
MOTIONS

MAY 10, 2011 - ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

ARTICLE 1

CONSENT CALENDAR

I move that Town vote:

to approve Article 1 as set forth in the warrant for the May 10, 2011 Town Meeting, provided that item #3 shall be amended to state as follows:

“(3) to approve the transfer of \$275,000 as a payment-in-lieu-of-taxes from the Electric Division, Department of Utilities, to the general fund.”

(Simple majority)

ARTICLE 2

FINANCE COMMITTEE ELECTION

I move that the Town elect Larry Seidler to the Finance Committee for a term of three (3) years.

(Simple majority)

ARTICLE 3

PRIOR YEAR UNPAID BILLS

I move that the Town vote to appropriate the sum of **\$16,371** to pay unpaid bills incurred in prior years and remaining unpaid:

<u>Department</u>	<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Amount</u>
D.P.W.	Waste Management	13,764.67
		2,011.43
		<u>594.90</u>
		16,371.00

and to meet this appropriation by transferring **\$16,371.00** from free cash

(4/5ths majority)

ARTICLE 4

FY'11 TOWN BUDGET AMENDMENTS

I move that the Town vote:

to approve Article 4 as set forth in the warrant for the May 10, 2011 Town Meeting.

(Simple majority)

ARTICLE 5

FY 2012 MUNICIPAL OPERATING BUDGET

I move that the Town vote:

to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$13,616,709** for the purposes indicated in the FY 2012 Municipal Operating Budget as outlined in the Finance Committee Report, and that, in addition to the **\$13,616,709**, the Town vote to raise and appropriate:

for Excluded Debt Service.....	\$1,003,277
for a Total Appropriation of.....	\$14,619,986;

and to transfer from available funds:

from Fund Balance Reserved for Debt Premium	\$6,701
from 4% Tourism	\$1,000
from the Overlay Surplus.....	\$92,500

for total available funds of.....**\$100,201**

leaving a net to be raised and assessed of.....**\$14,519,785**

(Simple majority)

ARTICLE 6

FY'12 TOWN BUDGET AMENDMENT

I move that the Town vote:

to approve Article 6 as set forth in the warrant for the May 10, 2011 Town Meeting.

(Simple majority)

ARTICLE 7

FY'11 SCHOOL BUDGET AMENDMENT

I move that the Town vote:

to approve Article 7 as set forth in the warrant for the May 10, 2011 Town Meeting; so that the 2011 School Operating Budget, as so amended shall total **\$20,398,866.75** offset by revenues totaling **\$128,105.75** leaving an amount to be raised and assessed of **\$20,270,761.**

(Simple majority)

ARTICLE 8

FY 2012 SCHOOL BUDGET

I move that the Town vote:

to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$21,005,093** for the School Department budget for FY 2012,
and

to transfer from available funds:

Overlay surplus.....**\$92,500**
Leaving a net to be raised and assessed of.....**\$20,912,593**

(Simple majority)

ARTICLE 9

HIGH SCHOOL/MIDDLE SCHOOL DEBT SERVICE

I move that the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$2,534,075** for FY 2012 debt service payments related to the construction and furnishing of the new Middle School and High School including, without limitation, moving expenses and expenses necessary to secure the former Whipple Middle School.

(Simple majority)

ARTICLE 10

WHITTIER REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL BUDGET

I move that the Town vote:

to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$270,246** for the Town's share of the FY 2012 annual operating, capital and debt service expenses of the Whittier Regional Vocational Technical High School District.

(Simple majority)

ARTICLE 11

FY 2012 WATER & WASTEWATER BUDGETS

I move that the Town vote:

1) to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$2,887,221** for the FY 2012 operating budget, debt service, and capital expenses of the Water Division, Department of Utilities, said sum to be offset in part by **\$525,314** from the water surplus account; **\$45,000** from water liens; **\$33,500** in application fees and other miscellaneous revenues, with the balance of said appropriation being met by revenues of **\$2,283,407** of the Water Division during FY 2012; and

2) to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$1,651,095** for the FY 2012 operating budget, Debt service, and capital expenses of the Wastewater Division, Department of Utilities, said sum to be offset in part by **\$51,595** from the wastewater surplus account; **\$29,000**

from sewer liens; **\$6,000** in sewer betterment payments; **\$514,500** in septage treatment fees, Agresource royalties, application fees and other miscellaneous revenues; with the balance of said appropriation being met by revenues of **\$1,050,000** of the Wastewater Division.

(Simple majority)

ARTICLE 12

CITIZENS' PETITION

I move that the Town vote to approve Article 12 as set forth in the warrant for the May 10, 2011 Town Meeting, with the first paragraph in Section 1 of the Special Act amended to read as follows:

“Chapter 5 of the Acts of 1766 is hereby amended by striking out Section 2 in its entirety and inserting in place thereof the following:

The Feoffees of the Ipswich Grammar School shall consist of seven individuals appointed for three years terms (with the initial terms shortened as appropriate so as to provide staggered term appointments) in the following manner: two appointed by the Ipswich School Committee, two appointed by the Ipswich Board of Selectmen, two appointed by the Ipswich Finance Committee and one appointed by the Ipswich Town Meeting.”

(Simple majority)

ARTICLE 13

CITIZENS' PETITION

I move that this article be postponed indefinitely.

(Simple majority)

ARTICLE 14

CITIZENS' PETITION

I move that this article be postponed indefinitely.

(Simple majority)

ARTICLE 15

CITIZENS' PETITION

I move that this article be postponed indefinitely.

(Simple majority)

ARTICLE 16

CITIZENS' PETITION

I move that this article be postponed indefinitely.

(Simple majority)

ARTICLE 17

COMMITTEE REPORTS

I move that the Town vote to accept the reports of and continue the following committees as standing committees of the Town: the Historic District Study Committee; the Commuter Rail Committee; Ipswich Coalition on Youth; Hall-Haskell Committee; the Open Space & Recreation Committee and the Ad Hoc Committee examining the Feoffees of the Grammar School.

ARTICLE 18

CHAPTER 90

I move that the Town vote:

to appropriate the sum of **\$442,110** under the provisions of Chapter 90 of the General Laws to obtain any materiel, equipment and/or services incidental thereto; and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to acquire easements in conjunction therewith by purchase, gift, lease, eminent domain or otherwise; and in furtherance of the project(s), to authorize the Board of Selectmen to apply for, accept, and expend any federal, state and/or private grants without further appropriation; and to meet this appropriation by transferring an equal sum from Chapter 90 available funds.

(2/3rds majority)

ARTICLE 19

ATHLETIC FIELDS AND OPEN SPACE BOND

I move that the Town vote:

to approve Article 19 as set forth in the warrant for the May 10, 2011 Town Meeting.

(2/3rds Majority)

ARTICLE 20

WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT UPGRADE

I move that the Town vote:

to authorize the Treasurer to borrow **\$2,200,000** for the purchase of equipment for the construction and rehabilitation of the ultraviolet treatment facilities and the treatment plant head works at the Wastewater Treatment Plant; and to raise this appropriation by authorizing the Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Wastewater Commissioners, to issue bonds or serial notes under the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 44, as amended.

(2/3rds majority)

ARTICLE 21

WATER DEPARTMENT MAIN REPLACEMENT

I move that the Town vote:

(1) to authorize the Treasurer to borrow the sum of **\$1,950,000**, to replace water mains on

Jeffreys Neck Road; and

(2) to raise this appropriation by authorizing the Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Water Commissioners, to issue bonds or serial notes under the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 44, as amended.

(2/3rds majority)

ARTICLE 22 **SENIOR CITIZEN PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION**

I move that the Town vote:

to approve Article 22 as set forth in the warrant for the May 10, 2011 Town Meeting.

(Simple majority)

ARTICLE 23 **NORTH GREEN IMPROVEMENTS**

I move that the Town vote:

to approve Article 23 as set forth in the warrant for the May 10, 2011 Town Meeting, provided that the appropriation authorized by Paragraph 5 shall be for the sum of **\$4,000** said funds to be appropriated from unappropriated available funds in the treasury ("free cash").

(2/3 majority)

ARTICLE 24 **LOCAL OPTION TAX ON RESTAURANT MEALS**

I move that the Town vote:

to accept M.G.L., Chapter 64L, §2(a) to impose a local option meals excise of **.75** percent.

(Simple majority)

ARTICLE 25 **CHANGING THE QUORUM REQUIREMENT FOR TOWN MEETINGS**

I move that the Town vote:

to approve Article 26 as set forth in the warrant for the May 10, 2011 Town Meeting.

(Simple majority)

ARTICLE 26 **FEOFFEEES TRUST**

I move that the Town vote to approve Article 26 as set forth in the warrant for the May 10, 2011 Town Meeting with the proviso that the authorized funds shall be transferred into the Feoffees Litigation Fund in the FY11 and FY12 municipal budgets as follows:

(a) transfer the sum of **\$50,000** from free cash to supplement the special legal account established within the FY2011 municipal budget under Article 5 of the Special Town Meeting of October 25, 2010 to pay for legal, real estate and other professional purposes related to the Feoffees litigation and modification of the Trust creating the Feoffees of the Ipswich Grammar School; and

(b) transfer the sum of **\$250,000** from free cash to a special legal account to be established within the FY2012 municipal budget, to pay for legal, real estate and other professional purposes related to the Feoffees litigation and modification of the Trust creating the Feoffees of the Ipswich Grammar School;

(Simple majority)

ARTICLE 27

RECONSIDERATION

I move that action on this article be postponed indefinitely.

(Simple majority)