

**Selectboard
Meeting Minutes
March 7, 2022
Town Offices
Open Session Via Zoom
6:15 pm**

The open session of the Selectboard of the Town of Whately was called to order on March 7, 2022, at 6:15 pm by the Chairperson, Jonathan Edwards. Also present via Zoom were Selectboard members Fred Baron and Joyce Palmer Fortune, Town Administrator Brian Domina, and Administrative Assistant Amy Lavallee.

Special Town Meeting Warrant: To discuss and vote to approve warrant articles for a Special Town Meeting to be held on March 23, 2022.

Brian presented to the Board the proposed warrant articles for the upcoming STM to be held on March 23, 2022, at 6:00 pm.

Article 1:

To see if the Town will vote, pursuant to G.L. c. 44B, to appropriate and transfer the sum of **\$116,928** as follows, \$67,292 from the Community Preservation Fund – Unreserved Fund Balance and \$49,636 from the Community Preservation Fund – Budgeted Reserves, to make an additional payment on the one year note for the Town Hall Historic Rehabilitation Project, or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 2:

To see if the Town will vote, pursuant to G.L. c. 44B, to appropriate and transfer the sum of **\$13,530** from the Community Preservation Fund – Unreserved Fund Balance for improvements to the Town-owned cemeteries, including but not limited to the installation of fences and benches, or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 3:

To see if the Town will vote, pursuant to G.L. c. 44B, to appropriate and transfer the sum of **\$60,323** as follows, \$45,323 from the Community Preservation Fund – Open Space Reserves and \$15,000 from the Community Preservation Fund – Unreserved Fund Balance for accessibility improvement at Herlihy Park, including but not limited to the paving and striping of the driveway and parking lot and the renovation of the restrooms, or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 4:

To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of **\$20,000** from available funds to pay for the costs of accessibility improvements to the S. White Dickinson Library, including but not limited to

the installation of a lift and renovations to the restrooms, or take any other action relative thereto. Brian discussed with the Board the request to amend the \$20,000 figure to \$5,000.

Article 5:

To see if the Town will vote to amend the vote under Article 12 of the warrant for the April 30, 2019 Annual Town Meeting, which appropriated funds to pay for the design of handicapped accessibility improvements at the S. White Dickinson Memorial Library, to include the additional purpose of paying for the costs to construct and install handicapped accessibility improvements at the S. White Dickinson Library, and to authorize the expenditure of **\$18,936.51** of the unexpended appropriated funds for such improvements, or to take any other action relative thereto.

Brian informed the Board that the Library Trustees requested \$5,000 in available funds after speaking with the project architect, instead of the original \$20,000 regarding Article 4.

A motion was made to accept the articles with the proposed amendment to Article 4 to change the amount from \$20,000 to \$5,000. Motion seconded. All in favor. Roll Call Vote: Jonathan-yes, Joyce-yes, Fred-yes.

Next meetings Next Meetings: March 9, 2022, and March 30, 2022.

Motion to Adjourn at 6:28 pm. Motion seconded. Roll Call Vote: Jonathan-yes, Joyce-yes, Fred-yes

Documents:

Special Town Meeting Warrant, *March 23, 2022, 6:00pm*

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