

Annual Town Meeting Minutes
2nd Session
May 21, 2018

Town Moderator Steve Doherty, called the 1st Session of the Annual Town Meeting to order on May 21, 2018 at 7:32p.m. in the Town Hall Auditorium, 298 Central Street, Saugus, MA with 44 members present. A quorum was met.

Joyce Rodenhiser from precinct 1 and Peter Rossetti from precinct 2 were appointed and sworn in as tellers.

Town Clerk, Ellen Schena, called the roll at 7:34 p.m.

Town Meeting Member name	Present/ Absent	Town Meeting Member name	Present/ Absent	Town Meeting Member name	Present/ Absent
BARTOLO, J.	P	BRAZIS, K	A	BROWN, W.	P
CAMUSO, R	P	CANTERBURY, M	P	CICOLINI, J.	P
COBURN, J.	A	CONNORS, A.	A	COSTELLO, M.	P
COTTAM, J.	P	CURRIE, K.	P	DEVLIN, F.A.	P
DIGIROLAMO	P	DINARDO, A.	P	DIVIRGILIO, S.	P
DOHERTY, S.	P	DUNN, S.	P	FALASCA, T.	P
FISHER, R.	P	FOWLER, J.	P	GOODWIN, P.	P
GROARK, L.	A	HORLICK, S.	P	JONES, C.	P
KELLY, D.	P	LAVOIE, R.	P	LEUCI, W.	P
LOPRESTI, A.	A	MARCHAND, W.	P	MCCABE, K.	P
MCCARTHY, S.	A	MORESCHI, C.	P	MURPHY, S.	P
PAOLINI, M.	P	POLITANO, K.	P	PRIZIO, P	P
RANDO, P	P	RODENHISER, J.	P	ROSSETTI, P.	P
SERINO, M.	P	SPENCER, B.	P	STEWART, W.	P
SWEEZEY, S.	P	THOMPSON, R	P	TRAVERSE, T.	P
TRAVERSE, T.	P	WHITCOMB, M.	P	WHYTE, C	P
WITTEN, R.	P	WORTHLEY, J.	P		

43 Members present + Moderator, a quorum is met.

Moderator Comments: Mentions that there are 10 articles remaining on the ATM. Articles 3,6,8,10,14 & 16 are tonight. 14 & 16 are Zoning Articles. Looking at June 4th to come back to finalize the ATM. Mentions that Town Meeting Member Laura Groark contacted him that she was unable to make the meeting tonight. He also asked that he keep Town Counsel John Vasapolli in our prayers since mother recently passed away.

Article 1: Reports of Committees moved to the floor at 7:40 p.m.

Chairman of the Finance Committee Ken DePatto speaks brief at 7:37pm on the Finance Committee’s Recommendations and hopes Town Meeting will support all recommendations.

Any other committees: None

The Town Moderator Steve Doherty makes a motion at 7:39 to take Articles 3 out of order, since articles 2 is the budget and not ready to be moved to the floor.
Seconded at 7:39pm
Unanimously voice vote yes at 7:40p.m to take Articles 3 out of order.

As a courtesy to the Town Manager, Mr. Traverse moves Article 3 to the floor as recommended.
Seconded at 7:40.p.m.

Article as written:

Article 3. To see if the Town will make supplementary appropriations to be used in conjunction with the money appropriated under Article 2 of the 2017 Annual Town Meeting during the current fiscal year and determine whether the money shall be provided by transfer from available funds. (Town Manager)

Any Discussion: None

Article as voted: Voted to recommend the Town make a supplementary appropriation in the amount of \$1,309,800.00 to be used in conjunction with the money appropriated under Article 2 of the 2017 Annual Town Meeting during the current fiscal year. The source of funding is \$489,800.00 from interdepartmental transfers and \$820,000.00 from free cash.

Seconded at 7:41 p.m.
Article 3 passed as recommended, by unanimous voice vote at 7:41 p.m.

Motion to take article 10 out of order at 7:41pm

Seconded at 7:41pm

Unanimous voice vote yes to take Article 10 out of order at 7:42pm

As a courtesy to the Town Manager, Mr. Traverse moves Article 10 to the floor as recommended

Seconded at 7:42 p.m.

Article as written:

Article 10: To see if the Town will vote to increase water rates with all receipts to be held in 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)

Seconded at 7:42p.m.

Any Discussion: None

Article as voted: Voted to recommend the Town vote a 3.0% increase in the water rates for Fiscal Year 2019 with all receipts to be held in the Water Enterprise Fund to be used exclusively for water expenses, water maintenance, water debt and interest and water improvement programs.

Seconded at 7.43p.m

Town Clerk takes the Roll Call vote

Town Meeting Member name	P C T	VOTE	Town Meeting Member name	P C T	VOTE	Town Meeting Member name	P C T	VOTE
BARTOLO, J	6	N	BRAZIS, K	5	A	BROWN, W.	6	N
CAMUSO, R	2	Y	CANTERBURY, M	6	Y	CICOLINI, J.	8	Y
COBURN, J.	10	A	CONNORS, A.	3	A	COSTELLO, M.	10	Y
COTTAM, J.	9	Y	CURRIE, K.	6	Y	DEVLIN, F.A.	1	Y
DIGIROLAMO, T	10	Y	DINARDO, A.	4	Y	DIVIRGILIO, S.	10	Y
DOHERTY, S.	4		DUNN, S.	1	Y	FALASCA, T.	2	N
FISHER, R.	9	Y	FOWLER, J.	8	Y	GOODWIN, P.	5	Y
GROARK, L.	5	A	HORLICK, S.	8	Y	JONES, C.	1	Y
KELLY, D.	9	Y	LAVOIE, R.	7	Y	LEUCI, W.	4	Y
LOPRESTI, A.	8	A	MARCHAND, W.	6	Y	MCCABE, K.	4	Y
MCCARTHY, S.	7	A	MORESCHI, C.	2	Y	MURPHY, S.	3	N
PAOLINI, M.	7	Y	POLITANO, K.	7	Y	PRIZIO, P.	7	Y
RANDO, P.	3	Y	RODENHISER, J.	1	N	ROSSETTI, P.	2	Y
SERINO, M.	10	Y	SPENCER, B.	5	Y	STEWART, W.	3	Y
SWEEZEY, S.	2	Y	THOMPSON, R.	3	Y	TRAVERSE, T.	8	Y
WALLACE, R.	5	Y	WHITCOMB, M.	4	Y	WHYTE, C.	9	Y
WITTEN, R.	1	Y	WORTHLEY, J.	9	Y			

Yeas: 38
Nays: 5
Absent: 6

Article 10 passed as recommended, by majority vote at 7:45p.m

Motion made to take Article 6 out of order at 7:46p.m.

Seconded at 7:46p.m.

Unanimous voice vote yes to take Article 9 out of order at 7:46p.m.

As a courtesy to the Town Manager, Mr. Traverse moves Article 6 to the floor as recommended

Seconded at 7:47 p.m.

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 2019. (Town Manager)

Any Discussion: None

Article as voted: Voted to recommend that the following sums be appropriated to operate the Water Enterprise Fund: \$6,609,262.00 from Water Enterprise Fund Revenue, \$0.00 to come from Retained Earnings for a total Fiscal Year 2019 Water Enterprise Fund Appropriation of \$6,609,262.00. \$520,896.00 is to be appropriated in the General Fund funded by

Water Enterprise Fund Revenue for Indirect Costs.

Seconded at 7:47p.m.

Article 6 passed as recommended, by unanimous voice vote at 7:48p.m.

As a courtesy to the Town Manager, Mr. Traverse moves Article 8 to the floor as recommended.

Seconded at 7:48 p.m.

Article as written:

Article 8. 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 2019:

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 & Activities (3700)
(Town Manager)

Any Discussion: None

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 2019:

Saugus Senior Center Programs and Activities (3705)	\$ 30,000.00
Saugus Senior Center Lunch Program (3704)	\$ 10,000.00
Water System Cross-Connection Program (3703)	\$ 25,000.00
Town of Saugus Compost Program (3702)	\$ 38,500.00
Youth & Recreation Programs & Activities (3700)	\$165,000.00

Seconded at 7:49p.m.

Article 8 passed as recommended, by unanimous voice vote at 7:49p.m.

Motion made take Article 14 & 16 out of order at 7:49p.m.

Seconded at 7:49p.m.

Unanimous voice vote yes to take Article 14 & 16 out of order at 7:50p.m.

As a courtesy to the Town Manager, Mr. Traverse moves Article 14 to the floor as recommended.

Seconded at 7:51p.m.

Article as written:

Article 14. To see if the Town will vote to amend the zoning bylaws of the Town of Saugus by adding the following:
Amend Article III – DEFINITIONS to include, in the appropriate alphabetical order, the following:

Marijuana Establishment: A commercial marijuana cultivator, marijuana testing facility, marijuana product manufacturer, marijuana retailer, or any other type of marijuana-related business, subject to regulation under G.L. 94G; provided, however, that a Registered Medical Marijuana Dispensary shall not be deemed to be a Marijuana Establishment

Amend Article V – REGULATIONS, adding the following:

SECTION 5.8 – MARIJUANA ESTABLISHMENT. The operation of any marijuana establishment, as defined in G.L. c. 94G, §1, including, without limitation, a marijuana cultivator, marijuana testing facility, marijuana product manufacturer, marijuana retailer, or any other licensed marijuana-related business, is prohibited in all zoning districts of the Town. This prohibition shall not apply to the sale, distribution, or cultivation of marijuana for medical purposes licensed under Chapter 369 of the Acts of 2012.

Amend Article V – REGULATIONS Table of Use and Parking Regulations, adding the following at the end of the section on Retail Services-Commercial:

12. Marijuana Establishment, as defined in G.L. c.94G, §1

R-1	R-2	R-3	R-4	B-1	B-2	B-3	I-1	I-2	F.P.
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(Town Manager)

Any Discussion: None

Article as voted: Vote to see if the Town will amend the zoning bylaws of the Town of Saugus by adding the following:

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(Town Manager)

Seconded at 7:52pm

Article 14 passed as recommended, by unanimous voice vote at 7:52p.m.

As a courtesy to the Town Manager, Mr. Traverse moves Article 16 to the floor as recommended.

Seconded at 7:52p.m.

Article as written:

Article 16.To see if the Town will vote to amend the Town’s Zoning Map and Zoning By-Law by rezoning lots A-10 to A-41 inclusive, Lot A-248 to A-250 inclusive, on Assessors Plan 2029 and Lots A-105 and A-110 on Assessors Plan 2028 from (R-1) single family residential to (BHSD) Business Highway sustainable development zoning district. The properties are located between and including 42 to 61 Eagle Road. (Richard Magnan)

Town Moderator Steve Doherty mentions that there is an Amendment to the Article via the Planning Board recommendation. The Amendment to Article 16 is by striking out “Lots A-105 and A-110 on Assessors Plan 2028”.

Seconded at 7:53pm

Discussion on the Amendment only:

Martin Costello Precinct 10 speaks at 7:54p.m. asking about the removing of those lots? He feels this article is absolutely necessary for those residents down there.

Richard Magnan the author of the Article 16. Speaks at 7:55p.m... Office 195 Central Street in Saugus. These 2 particular parcels belong to National Grid at the far area of Eagle Road. The Amendment needed to correct that in the Article.

Michael Serino Precinct 10 speaks at 7:55pm in support of the article.

Call for the question on just the Amendment on Article 16.

Unanimous voice vote yes passes at 7:57pm

Amendment to Article 16 passed by unanimous voice vote at 7:57p.m.

Discussion on Article 16 with Amendment.

Richard Magnan speaks at 7:58p.m on Article 16 as a whole. He mentions the booklet passed out on Eagle Road and why it needs to be re-zoned.

Peter Rossetti Precinct 2 speaks at 8:00p.m informing Town Meeting that the Planning Board voted 4 to 0 in support of this Article. He speaks in favor of the article.

Ann Devlin Precinct 1 speaks at 8:01p.m asking for clarification of the stringent covenant about National Grid property? Biggest concern is the impact of RT 1.

Richard Magnan answers at 8:02p.m states there will be no access to the rezoning site to the National Grid site. Very limited access right now to Eagle Road.

Vicki Mandell 51 Eagle Road speaks at 8:04p.m in favor of the article. The whole street wants to become commercial. Gives many examples why.

Don Clark 63 Eagle Road speaks at 8:10p.m explains he bought the property 31 years ago. The area has changed since they bought the house. All around is commercial property. There is no access unless RT 1. He is in favor of the Article.

Rosemary Zondiros 55 Eagle Road and owns 3 lots on Eagle Road. Speaks at 8:13pm. Lived there 35 years and has seen the neighborhood disappear. Unless you drive down and see it you wouldn't understand.

Ron Camuso Precinct 2 speaks at 8:14pm asks about the end of Eagle Road touching National Grid? Concern is will the Weylus being used? He cannot support this article because his constituent's doesn't want it. Why wasn't this rezoned previously?

Richard Magnan Speaks at 8:17pm and doesn't know why it wasn't re-zoned. The Weylus site was purposely not included to the re-zoning. He cannot speculate why one side of Eagle Road was re-zoned and the other side was not. If National Grid changes their mind we cannot do anything.

Al DiNardo Precinct 4 speaks at 8:18pm. Explain this area is in his precinct and knows the road very well. He is in support of this article. Hoping this area will get cleaned up with this Zoning.

Steve Horlick Precinct 8 speaks at 8:21pm in support of this article.

Article as voted: To see if the Town will vote to amend the Town's Zoning Map and Zoning By-Law by rezoning lots A-10 to A-41 inclusive, Lot A-248 to A-250 inclusive, on Assessors Plan 2029 single family residential to (BHSD) Business Highway sustainable development zoning district. The properties are located between and including 42 to 61 Eagle Road.

Roll Call vote at 8:30pm

Town Meeting Member name	P C T	VOTE	Town Meeting Member name	P C T	VOTE	Town Meeting Member name	P C T	VOTE
BARTOLO, J	6	N	BRAZIS, K	5	Y	BROWN, W.	6	Y
CAMUSO, R	2	N	CANTERBURY, M	6	Y	CICOLINI, J.	8	Y
COBURN, J.	10	A	CONNORS, A.	3	A	COSTELLO, M.	10	Y
COTTAM, J.	9	Y	CURRIE, K.	6	Y	DEVLIN, F.A.	1	N
DIGIROLAMO, T	10	Y	DINARDO, A.	4	Y	DIVIRGILIO, S.	10	Y
DOHERTY, S.	4		DUNN, S.	1	Y	FALASCA, T.	2	Y
FISHER, R.	9	Y	FOWLER, J.	8	Y	GOODWIN, P.	5	N
GROARK, L.	5	A	HORLICK, S.	8	Y	JONES, C.	1	A
KELLY, D.	9	Y	LAVOIE, R.	7	Y	LEUCI, W.	4	Y
LOPRESTI, A.	8	A	MARCHAND, W.	6	Y	MCCABE, K.	4	Y
MCCARTHY, S.	7	A	MORESCHI, C.	2	N	MURPHY, S.	3	Y
PAOLINI, M.	7	Y	POLITANO, K.	7	Y	PRIZIO, P.	7	Y
RANDO, P.	3	Y	RODENHISER, J.	1	Y	ROSSETTI, P.	2	Y
SERINO, M.	10	Y	SPENCER, B.	5	N	STEWART, W.	3	Y
SWEEZEY, S.	2	Y	THOMPSON, R.	3	N	TRAVERSE, T.	8	Y
WALLACE, R.	5	Y	WHITCOMB, M.	4	Y	WHYTE, C.	9	Y
WITTEN, R.	1	Y	WORTHLEY, J.	9	Y			

Yeas: 36
Nays: 7
Absent: 6

Article 16 passed by 2/3 majority vote at 8:34p.m

Motion made to suspended ATM until June 4, 2018 at 8:34p.m.

Seconded at 8:34p.m.

Unanimous voice vote yes to suspended the 2018 ATM until June 4, 2018 at 8:34p.m

Respectfully submitted

Ellen Joyce Schena
Town Clerk