

*The Special Town Meeting was held on November 7, 2018 in the South Hadley Town Hall Auditorium, 116 Main Street, South Hadley MA. True and attested copies of the warrants were posted by Constable, David J. Labrie in five of the towns voting precincts and mailed out electronically and through US Postal Service to town meeting members on October, 19, 2018. All additional local by-law requirements were met prior to hosting this meeting in the auditorium at South Hadley Town Hall.*

*Once quorum was determined with 83 members present the Special Town Meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm by Town Clerk, Carlene C. Hamlin. The posting of the warrant was read, Peter Gagne and Leonard Finkowski were appointed tellers and Chairman Ira Brezinsky led the body in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.*

*Due to the untimely death of Town Moderator Edward J. Ryan, Jr. the body nominated and elected Town Meeting Member Jody Miller to act as Temporary Town Moderator for the evening session.*

*The following business was transacted:*

**Article 1– Mosier Stabilization**

**VOTED: By a UNANIMOUS AFFIRMATIVE voice vote: control sheet attached.**

**Appropriation Committee unanimous vote.**

The Town voted by a 2/3<sup>rd</sup> majority voice vote to establish under Massachusetts General law Chapter 40 section 5B a “Mosier School Stabilization Fund” for the purpose of improving, repairing or replacing the Mosier School presently located at 101 Mosier Street and furthermore, transfer from Unreserved Free Cash the sum of \$200,000 to the Mosier School Stabilization Fund, or take any other action thereto.

**Article 2-Compensation Fund**

**VOTED: By a UNANIMOUS AFFIRMATIVE voice vote: control sheet attached.**

**Appropriation Committee unanimous vote.**

The Town voted to raise and appropriate and/or transfer from other available funds the sum of \$75,000 to the Compensation, or take any other action thereto.

**Article 3- OPEB**

**VOTED: By a UNANIMOUS AFFIRMATIVE voice vote: control sheet attached.**

**Appropriation Committee unanimous vote.**

The Town voted to raise and appropriate and/or transfer from other available funds to the Other Post Employment Benefit Fund (OPEB) \$200,000, or take any other action thereto.

**Article 4- Dog Park Lease Allowance**

**VOTED: By a MAJORITY voice vote: control sheet attached.**

The Town voted to allow the Selectboard to enter into an agreement with Friends of South Hadley Dog Park a registered 501c3 to allow said group to operate an area for socializing and exercising dogs at Mulligan Drive (see addendum A) within regulations set forth by Friends of the South Hadley Dog Park, accepted by the Selectboard and open to the public with no required fee or take other suitable property as determined by the Selectboard, or take any other action relative thereto.

**Article 5- Dog Park Matching Grant**

**VOTED: By a MAJORITY voice vote: control sheet attached.**

**Appropriation Committee majority vote.**

The Town voted to transfer from Unreserved Free Cash or other available funds the sum of \$30,000 for the purpose of, providing up to a \$25,000 match for a Stanton Grant for the dog park, and the remaining \$5,000 to provide for a potable water connection to the park and/or related startup costs for the dog park, or take any other action relative thereto.

**Article 6- Senior Center Stabilization**

**VOTED: By a UNANIMOUS AFFIRMATIVE voice vote: control sheet attached.**

**Appropriation Committee unanimous vote.**

The Town voted to transfer from Unreserved Free Cash the sum of \$200,000 to the Senior Center Stabilization Fund, or take any other action thereto.

**Article 7-Capital, General Fund Stabilization**

**VOTED: By a UNANIMOUS AFFIRMATIVE voice vote: control sheet attached.**

**Appropriation Committee unanimous vote.**

The Town voted to transfer from Unreserved Free Cash the sum of \$200,000 to the Capital Stabilization Fund and \$100,000 to the Stabilization Fund, or take any other action thereto.

**Article 8-Town Hall Maintenance**

**VOTED: By a UNANIMOUS AFFIRMATIVE voice vote: control sheet attached.**

**Appropriation Committee unanimous vote.**

The Town voted to transfer from Unreserved Free Cash the sum of \$30,000 to the (1920) Public Building Maintenance (11922 52410) Repair/Maintenance of Buildings to refund the account for costs associated with replacement of the main sewer pipe from Town Hall and installation of a new walk way, or take any other action thereto.

**Article 9 – Sealer of Weights and Measures**

**VOTED: By a UNANIMOUS AFFIRMATIVE voice vote: control sheet attached.**

**Appropriation Committee unanimous vote.**

The Town voted to transfer from Sealers of Weights and Measures (12441- 51360) the sum of \$6,215 to Other Expense, Inter-Municipal Agreement, or take any other action thereto.

**Article 10 – Ledges Transfer**

**VOTED: By a MAJORITY voice vote: control sheet attached.**

**Appropriation Committee unanimous vote.**

The Town voted to transfer from Valley View (6810) Personal Expense the sum of \$31,000 and Valley View (6810) Other Expense the sum of \$20,000 to Ledges (686682 52260) Annual Contracts; and furthermore see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$352,692 from Ledges Golf Receipts, transfer the sum of \$89,000 from Ledges FY 19 Retained Earnings, and transfer the sum of \$151,000 from Unreserved Free Cash for a total of \$592,692 to Ledges (686682 52260) Annual Contracts.

**Article 11 – ADA Plan**

**VOTED: By a UNANIMOUS AFFIRMATIVE voice vote: control sheet attached.**

**Appropriation Committee unanimous vote.**

The Town voted to transfer from Unreserved Free Cash the sum of \$35,000 to fund an Americans with Disability Act (ADA) Self-evaluation and Transition Plan, or take any other action thereto.

**Article 12 – WWTP Grant Match**

**VOTED: By a UNANIMOUS AFFIRMATIVE voice vote: control sheet attached.**

**Appropriation Committee unanimous vote.**

The Town voted to raise and appropriate or transfer from WWTP Retained earnings the sum of \$145,000 to fund a grant match of an equal amount National Fish and Wildlife Futures Grant, or take any other action thereto.

Meeting adjourned at 7:25 P.M.

**A TRUE COPY ATTEST:**



Carlene C. Hamlin, Town Clerk