



**Town of Hudson**  
**78 Main Street, Hudson, MA 01749**

**Finance Committee Agenda**  
(Pursuant to G.L. Part I, Title III, Chapter 30A, Section 20)

October 12, 2023, 6:00 PM

Town Hall Third Floor Conference Room and  
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88310118186?pwd=S1hoZi90b2YzMnVnYkFjTG1mcXVTZz09>  
Meeting ID, 883 1011 8186; Passcode, 439705; (305) 224-1968 US; (646) 558-8656 New York

## **Call to Order**

The Chair called the meeting to order at 6 PM and outlined the agenda.

Members Present: Guy Beaudette, Sam Calandra (Chairperson), Robert Clark, Joseph Fiorello, Stephen Forti (remote and present prior to first vote), Jillian Jagling (remote and present through voting on article 12), Joseph McNealy, Eugenia Vineyard (remote)

Non-members present: Executive Assistant Thomas Gregory, Fire Chief Bryan Johannes (remote), Finance Director Neil Vaidya, Director of Planning and Community Development Kristina Johnson, Conservation Agent Pam Helinek, DPW Director Eric Ryder, Community Preservation Committee: John Parent and Linda Ghiloni

## **Agenda Items**

### **Town Warrant Hearings**

#### **ARTICLE 3 COMMUNITY PRESERVATION APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS**

\$50,000 Unitarian Church Exterior Rehabilitation

*CPC funds can be used for historical building renovation. The allocation of funds can be leveraged to obtain additional grants to cover the needed repairs.*

\$ 15,000 Installation of Lights at the Cherry Street Field

\$ 90,000 Replacement of Playground Equipment at Wood Park

On a motion by Mr. McNealy, seconded by Mr. Fiorello the Committee voted 7-0-0 to Recommend Article 3.

#### **Article 5 Fire Engine Acquisition – Borrowing**

The fire department currently has 4 engine pumpers. Chief Johannes believes that the department should return to the prior allocation of 5 engine pumpers to better cover maintenance backlog and reduce the need for mutual assistance from other towns. He recommends initiating the purchase now due to long lead times (up to 24 months) and recent price increases.

Borrowing authorization by Town Meeting allows the order to be placed. The cost will be allocated from Free Cash at the May Town Meeting.



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On a motion by Mr. Clark, seconded by Mr. McNealy the Committee voted 7-0-0 to Recommend Article 5.

### **Article 6 Brigham Street Culvert Reconstruction Borrowing**

Town Meeting Authorization is required to put this project out to bid so that work can be started as soon as possible. The cost will be covered by the Stormwater Enterprise Fund revenues.

With the Article amended to replace *a sum of money* by *\$1,200,000* on a motion by Mr. McNealy, seconded by Mr. Clark the Committee voted 7-0-0 to Recommend Article 6 as amended.

### **Article 8 Wetland Protection By-Law**

A presentation is available on the Conservation Commission town [website](#). This by-law makes a 25 foot no disturb zone legally enforceable. The 25 foot no disturb zone is current policy and is consistent with the zone specified by by-laws in surrounding communities.

On a motion by Mr. Clark, seconded by Mr. Fiorello the Committee voted 6-0-1 to Recommend Article 8.

### **Article 9 Amend Protective Zoning By-Laws**

Article 9 replaces the current Meets and Bounds Zoning Map with a GIS based Zoning Map. Article 9 also adopts a table of renamed zoning districts with allowed uses for each district. No districts are being added. No allowed uses are being changed.

The Planning Board is sponsoring Article 9. A public hearing was held and is closed.

On a motion by Mr. Clark, seconded by Ms. Jagling the Committee voted 7-0-0 to Recommend Article 9.

### **ARTICLE 10 Amend Protective Zoning By-Laws**

Article 10 renames and consolidates Zoning Districts. There are no changes in district



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boundaries.

The Planning Board is sponsoring Article 10. A public hearing was held and is closed.

On a motion by Mr. Clark, seconded by Mr. McNealy the Committee voted 7-0-0 to Recommend Article 10.

### **ARTICLE 11 Amend Protective Zoning By-Laws**

Article 11 replaces the language regarding non-conforming uses to industry standard, clearer language to assist the Zoning Board of Appeals in making defensible decisions.

Public hearing will be held and closed on Oct 17th. The planning board will vote on Article 11 at that time.

On a motion by Mr. Clark, seconded by Mr. McNealy the Committee voted 6-0-1 to Recommend Article 11.

### **ARTICLE 12 Amend Protective Zoning By-Laws**

Article 12 enumerates the section reorganization and renumbering within the protective zoning bylaws.

The Planning Board is sponsoring Article 12. A public hearing was held and is closed.

On a motion by Mr. Clark, seconded by Mr. McNealy the Committee voted 7-0-0 to Recommend Article 12.

### **Article 13 General Bylaws, Article XII, Section 4**

Article 13 grants the Building Commissioner the authority to enforce the Protective Zoning By-Laws.

On a motion by Mr. Clark, seconded by Mr. Fiorello the Committee voted 5-1-0 to Recommend Article 13

### **Adjournment**

On a motion by Mr. Calandra, seconded by Mr. McNealy the Committee voted 6-0-0 to adjourn the meeting at 8:07PM.