

The Special Town Meeting was called to order at 7:04pm by the Town Moderator, Edward Ryan. There were eighty-one members present out of one hundred and twenty qualified town meeting members. The Moderator announced that there were extra copies of the Supplemental Planning Board Reports in the back of the room. Winn Lavallee and Larry Dubois were appointed tellers for the evening. Greetings were read by the Moderator.

The following business was transacted:

Article 1– Janitorial Services

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED: Control sheet attached.
Unanimously supported by Appropriation Committee.

The Town voted to authorize the transfer of \$15,005 from Council on Aging, Personal Services #315052 Custodian to #52239 Other Purchased Services.

Article 2– Capital Borrowing Plan

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED: Control sheet attached.
Unanimously supported by Appropriation Committee.
Unanimously supported by Capital Planning Committee.

The Town voted to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectboard to borrow \$7.5 million to purchase equipment, repair infrastructure, and make improvements to buildings and property owned by the town which have been recommended by the Capital Planning Committee and authorized vote of the Selectboard. Capital expenditures are as follows:

1. \$2,100,000 for equipment
2. \$2,000,000 for building renovations
3. \$2,000,000 for sidewalk repair
4. \$500,000 for street construction
5. \$900,000 for reconstruction of recreational facilities

Spending for these purposes will be authorized on an annual basis by a vote of the Selectboard, based upon a recommendation by the Capital Planning Committee. Such vote shall take place between May 1 and June 30 preceding the fiscal year in which the spending is to take place, although the Selectboard shall have the power to amend its vote from time to time.

To meet this appropriation, the Treasurer with the approval of the Selectboard is authorized to borrow under Chapter 44 of the Massachusetts General Laws, as amended, or any other any other enabling authority, and that the Selectboard is authorized to take any other action necessary to carry out this project.

Article 3– Traffic Sign Committee

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED: Control sheet attached.
Unanimously supported by the By-Law Review Committee.

The Town voted to amend the **General Bylaw Section 413.2 Traffic Sign Committee – Membership and Term** as follows:

413.2 Membership and Term

The Traffic Sign Committee shall consist of seven (7) three (3) members, each of whom shall be appointed for a term of one year with a term consistent with their position. The members of the Committee shall consist of a member of the Selectboard, the Town Engineer, the DPW Superintendent and the Chief of Police., safety officer, Superintendent of Public Works, and two members at large. In the event of a vacancy(s) the Town Administrator will fill the void to allow a quorum. Anyone in the “acting” capacity in regards to the aforementioned positions will have authority to fully participate on this committee. All meetings to discuss requests will be posted in accordance with “Open Meeting Laws” and every reasonable attempt will be made to invite and inform interested parties of said meeting.

Article 4 – Boarding/Lodging House Sprinklers

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED: Control sheet attached.

The Town voted to accept Massachusetts General Law Chapter 148 Fire Prevention Section 26H.

Article 5 – Bill From a Previous Year

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED: Control sheet attached.
Unanimously supported by Appropriation Committee.

The Town voted to allow payment of bills from a previous year in the amount of \$7,828.38 to South Hadley Electric Light Department.

Article 6 – Redevelopment Plan Funding

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED: Control sheet attached.
Appropriation Committee supported 7 in favor 2 opposed.

The Town voted to raise and appropriate and/or transfer from Unreserved Free Cash the sum of \$70,000 to fund the #52180 Selectboard Economic Development.

Article 7 – Short Term Borrowing

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED: Control sheet attached.
Unanimously supported by Appropriation Committee.

The Town voted to raise and appropriate and/or transfer from Unreserved Free Cash the sum of \$10,000 to Short-term Borrowing #7520.

Article 8 – Bike/Ped Study

MAJORITY VOTED: Control sheet attached.
Appropriation Committee supported 5 in favor 4 opposed.

The Town voted to raise and appropriate and/or transfer from Unreserved Free Cash the sum of \$30,000 to #52239 Selectboard Other Purchased Services for the purpose of contracting Pioneer Valley Planning Commission to develop a comprehensive strategy for a bicycle and pedestrian way.

Article 9 – Setback Definition

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED: Control sheet attached.
Unanimously supported by Planning Board.

The Town voted to amend the Zoning By-Law in regard to Setback by amending: Section 3, DEFINITIONS, Subpart (B) Definitions to insert the additional illustration in regards to building setbacks, as detailed in the Planning Board's Report to Town Meeting.

Article 10 – Lodging House Definition

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED: Control sheet attached.
Unanimously supported by Planning Board.

The Town voted to amend the Zoning By-Law in regard to Lodging Houses by amending: Section 3, DEFINITIONS, Subpart (B) Definitions, to alter the definitions of Bed and Breakfast Home and Bed and Breakfast Inn facilities; in Section 5, USE REGULATIONS, Subpart (E) Use Regulations Schedule to delete the use Lodging Houses and Dormitories, and in Section 7, SUPPLEMENTAL DISTRICT REGULATIONS, by deleting Subpart (B) Lodging Houses and Dormitories as detailed in the Planning Board's Report to Town Meeting.

Article 11 – Permitted/Prohibited Use

AMENDED MOTION UNANIMOUSLY VOTED: Control sheet attached.

The Town voted to amend the Zoning By-Law in regard to Permitted and Prohibited Use by amending: Section 5, USE REGULATIONS, Subpart (B) Classification of Use to clarify that uses not expressly noted as being permitted are deemed prohibited and specifying the Town Official or Board authorized to determine whether a use is noted as being permitted or prohibited, as detailed in the Planning Board Report to Town Meeting **but amended and passed the proposed legislation to remove to delete language in proposed changes as outlined in the Planning Board Report from:**

“The Town Planner in Consultation with the Building Commissioner” and add in its place, “The Planning Board” shall be the authority for determining whether proposed use falls within the meaning ...

Amended motion attached to control sheet on file.

Article 12 – Building Definition

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED: Control sheet attached. **Unanimously supported by Planning Board.**

The Town voted to amend the Zoning By-Law in regard to the definition of a Building by amending: Section 3, DEFINITIONS, Subpart (B) Definitions to clarify that a building includes a structure when a structure is attached to a building, as detailed in the Planning Board’s Report to Town Meeting.

Article 13 – Impervious Surface

MAJORITY VOTE ON THE AMENDED MOTION: Control sheet attached.

The Town voted to amend the Zoning By-Law in regard to Impervious Surface by amending: Section 3, DEFINITIONS, Subpart (B) Definitions, to define “Impervious Surface” and in Section 6, DIMENSIONAL REGULATIONS, Subpart (B) Dimensional Regulations Schedule by inserting limits as to the amount of “impervious surface” permitted for a parcel in each of the zoning districts as detailed in the Planning Board’s Report to Town Meeting with the following amendment:

**In section 3 Definitions, subpart B. under A. Coverage, Impervious surface.
Strike from the last line the words (swimming pool and)
Last line to read (including Paved Recreational Surfaces.)**

Amended motion attached to control sheet.

Article 14 – Single Family Conversion

UNANIMOUSLY DEFEATED: Control sheet attached.
Unanimously supported by Planning Board.

The Town gave leave to withdraw the article to amend Section 5 USE REGULATIONS, Subpart (E) Use Regulations Schedule to eliminate the use “Conversion of Single-Family to Two-Family Dwelling”; and delete the existing Section 7, SUPPLEMENTAL DISTRICT REGULATIONS, Subpart (F) Conversion of Single-Family to Two-Family Dwelling and insert a new Subpart (F) Two-Family Dwelling as detailed in the Planning Board’s Report to Town Meeting.


Article 15 – Zone Change Request

UNANIMOUSLY DEFEATED: Control sheet attached.
Unanimously supported by Planning Board.

(by Property Owner) The Town voted to grant leave to withdraw this article at the request of the applicants. The article sought to amend the Town of South Hadley Zoning Map by changing the designation of a 1.52+/- acre parcel of land situated at 92 Mountainview Street (west side of Mountainview Street) and generally identified on Tax Assessor’s Map #32 as Parcels #9 and #10 from the present zoning designation of Residence A-1 to Residence A-2 or take any other action relative thereto. (Submitted by Carole A. Szlachetka, et al)

The Moderator announced the conclusion of the business portion of the meeting. Meeting concluded by motion to dissolve at 8:40pm.

A TRUE COPY ATTEST:



Carlene C. Hamlin, Town Clerk