

**TOWN OF NORTON
ANNUAL TOWN MEETING
MAY 14, 2018**

The Annual Town Meeting was called to order by Moderator William A. Gouveia at 7:00 PM at the Norton High School Auditorium and motion was made to move the meeting to the Norton High School Gymnasium.

At 7:30 PM the Annual Town Meeting was adjourned and motion was made to move the Special Town Meeting from the Norton High School Auditorium to the Norton High School Gymnasium. At 8:45 PM the Annual Town Meeting resumed in the High School Gymnasium.

Welcome to tonight's Special Town Meeting. I am Town Moderator Bill Gouveia. With me is Town Clerk, Lucia Longhurst.

To begin tonight's meeting, I ask you to please all rise and join me in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Thank you. Now I would first like to go over some of the rules for this meeting in this new venue.

- I ask everyone to please find a seat for this meeting. Standing in the back and on the sides creates problems both on a noise level and in counting standing votes. There are plenty of seats, please find one.
- If you are not a registered voter in the Town of Norton, you are welcome to visit but must sit in the section of seats marked in for that reason. If you are registered voter, please sit anywhere else, because your vote will not be counted if you are sitting in the non-voting section.
- If you wish to address this meeting, you must do so only after being recognized by the Moderator. There are two microphones located up front here. Please move to one of those if you wish to speak and wait to be recognized. When speaking, please identify yourself by name and address for the record. Please try and keep your remarks brief and to the point, and confine them only to the matter under consideration at the time.
- All speakers at this meeting will be treated with courtesy by the Moderator and everyone else in the room. No speaker will be allowed to use the meeting for personal attacks on any individual. All remarks will be directed towards the Moderator, and while I will allow questions to be asked of individuals, I will not allow cross-examination type discussions from the floor.

- In recognizing people to speak, I will endeavor to call upon those who have not yet spoken on a topic before recognizing those who have already spoken. I will recognize motions to move the question, but if in my opinion there are still people waiting to speak who may add to the discussion, I will exercise my authority to not accept a motion to move the question under those circumstances.
- If a standing vote is required, you will be instructed to stand at your seats until your vote is counted. If a ballot vote is required, you will be given instructions by the Moderator and or the town Clerk as to how to proceed.
- If you wish to make an amendment to any motion, you must do so in writing and present it to the Moderator. Please prepare your amendment in writing and bring it to me up here. If you are moving an article that has not been recommended and moved by the Finance Committee, you must also present that motion to the Town Clerk in writing.
- I remind you all that no motion to reconsider any article will be accepted by the Moderator until at least three articles following the article being reconsidered have been acted upon by this meeting. If the article is one of the last three on the warrant, I will accept any motions to reconsider them prior to adjourning. Please be aware that any article you act upon tonight can be reconsidered as few as three articles later.
- There may be requests this evening to allow non-voters to speak on certain articles. This must be done by a Motion voted upon by this meeting. While it is the right and the decision of the meeting to allow or not allow non-residents to speak, please keep in mind they may have information to add to the discussion. All non-voters must approach the moderator if they wish to be heard.

Town Clerk Lucia B. Longhurst read the call and return of service from the Constable as written in the warrant.

ARTICLE 2

I Richard Dorney move that the Town vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to accept and enter into contracts for the expenditure of any funds allotted, or to be allotted, by the Commonwealth and/or County for the construction, reconstruction and improvement of Town roads, and to see if the Town will raise and appropriate, and/or appropriate and/or transfer from available funds a sum of money for the purpose of road and other municipal improvements within the Town of Norton which are eligible for reimbursement, subject to conditions detailed by the Massachusetts Department of Transportation, pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 90.

ARTICLE PASSES BY MAJORITY VOTE AS DECLARED BY THE
MODERATOR

ARTICLE 3

No Action.

ARTICLE DECLARED LOST AS DECLARED BY THE MODERATOR

ARTICLE 4

I Richard Dorney move that the Town vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to acquire, by purchase, gift or eminent domain, the fee or lesser interests in the parcels of land as depicted more or less on plans drafted by Vanasse Hangen Brustlin, Inc., dated April 5, 2018, titled “Massachusetts Department of Transportation Highway Division, Plan and Profile of East Main Street (Route 123) in the Town of Norton Bristol County 100% Submittal” on file in the Office of the Town Clerk, together with such other parcels of land and interests therein as may be necessary to carry out the Route 123 Corridor Improvements Project, which shall include providing for construction and roadway safety improvements and obtaining a secure and public right of way incidental thereto:

	TOTAL # PARCELS	AREA (SQUARE FEET)
IN FEE (+/-)	0	0
PERMANENT EASEMENTS (+/-)	38	20,451 Square Feet

TEMPORARY EASEMENTS (+/-)	70	51,154 Square Feet

and further that the Town vote to transfer the amount of \$70,000.00 from Free Cash to carry out such acquisitions and to defray any associated expenses connected with this project; and further, to authorize the Board of Selectmen to take such actions and execute instruments and other documents as may be needed to effectuate the purposes of this article.

Mr. Yunits explained that this article involves the acceptance and taking of land on this project. \$70,000.00 is the cost of taking the land. Part of Main Street will be reconstructed with sidewalks, bike paths and signal lights at the corner of North and South Washington Streets. The State will be putting in the traffic signal.

ARTICLE PASSES BY 2/3 VOTE AS DECLARED BY THE MODERATOR

ARTICLE 5

I Richard Dorney move that the Town vote to transfer the amount of \$135,000.00 from the funds appropriated under Article 12 of the October 23, 2017, Town Meeting for the costs of engineering and design of a new Town Hall, for a feasibility study for such purposes, and further to authorize the Board of Selectmen to take such actions and execute such documents and agreements as are necessary to effectuate the purpose of this article, including contracts with terms in excess of three years.

As printed in the Warrant

To see if the Town vote to transfer the amount of \$1,500,000.00 from Free Cash to fund the costs of the engineering and design for a new Town Hall and a new Senior Center, including construction, professional and/or technical services and all other incidental and related costs associated with the Project(s), and further vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to take such actions and execute such documents and agreements as are necessary to effectuate the purpose of this article, including contracts with terms in excess of three years.

The question was raised by Kathy Marinilli, 7 Greenfield Drive, as to why we needed a new Town Hall. Mr. Yunits spoke and explained how the current Town Hall is not in code, the people are working in unsafe quarters. He also explained that approval for a new Town Hall was approved at October, 2017 Town Meeting and they were asking for the \$135,000 for a feasibility study.

Mr. Kimball then spoke up and explained how some of the places in Town Hall are so bad that you cannot let the public in there. He did offer anyone who wanted to come and have a tour that he would be more than happy to show them around including the places that are unsafe.

ARTICLE PASSES BY MAJORITY VOTE AS DECLARED BY THE
MODERATOR

ARTICLE 6

I Richard Dorney move that the Town vote to transfer the amount of \$65,000.00 from the funds appropriated under Article 12 of the October 23, 2017, Town Meeting for the costs of engineering and design of a new Senior Center, for a feasibility study for such purposes, and further to authorize the Board of Selectmen to take such actions and execute such documents and agreements as are necessary to effectuate the purpose of this article, including contracts with terms in excess of three years.

Patricia Zwicker, 9 Clapp Street, Peter Wiggins, 157 Mansfield Ave., and Dinah O'Brien 6 Avery Rd., spoke on how much we need a new Senior Center.

ARTICLE PASSES BY MAJORITY VOTE AS DECLARED BY THE
MODERATOR

ARTICLE 7

I Richard Dorney move that the Town vote to appropriate the amount of \$8,476,971.00 for the collaboration with the MSBA in conducting a potential window/door replacement project at the Norton elementary schools, specifically the Henri A. Yelle Elementary School located at 64 West Main Street, the J.C. Solmonese Elementary School located at 315 West Main Street, and the L.G. Nourse Elementary School at 38 Plain Street; which proposed repair projects would materially extend the useful life of the school and preserve an asset that otherwise is capable of supporting the required educational programs; said sum to be expended under the direction of the School Building Committee, and to meet said appropriation the Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, is authorized to borrow said sum under M.G.L. Chapter 44, or any other enabling authority; that the Town of Norton acknowledges that the Massachusetts School Building Authority's ("MSBA") grant program is a non-entitlement, discretionary program based on need, as determined by the MSBA, and any project costs the Town incurs in excess of any grant approved by and received from the MSBA shall be the sole responsibility of the Town; provided further that any grant that Town may receive from the MSBA for the Project shall not exceed the lesser of 55.63% of eligible, approved project costs, as determined by the MSBA, or (2) the total maximum grant amount determined by the MSBA; and that the amount of borrowing authorized pursuant to this vote shall be reduced by any grant amount set

forth in the Project Funding Agreement that may be executed between the Town of Norton and the MSBA.

Dr. Baeta spoke about the need for these windows and doors. A presentation was made by Don Bolazzo from AGC. He explained that Norton was one of thirteen communities to go forward with this. He also explained that all the water fountains and bathrooms are required to be upgraded. Bill Sylvia from T2 Architecture Co., made a presentation showing the conditions of the windows at the Henri A. Yelle, Solmonese and L. G. Nourse Schools.

Mr. Kimball encouraged resident to support this article because it is very important. Question was asked if the glass was bulletproof. Mr. Bolazzo said that the glass was strong enough for a 22 caliber and a 9 millimeter gun but could not withstand high capacity and assault rifles.

ARTICLE PASSES BY 2/3 VOTE AS DECLARED BY THE MODERATOR

ARTICLE 8

I Richard Dorney move that the total amount of \$3,308,336.00 be appropriated for the operation of the Water Enterprise for Fiscal Year 2019 from Water Enterprise Receipts (including but not limited to user charges, lease revenue, interest, and miscellaneous revenues), with \$2,969,904.00 of said sum being appropriated hereunder for direct costs of the Enterprise, and \$338,432.00 of said sum to be appropriated in the General Fund under Article 10 for indirect costs and allocated to the Water Enterprise Fund for funding, as follows:

\$ 771,737.00	Personnel Services
\$1,158,700.00	Other Charges and Expenditures
\$1,039,467.00	Debt Service
<u>\$ 338,432.00</u>	Indirect Costs –
	Charged to Enterprise Fund from
	General Fund and raised under Article 10
\$3,308,336.00	Total for Fiscal Year 2019 - Water

The Moderator explained that this was funded by the Water Enterprise Account, not the budget.

ARTICLE PASSES BY MAJORITY VOTE AS DECLARED BY THE MODERATOR

ARTICLE 9

I Richard Dorney move that the total amount of \$1,546,269.00 be appropriated for the operation of the Sewer Enterprise for Fiscal Year 2019 from Sewer Enterprise Receipts

(including but not limited to fees, charges, interest, and miscellaneous revenues), with \$1,442,697.00 of said sum being appropriated hereunder for direct costs of the Enterprise, and \$103,572.00 of said sum to be appropriated in the General Fund under Article 10 for indirect costs and allocated to the Sewer Enterprise Fund for funding, as follows:

\$ 162,547.00	Personnel Services
\$ 1,097,400.00	Other Charges and Expenditures
\$ 103,572.00	Indirect Costs –
	Charged to Enterprise Fund from
	General Fund and raised under Article 10
<u>\$ 182,750.00</u>	Debt Service
\$ 1,546,269.00	Total for Fiscal Year 2019 – Sewer

ARTICLE PASSES BY MAJORITY VOTE AS DECLARED BY THE
MODERATOR

ARTICLE 10

I Richard Dorney that the Town raise and appropriate the amount of \$53,759,926.00, raise from Sewer receipts the amount of \$103,572.00, and raise from Water receipts the amount of \$338,432.00 to fund the Town’s FY19 Operating Budget, all as presented in the Finance Committee’s recommendation as printed in Article 10 of the May 14, 2018, Annual Town Meeting Warrant, and further, to transfer the amount of \$1,392,665.00 from the following funds for a total appropriation for the Fiscal Year 2019 operating budget of \$55,594,595.00:

Hicks Fund	\$	100,000.00
Ambulance Receipts	\$	600,000.00
Septic Betterments	\$	60,000.00
Dog Fund	\$	10,000.00
Debt Exclusion Premium	\$	17,665.00
Wetlands Protection	\$	5,000.00
Free Cash	\$	600,000.00
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	\$	1,392,665.00

As written in the Warrant:

To see what sums the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, and/or appropriate, and/or transfer from available funds to pay Town debts and charges for the ensuing Fiscal Year, as provided by the General Laws, Chapter 41, Section 108, and to appropriate monies for same, or take any other action relative thereto.

FY 2019 Operating Budget	FY 2019 Finance Comm Recommend.
<u>Board of Selectmen (122)</u>	
	\$
Personnel Services	50,100.00
	\$
Charges & Expenditures	5,223.00
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Totals	\$ 55,323.00
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<u>Town Manager (123)</u>	
	\$
Personnel Services	245,370.00
	\$
Charges & Expenditures	17,400.00
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Totals	\$ 262,770.00
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<u>Finance Committee (131)</u>	
	\$
Charges & Expenditures	1,410.00
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Totals	\$ 1,410.00
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<u>Reserve Fund (132)</u>	
	\$
- Appropriation	150,000.00
Transfers	
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Totals	\$ 150,000.00
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<u>Town Accountant (135)</u>	
	\$
Personnel Services	195,916.00
	\$
Purchase Of Services	24,500.00
Charges & Expenditures	\$

	3,635.00	
Totals	\$	224,051.00
<u>Assessors (141)</u>		
Personnel Services	\$	138,590.00
Charges & Expenditures	\$	34,650.00
Totals	\$	173,240.00
<u>Treasurer/Collector (147)</u>		
Personnel Services	\$	206,834.00
Charges & Expenditures	\$	51,800.00
Totals	\$	258,634.00
<u>Legal Services (151)</u>		
Charges & Expenditures	\$	70,000.00
Totals	\$	70,000.00
<u>Data Processing (155)</u>		
Personnel Services	\$	-
Charges & Expenditures	\$	210,450.00
Totals	\$	210,450.00
<u>Web Committee (156)</u>		
Charges & Expenditures	\$	-
Totals	\$	-
<u>Tax Title Foreclosure (158)</u>		
Charges & Expenditures	\$	45,000.00
Totals	\$	45,000.00
<u>Town Clerk (161)</u>		
Personnel Services	\$	116,895.00

Salary - Elected Official	\$	-
Charges & Expenditures	\$	9,875.00
Totals	\$	126,770.00
<u>Elections (162)</u>		
Personnel Services	\$	630.00
Charges & Expenditures	\$	44,052.00
Totals	\$	44,682.00
<u>Conservation Comm (171)</u>		
Personnel Services	\$	89,919.00
Charges & Expenditures	\$	14,457.00
Totals	\$	104,376.00
<u>Planning Board (175)</u>		
Personnel Services	\$	110,751.00
Charges & Expenditures	\$	5,200.00
Totals	\$	115,951.00
<u>SE REG Plan & Econ Dev (176)</u>		
Assessment	\$	3,478.00
Totals	\$	3,478.00
<u>Zoning Bd Of Appeals (177)</u>		
Charges & Expenditures	\$	300.00
Totals	\$	300.00
<u>Municipal Bldg Maint (192)</u>		
Charges & Expenditures	\$	240,600.00

Totals	\$ 240,600.00
<u>Town Report (195)</u>	
Printing	\$ 2,000.00
Totals	\$ 2,000.00
<u>Postage -All Depts (199)</u>	
Charges & Expenditures	\$ 32,000.00
Totals	\$ 32,000.00
<u>Police Department (210)</u>	
Personnel Services	\$ 3,186,660.00
Charges & Expenditures	\$ 199,035.00
Totals	\$ 3,385,695.00
<u>Fire Department (220)</u>	
Personnel Services	\$ 3,529,856.00
Charges & Expenditures	\$ 189,800.00
Total	\$ 3,719,656.00
<u>Emergency Medl Serv (230)</u>	
Charges & Expenditures	\$ 110,400.00
Totals	\$ 110,400.00
<u>Emergency Planning (240)</u>	
Charges & Expenditures	\$ 7,150.00
Totals	\$ 7,150.00
<u>Inspection Dept (241)</u>	
Personnel Services	\$ 168,772.00

Charges & Expenditures	\$ 11,725.00
Totals	\$ 180,497.00
<u>Sealer Weights (244)</u>	
Charges & Expenditures	\$ 2,000.00
Totals	\$ 2,000.00
<u>Communication Center (290)</u>	
Personnel Services	\$ 575,032.00
Assessment	\$ 51,000.00
Charges & Expenditures	\$ 139,125.00
Totals	\$ 765,157.00
<u>Animal Control (292)</u>	
Personnel Services	\$ 58,344.00
Charges & Expenditures	\$ 11,785.00
Totals	\$ 70,129.00
<u>Tree Warden (294)</u>	
Personnel Services	\$ 2,000.00
Totals	\$ 2,000.00
<u>School Department (300)</u>	
- Operating Expense	\$ 28,000,000.00
Totals	\$ 28,000,000.00
<u>Southeastern Reg Voc (306)</u>	
Assessments	\$ 1,047,296.00
Totals	\$ 1,047,296.00

<u>Reg Agricultural Sch (308)</u>	
Assessments	\$ 100,000.00
Totals	\$ 100,000.00
<u>Highway (420)</u>	
Personnel Services	\$ 676,038.00
Charges & Expenditures	\$ 97,150.00
Surface Treatment	\$ 8,000.00
Repairs to Private Ways	\$ 1,000.00
Totals	\$ 782,188.00
<u>Snow Removal (423)</u>	
Charges & Expenditures	\$ 80,000.00
Totals	\$ 80,000.00
<u>Street Lighting (425)</u>	
Charges & Expenditures	\$ 120,000.00
Totals	\$ 120,000.00
<u>Sanitary Landfill (438)</u>	
Charges & Expenditures Reserve Fund Supplement	\$ 8,000.00
Totals	\$ 8,000.00
<u>Board of Health (510)</u>	
Personnel Services	\$ 148,194.00
Charges & Expenditures	\$ 8,425.00
Totals	\$ 156,619.00
<u>Public Health Nurse (522)</u>	
Personnel Services	\$

	33,800.00
Charges & Expenditures	\$ 10,250.00
Totals	\$ 44,050.00
<u>Council on Aging (541)</u>	
Personnel Services	\$ 57,320.00
Charges & Expenditures	\$ 11,600.00
Reserve Fund Supplement	
Totals	\$ 68,920.00
<u>Veterans Agent (543)</u>	
Personnel Services	\$ 84,531.00
Charges & Expenditures	\$ 3,730.00
Veterans Benefits	\$ 230,000.00
Reserve Fund Supplement	
Totals	\$ 318,261.00
<u>Library (610)</u>	
Other Charges & Expenditures	\$ 409,089.00
Totals	\$ 409,089.00
<u>Recreation (630)</u>	
- Personnel Services	\$ 22,529.00
Charges & Expenditures	\$ 13,600.00
Totals	\$ 36,129.00
<u>Memorial & Vets Day (692)</u>	
Other Charges & Expenditures	\$ 1,500.00
Totals	\$ 1,500.00
<u>Maturing Debt (711)</u>	

Maturing Principal on LT Debt	\$ 1,622,275.00
Repayment of Temporary Loans	\$ 47,197.00
Totals	\$ 1,669,472.00
<u>Interest (750)</u>	
Interest on Long-Term Debt	\$ 475,554.00
Interest on Notes Reserve Fund Supplement	\$ 52,276.00
Totals	\$ 527,830.00
<u>Employee Benefits (910)</u>	
Personnel Services	\$ 2,710,522.00
Other Personnel Services	\$ 7,825,000.00
Charges & Expenditures	\$ 480,000.00
Totals	\$ 11,015,522.00
<u>Unemployment Comp (911)</u>	
Charges & Expenditures	\$ 75,000.00
Totals	\$ 75,000.00
<u>Miscellaneous (940)</u>	
Fuel Expenses	\$ 110,000.00
Charges & Expenditures	\$ 661,000.00
Totals	\$ 771,000.00
GRAND TOTALS	\$ 55,594,595.00

Mr. Yunits explained that 1.45% increase on the general government side and including library 2.5%. The school received a 2.8% increase and they had to reduce Police, Fire and Communication in the overtime accounts. He is hoping to restore \$283,554 in October.

Mr. Kimball explained that that the Board of Selectmen's office there are 5 volunteer not paid and they only have a part-timer helping them out. He said the position used to be full-time and they are not adding to the budget they are bringing back.

Thomas Deluca explained that free cash is not free cash. We can only refund money if we have it. If we don't have it the layoffs start.

Motion was made by Jack Fitzgerald, 48 Sturdy Street to change Conservation Commission personnel services to \$14,320.00 to a new account. He said that this new account is to be manager under the current town manager for hiring appropriate licensed Mass-stamped professional civil engineer consultants to be the agent for filing with the town of Norton on a case by case basis. Residents spoke on how we need the Conservation Agent and it would be more costly to go outside. Motion was made to move the question. Amendment failed.

Rene Deley, 69 S. Washington Street asked why the Planning Board's budget went up from \$92,000 and received \$110,000. Joe Fernandes spoke and explained that they went back to the Finance Committee and requested the increase for a part-time 18 hour person and for the GIS software. He explained how our zoning map is inadequate and we need to develop a GIS zoning map specifically for Norton.

At 10:00 PM Mr. Kimball made a motion to stop the Annual Town Meeting at 11:00 pm and resume on Wednesday, May 16, 2018. Motion was made and seconded.

Motion was made by Deniz Savas to decrease line 910- 511 Employee Benefits by \$143,900 and to increase line 300 School Department. Motion passed by Majority Vote.

ARTICLE PASSES BY MAJORITY VOTE AS DECLARED BY THE
MODERATOR

**The Annual Town Meeting adjourned at 11:00 pm and was continued to May 16,
2018 to be held at the Norton High School Auditorium at 7:00 PM.**

A true record. Attest:

Lucia B. Longhurst
Town Clerk

**TOWN OF NORTON
ANNUAL TOWN MEETING (2ND NIGHT)
MAY 16, 2018**

The 2nd night of the Annual Town Meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM on May 16, 2018 by the Town Moderator at Norton High School Auditorium.

To begin tonight's meeting, I ask you to please all rise and join me in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The moderator said he was going to dispense going over the long list of rules as he was tired of hearing them along with the residents. He pledged to do a better job tonight to keep the meeting civil and keep the meeting moving and the goal of making this a better meeting and the making the ultimate goal of making this a better town.

He said that Mr. Kimball had an announcement.

Mr. Kimball thank everyone for coming out a second night and how we are all neighbors and have a lot of respect for each other. He also spoke about Tercentennial Park and its deteriorated condition from lack of maintenance.

He recognized Steven Fuller owner of FSM Landscaping Company for stepping up to the plate and explained how he totally transformed the park.

Town Clerk Lucia B. Longhurst read the call and return of service from the Constable.

ARTICLE 11

No action.

ARTICLE DECLARED LOST AS DECLARED BY THE MODERATOR

ARTICLE 12 (2/3 Vote)

I Richard Dorney that the Town appropriate the total sum of \$995,158.00, for the purchase, or lease for periods of time up to or in excess of three years with an option to purchase, and equip the following new and/or replacement capital items or for capital projects for various Town Departments, and for the payment of all costs incidental and related thereto, as set forth in the Finance Committee’s Recommendations and in the Chart entitled, “Article 12 Proposed FY19 Capital Budget”, and to meet said appropriation, to transfer the amount of \$721,883.00 from the Capital Improvements Account, \$220,000.00 from the Ambulance Fund, and \$53,275.00 from the Water Enterprise Retained Earnings:

DATA PROCESSING (155)	Upgrades to Improve Network Performance, Capacity, and Security--End of Life Replacement Upgrade, Backup and Disaster Recovery Servers, VMware Services - Memory Upgrade, and WatchGuard Firewall Update	\$ 51,000.00
DATA PROCESSING (155)	CAD Migration to Tri Tech/IMC	\$ 81,000.00
DATA		

PROCESSING (155)	Repeater Replacement	\$ 18,000.00
CONSERVATION (171)	Renovations to Camp Edith Read Complex, North Worcester Street	\$ 25,000.00
POLICE DEPARTMENT (210)	Police Line Cruiser Replacements (Two)	\$ 76,000.00
POLICE DEPARTMENT (210)	Portable Radios (5/Year)	\$ 19,700.00
POLICE DEPARTMENT (210)	Police Station Flooring Replacement	\$ 10,000.00
FIRE DEPARTMENT (220)	Monitors/AED's (*)	\$ 105,000.00
FIRE DEPARTMENT (220)	Hovercraft (*) (barely usable)	\$ 75,000.00
FIRE DEPARTMENT (220)	Jaws/Heavy Rescue Equip.(*)	\$ 20,000.00
FIRE DEPARTMENT (220)	Dive Team Equipment(*)	\$ 20,000.00
FIRE DEPARTMENT (220)	Turnout gear replacement (18)	\$ 49,500.00
FIRE DEPARTMENT (220)	Pumper Replacement (Year 1 of 5)	\$ 99,000.00
SCHOOLS (300)	(District) Special Education Vans - 3 of 3 payment	\$ 35,683.00
SCHOOLS (300)	(District) Security Cameras	\$ 25,000.00
SCHOOLS (300)	(District) Interior doors, door handles and locks	\$ 25,000.00
SCHOOLS (300)	(NMS) Install tile - 3 of 3 payment	\$ 65,000.00
HIGHWAY (420)	4 x 4 Backhoe (4 of 5)	\$

		28,000.00
HIGHWAY (420)	4 x 4 Pick-Up Truck with Plow	\$ 50,000.00
HIGHWAY (420)	2.5 Ton 6 Wheeler with Plow (4 of 5)	\$ 31,000.00
HIGHWAY (420)	Holder Utility Tractor (2 of 5)	\$ 33,000.00
	SUBTOTAL:	\$ 941,883.00
WATER (450)	Replace Service Vehicle 4x4 with Plow	\$ 53,275.00
	SUBTOTAL WATER PROJECTS:	\$ 53,275.00

ARTICLE PASSES BY MAJORITY VOTE AS DECLARED BY THE
MODERATOR

ARTICLE 13

I Richard Dorney move that the Town vote to transfer the sum of \$25,000.00 from Free Cash for tree services, including but not limited to the removal of hazardous trees, stump removal, and performance of additional preventative and emergency services Town wide, including crane rentals and other incidental and related expenses.

ARTICLE PASSES BY MAJORITY VOTE AS DECLARED BY THE
MODERATOR

ARTICLE 14

I Richard Dorney move that the Town vote to raise and appropriate the amount of \$10,000.00 for legal services and/or technical assistance relative to Chapter 40B (Comprehensive Permit) projects.

ARTICLE PASSES BY MAJORITY VOTE AS DECLARED BY THE
MODERATOR

ARTICLE 15

I Richard Dorney move that the Town vote pursuant to the provisions of G.L. c. 44, §53E½, as most recently amended, to amend the General Bylaw, entitled “Departmental Revolving Funds”, approved under Article 16 of the May 8, 2017, Annual Town Meeting, by inserting two new revolving funds entitled “Stormwater

Bylaw Revolving Fund” and “79 North Worcester Street (Camp Edith Read Property) Revolving Fund” at the end of the chart set forth in Section 1 of said bylaw, and to establish fiscal year spending limits for such funds, all as printed in Article 15 of the May 14, 2018, Annual Town Meeting Warrant.

As printed in the Warrant

To see if the Town will vote pursuant to the provisions of G.L. c. 44, §53E½, as most recently amended, to:

1. Amend the General Bylaw, entitled “Departmental Revolving Funds”, approved under Article 16 of the May 8, 2017 Annual Town Meeting, by inserting two new revolving funds at the end of the chart set forth in Section 1 of said bylaw, to be operative beginning July 1, 2018, as follows:

STORMWATER BYLAW REVOLVING FUND	
Authorized to Spend:	Norton Highway Department
Revenue Source:	Fees and other funds associated with the Stormwater Bylaw
Use of Fund:	Operation and maintenance of storm water drainage systems accepted on town roads
Fund Balance Disposition:	Balance available for expenditure in the following fiscal year

79 NORTH WORCESTER STREET (CAMP EDITH READ PROPERTY) REVOLVING FUND	
Authorized to Spend:	Norton Conservation Commission
Revenue Source:	Fees and other funds associated with the use of the property commonly known as the Camp Edith Read and located at 79 North Worcester Street, Norton, Massachusetts, including but not limited to revenue resulting from leasing the property.
Use of Fund:	Expenses directly related to use, rental, development, operation, and maintenance of Camp Edith Read, 79 North Worcester Street
Fund Balance Disposition:	Balance available for expenditure in the following fiscal year

2. Establish fiscal year limitations on expenditures from the revolving funds established by the General Bylaw entitled, “Departmental Revolving Funds”, with such limitations to remain applicable from fiscal year to fiscal year until such time as they are later amended, and with the spending limits for the newly created revolving funds shown in bold, italic text, all as follows:

237 MANSFIELD AVENUE (WENDELL JACKSON PROPERTY) REVOLVING FUND	
Spending Limit:	\$60,000.00
FORESTRY REVOLVING FUND	
Spending Limit:	\$30,000.00
HOME COMPOSTING BIN DISTRIBUTION PROGRAM REVOLVING FUND	
Spending Limit:	\$2,000.00
RECYCLING REVOLVING FUND	
Spending Limit:	\$10,000.00
CERTIFIED HAZARDOUS MATERIALS TECHNICIAN(S) REVOLVING FUND	
Spending Limit:	\$10,000.00
COUNCIL ON AGING REVOLVING FUND	
Spending Limit:	\$10,000.00
STORMWATER BYLAW REVOLVING FUND	
<i>Spending Limit:</i>	<i>\$100,000.00</i>
79 NORTH WORCESTER STREET (CAMP EDITH READ PROPERTY) REVOLVING FUND	
<i>Spending Limit:</i>	<i>\$60,000.00</i>

or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE PASSES BY MAJORITY VOTE AS DECLARED BY THE
MODERATOR

ARTICLE 16

I Richard Dorney move that the Town vote to accept Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 59, Section 5N, amend the General Bylaws to include the new bylaw entitled “Veterans Property Tax Work-Off Program”, and approve Article 16 as printed in the May 14, 2018, Annual Town Meeting Warrant.

As printed in the Warrant

To see if the Town will vote to accept Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 59, Section 5N, authorizing the Board of Selectmen to establish a program to allow a veteran who qualifies for participation to volunteer to provide services to the Town, or an authorized representative for persons physically unable to provide such services, in exchange for a reduction in real property tax obligations on the veteran’s tax bill, in addition to any exemption or abatement to which that person is otherwise entitled, not to exceed \$1,000 and that any veteran participating in such program shall not receive a rate of, or be credited with more than the current minimum wage of the

Commonwealth per hour; and further, to amend the General Bylaws to include the following new bylaw:

VETERANS PROPERTY TAX WORK-OFF PROGRAM

There shall be in the Town of Norton a Veterans Tax Program in accordance with the provisions of G.L. c.59, §5N, allowing the Town of Norton the opportunity to utilize the knowledge and skills of its resident veterans, or an authorized representative for persons physically unable to provide such services, in exchange for a reduction in real property tax obligations on the veteran's tax bill, in addition to any exemption or abatement to which that person is otherwise entitled. The purposes of this program are to enhance municipal services and alleviate resident veterans' tax burden.

The Board of Selectmen shall be authorized to promulgate regulations to implement the Veterans Tax Program subject to and in accordance with the limitations imposed by G.L. c.59, §5N. Such regulations shall be adopted at an open meeting for which notice of such action was properly provided under the Open Meeting Law, and any regulations promulgated by the Board of Selectmen shall be posted in the offices of the Board of Selectmen, Town Clerk and Board of Assessors, and on the Town's website.

or take any other action relative thereto.

**ARTICLE PASSES BY MAJORITY VOTE AS DECLARED BY THE
MODERATOR**

ARTICLE 17

I Richard Dorney move that the Town vote to accept the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 64N, Section 3, authorizing the imposition of a local excise tax in the statutory amount of three (3%) percent on the sale or transfer of marijuana or marijuana products by a marijuana retailer operating within the Town to anyone other than a marijuana establishment, such excise to take effect January 1, 2019, or such earlier time as may be authorized by law.

**ARTICLE PASSES BY MAJORITY VOTE AS DECLARED BY THE
MODERATOR**

ARTICLE 18

I Richard Dorney move that the Town vote to revise the Town’s Personnel Bylaws, as on file with the Town Clerk, by adding the “**Parks and Recreation Coordinator**” position to the **Job Classification Plan** and to the **Salary Plan** with a proposed range of **\$17.00 - \$21.00**.

ARTICLE PASSES BY MAJORITY VOTE AS DECLARED BY THE
MODERATOR

ARTICLE 19

I Richard Dorney move that the Town vote to amend Section 18(c) of the Stormwater Bylaw to clarify the process for enforcement thereof by deleting the strikethrough text and inserting the underlined text, all as printed in Article 19 of the May 14, 2018, Annual Town Meeting Warrant.

As printed in the Warrant

To see if the Town will vote to amend Section 18(c) of the Stormwater Bylaw to clarify the process for enforcement thereof by deleting the strikethrough text and inserting the underlined text, as follows:

The member of the Stormwater Committee, its employees or duly appointed agents, may seek remedies under ~~the~~ this bylaw or any rules and regulations promulgated hereunder ordinance, including instituting a civil action, when so authorized by the Board of Selectmen, to obtain an injunction, or seeking criminal fines enforcement—of up to three hundred (\$300.00) dollars per violation per day, and/or issuance of non–criminal citations in accordance with G.L. c.40, §21D, and these General Bylaws of up to one hundred (\$100.00) dollars for the first violation, two hundred (\$200.00) dollars for the second violation, and three hundred (\$300.00) dollars per for the third and any subsequent violations, with each day a violation exists constituting a separate violation per day.

or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE PASSES BY MAJORITY VOTE AS DECLARED BY THE
MODERATOR

ARTICLE 20

I Richard Dorney move that the Town vote to amend the General and Zoning Bylaws by making non-substantive, ministerial amendments for the purpose of recodifying the General and Zoning By-laws to create a more uniform presentation, organized topical structure, reader-friendly and convenient format for inserting future amendments,

including renumbered outline format, insertion of headings and subheadings, providing for consistency with Massachusetts General Laws and internally with regard to spelling and use of various words, and updating references to existing Town offices and bodies; and further, that the Town vote to amend the General Bylaws by inserting the new bylaw entitled “Headings and Numbering; Authority for Town Clerk to Assign Alphanumeric References and Correct Internal Cross References”, all as printed in Article 20 of the May 14, 2018, Annual Town Meeting Warrant.

As printed in the Warrant

To see if the Town will vote to amend the General and Zoning Bylaws by making non-substantive, ministerial amendments for the purpose of recodifying the General and Zoning By-laws to create a more uniform presentation, organized topical structure, reader-friendly and convenient format for inserting future amendments, including renumbered outline format, insertion of headings and subheadings, providing for consistency with Massachusetts General Laws and internally with regard to spelling and use of various words, and updating references to existing Town offices and bodies; and further, to amend the General Bylaws to insert the following new bylaw:

Headings and Numbering; Authority for Town Clerk to Assign Alphanumeric References and Correct Internal Cross References:

The headings and section numbers that appear in this Bylaw are for convenience only and shall not be interpreted to limit or otherwise affect the provisions of article or section to which they refer. With the approval of the Town Manager, the Town Clerk may assign appropriate alphanumeric references to chapters, articles, sections, subsections, paragraphs, and subparagraphs of the General and Zoning Bylaws, and may correct internal cross-references, and, in each case in which Town Meeting has assigned an alphanumeric reference, the assignment of such references or the making of such corrections as authorized under this bylaw shall be identified by a footnote or functionally similar editorial convention.

or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE PASSES BY 2/3 VOTE AS DECLARED BY THE MODERATOR

ARTICLE 21

I Richard Dorney move that the Town vote to amend the Norton Zoning Bylaw, Article IV, specifically the use table under Section 4.3, **Open Space, Agriculture and Recreational Uses**, by inserting the bold, italic, underlined text and by deleting the strikethrough text, all as printed in Article 21 of the May 14, 2018, Annual Town Meeting Warrant.

As printed in the warrant

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Norton Zoning Bylaw, Article IV, specifically the use table under Section 4.3, **Open Space, Agriculture and Recreational Uses**, by inserting the bold, italic, underlined text and by deleting the strikethrough text, as follows, or take any other action relative thereto:

Principal Uses (continued) 4.3 Open Space, Agriculture and Recreational Uses	Zoning Districts					
	Allowed Uses					
	R-80	R-60	R-40	VC	C	I
Public parks, playgrounds	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N
Horticulture, floriculture and minor agriculture	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Cemetery	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Recreational day camp	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N
Public recreation areas	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N
Golf course	SP	SP	SP	SP	SP	N
Health or recreational club	N	N	N	SP	Y	SP
Outdoor lighting for non-residential use in excess of thirty (30) feet in height	SP	SP	SP	SP	SP	SP
Farms, Orchards, nursey, greenhouse agriculture and tree farms	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Farms, livestock (excluding swine), horses, poultry and rabbits, if confined or caged (over 50) on five or more acres	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Farms, livestock (excluding swine), horses, poultry and rabbits, if confined or caged (over 50) on less than five acres	Y	SP	SP	N	N	N
Rabbits and poultry confined or caged (50 or under) on five acres or more	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
<u>Rabbits and adult hens (not roosters) confined or caged (12 or under), for personal use on less than five acres</u> ^{1(SEE BELOW)}	Y	Y	Y	SP	SP	SP
Rabbits and poultry confined or caged (12 or under 13 to 50) on less than five acres	Y	SP	SP	SP	SP	SP
Kennel, veterinary hospital	Y	N	N	SP	Y	SP
Roadside stand for agricultural, horticultural products, a major portion of which is grown on the premises by a resident proprietor	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y

ARTICLE PASSES BY 2/3 VOTE AS DECLARED BY THE MODERATOR

ARTICLE 22

I Richard Dorney move that the Town vote to amend the Zoning Bylaw to authorize, in the Industrial District, the siting of Marijuana Establishments, but specifically excluding “on site consumption” marijuana retail establishments, subject to a special permit requirement and site plan approval, all as printed in Article 22 of the May 14, 2018, Annual Town Meeting Warrant.

As printed in the Warrant

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning Bylaw to authorize, in the Industrial District, the siting of Marijuana Establishments, but specifically excluding “on site consumption” marijuana retail establishments, subject to a special permit requirement and site plan approval, all as set forth below; provided, however, that the Planning Board’s recommendation on such proposed amendment, and therefore the motion to be made hereunder, may present a bylaw that varies somewhat from that printed below based upon feedback from the public hearing:

- A. By inserting in Article II, DEFINITIONS, Section 2.2, a new definition for the term “marijuana establishment” as follows:

Marijuana Establishment – A marijuana cultivator, marijuana testing facility, marijuana product manufacturer, marijuana retailer or any other type of licensed marijuana-related business, all as defined in MGL c.94G, §1 and the Cannabis Control Commission Regulations 935 CMR 500.00, et seq.

- B. By amending Article IV, specifically the use table under Section 4.4, COMMERCIAL USE, by inserting new rows for marijuana establishments as follows:

PRINCIPAL USES 4.4 Commercial Uses	Zoning Districts					
	Allowed Uses					
	R-80	R-60	R-40	VC	C	I
<i>Marijuana Establishment, excluding “social consumption establishments” of any kind, including private social clubs, exercise or holistic studios or facilities and all other private entities</i>	N	N	N	N	N	SP

<i>Marijuana Establishment, “social consumption establishments” of any kind, including private social clubs, exercise or holistic studios or facilities and all other private entities</i>	<i>N</i>	<i>N</i>	<i>N</i>	<i>N</i>	<i>N</i>	<i>N</i>
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C. By amending Article XV, SITE PLAN APPROVAL, by inserting a new section 15.3.5, as follows:

All “marijuana establishments,” as defined in Article II, Definitions, shall require Site Plan Approval, including those with less than 2,500 square feet and/or less than 10 parking spaces that would otherwise be exempt from Site Plan Review. All site plan applications submitted for marijuana establishments under this section shall include all documents submitted to the Cannabis Control Commission for state licensing of the marijuana establishment and the site plan review shall include review of the site plan’s satisfaction of the standards established by the Cannabis Control Commission Regulations 935 CMR 500.00, et seq.

or take any action relative thereto.

Amendment was made by David Heaney, 25 Fletcher Street to amend article 22 by changing “N” to SP” under column “C: in row 1. This amendment would allow both Industrial and Commercial property to allow consumption establishments.

Chief Clark spoke and said he was only in favor of Industrial. He explained that the kids are his concern walking in commercial areas where there would be edibles and also that it would create loitering. He said he is seeing increases of driving under the influence and he would like to limit where we could put these establishments.

Mr. Kimball spoke and agreed to just industrial locations at this point. He explained how the bylaws have to go to the Attorney General for final approval and he felt that they may not approve this article because of it is not in scope of the article. If that were to happen then we would have nothing. He felt we should go into this with baby steps, see how it works with just the Industrail and then come back to Town Meeting in October to try to change it.

The amendment was defeated.

ARTICLE 22 PASSES BY 2/3 VOTE AS DECLARED BY THE MODERATOR

ARTICLE 23

No action.

ARTICLE DECLARED LOST AS DECLARED BY THE MODERATOR

ARTICLE 24 (if positive action, then majority vote)

No action.

ARTICLE DECLARED LOST AS DECLARED BY THE MODERATOR

ARTICLE 25 (if positive action, then majority vote)

No action.

ARTICLE DECLARED LOST AS DECLARED BY THE MODERATOR

ARTICLE 26 (if positive action, then 2/3 vote)

No action.

ARTICLE DECLARED LOST AS DECLARED BY THE MODERATOR

At 9:02 p.m. the Annual Town Meeting was concluded and the Moderator declared the meeting ADJOURNED.

A true record. Attest:

Lucia B. Longhurst
Town Clerk