

TOWN OF WALPOLE



**COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
REPORT AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF
THE FINANCE COMMITTEE
FALL ANNUAL TOWN MEETING**

OCTOBER 20, 2014 – 7:30 PM

AT THE WALPOLE HIGH SCHOOL

275 COMMON STREET

**PUBLIC HEARING ON FINANCE COMMITTEE
RECOMMENDATIONS WILL BE HELD ON
WEDNESDAY , October 15, 2014 AT 8:00 PM
IN ROOM #112, TOWN HALL**

PLEASE BRING THIS REPORT WITH YOU TO TOWN MEETING





September 30, 2014

To The Citizens of Walpole:

The Finance Committee's primary role is to review all warrant articles submitted for consideration at Town Meeting and make the primary recommendation on said articles. I would be remiss if I did not highlight two high profile articles that will shape the future of our Town for the next generation. Specifically, before us are votes to protect our aquifer and a comprehensive plan to replace the aging facilities that house our police, fire and senior center. We, members of the Finance Committee, have done our homework completing significant due diligence on these and the other matters before us. However, our recommendations are just that...recommendations. We implore each and every one of you to do your own homework on these important decisions and convey your thoughts to your elected Representative Town Meeting Members (RTM). Finally, the Finance Committee invites any citizen to a public hearing on Wednesday, October 15, 2014 at 8pm in the Town Hall as another opportunity to ask questions and voice your opinions with regard to the articles comprising the 2014 Fall Annual Town Meeting Warrant. Below follows a summary of each article:

Article 1 is boiler plate language that allows any committee of the town to come before Town Meeting.

Article 2 transfers a total of \$175,000 of additional revenues for the FY 2105 budget adjustments to the Reserve Fund. This additional revenue is comprised of modest growth in property tax base and higher local receipts. The purpose of the Reserve Fund is to fund unforeseen operating budget expenses or emergencies that arise over the course of the fiscal year. Reserve Fund Transfer requests must be submitted to and require the approval of the Finance Committee. The Committee encourages Department's seeking a Reserve Fund Transfer request to manage the unexpected expense within their budget before submitting. At this time the following requests are anticipated, but have not yet been submitted for a Reserve Fund Transfer: \$46,000 Fire Department personnel shortage, \$25,000 Accounting Department personnel shortage, \$17,500 Town Administrator search fees, \$11,500 Planning Board Consultant and \$75,000 held for future operational reserve requests.

Article 3 would transfer Medicaid receipts of \$298,952.27 from Free Cash to the School Department. This is not "new money". These funds are for partial reimbursement of healthcare expenses incurred by the School Department in the prior year and reimbursement was anticipated when the School Committee set its budget in the Spring for FY 2015. At the 2013 Fall Annual Town Meeting \$275,390 of Medicaid reimbursements were transferred to the School Department.

Article 4 would transfer \$34,650 from Free Cash to the School Department. This is not "new money". These are the funds received from students for the high school parking fees. At the 2013 Fall Annual

Town Meeting \$36,140 was transferred to the School Department. Fees have dropped slightly due to loss of parking spots.

Article 5 is established to pay any unpaid bills from the prior years. At this time, no action is necessary as we have no unpaid bills.

Article 6 is established to pay for new machinery and equipment. At this point no action is necessary as no funding was requested.

Article 7 established to maintain Town roads, sidewalks and related infrastructure. At this point no action is necessary as the State has not yet finalized Chapter 90 funding for repairing and resurfacing the Towns roadways.

Article 8 is established to pay for any capital improvement items to existing Town buildings and property. At this point no action is necessary as no funding was requested.

Article 9 requests \$175,000 be transferred from Free Cash to the Town's Stabilization Fund. There was a conscious decision at our Spring Town Meeting to postpone any Stabilization Fund transfer until the Fall when a clearer picture of the Town's FY2015 budget was available. The Stabilization Fund also known as the "rainy day" fund has a \$1,827,245 balance. If the \$175,000 request is approved, it will bring the total balance to over two million dollars. Please note, a two-thirds (2/3) vote by Town Meeting is required to use Stabilization monies for any future funding needs.

Article 10 proposes a transfer of \$67,000 from Taxation to fund the Other Post-Employment Benefits (OPEB) Liability Trust Fund authorized by Massachusetts General Law (MGL) 23B. This additional contribution combined with the \$233,000 approved during our Spring Town Meeting will bring our annual contribution to \$300,000. Further, the Finance Committee has instructed the Town Administrator to include OPEB contributions as a regular line item beginning with the FY 2016 budget. OPEB benefits other than pensions generally take the form of health and dental insurance, vision plans, prescription and other healthcare benefits provided to eligible municipal retirees, including in some cases their beneficiaries. According to the most recent actuarial analysis, Walpole's OPEB future obligation is \$44,806,135 (funded figure).

Article 11 relating to the contract with the Department of Public Works (DPW) employees whose contract expired on June 30, 2014 requires no action at this time as the contract has not been ratified by union members.

Article 12 is to fund a new three year contract ratified with the Town Hall Clerical staff whose contract expired on June 30, 2014. The expected first year cost of the contract is \$15,402 from Taxation. The contract provides cost of living adjustments (COLA) in year one of 2%, and 2.75% in years two and three with a transition to paperless payroll. Additionally, the healthcare insurance contribution split for employees hired after November 1, 2014 will be 60/40 providing savings for the Town's health insurance budget and future OPEB liability.

Article 13 relates to the contract with the Massachusetts Coalition of Police Local 115 Walpole whose contract expired on June 30, 2014. Negotiations with the Police union is still ongoing. We continue to receive updates on the collective bargaining process and will provide Town Meeting if there is any need to act on this contract.

Article 14 is to fund a new three year contract ratified with the Library staff whose contract expired on June 30, 2014. The expected first year cost of the contract is \$4,971 from Taxation. The contract provides cost of living adjustments (COLA) in year one of 2%, and 2.5% in year two and 2.75% in year three with a transition to paperless payroll. Additionally, the healthcare insurance contribution split for employees hired after November 1, 2014 will be 60/40 providing savings for the Town's health insurance budget and future OPEB liability.

Article 15 transfers \$150,000 from Free Cash to fund the cost of parking lot improvements on the westerly side of the South Street Superfund Site. These improvements will entail lighting, striping and other associated improvements to the pavement. While this lot would certainly provide overflow parking benefiting the Police Station and Senior Center located across the street (Article 17), this is a standalone article.

Article 16 transfers \$1,648,000 from Free Cash to fund the demolition of the old mill buildings on the easterly side of the South Street Superfund Site. While this demolition helps clear the way for the Police Station and Senior Center to be located on this site as part of Article 17, this is a standalone article to clear this lot of a hazardous building. The responsible party would then be required to complete the cleanup of hazardous waste on the site.

Article 17 is the comprehensive Facilities Plan authorizing the appropriation of \$29,450,000 to pay the cost of architectural design, construction, equipping and furnishing a new Senior Center, Police and Fire Stations and DPW Garage plus improvements to the Town Hall. Approximately one third (1/3) of the appropriation would come from currently available debt budget capacity and reserves, library surplus, and water and sewer retained earnings which the Town has "saving" to address its municipal building needs as recommended in the CDR Maguire Municipal Facilities Master Planning Study final report dated June 21, 2013. Pending the outcome of the November Proposition 2 ½ override vote, the remaining \$21,158,000 would be borrowed under applicable MGL.

Article 18 is a petition of the Sewer & Water (S&W) Commission requesting authority to purchase or otherwise acquire the land on Common Street commonly known as Sharon Country Day. The primary purpose of the acquisition is to protect the Town's water supply. This parcel of land is within 600 feet of the Town's biggest well. The \$4.5 million acquisition cost would be borne by the water rate payer.

Article 19 is a petition of the S&W Commission requesting authority to borrow \$336,050 under Phases eight and nine of the Massachusetts Water Resources Authority (MWRA) water infiltration and inflow program. The purpose of the infiltration and inflow program is to remove clean water from the Town's sewer system to reduce the MWRA assessment.

Article 20 is a petition of the S&W Commission requesting authority to spend up to \$500,000 of Water Retained Earnings and/or borrow to remove contaminated soils from the former High Plain Street water tank site and neighboring private property.

Article 21 is a joint petition by the Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA) and the Conservation Commission to adopt the Mullen Rule under MGL law for multiple member bodies holding adjudicatory hearings. The Mullen Rule allows a member who has missed only one hearing to vote on a matter providing the member certifies in writing he/she has examined available evidence from the missed session.

Article 22 is a petition of the Conservation Committee to amend the Town's Wetland Protection By-law. Changes are being proposed to address omissions and add clarifying language to align with the

Massachusetts Association of Conservation Commissions (MACC) model except for two principal parts. First, the hearing notice to abutters when a Request for Determination of Applicability (RDA) is submitted would no longer apply. The RDA is only to conclude whether the area in question falls under the jurisdiction of the Conservation Committee. Notice for permit applications or amendments and requests for resource area delineations would still require a 5 day public notice. Second, the \$2,500 maximum fee limit the Commission may impose to secure expert consultants when necessary was changed to "reasonable fees" as the current maximum has become outdated and limiting.

Article 23 is a petition by the Conservation Commission to amend the Stormwater and Erosion Control By-law clarifying the abutter notification process for persons filing an application with the Commission.

Articles 24 – 27 are petitions of the Planning Board to amend Zoning By-laws.

Articles 28 & 29 are private petitions to amend the Town's Solar Photovoltaic Overlay District (SPOD) permitting the right to install ground mounted solar panels at the Baker Hughes property at 100 Neponset St and the Bird Machine property located off Norfolk Street.

Articles 30 – 39 are requests to the Town to accept the following streets: York Circle, Atlantic Court, Dew Drop Way, Lexington Drive, Anderson Way, Hound Pack Circle, Mansion Drive, Millbrook Ave, Norton Ave and Hartshorn Road.

In the following pages of this booklet the Finance Committee recommendations appear along with the funding source for each article. The Finance Committee did not vote on several articles prior to the publication date of this booklet. Those articles include the Police Union Contract as negotiations are still in progress, four petitions of the Planning Board as their public hearing was scheduled after our publication date as well as the two private petitions to the Solar Photovoltaic Overlay Districts who requested a meeting after our publication deadline. We will vote on these remaining articles before the Town Meeting begins on October 20th.

Again, the Finance Committee will be holding a public hearing on Wednesday, October 15, 2014 at 8pm in the Town Hall and we both invite and look forward to an engaging discussion on any and all articles in this warrant. Special thanks are extended to Clare Abril who along with the interim Town Administrator, the Town Accountant and Town Finance Director help guide the Committee in reviewing the Warrant and preparing for Town Meeting.

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September 30, 2014

Dear Walpole Resident,

Once again the Fall is upon us, and it is time to turn our attention to the Fall Town Meeting. On October 20, 2014 Representative Town Meeting voters will consider a 39 Article warrant that includes articles that address the finalization of the FY 2015 Budget, Contractual agreements with the Town's AFSCME Unions, the purchase of the property formally known as the Sharon Country Day Camp by the Sewer and Water Commissioners, two requests to amend the Town's zoning overlay district to allow for solar photovoltaic panels on two separate privately owned parcels in Walpole, street acceptances, as well Stormwater and Zoning Bylaw amendments.

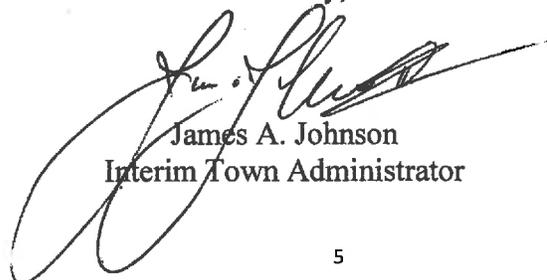
One article in particular, Article 17 is one of the most inclusive articles that has been presented to the Town in a long time. Article 17 asks Town Meeting voters to appropriate \$29,450,000 for the facilities plan that will address the Town's long term infrastructure needs for the Police Department, Fire Department, Council on Aging and DPW Vehicle Maintenance Department. The Town has identified eight separate funding sources for this project. Those funding sources include:

- 1) \$842,000 from the Town's Free Cash.
- 2) \$950,000 from the remaining funds for the New Library Project that was recently completed a few years ago.
- 3) \$200,000 from the sale of the old Library that was located on Common St..
- 4) \$250,000 from the Water Retained Earnings account.
- 5) \$250,000 from the Sewer Retained Earnings account.
- 6) \$200,000 from the Fiscal Year 2015 debt budget.
- 7) \$5,600,000 from the Town's non-excluded debt.
- 8) \$21,158,000 from a Proposition 2½ override that voters will be asked to consider on the November 4th election ballot as Question 5.

This facilities plan will address the Town's municipal facilities for the next 50 years and allow each department that are part of this plan to support and address the needs of Walpole residents.

This is an extensive warrant with many important matters that will be addressed at this Town Meeting. Thank you for taking the time to review this letter and please keep in mind that as you look over the warrant and related information, please do not hesitate to contact this office with any questions you may have.

Sincerely,



James A. Johnson
Interim Town Administrator

FALL TOWN MEETING WARRANT 2014

TOWN OF WALPOLE

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Norfolk, ss.

To any constable in the Town of Walpole

Greetings:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify the inhabitants of the Town of Walpole, qualified to vote in elections in town affairs, to meet in the Auditorium of the Walpole High School located at 275 Common Street in said Walpole on

**THE THIRD MONDAY IN OCTOBER, IT BEING THE
TWENTYTH DAY OF SAID MONTH, 2014**

at 7:30 p.m. then and there to see if the Town will vote to amend the By-laws and Zoning By-laws to said Town and act on the following articles:

ARTICLE 1: To hear and act on the report of any committee or to choose any committee the Town may think proper and transact any other business that may legally come before the Town. (Petition of the Board of Selectmen)

ARTICLE 2: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, borrow, transfer to and/or from FY 2015 accounts appropriated at the 2014 Spring Annual Town Meeting, and/or transfer from available funds sums of money to defray departmental and incidental expenses of the Town for the fiscal year 2015 commencing July 1, 2014, or to take any action in relation thereto. (Petition of the Board of Selectmen)

FAVORABLE ACTION - \$175,000 from Free Cash - (12-0-0)*

ARTICLE 3 : To see if the Town will vote to transfer from Free Cash, a supplemental sum of money, said funds collected from Medicaid reimbursements, for the FY' 2015 School Budget, or to take any action in relation thereto. (Petition of the School Committee)

FAVORABLE ACTION - \$298,952.27 from Free Cash - (11-0-0)*

ARTICLE 4: To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds a sum of money for the FY15 School Budget representing amounts paid into the General Fund for student parking, or to take any action in relation thereto. (Petition of the School Committee)

FAVORABLE ACTION – \$34,650 from Free Cash (11-0-0)*

ARTICLE 5 : To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, and/or transfer such sum or sums of money as may be required for payment of unpaid bills of previous years, incurred by the departments, boards, and officers of the Town of Walpole, or to take any action in relation thereto. (Petition of the Board of Selectmen)

NO ACTION – (11-0-0)*

ARTICLE 6: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, borrow and/or transfer a sum or sums of money as may be required for the purchase of capital equipment, including but not limited to vehicles, machinery, and computer/network systems, for the various departments of the Town of Walpole, or take any action in relation thereto. (Petition of the Board of Selectmen)

NO ACTION – (11-0-0)*

ARTICLE 7: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, borrow and /or transfer a sum or sums of money to resurface, repair and/or reconstruct certain streets and/or sidewalks, to make drainage improvements in certain Town roads, and to rebuild certain manholes and catch basins in the Town, or to take any action in relation thereto. (Petition of the Board of Selectmen)

NO ACTION – (11-0-0)*

ARTICLE 8: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, borrow and/or transfer a sum or sums of money to implement a Capital Improvement Program, to protect, improve, and/or modify the physical infrastructure, including but not limited to municipal buildings, facilities, parking lots, fields and other properties, of the Town of Walpole, or to take any action in relation thereto. (Petition of the Board of Selectmen)

NO ACTION – (11-0-0)*

ARTICLE 9 : To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer a sum or sums of money from available funds for the purpose of supplementing the Stabilization Fund as authorized by Chapter 40, Section 5B of the Massachusetts General Laws as amended, or to take any action relative thereto. (Petition of the Board of Selectmen)

FAVORABLE ACTION - \$175,000 from Free Cash - (12-0-0)*

ARTICLE 10: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer a sum or sums of money from available funds for the purpose of supplementing the fund known as the Other Post Employment Benefits Liability Trust Fund (OPEB) as authorized by Chapter 32B, Section 20 of the Massachusetts General Laws, or take any action in relation thereto. (Petition of the Board of Selectmen)

FAVORABLE ACTION - \$67,000 from Taxation - (12-0-0)*

ARTICLE 11: To see if the Town will vote to approve the monetary items in an agreement between the Town of Walpole and the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees, AFL-CIO, State Council 93, Local 1957 Department of Public Works Employees and to raise and appropriate and/or transfer a sum of money to defray the costs of said agreement for the period July 1, 2014 through a term to be determined, or to take any action in relation thereto. (Petition of the Board of Selectmen)

NO ACTION – (11-0-0)*

ARTICLE 12: To see if the Town will vote to approve the monetary items in an agreement between the Town of Walpole and the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees, AFL-CIO, State Council 93, Local 1957 Town Hall Clerical Union and to raise and appropriate and/or transfer a sum of money to defray the costs of said agreement for the period July 1, 2014 through a term to be determined, or to take any action in relation thereto. (Petition of the Board of Selectmen)

FAVORABLE ACTION - \$15,402 from Taxation – (10-1-0)*

ARTICLE 13: To see if the Town will vote to approve the monetary items in an agreement between the Town of Walpole and the Massachusetts Coalition of Police (IUPA, AFLCIO) Local 115 Walpole and to raise and appropriate and/or transfer a sum or sums of money to defray the cost of said agreement for the period of July 1, 2014 through a term to be determined, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Petition of the Board of Selectmen)

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ARTICLE 14: To see if the Town will vote to approve the monetary items in an agreement between the Town of Walpole and the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees, AFL-CIO, State Council 93, Local 1957 Library Employees and to raise and appropriate and/or transfer a sum of money to defray the costs of said agreement for the period July 1, 2014 through a term to be determined, or to take any action in relation thereto. (Petition of the Board of Selectmen)

FAVORABLE ACTION - \$4,971 from Taxation – (10-1-0)*

ARTICLE 15: To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of \$150,000 from Free Cash for the purpose of making parking lot improvements, including lighting, striping, and any other associated work thereon, on the so-called “Westerly Side” of the South Street Superfund Site, land as shown on Walpole Assessors Map 33, Parcel 33-174, or to take any action in relation thereto. (Petition of the Board of Selectmen)

FAVORABLE ACTION - \$150,000 from Free Cash - (9-0-1)*

ARTICLE 16: To see if the Town will vote to transfer a sum of money from Free Cash for the purpose of building removal and associated site preparation and or remediation on land as shown on Walpole Assessors Map 33, Parcels 33-126 and 33-127, the so-called “Easterly Side” of the South Street Superfund Site, or to take any action in relation thereto. (Petition of the Board of Selectmen)

FAVORABLE ACTION – \$1,648,000 from Free Cash - (10-0-1)*

ARTICLE 17 : To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$29,450,000 or any other amount, to pay costs of architectural design and constructing, originally equipping and furnishing a new Police Station, Senior Center, Fire Station, and Public Works building, and the renovation of, equipping of and improvements to the Town Hall, Public Works Garage, and current Police Station (as part of the new Fire Station), along with any and all work associated with and appurtenant thereto, including the cost of a project manager and other related costs; to determine whether this amount shall be raised by taxation, transfer from available funds, borrowing or any combination of the foregoing; to authorize the Selectmen to apply for and expend funds received from state or federal grants associated with the project; and further that any appropriation hereunder shall be expressly conditioned upon the Town voting no later than authorized by the provisions of G.L. c.59, §21C, to exempt from the provisions of Proposition 2½, so-called, the amounts required to pay for any bonds issued in order to meet said appropriation; or to take any action in relation thereto. (Petition of the Board of Selectmen)

FAVORABLE ACTION - \$29,450,000 from Various Funding Sources - (9-1-1)*

ARTICLE 18: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Sewer and Water Commissioners to acquire by purchase, gift, and/or eminent domain all or a portion or portions of the parcel of land located at 691 Common Street in said Walpole and described in a deed recorded with the Norfolk County Registry of Deeds in Book 3046, Page 670, for water supply protection purposes, pursuant to the provisions of G.L. c.40, §§39B and 41, and, as funding therefor, to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds, and/or borrow a sum of money for the foregoing purposes and costs related thereto, and to authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen to borrow a sum of money pursuant to G.L. c.44, §8(3) or any other enabling authority, it being the intention that the debt service costs of the borrowing authorized by this vote be raised through water rates as a charge to the Water Enterprise Fund, and, further, to authorize the Board of Sewer and Water Commissioners to enter into all agreements and execute any and all instruments as may be necessary on behalf of the Town to effectuate said acquisition, and to permit such incidental recreation uses on said property as the Board of Sewer and Water Commissioners deems appropriate; or to take any action in relation thereto. (Petition of the Sewer and Water Commission)

FAVORABLE ACTION - \$4,500,000 from Water Retained Earnings - (12-0-0)*

ARTICLE 19: To see if the Town will vote to borrow \$336,050 for Phase VIII and Phase IX of the infiltration and inflow removal program for the Town sewer system; that to meet this appropriation the Treasurer with the approval of the Board of Selectmen is authorized to borrow \$336,050 under G.L. c.44, §§7 or 8 or any other enabling authority; that the Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, is authorized to borrow all or a portion of the amount from the Massachusetts Water Resources Authority (MWRA) and in connection therewith, to enter into a loan agreement and financial assistance agreement with the MWRA with respect to such loan; that the Board of Selectmen be authorized to contract for and expend any federal, state or other aid available for the project, including any grant related to such project from the MWRA; and that the Board of Selectmen and Board of Sewer and Water Commissioners are authorized to take any other action necessary to carry out this project, or to take any action in relation thereto. (Petition of the Sewer and Water Commission)

FAVORABLE ACTION - \$336,050 from Borrowing - (11-0-0)*

ARTICLE 20: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Sewer and Water Commission and appropriate from Water Enterprise Fund retained earnings or to raise and appropriate, borrow and/or transfer a sum of money to remove and legally dispose of the PCB and lead contaminated soils from the property of the former High Plain Street tank site at 193 High Plain Street, or to take any action in relation thereto. (Petition of the Sewer and Water Commission)

FAVORABLE ACTION - \$500,000 from Water Retained Earnings - (10-0-0)*

ARTICLE 21: To see if the Town will vote to accept G.L. c.39, §23D for the Conservation Commission and the Zoning Board of Appeals, which section provides that a member of a multiple member body holding an adjudicatory hearing shall not be disqualified from voting in the matter solely due to the member's absence from one session of such hearing, provided that certain conditions as established by said statute are met, or take any action in relation thereto. (Petition of the Zoning Board of Appeals/Conservation Commission).

FAVORABLE ACTION – (10-0-1)*

ARTICLE 22: To see if the Town will vote to amend Chapter 561 of the General Bylaws, “Wetlands Protection,” by making additions to and deletions from the current text, as follows (additions to the current text are shown as underlined, and deletions from the current text are shown as ~~strikethrough~~):

TOWN OF WALPOLE WETLAND PROTECTION BY-LAW
(Article XXIV of the 1973 General Bylaw)

Chapter 561, Division 2, Part II Regulatory Bylaws of the General Bylaws
(as revised 10/20/1997 and 9/20/2008, 10/20/2009)

~~Section~~§ 561-1. Purpose.

The purpose of this ~~b~~Bylaw is to protect wetlands, water resources, flood prone areas and adjoining land areas in this municipality by controlling activities deemed by the Conservation Commission (“Commission”) likely to have significant or cumulative effect upon wetland values, including but not limited to the following: public or private water supply, ground water, flood control, water pollution, erosion and sedimentation control, storm damage prevention, fisheries, shellfish, wildlife habitat, recreation, aesthetics, and agricultural values (collectively, the “wetland values protected by the ~~b~~Bylaw ”).

~~Section~~§ 561-2. Jurisdiction.

Except as permitted by the ~~Conservation~~Commission or as provided in this ~~b~~Bylaw, no person shall remove, fill, dredge, build upon or alter protected resource areas as defined in ~~Section~~ §561-9.

~~Section~~§ 561-3. Exceptions.

The permits and applications required by this ~~b~~Bylaw shall not be required for maintaining, repairing or replacing but not substantially changing or enlarging an existing and lawfully located structure or facility used in the service of the public to provide electric, gas, water, telephone, telegraph or other telecommunication services, provided that ~~the structure or facility is not substantially changed or enlarged, provided that~~ written notice ~~has been~~ is given to the Commission prior to commencement of work, and ~~provided that~~ the work conforms to the performance standards and design specifications in regulations ~~ada~~opted by the Commission.

The permits and applications required by this ~~b~~Bylaw shall not apply to emergency projects necessary for the protection of the health or safety of the public, provided that the work is to be performed by or has been ordered to be performed by an agency, the Commission, or a political subdivision thereof; ~~provided that~~ advance notice, oral or written, has been given to the Commission prior to commencement of work or within 24 hours after commencement; ~~provided that~~ the ~~Conservation~~ Commission or its agent certified the work as an emergency project; the work is performed only for the time and at the place certified by the ~~Conservation~~ Commission for the limited purposes necessary to abate the emergency; and ~~provided that~~ within 21 days of commencement of an emergency project, a permit application shall be filed with the Commission for review as provided in this ~~b~~Bylaw. Upon failure to meet these and other requirements of the Commission, the Commission may, after notice and public hearing, revoke or modify an emergency project approval and order restoration and mitigation measures.

Other than stated in this section, the exceptions provided in the Wetlands Protection Act shall not apply.

Section § 561-4. Application for Permits and Requests for Determination.

Written application shall be filed with the Commission to perform activities regulated by this ~~b~~Bylaw affecting resource areas protected by this ~~b~~Bylaw or to determine the boundaries of the resources areas defined under §561- 9 of this Bylaw. The application shall include such information and plans as are deemed necessary by the Commission to describe the proposed activities. ~~Such~~ No activities shall ~~not~~ commence without receiving and complying with a permit or determination issued pursuant to this ~~b~~Bylaw.

The Commission, in an appropriate case, may accept as the application and plans under this ~~b~~Bylaw, any application and plans ~~the Notice of Intent and plans~~ filed under the Wetlands Protection Act, M.G.L., Chapter c. 131, ~~Section § 40~~ and regulations (set forth at 310 CMR 10.00 et seq.), but the Commission is not obligated to do so.

Any person desiring to know whether or not proposed activity ~~on an area~~ is subject to this ~~b~~Bylaw may, in writing, request a determination from the Commission. Such a request for determination shall contain data information and plans as is deemed necessary by the Commission to make such determination ~~specified by the regulations of the Commission.~~

At the time of an application or request, the applicant shall pay a filing fee specified in the regulations of the Commission. This fee is in addition to that required by the Wetlands Protection Act, M.G.L., c. 131, §40. ~~In addition, the Commission is authorized to require the applicant to pay the costs and expenses of any expert consultant deemed necessary by the Commission to review the application or request up to a maximum of \$2,500.~~ Pursuant to M.G.L. c. 44 §53G, the Rules for Hiring Outside Consultants and Regulations promulgated by the Commission under this Bylaw, the Commission may impose reasonable fees upon the

applicant to aid in the review of a proposed project. The Commission may waive the filing fee and costs and expenses for an application or request filed by a government agency and shall waive them for a request for determination filed by a person having no financial connection with the property which is the subject of the request.

Section§561-5. Notice of Hearing.

Any person filing an permit application, or a request for a determination, a request for resource area delineation, or a request for an amendment with the Commission shall at the same time shall give written notice thereof, by certified mail, ~~Certificate of Mmailing,~~ or hand delivery, to all the abutters (as defined in section§561-9 of the Bylaw) according to the most recent records of the assessors. ~~including those across a traveled way or body of water.~~ The notice to abutters shall enclose a copy of the application or request, with plans, or shall state where copies may be examined and obtained by abutters free of charge. Notice to abutters is not required for requests for determination for proposed activities. When a person requesting a determination is other than the owner, the request, the notice of the hearing, and determination itself shall be sent by the Commission to the owner as well as to the person making the request. The Commission shall conduct a public hearing on any application or request for determination, with written notice given at the expense of the applicant, at least five working days prior to the hearing, in a newspaper of general circulation in the municipality.

The Commission shall commence the public hearing within 21 days from receipt of a completed application or request for determination.

The Commission shall issue its permit or determination in writing within 21 days of the close of the public hearing thereon.

The Commission in an appropriate case may combine its hearing under this ~~b~~Bylaw with the hearing conducted under the Wetlands Protection Act, M.G.L., c. 131, Section §40 and the regulations.

The Commission shall have authority to continue the hearing to a date announced at the hearing, for reasons stated at the hearing, which may include receipt of additional information offered by the applicant or others, information and plans required of the applicant, deemed necessary by the Commission at its discretion, or comments and recommendations of boards and officials listed in Section§561- 6. In the event the applicant objects to a continuance or postponement, the hearing shall be closed by the Commission and the Commission shall take action on such information as is available.

Section§561-6. Coordination with the Other Boards.

Any person filing a permit application or a request for determination with the Commission, shall provide a copies thereof at the same time, ~~by certified mail or hand delivery~~ for distribution to the Town Board of Selectmen, Planning Board, Board of Appeals, Board of Health, Building Inspector, ~~and the Town Engineer,~~ and other departments as deemed necessary. The Commission shall take no final action until such boards and officials have had 14 days from the receipt of the ~~not~~copies to file written comments and recommendations with the Commission, which the Commission shall take into account but which shall not be binding on the

Commission. The applicant shall have the right to receive any such comments and recommendations, and to respond to them at a hearing of the Commission, prior to final action.

Section §561-7. Permits, Determinations, and Conditions

If the Commission, after a public hearing, determines that the activities which are the subject of the application are likely to have significant or cumulative effect upon the wetland values protected by this Bylaw, the Commission, within 21 days of the close of the hearing, shall may issue or deny a permit for the activities requested. If it issues a permit, the Commission shall may impose conditions which the Commission deems necessary or desirable to protect those values and all activities shall be done in accordance with those conditions.

The Commission is empowered to deny a permit for failure to meet the requirements of this Bylaw, for failure to submit necessary information and plans requested by the Commission; for failure to meet the design specification, performance standards, and other requirements set forth in the regulations of the Commission; for failure to avoid or prevent unacceptable significant cumulative effects upon the wetland values protected by this Bylaw; and where no conditions are adequate to protect those values. Due consideration shall be given to any demonstrated hardship on the applicant that would be caused by denial that is presented at the public hearing. ~~by reason of denial, as presented at the public hearing.~~

A determination of applicability will be made by the Commission in writing and may contain conditions.

~~A~~ Permits and determinations shall expire three years from the date of issuance. Notwithstanding the above, the Commission, at its discretion, may issue a permit expiring five years from the date of issuance for recurring or continuous maintenance work provided that annual notification of time and location of work is given to the Commission. Any permit may be renewed ~~once~~ for an additional one year period, provided that a request for a renewal is received in writing by the Commission prior to expiration.

For good cause, the Commission may revoke or modify a permit issued under this Bylaw after public notice, public hearing and notice to the holder of the permit. The Commission, in an appropriate case, may combine the permit or other action on an application issued under this Bylaw with the Order of Conditions issued under the Wetlands Protection Act.

Section § 561-8. Regulations.

After public notice and public hearing, the Commission shall promulgate rules and regulations to effectuate the purpose of this Bylaw. Failure by the Commission to promulgate such rules and regulations or a legal declaration of their invalidity by a court of law shall not act to suspend or invalidate the effect of this Bylaw. Regulations shall include filing procedures.

Section § 561-9. Definitions.

The following definitions shall apply in the interpretation and implementation of this Bylaw.

Abutter - is any landowner, as determined by the most recent assessors' records, whose land abuts the property that is the subject of ~~the Notice of Intent or~~ an application or request, including whose land lies directly across any street, road, river, stream, brook or creek from the said property, or whose land is within 300 feet of the subject property.

Action by the Conservation Commission - Where this ~~b~~Bylaw states that a particular action (except receipt of a request or notice) is to be taken by the ~~Conservation~~ Commission, that action shall be taken by more than half of the members present at a meeting of at least a quorum.

Alter - shall include, without limitation, the following activities when undertaken to, upon, within or affecting areas protected by this ~~b~~Bylaw:

- (a) Removal, excavation or dredging of soil, sand, gravel, or aggregate materials of any kind;
- (b) Changing of pre-existing drainage characteristics, flushing characteristics, sedimentation patterns, flow patterns, or flood retention characteristics;
- (c) Drainage or other disturbance of water level or water table;
- (d) Dumping, discharging or filling with any material which may degrade water quality;
- (e) Placing of fill, or removal of material, which would alter elevation;
- (f) Driving of piles, erection or repair of buildings, or structures of any kind;
- (g) Placing of obstructions or objects in water;
- (h) Destruction of plant life including cutting trees;
- (i) Changing water temperature, biochemical oxygen demand, or other physical or chemical characteristics of water;
- (j) Any activities, changes or work which may cause or tend to contribute to pollution of any body of water or ground water.

Applicant - as used in these regulations, shall mean a person giving notice of intention to remove, fill, dredge, build upon, or alter, or a person on whose behalf such a notice is filed.

Bank - is defined as it is in 310 CMR 10.00.

Bog - See Marsh

Freshwater Wetland - is defined as it is in M.G.L. Chapter 131, Section 40.

Land Actively Devoted to Agricultural Use - is defined as it is in 310 CMR 10.00.

Land Subject to Flooding or Inundation - is defined as it is in 310 CMR 10.00

Normal Maintenance and Improvement - shall be defined as it is in 310 CMR 10.00.

Marsh, Bog, Wet Meadow and Swamp - are defined as they are in M.G.L. Chapter 131, Section 40, and are collectively known as vegetated wetlands. Credible evidence as to wetland affinities of other vegetation in an area shall be considered in making wetland determinations.

Person - shall include any individual, group of individuals, association, partnership, corporation, company, business organization, trust, estate, the commonwealth or political subdivision thereof to the extent subject to town bylaws, administrative agency, public or quasi-public corporation or body, this municipality, and any other legal entity, its legal representatives, agents, or assigns.

Protected Resource Area - shall mean the following areas: any bank, freshwater wetland, marsh, bog, wet meadow, swamp, stream, river, pond, lake, vernal pool, or any land bordering thereon, or any land subject to flooding or inundation. Said resource areas shall be protected whether or not they border surface water. Bordering in this context shall mean either (a) 100 feet horizontally lateral from any of the foregoing areas; or (b) 100 feet horizontally lateral from the water elevation of the 100 year storm, whichever is the greater of (a) or (b); and (c) land within 200 feet of the mean annual high-water line of any year round river or stream.

Quorum - is defined as it is in ~~section 310 CMR 10.05(2) of the Wetlands Act Regulations, as said Regulations may from time to time be amended.~~

Swamp - See Marsh

Wet Meadow - See Marsh

Section § 561-10. Security.

As part of a permit issued under this ~~b~~Bylaw in addition to any security required by any other municipal or state board agency or official, the Commission may require that the performance and observance of the conditions imposed hereunder be secured wholly or in part by one or more of the methods described below:

(a) By a proper bond or deposit of money or negotiable securities or other undertaking of financial responsibility sufficient in the opinion of the Commission;

(b) By a conservation restriction, easement or other covenant enforceable in a court of law, executed and duly recorded by the owner of record, running with the land to the benefit of this municipality whereby the permit conditions shall be performed and observed before any lot may be conveyed other than by mortgage deed.

Section § 561-11. Enforcement; violations and penalties

The Commission, its agents, officers, and employees shall have authority to enter upon privately owned land for the purpose of performing their duties under this ~~b~~Bylaw to the extent permitted by law, and make or cause to be made such examination surveys or sampling as the Commission deems ~~necessary~~ appropriate.

The Commission shall have authority to enforce this ~~b~~Bylaw, its regulations, and permits issued thereunder by violation notices, administrative orders, and civil and criminal court actions. Upon request of the Commission, the City Council/Board of Selectmen and the City Solicitor/Town Counsel shall take legal action for enforcement under civil law. Upon request of the Commission, the Chief of Police shall take legal action for enforcement under criminal law. Municipal boards and officers, including any police officer or other officer having police powers, shall have authority to assist the Commission in enforcement.

Any person who violates any provision of this ~~b~~Bylaw, regulations thereunder, or permits issued thereunder, shall be punished by a fine of not more than \$300 each day or portion thereof during which a violation continues. Each violation shall constitute a separate offense, and each provision of ~~theis~~ ~~b~~Bylaw, regulations, or permits violated shall constitute a separate offense.

In the alternative to criminal prosecution, the Commission may elect to utilize the non-criminal disposition procedure set forth in §295-4 of the Town's General Bylaws and M.G.L. c. 40, §21D.

Section § 561-12. Burden of Proof.

The applicant for a permit shall have the burden of proving by a preponderance of the credible evidence that the work proposed in the application will not have unacceptable significant or cumulative effect upon the wetland values protected by this ~~b~~Bylaw. Failure to provide adequate evidence to the Commission supporting this burden shall be sufficient cause for the Commission to deny a permit or grant a permit with conditions.

Section§ 561- 13. Relation to the Wetlands Protection Act.

This Bylaw is adopted under the Home Rule Amendment of the Massachusetts Constitution and the Home Rule Procedures Act. ~~statutes, independent of the Wetlands Protection Act, M.G.L., c. 131, Section 40, and regulations thereunder.~~

Section§ 561- 14. Severability.

The invalidity of any section or provision of this ~~b~~Bylaw shall not invalidate any other section or provision thereof, nor shall it invalidate any permit or determination which previously has been issued.

FILING PROCEDURE

Procedure for Filing a Notice of Intent

A complete Notice of Intent Application must contain the following:

- ~~_____ A. A complete Notice of Intent form (Form 3 or Form 4).~~
- ~~_____ B. A certified copy of the abutters list within 300 feet of the proposed project.~~
- ~~_____ C. A site locus map.~~
- ~~_____ D. Necessary plans for the project, supporting data and calculations.~~

The following steps are necessary for the submittal of the Notice of Intent:

- ~~_____ 1. 8 copies of the Notice of Intent and associated plans are to be given to the Conservation Commission secretary for distribution to the various boards.~~
- ~~_____ 2. 2 copies of the Notice and the plans must be sent to the D.E.P. by certified mail and a copy should be forwarded to the Army Corp. of Engineers.~~
- ~~_____ 3. Filing fee checks must accompany the filing — state fees and town fee as determined by the filing fee schedule of 1997.~~
- ~~_____ 4. The additional plans are sent to individual town boards for their comments:
Board of Health, Town Engineer, Board of Appeals, Board of Selectmen, Building Inspector, Planning Board.~~
- ~~_____ 5. The filing fee check(s) will be deposited with the Treasurer and recorded in the Conservation Commission's ledger.~~
- ~~_____ 6. A hearing date will be scheduled according to the Conservation Commission case load.~~
- ~~_____ 7. A legal notice is typed for placement in the Walpole Times one week prior to the scheduled hearing. A copy of this typed notice will be sent to the applicant for use in notifying abutters. The applicant is required to mail out these notifications and return them the night of the scheduled hearing with evidence that at least 50% of the letters have been received.~~

D.E.P. and Army Corp. of Engineers Addresses

Department of Environmental Protection
Northeast Regional Office
Ten Commerce Way
Woburn, Massachusetts 01801
Department of the Army
New England Division, Corps. of Engineers
424 Trapelo Road
Waltham, Massachusetts 02254 9149

~~Any questions regarding the Walpole Wetlands Bylaw should be directed to the Walpole Conservation Commission, (508) 660-7268~~

Or to take any action in relation thereto. (Petition of the Conservation Commission)

FAVORABLE ACTION – (10-0-1)*

ARTICLE 23: To see if the Town will vote to amend Section 9G of Chapter 499 of the General Bylaws, **Stormwater and Erosion Control Bylaw**, by inserting the following language at the end of said section:

Any person filing an application with the commission shall at the time give written notice thereof, by certified mail, certificate of mailing, or hand delivery, to all the abutters according to the most recent records of the assessor, including those across a traveled way or body of water. The notice to abutters shall include the date, time and place of the hearing and where copies of the application and plans may be examined by abutters free of charge,

Or to take any action in relation thereto. (Petition of the Conservation Commission)

FAVORABLE ACTION – (11-0-0)*

ARTICLE 24: To see if the Town will vote to amend Section 6.C.8.F of the Zoning Bylaw, amending the Schedule of Use Regulations thereof as follows:

By deleting Section 6.C.8.F in its entirety, inserting in its place the words “Reserved for Future Use” and adding the verbiage from Section 6.C.8.F to the “Definitions” section of the Zoning Bylaw and amend the Zoning Bylaw, Section 6B Schedule of Dimensional Regulations Required Setbacks as follows:

Park, School, Recreation and Conservation – Minimum Sideyard Setback (feet): change 25² to 25

Rural – Minimum Sideyard Setback (feet): change from 25² to 25⁴

Residence A – Minimum Sideyard Setback (feet): change from 20² to 20⁴

Or take any action in relation thereto. (Petition of the Planning Board)

RECOMMENDATION AT TOWN MEETING – (11-0-0)*

ARTICLE 25: To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning Bylaw, SECTION 6.C.11 Projections by adding the word “deck” to the second line. Said sentence to read as follows: “Nothing herein shall prevent the projection of eaves, chimneys, or cornices not encroaching more than eighteen (18) inches into the setbacks, unclosed porches, decks, porticos.....”

or take any action in relation thereto. (Petition of the Planning Board)

RECOMMENDATION AT TOWN MEETING – (11-0-0)*

ARTICLE 26: To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning Bylaw, Section 13.2 as follows:

Amend SECTION 13.2 APPLICABILITY by inserting the following:

Section 13.2.A: By adding the words “over 3 families”. Section 13.2.A will read: “All new multi-family **over 3 families**, commercial and industrial construction;...”

Section 13.2.B: By adding the words “over 3 families”. Section 13.2.B will read: “All multi-family **over 3 families**, commercial and industrial additions....”

Section 13.2.C: By deleting the word “by” and also adding the words “or less than 10% increase in existing parking”. Section 13.2.C will read: “Construction or creation of any new parking lot or the expansion, or redesign of an existing parking lot with more than six (6) parking spaces **or less than 10% increase in existing parking;**”

Section 13.2.E: By adding the words “**and 3**” to the first sentence and the word “conforming” to the third sentence and adding the following “**use change where no physical expansion are being made to a conforming Site or Building.....**” Section 13.2.E will read: All uses requiring a Special Permit under Section 5.B, except for one, two **and 3** family residences, **use change where no physical expansions are being made to a conforming Site or Building**, and for those uses or activities specifically exempted from Site Plan Review in other sections of the Zoning Bylaw; and,.....”

Add a new Section 13.2.G to read: “**Uses that require a Special Permit that meet the requirements of Limited Site Plan Review may be submitted as such without the need for a Full Site Plan.**”

Or take any action in relation thereto. (Petition of the Planning Board)

RECOMMENDATION AT TOWN MEETING – (11-0-0)*

ARTICLE 27: To see if the town will vote to amend the Zoning Bylaw, SECTION 5 USE REGULATIONS AS FOLLOWS:

AMEND SECTION 5B.3.r by deleting the words” private guest house, caretaker’s quarters,” such that Section 5B.3.r. shall read as follows: “**Accessory where incidental to a permitted use, including the following: greenhouse, stable, tool shed, playhouse, tennis court, boathouse or other similar building or structure for domestic storage use.**”

AMEND SECTION 5B.4.n by changing “**SPZ**” to “**A**” under HB and LM headings

AMEND SECTION 5B.4.p.i by changing “**X**” to “**SPZ**” under HB heading

AMEND SECTION 5B.4.p.ii by changing "X" to "SPZ" under HB heading

AMEND SECTION 5B.4.p.iii by changing "X" to "SPZ" under HB heading (3)

AMEND SECTION 5B.4.p.iv by changing "X" to "SPZ" under HB heading

AMEND SECTION 5B.5.w by deleting Section 5.B.w in its entirety and inserting in its place the words "Reserved for Future Use". Or to take any other action in relation thereto. (Petition of the Planning Board)

RECOMMENDATION AT TOWN MEETING – (11-0-0)*

ARTICLE 28: To amend the Town zoning overlay district so that it includes the property at 100 Neponset Street (further described below) within the Large-Scale Ground-Mounted Solar Photovoltaic Overlay District (SPOD), and to amend the SPOD map by revising the boundaries of the overlay district map entitled, "Large-Scale Ground-Mounted Solar Photovoltaic Overlay District (SPOD), Town of Walpole" dated August 2011, to include the property located at 100 Neponset Street, Walpole MA as described on Assessors Map 52, Lot 78, substantially as shown on a map attached hereto, copies of which have been placed on file and can be viewed in the offices of the Town Clerk, Board of Selectmen, and Planning Board, or act or do anything relating thereto. (Petition of Baker Hughes Incorporated).

RECOMMENDATION AT TOWN MEETING – (11-0-0)*

ARTICLE 29: To see if the Town will vote to amend its zoning overlay district map by revising the boundaries of the overlay district entitled, "Large-Scale Ground-Mounted Solar Photovoltaic Overlay District (SPOD), Town of Walpole" dated August 2011, by adding the following property located off Norfolk Street, Walpole MA as described on Assessors Map 40, Lot 116, substantially as shown on a map attached hereto, copies of which have been placed on file and can be viewed in the offices of the Town Clerk, Board of Selectmen, and Planning Board, or to take any action in relation thereto. (Petition of Bird and Son, Inc.)

RECOMMENDATION AT TOWN MEETING – (11-0-0)*

ARTICLE 30: To see if the Town will vote to accept York Circle from its beginning at STA 0 + 23 to its end at 3+83.19+/-, including any easements and utilities appurtenant thereto, and to appropriate the sum of \$379 for recording of documents at the Registry of Deeds, or to take any action in relation thereto. (Petition of Board of Selectmen)

FAVORABLE ACTION - \$379 from Free Cash - (12-0-0)*

ARTICLE 31: To see if the Town will vote to accept Atlantic Court from its beginning at STA 0 + 23 to its end at STA 6+95.57 +/-, including any easements and utilities appurtenant thereto, and to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of \$379 for recording of documents at the Registry of Deeds, or take any action in relation thereto. (Petition of Board of Selectmen)

FAVORABLE ACTION - \$379 from Free Cash - (12-0-0)*

ARTICLE 32: To see if the Town will vote to accept Dew Drop Way from its beginning at STA 0 + 23 to its end at STA 3+11.76 +/-, including any easements and utilities appurtenant thereto, and to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of \$379 for recording of documents at the Registry of Deeds, or to take any action in relation thereto. (Petition of Board of Selectmen)

FAVORABLE ACTION - \$379 from Free Cash - (12-0-0)*

ARTICLE 33: To see if the Town will vote to accept Lexington Drive from its beginning at STA 0 + 80.12 at 20+87.20 +/-, including any easements and utilities appurtenant thereto, and to appropriate the sum of \$454 for recording of documents at the Registry of Deeds, or to take any action in relation thereto. (Petition of Board of Selectmen)

FAVORABLE ACTION - \$454 from Free Cash - (12-0-0)*

ARTICLE 34: To see if the Town will vote to accept Anderson Way from its beginning at STA 0 + 23 to its end at STA 17+47.66 +/-, including any easements and utilities appurtenant thereto, and to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of \$454 for recording of documents at the Registry of Deeds, or to take any action in relation thereto. (Petition of Board of Selectmen)

FAVORABLE ACTION - \$454 from Free Cash - (12-0-0)*

ARTICLE 35: To see if the Town will vote to accept Hound Pack Circle from its beginning at STA 0 + 23 to its end at STA 23+34.26 +/-, including any easements and utilities appurtenant thereto, and to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of \$454 for recording of documents at the Registry of Deeds, or to take any action in relation thereto. (Petition of Board of Selectmen)

FAVORABLE ACTION - \$454 from Free Cash - (12-0-0)*

ARTICLE 36: To see if the Town will vote to accept Mansion Drive from its beginning at STA 0 + 00 to its end at STA 11+48.94 +/-, including any easements and utilities appurtenant thereto, and to appropriate the sum of \$379 for recording of documents at the Registry of Deeds, or to take any action in relation thereto (Petition of Board of Selectmen)

FAVORABLE ACTION - \$379 from Free Cash - (12-0-0)*

ARTICLE 37: To see if the Town will vote to accept Millbrook Ave from its beginning at STA 0 + 00 to its end at STA 26+07.61 +/-, including any easements and utilities appurtenant thereto, and to appropriate the sum of \$530 for recording of documents at the Registry of Deeds, or to take any action in relation thereto. (Petition of Board of Selectmen)

FAVORABLE ACTION - \$530 from Free Cash - (12-0-0)*

ARTICLE 38: To see if the Town will vote to accept Norton Avenue from its beginning at STA 0+00 to its end at STA 6+04.19+/- including any easements and utilities appurtenant thereto, or take any action in relation thereto. (Petition of Board of Selectmen)

FAVORABLE ACTION – (11-0-1)*

ARTICLE 39: To see if the Town will vote to accept Hartshorn Road from its beginning at STA 0+00 to its end at STA 2+49.92+/- including any easements and utilities appurtenant thereto, or take any action in relation thereto. (Petition of Board of Selectmen)

FAVORABLE ACTION – (12-0-0)*

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