A.	6	Y
Bartolo, J	6	Y	Fowler, J.	8	Y	Paolini, M.	7	A
Berube, K.	9	Y	Goodwin, P.	5	Y	Riley, C.	2	Y
Brown, W.	6	N	Jones, C.	1	Y	Ring, D.	10	Y
Camuso Sr, R.	2	Y	Kelly, D.	9	Y	Rossetti Jr, P.	2	A
Cicolini, J.	8	Y	Lavoie, R.	7	Y	Scrivano, M.	6	ABSTAIN
Connors Jr, A.	3	Y	Leuci, W.	4	Y	Smith, R.	3	Y
Costello, M.	10	Y	Long, R.	9	A	Spencer, B.	5	Y
Cottam, J.	9	A	Lopresti, A.	8	A	Stewart, W.	3	A
Cross III, W.	8	Y	Manoogian Sr, P.	10	Y	Thompson, R.	3	Y
Currie, K.	6	Y	McCarthy, S.	7	Y	Traverse, T.	8	Y
Davis, G.	4	Y	Migliore, M.	5	Y	Vecchione IV, J.	2	Y
Delios, P.	10	A	Mitchell, J.	5	A	Wallace, R.	5	Y
Devlin, F.	1	Y	Moore, W.	2	Y	Whitcomb, M.	4	Y
DiNardo, A.	4	Y	Nickolas, G.	3	Y	Worthley, J.	9	Y
Divirgilio, S.	10	Y	Palleschi, R.	7	Y			

Yea=	38
Nay=	1
Abst=	9

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Article 14 passes by majority Roll Call vote Yes at 10:06pm

Moderator asks for a motion to adjourn the 2020 Annual Town Meeting.

Motion to adjourn the ATM on July 30, 2020 at 10:09 pm by Darren Ring

Seconded at 10:09p.m.

Unanimous voice vote at 10:09p.m. to adjourn sine die.

Respectfully submitted

Ellen Joyce Schena

Saugus Town Clerk