

TOWN OF HOLDEN SPECIAL TOWN MEETING – MARCH 10, 2008

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PROCEEDINGS

The meeting was called to order and declared open by the Moderator, George A. Balko III, at 7:05 p.m. at Wachusett Regional High School. The salute to the flag followed. There were 274 registered voters present. Twenty-five persons without voting privileges were present. The Moderator waived the reading of the warrant. On behalf of the Wachusett Regional School District Committee, Duncan Leith, Chairman of the School Building Committee, welcomed everyone back to the high school following the extensive construction and renovation.

ARTICLE 1. To choose a Moderator for said meeting. No action being necessary, the Article was **passed over**.

ARTICLE 2. A motion was made by Richard Bates that the Town appropriate the sum of \$15,500,000 to design, construct and equip a new Public Safety Facility, including costs of architectural, engineering, and demolition services, and other costs incidental and related thereto, and to raise said amount by borrowing \$15,500,000 under G.L. Chapter 44, Section 7, Clause (3), or any other enabling authority, and to that end the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, be authorized to issue bonds and notes therefore at one time or from time to time totaling \$15,500,000, and to declare as available for disposition and authorize the Town Manager to dispose of for a sale price of not less than \$700,000 the land and building thereon of the existing Police Station located at 1420 Main Street, owned by the Town and shown on Assessor's Map 129, Parcel 16, containing 2.26 acres of land, and Assessor's Map 129, Parcel 20, containing approximately 21,344.4 square feet of land, and to deposit the proceeds from the sale of the existing Police Station, when received, to the Infrastructure Investment Fund, and to authorize the Town Manager to enter into and execute all contracts necessary or incidental to such work, provided, however, that this debt authorization be contingent upon the passage of a Proposition 2 ½ debt exclusion referendum under G.L. Chapter 59, Section 21C, Clause (k). **The Moderator declared that the motion carried by a two-thirds voice vote. 2/3rds VOTE REQUIRED**

ARTICLE 3. On motion made by Maria Dell'Ovo it was **unanimously voted** that the Town transfer and appropriate from Free Cash a sum not to exceed \$30,000 into the Veterans Aid and Assistance Account No. 015432-5770 for the purposes of assisting qualifying Veterans and their dependents under MGL, Chapter 115.

ARTICLE 4. On motion made by Alan Berg it was **unanimously voted** that the Town authorize the expenditure of an amount not to exceed \$93,000 from the Recreation Revolving Fund's FY 2008 appropriation, consisting of a portion of the unexpended balance as voted under Article 13 of the Annual Town Meeting on May 21, 2007, for the purposes of constructing new tennis courts adjacent to Mountview Middle School, 270 Shrewsbury Street, Holden, MA, including costs for demolition and disposal of the existing courts, design, engineering, construction and other related or incidental costs.

Voted to adjourn the meeting at 8:42 p.m.

A true copy.

Attest:

Kathleen M. Peterson, CMC
Town Clerk