

RESULTS OF ANNUAL TOWN MEETING
May 6, 2017

The warrant was returned to the Town Clerk at 8:30 AM.

With a quorum present, the Moderator Nancy Chew called the meeting to order at 11:51 AM.

The motion was made and seconded to waive the reading of the warrant, and so voted.

The moderator states that the rules of the meeting are to be the same as the Special Town Meeting.

The motion was made and seconded to allow the moderator to declare a two-thirds vote, and so voted.

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING ARTICLES

Article 1. The motion was made and seconded to take no action on Article 1.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS

Article 2. The motion was made and seconded to waive the reading of the reports of the various Town officials and committees.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS

Article 3. The motion was made and seconded to authorize the Treasurer to borrow funds as necessary, in anticipation of revenue, in accordance with Chapter 44, Sections 23 to 27 of the Massachusetts General Laws.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS

Article 4. The motion was made and seconded to accept the sums as printed in the Warrant, in trust, the income therefrom to be expended for the perpetual care of lots.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS

Article 5. The motion was made and seconded to amend the Town By-laws by adding a new section relative to Departmental Revolving Funds, as printed in the Warrant; said section to be numbered consecutively.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS

Article 6. The motion was made and seconded to authorize the renewal of the Cemetery Burial and Foundations Revolving Fund in accordance with MGL Chapter 44, Section 53E½, to receive monies collected for burials, said funds to be expended by the Cemetery Commissioners to pay

for said burials, for grave foundations and for general cemetery maintenance and improvements, with total expenditures not to exceed \$15,000.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS

Article 7. The motion was made and seconded to authorize the renewal of the Library Books Revolving Fund in accordance with MGL Chapter 44, Section 53E½, to receive monies collected for book late fees and replacement fees, said funds to be expended by the Library Trustees to pay for book and media repairs, replacements, and related supplies and expenses, with total expenditures not to exceed \$3,000.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS

Article 8. The motion was made and seconded to appropriate all funds received from the state under the provisions under the “Chapter 90” program to provide for eligible road resurfacing and/or other improvement projects for Town roads; said sum to be 100% reimbursable by the Commonwealth.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS

Article 9. The motion was made and seconded to appropriate \$28,260 from Transfer Station Revenue and \$3,316 from Transfer Station Retained Earnings, for the purpose of operating the Ashby Recycling Center & Transfer Station, along with any other related costs, for FY 2018.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS

Article 10. The motion was made and seconded to appropriate the sum of \$27,000 from the PEG Access and Cable Related Fund, to provide for PEG Access activities in FY18.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS

Article 11. The motion was made and seconded to approve the budget for the expenses of the Town for the Fiscal Year commencing July 1, 2017; and that to fund said budget, \$7,527,853.95 be raised and appropriated, and \$412,187.95 be appropriated from Free Cash; and, further, that the Town set the salaries of elected officers as printed in the Warrant.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS

TOWN OF ASHBY		
<u>Budget ATM 18</u>		FY18
	<i>LINES</i>	<i>APPROVED</i>
<u>Administration</u>		
<u>1</u>	Salaries & Wages	\$54,284.01
<u>2</u>	Expenses	6,550.00
-		60,834.01
<u>Town Administrator</u>		
<u>3</u>	Salaries & Wages	40,323.01
-		40,323.01
<u>Finance Committee</u>		
<u>4</u>	Expense Budget	250.00

<u>5</u>	Reserve Fund	30,000.00
		30,250.00
<u>Town Accountant</u>		
<u>6</u>	Salaries & Wages	34,956.22
<u>7</u>	Clerical	4,100.00
<u>8</u>	Expenses	3,567.00
<u>9</u>	Audit of Records	21,000.00
-	Expenses	24,567.00
-		63,623.22
<u>Board of Assessors</u>		
<u>10</u>	Assessing Services	23,200.00
<u>11</u>	Wages	21,291.40
<u>12</u>	Supplies- Expenses	1,950.00
<u>13</u>	Map Maintenance	4,100.00
<u>14</u>	CAMA Expense	3,795.00
-	Expenses	9,845.00
-		54,336.40
<u>Treasurer</u>		
<u>15</u>	Salaries & Wages	27,149.55
<u>16</u>	Equipment & Supplies	5,325.00
<u>17</u>	Tax Title Expenses	14,200.00
-	Expenses	19,525.00
-		46,674.55
<u>Tax Collector</u>		
<u>18</u>	Salaries & Wages	40,612.23
<u>18a</u>	Wages	3,075.56
<u>19</u>	Supplies-Expenses	10,640.00
<u>20</u>	Software Expense	2,513.44
-	Expenses	13,153.44
-		56,841.23
<u>Legal Services</u>		
<u>21</u>	Expenses	32,000.00
-		32,000.00
<u>Technology and Systems</u>		
<u>22</u>	Expenses	43,000.00
-		43,000.00
<u>Town Clerk</u>		
<u>23</u>	Town Clerk Salary	33,046.94
<u>24</u>	Clerical	11,500.70
<u>25</u>	Election and Registrar Stipend	6,127.13
<u>26</u>	Expenses	2,705.00
<u>27</u>	Dog License Program	332.00
<u>28</u>	Public Records Preservation	2,000.00

29	Election and Registrars Expense	5,800.00
-	Expenses	10,837.00
-		61,511.77
Town Reports		
30	Expenses	1,600.00
-		1,600.00
Conservation Commission		
31	Expenses	1,700.00
-		1,700.00
Planning		
32	Expenses	1,075.00
-		1,075.00
Zoning		
33	Zoning Bd Expense	580.00
-		580.00
Land Use		
34	Agent Budget	10,000.00
34a	Expense	700.00
35	MRPC Assessment	1,024.76
-	Expenses	1,724.76
-		11,724.76
Town Office		
36	Expenses	16,190.00
37	Custodial Services	1,980.00
38	Fuel & Electricity	41,850.00
-	Expenses	60,020.00
-		60,020.00
Town Clock		
40	Stipend	500.00
-		500.00
Municipal Buildings/Grounds		
47	Wages/Stipend	4,060.46
48	Buildings/Grounds Repair	31,100.00
-	Expenses	31,100.00
-		35,160.46
Police		
49	Police Chief Wages	92,515.49
50	Wages - Coverage	588,887.64
51	Expense	151,862.48
52	Police Utilities	15,601.95
53	Police Building Maint.	3,970.00
53a	Cruiser	23,800.38

-	Expenses	195,234.81
-		876,637.94
<u>Fire</u>		
<u>54</u>	Chief Salary	30,914.83
<u>55</u>	Firefighters Wages	15,935.00
<u>56</u>	FF/ EMT Wages	41,345.73
<u>57</u>	Firefighter Stipends	0.00
<u>58</u>	FF/EMT Overtime	8,000.00
<u>59</u>	Expense Budget	53,995.00
<u>60a</u>	Fire Station Fuel	3,100.00
<u>60</u>	Fire Equipment Replace	32,500.00
<u>61</u>	Water holes/hydrants	3,000.00
-	Expenses	92,595.00
-		188,790.56
<u>Waste Oil</u>		
<u>62</u>	Stipend	0.00
<u>63</u>	Expenses	0.00
		0.00
<u>EMS</u>		
<u>64</u>	Wages - Coverage	33,000.00
<u>65</u>	Stipend - training	8,760.00
<u>66</u>	Expense	19,882.00
<u>67</u>	ALS Charges & Fees	26,000.00
-	Expenses	45,882.00
		87,642.00
<u>Emergency Management</u>		
<u>67(2)</u>	Salaries & Wages	654.66
<u>68</u>	Expenses	1,800.00
		2,454.66
<u>E-911</u>		
<u>69</u>	Expenses	100.00
-		100.00
<u>Hazardous Waste Coord.</u>		
<u>69(2)</u>	Stipend	0.00
-		0.00
<u>Building Inspector</u>		
<u>70</u>	Salaries & Wages	11,279.35
<u>71</u>	Expenses	907.74
-		12,187.09
<u>Plumbing Inspector</u>		
<u>72</u>	Salaries & Wages	6,671.60
<u>73</u>	Expenses	165.00
		6,836.60

<u>Electrical Inspector</u>		
<u>74</u>	Salaries & Wages	22,000.00
<u>75</u>	Expenses	1,200.00
-		23,200.00
<u>Dog Officer</u>		
<u>76</u>	Salaries & Wages	15,156.97
<u>77</u>	Expenses	1,500.00
-		16,656.97
<u>Emergency Dispatch</u>		
<u>78</u>	Salaries & Wages	222,550.86
<u>79</u>	Expenses	9,460.10
-		232,010.96
<u>Monty Tech</u>		
<u>80</u>	Assessment	307,788.00
-		307,788.00
<u>NMRSD</u>		
<u>81</u>	NMRSD Reg School Assessment	2,925,950.00
<u>82</u>	NMRSD Reg School Transportation	309,448.00
<u>83</u>	NMRSD Debt Service	374,688.00
-	Assessment	3,610,086.00
-		3,610,086.00
<u>Highway</u>		
<u>83 (2)</u>	Wages Supt.	64,729.04
<u>84</u>	Wages - Regular	165,077.28
<u>85</u>	Wages -Overtime	5,000.00
<u>86</u>	Operating Expense	25,091.00
<u>87</u>	Barn Fuel Oil	13,000.00
<u>88</u>	Expenses/Hwy Rd Maint.	90,550.00
<u>89</u>	Hwy Machinery Expense	30,530.00
<u>90</u>	Fuel	25,000.00
-	Expenses	184,171.00
-		418,977.32
<u>Snow & Ice</u>		
<u>91</u>	Winter Operation Wages	
<u>92</u>	Winter Overtime	13,000.00
<u>93</u>	Winter Expenses	87,000.00
-		100,000.00
<u>Street Lights</u>		
<u>94</u>	Expense	1,080.00
-		1,080.00
<u>Tree Warden</u>		
<u>95</u>	Expenses	2,000.00

-		2,000.00
<u>Cemetery</u>		
<u>96</u>	Wages - Coverage	9,200.58
<u>97</u>	Expense	2,000.00
-		11,200.58
<u>Board of Health</u>		
<u>98</u>	Expense	911.00
<u>99</u>	Town Nurse Assessment	3,436.53
<u>100</u>	Nashoba BoH Assessment	7,530.46
<u>101</u>	Landfill Operations	7,000.00
-	Expenses	18,877.99
-		18,877.99
<u>Animal Inspector</u>		
<u>102</u>	Stipend	420.24
-		420.24
<u>Council on Aging</u>		
<u>103</u>	Wages	2,396.30
<u>103A</u>	Expense	1,775.00
-		4,171.30
<u>Veterans' Services</u>		
<u>104</u>	Salaries & Wages	1,855.97
<u>105</u>	Memorial Day	2,500.00
<u>106</u>	Veterans Benefit Expense	39,500.00
-	Expenses	42,000.00
-		43,855.97
<u>Library</u>		
<u>107</u>	Librarian Salary	27,300.00
<u>108</u>	Library Assistant Wages	24,039.50
<u>109</u>	Expense	4,300.00
<u>110</u>	Custodial Services	2,500.00
<u>111</u>	Building Maintenance	21,277.00
<u>112</u>	Books	18,740.00
-	Expenses	46,817.00
-		98,156.50
<u>Band Concerts</u>		
<u>113</u>	Expenses	7,500.00
<u>113A</u>	Police Detail Wages	1,157.52
-		8,657.52
<u>July 3rd</u>		
<u>114</u>	Expenses	1,200.00
-		1,200.00
<u>Allen Field</u>		
<u>115</u>	Expenses	1,900.00

-		1,900.00
<u>Town Common</u>		
116	Expenses	4,650.00
-		4,650.00
<u>Debt Service</u>		
118	Temporary Loan Interest	1,000.00
-		1,000.00
<u>Middlesex Retirement</u>		
123	Middlesex Retirement System	147,365.00
-		147,365.00
<u>Unemployment</u>		
124	Unemployment Compensation	10,000.00
-		10,000.00
<u>Employee Ins. Benefits</u>		
125	Employee Benefits Expense	571,686.14
-		571,686.14
<u>Workers Compensation</u>		
126	Insurance Not Health	11,000.00
-		11,000.00
<u>Insurance P & C</u>		
127	Liability P&C, E,F&P	80,000.00
-		80,000.00
<u>FICA</u>		
128	Employee Costs	25,510.20
-		25,510.20
	Total	\$7,527,853.95

Setting of Elected Salaries:

- a. Town Clerk: \$33,046.94
- b. Town Collector: \$40,612.23 (Includes \$1,000 certification stipend)
- c. Town Treasurer: \$27,149.55 (Includes \$1,000 certification stipend)

Article 12. The motion was made and seconded to authorize the Board of Selectmen to dispose by sale or lease for a term in excess of three years, and to the best interest of the Town, all or a portion of the property known as “Maja Hall,” more fully described in the Warrant; and to authorize said Board to execute such agreements and take such action(s) as may effectuate the intent of this article.

A substitute motion was made and seconded to take no action on Article 12.

VOTE ON SUBSTITUTE MOTION: YES: 201 NO: 18 PASSED

Article 13. The motion was made and seconded to take no action on this article.

VOTE: PASSED

Article 14. The motion was made and seconded to amend the Zoning Bylaw by adding a new Addendum, titled, “TEMPORARY MORATORIUM ON RECREATIONAL MARIJUANA ESTABLISHMENTS”, as printed in the Warrant.

A substitute motion was made and seconded to take no action on Article 14.

VOTE ON SUBSTITUTE MOTION: YES: 80 NO: 135 DEFEATED

VOTE ON ORIGINAL MOTION: YES: 148 NO: 69 PASSED

Article 15. The motion was made and seconded to amend the Zoning Bylaw by adding new text under the new heading “Village Center Compact Residential Development”, as printed in the Warrant.

The motion was made and seconded to do a secret ballot for Article 15.

VOTE ON SECRET BALLOT: DEFEATED

VOTE ON ORIGINAL MOTION: DEFEATED

Article 16. The motion was made and seconded to amend the Zoning Bylaw by adding new text under the heading “Associate Planning Board Member,” as printed in the Warrant.

VOTE: PASSED (2/3 DECLARED BY MODERATOR)

Article 17. The motion was made and seconded to transfer the sum of \$15,128.05 from Free Cash to the Stabilization Fund.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS

The motion was made and seconded to dissolve the May 6, 2017 Annual Town Meeting at 3:19 PM.

Tiffany Call, *Ashby Town Clerk*