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DUXBURY, MASS.

Date: October 17, 2022 (*Special Town Meeting*)

Date Minutes Approved: 11/21/22

SELECTBOARD

Present: Fernando Guitart, Chair, Cynthia Ladd Fiorini, Vice Chair; Michael McGee, Clerk; Theodore Flynn; and Amy MacNab

Absent: None

Staff: René J. Read, Town Manager; John Q. Adams, Finance Director; and Michelle Seda-Stotts, Principal Assistant

Other: Jeff Blake, Esq., KP Law (Town Counsel); Jeanie Horne, HR Director, Steve Studley, REC Director.

CONVENED IN OPEN SESSION –

CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. in the Duxbury Schools Performing Arts Center (cafeteria) located at 73 Alden Street, Duxbury.

Discussion regarding remaining articles in need of Selectboard recommendations:

Mr. Read began by reading the Memo to the Selectboard. In this memo it provided a brief synopsis, a staff recommendation, the Finance Committee's vote and a proposed motion for each of the articles.

Article 4 – Motion 2 – Union Contracts – Duxbury DPW Employees

This article will be funding the Collective Bargaining Agreement with Duxbury DPW Employees, AFSCME Council 93, Local 1700, for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2022 and ending June 30, 2025.

Amount to be raised and appropriated:	\$93,520.00
Amount to be transferred from Water Enterprise Fund Revenue	\$19,300.00
Total Amount:	\$112,820.00

Staff recommends that the Selectboard vote to recommend approval of the article. The Finance Committee voted 9-0 to recommend approval of the article.

Mr. McGee moved to recommend approval of Article 4, Motion 2 “Union Contracts – Duxbury DPW Employees,” with the amount to be raised and appropriated of \$93,520.00 and the amount to be transferred from Water Enterprise Fund Revenue of \$19,300.00 for a total amount of \$112,820.00.

Seconded by Ms. MacNab Vote: 5:0:0

Article 7 – Supplemental Appropriations

The project contemplated under this article – PFAS sampling for the former McNeil Dump and the Transfer Station – can still go forward with the use of ARPA funds and will not require additional taxation if the Selectboard votes to authorize the use of ARPA funding for this purpose. Town Meeting approval is not required for the use of ARPA funds. Thus, staff recommends that Selectboard vote to authorize the use of ARPA funding for this purpose and further recommends Indefinite Postponement of this Article. Finally, the Finance Committee voted 9-0 to recommend Indefinite Postponement of the article.

Motion 1:

Mr. McGee moved to authorize the use of American Recovery Plan Act (ARPA) funding for the purpose of funding PFAS sampling for the former McNeil Dump and the Transfer Station.

Seconded by Ms. MacNab Vote: 5:0:0

Motion 2:

Mr. McGee moved to recommend Indefinite Postponement of Article 7 “Supplemental Appropriations” in the October 17, 2022, Special Town Meeting Warrant.

Seconded by Ms. MacNab Vote: 5:0:0

Article 11 – School Safety Measures

Similar to Article 7, the project contemplated under this article – the purchase of enhanced security for visitor management systems at school entryways at each campus building, additional cameras at Chandler Elementary School, and additional safety and security measures throughout the district – can still go forward with the use of American Recovery Plan Act (ARPA) funds and will not require additional taxation if the Selectboard votes to authorize the use of ARPA funds. Thus, staff further recommends Indefinite Postponement of this Article. Finally, the Finance Committee voted 9-0 to recommend Indefinite Postponement of the article. There was a brief discussion regarding the balance of funds, in which, Mr. Adams was able to clarify.

Motion 1:

Mr. McGee moved to authorize the use of American Recovery Plan Act (ARPA) funding for the purpose of funding the purchase of enhanced security for visitor management systems at school entryways at each campus building, additional cameras at Chandler Elementary School, and additional safety and security measures throughout the district.

Seconded by Ms. MacNab Vote: 5:0:0

Motion 2:

Mr. McGee moved to recommend Indefinite Postponement of Article 11 “School Safety Measures” in the October 17, 2022, Special Town Meeting Warrant.

Seconded by Ms. MacNab Vote: 5:0:0

Article 13 – CPC: Funding for the preservation of the historic Isaac Simmons Farmhouse located at 761 Temple Street.

Under this article, upon recommendation of the Community Preservation Committee, \$30,000.00 would be transferred from the Community Preservation Historic Resources Reserve to, preserve, stabilize and prepare for sale the Historic Isaac Simmons Farmhouse located at 761 Temple Street. The funding would be expended under the direction of the Town Manager in consultation with the Historical Commission. The Finance Committee voted 9-0 to recommend approval of the article.

Mr. McGee moved the Selectboard recommend Article 13 “CPC: Funding for the preservation of the historic Isaac Simmons Farmhouse located at 761 Temple Street” in the October 17, 2022, Special Town Meeting Warrant.

Seconded by Ms. MacNab Vote: 5:0:0

Article 8 – Supplemental Capital Appropriations

The purpose of this article is to supplement a number of capital items in the current fiscal year’s Capital Plan (FY23) and one additional item voted in the FY21 Capital Plan. Our early Town Meeting, coupled with the recent inflation, have caused major increases from original quotes obtained prior to our last Annual Town Meeting.

There was a brief discussion regarding the appropriations for the Percy Walker Pool in the amount of \$372,000. Mr. Studley was there to explain the improvements, and the rise in costs for such improvements, as being the cause of the increase.

Mr. McGee moved the Selectboard recommend Article 8 “Supplemental Capital Appropriations” in the October 17, 2022, Special Town Meeting Warrant.

Seconded by Ms. MacNab Vote: 5:0:0

COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS/RE-APPOINTMENTS/RESIGNATIONS

Mr. McGee moved that the Selectboard appoint or re-appoint {Name} to the {Name of Board} for a term to expire on {DATE}.

<u>Board / Committee</u>	<u>Appointment/Re-appointment/Resignation</u>	<u>Term</u>
<u>Local Historical District Commission</u>		
Evelyn Walker	FY23 Appointment	06-30-2025
Jayne Talmage O’Farrell(alternate)	FY23 Appointment	06-30-2025
Renée Mierzejewski (alternate)	FY23 Appointment	06-30-2025
John Bates	Resignation	06-30-2025

Seconded by Ms. MacNab Vote: 5:0:0

The following boards/committees have available seats:

<i>Board of Appeals (Zoning)</i>	-	<i>one seat</i>
<i>Community Preservation Committee</i>	-	<i>one seat</i>
<i>Duxbury Seawall Committee</i>	-	<i>one seat</i>

Local Historical District Commission- one seat (alternate)
Sidewalk & Bike Path Committee - one seat

Comments: If anyone is interested in volunteering on a board or committee, you are encouraged to fill out a Talent Bank form, which can be found on the Town's website under the Forms & Documents tab.

At approximately 6:30pm, the Board recessed until the start of the Special Town Meeting at 7pm, and then will reconvene, recess, and adjourn in conjunction with the Special Town Meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

At approximately 10:00PM, the Board adjourned in conjunction with the Special Town Meeting.

Minutes submitted by Michelle Seda-Stotts

List of documents

- 1. Meeting Agenda*
- 2. Memo from Mr. René Read re: remaining article in need of Selectboard recommendation*
- 3. Appointments/Re-appointments/Resignations*
- 4. STM Warrant*
- 5. STM Motions*