<u>Annual Town Meeting Minutes</u> <u>2[№] Session</u> <u>May 16, 2016</u>

Town Moderator, Stephen Doherty, called the 2nd Session of 2016 Annual Town Meeting to order on May 16th at 7:30p.m. in the Town Hall Auditorium, 298 Central Street, Saugus, MA with 46 members present. A quorum was met.

Town Clerk, Ellen Schena, called the roll.

Town Meeting Member name	Present/ Absent	Town Meeting Member name	Present/ Absent	Town Meeting Member name	Present/ Absent
ATTUBATO, J	P	ALLEN, P	A	BARTOLO, J.	P
BILLINGSLEY, S.	P	BRAZIS, K	P	BROWN, W.	P
CANTERBURY, M.	Р	CICOLINI, J.	Р	COBURN, J.	Α
CONNORS, A.	Р	COSTELLO, M.	Р	COSTIN, J.B.	Р
COTTAM, J.	Р	COX, R.	Р	DECAREAU, E.	Р
DEVLIN, F.A.	Р	DINARDO, A.	Р	DIVIRGILIO, A.	Р
DOHERTY, S.	Р	FALASCA, T.	Р	FINN, C.	Р
FOWLER, J.	Р	GOODWIN, P.	Р	GOLDSTEIN, J.	Р
GROARK, L.	Р	HORLICK, S.	Р	JOHNSON, P.	Р
JONES, C.	Р	KELLY, D.	Р	LEUCI, W.	Р
LOPRESTI, A.	А	MCCABE, K.	Р	MCCARTHY, S.	Р
MCLAUGHLIN, P.	Р	MCTAGUE, J.	Р	MORESCHI, C.	Р
MURPHY, S.	Р	PAOLINI, M.	Р	POLITANO, K.	Р
RING, D.	Р	RODENHISER, J.	Р	ROSSETTI, P.	Р
SERINO, M.	Р	SPENCER, B.	Р	STEWART, W.	Р
SULLIVAN, P.	Α	SWEEZEY, S.	Р	THOMPSON, R.	Р
WALLACE, R.	Р	WITTEN, R.	Р		

46 Members present, a quorum is met. Next was the acceptance of 1ST Session ATM minutes from May 2, 2016 at 7:36 p.m.

Reports from Committees:

Finance Committee Report.

Ken DePatto, Chairman of the Finance Committee spoke at 7:37 p.m. informing Town meeting that the Finance Committee continues to meet and review all articles. There are 17 Articles that are to be discussed tonight with 4 Articles left including Article 2 which is the Town Budget.

Moderator Doherty made a motion to move Article 33 out of order at 7:40pm.

Unanimous voice vote at 7:40pm

As a courtesy to the Cemetery Commission, Mrs. McLaughlin from Precinct 4 moves Article 33 as recommend

Article as written:

<u>Article 33.</u> To see if the Town will authorize the funding from free cash or stabilization fund, not to exceed \$17,000.00 to complete the land survey needed to verify if the land located across the river from the cemetery is suitable for expansion of cemetery grounds for use of burial. (Cemetery Commission)

At 7:42 p.m. Tim Hawkes residing at 225 Walnut Street is opposed to this because of the Shutebrook area. This is the Tree Farm to grow tress and the town received a Grant for the farm. Development of the area would be detrimental to the Conservation. There is also a public trail in this area.

At 7:44 p.m. Ken DePatto, Chairman of the Finance Committee speaks that the last speaker is incorrect or misunderstood that this article goes back to the Cemetery Commission and not the Tree Committee.

At 7:55 p.m. J. Brian Costin from Precinct 7 passed out a copy of a newspaper article from the Boston Globe with the help of the tellers. It speaks about burials stating by 2030, 75% will be cremated. He is supporting the Finance Committees recommendation to refer the article back to the Cemetery Commission but also sympathizes with Mr. Hawkes.

At 7:50 p.m. A. Devlin from Precinct 1 who is a member of the Tree Committee is confused with what the last person said

Seconded at 7:40 p.m.

Seconded at 7:41 p.m.

since the article specifically speaks about taking over the land over the river. The Tree Farm should be supported and not taken away. She has many concerns about the degradation of the Shutebrook area. She makes a motion to Indefinitely Postpone the article.

At 7:56 p.m. Steve Horlick from Precinct 8 states we should use up all the lands, roadways beforehand.

Article as voted: Voted to recommend Article 33 be referred back to the Cemetery Commission.

Show of hands. All in favor Left Side totals: 8 Right Side totals: 23 Total: 31 All opposed: Left Side totals: 2 Right Side totals: 12 Total: 14

Article 33 passed as recommended by the Finance Committee at 7:59 p.m.

Moderator Doherty made a motion to move Articles 3 to 5 out of order at 8:00 p.m.

Unanimous vote to move articles out of order.

As a courtesy to the Town Manager, Mrs. McLaughlin from Precinct 4 moves Article 3 as recommend

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 1 of the 2015 Annual Town Meeting during the current fiscal year, and determine whether that 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)

Moderator announces there is a Typo on the Recommendation that it should read \$687,700.00 and the last 2 numbers are correction.

Motion to change.

Article as voted: Voted to recommend the Town make a supplementary appropriation in the amount of \$687,700.00 to be used in conjunction with money appropriated under Article 1 of the 2015 Annual Town Meeting during the current fiscal year. The source of funding is \$297,400.00 from free cash and \$390,300.00 from interdepartmental transfers.

Article 3 passed as recommended, by unanimous voice vote at 8:01 p.m.

As a courtesy to the Town Manager, Mrs. McLaughlin from Precinct 4 moves Article 4 as recommend

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 5 of the 2015 Annual Town Meeting during the current fiscal year, and determine whether that money shall be provided by transfer from available funds; or to see what other action the Town wishes to take.

Article as voted: Voted to recommend the Town make a supplementary appropriation in the amount of \$58,285.00 to be used in conjunction with money appropriated under Article 5 of the 2015 Annual Town Meeting during the current fiscal year. The source of funding is Water Enterprise Retained Earnings.

Article 4 passed as recommended, by unanimous voice vote at 8:03 p.m.

Seconded at 8:00 p.m.

Seconded at 7:56pm

Seconded at 8:00 p.m.

Seconded at 8:01 p.m.

Seconded at 8:02 p.m.

Seconded at 8:02 p.m.

Seconded at 8:00 p.m.

(Town Manager)

No discussion.

Seconded at 8:03 p.m.

Seconded at 8:04 p.m.

Seconded at 8:05 p.m.

Seconded at 8:05 p.m.

Seconded at 8:06 p.m.

Article as written:

Article 20. 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 and constructing improvements to water pipelines. (Town Manager)

At 8:06 p.m. Bill Brown from Precinct 6 is concerned on a number of these articles – 12 articles for borrowing money. He is concerned about borrowing all this money. He states he sat with the Town Manager who explained why and that 8% is a State average to borrow, however we are borrowing \$11,700,000.00 which totals 12% of the Town's operating budget. His concern is with down the road and paying the bills. What is our limit here with borrowing? How much should the town go into debt? The town should look closely on what we are borrowing.

At 8:10 p.m. Town Manager Scott Crabtree speaks on what the borrowing is and investments in Capital projects. The town hasn't spent the money to protect capital improvements. There has been no investment into our assets in many years. Debt service operations are 4% (Saugus) while debt service operations statewide are at 8%. These are priority one things that needs to be completed. Example is the Lincoln Avenue Pumping Station. There have not been any capital improvements to the town since maybe 1993/4. There are plans now to move forward. The items listed are not a wish list but if not done could be an issue.

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 6 of the 2015 Annual Town Meeting during the current fiscal year, and determine whether that money shall be provided by transfer from available funds; or to see what other action the Town wishes to take. (Town Manager)

As a courtesy to the Town Manager, Mrs. McLaughlin from Precinct 4 moves Article 5 as recommend

Article as voted: Voted to recommend the Article 5 for Indefinite Postponement.

Article 5 passed as recommended, by unanimous voice vote at 8:04 p.m.

Moderator Doherty made a motion to move Articles 19 to 32 out of order at 8:04 p.m.

Unanimous vote to move articles out of order.

As a courtesy to the Town Manager, Mrs. McLaughlin from Precinct 4 moves Article 19 as recommend;

Article as written: Article 19. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money for capital improvements to the Town's sanitary sewer system, including the payment of all costs incidental and related thereto; to determine whether this appropriation shall be

raised by borrowing from the Massachusetts Clean Water Trust or otherwise; and to take any other action thereto.

Article as voted: Voted to recommend the appropriation of \$5,200,000.00 for capital improvements to the Town sanitary sewer system, including the payment of all costs incidental and related thereto; to determine whether this appropriation shall be raised by borrowing from the Massachusetts Clean Water Trust or otherwise; and to take any other action thereto.

As a courtesy to the Town Manager, Mrs. McLaughlin from Precinct 4 moves Article 20 as recommend;

Article 19 passed as recommended, by unanimous voice vote at 8:04 p.m.

(Town Manager)

No discussion.

No discussion.

At 8:20 p.m. Bill Brown from Precinct 6 asks if there is any paperwork on the Capital Improvement plans because Town Meeting Members have not received the wish list. The Town Manager replies there is one in the packet that was emailed to everyone.

At 8:21 p.m. Al DiNardo from Precinct 4 speaks on the towns credit scores. He speaks on the \$30,000,000.00 to redo all the building many years ago. Town meeting should stick with the plan laid out by the Town Manager and the Finance Committee.

At 8:24 p.m. Bob Cox from Precinct 4 speaks that he is not afraid of debt to be used for investments or emergencies but he wants transparency. What is the rational on how much we are borrowing? He states that at STM in 2015 the town borrowed \$1.5 million for parks and playgrounds he feels was for short term investments in which he gave examples. The capital improvements plan should be more specific and a rationalized study completed.

At 8:31 p.m. Town Manager Scott Crabtree clarifies some of the information for the Town Meeting Members. He states we have not borrowed the \$1.5 million yet. The parks and playgrounds have full designs; 40 to 50 pages of specs for 3 large playgrounds.

<u>Article as voted</u>: Voted to recommend authorizing the Town Treasurer to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,200,000.00 by borrowing or otherwise for the purpose of designing and constructing improvements to water pipelines. (Town Manager)

Seconded at 8:33 p.m.

Article 20 passed as recommended, by majority vote with 1 opposed at 8:33 p.m.

As a courtesy to the Town Manager, Mrs. McLaughlin from Precinct 4 moves Article 21 as recommend;

Seconded at 8:33 p.m.

Article as written:

<u>Article 21.</u> To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purchase of vehicles for the Police Department; to determine whether this appropriation shall be raised by borrowing or otherwise or to take other action relative thereto. (Town Manager)

No Discussion.

<u>Article as voted</u>: Voted to recommend the appropriation of \$374,000.00 for the purchase of vehicles for the Police Department. This appropriation shall be raised by borrowing or otherwise; or to take other action relative thereto.

Article 21 passed as recommended, by unanimous voice vote at 8:34 p.m.

As a courtesy to the Town Manager, Mrs. McLaughlin from Precinct 4 moves Article 23 as recommend;

Seconded at 8:35 p.m.

Article as written:

<u>Article 23.</u> To see if the Town will appropriate a sum of money for purchasing various equipment for Town departments, including the payment of costs incidental or related thereto; and to determine whether this appropriation shall be raised by borrowing or otherwise; or to take any other active relative thereto. (Town Manager)

Moderator announces there is a Typo on the Recommendation that it should read \$1,258,000.00

At 8:37 p.m. Patricia Johnson from Precinct 7 asks the manager; what various equipment?

At 8:38 p.m. Town Manager Scott Crabtree states there is a list in the Packet that indicates equipment from such department as Forestry, DPW, Clerk's Office, Building Maintenance, Parks & Playground and Police Dept.

At 8:39 p.m. Martin Costello from Precinct 10 specifically asks about the difference between to the 2 numbers?

At 8:39 p.m. Finance Chairman Ken DePatto states the packet had very specific number and when you add them up it comes to the \$1,258,000.00 and when the Fin Com Secretary transposed the recommendations to the Town Clerks she gave the incorrect numbers.

At 8:41 p.m. A. Devlin from Precinct 1asks about the Parks & Playgrounds equipment?

At 8:41 p.m. Town Manager Scott Crabtree speaks to the line item in the packet which is anticipation for security, lighting, cameras that go to the Police Department.

<u>Article as voted</u>: Voted to recommend appropriating the sum of \$1,258,000.00 for purchasing various equipment for Town departments, including the payment of all cost incidental or related thereto. This appropriation shall be raised by borrowing or otherwise; or to take any other action relative thereto.

Article 23 passed as recommended, by unanimous voice vote at 8:42 p.m.

As a courtesy to the Town Manager, Mrs. McLaughlin from Precinct 4 moves Article 24 as recommend;

Seconded at 8:44 p.m.

Seconded at 8:50 p.m.

Article as written:

<u>Article 24.</u> To see if the Town will appropriate a sum of money for Town Hall interior and exterior remodeling (including, but not limited to stripping and repainting structure, replacing fascia boards, replacement of down spouts and gutters, and replacement of slate roof tiles as required) including the payment of costs incidental or related thereto; and to determine whether this appropriation shall be raised by borrowing or otherwise; or to take any other active relative thereto. (Town Manager)

At 8:44 p.m. Peter Rossetti from Precinct 2 explained that many years ago they remodeled Town hall which was very expensive. He is in favor of this article and states that in future it could cost far more.

At 8:45 p.m. Martin Costello from Precinct 10 concurs with his fellow meeting member but his question is about priorities. What is the priority of the building? Who will be overseeing the project?

At 8:47 p.m. Town Manager Scott Crabtree speaks on the priorities which is the roof and the exterior paint. Another is the building has not been painting in a long time and there are Lead Paint still present. There is rot and damage because of the lack of clapboard and paint. The Town Manager will be overseer the project along with his Assistant Susan Dunn.

<u>Article as voted</u>: Voted to recommend the appropriation of \$200,000.00 for Town Hall interior and exterior remodeling, including payments of costs incidental or related thereto; and to determine whether this appropriation shall be raised by borrowing or otherwise; or to take any other active relative thereto.

Article 24 passed as recommended, by unanimous voice vote at 8:49 p.m.

As a courtesy to the Town Manager, Mrs. McLaughlin from Precinct 4 moves Article 25 as recommend;

Article as written:

<u>Article 25.</u> To see of the Town will appropriate a sum of money for planning and construction of drainage and catch basins project on Elm St., including the payment of costs incidental and related thereto; to determine whether this appropriation shall be raised by borrowing or otherwise; or to take any other action relative thereto. (Town Manager)

At 8:50 p.m. J. Brian Costin from Precinct 7 asks what the relationship this Article has with Article 32?

At 8:51 p.m. Town Manager Crabtree states this Article is for the construction that CDM Smith has laid out with the DPW Director.

At 8:52 p.m. Peter Rossetti from Precinct 2 addresses the manager how this would affect a town wide drainage plan?

At 8:51 p.m. Town Manager Crabtree states the article would address drainage issues in that Saugus area sewer & water systems infra-structure. He wished the Town had accepted the FEMA Grant which would have widened the river. Town wide they are looking at the open space plan, not a lot which affects the drainage. Stated many other communities have a Town Storm Drain Enterprise Account.

At 8:56 p.m. Bill Brown from Precinct 6 asks the Manager what's the break down, how much towards planning and how much towards construction. What is the time table? Can our DPW do a portion of this to keep costs down? What are the quotes?

At 8:58 p.m. Town Manager Crabtree responds that CDM Smith has worked with the FEMA Grant back in 2007/8. The project will be done in phases. DPW doesn't have the capacity to do this type of construction work.

At 9:01 p.m. Brent Spencer from Precinct 5 asks in this project is there any intention of taking the bridge down? Can we eliminate the North Stream catch basin?

At 9:03 p.m. Robert Cox from Precinct 4 speaks that he firmly believes miss-management by the Town many years ago is the reasoning. The town must fix the problem. What has been done to get the Army Corp of Engineers here to assess the problem? What can the town afford?

At 9:06 p.m. Darren Ring from Precinct 10 tells about the 2006 Mothers Day storm where he was with Emergency Management that was pumping sewage and water for many days especially on Elm Street. Something needs to be done that that area, we cannot afford another flood. He is in favor of the Financial Committees recommendation and the article should

be voted in.

At 9:90 p.m. Jack Perry who resides on Elm Street has lived there since 1964 and has neighbors 10-15 years before him states this needs to be fixed. He hopes the town will take appropriate action.

At 9:13 p.m. Steve Horlick from Precinct 8 explains that Emory Street used to flood and was corrected. The town needs to do the same on Elm Street.

Call for the Question

Seconded at 9:14 p.m.

<u>Article as voted</u>: Voted to recommend the appropriation of \$1,200, 000.00 for planning and construction of drainage and catch basins project on Elm St., including the payment of costs incidental and related thereto; to determine whether this appropriation shall be raised by borrowing or otherwise; or to take any other action relative thereto.

Call for a Roll Call Vote.

Seconded at 9:15 p.m.

Town Meeting Member name	Present/ Absent	Town Meeting Member name	Present/ Absent	Town Meeting Member name	Present/ Absent
ATTUBATO, J	Y	ALLEN, P	А	BARTOLO, J.	Y
BILLINGSLEY, S.	Y	BRAZIS, K	Y	BROWN, W.	Y
CANTERBURY, M.	Y	CICOLINI, J.	Y	COBURN, J.	А
CONNORS, A.	Y	COSTELLO, M.	Y	COSTIN, J.B.	Y
COTTAM, J.	Y	COX, R.	Y	DECAREAU, E.	Y
DEVLIN, F.A.	Y	DINARDO, A.	Y	DIVIRGILIO, A.	Y
DOHERTY, S.		FALASCA, T.	Y	FINN, C.	Y
FOWLER, J.	Y	GOODWIN, P.	Y	GOLDSTEIN, J.	Y
GROARK, L.	Y	HORLICK, S.	Y	JOHNSON, P.	Y
JONES, C.	Y	KELLY, D.	Y	LEUCI, W.	Y
LOPRESTI, A.	Α	MCCABE, K.	Y	MCCARTHY, S.	Y
MCLAUGHLIN, P.	Y	MCTAGUE, J.	Y	MORESCHI, C.	Y
MURPHY, S.	Y	PAOLINI, M.	Y	POLITANO, K.	Y
RING, D.	Y	RODENHISER, J.	Y	ROSSETTI, P.	Y
SERINO, M.	Y	SPENCER, B.	Y	STEWART, W.	Y
SULLIVAN, P.	А	SWEEZEY, S.	Y	THOMPSON, R.	Y
WALLACE, R.	Y	WITTEN, R.	Y		

YEA: 45 NAY: 0 ABST: 4

Article 25 passed as recommended, by unanimous voice vote at 9:20 p.m.

As a courtesy to the Town Manager, Mrs. McLaughlin from Precinct 4 moves Article 26 as recommend;

Article as written:

<u>Article 26.</u> To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money for the design and repair/construction of Town storm drains, including the payment of costs incidental and related thereto; to determine whether this appropriation shall be raised by borrowing or otherwise; or to take any other action relative thereto. (Town Manager)

No discussion.

<u>Article as voted</u>: Voted to recommend the appropriation of \$275,000.00 for the design and repair/construction of Town storm drains, including the payment of costs incidental and related thereto; to determine whether this appropriation shall be raised by borrowing or otherwise; or to take any other action relative thereto.

Article 26 passed as recommended, by unanimous voice vote at 9:26 p.m.

As a courtesy to the Town Manager, Mrs. McLaughlin from Precinct 4 moves Article 28 as recommend;

Seconded at 9:26 p.m.

Article as written:

<u>Article 28:</u> To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money for construction and reconstruction of various streets, including the payment of costs incidental and related thereto; to determine whether this appropriation shall be raised by borrowing or otherwise; or to take any other action relative thereto. (Town Manager)

No discussion.

<u>Article as voted</u>: Voted to recommend the appropriation of \$150,000.00 for the construction and reconstruction of various streets, including the payment of costs incidental and related thereto; to determine whether this appropriation shall be raised by borrowing or otherwise; or to take any other action relative thereto.

Article 28 passed as recommended, by unanimous voice vote at 9:27 p.m.

As a courtesy to the Town Manager, Mrs. McLaughlin from Precinct 4 moves Article 29 as recommend;

Seconded at 9:28 p.m.

Article as written:

<u>Article 29:</u> To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money for the replacement of the Morris Pump Station and improvements to the Bristow St. Pump Station, including the payment of costs incidental and related thereto; to determine whether this appropriation shall be raised by borrowing or otherwise; or to take any other action relative thereto. (Town Manager)

At 9:28 p.m. Martin Costello from Precinct 10 as the Town Manager on the Bristow St. Pump Station on any compromise ion the location of work? What is the electrically situation with the pump especially during power outages?

At 9:30 p.m. Town Manager Scott Crabtree states the Capital improvements to the Bristow St. park is separate and will not affect this project. The pumping station need to remain where it is.

At 9:32 p.m. Darren Ring from Precinct 10 asks a question to the Town Manager if any plans to have an onsite generator at Bristow Street or maybe in the future?

At 9:32 p.m. Town Manager Scott Crabtree answers this maybe feasible. There are cost affected to this and open to discuss.

<u>Article as voted</u>: Voted to recommend the appropriation of \$1,047,000.00 for the replacement of the Morris Pump Station and improvements to the Bristow St. Pump Station, including the payment of costs incidental and related thereto; to determine whether this appropriation shall be raised by borrowing or otherwise; or to take any other action relative thereto.

Article 29 passed as recommended, by unanimous voice vote at 9:34 p.m.

As a courtesy to the Town Manager, Mrs. McLaughlin from Precinct 4 moves Article 30 as recommend;

Seconded at 9:35 p.m.

Article as written:

<u>Article 30</u>: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money for inspections, dye water testing, mailings and mapping related to private inflow and infiltration removal, including the payment of costs incidental and related thereto; to determine whether this appropriation shall be raised by borrowing or otherwise; or to take any other action relative thereto. (Town Manager)

No discussion.

<u>Article as voted</u>: Voted to recommend the appropriation of \$181,500.00 for inspections, dye water testing, mailings and mapping related to private inflow and infiltration removal, including the payment of costs incidental and related thereto; to determine whether this appropriation shall be raised by borrowing or otherwise; or to take any other action relative thereto.

Article 30 passed as recommended, by unanimous voice vote at 9:35 p.m.

As a courtesy to the Town Manager, Mrs. McLaughlin from Precinct 4 moves Article 31 as recommend;

Article as written:

Seconded at 9:36 p.m.

<u>Article 31:</u> To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, to raise and appropriate by borrowing or otherwise, a sum of money for the purpose of funding the paving of Montgomery Street in Precinct 3. (William Stewart, Town Meeting Member, Precinct 3)

At 9:36 p.m. Bill Stewart from Precinct 3 explains the past 4 years the people on Montgomery Street is an unapproved street and it's been over 70 years without being approved. This street is unpaved like most of the unapproved streets in the town. It is a big problem for the residents of Montgomery Street. In the future the town should come out with a list of streets that need to be approved and maintained.

Article as voted: Voted to recommend Article 31 be referred back to the Town Manager.

Article 31 passed as recommended, by majority vote with 1 opposed at 9:38 p.m.

As a courtesy to the Town Manager, Mrs. McLaughlin from Precinct 4 moves Article 32 as recommend;

Article as written:

<u>Article 32:</u> To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of one million dollars (\$1,000,000.00) for removal of the thirty inch drain from the North side to the South side of the Elm St./Saville St. Bridge. Also, to install a new drain from the end of Elm St. to the South side of the bridge. (Jack Perry, 7 Innis Street, Precinct 7)

The Town did vote a sum of money in Article 25.

No discussion.

Article as voted: Voted to recommend Indefinite Postponement (IP) of Article 32.

Article 32 passed as recommended, by unanimous voice vote at 9:40 p.m.

As a courtesy to the Town Manager, Mrs. McLaughlin from Precinct 4 moves Article 34 as recommend;

Seconded at 9:41 p.m.

Seconded at 9:39 p.m.

Article as written:

<u>Article 34:</u> To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, to raise and appropriate by borrowing or otherwise a sum of money for the purpose of funding the paving of Seminole Street in Precinct 5 (Specifically the portion of the street beginning at Social Street and continuing down to where the current road paving ends past #14 Seminole Street). (Pamela Goodwin, Town Meeting Member, Precinct 3)

At 9:41 p.m. Pamela Goodwin from Precinct 5 states that Seminole Street is an unaccepted street and she applauds the Town Manager on his plan in looking at unaccepted streets. She looks forward to working with him and is in favor of referring back to the Town Manager.

At 9:42 p.m. Town Manager Scott Crabtree states the town is looking at our town has more than 35% of the road ways are unaccepted where other communities are at less than 5%...they don't qualify for Chapter 90 funds. These roadways have not been turned over from developers and it could have been 100 years ago. Saville Street is one of these roads that is unaccepted. This means the town is not responsible for maintaining the roadways but we do maintain them without funding. The plan is to work with the town, DPW Director and an outside surveyor to be able to put a plan together to get the streets accepted. Need to look at different sources for funding to pave the roadways with a new GIS System to acquire.

Article as voted: Voted to recommend Article 34 be referred back to the Town Manager

Article 34 passed as recommended, by unanimous voice vote at 9:44 p.m.

Moderator Doherty states he is hoping to be back next week on May 23rd for the last 4 Articles if the Finance Committee can finish up this week.

Call of the Moderator to adjourn for the 23rd or June 6th and will let the Town Meeting Members know by end of the day Thursday May 19th.

Motion to suspend meeting given at 9:46pm.

Seconded at 9:46 p.m.

Unanimous voice vote at 9:46 p.m. to adjourn sine die.

Respectfully submitted Ellen Joyce Schena Town Clerk