

Special Town Meeting

WARRANT



Town of Hudson
Monday, November 19, 2018
Finance Committee
Report and Recommendations

Finance Committee

The Finance Committee:

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TOWN WARRANT
THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
Middlesex, ss.

To any of the constables of the Town of Hudson in the County of Middlesex,
Greetings:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby directed to
notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Hudson, qualified to vote in elections and on
Town affairs, to assemble in the Hudson High School, Brigham Street, in said Town on

MONDAY, THE NINETEENTH DAY OF

NOVEMBER, 2018

at 7:30 o'clock in the evening. Then and there to act on the following articles to wit:

ARTICLE 1 Establish Department of Public Works Capital Stabilization Fund

To see if the Town will vote to establish a Department of Public Works Capital Stabilization Fund in accordance with M.G.L. Chapter 40, Section 5B for the purposes of funding capital purchases and projects of the Department of Public Works or to take any action relative thereto.

Executive Assistant
Finance Director
Board of Selectmen

Article 1: The Finance Committee unanimously recommends the adoption of the subject matter of this article.

Note: This fund will allow the Department of Public Works to close out projects and reserve funding for future Town Meeting appropriation.

ARTICLE 2 Transfers to Department of Public Works Capital Stabilization Fund

To see if the Town will vote to transfer the following remaining balances totaling \$92,641.57 to the DPW Capital Stabilization Fund:

\$53,702.77 BEDROCK WATER EXPLORATION, ART 4, 11/04

\$19,538.80 MAIN/LEWIS ST TRAFFIC ANALYSIS, ART 10, 11/14

\$19,400.00 TRAFFIC ANALYSIS (FOREST/MAIN), ART 18, 5/15

or to take any action relative thereto.

Executive Assistant
Finance Director
Board of Selectmen

Article 2: The Finance Committee unanimously recommends the adoption of the subject matter of this article and that \$92,641.57 be transferred to the DPW Capital Stabilization Fund.

ARTICLE 3 Appropriation from Receipts Reserved

To see if the Town will vote to transfer \$28,925.00 from the Receipts Reserved for Appropriation from the Sale of Real Estate in accordance with M.G.L. Ch. 44, Sec. 63 for the purposes of funding the FY2019 debt service for Washington Street and thereby reducing the amount to be raised and appropriated from the tax rate (as voted in Article 2, 5/1/2017) by \$28,925.00 or to take any action relative thereto

Executive Assistant
Finance Director

Board of Selectmen

Article 3: The Finance Committee unanimously recommends the adoption of the subject matter of this article and that \$28,925.00 be transferred.

ARTICLE 4 Rescind Borrowing Authorization

To see if the Town will vote to rescind the authority to borrow the sum of \$542,329.00 of the total borrowing authorization of \$15,134,482.00 approved under Article 6 of the May 2014 Town Meeting or to take any action relative thereto.

Executive Assistant
Finance Director
Board of Selectmen

Article 4: The Finance Committee unanimously recommends the adoption of the subject matter of this article.

The DPW/Police Building Project closed with substantial surplus.

ARTICLE 5 Deed in Lieu of Taxes – 47 Apsley Street

To see if the Town will vote to accept a deed of conveyance from Jacqueline M. Walton, a widow, of Craftsbury, Vermont, surviving owner of a parcel of land located at 47 Apsley Street, Assessor's Parcel Identifier 18199 pursuant to the statutory authority of Massachusetts General Laws c.60 Section 77C authorizing acceptance of deeds in lieu of tax foreclosure, being the same premises referred to in a deed dated July 12, 1985 recorded at Book 16293, Page 199 in the Middlesex South District Registry of Deeds, Book 16293, Page 199, said parcel containing 4,798 square feet, more or less, the current assessed value of the subject parcel is \$94,000.00, the outstanding tax owed as of July 31, 2018 is \$36,044.60 with a per diem of \$8.54 or take any action relative thereto.

Executive Assistant
Board of Selectmen

Article 5: The Finance Committee unanimously recommends the adoption of the subject matter of this article.

ARTICLE 6 Community Preservation Appropriation of Funds

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from the **Community Preservation** available funds the sum of One Hundred Thirty Thousand Dollars recommended by the Community Preservation Committee for community preservation projects in fiscal year 2019, as follows:

- \$ 40,000.00** From the Community Preservation Undesignated Fund Balance for design costs for South Street Riverwalk Project, and
- \$ 90,000.00** From the Community Preservation Undesignated Fund Balance for design costs for Liberty Park Improvements,

Or take any action relative thereto.

Community Preservation Committee
Board of Selectmen

Article 6: The Finance Committee unanimously recommends the adoption of the subject matter of this article and that \$130,000.00 be appropriated from Community Preservation.

ARTICLE 7 Amend Zoning Map - Adaptive Reuse District – 71 Apsley Street

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Adaptive Reuse Overlay Map of the Town of Hudson, as most recently amended, by including the following land, which is currently zoned in the M-1 Zone, so that the said land is also in the Adaptive Re-Use Overlay District pursuant to section 5.10 of the Protective Zoning Bylaws of the Town of Hudson.

A certain parcel of land with the buildings thereon known and numbered 71 Apsley Street, being shown as "Area 33,540 sq. ft." on a plan of land entitled "Parcel of land in Hudson, Mass. Owned by United States Rubber Co." dated July 19, 1941, surveyed by R.E. MacCarthy C.E. which plan is recorded with the Middlesex South District Registry of Deeds as Plan #875 of 1941 in Record Book 6527 at Page 327, more particularly described as the land in said Hudson with the buildings thereon, bounded and described as follows:

- Beginning: At a point in the Southerly line of Apsley Street, at the Northeasterly corner of land now or formerly of Lawrence N. Barry;
- Thence South 75° 32' East along said Southerly line of Apsley Street, one hundred forty-five and 24/100ths (145.24) feet to an iron pipe;
- Thence South 14° 28' West on a line one (1) foot Easterly of the Northeasterly corner of the office building known as Building No. 6, one hundred three and 81/100 (103.81) feet to an iron pin;
- Thence North 75° 32' West, seven and 37/100 (7.37) feet to a spike in the wall of said Building No. 6 at grade level; thence along said wall South 14° 22' West, thirty-four and 75/100ths (34.75) feet to a bolt in the wall;
- Thence South 75° 32' East, nine and 45/100ths (9.45) feet to an iron pipe;
- Thence On a line one (1) foot Easterly of the Easterly wall of the toilet tower of said Building No. 6 at the nearest point, South 14° 28' West, ninety-one and 58/100 (91.58) feet to a post in a chain link fence at the Northerly line of the right-of-way of the Boston and Maine Railroad, one (1) foot South of an iron pipe;
- Thence North 75° 43' 30'' West, one hundred forty-seven and 43/100 (147.43) feet along said right-of-way to an iron pin at its intersection with the Easterly line of the property now or formerly of said Lawrence N. Barry;
- Thence North 14° 28' East, along said Easterly line of property now or formerly of Barry, two hundred thirty and 46/100 (230.46) feet to the point of beginning,

including buildings now or formerly of United States Rubber Company known as Nos. 6, 7 and 8.

Being the premises owned by Borg Three LLC pursuant to a deed dated March 19, 2001, and recorded with the Middlesex County (Southern District) Registry of Deeds in Book 32681, Page 169.

Said parcel is also shown as Town of Hudson Assessors Map 18 Lot 201.

Or take any action relative thereto

Planning Board
Board of Selectmen
Executive Assistant

Article 7: The Finance Committee recommends the adoption of the subject matter of this article by a 4-1-1 vote.

ARTICLE 8 Amend Zoning Map – C-1 Zoning District

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning Map of the Town of Hudson to define the C-1 zoning district as shown on Proposed C-1 Zoning District Map below. Specifically, the following parcels would be rezoned:

Assessors Parcels shown on Map 29 as Lots 44, 47, 39, 45, 46, 62 and 63 presently entirely in the SB district shall be rezoned C1.

Assessor's Parcel shown on Map 29 as Lots 235, 237, 238, 320, 239, 240, 241, 242, 243, and 244 presently located entirely in the C-2 zone shall be rezoned to C1.

Assessor's Parcels shown on Map 29 as Lots 245, 247, 199, 194, 206, 195, 196, 197 and Map 40 as Lots 122, 123 presently located entirely in the M- 2 zone shall be rezoned to C1.

And further, to amend "Appendix A" of the Town of Hudson Protective Zoning By-Laws to replace the description of the following portion of the SB District with the C1 Zoning description:

Beginning: At a point ± 104 feet south of the intersection of Lincoln and Russell Streets on the easterly side of Lincoln Street;

Thence Running west ± 42 feet across Lincoln Street to the southeast corner of Map 29, Lot 43;

Thence Running westerly ± 150 feet along the southerly side of Map 29, Lot 43;

Thence Running ± 32 feet north along the westerly side of Map 29, Lot 43;

Thence Running westerly ± 195 feet along the northerly sides of Map 29, Lots 46, 47 and 39;

Thence Running southerly ± 40 feet to the southwest corner of Map 29, Lot 39;

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- Thence Running across Central Street \pm 46 feet to the northeast corner of Map 29, Lot 62;
- Thence Running \pm 125 feet westerly along the southern side of Central Street;
- Thence Running south \pm 117 along the westerly border of Map 29, lot 62;
- Thence Running \pm 130 feet easterly along the southern border of Map 29, Lot 62;
- Thence Running \pm 80 feet northerly along the eastern border of Map 29, Lot 62;
- Thence Running \pm 50 feet easterly along the northeast corner of Map 29, Lot 65;
- Thence Running \pm 13 feet along the easterly side of Map 29, Lot 65;
- Thence Running southeasterly \pm 80 feet along the southwestern border of Map 29; Lot 63;
- Thence Running easterly along the southern border of Map 29, Lot 63 to a point \pm 220 feet easterly of the southeastern most corner of Map 29, Lot 63;
- Thence Running across River Street \pm 130 feet to the northeast corner of Map 29, Lot 284;

And further, to amend "Appendix A" of the Town of Hudson Protective Zoning By-Laws to replace the description of the following portion of the C2 and M2 Districts with the C1 Zoning description:

- Beginning: At a point at the southwesterly corner of Map 29, Lot 234
- Thence Running \pm 285 feet southerly to the southwestern corner of Map 29, Lot 237;
- Thence Running easterly \pm 1,250 feet to the southeastern corner of Map 29, Lot 247;
- Thence Running across Houghton Street \pm 40 feet to a point \pm 46 feet north of the northwestern corner of Map 40, Lot 123;
- Thence Running southerly \pm 132 feet to the southeastern corner of Map 40, Lot 123;
- Thence Running easterly \pm 160 feet along the southern side of Map 40, Lot 123;
- Thence Running \pm 85 feet northerly along the eastern side of Map 40, Lot 123;
- Thence Running \pm 190 feet easterly across the Assabet River to a point on the southwestern corner of Map 29, Lot 199;
- Thence Running easterly \pm 320 feet along the southerly side of Map 29, Lot 199 to the southeastern corner of Map 29, Lot 199;

Thence Running \pm 935 feet northerly along the westerly side of Broad Street to a point on the northeastern corner of Map 29, Lot 197;

Thence Running northerly \pm 84 feet across South Street Extension to the southeastern corner of Map 29, Lot 201.

or take any action relative thereto.

Planning Board
Board of Selectmen
Executive Assistant

Article 8: The Finance Committee unanimously recommends the adoption of the subject matter of this article.

Note: This Article would revise the boundary of the C1 Zoning District in the center of Hudson to incorporate several additional parcels that are appropriate for C1 zoning.

ARTICLE 9 Amend Zoning By-Laws: Marijuana Overlay District

To see if the Town will vote to amend Chapter 5.0 of the Protective Zoning By-laws by adding thereto a new Section 5.13 as follows:

5.13 MARIJUANA INDUSTRIAL OVERLAY DISTRICT

Section 5.13.1 PURPOSE

This Section entitled "Marijuana Industrial Overlay District" (MIOD) is enacted in order to serve the compelling interests of the Town, to address possible health, safety and quality of life effects related to the location and operation of the following Marijuana Establishments: Marijuana Cultivators, Independent Marijuana Testing Laboratories, and Marijuana Product Manufacturing pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 94G, Section 3 and all other applicable provisions. The purpose of the MIOD is to allow for the location and operation of the following State-licensed Marijuana Establishments (ME): Marijuana Cultivators, Independent Marijuana Testing Laboratories, and Marijuana Product Manufacturing within this Overlay District in accordance with applicable State laws, Rules and Regulations, and to impose reasonable safeguards to govern the time, place and manner of the aforementioned Marijuana Establishments to ensure the public, health, safety, and well-being, and undue impacts to the natural environment as it relates to these uses, subject to the Town of Hudson Protective Zoning By-Laws, M.G.L., c.40A, and M.G.L. c.94G. Further

to establish specific zoning regulations for the MIOD in appropriate places and under reasonable and practicable conditions for Marijuana Product Manufacturing, Marijuana Cultivation, and Independent Marijuana Testing Laboratories. It is the intent of this section to minimize adverse impacts on adjacent properties, residential neighborhoods, schools, and other places where children congregate, and other land uses potentially incompatible with the aforementioned activities.

Section 5.13.2 **DEFINITIONS** The following definitions, consistent with M.G.L. c. 94G, and 935 CMR 500.000 shall apply in the interpretation and enforcement of this section:

Marijuana - all parts of the plant *Cannabis Sativa* L., whether growing or not; the seeds thereof; and resin extracted from any part of the plant; and every compound, manufacture, salt, derivative, mixture, or preparation of the plant, its seeds or resin. It does not include the mature stalks of the plant, fiber produced from the stalks, oil, or cake made from the seeds of the plant, any other compound, manufacture, salt, derivative, mixture, or preparation of the mature stalks, except the resin extracted there from, fiber, oil, or cake or the sterilized seed of the plant which is incapable of germination. The term also includes Marijuana Infused Products except where the context clearly indicates otherwise.

Independent Testing Laboratory - A laboratory that is licensed by the commission and is accredited to the most current International Organization for Standardization 17025 by a third-party accrediting body that is signatory to the International Laboratory Accreditation Accrediting Cooperation mutual recognition arrangement or that is otherwise approved by the commission and which tests marijuana and marijuana products including but not limited to certification for potency and the presence of contaminants (ii) is financially independent from any Recreational Marijuana Establishments or any licensee or marijuana establishment for which it conducts a test; and (iii) is qualified to test marijuana in compliance with regulations promulgated by the Massachusetts Cannabis Control Commission (CCC).

Marijuana Cultivator - an entity duly licensed by the Cannabis Control

Commission in accordance with Massachusetts General Laws c.94G or by the Massachusetts Department of Public Health in accordance with 105 CMR 725.00 and pursuant to all other applicable State laws and regulations to cultivate, process, and package marijuana, to deliver marijuana to marijuana establishments, and to transfer marijuana to other marijuana establishments, but not to consumers. The cultivation and processing of marijuana in accordance with this definition is considered to be a manufacturing use and is not agriculturally exempt from zoning.

Marijuana Establishment -a marijuana cultivator, independent testing laboratory, marijuana product manufacturer, marijuana retailer, or any other type of licensed marijuana-related businesses.

Marijuana Product Manufacturer - an entity licensed to obtain, manufacture, process, and package marijuana / marijuana products, to deliver marijuana and marijuana products to marijuana establishments, and to transfer marijuana and marijuana products to other marijuana establishments, but not to consumers.

Marijuana Products - products that have been manufactured and contain marijuana or an extract of marijuana, including concentrated forms of marijuana and products.

Special Permit Granting Authority (SPGA) – for the purposes of the provisions of this by-law, the SPGA shall mean the Hudson Zoning Board of Appeals.

Section 5.13.3 LOCATION

The location and the boundaries of the MIOD shall be delineated to include the following:

5.13.1. The M-5, M-6, and M-7 Industrial Districts as shown on the Zoning Map of the Town of Hudson, and more specifically shown on the Marijuana Industrial Overlay District Map to be enacted herewith.

Section 5.13.4 *PROCEDURAL REQUIREMENTS*

1. An Application for Special Permit shall be filed with the SPGA in accordance with the provisions herein, Section 8.2 of the Hudson Zoning By-Laws, and the provisions of M.G.L. c.40A, Section 9 as amended.
2. Applicants shall first obtain Site Plan Review from the Hudson Planning Board as provided in Section 7.1.7 of the Zoning by-laws of the Town of Hudson.
3. Applicants must be permitted by the Town of Hudson Board of Health prior of issuance of any Occupancy Permit.

Section 5.13.5 *USE REGULATIONS*

1. Allowed Marijuana Establishment uses within the MIOD shall be the following as defined in M.G.L. Chapter 94G: Independent Testing Laboratory, Marijuana Cultivator, and Marijuana Product Manufacturer.
2. All Marijuana Retail and adult uses as defined in M.G.L. Chapter 94G shall be prohibited within the MIOD.
3. All Marijuana Establishments within the MIOD shall be in a fixed location and not within a mobile facility;
4. No outside storage is permitted;
5. All Marijuana Establishments within the MIOD shall be located at least 500 feet from the property line of any school, daycare center, or library;
6. All Marijuana Establishments within in the MIOD shall not be located inside a building containing residential units including transient housing such as motels and dormitories;
7. Applicants shall provide the Special Permit Granting Authority with proposed security measures for the Marijuana Establishment within the MIOD, including lighting, fencing, gates, and alarms, to ensure the safety of persons and to protect the premises from theft;
8. No smoking, burning, consumption or ingestion of any product containing

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- marijuana or marijuana related products shall be permitted on the premises of a the Marijuana Establishment within in the MIOD;
9. All business signage shall be subject to the requirements as promulgated by the Cannabis Control Commission (935.CMR 500) and the requirements of the Hudson Protective Zoning By Law;
 10. The hours of operation of the Marijuana Establishments within the MIOD shall be reviewed and approved set by the Special Permit Granting Authority;
 11. The applicant shall provide express written authorization from the property owner of the proposed site;
 12. No activities occurring on the premises of a marijuana establishment within the MIOD shall be displayed in the windows or on the building thereof, or be visible to the public from the pedestrian sidewalks or walkways or from other areas, public or semi-public, outside such facility or premises.
 13. No odor from marijuana cultivation, processing, manufacturing, may be noxious or cause a nuisance, a danger to public health, or public comfort and convenience. Marijuana establishments shall incorporate odor control technology and provisions, and ensure that emissions do not violate M.G.L. Chapter 111, Section 31C, including but not limited to those specified for Odors. The Special Permit Granting Authority may impose reasonable conditions including, but not limited to signage, painting and lighting standards;
 14. The Special Permit Granting Authority is authorized to grant the Special Permit if it finds all of the following:
 - (a.) the proposal is not contrary to the best interests of the inhabitants of the Town of Hudson;
 - (b.) is in accordance with Section 8.2 of the Protective Zoning by-laws of the Town of Hudson;
 - (c.) is in harmony with the general purpose and intent of the protective zoning by-law;
 - (d.) does not constitute a substantial detriment to the public good and the is designed to minimize any adverse visual or public safety impacts on abutters and other parties of interest;
 - (e.) the Marijuana Establishment demonstrates that it has met the

permitting requirements of all applicable state agencies;

(f.) the Marijuana facility project meets a demonstrated need of the community;

(g.) that the Marijuana Establishment provides adequate security measures to ensure that no individual participant will pose a direct threat to the health or safety of other individuals, and that the storage and/or location of marijuana product are adequately secured;

(h.) that the Marijuana Establishment adequately addresses issues of traffic demand, circulation flow, parking and queuing, particularly at peak periods at the establishment and its impact on neighboring uses; and

(i.) the Applicant has satisfied all the conditions and requirements herein.

15. A Special Permit granted hereunder shall not be transferable and shall have a term limited to applicant's ownership or control of the premises of the Marijuana Establishment;

Section 5.13.6 APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

1. The name and address of each owner of the Marijuana Establishment.
2. Copies of all required registrations, licenses and permits issued to the applicant by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and any of its agencies for the establishment.
3. Evidence that the Applicant has site control and right to use the site for a marijuana establishment in the form of a deed or valid purchase and sales agreement or, in the case of a lease, a notarized statement from the property owner and a copy of the lease agreement.
4. A notarized statement signed by the marijuana establishment organization's Chief Executive Officer and corporate attorney disclosing all of its designated owners, including officers, directors, partners, managers, or other similarly situated individuals and entities and their addresses. If any of the above are entities rather than persons, the Applicant must disclose the identity of all such responsible individual persons.
5. A description of all activities to occur on site, including but not limited to: cultivating and processing of marijuana and marijuana infused products (MIPs), This Section entitled "Marijuana Industrial Overlay District" (MIOD) is enacted in order to serve the compelling interests of the Town to address possible health, safety and quality of life effects related to the location and operation in the Town of such uses described herein pursuant to

Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 94G, Section 3 and all other applicable provisions and is to allow State-licensed Marijuana Establishments (ME) to exist in the Town of Hudson in accordance with applicable State laws Rules and Regulations and impose reasonable safeguards to govern the time, place and manner of Marijuana Establishments' to ensure public health, safety, well-being, and undue impacts on the natural environment as it relates to cultivation, processing and manufacturing subject to the provisions of this Zoning by law, M.G.L.c. 40A , and M.G.L. c.94G Further to establish specific zoning regulations for the limited establishment of any registered marijuana establishment in appropriate places and under reasonable and practicable conditions, for marijuana cultivation and dispensing, all as defined in Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 94G. It is the intent of this section to minimize adverse impacts on adjacent properties, residential neighborhoods, schools and other places where children congregate and other land uses potentially incompatible with recreational marijuana activities on site.

6. A written notice from the Chief of Police shall be submitted to the Town Clerk stating that an acceptable Security Plan has been reviewed and approved. The Security Plan shall include the location and details of all security measures for the site, including but not limited to lighting, fencing, gates, waste disposal, alarms and similar measures ensuring the safety of employees and patrons and to protect the premises from theft or other criminal activity.

7. Details of all proposed exterior security measures for the marijuana establishment.

Section 5.13.7 *ANNUALREPORTING*

Each Marijuana Establishment permitted under this bylaw shall as a further condition of its Special Permit file an Annual Report the Special Permit Granting Authority and the Board of Health no later than January 31st, providing a copy of all current applicable state licenses for the Center and/or its owners, and demonstrate continued compliance with the condition (s) of the Special Permit.

Section 5.13.8 *ABANDONMENT OR DISCONTINUANCE OF USE*

1. A marijuana establishment shall be required to remove all material, plants, equipment, including testing equipment, and other paraphernalia upon registration or licensure revocation, expiration, termination, transfer to another controlling entity relocation to a new site and any other cessation of operation

as regulated by the Department of Public Health or the Cannabis Control Commission (CCC). Such removal will be in compliance with 105 CMR 725.105 (J), (O.) and regulations from the CCC; and

2. A Special Permit granted hereunder shall lapse if the applicant ceases marijuana establishment operations for a period of ninety (90) days and/or if the applicant's registration by the Department of Public Health or license by the Cannabis Control Commission has been revoked, expires, is terminated, is transferred to another controlling entity or is relocated to a new site;

Section 5.13.9 SEVERABILITY

If any paragraph, sentence, phrase or word contained in this by-law is adjudicated by a Court of competent jurisdiction to be unconstitutional, illegal or otherwise unenforceable, then it is intended that the remaining provisions of this by-law continue in full force and effect.

Section 5.13.10 PREEMPTION

No portion of this By-law is intended to supersede, preempt or conflict with another State or Federal law or rule or regulation to the extent applicable to Medical Marijuana Treatment Centers, or the humanitarian medical use of marijuana as contained in Chapter 369 of the Acts of 2012 as specified herein.

Or take any action relative thereto

Planning Board
Board of Selectmen
Executive Assistant

Article 9: The Finance Committee recommends the adoption of the subject matter of this article by a 5-1 vote.

ARTICLE 10 Stabilization Fund appropriation

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$150,000 from the General Stabilization Fund for the purpose of replacing the boilers, water tanks and associated equipment and to provide Fire Headquarters with temporary heat or an alternative location during construction, or to take any other action thereto.

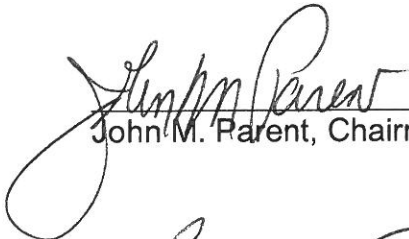
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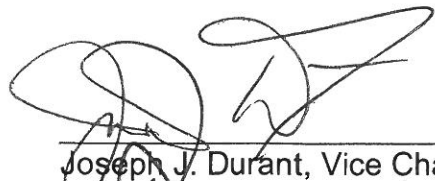
Article 10: The Finance Committee unanimously recommends the adoption of the subject matter of this article and that \$150,000.00 be appropriated from the General Stabilization Fund.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting up copies attested by you in the following places: one at the Post Office, one at the Town House, one at the Office of the Town Clerk, and in six other public places in said Town, Fourteen days at least before the time of holding said meeting and by publication in a newspaper published in said Town.

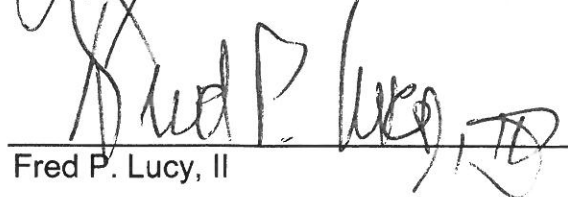
Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk on or before time of holding said meeting.

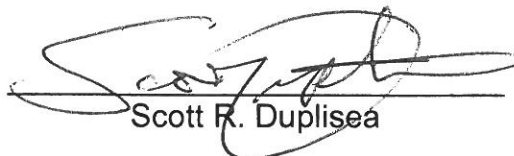
Given under our hands this 24th day of September signed by the Selectmen in the year Two Thousand and Eighteen


John M. Parent, Chairman


Joseph J. Durant, Vice Chairman


James D. Quinn, Clerk


Fred P. Lucy, II


Scott R. Duplisea

INTRODUCTION TO TOWN MEETING

The Town Meeting is a deliberative assembly, charged with considering a number of questions of varying complexity in a reasonable period of time, and with full regard to the rights of the majority.

AUTHORITY

The three elements of authority at Town Meeting are a quorum of 150 registered voters or more, the Moderator and the Town Clerk. The Moderator presides at and regulates the proceedings, decides all questions of order, and makes declarations of all votes. No one may speak on an issue without being recognized by the Moderator. It is his responsibility to approve the distribution of materials, and persons wishing to do so must seek his permission. The Moderator appoints Tellers and alternates for the purpose of counting votes of the meeting.

THE WARRANT: All matters to be considered at Town Meeting must be published in the Town Meeting Warrant, which is the responsibility of the Board of Selectmen. The Finance Committee reviews the warrant, making recommendations on items of business to be presented. In accordance with the By-Laws, all articles in the Warrant are considered in the order in which they appear in the Warrant, unless the Town Meeting votes otherwise, after reasons have been stated. The Moderator has full discretion to decide whether or not the motion to change the order of articles will be entertained.

PARTICIPATION: All remarks should be limited to the subject then under discussion. It is improper to indulge in references to personalities. The Moderator may request any person to keep silent. If after warning from the Moderator, a person refuses to be silent or persists in other disorderly behavior, the Moderator may order a person to withdraw and if he fails to withdraw, may order a police officer to remove such person from the Meeting. Each individual who speaks to the Meeting should make an effort to be as brief as possible out of consideration for others attending the Meeting and the need to give adequate time to all matters coming before it.

CLASSIFIED MOTIONS: Pursuant to section 8 of article II of the By-Laws of the Town of Hudson, when a question comes before Town Meeting certain motions shall be received and have precedence in the following order:

PRIVILEGED MOTIONS: These are motions that have no connection with the main motion before the Town Meeting, but are motions of such importance that they are entitled to immediate consideration. These motions have the privilege of temporarily setting aside the main business before the Town Meeting.

TO ADJOURN (decided without debate); **TO FIX THE TIME FOR ADJOURNMENT**; **SUBSIDIARY MOTIONS:** These are motions that are used to modify or dispose of the main motion being considered. Their existence as motions depend on the main motion to which they are subordinate; **TO LAY ON THE TABLE** (decided without debate);

FOR THE PREVIOUS QUESTION (decided without debate); **TO COMMIT**; **TO AMEND**; **TO POSTPONE INDEFINITELY**

All motions may be withdrawn by the maker if no objection is made.

INFORMATION ON MOTIONS: A motion is the means of bringing a proposal or question before the Meeting for consideration. When put forward it is a motion; after is seconded and acknowledged by the Moderator, it becomes the question or proposal; and if it is approved by the Meeting, it becomes a resolution. Generally, no motion shall be entertained unless the subject is contained within a warrant article. The Moderator shall determine whether a motion is within the "scope of the article," that is, whether the warrant gives adequate notice that the action proposed by the motion might be taken at the Meeting. Articles only give notice and do not initiate action; motions do. Motions may be withdrawn; articles may not be.

Some motions avoid a final determination by the Meeting. A motion to commit or refer sends the matter to an existing board or committee or one to be established. The motion to postpone indefinitely disposes of the question without bringing it to a direct vote. The motion to postpone indefinitely should not be confused with the motion to lie on the table which only temporarily delays a vote.

Pursuant to article II, section 3 of the Town of Hudson By-Laws, no vote of Town Meeting shall be reconsidered except upon notice by an individual who voted with the majority thereon given within one hour of

such vote at the same or succeeding session. If the individual who gives notice does not immediately make such motion, then a motion to reconsider may be made by another individual voter who voted with the majority.

Pursuant to section 4 of article II, no article in the Warrant shall be again taken into consideration after disposed of unless ordered by a vote of two-thirds of the voters present and voting. Pursuant to section 5 of article II, no voter shall speak more than twice upon any question without obtaining leave of Town Meeting neither except to correct an error or explain a point, nor until all other individuals who have not spoken and so desire have been given the opportunity to speak. Pursuant to section 6 of article II, all motions must be reduced to writing before being submitted to the Town Meeting if required by the Moderator.

Pursuant to section 9 of article II, a motion to receive the report of a committee shall put the report before Town Meeting but not discharge the committee. A vote to accept or adopt such report with or without amendment shall discharge the committee.

Pursuant to section 10 of article II, a 150-voter quorum is required to conduct business at Town Meeting. However, no quorum is needed for a motion to adjourn.

Pursuant to section 11 of article II, articles in a warrant shall be considered in order, except that the Moderator upon request and for reasons stated, may entertain a motion to consider an article out of regular order.

Pursuant to section 12 of article II and in addition to the authority already specified above, the Moderator may administer the oath of office to a town officer chosen at Town Meeting. If a vote declared by the Moderator is immediately questioned by seven or more voters, then the Moderator must verify the vote by polling voters or dividing the Town Meeting. If a two-thirds vote of Town Meeting is required by State Statute, the count shall be taken and the vote recorded by the Town Clerk. However, if the vote is declared to be unanimous, a count is not needed and the Town Clerk shall record the vote as unanimous unless immediately questioned by seven or more voters.

TOWN FINANCE TERMINOLOGY

The following terms are used from time to time in the Annual Report and Town Meeting. In order to provide everyone with a better understanding of the meaning, the following definitions are offered:

SURPLUS REVENUE: (Sometimes referred to as Excess and Deficiency Account). This fund is the amount by which the Cash, Accounts Receivable, and other assets exceed the liabilities and reserves.

AVAILABLE FUNDS: (Often called "Free Cash") This fund represents the amount of money remaining after deducting from the Surplus Revenue all uncollected taxes for prior years, taxes in litigation and court judgments. This fund is certified annually by the State Bureau of Accounts and may be used to defray town costs by a vote of the Town Meeting.

OVERLAY: The overlay is the amount raised by the Assessors in excess of appropriations and other charges for the purpose of creating a fund to cover tax abatements and exemptions granted and to avoid fractions in the tax rate.

RESERVE FUND: This is a fund established by the voters at the annual town meeting and may consist of direct appropriations or transfers. Transfers from the Reserve Fund are initiated by the Executive Assistant and require the approval of the Finance Committee. The use of the Reserve Fund is restricted to "extraordinary or unforeseen expenditures".