

# TOWN OF PAXTON COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS ANNUAL TOWN MEETING MAY 6, 2019

The meeting was called to order at 7:08pm. The Moderator declared that a quorum was present. 148 registered voters were signed in by the Board of Registrars. The return of the warrant showed that it had been properly posted. The Pledge of Allegiance was then recited.

As the first item of business, the Moderator requested that Town Meeting adopt a rule of this Annual Town Meeting to provide that any motion requiring a two-thirds favorable vote, by statute or otherwise, shall be determined and declared by the Town Moderator and a count shall not be taken unless requested by the Town Moderator or requested by seven or more voters in attendance.

## MODERATOR DECLARED THAT IT PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

The Town Moderator made a short announcement that as of the close of this Town Meeting there will be four vacancies on the Finance Committee. He requested that anyone interested in applying for one of the available positions should contact him directly by phone or email.

<u>Article 1 – Water Department Receipts</u> To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate through Water Department receipts, water fees, or water charges, or transfer from available funds, a sum of money to operate the Water Enterprise, as follows:

 Compensation
 \$181,189

 Expenses
 \$772,421

 Debt
 \$96,913

 Total
 \$1,050,523

and that \$1,050,523 is raised as follows:

Department receipts \$1,050,523

Or act in any way thereon.

Article submitted by the Water Commissioners.

Peter Bogren, Jr. moved that the Town raise and appropriate through Water Department receipts, water fees or water charges, the following sums for the Water Enterprise.

 Compensation
 \$181,189

 Expenses
 \$772,421

 Debt
 \$96,913

 Total
 \$1,050,523

and that \$1,050,523 be raised as follows:

From Water Department receipts \$1,050,523.

The motion was seconded.

The Board of Selectmen recommend approval. The Finance Committee recommended approval.

#### THE MODERATOR DECLARED THAT THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

<u>Article 2 – OPEB Account</u> To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of \$0.00 or any other sum to fund the OPEB Trust Account (Other Post-Employment Benefits); or act in any way thereon.

Article submitted by the Board of Selectmen.

Julia Pingitore moved that the Town transfer from available funds the sum of \$0.00 to the OPEB Account (Other Post-Employment Benefits).

The motion was seconded.

The Board of Selectmen recommended approval.

The Finance Committee recommended that no action be taken on this article.

## THE MODERATOR DECLARED THAT THE MOTION PASSED.

<u>Article 3 – OPEB Account</u> To see if the Town will vote to transfer in accordance with Chapter 32B Section 20(h), of the Massachusetts General Laws the sum of \$34,000, or any other sum, from the OPEB Trust Account to pay for the costs of retirees' health insurance, account 0100-1910-5208-00; or act in any way thereon.

Article submitted by the Finance Committee.

Peter Bogren, Jr. moved that the Town transfer the sum of \$34,000 from the OPEB Trust Account to pay the costs for retirees' health insurance, account 0100-1910-5208-00.

The motion was seconded.

The Board of Selectmen recommended disapproval.

The Finance Committee recommended disapproval with a split vote of 4 to 1.

## THE MODERATOR DECLARED THAT THE MOTION FAILED FOR WANT OF A 2/3'S MAJORITY.

<u>Article 4 – Stabilization Fund</u> To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds a sum of money to the Stabilization Fund; or act in any way thereon.

Article submitted by the Board of Selectmen.

Julia Pingitore moved that the Town transfer from available funds \$0.00 to the Stabilization Fund.

The motion was seconded.

The Board of Selectmen recommended approval.

The Finance Committee recommended taking no action.

#### THE MODERATOR DECLARED THAT THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

<u>Article 5 – Capital Depreciation</u> To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of \$0.00, or any other sum, to fund the Capital Depreciation Fund; or act in any way thereon.

Article submitted by the Board of Selectmen.

Peter Bogren, Jr. moved that the Town transfer from available funds the sum of \$0.00 to the Capital Depreciation Fund.

The motion was seconded.

The Board of Selectmen recommended approval.

The Finance Committee recommended taking no action.

## THE MODERATOR DECLARED THAT THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

<u>Article 6 – Chapter 90</u> To see if the Town will vote to accept any funds to be allocated by the Commonwealth under authorization of Chapter 90 of the Massachusetts General Laws, (pertaining to Highway Funds); to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into contracts for the construction, reconstruction, and improvement of Town roads; and to authorize the Town Treasurer to borrow in anticipation of receipt of said funds; said funds to be expended under the direction of the Superintendent of the Department of Public Works; or act in any way thereon.

Article submitted by Board of Selectmen and D.P.W. Superintendent.

Julia Pingitore moved that the Town vote to accept any funds to be allocated by the Commonwealth under authorization of Chapter 90 of the Massachusetts General Laws, (pertaining to Highway Funds); to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into contracts for the construction, reconstruction, and improvement of Town roads; and to authorize the Town Treasurer to borrow in anticipation of receipt of said funds; said funds to be expended under the direction of the Superintendent of the Department of Public Works.

The motion was seconded.

The Board of Selectmen recommended approval.

The Finance Committee recommended approval.

## THE MODERATOR DECLARED THAT THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

<u>Article 7 – Revolving Accounts</u> To see if the Town will vote pursuant to M.G.L. c. 44 §53E½ as most recently amended, to establish annual expenditure limits for fiscal year 2020 for all revolving funds as accepted at the May 7, 2018 Annual Town Meeting and included in the Town of Paxton's General Bylaws, as set forth below:

Council on Aging \$25,000
Recreation \$120,000
Library \$20,000
Paxton Days \$5,000

Article submitted by the Board of Selectmen.

Peter Bogren, Jr. moved that the Town vote pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 53E ½, as most recently amended, to establish annual expenditure limits for fiscal year 2020, for all revolving accounts as accepted at the May 1, 2017 Annual Town Meeting and included in the Town of Paxton's General Bylaws, in the following amounts:

Council on Aging \$25,000
Recreation \$120,000
Library \$20,000
Paxton Days \$5,000

The motion was seconded.

The Board of Selectmen recommended approval.

The Finance Committee recommended approval.

THE MODERATOR DECLARED THAT THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

<u>Article 8 – Appropriate funds to Road Improvement</u> To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$107,690 to the Road Improvement Capital Stabilization Fund; or act in any way thereon.

Article submitted by the Board of Selectmen.

Julia Pingitore moved that the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$107,690 to the Road Improvement Capital Stabilization Fund.

The motion was seconded.

The Board of Selectmen recommended approval.

The Finance Committee recommended approval.

# THE MODERATOR DECLARED THAT THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

<u>Article 9 – Use funds from the Road Improvement</u> To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$107,690 from the Road Improvement Capital Stabilization Fund for the purpose of resurfacing roads; or act in any way thereon.

Article submitted by the Board of Selectmen.

Peter Bogren, Jr. moved that the Town vote to appropriate the sum of \$107,690 from the Road Improvement Capital Stabilization Fund for the purpose of resurfacing roads.

The motion was seconded.

The Board of Selectmen recommended approval.

The Finance Committee recommended approval.

# THE MODERATOR DECLARED THAT THE MOTION PASSED BY MORE THAN A 2/3'S MAJORITY.

<u>Article 10 – Ambulance Replacement</u> To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen in accordance with Chapter 44, Section 21C of the Massachusetts General Laws to enter into a ten year "lease to own" agreement for the purpose of acquiring a new ambulance to replace the existing 2008 Ford Lifeline ambulance for the Fire Department in the amount of \$285,000, with a first year lease payment of \$35,102, and the remaining nine annual payments to be raised and appropriated as part of the Fire Department budget and Holden Hospital Funds; or act any way thereon.

Article submitted by the Capital Improvement Committee.

Peter Bogren, Jr. moved to authorize the Board of Selectmen in accordance with Chapter 44, Section 21C of the Massachusetts General Laws to enter into a ten year "lease to own" agreement for the purpose of acquiring a new ambulance to replace the existing 2008 Ford

Lifeline ambulance for the Fire Department in the amount of \$285,000, with a first year lease payment of \$35,102, and the remaining nine annual payments to be raised and appropriated as part of the Fire Department budget and Holden Hospital Funds.

The motion was seconded.

The Board of Selectmen recommended approval.

The Finance Committee recommended approval.

## THE MODERATOR DECLARED THAT THE MOTION PASSED BY MORE THAN A 2/3'S MAJORITY.

<u>Article 11 – DPW Facility</u> To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds, borrow, or otherwise provide the sum of \$150,000, or any other sum, to conduct a site Plan and Initial design (Phase One) of a new Department of Public Works Facility; or act in any way thereon.

Article submitted by the Capital Improvement Committee.

Peter Bogren, Jr. moved that the Town vote to raise and appropriate from available funds the sum of \$150,000 to conduct a site Plan and Initial Design (Phase One) of a new Department of Public Works Facility.

The motion was seconded.

The Board of Selectmen recommended approval.

The Finance Committee recommended approval.

# THE MODERATOR DECLARED THAT THE MOTION PASSED.

<u>Article 12 – DPW Roof Replacement</u> To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds, borrow, or otherwise provide the sum of \$42,000, or any other sum, to replace the existing roof at the Department of Public Works Facility; or act in any way thereon.

Article submitted by the Capital Improvement Committee.

Julia Pingitore moved that the Town raise and appropriate from the Capital Depreciation Fund the sum of \$42,000 to repair or replace the existing roof at the Department of Public Works.

The motion was seconded.

The Board of Selectmen recommended approval.

The Finance Committee recommended approval.

## THE MODERATOR DECLARED THAT THE MOTION PASSED.

<u>Article 13 – Council on Aging Heating Boiler Replacement</u> To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of \$17,000, or any other sum, from the Capital Depreciation Fund to replace the existing heating boiler in the John Bauer Senior Center; or act in any way thereon.

Article submitted by the Capital Improvement Committee.

Peter Bogren, Jr. moved that the Town transfer from the Capital Depreciation Fund the sum of \$17,000 to replace the existing heating boiler in the John Bauer Senior Center.

The motion was seconded.

The Board of Selectmen recommended approval.

The Finance Committee recommended approval.

## THE MODERATOR DECLARED THAT THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Article 14 – Ladder/Pumper Combination Truck To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds, borrow, or otherwise provide the sum of \$900,000, or any other sum, to replace the Fire Department's 2002 KME Ladder/Pumper Combination Truck; provided, however, that this appropriation and debt authorization shall be contingent upon passage of a Proposition 2 ½ debt exclusion referendum under Chapter 59, Section 21C (k), of the Massachusetts General Laws; or act in any way thereon.

Article submitted by the Capital Improvement Committee.

Richard Fenton moved that the town borrow the sum of \$900,000 to replace the Fire Department's 2002 KME Ladder/Pumper Combination Truck and to meet set appropriation, authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, pursuant to Massachusetts General Law Chapter 44, Section 7, or any other authority, to borrow up to the sum of said appropriation, provided that any premium received upon the sale of any bonds or notes approved by this vote, less any such premium applied to the payment of the cost of issuance of said bonds and notes may be applied to the payment of costs approved by this vote in accordance with Chapter 44, Section 20 of the Massachusetts General Laws thereby reducing the amount authorized to be borrowed to pay for said purchase by the like amount; provided, however, that this appropriation and debt authorization shall be contingent upon passage of a Proposition 2 ½ debt exclusion referendum under Chapter 59, Section 21C (k), of the Massachusetts General Laws.

The motion was seconded.

The Board of Selectmen recommended approval.

The Finance Committee recommended approval.

Discussion ensued. Glenn Sullivan of 92 Richards Avenue made a motion to move the question. The motion was seconded. The Moderator declared the motion to move the question passed by more than a 2/3 majority.

# THE MODERATOR DECLARED THAT THE MOTION PASSED BY MORE THAN A 2/3'S MAJORITY.

Article 15 - Police Cruisers To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen in accordance with Chapter 44, Section 21C, of the Massachusetts General Laws to enter into a three year "lease to own" agreement for the purpose of acquiring three police cruisers to replace existing vehicles (2013 Ford Utility, Taurus, & Fusion) for the Police Department in the amount of \$99,000, with a first year lease payment of \$33,000 and the remaining two annual payments to be raised and appropriated as part of the police budget; with all proceeds generated from the disposal of said vehicle to be applied towards the annual lease; or act any way thereon.

Article submitted by the Capital Improvement Committee.

Julia Pingitore moved that the Town vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen in accordance with Chapter 44, Section 21C, of the Massachusetts General Laws to enter into a three year "lease to own" agreement for the purpose of acquiring three police cruisers to replace existing vehicles (2013 Ford Utility, Taurus & Fusion) for the Police Department in the amount of \$99,000, with a first year lease payment of \$33,000 and the remaining two annual payments to be raised and appropriated as part of the police budget; with all proceeds generated from the disposal of said vehicles to be applied to towards the annual lease.

The motion was seconded.

The Board of Selectmen recommended approval.

The Finance Committee recommended approval.

# THE MODERATOR DECLARED THAT THE MOTION PASSED BY MORE THAN A 2/3'S MAJORITY.

Article 16 - Water Main Engineering Study To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of \$150,000 or any other sum, from the Water Enterprise Funds for the purpose of completing a water main engineering study of West Street (Town Center to South Street); or act any way thereon.

Article submitted by the Capital Improvement Committee.

Julia Pingitore moved that the Town take no action on article 16.

The motion was seconded.

The Board of Selectmen recommended the Town take no action.

The Finance Committee recommended the Town take no action.

#### THE MODERATOR DECLARED THAT THE MOTION PASSED.

Article 17 – Capital Equipment and Building Needs Assessment To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of \$50,000, or any other sum, from the Capital Depreciation Fund to hire an independent company to conduct a Capital Asset Needs Study on all departmental capital items with a replacement cost of over \$10,000 and all Town buildings. Furthermore, the audit report would contain findings and recommendation which the Board of Selectmen would be required to present in an open meeting within four weeks of delivery of the report by the audit firm; or act any way thereon.

Article submitted by the Capital Improvement Committee.

Peter Bogren, Jr. moved that the Town take no action on article 17.

The motion was seconded.

The Board of Selectmen recommended the Town take no action.

The Finance Committee recommended the Town take no action.

#### THE MODERATOR DECLARED THAT THE MOTION PASSED.

Article 18 - Citizens Petition for an Operation Audit To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of \$35,000, or any other sum, from the Capital Depreciation Fund to conduct a full operational audit of the Town of Paxton Public Safety functions by an outside audit agency that specializes in municipal audits; or act in any way thereon. Furthermore, the audit report would contain findings and recommendation which the Board of Selectmen would be required to present in an open meeting within four weeks of delivery of the report by the audit firm.

Article submitted by a Citizens Petition.

Peter Bogren, Jr. moved that the Town vote to transfer the sum of \$35,000, from the Capital Depreciation Fund to conduct a full operational audit of the Town of Paxton Public Safety functions by an outside audit agency that specializes in municipal audits. Furthermore, the audit report would contain findings and recommendation which the Board of Selectmen would be required to present in an open meeting within four weeks of delivery of the report by the audit firm.

The motion was seconded.

The Board of Selectmen recommended disapproval.

The Finance Committee recommended disapproval by split vote. Four voted for disapproval and one abstained.

#### THE MODERATOR DECLARED THAT THE MOTION DID NOT PASS.

<u>Article 19 – Stormwater Bylaw</u> To see if the Town will vote to amend the Stormwater Bylaw, as shown in the document entitled "Stormwater Bylaw" on file in the Town Clerk's office and available for inspection during regular business hours; or act in any way thereon.

Article sponsored by Board of Selectmen.

Julia Pingitore moved that the Town vote to amend the Stormwater Bylaw, as shown in the document entitled "Stormwater Bylaw" on file in the Town Clerk's office and available for inspection during regular business hours.

The motion was seconded.

The Board of Selectmen recommended approval.

The Finance Committee recommended approval.

#### THE MODERATOR DECLARED THAT THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

<u>Article 20 – Marijuana Bylaw</u> To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning Bylaw to allow adult use marijuana establishments, including retailers, cultivators, product manufacturers, and independent testing laboratories, by special permit in the Business Zoning District, as shown in the document entitled "Marijuana Bylaw" on file in the Town Clerk's office and available for inspection during regular business hours; or act in any way thereon.

Article submitted by the Planning Board.

Peter Bogren, Jr. moved that the Town vote to amend the Zoning Bylaw to allow adult use marijuana establishments, including retailers, cultivators, product manufacturers, and independent testing laboratories, by special permit in the Business Zoning District, as shown in the document entitled "Marijuana Bylaw" on file in the Town Clerk's office and available for inspection during regular business hours.

The motion was seconded.

The Board of Selectmen recommended approval.

The Finance Committee recommended approval.

## THE MODERATOR DECLARED THAT THE MOTION PASSED BY MORE THAN A 2/3'S MAJORITY.

<u>Article 21 – Wachusett Greenways</u> To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of \$1,000, or any other sum, to be used for the expenses for Wachusett Greenways, an eight-town collaborative, said funds to be administered and expended by Wachusett Greenways; or act in any way thereon.

Article submitted by Wachusett Greenways.

Julia Pingitore moved that the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,000 to be used for the expenses for Wachusett Greenways, said funds to be administered and expended by Wachusett Greenways.

The motion was seconded.

The Board of Selectmen recommended approval.

The Finance Committee recommended approval.

## THE MODERATOR DECLARED THAT THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

<u>Article 22 – Water Tank</u> To see if the Town will vote to appropriate funds in the sum of \$0.00, or any other sum, from retained earnings of the Water Enterprise Fund to make repairs to the water tank on Asnebumskit Road; or act in any way thereon.

Article submitted by the Water Commission.

Peter Bogren moved that the Town authorize the Board of Selectmen in accordance with Chapter 40, Sections 61 through 69, of the Massachusetts General Laws, to enter into a fifteen year contract, with an option to extend for an additional five years, for the inspection, maintenance, repair or modification of the Asnebumskit Road Water Storage Tank, and to appropriate the sum of \$105,672 from retained earnings of the Water Enterprise Fund for the first year of the contract.

The motion was seconded.

The Board of Selectmen recommended approval.

The Finance Committee recommended approval.

## THE MODERATOR DECLARED THAT THE MOTION PASSED BY MORE THAN A 2/3'S MAJORITY.

Article 23 – Town Budget To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,880,835 or any other sum, and to further appropriate, from the EMS Receipts Account, the sum of \$346,101 or any other sum, and to further appropriate, from the Title V Special Assessment Account, the sum of \$7,698 or any other sum, and to further appropriate from Free Cash the sum of \$552,481 or any other sum, for a total appropriation of \$6,787,115 or any other sum, to defray the necessary and usual expenses of the several departments of the Town for the fiscal year beginning on July 1, 2019, and especially for any and all the items shown on the attached Budget; or act in any way thereon.

Article submitted by the Finance Committee.

Richard Fenton moved that the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,880,835, and to further appropriate, from the EMS Receipts Account, the sum of \$346,101, and to further appropriate, from the Title V Special Assessment Account, the sum of \$7,698, and to further appropriate from Free Cash the sum of \$552,481, for a total appropriation of \$6,787,115 to defray the necessary and usual expenses of the several departments of the Town for the fiscal year beginning on July 1, 2019, excluding schools.

The motion was seconded.

The Board of Selectmen recommended approval.

The Finance Committee recommended approval.

## THE MODERATOR DECLARED THAT THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Richard Fenton moved that the Town appropriate the sum of \$2,062,985 for the General Government Budget for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2019, to be allocated as recommended and itemized in the budget summary attached to the Warrant.

The motion was seconded.

The Board of Selectmen recommended approval.

The Finance Committee recommended approval.

#### THE MODERATOR DECLARED THAT THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Richard Fenton moved that the Town appropriate the sum \$2,263,759 for the Public Safety Budget for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2019, to be allocated as recommended and itemized in the budget summary attached to the Warrant.

The motion was seconded.

The Board of Selectmen recommended approval.

The Finance Committee recommended approval.

# THE MODERATOR DECLARED THAT THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Richard Fenton moved that the Town appropriate the sum \$938,522 for the Public Service Budget for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2019, to be allocated as recommended and itemized in the budget summary attached to the Warrant.

The motion was seconded.

The Board of Selectmen recommended approval.

The Finance Committee recommended approval.

## THE MODERATOR DECLARED THAT THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Richard Fenton moved that the Town appropriate the sum of \$289,548 for the Sanitation and Environment Budget for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2019, to be allocated as recommended and itemized in the budget summary attached to the Warrant.

The motion was seconded.

The Board of Selectmen recommended approval.

The Finance Committee recommended approval.

## THE MODERATOR DECLARED THAT THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Richard Fenton moved that the Town appropriate the sum of \$73,678 for the Human Services Budget for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2019, to be allocated as recommended and itemized in the budget summary attached to the Warrant.

The motion was seconded.

The Board of Selectmen recommended approval.

The Finance Committee recommended approval.

## THE MODERATOR DECLARED THAT THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Richard Fenton moved that the Town appropriate the sum of \$220,414 for the Culture and Recreation Budget for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2019, to be allocated as recommended and itemized in the budget summary attached to the Warrant.

The motion was seconded.

The Board of Selectmen recommended approval.

The Finance Committee recommended approval.

## THE MODERATOR DECLARED THAT THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Richard Fenton moved that the Town appropriate the sum of \$182,290 for the Central Purchasing Budget for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2019, to be allocated as recommended and itemized in the budget summary attached to the Warrant.

The motion was seconded.

The Board of Selectmen recommended approval.

The Finance Committee recommended approval.

## THE MODERATOR DECLARED THAT THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Richard Fenton moved that the Town appropriate the sum of \$755,919 for the Debt Service Budget for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2019, to be allocated as recommended and itemized in the budget summary attached to the Warrant.

The motion was seconded.

The Board of Selectmen recommended approval.

The Finance Committee recommended approval.

#### THE MODERATOR DECLARED THAT THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Richard Fenton moved that the Town appropriate the sum of \$6,787,115 to defray the necessary and usual expenses of the several departments of the Town for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2019, excluding schools, to be allocated as recommended and itemized in the budget summary attached to the Warrant, subject, however, to any amendments to the said budget summary, which have been approved in this Meeting.

The motion was seconded.

The Board of Selectmen recommended approval.

The Finance Committee recommended approval.

## THE MODERATOR DECLARED THAT THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

<u>Article 24 - WRSD Budget</u> To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$6,553,275 to pay its assessed share of the Wachusett Regional School District Budget for the fiscal year beginning on July 1, 2019, and thereby approve the District's budget for said fiscal year; or act in any way thereon.

Article submitted by the Wachusett School Committee.

Peter Bogren, Jr. moved that the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$6,553,275 to pay its assessed share of the Wachusett Regional School District Budget for the fiscal year beginning on July 1, 2019.

The motion was seconded.

The Board of Selectmen recommended approval.

The Finance Committee recommended approval through split vote of 4 to 1.

## THE MODERATOR DECLARED THAT THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

<u>Article 25 - Bay Path Budget</u> To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$233,119 to pay its assessed share of the Bay Path Regional Technical School Budget for the fiscal year beginning on July 1, 2019; or act in any way thereon.

Article submitted by the Bay Path School Committee.

Julia Pingitore moved that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$233,199 to pay its assessed share of the Bay Path Regional Vocational Technical High School Budget for the fiscal year beginning on July 1, 2019.

The motion was seconded.

The Board of Selectmen recommended approval.

The Finance Committee recommended approval.

#### THE MODERATOR DECLARED THAT THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

<u>Article 26 – Out of District Student Expenses</u> To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$22,509 to pay the Norfolk County Regional Agricultural High School Non-resident Vocation Tuition Assessment and further raise and appropriate the sum of \$33,300 for the Norfolk County Regional Agricultural High School Non-resident Transportation; or act in any way thereon.

Article submitted by the Board of Selectmen.

Peter Bogren, Jr. moved that the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$22,509 to pay the Norfolk County Regional Agricultural High School Non-resident Vocation Tuition Assessment and to further raise and appropriate the sum of \$33,300 for the Norfolk County Regional Agricultural High School Non-resident Transportation.

The motion was seconded.

The Board of Selectmen recommended approval.

The Finance Committee recommended approval by a 4 to 1 vote.

# THE MODERATOR DECLARED THAT THE MOTION PASSED.

Peter Bogren, Jr. made a motion to dissolve.

The motion was seconded.

The Moderator declared the meeting dissolved at 9:10 pm.

Roger J. Brunelle, Town Moderator

Laurie Becker, Town Clerk