

2016 Annual Town Meeting Minutes
Dennett Elementary School, 80 Crescent St., Plympton, MA
Wednesday, May 18, 2016 at 7:00 PM

Moderator John A. Traynor, Jr. declared there being a quorum present (35) and preparation and posting of the warrant and the procedure was accomplished in accordance with the law and, therefore, the Annual Town Meeting was called to order at 7:02 P.M., at the Dennett Elementary School. Mr. Traynor welcomed everyone to the 309th Annual Town Meeting and asked everyone to rise and observe a moment of silence for any and all of our Plympton neighbors who have passed away since our last meeting, particularly those who in the past were active in town affairs: Helen (Honey) Patterson and William (Billy) Benevides. We were asked to keep in our thoughts our men and women serving in uniform who are stationed around the world, and especially those serving in Afghanistan and the Middle East. He led us in to the introduction of the Pledge to Allegiance to the American Flag. Thank you to CASA for hosting the refreshments at our break before the Special Town Meeting. Mr. Traynor stated that the Annual Town Meeting addresses Fiscal Year 2017 (July 1, 2016 to June 30, 2017) and at 8:00 p.m. the Special Town Meeting begins to address funding issues in this year's fiscal spending which ends June 30, 2016. After a short recess, the Annual Town Meeting reconvenes.

Mr. Traynor introduced the Board of Selectmen, Chairman Mark Russo, Selectmen's Clerk Christine Joy, and Colleen Thompson. Town Council Ilana Quirk and Town Clerk Tara J. Shaw, Town Accountant Barbara Gomez, the Finance Committee Marilyn Browne, Lisa Hart, Nathaniel Sides, Jean Cohen, and Chairperson Susan Ossoff. Also present were Tellers Patricia Detterman Jean Reynolds, Nancy Butler and Barbara Allsopp.

The Peace Officer present was Michael Gagnon.

There were 204 registered voters present and 19 non-registered citizens present.

Colleen Thompson addressed the assembly thanking Mark Russo for his years of public service, including his 2 years as Chairperson, as a Board of Selectman and for the other boards he has participated on. He was presented with gifts that Mr. Russo accepted and thanked the residents.

Chairwoman of the Finance Committee, Susan Ossoff, gave a brief report regarding the Town Budget and changes in recommendation for funding sources.

ARTICLE 1 To hear reports of the town officers and act thereon and to receive and act upon reports of any committees and give authority or instructions, or take any action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 1 VOTE (Motion moved and seconded) To hear reports of the town officers and act thereon and to receive and act upon reports of any committees and give authority or instructions, or take any action relative thereto.

PASS UNANIMOUS

ARTICLE 2 To see if the Town of Plympton will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer to enter into Compensating Balance agreements for FY 2016 as permitted by and in accordance with M.G.L. c.44 §53F, or take any other action relative thereto.

Town Treasurer: Recommended by BOS 3-0

ARTICLE 2 VOTE (On the motion of Colleen Morin, 11 Granville Baker Way, to approve the article as printed in the warrant.) To authorize the Town Treasurer to enter into Compensating Balance agreements for FY 2016 as permitted by and in accordance with M.G.L. c.44 §53F, or take any other action relative thereto.

PASS UNANIMOUS

VOTE (On the motion of Mark Russo, Selectman Chairman, 140 Palmer Road, to waive the reading of individual readings of Wage and Personnel and Salary figures by line item

PASS UNANIMOUS

On the motion of Mark Russo, Board of Selectmen Chairman, 140 Palmer Road

ARTICLE 3 (On the motion of Mark Russo, Board of Selectmen Chairman, 140 Palmer Road)

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Wage & Personnel Classification Plan effective July 1, 2016 and to pay as wages the following sums, or take any other action relative thereto.

WAGE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR FISCAL 2017

	2016	2017
A. Firefighters (Part-time)		
HELD Deputy Chief	25.51	
Deputy Chief/EMT		19.56-26.02
Deputy Chief/Advanced		20.50-26.50
Deputy Chief/Paramedic		21.50-27.50
Captain	23.79	
Captain/EMT		18.00-24.27
Captain/Advanced		19.00-24.50
Captain/Paramedic		20.00-25.50
Lieutenant	22.60	
Lieutenant/EMT		17.50-23.05
Lieutenant/Advanced		18.00-23.50
Lieutenant/Paramedic		19.00-24.50
Firefighter	21.45	
Firefighter/EMT		16.50-21.88
Firefighter/Advanced		17.00-22.50
Firefighter/Paramedic		18.00-23.50

Certified EMT	21.45	-
EMT Standby	8.32	10.40
(calls within that same shift shall be paid at the EMT Rate of pay per hour)		
Advanced Standby		11.40
Paramedic Standby	10.40	12.40
Full Time FF/Paramedic	24.01 - 27.01	24.49-27.55
Full Time Lieutenant FF/Paramedic	24.99 - 27.99	25.49-28.55
Full Time Captain/Paramedic		27.00-29.60

All current Call Personnel would remain at current rate of pay with annual increases.

Any EMT, EMT-A or Paramedic that does not function as firefighter, their rate of pay shall be \$.50 less per hour than a firefighter with the same certification.

**VOTE: ALL IN FAVOR IN CATEGORY EXCEPT FOR HOLD DEPUTY FIRE CHIEF
PASS UNANIMOUS**

**HOLD-DEPUTY CHIEF, MAUREEN SPRINGER, 26 GRANVILLE BAKER WAY, GENERAL QUESTION:
IS THE OVERALL % INCREASE THE SAME FOR EACH CATEGORY?**

**WAGE AND PERSONNEL: DAVID CHANDLER, 94 MAYFLOWER ROAD, 2% INCREASE TO THE
BASE THIS YEAR, SAME AS LAST YEAR**

DEPUTY CHIEF: PASS UNANIMOUS

B. Highway Labor

Working Foreman	19.57 - 21.90	19.96-22.34
Truck Driver/Laborer	18.70 - 19.96	19.07-20.36
Laborer	15.25 - 16.31	15.56-16.64

C. Town Labor

Laborer	15.25 - 15.99	15.56-16.31
Town Custodian	15.25 - 16.31	15.56-16.64
Sr. Disposal Attendant	17.62 - 18.41	17.97-18.78
Disposal Attendant	15.70 - 16.46	16.01-16.79

D. Clerical/Election Workers

Clerk	10.93 - 13.12	11.15-13.38
Senior Clerk/Warden	14.21 - 15.84	14.49-16.16
Constable		14.49-16.16

E. Permanent Staff(all departments)

Clerk	14.21 - 15.84	14.49-16.16
Senior Clerk	16.40 - 17.77	16.73-18.13
Administrative Assistant	18.69 - 21.86	19.06-22.30
Asst. to Treasurer/Collector	19.14 - 22.95	19.52-23.41
Asst. Town Clerk	19.14 - 22.95	19.52-23.41
Asst. Town Accountant	19.14 - 22.95	19.52-23.41

F. Library

Clerk	12.04 - 14.98	12.28-15.28
Circulation Clerk	14.44 - 16.72	14.73-17.05
Library Technician	16.40 - 17.77	16.73-18.13
Senior Library Technician	18.45 - 21.86	18.82-22.30

G. Other Employees

Special Police Officer	14.64	14.93
Police Matron	16.88	17.22

**VOTE: ALL IN FAVOR IN CATEGORIES THROUGH POLICE MATRON
PASS UNANIMOUS**

H. Salaried Employees

HELD Library Director	36,706.00 - 46,770.00	37,440.00-48,660.00
Assist. Assessor	25,413.00 - 45,908.00	25,921.00-46,826.00
Senior Aide	20,400.00 - 23,187.00	20,808.00-23,651.00
Veterans Agent	8,038.00	8,199.00
Director-Elder Affairs	5,000.00	5,100.00

I. Professional Positions

Health Agent	35.00 - 50.00	35.70-51.00
Land Use Coordinator	23.93 - 26.01	24.41-26.53
Assist. Health Agent	35.00 - 50.00	35.70-51.00

**VOTE: ALL IN FAVOR IN CATEGORIES THROUGH SALARIED EMPLOYEES AND PROFESSIONAL
POSITIONS WITH THE EXCEPTION OF LIBRARY DIRECTOR
PASS UNANIMOUS**

DISCUSSION

VOTE	2016	2017
Library Director	36,706.00 - 46,770.00	37,440.00-48,660.00

PASS SUPER MAJORITY

On the motion of Mark Russo, 140 Palmer Road, to advance to ARTICLE 5 for immediate consideration and continue until 8:00 p.m. when we will adjourn for the Special Town Meeting

PASS UNANIMOUS

ARTICLE 5 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds in the treasury, the sum of \$31,500.00 to conduct financial audits for Fiscal Year 2016 or take any other action relative thereto.

Town Treasurer: Recommended by BOS 3-0

ARTICLE 5 VOTE (On the motion of Colleen Morin, 11 Granville Baker Way), To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$31,500.00 to conduct financial audits for Fiscal Year 2016.

PASS UNANIMOUS

ARTICLE 6 To see if the Town will vote to accept and expend such sum or sums of money allotted or to be allotted to the Town from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts under the provisions of M.G.L. Chapter 90 or under any other state roadway reimbursement programs for fiscal year 2017 and borrow, in anticipation of reimbursement such sums of money as may be available as the State's share of the cost of work said Chapter 90 or take any other action relative thereto.

Highway Department: Recommended by BOS 3-0

ARTICLE 6 (On the motion of James Mulcahy, Highway Surveyor, 3 Brackett Terrace, To see if the Town will vote to borrow, in anticipation of reimbursement, the sum of \$171,761.00 as the State's share of the cost of road work under M.G.L Chapter 90 of the General Laws.

PASS UNANIMOUS

ARTICLE 7 To see if the Town will vote, pursuant to the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 53E ½, to reauthorize the following revolving funds for certain Town departments and officers for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2016. Expenditures shall not be made, or liabilities incurred in excess of the balance of the fund at any given time; or take any other action relative thereto:

Revolving Fund	Authority to Spend	Revenue Source	Use of Fund	FY 17 Spending Limit
Recreation Commission	Recreation Commission	Sign Sponsorship Program, fees charged to individuals participating in any Recreation Commission sponsored programs and any private sponsorship of said programs. Any fees charged for use of any other recreational facilities under the jurisdiction of the Recreation	The Support of youth sports programs, community activities and special events.	\$20,000

		Commission.		
Tax Title	Treasurer/Collector	Miscellaneous and legal fees collected on Tax Title accounts when paid. In addition, said account shall also be credited with miscellaneous fees and legal fees related to Tax Possession from the sale or auction of said Tax Possession.	Processing Tax Titles and Tax Possessions, including legal fees, miscellaneous expenses and salaries of staff in the Treasurer/Collectors department and Land Court fees.	

Treasurer: Recommended by BOS 3-0

ARTICLE 7 VOTE (On the motion of Colleen Morin, 11 Granville Baker Way, to approve the article as printed in the warrant.) To see if the Town will vote, pursuant to the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 53E ½, to reauthorize the following revolving funds for certain Town departments and officers for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2016. Expenditures shall not be made, or liabilities incurred in excess of the balance of the fund at any given time; or take any other action relative thereto:

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Tax Title	Treasurer/Collector	Miscellaneous and legal fees collected on Tax Title accounts when paid. In addition, said account shall also be credited with miscellaneous fees and legal fees related to Tax Possession from the sale or auction of said Tax Possession.	Processing Tax Titles and Tax Possessions, including legal fees, miscellaneous expenses and salaries of staff in the Treasurer/Collectors department and Land Court fees.	

Explanation-John Traynor, Moderator, 62 Crescent St., this is done every year. Revolving Funds that we approve. PASS UNANIMOUS

ARTICLE 8 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of \$12,000.00 to pay the first year lease payment for police patrol vehicles, and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into a lease/purchase agreement for such purposes for a term of three or more years, or take any other action relative thereto. **Police Chief: Recommended by BOS 3-0**

ARTICLE 8 VOTE (On the motion of Mark Russo, Board of Selectmen Chairman, 140 Palmer Road) To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$12,000.00 to pay the first year lease payment for police patrol vehicles, and to authorize the Board of

Selectmen to enter into a lease/purchase agreement for such purposes for a term of three or more years

PASS UNANIMOUS

ARTICLE 9 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of \$15,360 to purchase a police radio repeater and installation equipment for the police radio system, or take any other action relative thereto.

Police Chief: Recommended by BOS 3-0

ARTICLE 9 VOTE TO PASS OVER (On the motion of Mark Russo, Board of Selectmen Chairman, 140 Palmer Road)

Explanation-Susan Ossoff, Finance Committee Chairperson, 37 Upland Rd., recommended to present article through Special Town Meeting to fund it with funds available within the current year.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of \$15,360 to purchase a police radio repeater and installation equipment for the police radio system, or take any other action relative thereto.

PASS UNANIMOUS

ARTICLE 10 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the total sum of \$104,691.46 to pay the annual lease payments for the 2013 Fire Department Pumper Tanker, the 2008 Smeal Pumper, and the 2008 GMC EMS vehicle as part of the lease purchase programs previously authorized, and further to authorize the Town Accountant to allocate such funds to appropriate accounts, or take any other action relative thereto.

Fire Chief: Recommended by BOS 3-0

ARTICLE 10 VOTE (On the motion of Warren Borsari, Fire Chief, 88 Upland Rd.)To see if the Town will vote to transfer from Capital Purpose Fund (under St.2012, c. 321) the sum of \$104,691.46 to pay the annual lease payments for the 2013 Fire Department Pumper Tanker, the 2008 Smeal Pumper, and the 2008 GMC EMS vehicle as part of the lease purchase programs previously authorized, and further to authorize the Town Accountant to allocate such funds to appropriate accounts, or take any other action relative thereto.

PASS UNANIMOUS

ARTICLE 11 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of \$16,800 to purchase 17 new SCBA Air Packs for firefighting operations, which amount shall serve as the 10% matching funds required for a Federal Grant, or take any other action relative thereto.

Fire Chief: Recommended by BOS 3-0

ARTICLE 11 VOTE (On the motion of Warren Borsari, Fire Chief, 88 Upland Rd.)To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$16,800 to purchase 17 new SCBA

Air Packs for firefighting operations, which amount shall serve as the 10% matching funds required for a Federal Grant, or take any other action relative thereto.

PASS UNANIMOUS

ARTICLE 12 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds \$12,000 for Fire Station upgrades and repairs, including all incidental and related expenses, or take any other action relative thereto.

Fire Chief: Recommended by BOS 3-0

ARTICLE 12 VOTE (On the motion of Warren Borsari, Fire Chief, 88 Upland Rd.) To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$6,000 for Fire Station upgrades and repairs, including all incidental and related expenses, or take any other action relative thereto.

PASS UNANIMOUS

ARTICLE 13 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of \$11,000 for IV Medication Pumps for the Fire Department, or take any other action relative thereto.

Fire Chief: Recommended by BOS 3-0

ARTICLE 13 VOTE (On the motion of Warren Borsari, Fire Chief, 88 Upland Rd.) To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,5000 for IV Medication Pumps for the Fire Department, or take any other action relative thereto.

PASS UNANIMOUS

ARTICLE 14 To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds the sum of \$8,130.00 to make energy efficient upgrades to the lighting in the Plympton Fire Station including all incidental and related expenses, or take any other action relative thereto.

Fire Department: Recommended by BOS 3-0

ARTICLE 14 VOTE (On the motion of Warren Borsari, Fire Chief, 88 Upland Rd.) To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$8,130.00 to make energy efficient upgrades to the lighting in the Plympton Fire Station including all incidental and related expenses, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE FAILS

ARTICLE 15 To see if the Town will vote to appropriate or reserve from the Community Preservation annual revenues in the amounts recommended by the Community Preservation Committee for committee administrative expenses, community preservation projects and other expenses in fiscal year 2017, with each item to be considered a separate appropriation:

Appropriations:

From FY 2017 estimated revenues for Committee Administrative Expenses \$5500

Reserves:

From FY 2017 estimated revenues for Historic Resources Reserve \$11,000

From FY 2017 estimated revenues for Community Housing Reserve \$11,000

From FY 2017 estimated revenues for Open Space Reserve \$11,000

From FY 2017 estimated revenues for Budgeted Reserve \$71,500

Or take any other action relative thereto.

Sponsored by the Plympton Community Preservation Committee
Community Preservation Committee: Recommended by BOS 3-0

ARTICLE 15 VOTE (On the motion of Mark Russo, Chairman CPC, 140 Palmer Road, to move and appropriate the amount as printed in the warrant) To see if the Town will vote to appropriate or reserve from the Community Preservation annual revenues in the amounts recommended by the Community Preservation Committee for committee administrative expenses, community preservation projects and other expenses in fiscal year 2017, with each item to be considered a separate appropriation:

Appropriations:

From FY 2017 estimated revenues for Committee Administrative Expenses \$5500

Reserves:

From FY 2017 estimated revenues for Historic Resources Reserve \$11,000

From FY 2017 estimated revenues for Community Housing Reserve \$11,000

From FY 2017 estimated revenues for Open Space Reserve \$11,000

From FY 2017 estimated revenues for Budgeted Reserve \$71,500

Or take any other action relative thereto.

PASS SUPER MAJORITY

ARTICLE 16 To see if the Town will vote to transfer \$30,000 from the Community Preservation Fund, with \$20,000 from the Open Space Reserve and \$10,000 from the Budgeted Reserve, for the acquisition and creation of land for open space, recreational use and affordable housing as those terms are defined in the Community Preservation Act ("CPA"), and specifically for costs likely to be incurred in connection with the transfer, donation, or acquisition of such land, including technical assistance and pre-acquisition costs such as title search, appraisals, wetland delineation, survey, etc., with such sum to be expended by the Plympton Open Space Committee consistent with the Town's Open Space Plan as described in the Plympton Open Space Committee's CPA funding application on file with the Town Clerk; provided however, that the Open Space Committee shall report to the Community Preservation Committee not less than every two months or sooner as may be requested, and further that any funds remaining at the conclusion of the project shall be returned to the Community Preservation Fund by vote of the Plympton Community Preservation Committee, or take any other action relative thereto.

Sponsored by the Plympton Community Preservation Committee
Board of Assessors: Recommended by BOS 2-1

ARTICLE 16 VOTE (On the motion of Mark Russo, 140 Palmer Road) to move the article as printed in the warrant) To see if the Town will vote to transfer \$30,000 from the Community Preservation Fund, with \$20,000 from the Open Space Reserve and \$10,000 from the Budgeted Reserve, for the acquisition and creation of land for open space, recreational use and affordable housing as those terms are defined in the Community Preservation Act ("CPA"), and specifically for costs likely to be incurred in connection with the transfer, donation, or acquisition of such land, including technical assistance and pre-acquisition costs such as title search, appraisals, wetland delineation, survey, etc., with such sum to be expended by the Plympton Open Space Committee consistent with the Town's Open Space Plan as described in the Plympton Open Space Committee's CPA funding application on file with the Town Clerk; provided however, that the Open Space Committee shall report to the Community Preservation Committee not less than every two months or sooner as may be requested, and further that any funds remaining at the conclusion of the project shall be returned to the Community Preservation Fund by vote of the Plympton Community Preservation Committee, or take any other action relative thereto.

PASS, MOTION CARRIES

On the motion of Mark Russo, 140 Palmer Road, to adjourn to the Special Town Meeting

PASS UNANIMOUS

8:09

ARTICLE 17 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of \$3,000.00 for the purpose of preparing the Fiscal 2018 Interim-Year Real Property valuation of the Town, or take any other action relative thereto.

Board of Assessors: Recommended by BOS 3-0

ARTICLE 17 VOTE (On the motion of Steven Lewis, Board of Assessor, 189 Brook St) To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$3,000.00 for the purpose of preparing the Fiscal 2018 Interim-Year Real Property valuation of the Town, or take any other action relative thereto.

PASS SUPER MAJORITY

ARTICLE 18 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of \$6,500.00 for the purpose of preparing the **Fiscal 2017** Triennial real property valuation of the Town, or take any other action relative thereto.

Board of Assessors: Recommended by BOS 3-0

ARTICLE 18 VOTE (On the motion of Steven Lewis, Board of Assessor, 189 Brook St) To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$6,500.00 for the purpose of preparing the **Fiscal 2017** Triennial real property valuation of the Town, or take any other action relative thereto.

PASS SUPER MAJORITY

ARTICLE 19 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, borrow or transfer from available funds a sum of money for road reconstruction and resurfacing, including the payment of costs incidental or related thereto; and, if borrowing is the funding source, to authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, to borrow said funds pursuant to Chapter 44, Section 7(6) of the Mass General Laws or any other enabling authority and to issue bonds and notes therefor, or take any other action relative thereto.

Highway Surveyor: Recommended by BOS 3-0

ARTICLE 19 VOTE (On the motion of James Mulcahy, Highway Surveyor, 3 Brackett Terrace) To see if the Town will vote transfer \$250,000.00 from the Capital Purpose Fund (St. 2012, c.321, Section 5) a sum of money for road reconstruction and resurfacing, including the payment of costs incidental costs.

Board of Selectmen, Finance Committee and Capital Improvement Planning Committee: Recommended
PASS UNANIMOUS

ARTICLE 20 To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Silver Lake Regional School District to sell, for \$250,000, an approximately five-acre parcel fronting on Pembroke Street, to the Town of Kingston for the purpose of constructing a new police station building, or take any other action relative thereto.

Silver Lake Regional School Committee: Recommended by BOS 3-0

ARTICLE 20 VOTE TO PASS OVER(On the motion of Maureen Springer, 26 Granville Baker Way)
PASS OVER, UNANIMOUS

ARTICLE 21 To see if the Town will vote to instruct the Board of Selectmen to petition the General Court for special legislation amending special legislation enacted by the General Court as H 4276 Chapter 321 on October 30, 2012 and approved by the Governor on 9 November, 2012 or take any other action thereto.

The amendments requested are as follows:

Section 5, remove the third and forth sentences that read as follows:

"Appropriations from the fund of \$25,000 or more shall be authorized by a two-thirds vote of an annual town meeting only upon recommendation from each of the board of selectmen, the finance committee and the capital improvement planning committee. Appropriations from the fund of less than \$25,000 may be authorized by the affirmative vote of the board of selectmen, the finance committee and the capital improvement planning committee for capital projects costing less then \$25,000 in total"

Section 5, add the following new third sentence:

"Appropriations from the fund shall be authorized by a two-thirds vote of an annual town meeting."

Citizens Petition: NOT Recommended by BOS 0-3

ARTICLE 21 VOTE (On the motion of John Henry, 225 Main St.) Vote to move the article as printed.

VOTE: YES-37, NO-105

ARTICLE FAILS

ARTICLE 22 To see if the Town will vote to transfer from Capital Stabilization the sum of \$250,000 and to borrow an amount not to exceed \$1,750,000 for a period of 20 years to 30 years, repayment to be made in annual installments from Capital Stabilization, to plan, design and construct police department facilities and related infrastructure including entrance/exit ways and parking lot or take any other action relative thereto.

Citizens Petition: NOT Recommended by BOS 0-3

ARTICLE 22 VOTE TO PASS OVER(On the motion of Arthur Morin, Jr., 11 Granville Baker Way)
PASS OVER, UNANIMOUS

Moderator, John Traynor, stepped down to speak to Article 23.
Assistant Moderator, Brian Wick, of 77 Winnetuxet Road, stepped in to assist.

ARTICLE 23 To see if the Town will vote to place this question on the ballot for the regular municipal election to be held on May 21, 2016;

"Shall the Town revoke its acceptance of sections 3 to 7, inclusive, of chapter 44B of the General Laws effective for the fiscal year beginning on July 1, 2016."

Summary

Sections 3 to 7 Chapter 44B of the General Laws of Massachusetts also known as the Community Preservation Act, establish a dedicated funding source to acquire and preserve open space, parks and conservation land, protect public drinking water supplies and scenic areas, protect farm land and forests from future development, restore and preserve historic properties, and help meet

local families housing needs. The Town accepted Community Preservation Act (CPC) as question #1 at the May 17, 2008 Annual Town Election, funded by an additional excise of 1.5% on the annual tax levy on real property beginning in fiscal year 2009, and by matching funds provided by the state. Property owned and occupied as domicile by any person who qualifies for low income housing or low to moderate income senior housing in the Town, as defined in Section 2 of said Act and \$100,000 of the value of each taxable parcel of residential real property are exempt from the surcharge. Any other taxpayer receiving an exemption of real property authorized by Chapter 59 of the General Laws shall be exempt from this act. Rescission of the CPA will mean that the Town will not collect the additional excise or matching funds from the state. Note, however, even after the CPA is revoked, the additional excise will be assessed until such time as any remaining contractual obligations, after the use of existing CPA reserves, incurred by the Town under the CPA are satisfied.

Citizens Petition: NOT Recommended by BOS 1-2

ARTICLE 23 VOTE (On the motion of John Henry, 225 Main St.) Move the Town to vote to place this question on the ballot for the next regular municipal or state election; "Shall the Town revoke its acceptance of sections 3 to 7, inclusive, of chapter 44B of the General Laws effective for the fiscal year beginning on July 1, 2017."

Summary

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ARTICLE FAILS

Moderator, John Traynor, stepped back in to continue the Meeting

ARTICLE 24 To see if the Town will vote to amend Article XX, Section 3.7 of the Municipal By-laws, the Town's Demolition Delay Bylaw, by revising the bylaws as set forth in the warrant, thereby decreasing the demolition delay period from eighteen months to six months, or take any other action relative thereto. The new section shall read:

Section 3.7

If after a public hearing the Commission determines that the significant building should be preferably preserved, the Commission shall so notify the Building Inspector in writing within five (5) working days of the hearing, and no demolition permit may be issued until Six (6) months after the date of the determination by the Commission

Citizens Petition: NOT Recommended by BOS 0-3

ARTICLE 24 VOTE (On the motion of Harry Weikel, Jr., 68 Center Street.) To see if the Town will vote to accept the article as printed in the warrant.

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ARTICLE FAILS

ARTICLE 25 To see if the Town will vote to amend Article XX, Section 4 of the Municipal By-laws, the Town's Demolition Delay Bylaw, by revising the bylaws as set forth in the warrant, thereby decreasing the demolition delay period from eighteen months to six months, or take any other action relative thereto. The new section shall read:

Section 4. Responsibility of Owners

Once a significant Building is determined to be a preferably preserved building, the owner shall be responsible for properly securing the building, if vacant, to the satisfaction of the building Inspector. Should the owner fail to secure the building, a subsequent destruction of the building at any time during the six (6) month demolition delay period, which destruction could have been prevented by the required security measures, shall be considered a demolition in violation of this bylaw.

Citizens Petition: NOT Recommended by BOS 0-3

ARTICLE 25 VOTE TO PASS OVER (On the motion of John Henry, 225 Main St.) PASS OVER, UNANIMOUS

ARTICLE 26 To see if the Town will vote to approve the sale of these tax foreclosed properties:

<u>MAP</u>	<u>Block</u>	<u>Lot</u>	<u>location</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>F/Y 16 Value</u>	<u>Deed Book/Page</u>
7	1	3	0 Main St.	0.92	10,000	20526/214
7	1	5	0 Main St.	0.95	10,200	20526/214
12	1	6	0 Main St.	7.31	10,700	43064/262
7	1	34	0 Maple St	2.4	13,400	2821/386
24	1	2	0 Prospect St	5.8	32,500	2594/121
18	4	12	0 Churchill St.	0.9	99,500	10247/228
11	5	1	0 Palmer Rd.	5.5	143,100	16062/036
11	5	11	0 Palmer Rd.	16.22	203,100	16062/037
14	2	26	0 Brook St	2.05	123,800	44640/183

and to instruct the Treasurer/Collector to sell such land at public auction and/or pursuant to the provisions of MGL c. 30 B, s.16, whichever is appropriate and to place an amount equal to the net proceeds from each sale into the Capital Stabilization Account as they are completed or take any other action relative there to.

Citizens Petition: No Recommendation by BOS 1-1-1

**ARTICLE 26 VOTE TO PASS OVER (On the motion of John Henry, 225 Main St.)
PASS OVER, UNANIMOUS**

ARTICLE 27 To see if the Town will vote to approve the sale of these tax foreclosed properties:

<u>MAP</u>	<u>Block</u>	<u>Lot</u>	<u>location</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>F/Y 16 Value</u>	<u>Deed Book/Page</u>
6	3	8	0 Maple St.5.05	137,800	16062/038	
6	3	13	0 Maple St.5	140,300	16891/327	
6	3	14	0 Palmer Rd.	6.47	148,500	16062/039

as one parcel with deed restrictions limiting any subsequent subdivision to two (2) lots and to instruct the Treasurer/Collector to sell such land at public auction and/or pursuant to the provisions of MGL c. 30 B, s.16, whichever is appropriate or take any other action relative thereto.

Citizens Petition: NOT Recommended by BOS 0-2-1

**ARTICLE 27 VOTE TO PASS OVER (On the motion of John Henry, 225 Main St.)
PASS OVER, UNANIMOUS**

ARTICLE 28 To see if the Town will vote to allow the residents of Plympton to vote on the proposed marijuana grow facility on Ring Road that is presently before the Board of Selectmen, or take any other action in relation thereto.

Citizens Petition: Recommended by BOS 2-1

ARTICLE 28 VOTE (On the motion of John Doyle, 193 Main St.) To see if the Town will vote to allow the residents of Plympton to vote on the proposed marijuana grow facility on Ring Road that is presently before the Board of Selectmen, or take any other action in relation thereto.
**NON BINDING BUT WILL ALLOW A VOTE TO GO TO THE BOS
PASS SUPER MAJORITY**

ARTICLE 29 To see if the town will vote to insruct the Board of Selectmen to oppose all Registered Marijuana Dispensary (RMD) applications in which any of the facilities (dispensary, cultivation or processing) are located within the Agricultuarl/Residential Diostrict until such time as the Commonwealth of Massachusetts makes a definative determination that growing medical marijuana is an allowed use under Ch. 40A section 3 of the Massachusetts Gederal Laws or take any other action relative thereto.

Citizens Petition: NOT Recommended by BOS 1-2

ARTICLE 29 VOTE (On the motion of Christopher Housley, 86 Ring Rd.) Move that the Town vote to approve the article as printed in the warrant.

**VOTE Yes-56, No-47
PASS SUPER MAJORITY**

ARTICLE 30 To vote to see if the town will amend the Town of Plympton Municipal Bylaws to add the following article

Article XXXI

All applications for a Registered Marijuana Dispensary (RMD) in which any of the facilities (dispensary, cultivation or processing) are located in the town must be approved or denied through a ballot question to be voted at the Annual Town Election.

Passage of the question will authorise Selectmen to provide a letter of support or non-opposition to the applicant, failure of the question will authorise the Selectmen to provide a letter of opposition to the applicant.

Citizens Petition: NOT Recommended by BOS 1-2

ARTICLE 30 VOTE (On the motion of Christopher Housley, 86 Ring Rd.) To vote to see if the town will amend the Town of Plympton Municipal Bylaws to add the following article

Article XXXI

All applications for a Registered Marijuana Dispensary (RMD) in which any of the facilities (dispensary, cultivation or processing) are located in the town must be approved or denied through a ballot question to be voted at the Annual Town Election.

Passage of the question will authorise Selectmen to provide a letter of support or non-opposition to the applicant, failure of the question will authorise the Selectmen to provide a letter of opposition to the applicant.

DISCUSSION

(VOTE) PASS BY SUPER MAJORITY TO MOVE THE QUESTION PER MODERATOR

ARTICLE FAILS

ARTICLE 31 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer the sum of \$55,000 as a grant to a non-profit cable corporation for support of PEG cable access television services and authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into a grant agreement for such purposes: and further, to rescind the vote taken under article 24 of the 2015 Annual Town Meeting, or take any other action relative thereto.

Board of Selectmen: Recommended by BOS 3-0

ARTICLE 31 VOTE (On the motion of Mark Russo, Board of Selectmen Chairman, 140 Palmer Road) To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer the sum of \$55,000 as a grant to a non-profit cable corporation for support of PEG cable access television services and authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into a grant

agreement for such purposes: and further, to rescind the vote taken under article 24 of the 2015 Annual Town Meeting, or take any other action relative thereto.

PASS UNANIMOUS

ARTICLE 32 To see if the Town will vote to amend the Wage and Personnel Bylaw, "Section 8: Increases", by deleting the text in its entirety and inserting in place thereof the following:

Section: 8 Increases

Every employee in a position for which salary ranges are provided shall, subject to appropriation, be given the percentage of increase recommended by the Wage and Personnel Board and an additional 2% increase upon the recommendation of the employee's Department Head or supervising Board until they reach the maximum of the range for that position.

Or take any other action relative thereto.

Wage and Personnel Board: Recommended by BOS 3-0

ARTICLE 32 VOTE (On the motion of David Chandler, Wage & Personnel, 94 Mayflower Rd.) Move that the Town vote to approve the article as printed in the warrant.

PASS UNANIMOUS

ARTICLE 33 To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to petition the General Court in the form set forth below, establishing the appointed office of Highway Superintendent in the Town: provided, however, that the General Court may make clerical or editorial changes of form only to the bill, unless the Board of Selectmen approve amendments to the bill before enactment by the General Court, and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to approve amendments which shall be within the scope of the general objectives of the petition:

AN ACT ESTABLISHING AN APPOINTED HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT IN THE TOWN OF PLYMPTON.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same as follows:

SECTION 1. Notwithstanding sections 1, 1B, 21 and 66 of chapter 41 of the General Laws or any other general or special law, rule or regulation to the contrary, there shall be in the town of Plympton an appointed highway superintendent. The board of selectmen of said town shall appoint and may remove at its discretion such highway superintendent or may appoint such highway superintendent for a term not to exceed three years, and may remove said superintendent for cause after a hearing.

SECTION 2. The highway superintendent appointed under this act shall have all the duties and responsibilities of a highway surveyor as set forth in the General Laws, but the board of selectmen shall appoint and remove all employees under the supervision of the highway superintendent. Said highway superintendent shall further have such other powers and duties and be subject to such qualifications for office as may from time to time be established by the town by by-law.

SECTION 3. Upon the expiration of the term of the elected highway surveyor holding office as of the effective date of this act, or his sooner resignation, appointment of a highway superintendent shall be made by the board of selectmen in accordance with section 1. Following the qualification of such appointee, the office of highway surveyor shall be abolished.

SECTION 4. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Or take any other action relative thereto.

Board of Selectmen: Recommended by BOS 3-0

ARTICLE 33 VOTE (On the motion of Christine Joy, Board of Selectman, 10 Duke's Brook Rd.) Move that the Town vote to approve the article as printed in the warrant.

VOTE Yes-67, No-1

PASS SUPER MAJORITY

ARTICLE 34 To see if the Town will vote to amend the provisions of Article XIX, Section 1 of the General By-laws of the Town of Plympton, by deleting the text of said section in its entirety and inserting in place thereof the following, "The Board of Selectmen is hereby authorized and empowered to appoint a town administrator for a term of one or three years and to remove said town administrator at its discretion pursuant to the provisions of G.L. c.41, section 23A.", with such bylaw to take effect on July 1, 2017, or take any other action relative thereto.

Board of Selectmen: Recommended by BOS 3-0

ARTICLE 34 VOTE (On the motion of Christine Joy, Board of Selectman, 10 Duke's Brook Rd.) To see if the Town will vote to amend the provisions of Article XIX, Section 1 of the General By-laws of the Town of Plympton, by deleting the text of said section in its entirety and inserting in place thereof the following, "The Board of Selectmen is hereby authorized and empowered to appoint a town administrator for a term of one or three years and to remove said town administrator at its discretion pursuant to the provisions of G.L. c.41, section 23A.", with such bylaw to take effect on July 1, 2017, or take any other action relative thereto.

PASS SUPER MAJORITY

ARTICLE 35 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer or borrow a sum of money for the acquisition by purchase, gift or eminent domain of a parcel of land located in the rear of Palmer Road Plympton, MA, shown as a portion of Assessors Map 17 Lot 2-6, for general municipal purposes, and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to acquire such land, consistent with applicable law, including G.L. c.30B, and further, to authorize the Board of Selectmen to execute instruments and take such other action as needed to effectuate the vote taken hereunder, or take any other action relative thereto.

Board of Selectmen: Recommended by BOS 3-0

ARTICLE 35 VOTE (On the motion of Colleen Thompson, Board of Selectman, 192 Main St.) To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$65,000.00 for the acquisition by purchase, gift or eminent domain of a parcel of land located in the rear of Palmer Road Plympton, MA, shown as a portion of Assessors Map 17 Lot 2-6, for general municipal purposes, and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to acquire such land, consistent with applicable law, including G.L. c.30B, and further, to authorize the Board of Selectmen to execute

instruments and take such other action as needed to effectuate the vote taken hereunder, or take any other action relative thereto.

PASS SUPER MAJORITY

ARTICLE 36 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of \$125,000 to be added to that appropriated under Article 17 of the May 13, 2015 Annual Town Meeting for an engineering project consultant to review plans, requests for proposals, and final bids for construction of public safety facilities and related infrastructure improvements; and to provide further that the sums appropriated under said Article 17 and under this article may be used in connection with both police and fire public safety facilities, or take any other action relative thereto.

Board of Selectmen: Recommended by BOS 3-0

ARTICLE 36 VOTE (On the motion of Susan Ossoff, Finance Committee, 37 Upland Rd.) To see if the Town will vote to transfer from the Capital Purpose Fund the sum of \$125,000 to be added to that appropriated under Article 17 of the May 13, 2015 Annual Town Meeting for an engineering project consultant to review plans, requests for proposals, and final bids for construction of public safety facilities and related infrastructure improvements; and to provide further that the sums appropriated under said Article 17 and under this article may be used in connection with both police and fire public safety facilities, or take any other action relative thereto.

Board of Selectmen, Finance Committee and Capital Improvement Planning Committee: Recommended
PASS UNANIMOUS

ARTICLE 37 To see if the Town will vote to amend the General By-laws of Plympton by deleting, in Article IV, the text of Section 2.3(2) in its entirety and inserting in place thereof the following : *"The Committee shall present to the Board of Selectmen each year on or before the date identified by said board for the close of the annual town meeting warrant, its proposed capital plan for the next fiscal year for possible inclusion in the annual town meeting warrant."*, or take any other action in relation thereto.

Finance Committee: Recommended by BOS 3-0

ARTICLE 37 VOTE (On the motion of Susan Ossoff, Finance Committee, 37 Upland Rd.) To see if the Town will vote to amend the General By-laws of Plympton by deleting, in Article IV, the text of Section 2.3(2) in its entirety and inserting in place thereof the following : *"The Committee shall present to the Board of Selectmen each year on or before the date identified by said board for the close of the annual town meeting warrant, its proposed capital plan for the next fiscal year for possible inclusion in the annual town meeting warrant."*, or take any other action in relation thereto.

PASS UNANIMOUS

ARTICLE 38 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of \$30,000 for the purchase and installation at the Dennett Elementary School and its recreational fields of a video surveillance system, with the capacity to provide appropriate

public safety personnel and school administration officials with real-time, remote access video feeds, or take any other action in relation thereto.

Dennett School Committee: Recommended by BOS 3-0

ARTICLE 38 VOTE (On the motion of Jon Wilhelmsen, Plympton School Committee, 255 Main St.) To see if the Town will vote to transfer from the Capital Purpose Fund the sum of \$30,000 for the purchase and installation at the Dennett Elementary School and its recreational fields of a video surveillance system, with the capacity to provide appropriate public safety personnel and school administration officials with real-time, remote access video feeds, or take any other action in relation thereto.

Board of Selectmen, Finance Committee and Capital Improvement Planning Committee: Recommended
PASS UNANIMOUS

ARTICLE 39 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money to be added to the General Stabilization Account, or take any other action in relation thereto.

Finance Committee: Recommended by BOS 3-0

ARTICLE 39 VOTE TO PASS OVER (On the motion of Susan Ossoff, Finance Committee, 37 Upland Rd.)
PASS OVER, UNANIMOUS

ARTICLE 40 To see if the Town will vote to initiate the process to aggregate electrical load, pursuant to G.L. Chapter 164, Section 134, and further, and, consistent therewith, to grant the Board of Selectmen authority to research, develop and participate in a contract, or contracts, to aggregate the electricity load of the residents and businesses in the Town and for other related services, independently, or in joint action with other municipalities, retaining the right of individual residents and businesses to opt-out of the aggregation, or take any other action relative thereto

Board of Selectmen: Recommended by BOS 3-0

ARTICLE 40 VOTE (On the motion of Mark Russo, Board of Selectman, 140 Palmer Rd.) Move that the Town vote to approve the article as printed in the warrant.

PASS SUPER MAJORITY

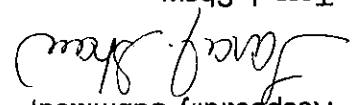
ARTICLE 41 To see if the Town will vote to adjourn this Annual Town Meeting until 8:00 am on May 21, 2016 in the Plympton Town House located at 5 Palmer Road in said town, for the sole purpose of conducting the Annual Town Election, and to ask the voters to bring in their ballots for the following Town Officers:

One (1) Selectmen for three (3) years
One (1) Assessor for three (3) years
One (1) Board of Health member for three (3) years
One (1) School Committee members for three (3) years
Two (2) Finance Committee Member for three (3) years
One (1) Finance Committee Member for two (2) years (Unfulfilled term)
One (1) Finance Committee Member for one (1) year (Unfulfilled term)
Two (2) Library Trustees for three (3) years
One (1) Planning Board member for five (5) years
One (1) Town Moderator for three (3) years

and further that this Annual Town Meeting warrant shall be dissolved immediately upon the closing of the polls on that date. The polls shall open at 8:00 AM and shall be continuously open for voting until 6:00 PM:

ARTICLE 41 VOTE (On the motion of Tara Shaw, Town Clerk, 38 Elm St.) Move that the Town vote to approve the article as printed in the warrant.

PASS UNANIMOUS

Respectfully Submitted,

Tara J. Shaw
Town Clerk