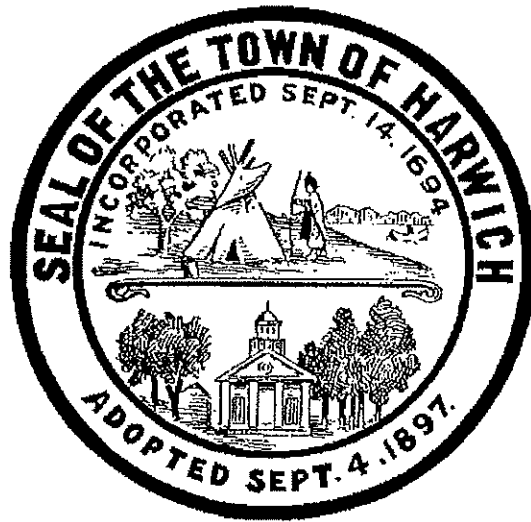


**ANNUAL TOWN MEETING
WARRANT**



MAY 1, 2017



**SPECIAL TOWN MEETING
WARRANT**



MAY 2, 2017

**with
RECOMMENDATIONS**

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May 2, 2017

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VOTING PROCEDURES

- I A quorum, 150 registered voters, must be present in order to conduct business. The only motion in order when no quorum is present is a motion to adjourn.
- II A two-thirds majority of the Town Meeting shall be required for inclusion of any Capital Outlay, unless it was included in the Capital Outlay Plan adopted at the preceding Town Meeting.
- III All motions introduced at the Town Meeting shall be in writing when required by the Moderator.
- IV Voters are limited to two times speaking on any one question; the total time speaking not to exceed 10 minutes.
- V Only registered voters shall occupy the meeting “floor”.
- VI No voter will be allowed to speak until he or she is recognized by the Moderator.
- VII Motion requiring more than a simple majority to pass:
 - A. To reconsider a vote on a motion – $\frac{3}{4}$ majority (this motion must be made prior to the next adjournment of the meeting).
 - B. To consider articles in an order other than as appears on the warrant – $\frac{3}{4}$ majority.
 - C. To pay unpaid bills – $\frac{4}{5}$ majority at the Annual Town Meeting, $\frac{9}{10}$ majority at a Special Town Meeting.
 - D. To move the previous question (terminate debate) – $\frac{3}{4}$ majority.
- VIII Quorum cannot be questioned after a motion has been made and seconded.

MOTION CHART Section 1-211
(Application of Rules is indicated by an X)

Motions	Debatable	Non Debatable	Amendable	Non Amendable	Second Required	Second Not Required	Majority Vote	2/3 Vote	3/4 Vote	May Reconsider	Cannot Reconsider
Adjourn	X		X		X		X				X
Adjourn (in a time certain)	X		X		X		X			X	
Amendment	X		X		X		X			X	
Adopt a Resolution	X		X		X		X				X
Accept & Adopt	X		X		X		X ¹			X	
Postpone Indefinitely	X			X	X		X			X	
Previous Question		X			X			X			X
Terminate Debate											
Reconsider ²	X			X	X				X		X
Consider Articles	X		X		X				X		X
Out of Order											
Point of Order		X								X	
1. Unless a greater than simple majority required by General Laws of Town of Harwich by-laws.											
2. See section 1.207											

THE CHART BELOW SHOWS THE AMOUNT OF MONEY REQUIRED TO CHANGE THE
FY 2017 TAX RATE.

TAX RATE CHANGE IN \$/1000	DOLLARS REQUIRED
\$ 0.01	\$48,140
\$ 0.05	\$240,700
\$ 0.10	\$481,401
\$ 0.15	\$722,101
\$ 0.20	\$962,802
\$ 0.25	\$1,203,502
\$ 0.30	\$1,444,203
\$ 0.35	\$1,684,903
\$ 0.40	\$1,925,604
\$ 0.45	\$2,166,304
\$ 0.50	\$2,407,005
\$ 0.55	\$2,647,705
\$ 0.60	\$2,888,405
\$ 0.65	\$3,129,106
\$ 0.70	\$3,369,806
\$ 0.75	\$3,610,507
\$ 0.80	\$3,851,207
\$ 0.85	\$4,091,908
\$ 0.90	\$4,332,608
\$ 0.95	\$4,573,309
\$ 1.00	\$4,814,009

MUNICIPAL FINANCE TERMS

APPROPRIATION: An authorization granted by the Town Meeting to make expenditures and to incur obligations for specific purposes.

AVAILABLE FUNDS: Available funds refer to other funds available for appropriation by the Town Meeting, such as Wetland Protection funds, Cemetery Lot sales and Perpetual Care Interest and old article balances returned to revenue.

OVERLAY, ALSO CALLED ALLOWANCE FOR ABATEMENTS AND EXEMPTIONS: The overlay is the amount raised by the Assessors in excess of appropriations and other charges for the purpose of creating a fund to cover tax abatements granted and avoiding fractions in the tax rate. It cannot exceed 5% of the levy.

FREE CASH: Certified each year by the Director of State Bureau of Accounts, this is the portion of the fund balance which is available for appropriation by a Vote of Town Meeting. It is not cash, but rather is the approximate total of cash and receivables less current liabilities and earmarked reserves.

TRANSFER: The authorization to use an appropriation for a different purpose; in most cases only the Town Meeting may authorize a transfer.

RESERVE FUND: This fund is established by the voters at an Annual Town Meeting only and is composed of an appropriation (not exceeding 5% of the tax levy of the preceding year). Transfers from the Reserve Fund are within the exclusive control of the Finance Committee, and are for "extraordinary or unforeseen" situations, normally emergencies.

STABILIZATION FUND: This is a special reserve for future expenditures. The aggregate amount in the fund shall not exceed, at any time, 10% of the valuation in the preceding year. Money may be voted into the fund by a majority vote at Town Meeting. Money may be appropriated from the fund only by a two-thirds vote at Town Meeting for any municipal purpose.

CHERRY SHEET: An annual statement received from the State Department of Revenue detailing estimated receipts for the next fiscal year from various State Aid accounts and estimated charges payable by the assessors in setting the tax rate. Named for the cherry colored paper, which the State traditionally has printed it on.

PROPOSITION 2 ½ TERMS

Chapter 59, Section 21C of the Massachusetts General Laws commonly referred to as Proposition 2 ½ (Prop. 2 ½) or the Tax Limiting Law for Cities and Towns in Massachusetts.

LEVY: The property tax levy is the revenue a Town can raise through real and personal property taxes. The property tax levy is the largest source of revenue for the Town.

LEVY CEILING: This is the maximum the levy limit can be. The ceiling equals 2.5% of the Town's full and fair cash value.

LEVY LIMIT: The Maximum the levy can be in a given year. The limit is based on the previous year's levy limit plus certain allowable increases.

LEVY LIMIT INCREASE: The levy limit automatically increases each year by 2.5% of the previous year's levy limit.

NEW GROWTH: New construction and new parcel subdivision may also increase the Town's levy limit.

OVERRIDE: A community can permanently increase its levy limit by successfully voting at a referendum to exceed the limits. A community may take this action as long as it is below the levy ceiling.

GENERAL OVERRIDE: A general override ballot question can be placed on a referendum if a majority of the Board of Selectmen vote to do so. If the ballot question is approved by a majority of the voters, the Town's levy limit is permanently increased by the amount voted at the referendum. The levy limit increase may not exceed the Town's levy ceiling. Override questions must be presented in dollar terms and specify the purpose.

DEBT EXCLUSION: This override ballot question can be placed on a referendum by a two-thirds vote of the Board of Selectmen. If a majority of the voters approve the ballot question the Town's levy limit is increased only for the amount voted at the referendum for the life of that debt only. The levy limit increase may exceed the Town's levy ceiling.

CAPITAL OUTLAY EXPENDITURE EXCLUSION: This override ballot question can be placed on a referendum by a two-thirds vote of the Board of Selectmen. If a majority of the voters approve the ballot question the additional amount for the payment of the capital project cost is added to the levy limit or levy ceiling only for the year in which the project is being undertaken.

CONTINGENT VOTES: Chapter 634 of the Acts of 1989 permits a Town Meeting to appropriate funds contingent upon passage of a referendum question (OVERRIDE). A contingent vote does not automatically result in an override referendum. An override referendum can only be called by the Board of Selectmen. If a referendum is called by the Selectmen it must take place within forty-five days of the Town Meeting vote.

**COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
TOWN OF HARWICH
ANNUAL TOWN MEETING
May 1, 2017**

BARNSTABLE, ss:

To either of the Constables of the Town of Harwich in said county,

Greetings:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town qualified to vote in elections and Town affairs to meet in the Community Center Gymnasium, 100 Oak Street in said Town on May 1, 2017 at 7:00 P.M., then and there to act on the following articles:

ARTICLES

TOWN OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES

ARTICLE 1 To choose various Town Officers and Committees. Customary Article

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THIS CUSTOMARY ARTICLE BE ACCEPTED AND ADOPTED. VOTE: YES-6, NO-0

REPORTS OF TOWN OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES

ARTICLE 2 To hear reports of all Town Officers and Committees for the year 2017. Customary Article

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THIS CUSTOMARY ARTICLE BE ACCEPTED AND ADOPTED. VOTE: YES-6, NO-0

ELECTED OFFICIALS SALARIES

ARTICLE 3 To see if the Town will vote to fix the salaries of the elected officials of the Town for fiscal year commencing July 1, 2017 and ending June 30, 2018 as follows and to act fully thereon. Estimated cost: \$86,205

Selectmen (5)	\$1,500 (each)
Moderator	\$300
Town Clerk	\$76,905
Water Commissioners (3)	\$500 (each)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THIS CUSTOMARY ARTICLE BE ACCEPTED AND ADOPTED. VOTE: YES-6, NO-0

TOWN OPERATING BUDGET

ARTICLE 4: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer from available funds such sums of money as may be required to defray Town charges for Fiscal Year 2018, and to act fully thereon. (BUDGET – SEE APPENDIX B).
Estimated cost: \$33,706,441.

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THIS ARTICLE BE ACCEPTED AND ADOPTED TO FUND THE ANNUAL OPERATION OF THE TOWN FOR FY 18, AND THAT \$20,290,966 BE RAISED FROM TAXATION, AND \$81,130 COME FROM FREE CASH, AND \$650,178 COME FROM WATER DEPARTMENT FUNDS, AND \$11,358,779 COME FROM LOCAL RECEIPTS, AND 1,325,388 COME FROM OTHER FUNDS INCLUDING BETTERMENTS, CABLE TV, COMMUNITY PRESERVATION, AND OTHER FUNDS. VOTE: YES-8, NO-1.

MONOMOY REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT BUDGET

ARTICLE 5: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer from available funds such sums of money as may be required to pay for the Monomoy Regional School District Assessment for Fiscal Year 2018, and to act fully thereon. By request of the Monomoy Regional School Committee and Superintendent. Estimated cost: \$24,787,671.

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THIS ARTICLE BE ACCEPTED AND ADOPTED TO FUND THE ANNUAL OPERATION OF THE MONOMOY REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT FOR FY 18, AND THAT \$24,563,557 BE RAISED FOR THIS PURPOSE AND FURTHER OF THAT TOTAL \$224,114, WHICH IS EQUAL TO THE CAPITAL NEEDS OF THE DISTRICT, BE FUNDED FROM FREE CASH. VOTE: YES-8, NO-1.

CAPE COD REGIONAL TECHNICAL SCHOOL DISTRICT BUDGET

ARTICLE 6: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer from available funds a sufficient sum of money as may be required to pay for the Cape Cod Regional Technical High School District Assessment for Fiscal Year 2018, and to act fully thereon. By request of the Cape Cod Regional Technical High School District. Estimated cost: \$1,487,362.

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THIS ARTICLE BE ACCEPTED AND ADOPTED TO FUND THE ANNUAL OPERATION OF THE REGIONAL TECHNICAL HIGH SCHOOL AND THAT \$1,487,362 BE RAISED AND APPROPRIATED FOR THIS PURPOSE. VOTE: YES-8, NO-0.

WATER BUDGET

ARTICLE 7: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer from available funds such sums of money as may be required to defray Water Department Operating Budget for Fiscal Year 2018, and to act fully thereon. By request of the Water Commissioners and Superintendent. Estimated cost: \$4,126,594.

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THIS ARTICLE BE ACCEPTED AND ADOPTED AND THAT \$4,126,594 BE TRANSFERRED FROM WATER RATE COLLECTIONS TO BE USED TO FUND THE ANNUAL OPERATION OF THE WATER DEPARTMENT. VOTE: YES-7, NO-0.

ADOPT THE CAPITAL PLAN

ARTICLE 8: To see if the Town will vote to adopt the Capital Plan for the ensuing seven year period as adopted last year by the Town Meeting with new fiscal year 2024 as proposed by the Board of Selectmen and set forth below or as amended by vote of the Town Meeting, and to act fully thereon. By request of the Board of Selectmen.

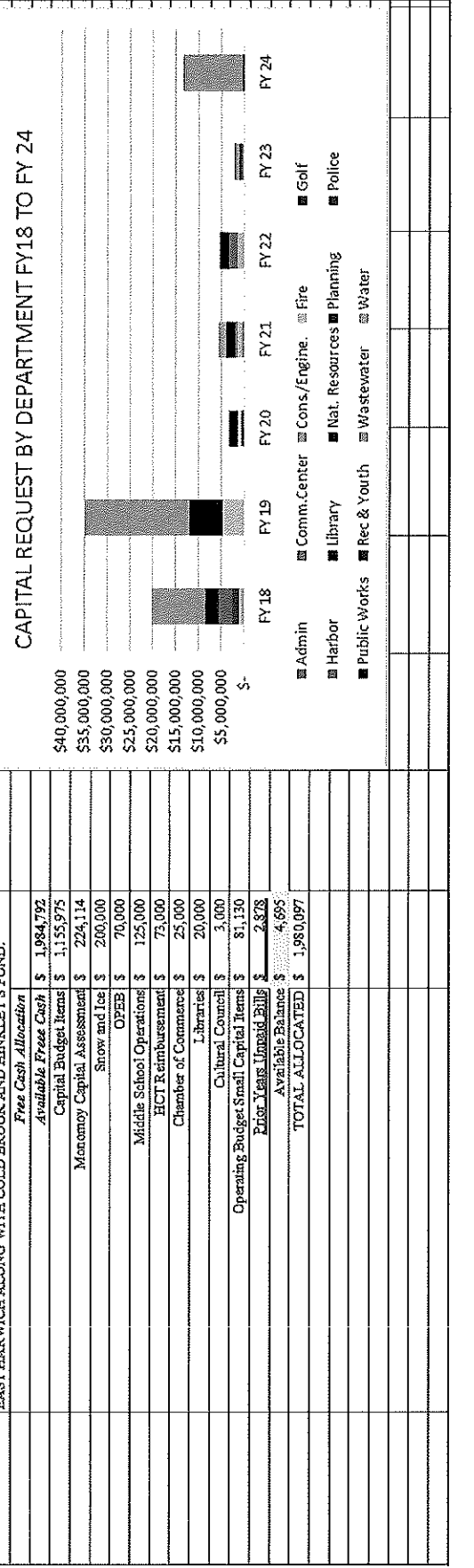
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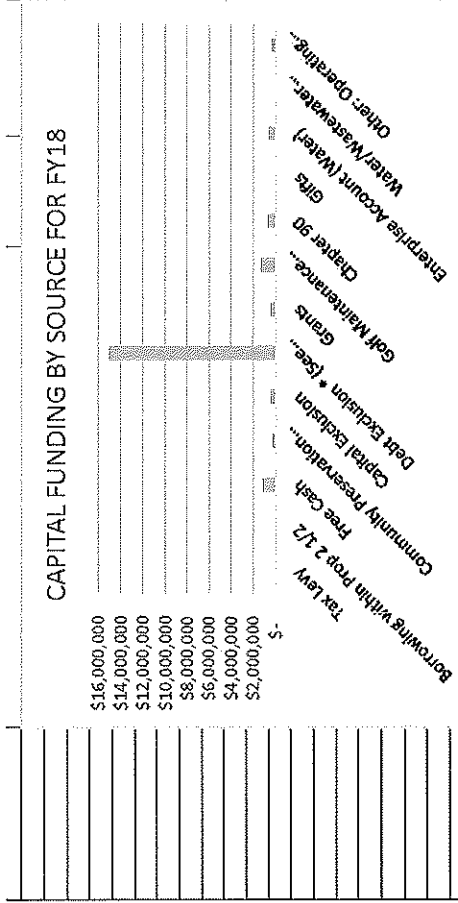
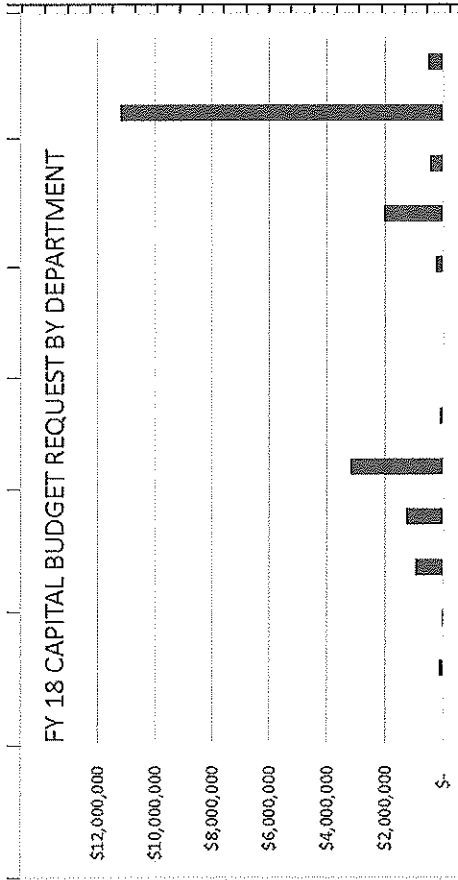
TOWN OF HARWICH CAPITAL BUDGET REQUEST SUMMARY (FY 18 TO 24)										Revision #: 3/23/2017		
Department	Project	Source	FY 18	FY 19	FY 20	FY 21	FY 22	FY 23	FY 24			
ADMINISTRATION												
Admin	Harwich Center Initiative - StreetScape Only			\$ 50,000	\$ 500,000							
Admin	Reuse of Demolition Harbormasters Building on Bank Street			\$ 50,000								
Admin	Demolition of Former West Harwich School on Bells Neck			\$ 30,000								
Admin	Two Year Plan in Place for Reuse of Middle School Building on Sisson			\$ 50,000								
ADMIN SUB-TOTAL				\$ 130,000	\$ 550,000							
COMMUNITY CENTER												
Community Center	Roof Replacement				\$ 72,500	\$ 240,000						
Community Center	Carpel Replacement				\$ 72,500	\$ 72,500						
Community Center	Gym Floor Resurface	FC	\$ 57,724	\$ 57,724								
Community Center	HVAC Repair and Updates				\$ 105,000							
Community Center	Generator Replacement				\$ 99,000							
Community Center	Basement Construction of Public Records Storage	CPG No Fund										
COMMUNITY CENTER SUB-TOTAL			\$ 57,724	\$ 115,448	\$ 177,500	\$ 339,000						
CONSERVATION												
Conservation	Harwich Artificial Reef (Additional Project)						\$ 250,000					
Conservation	Shore Stabilization/Jetty Extension Red River Beach											
CONSERVATION SUB-TOTAL							\$ 250,000					
ENGINEERING												
Engineering	MS4 Municipal Surface Drainage Plan and Improvements	Other	\$ 20,000	\$ 25,000	TBD							
ENGINEERING SUB-TOTAL			\$ 20,000	\$ 25,000								
FIRE												
Fire/Police Only	Public Safety Rationes for Fire/Police (300 Mhz Bin Only Public Safety)					\$ 909,444						
Town Wide	Town Wide Radio System (Non Emergency) (Town/DPW/F&P Backlog)	FC	\$ 102,643	\$ 102,643	\$ 177,037							
Town Wide	Town Wide Radio System (Non Emergency) (Water Funded Portion)	Water E.	\$ 33,930	\$ 33,930								
Fire	Ambulance (Scheduled Replacement)				\$ 310,000							
Fire	Pumper Truck Replacement Scheduled	CE	\$ 420,000	\$ 420,000								
Fire	Automated Chest Compression System for CFR (Total \$62,000)	Grant	\$ 56,000	\$ 56,000								
Fire	Automated Chest Compression System for CER (Previous App. Funds)	Other	\$ 5,900	\$ 5,900								
Fire	4 Gas Meter Detection Devices	FC	\$ 24,779	\$ 24,779								
Fire	Pumper Truck Replacement Scheduled				\$ 600,000							
Fire	Ambulance Replacement					\$ 330,000						
Fire	Ambulance Replacement						\$ 350,000					
Fire	Ladder Truck Replacement						\$ 1,240,000					
Fire	Ambulance Replacement											
Fire	Station 2 Building Upgrade (Planning and Design)	DE	\$ 310,000	\$ 310,000								
Fire	Station 2 Building Upgrade (Construction)				\$ 4,000,000							
FIRE SUB-TOTAL			\$ 953,252	\$ 953,252	\$ 4,487,037	\$ 600,000	\$ 1,239,444	\$ 1,240,000	\$ 350,000			
GOLF												
Golf	Golf Operations and maintenance Infrastructure Improvements	DE/Fees	\$ 1,200,000	\$ 1,200,000								
Golf	Golf Course Landscape and Reclamation & Tree Removal	Fees Only	\$ 43,000	\$ 43,000								
Golf	Golf Course Irrigation Update and System Rebuild	Fees Only	\$ 39,000	\$ 39,000								
GOLF SUB-TOTAL			\$ 1,282,000	\$ 1,282,000								
HARBORMASTER												
Harbormaster	Saquochee Harbor Landside Renovations and Improvements	DE	\$ 3,000,000	\$ 3,000,000								
Harbormaster	Project Round Cove Ramp Replacement and Bulkhead	Other	\$ 177,071	\$ 177,071								
Harbormaster	Study Allen Harbor Jetty Reconstruction			\$ 50,000								
Harbormaster	Wilson Dock Landside Improvements			\$ 30,000								
Harbormaster	Herring River Ramp Replacement				\$ 75,000							
Harbormaster	Wychmere Outer Harbor Dredging					\$ 500,000						
Harbormaster	Allen Harbor Jetty Reconstruction Study and Construction						\$ 2,000,000					
Harbormaster	SAO Harbor East Bulkhead (Offloading Area) Reconstruction							\$ 500,000				
Harbormaster	Study - Wychmere Outer Harbor Jetty								\$ 75,000			
HARBORMASTER SUB-TOTAL			\$ 3,177,071	\$ 3,177,071	\$ 80,000	\$ 75,000	\$ 500,000	\$ 2,000,000	\$ 500,000			

Department	Project	Source	FY18	FY19	FY20	FY21	FY22	FY23	FY24
LIBRARY	Library Interior Modifications/Renovations			\$ 100,000					
Library	Brooks Library Generator and Installation	FC	\$ 110,000	\$ 110,000		\$ 135,000			
Library	Library Roof Replacement					\$ 135,000			
LIBRARY SUB-TOTAL			\$ 110,000	\$ 110,000	\$ -	\$ 135,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
NATURAL RESOURCES									
Natural Resources									
NATURAL RESOURCES SUB-TOTAL			\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
PLANNING									
Planning	Albro House - Renovations Review	CPC No Fund	\$ -	\$ 12,000					
Planning	Interior Renovations - Albro House			TBD					
Planning	Walkway Reconstruction Bank Street Center to Rte 28			\$ 231,000					
Planning	Walkway Reconstruction Rte 28 SAQ to Harwichport	See Note							
PLANNING SUB-TOTAL			\$ -	\$ 12,000	\$ 231,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
POLICE									
Police	Replacement of Bullet Resistant Vests (State and Fed Grant Portion)	Grant	\$ 18,000	\$ 18,000					
Police	Replacement of Bullet Resistant Vests (Town Portion Only)	FC	\$ 22,000	\$ 22,000					
Police	Ballistic Helmets	FC	\$ 10,220	\$ 10,220					
Police	Replacement of Security System, Public Safety Complex	FC	\$ 153,789	\$ 153,789					
Police	Electronic Sign Board	FC	\$ 17,820	\$ 17,820					
POLICE SUB-TOTAL			\$ 221,829	\$ 221,829	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
PUBLIC WORKS									
Public Works	5 Year Road Maintenance Plan	DE	\$ 700,000	\$ 1,434,700	\$ 1,403,210	\$ 1,494,125	\$ 1,400,000	TBD	TBD
Public Works	West Harwich Route 28 Design (Construction via Fed Funds)	Ch. 90	\$ 700,000						
Public Works	Lower County Road (Maintain Profile/Not TIP)	Grant	\$ 300,000	\$ 150,000					
Public Works	Route 99/Pleasant Bay Road Roundabout			\$ 3,500,000					
Public Works	Volvo Loader	FC	\$ 200,000	\$ 200,000					
Public Works	MSW (C&D) Trailer Current 2 C&D will be 3 and 4 Trash.MSW	FC	\$ 75,000	\$ 75,000					
Public Works	John Deere Tractor	FC	\$ 115,000	\$ 115,000					
Public Works	Fuel Management System	FC	\$ 42,000	\$ 42,000					
Public Works	Vehicle Listing (FY 18 to 24) Summary			\$ 425,000	\$ 250,000	\$ 275,000	\$ 365,000	\$ 250,000	\$ 310,000
PW-EM/Cemetery	Pet Crematory			\$ 486,000					
PUBLIC WORKS SUB-TOTAL			\$ 2,132,000	\$ 2,016,700	\$ 6,454,972	\$ 1,655,210	\$ 1,769,125	\$ 1,765,000	\$ 250,000
REC & YOUTH									
Rec & Youth	Red River Beach Parking Lot Paving/Overlay	FC	\$ 225,000	\$ 225,000					
Rec & Youth	Bank Street Beach parking Lot Paving /Overlay		\$ 98,000	\$ -					
Rec & Youth	Pleasant Road Beach Parking Lot Paving/Overlay						\$ 112,000		
Rec & Youth	Sand Pond Restrooms and Playground Improvements								TBD
Rec & Youth	Whidhouse Field Irrigation	CPC	\$ 28,000	\$ 28,000					
Rec & Youth	Veterans Memorial Field Fitness Stations	CPC	\$ 13,806	\$ 13,806					
Rec & Youth	Brooks Park Phase IV Restrooms and Playground Improvements	CPC	\$ 167,900	\$ 167,900					
Rec & Youth	Brooks Park Phase V - Comprehensive Light Plan			\$ 200,000					
Rec & Youth	Red River Beach Restroom Renovations			\$ 125,000					
Rec & Youth	Cahoon Road Beach Restroom						\$ 125,000		
RECREATION AND YOUTH SUB-TOTAL			\$ 434,706	\$ 434,706	\$ 298,000	\$ 125,000	\$ 125,000	\$ 112,000	\$ -
WASTEWATER									
Wastewater	Intermunicipal Agreement with Chatham Purchase Capacity (See Note)	DE*	\$ 6,765,000	\$ 6,765,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Wastewater	Tie-In Costs to Pipes and Pump Station to Chatham	DE*	\$ 250,000	\$ 2,150,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Wastewater	CWMP Implementation Services	Other	\$ 150,000	\$ 150,000					
Wastewater	Pleasant Bay (South) Watershed Collection System Design and Construction	DE*	\$ 2,020,000	\$ 20,280,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 800,000	\$ 12,600,000
Wastewater	Cold Brook Natural Attenuation Design and Construction	DE*	\$ 2,000,000	\$ 2,000,000					
Wastewater	Restoration of Hinckley's Pond	DE*	\$ -	\$ 550,000					
Wastewater	Evaluate Phosphorus issues in Seymour Pond & Action							\$ 40,000	\$ 250,000
WASTEWATER SUB-TOTAL			\$ 11,185,000	\$ 11,185,000	\$ 22,980,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 840,000	\$ 12,850,000

Department	Project	Funding Source	TA Res	FY18	FY19	FY20	FY21	FY22	FY23	FY24
WATER										
Water	Crossover Project- Great Western, Queen Anne Rd, Route 39, Main St, Water E, Depot Road and Street	Water E.	\$ 400,000	\$ 400,000						
Water	2017 Ford Super Duty F-350 with Box (2 units in 2018)	Water E.	\$ 107,856	\$ 107,856			\$ 1,500,000	\$ -	\$ 75,000	
Water	Pleasant Lake Avenue Tank Rehabilitation							\$ 250,000		
Water	Engineering for Asbestos Pipe Project									TRD
Water	Construction/Renovation Asbestos Pipe Project									
Water	Vehicle Replacements (Excavator FY18 and Equipment in FY 23)	Water E.	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 120,000					
WATER SUB-TOTAL			\$ 507,856	\$ 507,856	\$ 120,000	\$ 1,500,000	\$ 250,000	\$ 75,000	\$ -	\$ -
GRAND TOTALS			\$ 20,081,438	\$ 20,020,166	\$ 34,833,509	\$ 3,402,710	\$ 5,482,569	\$ 5,650,000	\$ 2,127,000	\$ 13,245,000
Funding Summary										
	Tax Levy		\$ -	\$ 130,000	\$ 550,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
	Borrowing within Prop 2.1/2		\$ -	\$ 119,752	\$ 177,500	\$ 339,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
	Fees, Cash		\$ 1,155,975	\$ 25,000	\$ -	\$ 100,000	\$ -	\$ 250,000	\$ -	\$ -
	Community Development Funds		\$ 209,703	\$ 953,252	\$ 4,487,037	\$ 1,239,444	\$ 1,240,000	\$ 350,000	\$ -	\$ -
	Capital Exclusion		\$ 420,000	\$ 1,282,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
	Debt Exclusion * (See Further Note Below regarding Wastewater Authorization)		\$ 15,045,000	\$ 3,177,071	\$ 80,000	\$ 500,000	\$ 2,000,000	\$ 500,000	\$ 75,000	\$ -
	Grants		\$ 374,000	\$ 110,000	\$ 100,000	\$ -	\$ 135,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
	Gift Maintenance Fund/DEBT Exclusion		\$ 1,282,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
	Chapter 90		\$ 700,000	\$ 12,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
	Gifts		\$ -	\$ 221,829	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
	Enterprise Account (Water)		\$ 541,786	\$ 2,016,670	\$ 6,454,972	\$ 1,655,210	\$ 1,769,125	\$ 1,765,000	\$ 250,000	\$ 310,000
	Water/Wastewater Infrastructure Funds (Potential)		\$ -	\$ 434,706	\$ 298,000	\$ 125,000	\$ -	\$ 125,000	\$ 112,000	\$ -
	Other, Operating, Budget Funded by another appropriation		\$ 352,971	\$ 11,185,000	\$ 22,980,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 840,000	\$ 12,860,000
	Confirmation Total		\$ 20,081,438	\$ 507,856	\$ 34,833,509	\$ 3,402,710	\$ 5,482,569	\$ 5,650,000	\$ 2,127,000	\$ 13,245,000

* NOTE: THE WASTEWATER DEBT EXCLUSION IS A FULL AUTHORIZATION OF \$34-015 MILLION TWO VOTES
 IMA & DESIGN, COLD BROOK \$11,035,000 (FY 2018) and CONSTRUCTION & HINKLEY'S \$23,000
 BUT WILL BE PAID OUT OVER THE COURSE OF SEVERAL YEARS FOR IMA AND SOUTHERN SECTION OF
 EAST HARWICH ALONG WITH COLD BROOK AND HINKLEY'S FOND.





CAPITAL ITEMS FUNDED FROM FREE CASH – ITEMS UNDER \$50,000

ARTICLE 9: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer from available funds a sufficient sum of money to fund the items in the table below, and further to authorize the Selectmen to accept grant monies related to these items and chest compression equipment of which matching funds were authorized at the 2016 ATM and grants related to the Police Department bullet proof vests, and to act fully thereon. By request of the Board of Selectmen. Estimated cost: \$116,819.

1. Fire – Gas Metering Detection Devices	\$24,779
2. Police - Bullet Proof Vests (town portion)	\$22,000
3. Police - Ballistic Helmets	\$10,220
Police - Electronic Sign Board	\$17,820
4. DPW - Fuel Management System	<u>\$42,000</u>
TOTAL	\$116,819

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THIS ARTICLE BE ACCEPTED AND ADOPTED WITH THE AMOUNT OF \$116,000 FROM AVAILABLE FUNDS TO PURCHASE NEW ITEMS FOR THE FIRE, POLICE, AND DPW DEPARTMENTS. THESE ITEMS WILL HELP REDUCE COSTS, INFORM THE PUBLIC, AND PROTECT POLICE OFFICERS. THESE ITEMS DID NOT MEET THE FUNDING THRESHOLD TO BE INCLUDED ON THE CAPITAL PLAN. VOTE: YES-6, NO-0.

FACILITY MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR FUND

ARTICLE 10: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds or borrow a sufficient sum of money as may be required to defray costs related to Facility Maintenance and Repair for FY 18, and to act fully thereon. By request of the Board of Selectmen. Estimated cost \$808,086.

1. Community Center Gym Floor Resurfacing	\$57,724
2. Town Wide Radio System (Town)	\$102,643
Town Wide Radio System (Water portion)	\$33,930
3. Brooks Library Generator & Install	\$110,000
4. Police - Public Safety Complex Security System Replacement	\$153,789
5. Recreation - Red River Beach Parking Lot Paving/Overlay	\$225,000
6. DPW - Middle School Operations	<u>\$125,000</u>
TOTAL	\$808,086

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THIS ARTICLE BE ACCEPTED AND ADOPTED WITH THE AMOUNT OF \$774,000 FROM AVAILABLE FUNDS AND \$39,930 FROM WATER RATES TO PAY FOR THE MAINTENANCE AND REPAIRS OF THE LISTED ITEMS. THESE ITEMS WILL IMPROVE EMERGENCY COMMUNICATION WITHIN TOWN DEPARTMENTS, AND IMPROVE SURFACE CONDITIONS AT THE COMMUNITY CENTER AND RED

RIVER BEACH, AND WILL CONTINUE PUBLIC ACCESS TO THE MIDDLE SCHOOL AS WELL AS EMERGENCY USE OF THE BROOKS LIBRARY DURING POWER OUTAGES. VOTE: YES-7, NO-0, ABSTAIN-1

IMA CAPACITY PURCHASE FEE AND DESIGN OF INTERCONNECTION WITH CHATHAM AND SEWERS IN THE PLEASANT BAY WATERSHED

ARTICLE 11: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds, or borrow a sum of money to implement a portion of Phase 2 of the Town of Harwich Comprehensive Wastewater Management Plan, approved by the Massachusetts Secretary of Energy and Environmental Affairs in a Massachusetts Environmental Policy Act Certificate dated May 13, 2016, consisting of the payment to the Town of Chatham of the capacity purchase fee pursuant to an intermunicipal agreement between the Town of Harwich and the Town of Chatham which permits the Town of Harwich to deliver wastewater to the Chatham Water Pollution Control Facility for treatment and design of sewers in the Pleasant Bay Watershed and design the Chatham interconnector system, as more fully described in said Comprehensive Wastewater Management Plan, including any land acquisition costs and all other costs incidental and related thereto; provided that any borrowing authorized hereunder shall be contingent on the passage of a Proposition 2 and ½ debt exclusion vote; and to act fully thereon. By request of the Board of Selectmen. Estimated cost: \$9,035,000.

Explanation: The Board of Selectmen have decided to request the design components of the CWMP Phase 2 and the cost to implement the Chatham IMA to purchase capacity of \$6,765,000; the design of Pleasant Bay (south) sewer system \$2,020,000; and design of Chatham interconnector system \$250,000.. The total cost is \$9,035,000. It is anticipated that when the design is complete, an article for \$22,980,000 will be requested in 2018 to fund the construction. The IMA Interconnector cost is \$2,150,000; the Southern section of the Pleasant Bay is \$20,280,000; and the restoration of Hinckley Pond is \$550,000. The 2018 Annual Town Meeting will be requested to consider the following article. The anticipation is the numbers should be more refined by 2018. The voter should consider the full amount of such when deciding to vote at Town Meeting and on the Ballot Question. It is anticipated that the Board of Selectmen will be seeking a further appropriation to implement the CWMP at the 2018 Annual Town Meeting as follows:

SAMPLE ARTICLE

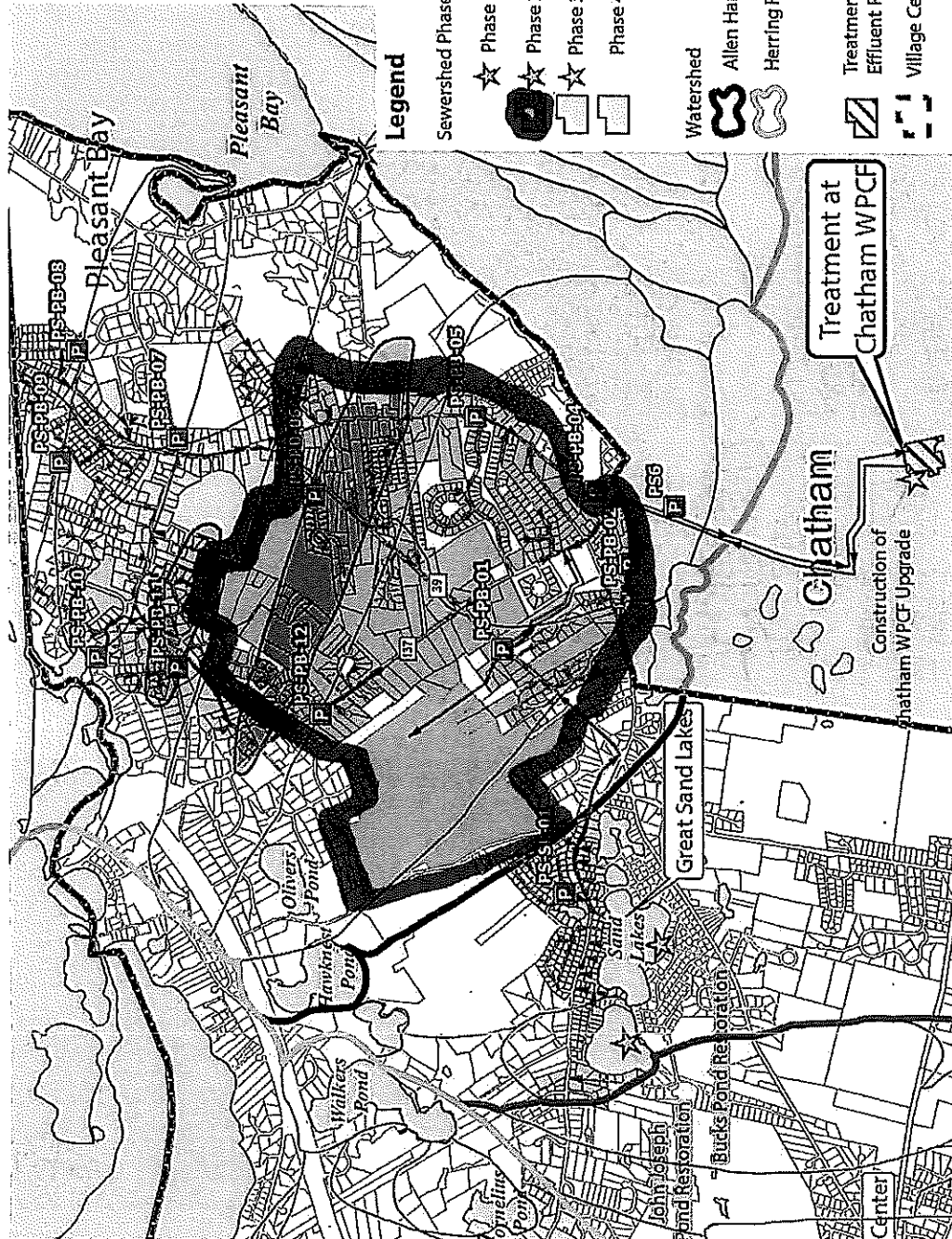
CONSTRUCTION OF CWMP PHASE 2 SOUTHERN SECTION OF PLEASANT BAY WATERSHED AND INTERCONNECTION WITH CHATHAM PER THE INTER-MUNICIPAL AGREEMENT

ARTICLE XX: *To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds, or borrow a sum of money to implement a portion of Phase 2 of the Town of Harwich Comprehensive Wastewater Management Plan, approved by the Massachusetts Secretary of Energy and Environmental Affairs in a Massachusetts Environmental Policy Act Certificate dated May*

13, 2016, including the construction of an interconnection between the Town of Harwich and Town of Chatham sewer systems and the construction of sewers in the southern section of Pleasant Bay Watershed identified as Phase 2 portion, as more fully described in said Comprehensive Wastewater Management Plan, and any land acquisition costs, and all other costs incidental and related thereto; provided that any borrowing authorized hereunder shall be contingent on the passage of a Proposition 2 and ½ debt exclusion vote, and to act fully thereon. By request of the Board of Selectmen. Estimated cost: \$22,430,000.

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THIS ARTICLE BE ACCEPTED AND ADOPTED WITH THE AMOUNT OF \$9,015,000 FROM DEBT EXCLUSION. THIS APPROPRIATION WILL PROVIDE THE FUNDING NEEDED TO BEGIN THE AGREEMENT WITH CHATHAM TO ACCEPT OUR WASTEWATER, AND TO BEGIN THE DESIGN PHASE OF THE SEWER SYSTEM NEEDED TO HELP THE TOWN MITIGATE OUR WASTEWATER IMPACTS IN THE PLEASANT BAY WATERSHED. THE APPROPRIATION AUTHORIZED BY THIS VOTE SHALL NOT TAKE EFFECT UNTIL THE TOWN VOTES TO EXEMP FROM THE LIMITATION ON TOTAL TAXES IMPOSED BY G.L. C.59, §21C (PROPOSITION 2 ½). VOTE: YES-8, NO-0.

Pleasant Bay Sewer Service Areas



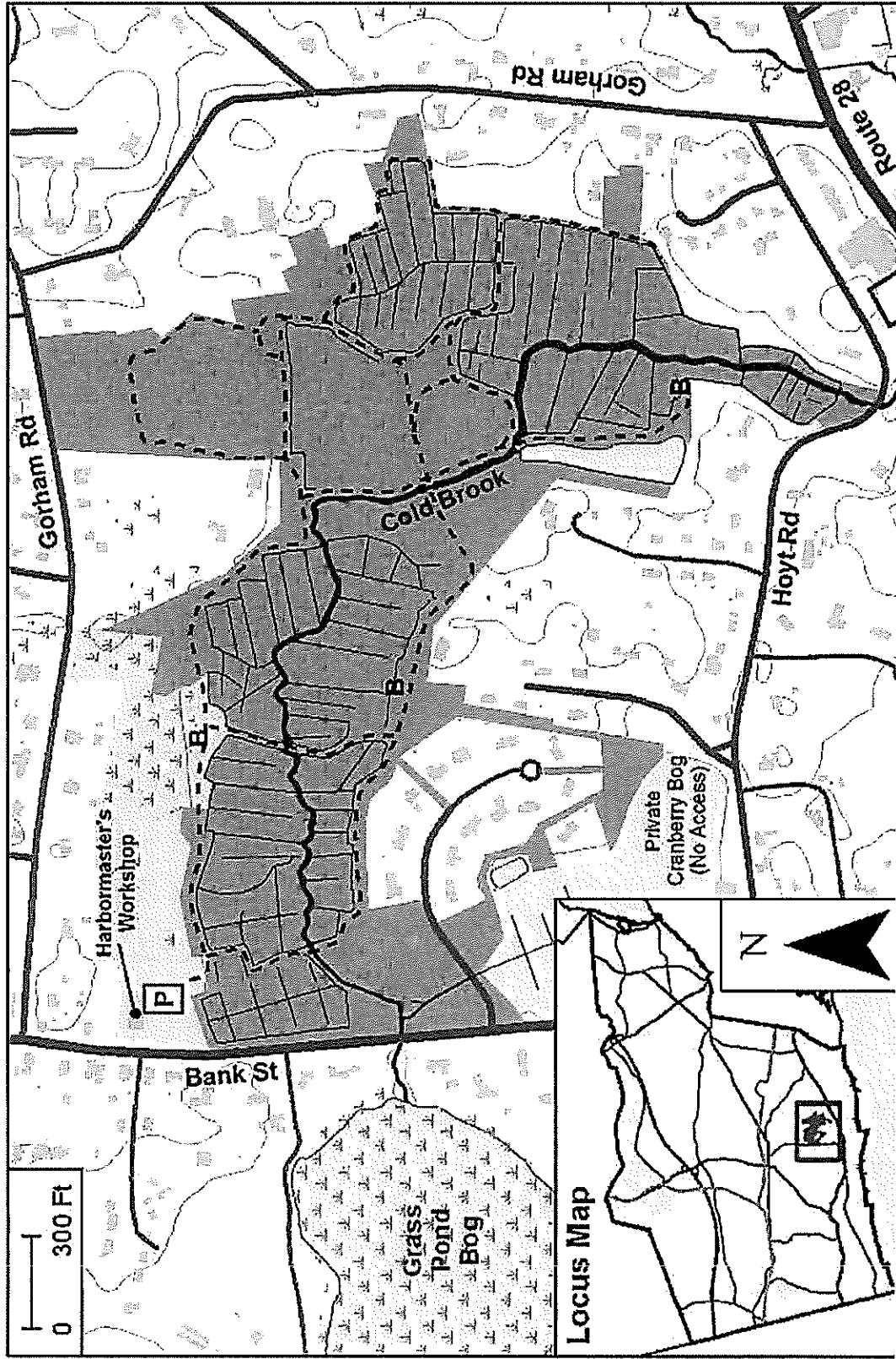
Legend

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| ☆ Phase 1 | ☆ Phase 5 | Watershed | Pleasant Bay |
| ☆ Phase 2 | ☆ Phase 6 | Allen Harbor | Wychmere Harbor |
| ☆ Phase 3 | ☆ Phase 7 | Herring River | Saquetucket Harbor |
| ☆ Phase 4 | ☆ Phase 8 | | Zone of Contribution to Municipal Well |
| | | | Pumping Station |
| | | | Effluent Recharge |
| | | | Village Center |
| | | | Effluent Infiltration Basin |

COLD BROOK PROJECT

ARTICLE 12: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds, or borrow a sum of money to implement a portion of Phase 2 of the Town of Harwich Comprehensive Wastewater Management Plan, approved by the Massachusetts Secretary of Energy and Environmental Affairs in a Massachusetts Environmental Policy Act Certificate dated May 13, 2016, consisting of the design, construction, and implementation of the Cold Brook Project, as more fully described in said Comprehensive Wastewater Management Plan, including any land acquisition costs and all other costs incidental and related thereto; provided that any borrowing authorized hereunder shall be contingent on the passage of a Proposition 2 and ½ debt exclusion vote; and to act fully thereon. By request of the Board of Selectmen. Estimated cost: \$2,000,000

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THIS ARTICLE BE ACCEPTED AND ADOPTED WITH THE AMOUNT OF \$2,000,000 FROM DEBT EXCLUSION. THIS APPROPRIATION WILL PROVIDE THE FUNDING NEEDED TO MAKE IMPROVMENTS TO HELP MITIGATE WASTEWATER CONTAMINATION AROUND BANK STREET AND HARWICH CENTER. THE APPROPRIATION AUTHORIZED BY THIS VOTE SHALL NOT TAKE EFFECT UNTIL THE TOWN VOTES TO EXEMP FROM THE LIMITATION ON TOTAL TAXES IMPOSED BY G.L. C.59, §21C (PROPOSITION 2 ½). VOTE: YES-8, NO-0.



ATM Warrant Article #12

AMEND THE CODE OF THE TOWN OF HARWICH GENERAL BY-LAWS – BY
ADDING NEW SEWER USE BY-LAW CHAPTER 295

ARTICLE 13: To see if the Town will vote to add a new Chapter 295 to the General By-Laws entitled Sewer Use General By-Law to be added to the Code of the Town of Harwich, governing the establishment, construction and operation of a wastewater collection and treatment system, and to act fully thereon. By request of the Board of Selectmen.

TOWN OF HARWICH SEWER USE BY-LAW

The Town of Harwich hereby establishes the following sewer use bylaw (Bylaw) governing the use of the wastewater collection system in Harwich, County of Barnstable, Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

While this Bylaw will apply to the wastewater collection system throughout the town it has been specifically developed herein for the wastewater collection system to be implemented in the Pleasant Bay Watershed area of Harwich. Wastewater collected in this area will be conveyed to the Town of Chatham wastewater treatment facility. As part of this Bylaw, the sewer governance board shall establish Rules and Regulations and from time to time modify said Rules and Regulations as authorized by Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 83, Section 10.

In addition to the civil penalties set forth in Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 83, Section 10, any violation of the Rules and Regulations hereinafter enacted by the sewer governance board, as they may be amended from time to time, may be enforced pursuant to Article 1, Violations and Penalties, of the Code of the Town of Harwich. When enforced through the non-criminal disposition procedures set forth in Section 1-2 of said Code, the penalty for each violation of the Rules and Regulations shall be \$300.00.

Purpose: The purpose of this Bylaw, and the subsequent Rules and Regulations, is:

- a) To establish the technical and administrative procedures for making connections to the sanitary sewer system including standards of materials and design;
- b) To establish requirements, restrictions, and controls on the quantities and quality of what may be discharged to the sanitary sewer system; such as discharges that may:
 1. Interfere with the operation of the sewer system, pumping station or publicly owned treatment works (POTW) in any way;
 2. Pass through the POTW, to the groundwaters, inadequately treated effluent that may cause contravention of standards for these waters or surface waters or cause violation of the POTW's Groundwater Discharge Permit (GWDP) or negatively impact the watershed into which treated effluent is discharged;
 3. Reduce the opportunity to reclaim or recycle treated wastewater and/or sludge from the system;

4. Increase the cost or otherwise hamper or limit the disposal of sludges and other residuals;
 5. Endanger municipal employees or the public;
 6. Cause, directly or indirectly, any public nuisance conditions;
- c) To prevent new sources of inflow and infiltration (I/I) and eliminate private source inflow;
 - d) To provide for equitable distribution to all uses of the POTW, all costs associated with the collection, transmission, treatment, and residuals disposal, and to provide for the collection of such costs: and
 - e) To provide for the orderly planning of sewer systems' and treatment systems' components to improve the health and environmental quality of the Town of Harwich and its people and resources while discharging wastewater in the Chatham Sewer System.

The established Rules and Regulations will be part of the contract with every person who discharges wastewater into the Town of Chatham Sewer System from the East Harwich area, and governs the relationship between the Town of Harwich and its consumers, contractors and/or developers, and all other persons who install sewers, discharges wastewater, is connected into the sewer system or applies for a connection to the sewer system.

Explanation: The Town's Inter-Municipal Agreement with Chatham calls for Harwich to promulgate and utilize Sewer Use Regulations that are compatible with the regulations in place in the Town of Chatham. The Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection calls for these regulations to be in place as part of the functioning of the wastewater treatment facility. The Sewer Use Regulations are designed to be dynamic in the sense that general elements will be included in the regulations with discretion given to the governing body to create or modify regulations on more specific detailed interconnection activities such as pipe size and design elements to facilitate compatibility with the existing technology of the current Chatham facility.

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THIS ARTICLE BE ACCEPTED AND ADOPTED. THE TOWN MUST ENACT A SEWER BY-LAW TO MEET ONE OF THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE COMPREHENSIVE WASTEWATER MANAGEMENT PLAN APPROVED BY THE MASSACHUSETTS SECRETARY OF ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS IN A POLICY ACT CERTIFICATE DATED MAY 13, 2016. VOTE: YES-7, NO-0.

FUND REPLACING FIRE DEPARTMENT PUMPER

ARTICLE 14: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds or borrow a sufficient sum of money to purchase or lease one pumper for the Fire Department, and further to authorize the trade-in or sale of the 1985 Pierce pumper. The appropriation authorized by this vote shall not take effect until the Town votes to exempt from the limitation on total taxes imposed by M.G.L. c59 s21C

(Proposition 2 ½) the amount required to pay for the capital expenditure authorized by this vote, and to act fully thereon. By request of the Fire Chief. Estimated cost: \$420,000

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THIS ARTICLE BE ACCEPTED AND ADOPTED AND THAT \$420,000 BE FUNDED FROM THE STABILIZATION ACCOUNT. THE FINANCE COMMITTEE AGREES WITH THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN THAT THIS IS A MUCH-NEEDED VEHICLE AS RECOMMENDED BY THE CAPITAL OUTLAY COMMITTEE, HOWEVER, THE FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THE FUNDS COME FROM STABILIZATION RATHER THAN INCREASED TAXATION.

VOTE: YES-5, NO-3.

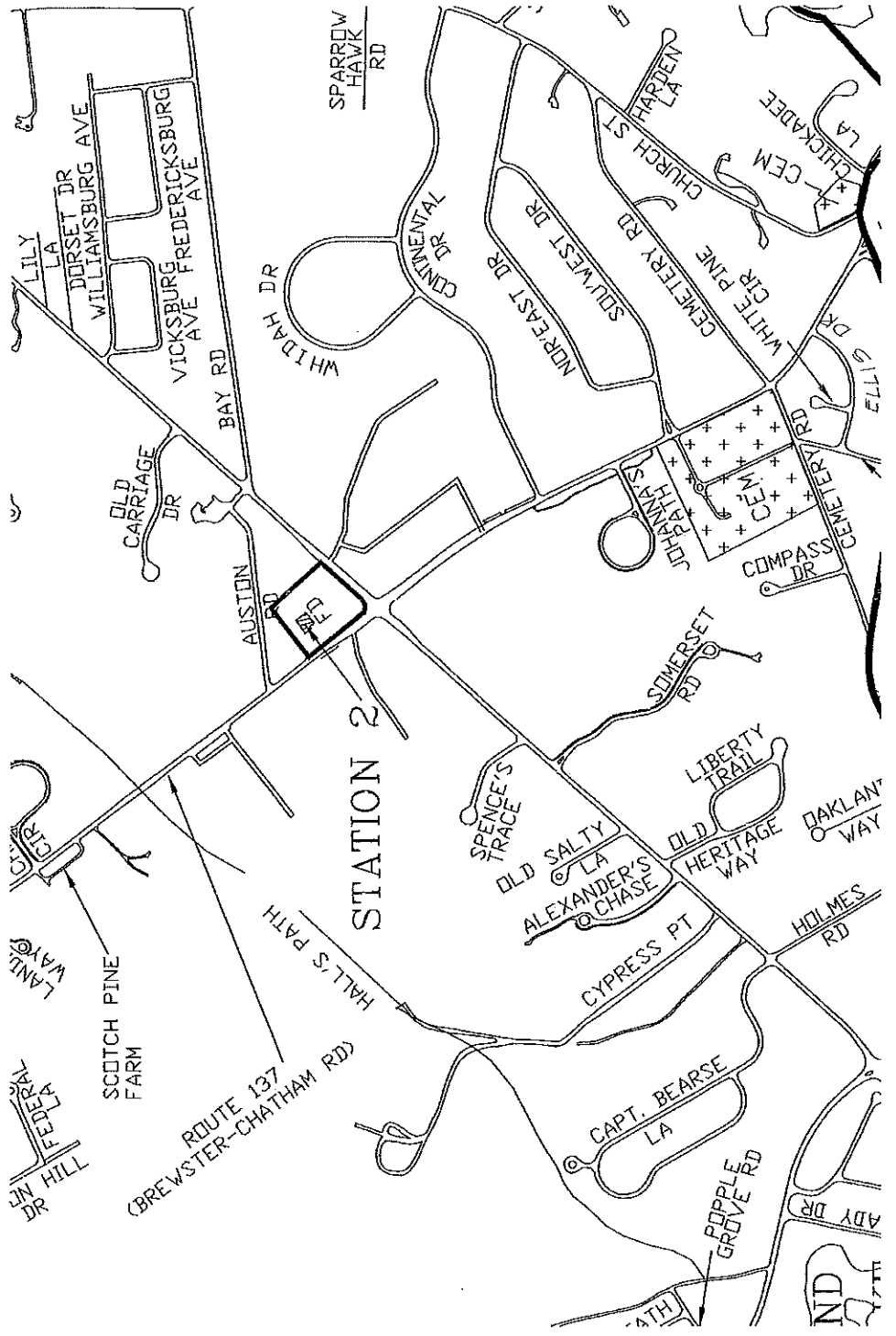
FUND PLANS AND BID DOCUMENTS FOR STATION 2

ARTICLE 15: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds or borrow a sufficient sum of money to hire an architectural firm to develop construction plans and bid documents for construction/renovation of Fire Station 2 at 149 Route 137. The appropriation authorized by this vote shall not take effect until the Town votes to exempt from the limitation on total taxes imposed by M.G.L. Chapter 59, Section borrowing authorized under this article, and to act fully thereon. By request of the Fire Chief. Estimated cost: \$310,000

Explanation: Harwich Fire Station #2 Rehab & Renovation Committee was tasked with developing a conceptual plan for construction/renovation of Fire Station 2. The conceptual plan was presented to both the Board of Selectmen and the Finance Committee, which supported the proposal. This step in the process is to fund the development of construction plans and bid documents. The next step would be to come back to the Town Meeting in 2018 for funding to construct/renovate Fire Station 2, the total estimated cost is \$4,000,000.

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THIS ARTICLE BE ACCEPTED AND ADOPTED WITH \$310,000 BEING RAISED FOR THIS PURPOSE. THE APPROPRIATION AUTHORIZED BY THIS VOTE SHALL NOT TAKE EFFECT UNTIL THE TOWN VOTES TO EXEMPT FROM THE LIMITATION ON TOTAL TAXES IMPOSED BY G.L. C.59, §21C (PROPOSITION 2 ½). THIS VOTE WILL BE SUBJECT TO A TWO THIRDS TOWN MEETING VOTE TO PASS. IF PASSED THIS WILL LEAD TO AN ESTIMATED 4 MILLION DOLLARS REBUILD PROJECT. VOTE: YES-8, NO-0.

ATM Warrant Article # 15



ATM Warrant Article #15

LANDSCAPE RECLAMATION AND MAJOR TREE REMOVAL

ARTICLE 16: To see if the Town will vote to transfer \$43,000 from the Golf Improvement fund to continue landscape reclamation and tree removal specifically hole numbers 3, 5, and 6, but not restricted to other areas that the Golf Director and the Golf Committee deem necessary, and to act fully thereon. By request of the Director of Golf and the Golf Committee.

Explanation: The golf course continues to improve turf conditions throughout its existing fairways. Removal of growth that restricts both air and light enhances the playability of these fairways as recognized by consultation with the USGA, and with the endorsement of the Golf Committee, the Director, and the Supt. of the Green.

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THIS ARTICLE BE ACCEPTED AND ADOPTED WITH THE AMOUNT OF \$43,000 FROM THE GOLF REVOLVING FUND BE USED FOR THIS PURPOSE. THESE ARE ONGOING IMPROVMENTS TO THE GOLF COURSE WHICH ARE NOW PAID DIRECTLY FROM GOLF RECEIPTS WITH TOWN MEETING APPROVAL. VOTE: YES-8, NO-0.

IRRIGATION UPGRADE AND SYSTEM REBUILD

ARTICLE 17: To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of \$39, 000 from the Golf Improvement fund to replace the “master controller” for the CVGC irrigation system, and to act fully thereon. By request of the Director of Golf and the Golf Committee

Explanation: This is the necessary first step in rebuilding the irrigation infrastructure for the CVGC operation. This methodical step by step approach completely funded by the Golf Improvement Fund will save taxpayers substantially and will be completed within 5 years.

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THIS ARTICLE BE ACCEPTED AND ADOPTED WITH THE AMOUNT OF \$39,000 FROM THE GOLF REVOLVING FUND BE USED FOR THIS PURPOSE. THIS IS A REBUILD OF THE MASTER COMPUTER COMPONENTS THAT RUN THE IRRIGATION SYSTEM, AND CAN BE PAID DIRECTLY FROM GOLF RECEIPTS WITH TOWN MEETING APPROVAL. VOTE: YES-8, NO-0.

RECONSTRUCTION OF MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS INFRASTRUCTURE
AT CRANBERRY VALLEY GOLF COURSE (CVGC)

ARTICLE 18 : To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds or borrow a sufficient sum of money to fund the reconstruction of the CVGC Cart Barn with a new facility - Solar capable, with the ability to house a state of the art electric golf car fleet, re-skin and re- roof the major existing maintenance “storage” facility, provide environmental upgrades, and reconfigure the existing car parking lot and

lanes and access to the Club House and Pro Shop facilities with appropriate enhancements, and to act fully thereon. The appropriation authorized by this vote shall not take effect until the Town votes to exempt from the limitation on total taxes imposed by M.G.L. Chapter 59, Section 21C (Proposition 2 ½) the amounts required to pay the principal of any interest on any borrowing authorized under this article, and to act fully thereon. By request of the Director of Golf and the Golf Committee. Estimated cost \$1,200,000.

Explanation: Last year the Town voted to approve the establishment of a "Infrastructure Revitalization Fund" for golf operations. The monies now accrued in this fund will give the Town's golf department the maximum amount of money to self fund this obligation. The benefit derived from this investment will address long standing needs to maintain the competitiveness of the CVGC operation now and in the future.

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THIS ARTICLE BE ACCEPTED AND ADOPTED WITH \$1,200,000 BEING RAISED FOR THIS PURPOSE. THE APPROPRIATION AUTHORIZED BY THIS VOTE SHALL NOT TAKE EFFECT UNTIL THE TOWN VOTES TO EXEMPT FROM THE LIMITATION ON TOTAL TAXES IMPOSED BY G.L. C.59, §21C PROPOSITION 2 ½). THIS VOTE WILL BE SUBJECT TO A TWO THIRDS TOWN MEETING VOTE TO PASS. THIS IS PART OF THE ONGOING CAPITAL PLAN FOR CVGC. VOTE: YES-8, NO-0.

FUND THE REPLACEMENT OF THE ROUND COVE BOAT RAMP

ARTICLE 19: To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds the remaining balance of funds contained in the following articles funded by Free Cash: Article 23 of 2010 Annual Town Meeting (\$7,600), Article 14 of 2014 Annual Town Meeting (\$159,812.01), and Article 33 of 2014 Annual Town Meeting (\$9,658.24). Said transfer of funds to be used for the replacement of the Round Cove boat ramp, and to act fully thereon. By request of the Harbormaster. Estimated cost: \$177,070.25

Explanation: The existing public boat ramp at Round Cove landing is poorly constructed and in very poor condition. Every year several boat trailers get hung-up on the leading edge of the ramp because it is too short and not properly pitched, causing significant damage to trailers. With close to 180 permitted moorings in Round Cove and Pleasant Bay, the ramp is heavily used throughout the boating season. Construction costs above the \$177,070.25 will be requested to be paid for out of the department's Mooring Account (fund #1621); Town Administrator is the approving authority. The total estimated cost is \$200,000.

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THIS ARTICLE BE ACCEPTED AND ADOPTED AND \$177,000 BE FUNDED FROM THE BALANCES OF OLD ARTICLES AS LISTED IN THE ARTICLE. VOTE: YES-8, NO-0.

FUND THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE SAQUATUCKET HARBOR LANDSIDE
RENOVATIONS

ARTICLE 20: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds or borrow a sufficient sum of money to fund the construction of Saquatucket Harbor landside renovations, to include a new Harbormaster Office building, a leased snack shack, six rented seasonal vendor shacks, a boardwalk with viewing areas that overlook the marina, and a passenger boat ticket office area for booths and a Harbormaster Department maintenance facility building on the former Downey Property. The appropriation authorized by this vote shall not take effect until the Town votes to exempt from the limitation on total taxes imposed by M.G.L. Chapter 59, Section 21C (Proposition 2 ½) the amounts required to pay the principal of any interest on any borrowing authorized under this article, and further authorize the Board of Selectmen to accept any State, Federal or private grant monies available for this purpose, and to act fully thereon. By request of the Harbormaster. Estimated cost: \$3,000,000

Explanation: In October 2014, the Board of Selectmen established the Saquatucket Development Committee with a charge to develop a conceptual site plan that integrated the newly purchased 2.2 acre Downey property with the 5.2 acre Saquatucket Harbor property for the purpose of supporting the expansion of the municipal marina, encouraging the restoration of degraded wetland and river frontage and providing options for increased economic development. Seeking input from all interested citizens and groups at numerous public meetings, the resulting proposed plan improves the safety of public access, improves the efficiency of harbor operations, and enhances the character, beauty, and attractiveness of the harbor for boaters and non-boaters alike. Also included in the plan are a new facility septic system, creative landscaping, and the addition of much needed vehicle parking spaces (approx. 80).

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THIS ARTICLE BE ACCEPTED AND ADOPTED WITH \$3,000,000 BEING RAISED FOR THIS PURPOSE. THE APPROPRIATION AUTHORIZED BY THIS VOTE SHALL NOT TAKE EFFECT UNTIL THE TOWN VOTES TO EXEMPT FROM THE LIMITATION ON TOTAL TAXES IMPOSED BY G.L. C.59, §21C PROPOSITION 2 ½). THIS VOTE WILL BE SUBJECT TO A TWO THIRDS TOWN MEETING VOTE TO PASS. LAST YEAR TOWN MEETING APPROVED THE WATER SIDE RENOVATION OF THE HARBOR AND WITH THE PURCHASE OF ADDITIONAL LAND FROM THE DOWNEY PROPERTY IS READY TO PROCEED WITH A TOWN MEETING VOTE. WATER RATES AND THE SALE OF THE BANK STREET PROPERTY WILL HELP DEFRAY THE COSTS OF THIS PROJECT. VOTE: YES-8, NO-0.

PURCHASE AND EQUIP VEHICLES FOR THE DPW

ARTICLE 21: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and or transfer from available funds a sufficient sum of money to purchase and equip the following vehicles:

Volvo Loader (Disposal)	\$ 200,000
John Deere Tractor (Highway)	\$ 115,000
C&D Trailer (Disposal)	\$ 75,000

and, to further authorize the trade-in or sale of the 1996 Volvo Loader toward the purchase price, where the Board of Selectmen find that the vehicle cannot be utilized elsewhere in Town, and to act fully thereon. By request of the DPW Director. Estimated cost: \$390,000.

Explanation:

Volvo Loader - The current loader has over 33,000 hours on it, which is the equivalent of approximately 1,650,000 road miles.

John Deere Tractor - The current 1996 Ford Tractor is rusting apart from its many years of pulling the Surf Rake on the beaches. With a swing-arm mower attachment, the new tractor would also be utilized during the off season for roadside mowing.

C&D Trailer - This new trailer would augment the two existing trailers and improve operational efficiency. A third C&D trailer would alleviate the need to haul a full trailer immediately and allow more flexibility in managing the Town's C&D waste.

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THIS ARTICLE BE ACCEPTED AND ADOPTED WITH THE AMOUNT OF \$390,000 FROM AVAILABLE FUNDS TO PURCHASE NEW ITEMS FOR THE DPW DEPARTMENT. THIS WILL INCREASE EFFICINCY AT THE LANDFILL IN HANDELING C & D WASTE. THE FEES CHARGED FOR THIS MATERIAL GOES IN TO THE TOWN'S GENERAL FUND. VOTE: YES-8, NO-0

ROAD MAINTENANCE PROGRAM

ARTICLE 22: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds or borrow in accordance with Ch.44 of the M.G.L., or any other authorizing authority, the sum of \$700,000 to fund the Road Maintenance Program as requested in the Capital Plan for FY18. The appropriation authorized by this vote shall not take effect until the Town votes to exempt from the limitation on total taxes imposed by M.G.L. c.59 § 21c (Proposition 2 ½) the amounts required to pay the principal of and the interest on any borrowing authorized under this article, and to act fully thereon. By request of the DPW Director. Estimated cost: \$700,000

Explanation: The capital request for road maintenance is for \$700k for FY 18, which we anticipate being augmented by approximately \$700k in Chapter 90 funds. The capital project request form lists 5 years of our road maintenance plan with cash flows of approximately \$1.4M each year and has our 5 year Road Maintenance Plan attached.

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THIS ARTICLE BE ACCEPTED AND ADOPTED WITH THE AMOUNT OF \$700,000 FROM DEBT EXCLUSION. THIS EXPENDITURE WILL PROVIDE SUFFICIENT FUNDS FOR THE DPW TO CONTINUE MAINTAINING TOWN ROADS AS REQUIRED BY TOWN RESIDENTS. THE APPROPRIATION AUTHORIZED BY THIS VOTE SHALL NOT TAKE EFFECT UNTIL THE TOWN VOTES TO EXEMPT FROM THE LIMITATION ON TOTAL TAXES IMPOSED BY G.L. C.59, §21C (PROPOSITION 2 ½). VOTE: YES-8, NO-0.

FUND THE PURCHASE OF VEHICLES FOR THE WATER DEPARTMENT

ARTICLE 23: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds, a sufficient sum of money for the purchase of a 2017 Ford Super Duty F-350 SRW (X3B) XL 4WD SuperCab 6.75' Box and a 2017 Ford Super Duty F-350 SRW (F3B) XL 4WD Reg Cab 8' Box. These vehicles are to replace a 2004 F-150 and 2007 Ford Ranger, and to act fully thereon. By request of the Board of Water Commissioners and the Superintendent. Estimated cost: \$107,855.50

Explanation: The two trucks being replaced are very undersized for the work they perform on a daily basis resulting in many expensive repairs. The new trucks have been sized appropriately, and will also be able to provide support with snow removal efforts.

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THIS ARTICLE BE ACCEPTED AND ADOPTED AND THAT \$107,856 BE TRANSFERRED FROM WATER RATES. THESE TWO NEW VEHICLES WILL REPLACE TWO OLD ONES WHICH ARE USED IN THE DAILY OPERAION OF THE DEPARTMENT AND THE OVERALL NUMBER OF VEHICLES FOR THE DEPARTMENT WILL REMAIN THE SAME. VOTE: YES-8, NO-0.

FUND THE REPLACEMENT OF OLD WATER SERVICES ALONG THE NATIONAL GRID PROJECT ROUTE

ARTICLE 24: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$400,000 to replace the old metal water services with HDPE pipe from the water main to the curb stop along the National Grid project route (Great Western, Queen Anne Road, Route 39, Main Street, Depot Street, Depot Road) and for the payment of all other costs incidental and related thereto, and to determine whether this amount shall be raised by taxation, transfer from available funds, or borrowing or otherwise provided, and to act fully thereon. By request of the Board of Water Commissioners and the Superintendent. Estimated cost: \$400,000

Explanation: This work is to be completed as part of the department's preventative maintenance program in advance of the curb to curb repaving, and will ensure the road will not need to be cut for repairs during the Road Cut Moratorium. The labor and construction components will be put out to bid. Supplies will be provided by Water Department.

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THIS ARTICLE BE ACCEPTED AND ADOPTED AND THAT \$400,000 BE TRANSFERRED FROM WATER FUNDS. IN ADVANCE OF PAVING SEVERAL STATE ROADS IN TOWN BY NATIONAL GRID THE WATER DEPARTMENT WILL REPLACE PIPES LEADING FROM THE MAIN TO THE CURB. THIS WILL HELP TO REDUCE THE NEED TO REOPEN NEWLY PAVED ROADS AS LISTED. VOTE: YES-8, NO-0.

RESERVE FOR FUTURE APPROPRIATION AMOUNTS FROM FY 2017
COMMUNITY PRESERVATION FUND ESTIMATED ANNUAL REVENUES

ARTICLE 25: To see if the Town will vote to reserve for future appropriations amounts from the FY 2018 Community Preservation Act Fund estimated annual revenues as recommended by the Community Preservation Committee as follows:

- A sum of money for the acquisition, creation and preservation of open space;
- A sum of money for the acquisition, preservation, restoration and rehabilitation of historic resources;
- A sum of money for the acquisition, creation, preservation and support of community housing; and
- A sum of money for the Community Preservation Act Fund FY 2018 Undesignated Reserve; and to act fully thereon. By request of the Community Preservation Committee.
- A sum of money for administrative expenses (if needed)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS NO RECOMMENDATION PENDING FURTHER INFORMATION (NRPFI). FINCOM VOTES NRPFIF WHEN, AT THE TIME THE WARRANT IS PRINTED, IT HAD INSUFFICIENT OR INCOMPLETE INFORMATION TO MAKE AN INFORMED RECOMMENDATION. IT DOES NOT IMPLY A NEGATIVE FINCOM VIEW, ONLY AN INCOMPLETE UNDERSTANDING OF THE ARTICLE SO VOTED. FINCOM WILL MAKE ITS FINAL RECOMMENDATION AT TOWN MEETING AFTER HAVING RECEIVED FURTHER INFORMATION. VOTE: YES-6, NO-0, ABSTAIN 1.

FUND LAND BANK DEBT SERVICE

ARTICLE 26: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from Community Preservation Act Funds-Undesignated Fund Balance, \$610,000 to fund the Debt Service on the outstanding Land Bank Debt. Any funds left unspent from this Article are to be returned to the Community Preservation Act Funds-Undesignated Fund Balance, and to act fully thereon. By request of the Community Preservation Committee and the Town Administrator. Estimated Cost: \$610,000.

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THIS ARTICLE BE ACCEPTED AND ADOPTED WITH THE AMOUNT OF \$608,950 BE TRANSFERRED FROM

COMMUNITY PRESERVATION ACT FUNDS TO THE TOWN OPERATING BUDGET TO PAY THE ON-GOING LAND BAND DEBT. VOTE YES-7, NO-0.

RESTORATION OF THE CHASE LIBRARY CHIMNEY

ARTICLE 27: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from Community Preservation Act Funds-Historic Reserve, \$5,100 to fund the restoration of the chimney at the Chase Library and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into a grant agreement with the Chase Library. Any funds left unspent from this Article are to be returned to the Community Preservation Act Funds-Historic Reserve, and to act fully thereon. By request of the Community Preservation Committee and the Chase Library Trustees.

Estimated Cost: \$5,100

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THIS ARTICLE BE ACCEPTED AND ADOPTED WITH THE AMOUNT OF \$5,100 BE TRANSFERRED FROM COMMUNITY PRESERVATION ACT FUNDS FOR THIS PURPOSE BY REQUEST OF THE CPC. VOTE: YES-6, NO-1.

WHITEHOUSE FIELD IRRIGATION SYSTEM REPLACEMENT

ARTICLE 28: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from Community Preservation Act Funds-Undesignated Fund Balance, \$28,500 to replace the irrigation system at Whitehouse Field. Any funds left unspent from this Article are to be returned to the Community Preservation Act Funds-Undesignated Fund Balance, and to act fully thereon. By request of the Community Preservation Committee and the Harwich Recreation and Youth Commission. Estimated Cost: \$28,500.

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS NO RECOMMENDATION PENDING FURTHER INFORMATION (NRPFI). FINCOM VOTES NRPFI WHEN, AT THE TIME THE WARRANT IS PRINTED, IT HAD INSUFFICIENT OR INCOMPLETE INFORMATION TO MAKE AN INFORMED RECOMMENDATION. IT DOES NOT IMPLY A NEGATIVE FINCOM VIEW, ONLY AN INCOMPLETE UNDERSTANDING OF THE ARTICLE SO VOTED. FINCOM WILL MAKE ITS FINAL RECOMMENDATION AT TOWN MEETING AFTER HAVING RECEIVED FURTHER INFORMATION. VOTE: YES-7, NO-0.

BROOKS PARK EXPANSION/IMPROVEMENT PHASE 4

ARTICLE 29: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from Community Preservation Act Funds-Undesignated Fund Balance, \$167,900 to replace the playground equipment, add a restroom and provide other park amenities at Brooks Park. Any funds left unspent from this Article are to be returned to the Community Preservation Act Funds-Undesignated Fund Balance, and to act fully thereon. By request of the Community Preservation Committee and the Harwich Recreation and Youth Commission. Estimated Cost: \$167,900.

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THIS ARTICLE BE ACCEPTED AND ADOPTED IN THE AMOUNT OF \$167,900. IT IS ANTICIPATED BY THE FINANCE COMMITTEE THAT THERE WILL BE ONE PHASE DEALING WITH LIGHTING TO FULLY COMPLETE THIS PROJECT. VOTE YES-7, NO-0.

VETERANS MEMORIAL FIELD FITNESS STATIONS

ARTICLE 30: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from Community Preservation Act Funds-Undesignated Fund Balance, \$13,800 to add a series of 20 fitness apparatus stations around the Veterans Memorial Field track. Any funds left unspent from this Article are to be returned to the Community Preservation Act Funds-Undesignated Fund Balance, and to act fully thereon. By request of the Community Preservation Committee and the Harwich Recreation and Youth Commission. Estimated Cost: \$13,800.

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THIS ARTICLE BE ACCEPTED AND ADOPTED WITH THE AMOUNT OF \$13,800 BE USED TO REPLACE THE ENTIRE SYSTEM. FUNDS TO BE TRANSFERRED FROM COMMUNITY PRESERVATION ACT FUNDS FOR THIS PURPOSE BY REQUEST OF THE CPC. VOTE YES-7, NO-0, ABSTAIN-1.

RESTORATION OF FENCE RAILS AT EVERGREEN CEMETERY

ARTICLE 31: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from Community Preservation Act Funds-Historic Reserve, \$39,000 to use for restoration of the fence rails at Evergreen Cemetery. Any funds left unspent from this Article are to be returned to the Community Preservation Act Funds-Historic Reserve, and to act fully thereon. By request of the Community Preservation Committee and the Harwich Cemetery Department and Commission. Estimated Cost: \$39,000.

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THIS ARTICLE BE ACCEPTED AND ADOPTED WITH THE AMOUNT OF \$39,000 BE USED TO REPLACE FENCE RAILS. FUNDS TO BE TRANSFERRED FROM COMMUNITY PRESERVATION ACT FUNDS FOR THIS PURPOSE BY REQUEST OF THE CPC. VOTE YES-8, NO-0.

REIMBURSE THE HARWICH CONSERVATION TRUST

ARTICLE 32: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds or borrow a sufficient sum of money to reimburse the Harwich Conservation Trust for overpayment of the purchase of property for Conservation purposes known as Sutphin Property, and to act fully thereon. The Harwich Conservation Trust overpayment was in the amount of \$73,000. By request of the Board of Selectmen. Estimated cost: \$73,000

Explanation: At the May 6, 2014 Special Town Meeting, appropriation was made towards the purchase of two parcels of Sutphin property for conservation purposes. The funding

source identified in the article is twofold, the first \$220,000 from Community Preservation Act funding with \$73,000 coming from the Harwich Conservation Trust (HCT). The HCT provided the funds to the Town in October 2014 and a check was prepared in the same month assuming that a closing would occur timely. Due to issues on the Sutphin side, the closing has been delayed for an extended period. Our Finance Director has indicated that the \$73,000 from the HCT that should have been put into a gift account was left in the General Fund. At the conclusion of FY15, the \$73,000 was converted to free cash. The Town has an obligation to replace the \$73,000 from HCT. Due to the length of time related to the closing and a desire to complete the Sutphin acquisition, HCT has agreed to come up with an additional \$73,000 towards the Sutphin closing and is willing to wait for reimbursement of the original \$73,000.

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THIS ARTICLE BE ACCEPTED AND ADOPTED IN THE AMOUNT OF \$73,000 OF AVAILABLE FUNDS TO REPLACE AN OVER PAYMENT FROM THE HARWICH CONSERVATION TRUST. VOTE YES-8, NO-0.

SALE OF TOWN-OWNED LAND – 4 CENTRAL AVENUE

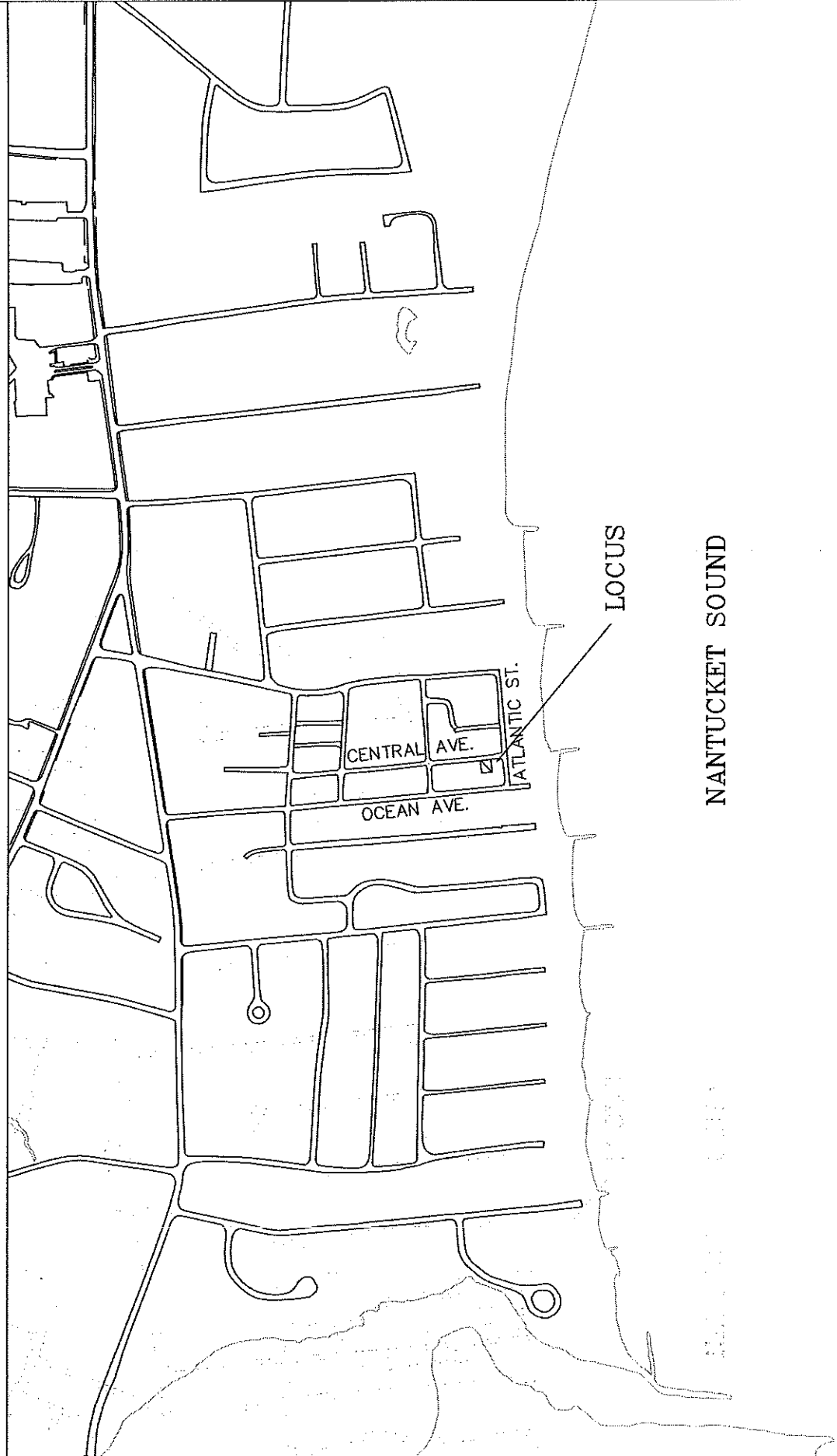
ARTICLE 33: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to sell 4 Central Avenue used for general municipal use as surplus property. The parcel is identified on Assessor's Map 6B, Parcel L134 and is approximately 0.04 of an acre, and to act fully thereon. By request of the Board of Selectmen.

Explanation: Real Estate and Open Space has identified this tiny parcel as one for sale. No Town Departments requested this parcel for municipal use. The Board of Selectmen has declared it as surplus. The parcel will be offered for sale. The Board of Selectmen will enter into a Purchase and Sale and sell the parcel.

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THIS ARTICLE BE ACCEPTED AND ADOPTED. THIS WILL PUT SURPLUS LAND BACK ON THE TAX ROLLS AND HELP PRODUCE REVENUE FOR THE TOWN. VOTE YES-8, NO-0.

ARTICLE: 33

ASSESSORS MAP, 6B PARCEL, L134
ADDRESS, 4 CENTRAL AVENUE

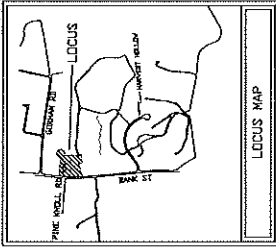
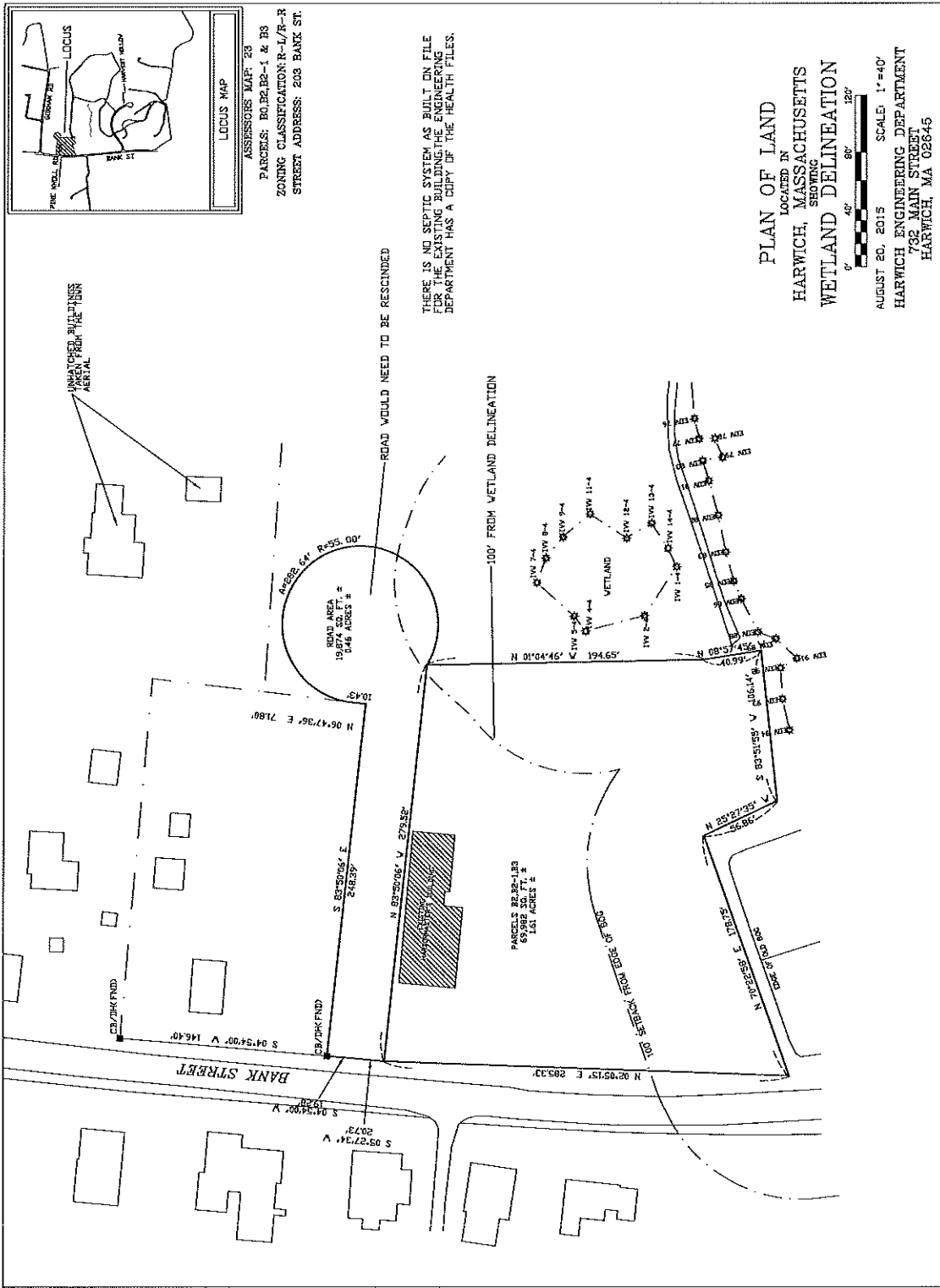


SALE OF TOWN-OWNED LAND – 203 BANK STREET

ARTICLE 34: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to sell 203 Bank Street used for general municipal use as surplus property. The current Harbormaster's Maintenance Facility will be relocated. The four parcels contain approximately 2.08 acres identified on Assessor's Map 32, Parcel R7-B and Assessor's Map 23, Parcels B2, B2-1, and B2-3. Proceeds of the sale are to be used to offset capital costs to construct the Harbormaster's Maintenance Facility at Saquatucket Harbor, and to act fully thereon. By request of the Board of Selectmen.

Explanation: The Board of Selectmen anticipates a relocation of the Harbormaster's maintenance facility area from Bank Street to Saquatucket Harbor. Proceeds from the sale of this property will be used to offset construction costs of the new facility. The building and land will be used for private purposes.

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THIS ARTICLE BE ACCEPTED AND ADOPTED. THIS WILL PUT SURPLUS LAND AND THE OLD BANK STREET FIRE STATION BACK ON THE TAX ROLLS AND HELP PRODUCE REVENUE FOR THE TOWN. VOTE: YES-7, NO-1.



ASSESSOR'S MAP: 28
 PARCELS: 80, 82, 84-1 & 83
 ZONING CLASSIFICATION: R-1/R-2
 STREET ADDRESS: 203 BANK ST.

ROAD WOULD NEED TO BE RESCINDED

THERE IS NO SEPTIC SYSTEM AS BUILT ON FILE FOR THE EXISTING BUILDING. THE ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT HAS A COPY OF THE HEALTH FILES.

PLAN OF LAND
 LOCATED IN
 HARWICH, MASSACHUSETTS
 SHOWING
 WETLAND DELINEATION



AUGUST 20, 2015 SCALE: 1"=40'
 HARWICH ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT
 732 MAIN STREET
 HARWICH, MA 02845

ATM Warrant Article 34 - 203 Bank Street

LEASE OF THE SAQUATUCKET LANDSIDE PROPERTY

ARTICLE 35: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to lease on such terms and conditions as the Board of Selectmen deem in the best interests of the Town all or a portion of Saquatucket Harbor landside property and the so-called Downey property, as shown on a sketch plan entitled "Saquatucket Harbor Landside Improvements" for boat storage, passenger boat ticketing and retail/restaurant-related purposes, for a term not to exceed 10 years, including all extension and renewal options; said property having been acquired for general municipal purposes; and to act fully thereon. This parcel is identified on Assessor's Map 15, Parcel H4 and is 2.95 acres. By request of the Harbormaster and Town Administrator

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THIS ARTICLE BE ACCEPTED AND ADOPTED. THIS IS AN AUTHORIZATION FOR THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN TO LEASE ARTIST SHACKS, TICKET BOOTHS, SNACK SHACK AND OTHER AREAS AT THE HARBOR AFTER THE RENOVATION OF THE PROPERTIES. VOTE: YES-8, NO-0.

PEG ACCESS AND CABLE RELATED FUND ACCEPTANCE

ARTICLE 36: To see if the Town will vote to accept General Laws Chapter 44, Section 53F³/₄, which establishes a special revenue fund known as the PEG Access and Cable Related Fund, to reserve cable franchise fees and other cable-related revenues for appropriation to support PEG access services and oversight and renewal of the cable franchise agreement, the fund to begin operation for fiscal year 2018, which begins on July 1, 2017, and to act fully thereon. By request of the Board of Selectmen.

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THIS ARTICLE BE ACCEPTED AND ADOPTED. VOTE: YES-8, NO-0.

AMEND THE CODE OF THE TOWN OF HARWICH - ZONING BY-LAWS TO INCLUDE NEW ARTICLE XXII, §325-134 – "TEMPORARY MORATORIA"

ARTICLE 37: To see if the Town will vote to amend the Code of the Town of Harwich – Zoning By-laws by adding the following new section 325-134:

XXII "TEMPORARY MORATORIUM ON THE SALE AND DISTRIBUTION OF RECREATIONAL MARIJUANA", and further to amend the Table of Contents to add Article XXII. "Temporary Moratorium on the Sale and Distribution of Recreational Marijuana" and the ensuing parts as proposed herein.

§325-134 Purpose

By vote at the State election on November 8, 2016, the voters of the Commonwealth approved a law regulating the cultivation, distribution, possession and use of marijuana for recreational purposes. The law took effect on December 15, 2016 and (as amended on December 30, 2016; Chapter 351 of the Acts of 2016) requires a Cannabis Control Commission to issue regulations

regarding the licensing of commercial activities by March 15, 2018 and begin accepting applications for licenses on April 1, 2018.

Currently under the Zoning Bylaw, non-medical Marijuana Establishments (hereinafter a "Recreational Marijuana Establishment") as defined in G.L. c.94G, §1 are not a permitted use in the Town and any regulations promulgated by the State Cannabis Control Commission are expected to provide guidance to the Town in regulating Recreational Marijuana Establishments. Further, the Act establishes a provision that involves ballot action by the Town whereby the Town may, by ballot, determine whether it will prohibit Recreational Marijuana Establishments within the Town

The regulation of Recreational Marijuana Establishments and Marijuana Retailers raise novel and complex legal, planning, and public safety issues, and the Town needs time to study and consider the regulation of Recreational Marijuana Establishments and address such issues, as well as to address the potential impact of the State regulations on local zoning and to undertake a planning process to consider amending the Zoning Bylaw regarding regulation of Recreational Marijuana Establishments and other uses related to the regulation of recreational marijuana. The Town intends to adopt a temporary moratorium on the use of land and structures in the Town for Recreational Marijuana Establishments so as to allow the Town sufficient time to engage in a planning process to address the effects of such structures and uses in the Town and to adopt provisions of the Zoning Bylaw in a manner consistent with sound land use planning goals and objectives.

§325-135 Definitions

"Manufacture", to compound, blend, extract, infuse or otherwise make or prepare a marijuana product.

"Marijuana accessories", equipment, products, devices or materials of any kind that are intended or designed for use in planting, propagating, cultivating, growing, harvesting, manufacturing, compounding, converting, producing, processing, preparing, testing, analyzing, packaging, repackaging, storing, containing, ingesting, inhaling or otherwise introducing marijuana into the human body.

"Marijuana cultivator", an entity licensed to cultivate, process and package marijuana, to deliver marijuana to marijuana establishments and to transfer marijuana to other marijuana establishments, but not to consumers,

"Marijuana establishment", a marijuana cultivator, marijuana testing facility, marijuana product manufacturer, marijuana retailer or any other type of licensed marijuana-related business.

"Marijuana product manufacturer", an entity licensed to obtain, manufacture, process and package marijuana and marijuana products, to deliver marijuana and marijuana products to marijuana establishments and to transfer marijuana and marijuana products to other marijuana establishments, but not to consumers.

"Marijuana products", products that have been manufactured and contain marijuana or an extract from marijuana, including concentrated forms of marijuana and products composed of marijuana

and other ingredients that are intended for use or consumption, including edible products, beverages, topical products, ointments, oils and tinctures.

"Marijuana testing facility", an entity licensed to test marijuana and marijuana products, including certification for potency and the presence of contaminants.

"Marijuana retailer", an entity licensed to purchase and deliver marijuana and marijuana products from marijuana establishments and to deliver, sell or otherwise transfer marijuana and marijuana products to marijuana establishments and to consumers.

§325-136 Temporary Moratorium.

For the reasons set forth above and notwithstanding any other provision of the Zoning Bylaw to the contrary, the Town hereby adopts a temporary moratorium on the use of land or structures for Recreational Marijuana Establishments. The moratorium shall be in effect through June 30, 2018. During the moratorium period, the Town shall undertake a planning process to address the potential impacts of recreational marijuana in the Town, consider the Cannabis Control Commission's regulations regarding Recreational Marijuana Establishments and related uses, determine whether the town shall, by ballot measure, restrict any, or all Recreational Marijuana Establishments and shall consider adopting new provisions of the Zoning Bylaw to address the impact and operation of Recreational Marijuana Establishments and related uses,

§325-137 Severability. The provisions of this by-law are severable. If any provision, paragraph, sentence, or clause of this By-law or the application thereof to any person, establishment, or circumstances shall be held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect the other provisions or application of this bylaw."

And to act fully thereon. By request of the Board of Selectmen

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THIS ARTICLE BE ACCEPTED AND ADOPTED. VOTE: YES-8, NO-0.

VARIOUS AMENDMENTS TO THE HARWICH HOME RULE CHARTER

ARTICLE 38: To see if the Town will vote to propose the following amendments to the Harwich Home Rule Charter, to be approved by the voters at the next annual Town election as follows (Deletions shown in strike through and new text shown as underlined):

1. Amend Chapter 3 subsection 3-7-3, Prohibitions, as follows:

3-7-3 Members of the board of selectmen shall be eligible to serve, ~~to the extent permitted by law, as ex officio members of~~ as liaisons to appointed and elected town agencies. A liaison for any elected town agency or committee shall be appointed by a majority vote of the entire board of selectmen and shall be for the sole purpose of efficient communication between the board of selectmen and the affected appointed and/or elected town agency.

2. Amend Chapter 3 subsection 3-6-1, Powers of Appointment, as follows:

3-6-1 Except as may otherwise be provided by General Laws, this charter, or the personnel by-law, the board of selectmen shall have the power to appoint and remove: a) a town administrator as provided in chapter 4; b) a town counsel; c) a ~~town accountant~~ a finance director; d) a police chief; e) a fire chief; f) 3 assessors for overlapping 3-year terms; g) 3 members of a board of registrars of voters for overlapping 3-year terms; h) election officers; and i) 1 or more constables.

3. Amend Chapter 7 subsection 7-1-2, Advertising of Vacancies and Appointing Town Agencies, as follows:

7-1-2 To further promote a maximum level of qualified, active, and interested citizen participation on appointed town agencies, the board of selectmen shall advertise all vacancies and impending appointments. This advertising shall enumerate the vacancies that are to be filled and shall solicit the submission of a citizen activity record form from persons willing and able to serve. The advertisements shall be posted in a manner consistent with open meeting law postings (including on the Town's web site) and may be published in a newspaper of general circulation in the town. and shall be made once a week for a minimum of two weeks after the vacancy arises Vacancies shall remain posted/advertised a minimum of two weeks prior to an appointment by the board of selectmen.

4. Amend Chapter 7 subsection 7-2-2, General Provisions, as follows:

7-2-2 All town agencies of the town shall; a) organize annually at the first meeting after the beginning of the town's fiscal year (July 1 - June 30); b) elect ~~necessary officers~~ a chair, a vice-chair and a clerk; c) adopt rules of procedure and voting; d) maintain minutes and records of attendance, copies of which shall be a public record and regularly filed with the town clerk; and e) nominate prospective employees of their choice, who shall be considered for appointment by the town administrator, as provided in clause 4-4-2.

5. Amend Chapter 7 subsection 7-4-1, Board of Health, as follows:

7-4-1 A board of health of up to five members shall be appointed by the board of selectmen in such numbers as outlined in chapter 7, Article III, Boards and Committees, of the Town's bylaws for 3-year overlapping terms. One member, at least, shall be a doctor of medicine, or a person with significant experience in public health.

6. Amend Chapter 7 subsection 7-5-1, Planning Board, as follows:

7-5-1 A planning board of 9 members and 2 alternate members not less than 5 nor more than 9 members and 2 alternate members shall be appointed by the board of

selectmen for 3-year overlapping terms in such numbers as outlined in chapter 7, Article III, Boards and Committees, of the Town's by-laws.

7. Amend Chapter 7 subsection 7-6-1, Board of Assessors, as follows:

7-6-1 A board of assessors of ~~3 members~~ consisting of one, three, five, seven, or nine members shall be appointed by the board of selectmen in such numbers as outlined in chapter 7, Article III, Boards and Committees, of the Town's by-laws for 3-year overlapping terms. One member, at least, shall be professionally qualified for the duties of the office.

8. Amend Chapter 7 subsection 7-7-1, Conservation Commission, as follows:

7-7-1 A conservation commission of ~~7 members and 2 alternate members~~ not less than 3 nor more than 7 members and 2 alternate members shall be appointed by the board of selectmen in such numbers as outlined in chapter 7, Article III, Boards and Committees, of the Town's by-laws for 3-year overlapping terms.

9. Amend Chapter 7 subsection 7-8-1, Council on Aging, as follows:

7-8-1 A council on aging of ~~9 members~~ shall be appointed by the board of selectmen in such numbers as outlined in chapter 7, Article III, Boards and Committees, of the Town's by-laws for 3-year overlapping terms.

10. Amend Chapter 7 subsection 7-9-1, Historic District and Historical Commission, as follows:

7-9-1 A historic district and historical commission consisting of not less than 3 nor more than 7 members and 5 alternates shall be appointed by the board of selectmen ~~by the Board of Selectmen in accordance with the provisions of this charter and the General Laws as outlined in Article V of the By laws~~ in such numbers as outlined in chapter 7, Article III, Boards and Committees, of the Town's by-laws for 3-year overlapping terms.

11. Amend Chapter 7 subsection 7-10-1, Recreation and Youth Commission, as follows:

7-10-1 A recreation and youth commission of ~~7 members~~ shall be appointed by the board of selectmen in such numbers as outlined in chapter 7, Article III, Boards and Committees, of the Town's by-laws for 3-year overlapping terms.

12. Amend Chapter 7 subsection 7-11-1, Cultural Council, as follows:

7-11-1 A cultural council of ~~5 members~~ not less than 5 members nor more than 22 members shall be appointed by the board of selectmen for 3-year overlapping terms in such numbers as outlined in chapter 7, Article III, Boards and Committees, of the Town's by-laws in accordance with the General Laws of the Commonwealth of

Massachusetts. Members shall not be eligible to serve more than 2 consecutive terms.

13. Amend Chapter 7 subsection 7-12-1, Zoning Board of Appeals, as follows:

7-12-1 A zoning board of appeals of ~~5 members and 5 associate members~~ not less than 3 members nor more than 5 members and 5 associate members shall be appointed by the board of selectmen in such numbers as outlined in chapter 7, Article III, Boards and Committees, of the Town's by-laws for 3-year overlapping terms.

14. Amend Chapter 7 section 7-13, Golf Committee, as follows:

7-13-1 A golf committee of ~~7 members~~ shall be appointed by the board of selectmen in such numbers as outlined in chapter 7, Article III, Boards and Committees, of the Town's by-laws for 3-year overlapping terms.

7-13-2 The committee shall ~~have full power and responsibility for~~ recommend governing policies relating to the maintenance and operation of the municipal golf course for consideration by the board of selectmen.

15. Amend Chapter 7 subsection 7-14-1, Waterways committee, as follows:

7-14-1 waterways committee of ~~7 members and 2 alternate members~~ shall be appointed by the board of selectmen in such numbers as outlined in chapter 7, Article III, Boards and Committees, of the Town's by-laws for 3-year overlapping terms and shall be advisory to that board.

16. Amend Chapter 7 subsection 7-15-1, Cemetery Commission, as follows:

7-15-1 A cemetery commission of ~~3 members~~ shall be appointed by the board of selectmen in such numbers as outlined in chapter 7, Article III, Boards and Committees, of the Town's by-laws for 3-year overlapping terms.

17. Amend Chapter 7 subsection 7-16-1, By-law/Charter Review Committee, as follows:

7-16-1 A by-law/Charter Review Committee of ~~5 members~~ shall be appointed by the board of selectmen in such numbers as outlined in chapter 7, Article III, Boards and Committees, of the Town's by-laws for 3-year overlapping terms. The committee shall regularly review the by-laws of the town and submit proposed revisions to the town meeting at least once every 5 years. In addition, the committee shall regularly review the charter and submit proposed amendments to it to the board of selectmen under section 2 of chapter 10 of this charter.

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THIS ARTICLE BE ACCEPTED AND ADOPTED. IN GENERAL THESE ARE HOUSE KEEPING ITEMS THAT CLARIFY THE LANGUAGE IN SOME PARTS OF THE CHARTER AND HELP

**US TO BETER ALIGN THE TOWN WITH STATE LAWS AND REGULATIONS.
VOTE: YES-7, NO-1.**

DEFRAY THE EXPENSES OF THE CHASE LIBRARY AND HARWICH PORT
LIBRARY

ARTICLE 39: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of \$20,000 to help defray the expenses of the Chase Library and the Harwich Port Library; said funds to be expended under the direction of the Chase Library and Harwich Port Library Trustees, and to act fully thereon. By Petition. Estimated cost: \$20,000.

Explanation: Chase Library and Harwich Port Library are free, publicly supported libraries. Town funds have been appropriated either through the general budget or by articles since 1911 (Chase) and 1926 (Harwich Port). These funds are essential for continued operation and for the customary State reimbursements.

**FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THIS ARTICLE BE ACCEPTED AND
ADOPTED. VOTE YES-8, NO-0.**

PROMOTE THE TOWN OF HARWICH

ARTICLE 40: To see if the Town will vote to: raise and appropriate and/or transfer from available funds a sufficient sum of money for the Harwich Chamber of Commerce to promote the Town and its businesses and to advance economic development initiatives for and with the Town of Harwich. Said monies to be used to manage and fulfill year-round visitor/resident/business information services, to promote and market the Town, to generate and initiate materials and activities that encourage the establishment, growth and sustainability of businesses in Harwich, and to implement economic development objectives and activities in partnership with the Town, and to act fully thereon. By petition. Estimated cost: \$25,000

Explanation: For more than 58 years, Harwich Chamber of Commerce (HCC) has worked in the best interest of Harwich and for the people living in, working in and visiting the Town of Harwich. Since 1995, the citizens of Harwich, through the annual Town Meeting, have voted to fund warrant articles submitted by the Harwich Chamber of Commerce in support of its work promoting the community, providing needed informational services, and developing and advancing economic sustainability and development strategies. We are again requesting the Town's support for the Chamber's efforts in:

- (a) providing year-round informational services to visitors, residents, second homeowners, and businesses (over 74,000 visits to our Information Center in 2016)*
- (b) promoting the Town of Harwich and its new brand: The Warm Side of the Cape, thereby bringing much needed income into the community.*
- (c) Support of the Chamber's efforts, in partnership with the Town of Harwich, to develop and implement economic development initiatives to benefit the Town as defined by objectives in the Town's Local Comprehensive Plan.*

*(a) **Year-Round Information Services:** Harwich's Information Center is open 52 weeks a year. Combining this valuable resource with the Chamber's internet/website portals, as well as telephone and mail inquiries, Harwich Chamber annually provides more than 320,000 instances of contact with visitors, seasonal and year-round homeowners and residents, organizations and businesses. These connections offer the opportunity to market and promote the Town utilizing our new brand "The Warm Side of the Cape." By being available to meet the needs of our "customers" we are able to encourage patronage of our local amenities and businesses and to connect individuals and businesses with the appropriate Town offices and officials 12 months a year in a friendly, warm and upbeat fashion.*

*(b) **Promoting the Town of Harwich:** The Harwich Chamber continues to be the lead force in promoting the Town of Harwich. By utilizing a multi-faceted approach, HCC strives to position Harwich as a premier destination for local, regional, national and international individuals and families. The marketing strategies are aimed at encouraging residents, second homeowners (current and potential), and visitors to avail themselves of Harwich's recreational amenities, as well as for shopping, dining, vacations, day trips, events and festivals. The plan, which positions Harwich as a desired vacation destination and an outstanding place in which to live and work, includes:*

- 1. The Harwich Magazine, the Town's primary comprehensive printed and online resource for attracting tourists and visitors to Harwich, and for our residents, second home-owners and businesses.*
- 2. The HCC website's robust content complements the Magazine and links to a wide range of Town resources.*
- 3. Ancillary printed and on-line pieces, including specialized maps (cranberry bogs, lodging locator, dining locator, beaches, bike trail) that target market segments and interests.*
- 4. Media placements in local, regional and national publications.*
- 5. Online targeted ads geared towards establishing new residents, building our workforce and bringing in tax revenues for the town.*

Special events and festivals are about more than attracting people to town to enjoyable experiences. They are about defining key elements of Harwich's brand and about parlaying those assets into support for our businesses, non-profit organizations, and the community. For example, Fall for Harwich provided the umbrella under which thousands of people were invited to participate in a robust array of more than 30 events, including the half-marathon road race, music festival, bog walks, concerts, teas, arts & crafts, our first sidewalk sale and more. Fall for Harwich and Christmas in Harwich also provide opportunities for our local non-profits to raise badly needed funds and increase their visibility. In addition, the Chamber continues to actively engage in creating and implementing new events as well as expanding existing events. In 2016, the Chamber coordinated eight Port Summer Night Musical Strolls in Harwich Port, several musical concerts that combined opportunities with restaurants to increase meals off season with a night out and a show. We look forward to continue to expand these offerings in 2017.

***Economic Development:** HCC will continue to collaborate with the Town on economic*

development strategies and initiatives. Over this past year, HCC has worked tirelessly on behalf of the Town and its businesses and continues to do so. HCC has advocated for a strengthened technology infrastructure and better health insurance rates for small businesses. The Chamber has also provided training, counsel and support to dozens of small businesses struggling to survive in the current economic climate, and has met with several individuals considering locating their business in Harwich.

HCC continues to strengthen its collaboration with other local chambers of commerce through the Local Cape Chambers Collaborative (LC3) and the Lower Cape Chambers group. Among the many activities currently underway are:

- With LC3: meeting with the Economic Development Council on regional economic development priorities, identified by local chambers in consultation with town officials*
- With LC3: continued advocacy on transportation issues, including real time information, bridge issues, issues relating to drug use, attracting more traffic to the Regional Airport and more.*
- With Lower Cape Chambers: hosting the Annual Lower Cape Home & Garden Expo this year again to be held at the Cape Cod Tech, trainings (WISP and Roundtable Workshops), inter-chamber networking (giving greater business-to-business opportunities)*
- Parking and Connectivity: Explore opportunities for remote parking lots and transit service for harbors, beaches and other sites with high seasonal demand*

The Chamber is honored to partner with the Town on building a better community, but the Chamber relies on the Town's support to help achieve its goals. Without this support, the Chamber's marketing activities will be significantly reduced. We appreciate the past support of the Town of Harwich and request funding for these important, revenue-generating initiatives. Thank you for your consideration.

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THIS ARTICLE BE ACCEPTED AND ADOPTED AT \$25,000. VOTE YES-8, NO-0.

SUPPLEMENT ANNUAL ALLOCATION OF MASS CULTURAL COUNCIL FOR LOCAL CULTURAL COUNCIL GRANTS

ARTICLE 41: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer from available funds a sufficient sum of money to supplement the Massachusetts Cultural Council annual allocation for grant awards to artists, performers and interpretive scientists who bring events to local venues which enhance the cultural experience of Harwich citizens of all ages, and to act fully thereon. By request of the Harwich Cultural Council. Estimated Cost: \$3000.

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THIS ARTICLE BE ACCEPTED AND ADOPTED. VOTE YES-8, NO-0.

PROHIBIT THE DEMOLITION OF THE WEST HARWICH SCHOOL

ARTICLE 42: To see if the Town will vote to protect the historic and cultural resource of the town owned West Harwich Schoolhouse by prohibiting demolition and/or dismantling

and/or moving of the building to another part of town, to any other town or to any other state, and to act fully thereon. By Petition.

Explanation: The West Harwich Schoolhouse was built in 1871 and has been used for many purposes including a Veteran's Affairs office and a Youth Recreation center. It is a well built and highly adaptable building. As Captains' Row evolves into a walkable and vibrant neighborhood accenting our collective heritage and with plans for an improved Rt. 28 with design enhancements including lamp posts or benches or a pocket park and gently sidewalks the use of the schoolhouse could be invaluable. With 7 villages of Harwich each with its own distinct character, for the West Harwich village the civic building of the quintessential schoolhouse is our historic resource that should not be destroyed or taken from us. The building needs to be rehabilitated at its original site and the wishes of the community respected. There is easy access from Rt. 28 and plenty of parking. Because the schoolhouse lies in close proximity to the Historic Baptist Cemetery, the Bike Trail, Bells Neck Conservation land, Home of the Harwich Junior Theater, and the Herring River it holds the potential for multiple community oriented uses

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THIS ARTICLE BE INDEFINATELY POSTPONED. THE COMMITTEE FEELS THAT PASSAGE OF THIS ARTICLE WILL NOT BIND A FUTURE TOWN MEETING. A DEED RESTRICTION WOULD BE NEEDED FOR THAT. VOTE: YES-6, NO-3.

PURCHASE AND INSTALL HISTORCALLY ACCURATE WINDOWS IN THE WEST HARWICH SCHOOLHOUSE

ARTICLE 43: To see if the Town will vote to direct town administration to complete the wishes of the voters as expressed at the 2007 town meeting to use the existing C P C funding to purchase and install historically accurate windows in the West Harwich Schoolhouse, and to act fully thereon. By Petition

Explanation: At the 2007 town meeting actions under article 42 voted in the affirmative to fund a CPC article dedicating \$84,000 for installation of historically appropriate windows in the Sisson Road Recreation building and the West Harwich schoolhouse. The Sisson Road building received its windows but the West Harwich Schoolhouse windows were never installed and \$32,000 remains to complete the project. Enacting only part of the vote that was approved by town meeting and not completing the other part is a precedent that should not be tolerated. Essentially this undermines the power of town meeting and the vote. The town has the responsibility to enact what the voters approved in town meeting and a yes vote on this article assures that the citizens' vote is honored. The town has already invested \$28,000 appropriated in 2008 for repair of the foundation on this building. This continues the process that has already been started.

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THIS ARTICLE BE INDEFINATELY POSTPONED. THERE IS NO BID PRICE ON THIS REQUEST SO THE TRUE COSTS ARE NOT KNOWN, AND WITHOUT ANY PROTECTION DUE TO THE LACK OF USE OF THE BUILDING INSTALLING NEW WINDOWS WOULD CREATE AN UNNECESSARY TARGET FOR VANDALS. VOTE: YES-6, NO-3.

USE OF THE HARWICH MIDDLE SCHOOL FOR TOWN OWNED HOUSING

ARTICLE 44: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds, free cash flow or borrow a sufficient sum of money to fund architectural and engineering plans to retain the Harwich Middle school for development as a town owned affordable and/or senior housing facility managed either internally or by an outside agency, and to act fully thereon. The appropriation authorized by this vote shall not take effect until the town is exempt from the limitation on the total taxes imposed by M.G.L. Chapter 59, Section 21C (proposition 2 ½) the amounts required to pay the principal and any interest on any borrowing authorized under this article and further authorize the board of selectmen to accept any State, Federal or private grant monies for this purpose. By Petition. Estimated cost: \$65,000

Explanation: With the formation of the Monomoy Regional School District the Harwich Middle School became an unwanted and unused building which was transferred to the Town of Harwich. At least two Board of Selectmen Repurpose Committees have struggled with the future of this facility. On May 17, 2016 a non-binding ballot question with four specific options attempted to provide a clear direction for the future use of this property. Option #3 received the most votes. This option called for the sale of the property to an outside developer for affordable or senior housing purposes. The Board of Selectmen has chosen to ignore the results of the question and seeks to rent space for non-profit activities. The recently updated Harwich Housing Plan identifies the need for 277 additional affordable housing units in the Town of Harwich to bring the town in line with the State of MA goal of 10% affordable housing stock in each community. Multi-unit affordable housing developments are typically undertaken by private developers under a process known as "40B ". The process circumvents local zoning and often results in the town having little or no say as to who gets to reside in these affordable housing units. The affected communities and neighborhoods often resist such developments due to the loss of local control and "not in my backyard" objections

In Harwich we have a real and urgent need for affordable housing for seniors, veterans, work force, individuals and small families. Many of our recently graduated college professionals are burdened with student debt and need an affordable housing solution to begin their careers here in Harwich

This article seeks to evaluate the potential and associated renovation / operating costs associated with a Town owned conversion of the Middle School to affordable housing units. As taxpayers we would invest in the conversion and utilize the existing Harwich Housing Authority to manage the ongoing operation of this facility

By funding, owning and operating this affordable housing complex we will be better able to set the rules and provide occupancy preferences based upon connections to the Town of Harwich. This is an important opportunity for us to stand up for our seniors, veterans, work force, individuals and small families while making a very significant addition to our affordable housing stock

By funding the conversion study the consultant will develop floor plans to identify the number and size of individual housing units as well as defining the features of common areas and site features. Most importantly the costs of converting and operating the facility will be estimated and identified.

Based upon the successful outcome of the study an article and associated ballot question will be provided for inclusion in the 2018 Annual Town Meeting for the Town to decide if it wants to support this project.

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THIS ARTICLE BE INDEFINATELY POSTPONED. THE COMMITTEE FEELS THE TOWN IS NOT PREPARED TO ENTER THE AFFORDABLE HOUSING MARKET, AND THE COMMITTEE WANTS TO SEE THE TWO-YEAR LEASE ATTEMPT BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN TAKE ITS COURSE BEFORE CHANGING TO A NEW IDEA AT THIS TIME. VOTE: YES-6, NO-2, ABSTAIN-1.

DEPARTMENTAL REVOLVING FUNDS AUTHORIZATION

ARTICLE 45: To see if the Town will vote to authorize revolving funds for certain town departments under M.G.L. Ch. 44, § 53E ½ for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2018; and to act fully thereon. By request of the Board of Selectmen

<u>Revolving Fund</u>	<u>Authorize to Spend Fund</u>	<u>Revenue Source</u>	<u>Use of Fund</u>	<u>FY 18 Spending Limit</u>	<u>Disposition of FY17 Fund balance</u>
Golf	Director, Golf Committee & ATA	Golf Lessons and Pro Shop Sales	Pro Shop expenses, clubhouse and kitchen maintenance, modernization, and lessons instructor	\$250,000	Available for expenditure
Golf Infrastructure fund	Director, Golf Committee	New surcharge on all green fees and cart fees	CVGC Infrastructure including Club House facilities, maintenance facilities	\$100,000	
Council on Aging	Director & Council on Aging	Fees from health, recreation, nutrition and education programs	Health, recreation, nutrition and education programs	\$125,000	Available for expenditure
Cemetery	Administrator & Cemetery Commission	90% of Lot Sales, 100 % of all Cemetery Services and Fees	Maintenance of town cemeteries	\$70,000	Available for expenditure
Community Center	Director & Facilities Committee	Fees from use of the weight room	Weight Room Equipment (and repair)	\$50,000	Available for expenditure

Recreation	Director & Rec & Youth Commission	Fees from recreation and youth programs	Recreation and youth programs	\$120,000	Available for expenditure
Albro House	Town Planner & Historic District/Hist. Commission	Fees from receipts of lease or fees for short term rooms use and rental	Restorations, maintenance, care and support of town-owned property	\$10,000	Available for expenditure
ADA	Town Administrator	Receipts of parking penalty fees	Interpreter services or accommodations required under ADA	\$2,500	Available for expenditure
Wetlands	Conservation Commission	Notice of Intent filing fees	Consultants and wetland and buffer zone management and restoration projects	\$6,000	Available for expenditure

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THIS ARTICLE BE ACCEPTED AND ADOPTED. ANNUAL AUTHORIZATION REQUIRED BY STATE. VOTE: YES-9, NO-0.

ESTABLISH ANNUAL REVOLVING FUND FOR THE CARE AND MAINTENANCE OF THE FORMER HARWICH MIDDLE SCHOOL

ARTICLE 46: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the creation and establishment of a revolving fund as authorized under M.G.L. Ch. 44, § 53E ½ for the Community Center Director and Facilities Manager, for the purpose of funding continuing period appropriate restorations, maintenance, care, and support of town-owned property, not to exceed \$100,000 annually with funds generated from receipt of lease or fees collected for short term, year-round, temporary or otherwise, room(s) use and rental, and to act fully thereon. By request of the Community Center Director and Town Administrator.

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THIS ARTICLE BE ACCEPTED AND ADOPTED. VOTE: YES-6, NO-2, ABSTAIN-1.

ESTABLISH ANNUAL SIDEWALK REVOLVING FUND

ARTICLE 47: To see if the Town will vote to establish a revolving fund, effective FY 2018 under M.G.L. Chapter 44, Section 53E ½ for the purpose of accepting monies generated from receipts paid to the Town in lieu of sidewalks required to be installed in new subdivisions, credited to the revolving fund, expenditures for sidewalk improvements including consulting services and construction approved by the Town Planner and the Planning Board in an amount not to exceed fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000), and to act fully thereon. By request of the Planning Board.

Explanation: While this Revolving Fund was properly established under M.G.L., Chapter 44, Section 53E ½ at the May 2004 Special Town Meeting, Article 9, it has not been reauthorized annually by Town Meeting as required by the statute. This article is intended to correct this oversight.

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THIS ARTICLE BE ACCEPTED AND ADOPTED. THIS IS A HOUSE KEEPING ARTICLE THAT WILL PROVIDE ACCESS TO A FUND THAT HAS ALREADY BEEN CREATED AND FUNDED WITH PLANNING BOARD FEES. VOTE: YES-9, NO-0.

ESTABLISH A DEPARTMENTAL REVOLVING FUNDS AUTHORIZATION BY-LAW

ARTICLE 48: To see if the Town will vote to establish a new by-law to be added to the Code of the Town of Harwich under a new Chapter 8, entitled “Departmental Revolving Funds”, and to act fully thereon. By request of the Board of Selectmen.

8. Departmental Revolving Funds

8.1 There are hereby established in the Town of Harwich pursuant to the provisions of M.G.L. c.44 §53E ½, the following Revolving Funds:

<u>Revolving Fund</u>	<u>Authorize to Spend Fund</u>	<u>Revenue Source</u>	<u>Use of Fund</u>
Golf	Director, Golf Committee & ATA	Golf Lessons and Pro Shop Sales	Pro Shop expenses, clubhouse and kitchen maintenance, modernization, and lessons instructor
Golf Infrastructure fund	Director, Golf Committee	New surcharge on all green fees and cart fees	CVGC Infrastructure including Club House facilities, maintenance facilities
Council on Aging	Director & Council on Aging	Fees from health, recreation, nutrition and education programs	Health, recreation, nutrition and education programs
Cemetery	Administrator & Cemetery Commission	90% of Lot Sales, 100 % of all Cemetery Services and Fees	Maintenance of town cemeteries
Community Center	Director & Facilities Committee	Fees from use of the weight room	Weight Room Equipment (and repair)
Recreation	Director & Rec & Youth Commission	Fees from recreation and youth programs	Recreation and youth programs
Albro House	Town Planner & Historic District/Hist. Commission	Fees from receipts of lease or fees for short term rooms use and rental	Restorations, maintenance, care and support of town-owned property
ADA	Town Administrator	Receipts of parking penalty fees	Interpreter services or accommodations required under ADA
Wetlands	Conservation Commission	Notice of Intent filing fees	Consultants and wetland and buffer zone management and restoration projects

8.2 Expenditures from each revolving fund set forth herein shall be subject to the limitation established annually by Town Meeting or any increase therein as may be authorized in accordance with M.G.L. c.44, §53E ½.

Explanation: Revolving funds must now be established by by-law or ordinance, and the expenditure limits must be established annually and prior to July 1. The Municipal Modernization Act eliminates the per board and total limitations on the size of such funds.

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THIS ARTICLE BE ACCEPTED AND ADOPTED. VOTE YES-8, NO-1.

STABILIZATION FUND

ARTICLE 49: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from surplus revenue or available funds a sufficient sum of money to be added to the Stabilization Fund, and act fully thereon. By the request of the Board of Selectmen. Estimated cost: \$0.

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS NO RECOMMENDATION PENDING FURTHER INFORMATION (NRPFI). FINCOM VOTES NRPFI WHEN, AT THE TIME THE WARRANT IS PRINTED, IT HAD INSUFFICIENT OR INCOMPLETE INFORMATION TO MAKE AN INFORMED RECOMMENDATION. IT DOES NOT IMPLY A NEGATIVE FINCOM VIEW, ONLY AN INCOMPLETE UNDERSTANDING OF THE ARTICLE SO VOTED. FINCOM WILL MAKE ITS FINAL RECOMMENDATION AT TOWN MEETING AFTER HAVING RECEIVED FURTHER INFORMATION. VOTE: YES-9, NO-0.

OPEB TRUST FUND

ARTICLE 50: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from surplus revenue or available funds a sufficient sum of money to be added to the OPEB Trust Fund, and act fully thereon. By the request of the Board of Selectmen. Estimated cost: \$70,000.

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FUND PRIOR YEAR'S UNPAID BILLS

ARTICLE 51: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sufficient sum of money to pay unpaid bills of prior years as provided for in M.G.L. Ch. 44, Section 64, and to act fully thereon. By request of the Finance Director/Accountant. Estimated cost: \$2,877.87

Explanation:

<i>Planning - copier contract (Axion) un-invoiced bill – FY 16</i>	\$678.07
<i>BBE Corporation – FY 16</i>	\$225.00
<i>Siemens Industry – FY 16</i>	\$930.00
<i>Police – T-Mobile – FY 16</i>	\$700.00
<i>Police – Moore Medical – FY 16</i>	<u>\$344.80</u>
	\$2,877.87

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THIS ARTICLE BE ACCEPTED AND ADOPTED. VOTE YES-8, NO-0.

MUNICIPAL MODERNIZATION ACT – USES OF BOND PREMIUMS

ARTICLE 52: To see if the Town will vote to supplement each prior vote of the Town that authorizes the borrowing of money to pay costs of capital projects to provide that, in accordance with Chapter 44, Section 20 of the General Laws, the premium received by the Town upon the sale of any bonds or notes thereunder, less any such premium applied to the payment of the costs of issuance of such bonds or notes, may be applied to pay project costs and the amount authorized to be borrowed for each such project shall be reduced by the amount of any such premium so applied; and to act fully thereon. By request of the Board of Selectmen.

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THIS ARTICLE BE ACCEPTED AND ADOPTED. VOTE YES-8, NO-0.

COMPENSATING BALANCE AGREEMENT

ARTICLE 53: To see if the Town will vote to authorize its Treasurer to enter into a compensating balance agreement or agreements with banking institutions for Fiscal Year 2017 pursuant to Chapter 44, § 53F of the General Laws and to act fully thereon. Customary Article.

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THIS ARTICLE BE ACCEPTED AND ADOPTED. VOTE YES-8, NO-0.

LIABILITY TIDAL/NON-TIDAL RIVERS

ARTICLE 54: To see if the Town will assume the liability in the manner provided by § 29 of Chapter 91 of the General Laws as amended by Chapter 516 and 524, Acts of 1950, for all damages that may be incurred by work to be performed by the Department of Public Works of Massachusetts, for improvement, development, maintenance and protection of tidal and non-tidal rivers, streams, harbors, tide waters, foreshore and shores along a public beach outside of Boston Harbor, including the Merrimack and Connecticut Rivers in accordance with § 11 of Chapter 91 of the General Laws and to authorize the Selectmen to execute and deliver a bond of indemnity to the Commonwealth and to act fully thereon. Customary Article.

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THIS ARTICLE BE ACCEPTED AND ADOPTED. VOTE YES-8, NO-0.


HERRING FISHERIES

ARTICLE 55: To see what action the Town will take in regard to the Herring Fisheries and to act fully thereon. Customary Article.

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THIS ARTICLE BE ACCEPTED AND ADOPTED. VOTE YES-8, NO-0.

Hereof fail not to make return of the Warrant with your doings thereon at the time and place of said meeting.

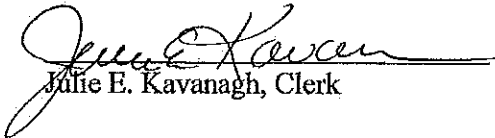
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Michael D. MacAskill, Chairman

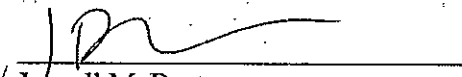


Peter S. Hughes, Vice Chairman



Julie E. Kavanagh, Clerk

Angelo S. La Mantia



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BOARD OF SELECTMEN

A true copy Attest:

Constable

**COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
TOWN OF HARWICH
SPECIAL TOWN MEETING
MAY 2, 2017**

BARNSTABLE, ss:

To either of the Constables of the Town of Harwich in said county,

Greetings:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town qualified to vote in elections and Town affairs to meet in the Community Center Gymnasium, 100 Oak Street in said Town on Tuesday, May 2, 2017 at 8:00 P.M., then and there to act on the following articles:

ARTICLES

FUND THE SNOW AND ICE DEFICIT

ARTICLE 1: To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds a sufficient sum of money to fund the Fiscal Year 2017 Snow and Ice Deficit Account, and to act fully thereon. By request of the Board of Selectmen. Estimated cost \$ Pending.

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THIS ARTICLE BE ACCEPTED AND ADOPTED AND \$295,000. BE TRANSFERRED FROM AVAILABLE FUNDS FOR THIS PURPOSE. VOTE: YES-9, NO-0.


FUND SHORTFALLS IN BUDGET TRANSFERS

ARTICLE 2: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sufficient sum of money to fund shortfalls in various budget transfers, and to act fully thereon. By request of the Town Administrator and Town Accountant. Estimated cost: \$ Pending

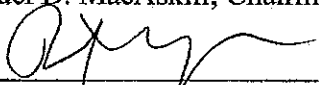
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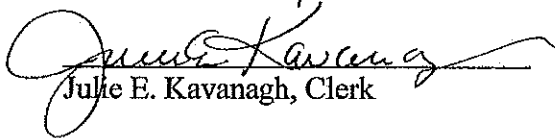
Given under our hands this 20th day of March, 2017



Michael D. MacAskill, Chairman




Peter S. Hughes, Vice Chairman



Julie E. Kavanagh, Clerk

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BOARD OF SELECTMEN

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Constable

**SAMPLE
COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
TOWN OF HARWICH
ANNUAL ELECTION BALLOT
MAY 16, 2017**

BARNSTABLE, ss:

To either of the Constables of the Town of Harwich in said County,

Greetings:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town qualified to vote in elections and Town affairs to meet in the Community Center Gymnasium, 100 Oak Street, in said Town on Tuesday, May 16, 2017, then and there to act on the following ballot:

POLLS WILL BE OPEN AT 7:00 A.M. and CLOSE AT 8:00 P.M.

To choose on one (1) ballot the following Town Officers and Committees: two (2) Selectmen for three (3) years; two (2) Monomoy Regional School Committee Members for three (3) years; two (2) Library Trustees for three (3) years; one (1) Water Commissioner for three (3) years.

BALLOT QUESTIONS

1. Shall the Town of Harwich be allowed to exempt from the provisions of Proposition two and one-half, so-called, the amounts required to pay for the bond issued in order to pay the costs to implement a portion of Phase 2 of the Town of Harwich Comprehensive Wastewater Management Plan, approved by the Massachusetts Secretary of Energy and Environmental Affairs in a Massachusetts Environmental Policy Act Certificate dated May 13, 2016, consisting of the payment to the Town of Chatham of the capacity purchase fee pursuant to an intermunicipal agreement between the Town of Harwich and the Town of Chatham which permits the Town of Harwich to deliver wastewater to the Chatham Water Pollution Control Facility for treatment and disposal, and the design of sewers in the Pleasant Bay Watershed and the design of the Chatham interconnection system, as more fully described in said Comprehensive Wastewater Management Plan, including any land acquisition costs and all other costs incidental and related thereto?

YES _____ NO _____

2. Shall the Town of Harwich be allowed to exempt from the provisions of Proposition two and one-half, so-called, the amounts required to pay for the bond issued in order to pay the costs to implement a portion of Phase 2 of the Town of Harwich Comprehensive Wastewater Management Plan, approved by the Massachusetts Secretary of Energy and Environmental Affairs in a Massachusetts Environmental Policy Act Certificate dated May 13, 2016, consisting of the design, construction, and implementation of the Cold Brook Project, as more fully described in said Comprehensive Wastewater Management Plan, including any land acquisition costs and all other costs incidental and related thereto?

YES _____ NO _____

3. Shall the Town of Harwich be allowed to assess an additional \$420,000 in real estate and personal property taxes for the purpose of purchasing or leasing one pumper for the Fire Department for the fiscal year beginning July first, two thousand and seventeen?

YES _____ NO _____

4. Shall the Town of Harwich be allowed to exempt from the provisions of proposition two and one-half, so-called, the amounts required to pay for the bonds issued to order to hire an architectural firm for the purpose of developing construction plans and bid documents for construction/ renovation of Fire Station 2 at 149 Route 137?

YES _____ NO _____

5. Shall the Town of Harwich be allowed to exempt from the provisions of proposition two and one-half, so-called, the amounts required to pay for the bonds issued in order to complete facility improvements such as construct a solar capable Cart Barn, with the ability to house a state of the art electric golf cart fleet, re-skin and re-roof the major maintenance "storage" facility, provide environmental upgrades, and reconfigure the existing parking lot and lanes and access to the Club House and Pro Shop facilities with appropriate enhancements, including all costs incidental and related thereto?

YES _____ NO _____

6. Shall the Town of Harwich be allowed to exempt from the provisions of Proposition two and one-half, so-called, the amounts required to pay for the bonds issued in order to fund the Road Maintenance Program as requested in the Capital Plan for fiscal year 2018?

YES _____ NO _____

7. Shall the Town of Harwich be allowed to exempt from the provisions of Proposition two and one-half, so-called, the amounts required to pay for the bonds issued in order to design and construct Saquatucket Harbor Landside Renovations, including a new Harbormaster Office building, a leased waterfront Snack Shack, six rented seasonal vendor shacks, a boardwalk with viewing areas that overlook the marina, and passenger boat ticket booths and a Harbormaster Department maintenance facility building on the former Downey property including all costs incidental and related thereto?

YES _____ NO _____

8. Shall the Town approve the charter amendment proposed by Town Meeting summarized below?

The proposed Charter amendment was approved under Article 48 at the May 2, 2016, Annual Town Meeting. The amendment adds a new sentence to Section 3-6-2 of the Charter clarifying that all appointments shall be made for the full term of the position.

YES _____ NO _____

9. Shall the Town approve the charter amendment proposed by Town Meeting summarized below?

The proposed Charter amendment was approved under Article 48 at the May 2, 2016, Annual Town Meeting. The amendment amends two subsections of Section 4-3-2 of the Charter relating to the authority of the Town Administrator. The first change makes it clear that the Town Administrator is authorized to execute all contracts for goods and services on behalf of the divisions and departments of the Town under the jurisdiction of the Town Administrator, subject to the approval of the Board of Selectmen. The amendment also deletes school property from the list of exemptions for Town property for which an inventory is required to be maintained by the Town Administrator. This change was made because the Town is now a member of the Monomoy Regional School District and the local school committee no longer exists.

YES _____ NO _____

10. Shall the Town approve the charter amendment proposed by Town Meeting summarized below?

The proposed Charter amendment was approved under Article 48 at the May 2, 2016, Annual Town Meeting. The amendment adds a new section 4-4-3 of the Charter providing for the appointment of the Harbormaster and any assistants by the Town Administrator.

YES _____ NO _____

11. Shall the Town approve the Charter amendment proposed by Town Meeting summarized below?

The proposed Charter amendment was approved under Article 48 at the May 2, 2016, Annual Town Meeting. The amendment makes a change to Section 5-3-1 of the Charter by changing the name of a Town Division from a "Division of Highways and Maintenance" to a "Division of Public Works."

YES _____ NO _____

12. Shall the Town approve the Charter amendment proposed by Town Meeting summarized below?

The proposed Charter amendment was approved under Article 48 of the May 2, 2016, Annual Meeting. The amendment amends Section 5-5-1 of the Charter to clarify that the fire department is organized and operated as a so-called strong chief fire department under the provisions of section 42 of chapter 48 of the General Laws.

YES _____ NO _____

13. Shall the Town approve the Charter amendment proposed by Town Meeting summarized below?

The proposed Charter amendment was approved under Article 48 of the May 2, 2016, Annual Town Meeting. The amendment changes the definition section of the Charter (Section 10-3-1) by deleting the exemption for the School Committee from the definition of the word "Committee" in the Charter. This change was made because the Town is now a member of the Monomoy Regional School District and the local school committee no longer exists.

YES _____ NO _____

14. Shall the Town approve the Charter amendment proposed by Town Meeting summarized below?

The proposed Charter amendment was approved under Article 49 of the May 2, 2016, Annual Town Meeting. The amendment amends Section 3-6-2 of the Charter to permit the Board of Selectmen to appoint up to two alternates to policy-making Town agencies listed in Section 7 of the Charter as well as other Town agencies, to the extent permissible under the General Laws.

YES _____ NO _____

15. Shall the Town approve the Charter amendment proposed by Town Meeting summarized below?

The proposed Charter amendment was approved under Article 50 of the May 2, 2016, Annual Town Meeting. The amendment amends Section 7-14-2 of the Charter by extending the authority of the Waterways Commission to enact regulations governing water dependent structures, including marine ramps, docks, piers, moorings, and aquaculture.

YES _____ NO _____

NON-BINDING PUBLIC OPINION ADVISORY QUESTION
TO PROTECT PUBLIC HEALTH AND SAFETY – MOVE SPENT FUEL AT
PLYMOUTH NUCLEAR POWER STATION

Whereas, the original design for the Pilgrim Nuclear Power Station (PNPS) spent fuel pool was for 880 assemblies and now holds over 2,822 densely racked and tightly packed assemblies, and;

Whereas, the PNPS spent fuel pool holds over 11 times the amount of cesium released at Chernobyl, and;

Whereas, the MA Attorney General Office 2006 report cited an accident at PNPS could result in 24,000 latent cancers, \$488 billion in damages, and contamination of hundreds of miles downwind, and;

Whereas, 885 Boraflex panels, which prevent criticality and fire, will be susceptible to unacceptable levels of deterioration by September, 2017, and;


Whereas, the citizens of the Town of Harwich, MA find this to be an unacceptable threat to our health and safety and must be resolved in the most timely manner;

Therefore, Should the people of the Town of Harwich, MA direct the town's government to communicate with Governor Baker to employ all means available to ensure spent nuclear fuel generated by the Pilgrim Nuclear Power Station be placed in secure dry casks as soon as technically feasible and consistent with the highest standards, ready to be moved to a permanent federal facility when available in order to protect the health, welfare, and economic interests of the Town of Harwich, MA and its inhabitants and visitors?

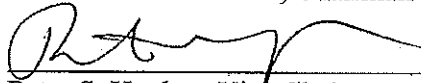
YES _____ NO _____

Hereof fail not to make return of the Warrant with your doings thereon at the time and place of said meeting.

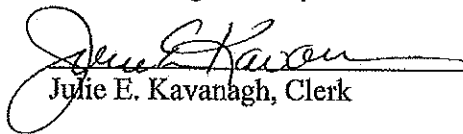
Given under our hands this 27th day of March, 2017



Michael D. MacAskill, Chairman

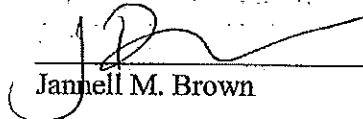


Peter S. Hughes, Vice Chairman



Julie E. Kavanagh, Clerk

Angelo S. La Mantia



Jannell M. Brown

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

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BUDGET
FY 2018 REVENUES

	Actual FY2015	Actual FY2016	Voted Budget FY2017	Town Meeting Budget FY2018	% Change
Real Estate & Personal Property Taxes	\$42,100,818	\$43,574,380	\$45,171,567	\$46,806,835	3.6%
Local Receipts:					
Excise Tax	1,955,887	2,057,620	1,940,000	2,000,000	3.1%
Hotel/Motel & Meals	939,538	1,028,809	887,000	962,000	8.5%
Ambulance	1,489,762	1,475,372	1,425,000	1,450,000	1.8%
Waste Disposal	2,156,538	2,455,996	1,966,000	2,380,000	21.1%
Beach, Recreation & Youth	309,875	383,370	301,750	340,000	12.7%
Harbors & Landings	811,275	820,726	893,074	791,049	-11.4%
Golf Operations	1,736,998	1,841,659	1,830,000	1,830,000	0.0%
Other Local Receipts	1,665,980	2,032,182	1,656,262	1,605,730	-3.1%
Total Local Receipts	11,065,853	12,095,734	10,899,086	11,358,779	4.2%

State Aid:					
Cherry Sheet	550,880	666,809	683,884	705,430	3.2%
School Building Assistance	993,195	993,195	993,194	-	-100.0%

Other:					
Free Cash				305,244	
Overlay Surplus	100,000	100,000	125,000	100,000	-20.0%
Harbor Capital Improvement	72,000	65,839	107,163	110,931	3.5%
Cable Fund (Coimcast)	233,275	239,107	129,237	143,417	11.0%
Septic Loan	17,358	17,358	17,358	17,358	0.0%
Water Enterprise Indirect Costs	495,520	625,931	587,362	650,178	10.7%
FEMA	13,650	13,991	13,736	13,508	-1.7%
Road Betterments	30,100	29,525	52,750	49,194	-6.7%
Allan Harbor Betterments	100,000	100,000	151,000	185,550	22.9%
Golf Improvement Fund	40,000	110,000			
CPA Funds (Land Bank)	683,875	662,275	633,400	608,950	-3.9%
Transfer from other Funds	500,000				
Total Revenue	\$56,996,524	\$59,294,144	\$59,564,757	\$61,055,374	2.5%

	Actual FY2015	Actual FY2016	Voted Budget FY2017	Town Meeting Budget FY2018	PCT CHANGE
<u>TOWN OPERATION BUDGET 2018</u>					
MODERATOR S&W	275	300	300	300	0.0%
SELECTMEN S&W	7,500	7,500	7,500	7,500	0.0%
SELECTMEN - EXP	6,932	8,018	6,700	7,750	15.7%
Sub-Total	14,432	15,518	14,200	15,250	7.4%
FINANCE COMMITTEE S&W	3,019	3,300	3,300	3,500	6.1%
FINANCE COMMITTEE - EXP	204	663	450	450	0.0%
Sub-Total	3,223	3,963	3,750	3,950	5.3%
FINANCE COMMITTEE RESERVE FUND	-	40,184	125,000	125,000	0.0%
TOWN ACCOUNTANT - SAL	257,452	241,367	236,197	244,485	3.5%
TOWN ACCOUNTANT - EXP	1,790	3,265	3,265	3,600	10.3%
AUDIT - EXP	18,000	39,500	41,000	41,000	0.0%
Sub-Total	277,242	284,132	280,462	289,085	3.1%
ASSESSORS - S&W	210,827	220,378	207,103	187,465	-9.5%
ASSESSORS - EXP	72,703	101,012	103,040	105,860	2.7%
Sub-Total	283,530	321,390	310,143	293,325	-5.4%
TOWN COLLECTIONS - S&W	-	16,150	16,400	16,000	-2.4%
TOWN COLLECTIONS - EXP	-	4,760	4,760	3,760	-21.0%
Sub-Total	-	20,910	21,160	19,760	-6.6%

TOWN OPERATION BUDGET 2018

	Actual FY2015	Actual FY2016	Voted Budget FY2017	Town Meeting Budget FY2018	PCT CHANGE
POSTAGE	46,533	41,160	56,160	56,160	0.0%
Sub-Total	46,533	41,160	56,160	56,160	0.0%
TREASURER - S&W	222,630	231,826	229,074	230,612	0.7%
TREASURER - EXP	93,954	121,620	121,670	112,650	-7.4%
Sub-Total	316,584	353,446	350,744	343,262	-2.1%
MEDICARE	172,089	192,646	195,000	200,700	2.9%
ADMINISTRATION - S&W	370,087	389,443	404,631	433,889	7.2%
ADMINISTRATION - EXP	73,801	72,572	99,380	80,950	-18.5%
ADMINISTRATION - CAP OUTLAY	2,222	5,000	5,000	5,000	0.0%
UNION CONTRACTS	-	-	5,000	-	-100.0%
Sub-Total	446,110	467,015	514,011	519,839	1.1%
LEGAL SERVICES - EXP	215,626	204,858	164,000	170,000	3.7%
CLAIMS & SUITS	-	187	400	400	0.0%
Sub-Total	215,626	205,045	164,400	170,400	3.6%
INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY - S&W	92,848	95,913	97,851	99,801	2.0%
INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY - EXP	120,122	223,603	198,476	212,131	6.9%
Sub-Total	212,970	319,516	296,327	311,932	5.3%
IT CHANNEL 18 - S&W	87,037	93,393	98,237	112,417	14.4%

TOWN OPERATION BUDGET 2018

	Actual FY2015	Actual FY2016	Voted Budget FY2017	Town Meeting Budget FY2018	PCT CHANGE
IT CHANNEL 18 - EXP	4,974	31,000	31,000	31,000	0.0%
Sub-Total	92,011	124,393	129,237	143,417	11.0%
CONSTABLE S & W	250	694	694	694	0.0%
TOWN CLERK - S&W	193,765	196,652	207,209	202,485	-2.3%
TOWN CLERK - EXP	31,385	34,848	42,510	29,190	-31.3%
Sub-Total	225,150	231,500	249,719	231,675	-7.2%
CONSERVATION - S&W	67,504	71,849	99,326	105,633	6.3%
CONSERVATION - EXP	5,291	6,746	6,146	9,746	58.6%
Sub-Total	72,795	78,595	105,472	115,379	9.4%
TOWN PLANNER - S&W	131,546	85,008	86,456	75,104	-13.1%
TOWN PLANNER - EXP	3,242	1,740	1,740	4,406	153.2%
Sub-Total	134,788	86,748	88,196	79,510	-9.8%
BOARD OF APPEALS - S&W	4,136	-	-	-	0.0%
BOARD OF APPEALS - EXP	126	560	560	710	26.8%
Sub-Total	4,262	560	560	710	26.8%
ALBRO HOUSE - EXP	4,658	4,532	4,555	5,430	19.2%
OLD RECR BUILDING - EXP	5,301	5,086	5,270	6,520	23.7%
W. HARWICH SCHOOL - EXP	873	1,003	1,400	1,400	0.0%

TOWN OPERATION BUDGET 2018

	Actual FY2015	Actual FY2016	Voted Budget FY2017	Town Meeting Budget FY2018	PCT CHANGE
Sub-Total	10,832	10,621	11,225	13,350	18.9%
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT - S&W	-	266,834	274,828	273,909	-0.3%
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT - EXP	-	8,996	10,200	10,950	7.4%
Sub-Total	-	275,830	285,028	284,859	-0.1%
PUBLIC BUILDINGS REPAIRS	1,424	28,891	2,133	2,133	0.0%
TOWN/FIN COM REPORTS	7,421	13,000	13,000	10,000	-23.1%
ADVERTISING	4,438	9,404	4,500	4,500	0.0%
TELEPHONE	38,198	-	-	-	
POLICE - S&W	2,923,556	3,134,153	3,160,821	3,751,911	18.7%
POLICE - EXP	389,074	432,100	415,719	618,979	48.9%
POLICE - CAP OUTLAY	107,389	152,933	165,151	126,000	-23.7%
Sub-Total	3,420,019	3,719,186	3,741,691	4,496,890	20.2%
FIRE - S&W	3,192,855	3,430,185	3,528,875	3,785,130	7.3%
FIRE - EXP	262,116	406,891	409,696	465,182	13.5%
FIRE - CAP OUTLAY	10,935	-	-	-	
Sub-Total	3,465,906	3,837,076	3,938,571	4,250,312	7.9%

TOWN OPERATION BUDGET 2018

	Actual FY2015	Actual FY2016	Voted Budget FY2017	Town Meeting Budget FY2018	PCT CHANGE
AMBULANCE - S&W	104,598	219,335	194,364	181,634	-6.5%
EMS - EXP	97,459	102,067	118,211	139,882	18.3%
Sub-Total	202,057	321,402	312,575	321,516	2.9%
EMERG. TELECOM - S&W	349,046	423,815	453,207	-	-100.0%
EMERG. TELECOM - EXP	197,916	151,965	153,463	-	-100.0%
Sub-Total	546,962	575,780	606,670	-	-100.0%
BUILDING - S&W	297,558	224,770	203,633	265,413	30.3%
BUILDING - EXP	13,317	12,468	13,968	14,468	3.6%
Sub-Total	310,875	237,238	217,601	279,881	28.6%
EMERG. MGMT - S&W	5,464	4,910	4,910	5,008	2.0%
EMERG. MGMT - EXP	6,745	8,500	8,500	8,500	0.0%
Sub-Total	12,209	13,410	13,410	13,508	0.7%
ANIMAL CONTROL	<i>Included in</i>	<i>Included in</i>	<i>Budget</i>	<i>Budget</i>	
ANIMAL CONTROL	<i>Included in</i>	<i>Included in</i>	<i>Budget</i>	<i>Budget</i>	
NATURAL RESOURCES - S&W	86,862	90,472	93,657	96,346	2.9%
NATURAL RESOURCES - EXP	28,446	27,600	27,600	27,600	0.0%
Sub-Total	115,308	118,072	121,257	123,946	2.2%

<u>TOWN OPERATION BUDGET 2018</u>	<u>Actual</u> <u>FY2015</u>	<u>Actual</u> <u>FY2016</u>	<u>Voted Budget</u> <u>FY2017</u>	<u>Town Meeting Budget</u> <u>FY2018</u>	<u>PCT</u> <u>CHANGE</u>
PLEASANT BAY ALLIANCE	16,855	17,192	17,192	17,343	0.9%
MIDDLE SCHOOL BLDG.	-	125,000	-	-	0.0%
TOWN ENGINEER - S&W	160,840	166,693	170,774	174,933	2.4%
TOWN ENGINEER - EXP	3,005	3,820	5,020	25,620	410.4%
Sub-Total	163,845	170,513	175,794	200,553	14.1%
HIGHWAY - S&W	2,173,446	2,279,626	2,436,680	2,511,112	3.1%
HIGHWAY - EXP	1,689,216	2,089,291	2,186,694	2,502,786	14.5%
Sub-Total	3,862,662	4,368,917	4,623,374	5,013,898	8.4%
SNOW/ICE - S&W	174,357	90,000	40,000	40,000	0.0%
SNOW/ICE - EXP	488,619	295,000	95,000	95,000	0.0%
Sub-Total	662,976	385,000	135,000	135,000	0.0%
STREET LIGHTS	46,911	80,000	60,000	40,000	-33.3%
CEMETERY ADMIN - S&W	46,783	57,228	58,866	63,178	7.3%
CEMETERY ADMIN - EXP	3,349	4,240	4,097	4,327	5.6%
Sub-Total	50,132	61,468	62,963	67,505	7.2%
BOARD OF HEALTH - S&W	253,993	184,412	191,694	197,895	3.2%
BOARD OF HEALTH - EXP	14,453	13,538	15,540	19,638	26.4%

	Actual FY2015	Actual FY2016	Voted Budget FY2017	Town Meeting Budget		PCT CHANGE
				FY2018	FY2018	
TOWN OPERATION BUDGET 2018						
Sub-Total	268,446	197,950	207,234	217,533	5.0%	
COMMUNITY CENTER S&W	136,924	145,219	152,951	164,820	7.8%	
COMMUNITY CENTER EXP	151,738	166,114	141,771	115,025	-18.9%	
Sub-Total	288,662	311,333	294,722	279,845	-5.0%	
COUNCIL ON AGING - S&W	296,210	339,079	355,829	368,070	3.4%	
COUNCIL ON AGING - EXP	63,517	64,669	74,697	75,282	0.8%	
Sub-Total	359,727	403,748	430,526	443,352	3.0%	
YOUTH COUNSELOR - S&W	70,563	73,446	75,350	81,511	8.2%	
YOUTH COUNSELOR - EXP	3,751	4,010	4,310	4,310	0.0%	
Sub-Total	74,314	77,456	79,660	85,821	7.7%	
VETERANS EXPENSE/BENEFITS	125,218	129,328	134,346	135,434	0.8%	
DISABILITY RIGHT - EXP	-	300	300	300	0.0%	
HUMAN SERVICES	76,500	78,030	79,980	79,980	0.0%	
LIBRARY - S&W	487,734	574,545	626,193	643,283	2.7%	
LIBRARY - EXP	255,143	312,343	269,150	270,765	0.6%	
Sub-Total	742,877	886,888	895,343	914,048	2.1%	

	Actual FY2015	Actual FY2016	Voted Budget FY2017	Town Meeting Budget		PCT CHANGE
				FY2016	FY2018	
TOWN OPERATION BUDGET 2018						
RECREATION - SEASONAL - S&W	157,260	173,540	173,580	177,070		2.0%
RECREATION - S&W	196,262	208,531	218,912	228,604		5.0%
RECREATION - EXP	45,137	50,825	45,575	45,575		-10.3%
RECREATION - CAP OUTLAY	-	12,000	12,000	12,000		0.0%
Sub-Total	398,659	444,896	450,067	463,249		2.9%
HARBORMASTER -S&W	234,229	270,275	282,020	293,351		4.0%
HARBORMASTER - EXP	105,264	102,685	169,605	173,050		2.0%
Sub-Total	339,493	372,960	451,625	466,401		3.3%
BROOKS ACAD MUSEUM COMMISSION	11,355	15,284	12,194	12,194		0.0%
HISTORICAL COMMISSION	1,224	-	540	540		0.0%
HISTORICAL COMMISSION	237	350	350	350		0.0%
Sub-Total	1,461	350	890	890		0.0%
CELEBRATIONS	701	1,600	1,600	1,600		0.0%
GOLF - S&W	740,443	797,672	842,050	882,530		4.8%
GOLF - EXP	586,876	615,518	684,625	697,019		1.8%
GOLF CAP OUTLAY	55,207	63,000	73,000	73,000		0.0%
Sub-Total	1,382,526	1,476,190	1,599,675	1,652,549		3.3%
ELECTRICITY - CVEC		92,100	65,000	60,000		-7.7%

TOWN OPERATION BUDGET 2018

	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Voted Budget</u>	<u>Town Meeting Budget</u>	<u>PCT</u>
	<u>FY2015</u>	<u>FY2016</u>	<u>FY2017</u>	<u>FY2018</u>	<u>CHANGE</u>
Total Departmental Budgets	19,526,839	21,644,128	21,950,681	23,008,738	4.8%

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TRACK/SOCCER FIELD (20	5,275	5,100	-	-	0.0%
LANDFILL CAPPING (1999	94,725	87,200	84,400	76,375	-9.5%
LAND ACQUISITION (1997 Church St.	59,425	62,750	60,750	58,500	-3.7%
ELEMENTARY SCHOOL ADDN	1,072,500	1,033,300	989,400	-	-100.0%
LAND ACQUISITION (2000) Bascom	198,750	193,150	181,850	165,125	-9.2%
GOLF CLUBHOUSE (2000)	76,300	74,675	72,725	65,850	-9.5%
LAND BANK ACQ SLOWATYCKI	26,650	25,950	25,150	29,125	15.8%
LAND BANK ACQ KRUMIN	47,300	46,300	45,100	43,900	-2.7%
WATER ABATE SEPTIC LOA	17,358	17,358	17,358	17,358	0.0%
POLICE STA REPAIRS/PLA	6,250	6,125	5,975	5,825	-2.5%
COPELAS LAND (2002)	73,500	67,075	65,425	63,775	-2.5%

<u>TOWN OPERATION BUDGET 2018</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Voted Budget</u>	<u>Town Meeting Budget</u>	<u>PCT</u>
	<u>FY2015</u>	<u>FY2016</u>	<u>FY2017</u>	<u>FY2018</u>	<u>CHANGE</u>
SHEA LAND (2002)	226,500	222,000	211,675	206,425	-2.5%
GOLF COURSE IRRIGATION	140,650	133,050	124,525	121,075	-2.8%
LAND ACQ ROSE/KEELER	111,175	107,800	104,200	100,600	-3.5%
BROOKS ACAD MUSEUM RENOVATION	13,000	12,600	12,200	11,800	-3.3%
MIDDLE SCHOOL ROOF	31,500	30,500	29,500	28,600	-3.1%
HIGH SCHOOL ROOF	38,200	37,000	35,800	34,600	-3.4%
GOLF COURSE BUNKERS	103,000	99,800	96,600	88,500	-8.4%
POLICE STATION	675,963	665,838	655,713	644,463	-1.7%
RD BETTERMENT - OLD POST RD	11,650	11,450	11,225	10,950	-2.4%
RD BETTERMENT - MCGUERTY RD	18,450	18,075	17,625	17,100	-3.0%
ALLEN HARBOR DREDGE DEB	423,000	384,300	377,700	371,100	-1.7%
SAQUATUCKET HARBOR - DOWNEY			70,350	54,435	-22.6%
ROAD MAINTENANCE PROGRAM	-	102,000	106,000	103,431	-2.4%

	Actual FY2015	Actual FY2016	Voted Budget FY2017	Town Meeting Budget FY2018	PCT CHANGE
<u>TOWN OPERATION BUDGET 2018</u>					
ROAD BETTERMENT - SKINEQUIT	-	-	23,900	21,144	-11.5%
ROAD MAINT PROG-ATM14	103,750	106,250	108,000	104,574	-3.2%
ROAD MAINT PROG-ATM15			110,000	52,859	-51.9%
WYCHMERE PIER RECONSTR.	-	65,838	107,163	110,931	3.5%
Total Debt Service (Prin & Int)	3,574,871	3,615,484	3,750,309	2,608,420	-30.4%
STATE ASSESSMENTS	256,873	239,729	249,398	254,386	2.0%
BARNS CTY RETIREMENT	2,105,875	2,283,370	2,528,468	2,681,194	6.0%
CAPE COD COMMISSION ASSESSMENT	199,357	198,560	207,458	211,604	2.0%
BARNSTABLE COUNTY ASSESSMENT	185,944	204,340	193,497	197,368	2.0%
UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION	7,196	35,000	35,000	20,000	-42.9%
GROUP HEALTH INSURANCE	3,319,797	3,849,202	4,200,000	4,620,227	10.0%
OPEB	100,000	100,000	100,000	100,000	0.0%
GENERAL INSURANCE	470,695	533,561	596,519	608,451	2.0%
GENERAL INSURANCE DEDUCTIBLE	8,888	15,000	20,000	5,000	-75.0%
TOTAL TOWN	29,756,334	32,718,374	33,831,330	34,315,388	1.4%
OVERLAY (Abatements/Exemptions)				460,000	
C C REGIONAL TECH HIGH	1,248,331	1,330,607	1,437,053	1,487,362	3.5%

TOWN OPERATION BUDGET 2018

MONOMOY REG. SCH. DISTRICT

	<u>Actual FY2015</u>	<u>Actual FY2016</u>	<u>Voted Budget FY2017</u>	<u>Town Meeting Budget FY2018</u>	<u>PCT CHANGE</u>
Operating	19,486,696	22,843,944	21,644,248	22,487,923	3.9%
Capital/ other				224,114	0.0%
Transportation	350,715		412,558	367,275	-11.0%
Debt Service- Middle School	142,843		1,776,772	1,708,359	-3.9%
Debt Service H.S.	426,174				0.0%
Minimum Contribution FY14- credit	(336,245)				0.0%
TOTAL MRSD ASSESSMENT	20,070,183	22,843,944	23,833,578	24,787,671	4.3%
	51,074,848	56,892,925	59,101,961	61,050,421	3.9%

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