

**2016 Spring Annual Town Meeting  
Fine and Performing Arts Center  
Natick High School  
May 3, 2016  
Fifth Session**

The Fifth Session of the 2016 Spring Annual Town Meeting was called to order at 7:40 PM by the Town Moderator, Frank W. Foss, who declared a quorum present. The Moderator welcomed residents, taxpayers, town officials, Town Meeting Members and interested parties to the Fifth Session of 2016 Spring Annual Town Meeting. The Moderator asked that any recently elected or appointed members of Town Meeting stand to take the oath of office if they had not already done so (there were none). The Moderator asked the audience to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence in recognition of all the men and women serving on our behalf throughout the world.

The Moderator introduced the officials present on the stage and in the well of the auditorium. The following people were present: Diane Packer, Town Clerk; Paul Griesmer, Finance Committee Chair; Bruce Evans, Finance Committee Secretary; Martha White, Town Administrator; Brendon Moss, Office of Town Counsel; and Richard Jennett, Chair of the Board of Selectmen; Mr. Chenard, Deputy Town Administrator for Operations; Mr. Towne, Deputy Town Administrator for Finance and a representative from Option Technologies who will be operating the electronic voting system.

The Moderator reviewed the general rules and procedures of Town Meeting that were accepted at the previous session of this meeting. He indicated that all residents and taxpayers of the town and town officers and employees, whether or not residents, have the same right to speak as Town Meeting Members; however they do not have the right to submit motions for consideration at Town Meeting, nor vote on any matter before Town Meeting. Non-residents may only speak at Town Meeting after approval by Town Meeting Members. The proceedings of Town Meetings shall be governed by *Town Meeting Time*, the Town of Natick Home Rule Charter, the Natick By-Laws and the General Laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

No person shall speak upon any article more than once when any other person desires to be heard, nor more than twice on the same question without permission of Town Meeting; and no person shall speak more than ten (10) minutes at one time without permission of Town Meeting. Consistent with the Natick By-Laws, any person having a monetary or equitable interest in any matter under discussion at a Town Meeting, and any person employed by another having such an interest, shall disclose the fact of his/her interest or employment before speaking thereon.

The Moderator made several announcements regarding upcoming community events. The Moderator announced that Town Meeting would begin with Article 37 and then adjourn and enter into Special Town Meeting #1.

Ms. Shea offered, seconded by Mr. Freedman, the following resolution in Recognition Of Charles M. Hughes.

*“What counts in life is not the mere fact that we have lived. It is what difference we have made to the lives of others that will determine the significance of the life we lead.”-- Nelson Mandela*

*WHEREAS Charles M. Hughes has served the Town of Natick with distinction as a long-term member of the Finance Committee and the Board of Selectmen, and throughout his service has been an advocate for sound fiscal policy, economic growth, affordable taxes, and high quality services, and*

*WHEREAS Mr. Hughes is a man of few words, always clear, concise, and to the point, and*

*WHEREAS Mr. Hughes has volunteered for Town service as a resident of the community and has always acted to protect Natick’s long-term interests, serving with integrity, unselfishness and a commitment to do his best, and*

*WHEREAS Mr. Hughes has always tried to judge each proposal on its merits and has understood that it is more important to move a good idea forward than to worry about who gets the credit, and*

*WHEREAS Mr. Hughes has always been thoughtful in his approach to problems and willing to listen to every point of view, yet tough in his willingness to ask difficult questions and ensure that we learn from every challenge, and*

*WHEREAS Mr. Hughes has been a weekly presence and always available at the Natick Farmers Market, and has spent innumerable hours speaking with citizens, listening to their concerns, and bringing them forward to the Town and the Board of Selectmen for resolution, and*

*WHEREAS Mr. Hughes has been a passionate and strong supporter of all veterans' activities in Natick, never missing a parade, memorial service, or any other opportunity to honor our veterans, and*

*WHEREAS in his longstanding commitment to the Town of Natick he has been supported by "the saint he married," Gay Hughes, and the "angel they raised," Colleen,*

*NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that we ask the Town Clerk to honor Mr. Charles M. Hughes by presentation of this Resolution for his countless contributions to the Town of Natick, for his years of selfless service, and for the high quality of his volunteerism on behalf of the community.*

*BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that we call upon all our citizens to join in saluting Mr. Charles M. Hughes and in expressing our grateful appreciation for the fine example set by him in contributing to the welfare of our community.*

*IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunto set our hands and caused the Seal of the Town of Natick to be affixed on this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of May, 2016.*

Mr. Gath moved, seconded by Mr. Hughes to waive the reading of the motion. ***The motion to wave the reading of the motion passed unanimously.***

Representative David Linsky rose to offer the following proclamation: Be it hereby known to all that: The Massachusetts House of Representatives offers its sincerest congratulations to: Charlie Hughes in recognition of your many years of service as member and Chairman of the Board of Selectman, Finance Committee member, Town Meeting Member, and your tireless dedication to the town of Natick. The entire membership extends its very best wishes and expresses the hope for future good fortune and continued success in all endeavors.

Given this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of May, 2016. At the State House, Boston, Massachusetts

By: Robert A. DeLeo, Speaker of the House

Offered by: David P. Linsky, State Representative

Mr. Hughes addressed Town Meeting. ***The motion to accept and enter the resolution into the Town Meeting record passed by majority vote.***

Ms. Gloff offered, seconded by Mr. Freedman the following resolution in recognition of Joshua Ostroff:

*"You are not here merely to make a living. You are here to enable the world to live more amply, with greater vision, and with a finer spirit of hope and achievement. You are here to enrich the world. -- Woodrow Wilson*

*WHEREAS Joshua Ostroff has served the Town of Natick with distinction and honor as a long-term member of Town Meeting and the Board of Selectmen, and*

*WHEREAS throughout his civic involvement, Mr. Ostroff has been an advocate for transportation funding and reform, safe, affordable, and sustainable transportation choices for all, sound financial management policies and economic development for the community, and high quality services for all Natick residents, and*

*WHEREAS Mr. Ostroff has always brought a constructive, cooperative approach to governing as a Selectman, always questioning what can be done to fix and improve things, and*

*WHEREAS Mr. Ostroff has governed with the belief that the achievements of the Board of Selectmen are more about what the Board and Town Government accomplish for the community and less about the accomplishments of an individual, and*

*WHEREAS Mr. Ostroff has volunteered for Town service as a resident of the community and has always acted to protect Natick's long-term interests, serving with integrity, unselfishness, and a commitment to do his best, and*

*WHEREAS Mr. Ostroff has made reaching out to fellow citizens, encouraging them to engage, participate, get involved, and invest their time in our community, one of his highest priorities, and*

*WHEREAS Mr. Ostroff has led the effort and worked as a tireless advocate for the development of Natick's segment of the Cochichuate Rail Trail, devoting extensive time, energy, and commitment to his role as a member of the Cochichuate Rail Trail Advisory Committee, and*

*WHEREAS Mr. Ostroff has fostered positive and valuable relationships in both State and Local government to the benefit of the Town of Natick, and*

*WHEREAS in his longstanding commitment to Natick, Mr. Ostroff has been supported by his delightful and artistic wife, Jeanne Williamson Ostroff, and their accomplished son, Jonah,*

*NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that we ask the Town Clerk to honor Mr. Joshua Ostroff by presentation of this Resolution for his countless contributions to the Town of Natick, for his years of selfless service, and for the high quality of his volunteerism on behalf of the community.*

*BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that we call upon all our citizens to join in saluting Mr. Joshua Ostroff and in expressing our grateful appreciation for the fine example set by him in contributing to the welfare of our community.*

*IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunto set our hands and caused the Seal of the Town of Natick to be affixed on this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of May, 2016.*

Mr. Munnich moved, seconded by Ms. Evans to waive the reading of the motion. ***The motion to waive the reading of motion passed unanimously.***

Representative David Linsky rose to offer the following proclamation: Be it hereby known to all that: The Massachusetts House of Representatives offers its sincerest congratulations to: Josh Ostroff in recognition of your many years of service as member and Chairman of the Board of Selectman, Town Meeting Member, and your tireless dedication to the town of Natick. The entire membership extends its very best wishes and expresses the hope for future good fortune and continued success in all endeavors. Given this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of May, 2016. At the State House, Boston, Massachusetts

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Mr. Ostroff addressed Town Meeting. ***The motion to accept the resolution into the record passed by majority vote.***

At this time the Moderator ruled that he would not allow the motion to reconsider Article 11 to move forward. The Moderator acknowledged that there were some issues regarding timeliness and veracity of the budget material offered, however they did not warrant reopening Article 11.

**ARTICLE 37: Appropriate Funds for Development of a Comprehensive Master Plan (Planning Board)**

To see what sum the Town will appropriate and raise, or otherwise provide for the next phases of the Comprehensive Master Plan consistent with Massachusetts General Law Chapter 41, Section 81D, in addition to funds appropriated under Article 29 of the 2015 Fall Annual Meeting; or otherwise act thereon.

**FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION**

By a vote of 13-0-0 on March 10, 2016, the Finance Committee recommends *Favorable Action* with regard to the subject matter of Article 37 as presented in the voted recommended motion below.

**MOTION: (Requires majority vote)**

Moved by Mr. Evans, seconded by Mr. Griesmer to appropriate the sum of \$200,000 from Free Cash for the next phases of developing a Comprehensive Master Plan consistent with Massachusetts General Law Chapter 41, Section 81D; to be expended under the direction of the Planning Board, which shall provide a report on the progress of said Comprehensive Master Plan at each following Spring and Fall Annual Town Meeting until said plan is accepted by the Planning Board.

Mr. Munnich, moved seconded by Mr. Gath to request permission for the consultant for the Master Plan to speak as she is not a Town resident. *The motion passed by majority vote.* Mr. Errickson, Director of Community and Economic Development, spoke to this Article and then introduced the consultant, Ms. Carole Schlessinger of Crosby, Schlessinger and Smallbridge. Ms. Schlessinger gave a short presentation regarding the master plan. Debate on this article continued. *The main motion under Article 37 passed by majority vote (120-3-2).*

At this time (8:50 PM) the Moderator called Special Town Meeting #1 to order. 2016 Special Town Meeting #1 dissolved at approximately 9:05 PM. The next order of business was Article 16 in the 2016 Spring Annual Town Meeting.

**ARTICLE 16: Stabilization Fund (Town Administrator)**

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money from available funds for the purpose of supplementing the stabilization fund established under Article 22 of the warrant for Annual Town Meeting of 1961, as authorized by Chapter 40, Section 5B of the General Laws, as amended; or otherwise act thereon.

**FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION**

By a vote of 13-0-0 on March 10, 2016, the Finance Committee recommends *No Action* with regard to the subject matter of Article 16 as presented in the voted recommended motion below.

**MOTION: (Requires majority vote)**

Moved by Mr. Evans, seconded by Mr. Griesmer that the Town take No Action with regard to the subject matter of Article 16.

Ms. White spoke to Articles 16, 17 and 18 at this time. *The motion to take no action on Article 16 passed by majority vote (115-4-1.)*

**ARTICLE 17: Operational/Rainy Day Stabilization Fund (Town Administrator)**

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money from available funds for the purpose of supplementing the Operational Stabilization Fund established by vote of the 2011 Spring Annual Town Meeting under Article 4, as authorized by Chapter 40, Section 5B of the General Laws, as amended; or otherwise act thereon.

**FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION**

By a vote of 13-0-0 on March 10, 2016, the Finance Committee recommends *No Action* with regard to the subject matter of Article 17 as presented in the voted recommended motion below.

**MOTION: (Requires majority vote)**

Moved by Mr. Evans, seconded by Mr. Griesmer that the Town take No Action with regard to the subject matter of Article 17.

*The motion to take no action on Article 17 passed by majority vote (116-1-1.)*

**ARTICLE 18: Capital Stabilization Fund (Town Administrator)**

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money from available funds for the purpose of supplementing the Capital Stabilization Fund established under Article 2 of the warrant for Fall Annual Town Meeting of 2010, as authorized by Chapter 40, Section 5B of the General Laws, as amended; or otherwise act thereon.

**FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION**

By a vote of 13-0-0 on March 10, 2016, the Finance Committee recommends *No Action* with regard to the subject matter of Article 18 as presented in the voted recommended motion below.

**MOTION: (Requires majority vote)**

Moved by Mr. Evans, seconded by Mr. Griesmer that the Town take No Action with regard to the subject matter of Article 18.

*The motion to take no action under Article 18 passed by majority vote (114-3-1).*

**ARTICLE 19: Other Post-Employment Benefits (OPEB) Fund (Town Administrator)**

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money from available funds for the purpose of funding the Other Post-Employment Benefits Liability Trust Fund authorized by vote of the 2011 Fall Annual Town Meeting under Article 8 pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 32B, Section 20 of the General Laws, as amended; or otherwise act thereon.

**FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION**

By a vote of 12 - 0 - 0 on February 25, 2016, the Finance Committee recommends *Favorable Action* with regard to the subject matter of Article 19 as presented in the voted recommended motion below.

**MOTION: (Requires majority vote)**

Moved by Mr. Evans, seconded by Mr. Griemser that the Town vote to appropriate \$300,000 from free cash for the purpose of funding the Other Post-Employment Benefits Trust Fund authorized by vote of the 2011 Fall Annual Town Meeting under Article 8, as authorized by Chapter 32B, Section 20 of the General Laws, as amended.

Mr. Towne, Deputy Town Administrator and Finance Director, spoke to this article. Discussion ensued on this article. Mr. Fishman moved, seconded by Mr. Snow to amend the main motion to add the following to the end of the motion: "And, further, move that the Town Administrator, the Board of Selectmen and the Finance Committee shall provide a report to Town Meeting at or before the 2017 Spring Annual Town Meeting containing no less than three (3) specific proposals to reduce the Other Post-Employment Benefits unfunded liabilities.

Town Meeting discussed the amendment to the motion. *The amendment passed by majority vote (69-45-2). The amended main motion under Article 19 passed by majority vote (110-5-0).*

**ARTICLE 20: Rescind Authorized, Unissued Debt (Town Administrator)**

To see if the Town will vote to rescind the authorization for unissued debt that has been determined is no longer needed for the completion of various projects; or otherwise act thereon.

**FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION**

By a vote of 13 - 0 - 0 on March 10, 2016, the Finance Committee recommends *Favorable Action* with regard to the subject matter of Article 20 as presented in the voted recommended motion below.

**MOTION: (Requires majority vote)**

Moved by Mr. Evans, seconded by Mr. Griesmer that the Town vote to rescind authorized debt for a general fund capital project approved under Article 22B #2 of the 2015 Spring

Annual Town Meeting in the amount of \$308,544.89 for the Willow Street Drainage Project.

Mr. Towne, Deputy Town Administrator and Finance Director, spoke to this article. *The main motion under Article 20 passed by unanimously (110-0-0).*

**ARTICLE 21: Increase Personal Property Exemptions (Board of Assessors)**

To see if the Town will vote to increase the Personal Exemption Amounts by 50% under the provisions of Chapter 73 of the Acts of 1986 as amended by Chapter 126 of the Acts of 1988 which provides for "Optional Additional Property Tax Exemptions" allowing an annually determined, uniform increase in the amount of exemption in General Laws, Chapter 59 Section 5 Clauses 17D, 22, 22A, 22B, 22C, 22E, 37A, and 41C (elderly person, disabled veteran, or blind person); or otherwise act thereon.

**FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION**

By a vote of 11 - 0 - 0 on February 23, 2016, the Finance Committee recommends *Favorable Action* with regard to the subject matter of Article 21 as presented in the voted recommended motion below.

**MOTION: (Requires majority vote)**

Moved by Mr. Evans, seconded by Mr. Griesmer that the Town vote to increase the Personal Exemption Amounts by 50% under the provisions of Chapter 73 of the Acts of 1986 as amended by Chapter 126 of the Acts of 1988 which provides for "Optional Additional Property Tax Exemptions" allowing an annually determined, uniform increase in the amount of exemption in General Laws, Chapter 59 Section 5 Clauses 17D, 22, 22A, 22B, 22C, 22E, 37A, and 41C (elderly person, disabled veteran, or blind person).

Ms. Dangelo, Director of Assessing, spoke to this article. *The main motion under Article 21 passed by majority vote (110-0-1).*

**ARTICLE 22: Unpaid Bills (Town Administrator)**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or otherwise provide such sums of money as may be required for the payment of unpaid bills of previous years, incurred by the departments, boards and officers of the Town of Natick; or otherwise act thereon.

**FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION**

By a vote of 11 - 0 - 0 on February 23, 2016, the Finance Committee recommends *Favorable Action* with regard to the subject matter of Article 22 as presented in the voted recommended motion below.

**MOTION: (Requires four-fifths vote)**

Moved by Mr. Evans, seconded by Mr. Griesmer to appropriate the sum of \$1,626 from free cash to pay unpaid bills from FY 2015 to Faith Casler Associates.

Ms. White spoke to this article. *The main motion under Article 22 passed unanimously (109-0-0).*

**ARTICLE 23: Conservation Fund Study Committee Report (Conservation Fund Study Committee)**

To see what action the Town will take to hear and/or accept the report of the Conservation Fund Study Committee or otherwise act thereon.

**FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION**

By a vote of 9 - 0 - 0 on March 23, 2016, the Finance Committee recommends *Favorable Action* with regard to the subject matter of Article 23 as presented in the voted recommended motion below.

**MOTION: (Requires majority vote)**

Moved by Mr. Evans, seconded by Mr Griesmer that the Town vote to hear the report of the Conservation Fund Study Committee.

*The main motion under Article 23 passed unanimously (the vote was not counted electronically).*

Mr. Griesmer, Chair of the Conservation Fund Study Committee made a report to Town Meeting.

**ARTICLE 24: Rescinding Previous Appropriations (Conservation Fund Study Committee)**

To see what actions the Town will take to rescind the appropriation under Article 19 of Fall 2014 Town Meeting or otherwise act thereon.

**FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION**

By a vote of 11 - 0 - 0 on February 25, 2016, the Finance Committee recommends *No Action* with regard to the subject matter of Article 24 as presented in the voted recommended motion below.

**MOTION: (Requires majority vote)**

Moved by Mr. Evans, seconded by Mr. Griesmer that the Town take No Action with regard to the subject matter of Article 24.

*The motion to take no action on Article 24 passed by majority vote (the vote was not counted electronically).*

**ARTICLE 25: Change To A Definition in the Zoning Bylaw (Conservation Fund Study Committee)**

To see what actions the Town will take to amend or change the definition of "Open Space Public Benefit Amenity" in the Town of Natick Zoning By-Law or otherwise act thereon.

**FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION**

By a vote of 12 - 0 - 0 on March 10, 2016, the Finance Committee recommends *Favorable Action* with regard to the subject matter of Article 25 as presented in the voted recommended motion below.

**MOTION: (Requires two thirds vote)**

Moved that the Town vote to amend the definition of "Open Space Public Benefit Amenity" in Section 200 – DEFINITIONS in the Town of Natick Zoning By-Law by deleting the words "including the area" and inserting in their place the words "and which may include an area or areas" so that said definition of Open Space Public Benefit Amenity shall read

"A public benefit amenity in the form of a park or excess pervious landscaping, available for passive or active recreation, or leisure use, by the public and which may include an area or areas for trails and ways for pedestrians and non-motorized vehicles";

Mr. Griemser spoke to this article as Chair of the Conservation Fund Study Committee. *The main motion under Article 25 passed unanimously (105-0-0).*

**ARTICLE 26: Home Rule Petition: Simplified Street Acceptance Process (Board of Selectmen)**

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to petition the General Court to enact legislation in substantially the following form, provided that the General Court may reasonably vary the form and substance of the requested legislation within the scope of the general public objectives of the petition.

*"AN ACT relative to the procedure for municipal acceptance of subdivision roads in the town of Natick.*

*Be it enacted in the Senate and house of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same as follows:*

*SECTION 1. Notwithstanding chapters 79 and 82 of the General Laws or any other general or special law to the contrary, the town of Natick may employ the procedure hereinafter set out for municipal acceptance of roads constructed within a subdivision in accordance with a definitive subdivision plan that has been approved pursuant to the subdivision control law, as defined in section 81K of chapter 41 of the General Laws.*

*The board of selectmen of the town of Natick shall hold a public hearing, after first giving (i) written notice by first-class mail, postage prepaid, to the owner of record of each property abutting the road or roads, as appears from the records of the town of Natick assessors, and (ii) notice by publication in a newspaper of local circulation at least 7 days prior to the hearing.*

*The records of the town of Natick assessors shall be conclusive for purposes of this act. The sole purpose of the public hearing shall be to determine whether it is in the public interest to accept the road or roads as a public way. If said board of selectmen determines, after the public hearing, that it is in the public interest to accept the road or roads, they shall so vote, by a majority vote, and place an article on the warrant for the next annual or special town meeting for acceptance of the road or roads.*

*Upon a two-thirds vote of town meeting to accept the road or roads, said board of selectmen shall prepare for recording at the Middlesex county registry of deeds an order of acceptance setting forth the vote of the town meeting. The order of acceptance shall contain a description of or reference to a plan showing the boundaries and measurements of the road or roads, which may be an existing approved and recorded definitive subdivision plan. The order of acceptance shall be recorded within thirty (30) days following the town meeting vote and, upon recordation, shall operate to vest ownership of a permanent roadway easement in the road or roads for all purposes for which public ways are commonly used in the town of Natick, together with ownership of all utility, drainage, access and other easements shown on the plan and specifically identified in the order of acceptance, as well as all pipes, structures and other improvements located therein, in the town of Natick with no additional notice or other action required. No owner or interest holder of land abutting a road so accepted or subject to an easement shown on said plan shall have any claim for compensation against the town of Natick on account of said acceptance.*

*SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.”*

#### **FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION**

By a vote of 13 - 0 - 0 on March 10, 2016, the Finance Committee recommends **Referral** with regard to the subject matter of Article 26 as presented in the voted recommended motion below.

#### **MOTION: (Requires majority vote)**

Moved by Mr. Ostroff, seconded by Mr. Gath to see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to petition the General Court to enact legislation in substantially the following form, provided that the General Court may reasonably vary the form and substance of the requested legislation within the scope of the general public objectives of the petition.

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*act. If said board of selectmen determines, after the public hearing, that it is in the public interest to accept the road or roads, they shall so vote, by a majority vote, and place an article on the warrant for the next annual or special town meeting for acceptance of the road or roads.*

*Upon a two-thirds vote of town meeting to accept the road or roads, said board of selectmen shall prepare for recording at the Middlesex county registry of deeds an order of acceptance setting forth the vote of the town meeting. The order of acceptance shall contain a description of or reference to a plan showing the boundaries and measurements of the road or roads, which may be an existing approved and recorded definitive subdivision plan. The order of acceptance shall be recorded within sixty (60) days following the town meeting vote and, upon recordation, shall operate to vest ownership of a permanent roadway easement in the road or roads for all purposes for which public ways are commonly used in the town of Natick, together with ownership of all utility, drainage, access and other easements shown on the plan and specifically identified in the order of acceptance, as well as all pipes, structures and other improvements located therein, in the town of Natick with no additional notice or other action required.*

Moved by Mr. Sidney, seconded by Mr. Gath to wave the reading of the motion. ***The motion to waive the reading of the motion passed by majority vote.*** Mr. Ostroff made a presentation on this article.

***The main motion under Article 26 passed by majority vote (85-8-1).***

Moved by Mr. Sidney, seconded by Mr. Jennett to adjourn. The motion to adjourn passed by majority vote and the meeting adjourned at 10:15 PM until Thursday, May 5<sup>th</sup>.

A record of the Fifth Session of  
2016 Spring Annual Town Meeting  
May 3, 2016

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Diane Packer, Town Clerk