

**Fall 2023 Town Meeting Articles – Motions for SB vote (10/5/23)**

**ARTICLE X.** To hear and act upon the reports of the Town Officers, Boards, Committees, including the Finance Committee; or take any other action in relation thereto.

(Select Board)

**MOTION: MOVED AND SECONDED that the reports of Town Officers Boards, Committees including the Finance Committee be received and filed.**

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**ARTICLE X.** To see if the Town will vote to amend the vote of the Town passed under Article 18 at the 2021 Spring Town Meeting to (a) increase the amount of the appropriation and borrowing authorization therein for the Muraco Elementary School Culvert Project from **\$9,110,000 to \$10,200,000**, (b) determine how to fund the appropriation, including whether to borrow or to transfer existing funds, and (c) delete language regarding the allocation of premium received upon the sale of bonds or notes that is no longer necessary or consistent with state law, such that said amended vote shall now read as follows: “Voted: that \$10,200,000 is appropriated to install additional culverts behind the Muraco Elementary School for flood mitigation purposes, including engineering expenses and all other costs incidental and related thereto; that to meet this appropriation the Treasurer with the approval of the Select Board is authorized to borrow **\$9,734,517.25** under Chapter 44, Section 7(1) of the General Laws, or under any other enabling authority, and to issue bonds or notes of the Town therefor, and **\$49,890.35** shall be transferred from the unexpended proceeds of the Town’s General Obligation Municipal Purpose Loan of 2018 Bonds dated June 27, 2018 issued for the purpose of funding the design, permitting and construction of a supplemental culvert and surface floodway at Skillings Athletic Fields, including all costs incidental and related thereto, pursuant to the vote of the Town passed April 27, 2015 (Article 1), which project has been completed and has no remaining liability, pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 44, Section 20; and **\$415,592.40** shall be transferred from the unexpended proceeds of the Town’s General Obligation Municipal Purpose Loan of 2019 Bonds dated August 22, 2019 issued for the purpose of funding the architectural design services and for the construction of the McCall Middle School Expansion project, including the upgrading of building management and telephone systems, renovation of existing spaces, expansion of the cafeteria, and the construction of a four-story addition which includes general education classrooms, specialist work spaces, public toilets and other supplemental building, including all costs incidental or related thereto, as outlined in the February 2018 plans prepared by Flansburgh Architects, and for a traffic study and any associated improvements recommended therein, including but not limited to signalization, traffic calming, and signage, including all costs incidental or related thereto pursuant to the vote of the Town passed March 8, 2018 (Article 1), which project has been completed and has no remaining liability, pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 44, Section 20; and that in accordance with Section 4-2 of the Town of Winchester Home Rule Charter the Town Manager shall have the authority to enter into contracts and approve payments with respect to the project.”; or to take any other action relative thereto.

(Capital Planning Committee/Select Board)

**MOTION: MOVED AND SECONDED** that the vote of the Town passed under Article 18 at the 2021 Spring Town Meeting is hereby amended to (a) increase the amount of the appropriation and borrowing authorization therein for the Muraco Elementary School Culvert Project from \$9,110,000 to \$10,200,000, (b) determine how to fund the appropriation, including whether to borrow or to transfer existing funds, and (c) delete language regarding the allocation of premium received upon the sale of bonds or notes that is no longer necessary or consistent with state law, and said amended vote shall now read as follows: “Voted: that \$10,200,000 is appropriated to install additional culverts behind the Muraco Elementary School for flood mitigation purposes, including engineering expenses and all other costs incidental and related thereto; that to meet this appropriation the Treasurer with the approval of the Select Board is authorized to borrow \$9,734,517.25 under Chapter 44, Section 7(1) of the General Laws, or under any other enabling authority, and to issue bonds or notes of the Town therefor, and \$49,890.35 (Fund 8898) shall be transferred from the unexpended proceeds of the Town’s General Obligation Municipal Purpose Loan of 2018 Bonds dated June 27, 2018 issued for the purpose of funding the design, permitting and construction of a supplemental culvert and surface floodway at Skillings Athletic Fields, including all costs incidental and related thereto, pursuant to the vote of the Town passed April 27, 2015 (Article 1), which project has been completed and has no remaining liability, pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 44, Section 20; and \$415,592.40 (Fund 8908) shall be transferred from the unexpended proceeds of the Town’s General Obligation Municipal Purpose Loan of 2019 Bonds dated August 22, 2019 issued for the purpose of funding the architectural design services and for the construction of the McCall Middle School Expansion project, including the upgrading of building management and telephone systems, renovation of existing spaces, expansion of the cafeteria, and the construction of a four-story addition which includes general education classrooms, specialist work spaces, public toilets and other supplemental building, including all costs incidental or related thereto, as outlined in the February 2018 plans prepared by Flansburgh Architects, and for a traffic study and any associated improvements recommended therein, including but not limited to signalization, traffic calming, and signage, including all costs incidental or related thereto pursuant to the vote of the Town passed March 8, 2018 (Article 1), which project has been completed and has no remaining liability, pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 44, Section 20; and that in accordance with Section 4-2 of the Town of Winchester Home Rule Charter the Town Manager shall have the authority to enter into contracts and approve payments with respect to the project.”

**ARTICLE X.** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money from FY2024 Miscellaneous Non-Recurring Revenue and the Capital Stabilization Fund established under Chapter 69 of the Acts of 2002 for the construction of a playground facility and other improvements at Leonard Field & McDonald Field, including all engineering, drainage and site improvements, construction, and all other costs incidental and related thereto.

(Capital Planning Committee/Select Board)

**MOTION: MOVED AND SECONDED** that the Town vote to appropriate \$930,000 for the construction of playground facilities and other improvements at Leonard Field & McDonald Field, including engineering, construction, drainage and site improvements, and all other costs incidental and related thereto.; that to meet this appropriation \$730,000 shall come from the Capital Stabilization Fund established under Chapter 69 of the Acts of 2002 and \$200,000 from FY2024 Miscellaneous Non-Recurring Revenue.

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**ARTICLE X.** To see if the town will vote to authorize to purchase a certain parcel located off of Waterfield Road and containing approximately .041 acres of land, said parcel being identified as parcel 9-47-0 on the Town's Assessor's maps and also being shown on a certain plan on file with the Town Clerk; and further, to appropriate a sum of funds for such acquisition; or to take any other action relative thereto.

(Select Board)

**MOTION: MOVED AND SECONDED that the Town vote to authorize the Select Board to purchase a certain parcel located off of Waterfield Road and containing approximately .041 acres of land, said parcel being identified as parcel 9-47-0 on the Town's Assessor's maps and also being shown on a certain plan on file with the Town Clerk; and further, to transfer, from the Sale of Land Account, the sum of \$155,000, for such acquisition.**

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**ARTICLE X.** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Select Board to lease a certain .39 acre parcel of property located adjacent to 955 Main Street, currently being used as a parking lot, for a term not to exceed 20 years and to authorize the Select Board to enter into a lease therefore on terms that the Select Board deem appropriate; or take any other action in relation thereto.

(Select Board)

**MOTION: MOVED AND SECONDED that the Town vote to authorize the Select Board to enter into a lease of a .39 acre town-owned property located adjacent to 955 main Street, for parking purposes, said lease term being authorized up to a twenty-year term, and to authorize the Select Board to negotiate acceptable lease terms.**

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**ARTICLE X.** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money from the FY24 Miscellaneous Non-Recurring Revenue to make improvements at Davidson Park and Washington Street Park; or take any other action in relation thereto.

(Select Board)

**MOTION: MOVED AND SECONDED that the Town vote to appropriate \$50,000 from FY24 Miscellaneous Non-Recurring Revenue to make improvements at Davidson Park and Washington Street Park.**

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**ARTICLE X.** To see if the Town will vote to hear and act on the report of the Community Preservation Act Study Committee and place on file or take any other action in relation thereto.

(Select Board)

**MOTION: MOVED AND SECONDED that the report of the Community Preservation Act Study Committee be received and filed.**

**ARTICLE X.** To see if the Town will vote to amend the vote of the Town passed under Article 22 at the 2022 Fall Town Meeting to increase the authorized borrowing amount for the project from \$1,350,000 to \$1,600,000 such that said amended vote shall now read as follows: “MOVED: That \$1,600,000 is appropriated to pay costs of constructing a water pumping station to increase water pressure and flow for the Arbor Lane and Wendell Street area, including the payment of costs related to design and engineering, original equipment for the pumping station, pipeline connections, and all other costs incidental and related thereto; that to meet this appropriation the Treasurer, with the approval of the Select Board, is authorized to borrow said amount pursuant to G.L. c.44, §8(4), or pursuant to any other enabling authority, and to issue bonds or notes of the Town therefor; that the Town Manager shall be authorized to have oversight of the project; and that in accordance with Section 4-2 of the Town of Winchester Home Rule Charter the Town Manager shall have the authority to enter into contracts and approve payments with respect to the project.”; or to take any other action relative thereto.

(Select Board)

**MOTION: MOVED AND SECONDED** that the vote of the Town passed under Article 22 at the 2022 Fall Town Meeting is hereby amended to increase the authorized borrowing amount for the project from \$1,350,000 to \$1,600,000 such that said amended vote shall now read as follows: “MOVED: That \$1,600,000 is appropriated to pay costs of constructing a water pumping station to increase water pressure and flow for the Arbor Lane and Wendell Street area, including the payment of costs related to design and engineering, original equipment for the pumping station, pipeline connections, and all other costs incidental and related thereto; that to meet this appropriation the Treasurer, with the approval of the Select Board, is authorized to borrow said amount pursuant to G.L. c.44, §8(4), or pursuant to any other enabling authority, and to issue bonds or notes of the Town therefor; that the Town Manager shall be authorized to have oversight of the project; and that in accordance with Section 4-2 of the Town of Winchester Home Rule Charter the Town Manager shall have the authority to enter into contracts and approve payments with respect to the project.”; or to take any other action relative thereto.

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**ARTICLE X.** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money to pay costs of engineering, acquisition and installation of solar panels and solar panel canopies on or in the vicinity of the Lynch Elementary School and the School’s parking lots, including the payment of all costs incidental and related thereto; to determine whether this appropriation shall be raised by borrowing, transfer from Free Cash or available funds, or otherwise; or to take any other action relative thereto.

(Select Board)

**OPTION 1 – Borrowing Only**

**MOTION: MOVED AND SECONDED** that \$\_\_\_\_\_ is appropriated to pay costs of engineering, acquisition and installation of solar panels and solar panel canopies on or in the vicinity of the Lynch Elementary School and the School’s parking lots, including the payment of all costs incidental and related thereto; that to meet this appropriation the Treasurer, with the approval of the Select Board, is authorized to borrow said amount pursuant to G.L. c.44, §7(1), or pursuant to any other enabling authority, and to issue bonds or notes of the Town therefor; that the Town Manager shall be authorized to have oversight of the project; and that in accordance with Section 4-2 of the Town of Winchester Home Rule Charter the Town Manager shall have the authority to enter into contracts and approve payments with respect to the project.

**OPTION 2 – Borrowing + Free Cash**

**MOTION: MOVED AND SECONDED** that \$\_\_\_\_\_ is appropriated to pay costs of engineering, acquisition and installation of solar panels and solar panel canopies on or in the vicinity of the Lynch Elementary School and the School’s parking lots, including the payment of all costs incidental and related thereto; that to meet this appropriation, \$\_\_\_\_\_ shall be transferred from Free Cash and the Treasurer, with the approval of the Select Board, is authorized to borrow \$\_\_\_\_\_ pursuant to G.L. c.44, §7(1), or pursuant to any other enabling authority, and to issue bonds or notes of the Town therefor; that the Town Manager shall be authorized to have oversight of the project; and that in accordance with Section 4-2 of the Town of Winchester Home Rule Charter the Town Manager shall have the authority to enter into contracts and approve payments with respect to the project.

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**ARTICLE X.** To see if the town will vote to authorize the Select Board, to enter into a Power Purchase Agreement for a period of up to 30 years for the purchase of the solar energy generated by a facility to be constructed upon or around the Lynch Elementary School located at 10 Brantwood Road, Winchester, or take any other action relative thereto.

(Select Board)

**MOTION: MOVED AND SECONDED** that the Town vote to authorize the Select Board to enter into a Power Purchase Agreement for a period of up to 30 years for the purchase of the solar energy generated by a facility to be constructed upon or around the Lynch Elementary School located at 10 Brantwood Road, Winchester.

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**ARTICLE X.** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money to supplement the Opioid Settlement article fund 0399172 from FY24 Miscellaneous Non-Recurring Revenue and other available funds, to be spent in accordance with the Massachusetts State-Subdivision for Statewide opioid settlement funds; funds to be used to supplement and strengthen resources available to communities and families for substance use disorder prevention, harm reduction, treatment, and recovery or to take any other action relative thereto.

(Select Board)

**MOTION: MOVED AND SECONDED** that the Town vote to appropriate \$94,872.89 to supplement the Opioid Settlement article fund 0399172, to be spent in accordance with the Massachusetts State-Subdivision for Statewide opioid settlement funds; funds to be used to supplement and strengthen resources available to communities and families for substance use disorder prevention, harm reduction, treatment, and recovery; and that to meet this appropriation \$75,146.14 be funded from Free Cash and \$19,726.75 from FY24 Miscellaneous Non-Recurring Revenue.

**ARTICLE X.** To see if the Town will vote to rescind any borrowing authorizations or portions thereof previously approved by the Town that have not been used and that are no longer needed; or to take any other action relative thereto.

(Select Board)

**MOTION: MOVED AND SECONDED that the Town hereby rescinds the portion of the borrowing authorization identified below that has not been used and that is no longer needed in the amount identified under the column “Amount Rescinded”:**

<u>Borrowing Purpose</u>	<u>Date Authorized</u>	<u>Amount Authorized</u>	<u>Amount Borrowed/Reduced</u>	<u>Amount Rescinded</u>
Aberjona River Flood Mitigation	April 27, 2015 (Article 1)	\$7,450,000	\$6,700,000	\$750,000

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**ARTICLE X.** To see if the Town will vote to transfer from Free Cash, or other available funds, to the Employee Healthcare and Health Insurance Stabilization Fund established at the Spring 2022 Town Meeting in accordance with MGL Chapter 40 §5B or take any other action in relation thereto.

(Select Board)

**MOTION: MOVED AND SECONDED that the Town vote to appropriate \$1,008,085 from Free Cash to the Employee Healthcare and Health Insurance Stabilization Fund established at the Spring 2022 Town Meeting in accordance with MGL Chapter 40 §5B.**

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**ARTICLE X.** To see if the Town will vote to transfer from Free Cash, or other available funds, a sum of money to supplement the Eversource account 0397252 for the purpose of engineering and other consulting services regarding the location and construction of Eversource electronic transmission lines in Winchester; or take any other action in relation thereto.

(Select Board)

**MOTION: MOVED AND SECONDED that the Town vote to appropriate \$75,000 from Free Cash to supplement the Eversource Account 0397252 for the purpose of engineering and other consulting services regarding the location and construction of Eversource 345kV electronic transmission lines in Winchester.**

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**ARTICLE X.** To see if the Town will vote to accept committee reports, dissolve old committees, authorize new committees; or take any other action in relation thereto.

(Select Board)

**MOTION: No motion received to date.**