

Town of Hanson
542 Liberty Street, Hanson, MA 02341

Special Town Meeting - October 7, 1996

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Moderator Charles Mann called the meeting to order at 7:36 p.m. in the Whitman-Hanson Regional High School auditorium with Edward Gronlund, Francis Marini and Michael Regan appointed and sworn in as tellers.

Town Counsel was Deborah Eliason from Kopelman and Paige.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by the Town Meeting.

The Moderator declared a quorum present.

ARTICLE 1: To see if the Town will vote to transfer a sum of money from free cash to pay a court judgement against the Town or take any other action in relation thereto.

Proposed by the Board of Selectmen

Explanation: To settle the Luiz Case involving bidding dispute at the Library Senior Center.

Finance Committee recommends.

VOTED Aye, unanimous to transfer \$24,299.91 from free cash to pay a court judgement against the town.

ARTICLE 2: To see if the Town will vote to transfer from free cash \$11,660.00 to the 1996 Annual Town Meeting, Article 5, Line 102, Firefighters Full Time Wages, and \$1302.00 to the 1996 Annual Town Meeting Article 5 Line 101 Chief Salary for the purpose of funding the firefighter's contract or take any other action in relation thereto.

Proposed by the Board of Selectmen

Finance Committee recommends.

VOTED Aye unanimous to transfer from free cash \$11,660.00 to the 1996 Annual Town Meeting, Article 5, Line 102, Firefighters Full Time Wages, and \$1,302.00 to the 1996 Annual Town Meeting Article 5, Line 101, Chief Salary for the purpose of funding the firefighter's contract.

ARTICLE 3: To see if the Town will vote to transfer from free cash \$3556.00 to the 1996 Annual Town Meeting, Article 5, Line 99, Dispatchers Wages for the purpose of funding their contract or take any other action in relation thereto.

Proposed by the Board of Selectmen

Finance Committee recommends.

VOTED Aye, unanimous to transfer from free cash \$3,556.00 to the 1996 Annual Town Meeting, Article 5, Line 99, Dispatchers Wages for the purpose of funding their contract.

ARTICLE 4: To see if the Town will vote to transfer a sum of money from Free Cash to the Stabilization Fund or take any other action in relation thereto.

Proposed by the Board of Selectmen

VOTED Aye unanimous to transfer \$150,000.00 from free cash into the stabilization fund.

ARTICLE 5: To see if the Town will vote to accept the non-binding contract entered into between the Board of Selectmen and Bluestone Energy Services, Inc. to explore the concept of desalinization as a possible alternative water supply for the residents of the Town of Hanson or take any other action in relation thereto.

Proposed by the Board of Selectmen

Finance Committee recommends.

VOTED Nay, voice to accept the non-binding contract entered into between the Board of Selectmen and Bluestone Energy Services, Inc. to explore the concept of desalinization as a possible alternative water supply for the residents of the Town of Hanson.

ARTICLE 6: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to petition the General Court to rescind Chapter 320 of the Acts of 1916 as amended by Chapter 221 of the Acts of 1992 that established a Board of Water Commissioners in the Town of Hanson or take any other action related thereto.

Proposed by the Board of Selectmen

Finance Committee recommends.

VOTED Nay, voice to authorize the Board of Selectmen to petition the General Court to rescind Chapter 320 of the Acts of 1916 as amended by Chapter 221 of the Acts of 1992 that established a Board of Water Commissioners in the Town of Hanson.

ARTICLE 7: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to petition the General Court to establish a water department under substantially the same terms as those contained in Chapter 320 of the Acts of 1916 as amended by Chapter 221 of the Acts of 1992 except that instead of a five member elected Board of Water Commissioners, the legislation would authorize the Board of Selectmen to appoint and remove members of a three member Board of Water Commissioners or act itself as a Board of Water Commissioners or take any other action related thereto.

Proposed by the Board of Selectmen

VOTED Aye, voice to Pass Over.

ARTICLE 8: To see if the Town will vote to create a golf course study committee consisting of five citizens appointed by the Board of Selectmen for the purpose of studying the feasibility of building a Town golf course or entering into a partnership to build a Town golf course. Said committee will report to the May 1997 Annual Town Meeting or take any other action in relation thereto.

Proposed by the Board of Selectmen

Finance Committee recommends.

VOTED Aye, voice to create a golf course study committee consisting of five citizens

appointed by the Board of Selectmen for the purpose of studying the feasibility of building a Town golf course or entering into a partnership to build a Town golf course. Said committee will report to the May 1997 Annual Town Meeting.

ARTICLE 9: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into a fifty (50) year lease with the Whitman Hanson Regional School District for the 80 acres (plus or minus) of Town land located off Liberty Street and East Washington Street or take any other action in relation thereto.

Proposed by the Board of Selectmen

Explanation: This is the property designated for the new Hanson middle school. According to SBAB regulations, this property must either be owned by the Region or leased back to the Region for not less than fifty years. A lease agreement keeps ownership of the property by the Town.

Finance Committee recommends.

VOTED Aye unanimous to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into a fifty (50) year lease with the Whitman-Hanson Regional School District for the 80 acres (plus or minus) of Town land located off Liberty Street and East Washington Street.

ARTICLE 10: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into a fifty (50) year lease with the Whitman Hanson Regional School District for the 13 acres (plus or minus) of Town land, Assessors map 71 lots 12A, 12B-1, 12C-1, known as the Indian Head School property or take any other action in relation thereto.

Proposed by the Board of Selectmen

Explanation: This is the property which the Indian Head School is located on. According to SBAB regulations, this property must either be owned by the Region or leased back to the Region for not less than fifty years. A lease agreement keeps ownership of the property by the Town.

Finance Committee recommends.

VOTED Aye unanimous to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into a fifty (50) year lease with the Whitman-Hanson Regional School District for the 13 acres (plus or minus) of Town land, Assessors map 71 lots 12A, 12B-1, 12C-1, known as the Indian Head School property.

ARTICLE 11: To see if the Town will vote to transfer from May 1996 Annual Town Meeting, Article 5, line 92, the sum of \$41,572 for the acquisition of technology for the public schools in Hanson or take any other action in relation thereto.

Proposed by the Board of Selectmen

VOTED Aye unanimous to transfer from May 1996 Annual Town Meeting, Article 5, line 92, the sum of \$41,572.00 for the acquisition of technology for the public schools in Hanson.

ARTICLE 12: To see if the Town will vote to transfer from the 1996 Annual Town Meeting, Article 5, Line 5, Plymouth County Retirement, the sum of \$8,000 to Article 5, Line 57, Building Inspector Wages of the 1996 Annual Town Meeting or take any other action in relation thereto.

Proposed by the Board of Selectmen

Finance Committee recommends.

VOTED Aye 62, Nay 41 to transfer from the 1996 Annual Town Meeting, Article 5, line 5,

Plymouth County Retirement, the sum of \$8,000.00 to Article 5, Line 57, Building Inspector Wages of the 1996 Annual Town Meeting.

ARTICLE 13: To see if the Town will vote to transfer from the 1996 Annual Town Meeting, Article 5, Line 5, Plymouth County Retirement, a sum of money to Article 5, Line 107, Highway expenses, of the 1996 Annual Town Meeting for the purpose of painting crosswalks on Route 58 of the 1996 Annual Town Meeting or take any other action in relation thereto.

Proposed by the Board of Selectmen

Finance Committee recommends.

VOTED Aye, voice to transfer from the 1996 Annual Town Meeting, Article 5, Line 5, Plymouth County Retirement, \$875 to Article 5, Line 107, Highway expenses, of the 1996 Annual Town Meeting for the purpose of painting crosswalks on Route 58.

ARTICLE 14: To see if the Town will vote to transfer a sum of money from the 1996 Annual Town Meeting, Article 5, line 89, Library Other Wages, to Article 5, Line 30, Selectmen Clerical Wages, of the 1996 Annual Town Meeting or take any other action in relation thereto.

Proposed by the Board of Selectmen

Explanation: Two workers presently paid from this line are being transferred into the Clerical Union - this is a housekeeping article.

Finance Committee recommends.

VOTED Aye unanimous to transfer \$13,029.00 from the 1996 Annual Town Meeting, Article 5, line 89, Library Other Wages, to Article 5, Line 30, Selectmen Clerical Wages, of the 1996 Annual Town Meeting.

ARTICLE 15: To see if the Town will vote to transfer from the 1996 Annual Town Meeting, Article 5, Line 5, Plymouth County Retirement, \$3,000 to Article 5, Line 12, Computer Line, of the 1996 Annual Town Meeting for the purpose of upgrading computer hardware or take any other action in relation thereto.

Proposed by the Board of Selectmen

Finance Committee recommends.

VOTED Aye unanimous to transfer from the 1996 Annual Town Meeting, Article 5, Line 5, Plymouth County Retirement, \$3,000. to Article 5, Line 12, Computer Line, of the 1996 Annual Town Meeting for the purpose of upgrading computer hardware.

ARTICLE 16: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to take by eminent domain a hydrant easement over a certain parcel of land situated on the northerly side of Partridge Way in the Town of Hanson in the County of Plymouth, Commonwealth of Massachusetts, bounded and described as follows:

Beginning on the Northerly sideline of Partridge Way at the Southwesterly corner of Lot 6 and the herein described easement;

N 14 degrees 28' 36" W a distance of ten and thirty hundredths feet (10.30') to a point, said course abutting land nor or formerly of George L. and Linda G. Cirillo A/K/A Lot 7; thence running

N 89 degrees 20' 50" E a distance of eight and seventy hundredth feet (8.70') to a point; thence running

S 00 degrees 39' 10" E a distance of ten and zero hundredths feet (10.00') to the northerly sideline of Partridge Way, the previous two (2) courses running over land now or formerly of Terrance F. and Gail E. Quinn; thence running

S 90 degrees 20' 50" W a distance of six and twenty-four hundredths feet (6.24') to the true point and place of beginning, said course running along the northerly sideline of Partridge Way.

The above described easement is more particularly shown as Hydrant Easement on a plan entitled "Easement Plan of Land, Orchard Estates, in Hanson, Massachusetts, prepared for Construction Management Specialists, Inc., Scale 1"=40', dated December 19, 1994, Dwg. No. 1, Prepared by Tilton & Associates, Inc."

or take any other action in relation thereto.

Proposed by the Board of Selectmen

Explanation: The taking of this easement along with several other easements already granted by landowners on Tavern and Partridge Way will allow the Town the ability to vote to accept this street. The value of this easement according to the Assessor's office would be minimal, probably not to exceed \$100. The necessary funds will be taken out of the Selectmen's budget at the proper time.

Finance Committee refers to Town Meeting.

VOTED Aye, voice to Pass Over.

ARTICLE 17: To see if the Town will vote to accept as Town ways: Greengrove Lane, Lakeside Terrace, King's Landing Way, Winter Terrace, Brookbend Road, Arrowhead Drive, Birchbark Drive, Cottonwood Court, Crabapple Court, Live Oak Way, Nina Drive, Tavern Way, Partridge Way, Old Pine Drive, Indian Trail, and Indian Path, and to see if the Town will further vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to acquire by gift, purchase or eminent domain an easement to use said street for all purposes for which public ways are used in the Town of Hanson, and to appropriate therefor the sum of \$1.00;

Greengrove Lane, as shown on the street layout plan entitled "Greengrove Pines," dated December 16, 1985, prepared by R. L. Avery, Surveyor.

Lakeside Terrace, as shown on "As Built Acceptance Plan Lakeside Terrace," dated August 11, 1993, prepared by Keefe Associates.

King's Landing Way, as shown on "Subdivision As Built Plan of King's Landing," dated December 5, 1991, prepared by Land Planning Engineering and Survey.

Winter Terrace, Brookbend Road, Arrowhead Drive, as shown on plan entitled "Riverwind Estates", dated January 10, 1986, revised May 6, 1986, prepared by Malcolm T. Show Co.

Birchbark Drive, Cottonwood Court, Crabapple Court, Live Oak Way, as shown on plan entitled "Drumlin Farms" dated February 24, 1986, prepared by Patrick C. Garner, Inc. as recorded on Plan 716 of 1986.

Nina Drive, as shown on "As Built Plan of Land Nina Drive," dated December 19, 1994, prepared by Land Planning and Engineering and Survey.

Tavern Way, as shown on "Orchard Estates As Built Plan of Tavern Way," dated March 27, 1995, prepared by Tilton & Associates, Inc.

Partridge Way, as shown on "Orchard Estates As Built Plan of Partridge Way," dated March 27, 1995, prepared by Tilton & Associates, Inc.

Indian Trail, Indian Path as shown on a plan entitled "Wampatuck Park" dated June 20, 1969 prepared by Pilgrim Land Survey S & E.

Old Pine Drive as shown on a plan entitled "Old Pine Park" dated October 22, 1970, prepared by Pilgrim Land Survey

Rosewood Drive as shown on a plan entitled "As Built Plan of Rosewood Drive" dated July 7, 1995 prepared by Vautrinot & Webby Co.

Thayer Drive as shown on a plan entitled "Thayer Drive" dated October 3, 1988 prepared by Vautrinot & Webby Co.

or take any other action in relation thereto.

Proposed by the Board of Selectmen

Finance Committee refers to Town Meeting.

VOTED Aye, voice to accept as Town ways the following streets:

Greengrove Lane, Lakeside Terrace, Kings's Landing Way, Winter Terrace, Brookbend Road, Arrowhead Drive, Birchbark Drive, Cottonwood Court, Crabapple Court, Live Oak Way, Nina Drive, Tavern Way, Partridge Way, Indian Trail, Indian Path, Old Pine Drive, Rosewood Drive, Thayer Drive with descriptions as printed in the warrant and to see if the Town will further vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to acquire by gift, purchase or eminent domain an easement to use said street for all purposes for which public ways are used in the Town of Hanson.

ARTICLE 18: To see if the Town will vote to transfer from the 1996 Annual Town Meeting, Article 5, Line 5, Plymouth County Retirement, \$305.75 for the purpose of reimbursing the Veterans Agent for damage sustained to his vehicle while on Town business or take any other action in relation thereto.

Proposed by the Board of Selectmen

Finance Committee recommends.

VOTED Aye, voice to transfer from the 1996 Annual Town Meeting, Article 5, Line 5, Plymouth County Retirement, \$305.75 for the purpose of reimbursing the Veterans Agent for damage sustained to his vehicle while on Town business.

ARTICLE 19: To see if the Town will vote to transfer the following amounts to the Capital Improvement Fund:

1995 ATM Art. 8 - Winter St. Dam	\$37,824.84
1994 ATM Art. 14 - Traffic Controls	1,500.00
1996 ATM Art. 13 - Fuel Tanks Highway	<u>3,088.00</u>
TOTAL	\$42,412.84

or take any other action in relation thereto.

Proposed by the Capital Improvement Committee

Finance Committee recommends.

VOTED Aye unanimous to transfer the following amounts to the Capital Improvement Fund:

1995 ATM Art. 8 - Winter St. Dam	\$32,274.84
1994 ATM Art. 14 - Traffic Controls	1,500.00
1996 ATM Art. 13 - Fuel Tanks Highway	3,088.00

TOTAL

\$36,862.84

ARTICLE 20: To see if the Town will vote to transfer from the Capital Improvement Fund a sum of money for the purpose of conducting a feasibility study of the Town Hall building and grounds, or take any other action in relation thereto.

Proposed by the Capital Improvement Committee

Finance Committee recommends.

VOTED Aye, voice to transfer from the Capital Improvement Fund \$15,250. for the purpose of conducting a feasibility study of the Town Hall building and grounds.

ARTICLE 21: To see if the Town will vote to transfer from the Capital Improvement Fund a sum of money for the purchase and installation of a generator at the Liberty Street Fire Station or take any other action in relation thereto.

Proposed by the Capital Improvement Committee

Finance Committee recommends.

VOTED Aye unanimous to tranfser from the Capital Improvement Fund \$25,250. for the purchase and installation of a generator at the Liberty Street Fire Station.

ARTICLE 22: To see if the Town will vote to transfer from the February 13, 1988 Special Town Meeting, Article 14, Mapping, the sum of \$1,100 to purchase computer equipment or take any other action in relation thereto.

Proposed by the Board of Assessors

Explanation: This is allowed by MGL Chap 44, section 20.

Finance Committee recommends.

VOTED Aye unanimous to transfer from the February 13, 1988 Special Town Meeting Article 14, Mapping, the sum of \$1,100.00 to purchase computer equipment.

ARTICLE 23: To see if the Town will vote to amend the General Bylaws, Article 2-12, Section 12, with the following corrections:

SECTION 12C OTHER PART TIME POSITIONS	7/1/95	7/1/96
h. Milk Inspector	132 to 141 yr.	132 to 145 yr.
SECTION 12E: TRANSPORTERS	7/1/95	7/1/96
Van Driver/Aide	15,054/8.24 hr.	15,530/8.50 hr.
SECTION 12F: CALL FIRE FIGHTERS/OFFICERS	7/1/95	7/1/96
First yr. Call Firefighters		
Tours	11.01 hr.	11.35 hr.
Drills	9.84 hr.	10.15 hr.
Details	16.51 hr.	17.02 hr.
First yr. Call EMT's		
Tours	11.59 hr.	11.95 hr.
Drills	10.42 hr.	10.74 hr.
Details	16.51 hr.	17.02 hr.
Second yr. Call Firefighters		
Tours	11.59 hr.	11.95 hr.

Drills	10.42 hr.	10.74 hr.
Details	17.38 hr.	17.02 hr.
Second yr Call EMT'S		
Tours	12.16 hr.	12.54 hr.
Drills	11.01 hr.	11.35 hr.
Details	18.25 hr.	18.82 hr.
Call Lieutenants		
Tours	12.75 hr.	13.15 hr.
Drills	11.59 hr.	11.95 hr.
Details	19.12 hr.	19.71 hr.
Call Lieutenants EMT'S		
Tours	13.33 hr.	13.74 hr.
Drills	12.16 hr.	12.54 hr.
Details	19.99 hr.	20.61 hr.

or take any other action in relation thereto.

Proposed by the Wage and Personnel Board

Explanation: There were typographical errors in the May Special Town Meeting

Finance Committee recommends.

VOTED Aye, voice as printed in the warrant and wherever the wording "Section 12" appears, change it to read "Section 11".

ARTICLE 24: To see if the Town will vote to transfer from the Ambulance fund a sum of money to purchase and equip or lease/purchase and equip a new ambulance for the Fire Department or take any other action in relation thereto.

Proposed by the Fire Chief

VOTED Aye, unanimous to transfer \$60,000. from the Ambulance Fund to enter into a lease purchase and to equip a new ambulance for the Fire Department.

ARTICLE 25: To see if the Town will transfer a sum of money from the Ambulance Fund to provide members of the Fire Department with a series of inoculations to prevent infection from "Hepatitis B" or take any other action in relation thereto.

Proposed by the Fire Chief

Finance Committee recommends.

VOTED Aye unanimous to transfer \$4,000. from the Ambulance Fund to provide a series of inoculations to prevent infection from Hepatitis B.

ARTICLE 26: To see if the Town will vote to transfer from the 1996 Annual Town Meeting, Article 5, Line 5, Plymouth County Retirement, \$1,000 for the Memorial Day Committee or take any other action in relation thereto.

Proposed by the Veterans Agent

Finance Committee recommends.

VOTED Aye unanimous to transfer \$1,000. from the 1996 Annual Town Meeting, Article 5, Line 5, Plymouth County Retirement for the Memorial Day Committee.

ARTICLE 27: To see if the Town will vote to transfer from the 1996 Annual Town Meeting, Article 5, Line 5, Plymouth County Retirement \$1,000.00 to Article 5, line 71, Tree Department Expenses of the 1996 Annual Town Meeting to replace funds expended to remove

dangerous trees on Town property or take any other action in relation thereto.

Proposed by the Tree Warden

Finance Committee does not recommend.

VOTED Aye unanimous to transfer from the 1996 Annual Town Meeting, Article 5, Line 5, Plymouth County Retirement, \$1,000. to Article 5, Line 71, Tree Department Expenses of the 1996 Annual Town Meeting to replace funds expended to remove dangerous trees on Town property.

ARTICLE 28: To see if the Town will vote to transfer \$5,000 from the 1996 Annual Town Meeting Article 5, Line 5, Plymouth County Retirement for a Sander for Snow & Ice control or take any other action in relation thereto.

Proposed by the Highway Surveyor

VOTED Aye unanimous to transfer \$4,580. from the 1996 Annual Town Meeting Article 5, Line 5, Plymouth County Retirement for a sander for Snow and Ice control.

ARTICLE 29: To see if the Town will vote to transfer \$6,000 from the 1996 Annual Town Meeting Article 5, Line 5, Plymouth County Retirement to be added to Article 5, Line 112, Street Sweeping or take any other action in relation thereto.

Proposed by the Highway Surveyor

VOTED Aye unanimous to transfer \$6,000. from the 1996 Annual Town Meeting Article 5, Line 5, Plymouth County Retirement to be added to Article 5, Line 112, Street Sweeping.

ARTICLE 30: To see if the Town will vote to transfer a sum of money the May 1997 Annual Town Meeting, line 78, VNA Services a sum of money to line 23, Elder Affairs Custodian and to line 81, Elder Affairs Expenses or take any other action in relation thereto.

Proposed by the Council for Elder Affairs

Finance Committee recommends.

VOTED Aye unanimous to transfer \$7,079. from the 1996 Annual Town Meeting line 78, VNA services; the amount of \$4,673. to be added to line 23, Elder Affairs Custodian and the amount of \$2,406. be added to line 81, Elder Affairs expenses.

ARTICLE 31: To see if the Town will vote to transfer from the 1996 Annual Town Meeting, Article 5, line 5, Plymouth County Retirement, a sum of money for the purpose of providing senior citizen real estate tax payment vouchers for services rendered pursuant to an agreement to be formulated by the Council for Elder Affairs and approved by the Board of Selectmen or take any other action in relation thereto.

Proposed by the Council for Elder Affairs

Finance Committee recommends.

VOTED Aye unanimous to transfer from the 1996 Annual Town Meeting, Article 5, line 5, Plymouth County Retirement the sum of \$10,000. for the purpose of providing a Senior Citizen Real Estate Tax Rebate Program.

ARTICLE 32: To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of \$20,000 from the 1996 Annual Town Meeting, Article 5, line 117B, Water Dept. legal to the 1996 Annual Town Meeting, Article 5, Line 117, Water Dept. Expenses or take any other action in relation thereto.

Proposed by the Finance Committee

Finance Committee recommends.

VOTED Aye unanimous to Pass Over.

ARTICLE 33: To see if the Town will vote to transfer from free cash and/or borrow, pursuant to G.L. c.44,s.7 or G.L. c.44, s.8c, or both sections, a sum of money for the purpose of improving Memorial Field, the borrowing and expenditures under this appropriation to be contingent upon the execution and delivery to the Town of binding agreements of state and/or federal agencies and/or private parties for reimbursement in an amount of approximately 66% of the total for such improvements, and to authorize the Board of Selectmen and/or Trustees of Memorial Field, as may be required, to enter into grant agreements with such state and/or federal agencies and/or private parties, which agreements may bind or effect the land to be improved, or take any action relative thereto.

Proposed by the Trustees of Memorial Field

VOTED Aye unanimous to transfer the sum of \$60,800. from free cash, the sum of money for the purpose of improving Memorial Field, the expenditures under this appropriation to be contingent upon the execution and delivery to the Town of binding agreements of state and federal agencies and/or private parties for reimbursement in the amount of approximately 66% of the total cost for such improvements, and to authorize the Board of Selectmen and/or the Trustees of Memorial Field, as may be required, to enter into grant agreements with such state and/or federal agencies and/or private parties, which agreements may bind or effect the land to be improved.

ARTICLE 34: To see if the Town will vote to amend the General By-Laws by approving the following:

Article 2-19 Parks and Fields Commission

"The Parks and Fields Commission shall consist of seven members to be appointed by the Board of selectmen, two for a term of one year, two for two years, and three for three years, and thereafter, all for three year terms. This seven member Commission shall consist of at least one member, who at the time of appointment or reappointment to the Parks and Fields Commission, is a Trustee of Memorial Field and at least one members, who at the time of appointment or re-appointment to the Parks and Fields Commission, is a member of the Recreation Commission.

It shall be the duty of this Commission and each one of its members to oversee the management and maintenance of Town owned parks, fields and related facilities, including but not limited to the scheduling of events and activities, the maintenance of grounds and related structures, the setting of priorities, the hiring and termination of necessary personnel, the handling of and the accounting for funds entrusted to their care, the planning for future growth and all other duties that normally are associated with these responsibilities.

Where the aforesaid responsibilities overlap the responsibilities of another existing municipal board or commission, that municipal board or commission shall retain jurisdiction over those responsibilities unless the subject responsibilities are delegated to the Parks and Fields Commission by mutual consent of both the Parks and Fields Commission and the delegating municipal board or commission.

Members shall annually choose a Chairperson, Vice-Chairperson and Clerk from their membership."

or take any action relative thereto.

Finance Committee refers to Town Meeting.

VOTED Aye unanimous to amend the General by-Laws by approving the following:

Article 2-19 Parks and Fields Commission

"The Parks and Fields Commission shall consist of seven members to be appointed by the Board of Selectman, two for a term of one year, two for two years, and three for three years, and thereafter, all for three year terms.

It shall be the duty of this Commission and each one of its members to oversee the management and maintenance of Town owned parks, fields and related facilities, including but not limited to the scheduling of events and activities, the maintenance of grounds and related structures, the setting of priorities, the hiring and termination of necessary personnel, the handling of and the accounting for funds entrusted to their care, the planning for future growth and all other duties that normally are associated with these responsibilities.

Where the aforesaid responsibilities overlap the responsibilities of another existing municipal board or commission, that municipal board or commission shall retain jurisdiction over those responsibilities unless the subject responsibilities are delegated to the Parks and Fields Commission by mutual consent of both the Parks and Fields Commission and the delegating municipal board or commission.

Members shall annually choose a Chairperson, Vice-Chairperson and Clerk from their membership.

VOTED Aye, voice to dissolve the meeting at 10:44 p.m.

A true copy, attest:

Sandra E. Harris
Town Clerk