**PLYMPTON SPECIAL TOWN MEETING MINUTES**

**Wednesday, May 17, 2017**

**8:00 p.m.**

**Dennett Elementary School, 80 Crescent Street**

Moderator, Brian A. Wick, 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 Special Town Meeting was called to order at 8:00 p.m. at the Dennett Elementary School. Mr. Wick stated that the Special Town Meeting addresses Fiscal Year 2017 to address funding issues in this year’s fiscal spending which ends June 30, 2017.

There were 91 registered voters present and 18 non-registered citizens present.

# Article 1 – Database SOFTWARE

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of $5,145 to pay for software databases needed to help manage records and keep the Town of Plympton in compliance with MA General Laws, specifically: Business Licensing, Underground storage tank licensing, State Ethics Laws including Open Meeting Laws, Conflict of Interest and Nomination Elections Laws, Dog Licensing and Public Records Request Management and Tracking or take any other action relative thereto.

**Board of Selectmen: Recommended by BOS 3-0**

**Recommended by Finance Committee 5-0**

# Article 1 – Database SOFTWARE

**VOTE (On the motion of Tara Shaw, Town Clerk, 38 Elm St.)**To see if the Town will vote to transfer $5,145 from the May 2016 Annual Town Meeting, Line 20, Group Health, to pay for software databases needed to help manage records and keep the Town of Plympton in compliance with MA General Laws as printed in the warrant.

**PASS UNANIMOUS**

# Article 2 – By-Law Codification

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of $9,100 to pay for codification of the Town of Plympton by-laws, or take any other action relative thereto.

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**PASS** **UNANIMOUS**

# Article 3 –Retirement Buy Back

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of $10,000 to pay for contractual obligations in a sick leave buy back for retiring personnel, or take any other action relative thereto.

**Board of Selectmen: Recommended by BOS 3-0**

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**VOTE (On the motion of Christine Joy, 10 Dukes Brook Rd.)**To see if the Town will vote to transfer from the May 2016 Annual Town Meeting, Line 20, Group Health, $10,000 to pay for contractual obligations in a sick leave buy back for retiring personnel.

**PASS** **UNANIMOUS**

# Article 4 – Police Detail Account

To see if the Town will vote to transfer $10,000 from available funds to be added to the fiscal year 2017 Police Detail Account, or take any other action relative thereto.

**Board of Selectmen: Recommended by BOS 3-0**

**Recommended by Finance Committee 5-0**

# Article 4 – Police Detail Account

**VOTE (On the motion of John Traynor, 62 Crescent St.)**To see if the Town will vote to transfer $10,000 from Free Cash to be added to the fiscal year 2017 Police Detail Account.

**PASS**

# Article 5 – OPEB

To see if the town will vote to transfer from available funds the sum of $20,000 to the OPEB account or take any other action relative thereto.

**Finance Committee: Recommended by BOS 3-0**

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# Article 5 – OPEB

**VOTE** **(On the motion of Susan Ossoff, 37 Upland Rd. .)**To see if the town will vote to transfer $20,000 from the May 2016 Annual Town Meeting, Line 710, Vocational Education, to the OPEB account.

**PASS** **UNANIMOUS**

# Article 6 – Building & Grounds

To see if the Town will vote to transfer $15,000 from the May 2016 Annual Town Meeting Article 4, Line 20, Group Health Insurance to be added to the Building and Grounds Article or take any other action relative thereto.

**Board of Selectmen: Recommended by BOS 3-0**

**Recommended by Finance Committee 5-0**

# Article 6 – Building & Grounds

**VOTE** **(On the motion of Colleen Thompson, 192 Main St.)**To see if the Town will vote to transfer $15,000 from the May 2016 Annual Town Meeting Article 4, Line 20, Group Health, to be added to the Building and Grounds account.

**PASS**

# Article 7 – Town Administrator Search Consultant

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of $20,000 to hire an executive search firm for the recruitment and hiring of a Town Administrator, or take any other action relative thereto.

**Board of Selectmen: Recommended by BOS 3-0**

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**PASS**

# Article 8 - IT Upgrades

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of $14,200 to purchase an exchange server, work stations and related software to upgrade the IT infrastructure at the Town House or take any other action relative thereto.

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# Article 9 – PILOT

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to negotiate and enter into a Payment in Lieu of Taxes Agreement, also known as a PILOT or “Tax Agreement,” pursuant to the provisions of G.L. Chapter 59, Section 38H(b) and any other enabling authority, in the form substantially as on file with the Town Clerk or in such other form as is acceptable to the Board of Selectmen, between the Town of Plympton and CEC Solar #1082, LLC, 361 Centennial Parkway, Suite 300, Louisville, CO 80027, its successor, assignee, or affiliate, on such terms and conditions and for such term not to exceed twenty (20) years as negotiated by the Board of Selectmen for payment of taxes related to personal and/or real property associated with a solar renewable energy generation facility to be installed, owned, and operated by such entity on land owned by John W. Norrie Trustee of Off Brook Street Realty Trust and described a portion of Map 19, Block 1, Lot 5, all as set forth in said PILOT; and further, to authorize the Board of Selectmen to take such action as many be necessary to carry out the vote taken hereunder, or take any other action relative thereto.

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**PASS**

# Article 10 – Posting of Notices

To see if the Town will vote to designate the municipal website, www.town.plympton.ma.us, as the alternative method of posting meeting notices consistent with the provisions of 940 CMR 29.03 (2)(b)(a), or take any other action relative thereto.

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# Article 11 – Hazardous Waste Day

To see if the Town will vote to transfer $5,000 from the May 2016 Annual Town Meeting, Article 4, Line 335, Transfer Station for a Hazardous Waste Day for the Town or take any other action relative thereto.

**Highway Surveyor: Recommended by BOS 3-0**

**Recommended by Finance Committee 5-0**

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**VOTE (On the motion of James Mulcahy, 3 Brackett Terr.)**To see if the Town will vote to transfer $5,000 from the May 2016 Annual Town Meeting, Article 4, Line 335, Transfer Station for a Hazardous Waste Day for the Town.

**PASS** **UNANIMOUS**

Respectfully submitted,

Tara J. Shaw
Town Clerk