

**2016 Special Town Meeting #1
Fine and Performing Arts Center
Natick High School
May 3, 2016
Second Session**

The Second Session of the 2016 Special Town Meeting #1 was called to order at 8:50 PM by the Town Moderator, Frank W. Foss. The Moderator announced that Article 2 is still remaining in this meeting.

ARTICLE 2: Acquisition of the So-Called Wonderbread Spur (Board of Selectmen)

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to acquire by gift, purchase, eminent domain or otherwise, for general municipal purposes, including without limitation recreational and transportation purposes, the so-called Wonderbread Spur, located off Speen Street in Natick and shown on Town of Natick Assessors' Map 17 as Parcels 5 FA, 5 FB and 5 FC; and further, to see what sum of money the Town will vote to appropriate and raise, borrow, or otherwise provide for the purposes of this article; and, further, to authorize the Board of Selectmen and other applicable boards, commissions, and personnel to apply for and receive grants or gifts for the purposes of this article and to take all action necessary or appropriate to accomplish the purposes of this Article; or otherwise act thereon.

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

By a vote of 10-0-0 on April 27, 2016, the Finance Committee recommends *Favorable Action* with regard to the subject matter of Article 2, as presented in the voted recommended motion below.

MOTION: (Requires two-thirds vote)

Moved by Mr. Evans, seconded by Mr. Griesmer to authorize the Board of Selectmen to acquire by gift, purchase, eminent domain or otherwise, for recreational and non-motorized transportation purposes, the so-called Wonderbread Spur, located off Speen Street in Natick and shown on Town of Natick Assessors' Map 17 as Parcels 5 FA, 5 FB and 5 FC; to be used for the proposed Cochituate Rail Trail, and, further, to authorize the Board of Selectmen and other applicable boards, commissions, and personnel to apply for and receive grants or gifts for the purposes of this article and to take all action necessary or appropriate to accomplish the purposes of this Article; and provided further that the Board of Selectmen shall not acquire the subject property until after the conclusion of a public hearing to be conducted under the authority of the Board of Selectmen no later than October 1, 2016, the purpose of said public hearing being to review the results of legal research and of environmental testing and any remediation for the subject property, and provided further that no appropriation is requested under this article.

Mr. Ostroff made a presentation on this article. *The main motion under Article 2 passed by a two-thirds vote (110-8-3).*

Moved by Mr. Ostroff, seconded by Mr. Gath to dissolve Special Town Meeting #1. *The motion to dissolve passed unanimously.* Special Town Meeting #1 dissolved at 9:05 PM.

A record of the Second Session of
2016 Special Town Meeting #1
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Diane Packer, Town Clerk