

Special Town Meeting
September 30, 2019

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Pursuant to the recorded warrant a special town meeting of the Town of Deerfield held at the Deerfield Town Offices, 8 Conway Street was called to order Monday, September 30, 2019 at 7:06 p.m. by Moderator Daniel Graves with 75 voters in attendance.

Upon preliminary Moderator motions made and seconded, they were:

Voted that the reading of all articles be waived and that prior to the reading of a motion under the article, the Moderator briefly summarize the content of the article to be considered; and, further, that unless objection is raised, the reading of detailed motions be waived where the article as printed can, in the opinion of the Moderator, be incorporated by reference in any motion presented.

Motion carried unanimously, so declared the Moderator

Voted that the following people be allowed to address the audience during the Town Meeting:

Lisa Mead, Town Counsel
Brenda Hill, Town Accountant
Diana Schindler, Interim Town Administrator
Chris Curtis, MVP Consultant
Laurie McComb, EMD Emergency Management Director

Motion carried unanimously, so declared the Moderator

ARTICLE 1:

Voted to authorize the Selectboard to enter into a ten (10) year contract with the option for a five (5) year extension, commencing on July 1, 2020 with the qualified vendor selected by MassDEP through a competitive bid process for recycling processing services for the Town, subject to the Selectboard's determination that the contract is in the best interests of the Town and subject to Town Meeting approval in the Spring of 2020 for funding for these services.

Motion carried unanimously, so declared the Moderator

ARTICLE 2:

Voted to transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$78,056.00 for the required cash match for the Municipal Vulnerability Preparedness (MVP) Round 3 grant award received by the town.

Motion carried unanimously, so declared the Moderator

ARTICLE 3: Selectboard passed over Article 3

ARTICLE 4:

Voted to transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$8,000.00 to be used as matching funds for the 2018 Emergency Management Preparedness Grant (EMPG) received by the Town to purchase electronic signboard to be used for announcements for general and emergency operations.

Motion carried, so declared the Moderator

ARTICLE 5:

Voted to transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$31,000.00 to be added to Selectboard Staff Salaries Account.

Motion carried, so declared the Moderator

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ARTICLE 6:

Voted to transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$14,000.00 to be added to Inspections Department Salaries Account.

Motion carried, so declared the Moderator

ARTICLE 7:

Voted to transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$7,500.00 to be added to Planning Board Account.

Motion carried unanimously, so declared the Moderator

ARTICLE 8:

Voted pursuant to M.G.L. c. 44 §53I to establish a Special Fund for the celebration of the 350th anniversary of Deerfield's incorporation, a special celebration sponsored by the town for the benefit, enjoyment and edification of its residents and visitors.

Motion carried unanimously, so declared the Moderator

ARTICLE 9:

Voted to authorize the Selectboard to purchase, acquire, or take by eminent domain, and to raise and appropriate by borrowing the sum of \$358,780.00 to fund said purchase or taking along as well as all other costs incidental and related thereto; to acquire the parcel of land for price of \$357,280.00, said land identified as of approximately 9.2755 acres +/- Plan Book 140 Plan 41 located off of Merrigan Way and owned by New England Natural Bakers by deed recorded in the Franklin County Registry of Deeds, Book 7183, Page 121; the acquisition of said land having been determined to be necessary for the health and welfare of the inhabitants of Deerfield and to be used for general municipal purposes or for resale and to authorize the Selectboard to in fact sell said property for economic development purposes, as they deem appropriate, to be under the care, custody and control of the Selectboard; and to meet this appropriation to authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectboard, to borrow said sum under M.G.L. c. 44, or any other enabling authority and issue bonds or notes of the Town upon such terms as the Treasurer and the Selectboard shall determine and that any premium received by the Town upon the sale of any bonds or notes, may be applied to the payment of costs approved by this vote in accordance with M.G.L. c. 44, §20, thereby reducing the amount authorized to be borrowed to pay such costs by like amount.

Motion carried by 2/3rds majority, so declared the Moderator

ARTICLE 10 Moderator's Motion

Voted to dissolve the Special Town Meeting at 8:10 p.m.

A true copy,

Attest:

Barbara J. Hancock, Town Clerk