

Town of Hanson
542 Liberty Street, Hanson, MA 02341

Annual Town Meeting - May 5, 1997

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

May 5, 1997

Moderator Charles Mann called the meeting to order at 7:35 p.m. in Memorial Auditorium, Indian Head School with Richard Powers, Michael Regan and Edward Gronlund appointed and sworn in as tellers.

A brief recess was called to allow voters to be checked into the meeting, and was reconvened at 7:38 p.m.

Town Counsel was Barbara Saint Andre from Kopelman and Paige.

There were 189 voters present.

The colors were presented by Boy Scout Troop 34 and the meeting was led in the Pledge of Allegiance by Boy Scouts Matthew Amico, James Munstis, Michael Hillstrom, Scott Trefethen, Michael Pennini, Jason Pietroski, Jon O'Callaghan, Jason Sourdiffe and Zach Wassmouth.

A moment of silence was observed for deceased members of the community and the late Horace Atwood, former Building Inspector.

The Hanson school principals were presented, for permanent display, a gift of a 175th Anniversary painting of the Town Hall, painted by resident and artist, Kathleen Ferrara.

The meeting was recessed at 7:45 p.m., to reconvene upon the dissolution of the Special Town Meeting.

The meeting was reconvened at 8:40 p.m.

ARTICLE 1: To hear reports of the various Town Officers, Committees, Special Committees, and act thereon.

Proposed by the Board of Selectmen

Explanation: The Reports voted on are those published in the 1996 Town Report.

Finance Committee recommends.

VOTED Aye to hear reports of the various Town Officers, Committees, Special Committees with the following correction: on page 30, "Deaths 1997" should read "Deaths 1996".

ARTICLE 2: To see if the Town will vote to approve the Capital Improvement Program as presented to the Board of Selectmen by the Capital Improvement Committee or take any other action in relation thereto.

Proposed by the Board of Selectmen and
the Capital Improvement Committee

Finance Committee recommends.

VOTED Aye unanimous to approve the Capital Improvement Program as presented to the Board of Selectmen by the Capital Improvement Committee.

ARTICLE 3: To see if the Town will authorize the Treasurer/Collector to enter into compensating balance agreements during Fiscal 1998 as permitted by Mass. General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 53F or take any other action in relation thereto.

Proposed by the Treasurer/Collector

Explanation: Every year this article is voted. It simply allows the Treasurer/Collector to maintain accounts using credits instead of money to pay for banking charges.

Finance Committee recommends.

VOTED Aye unanimous that the Town authorize the Treasurer/Collector to enter into compensating balance agreements during fiscal 1998 as permitted by Mass. General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 53F.

ARTICLE 4: To see if the Town will vote to fix the Salary and Compensation of all Elected Officers and Committees of the Town as follows:

	FY97	
FY98		
MODERATOR	\$ 321.00	\$ 331.00
SELECTMEN		
Chairman	1,724.97	1,777.00
Member	1,221.19	1,258.00
TOWN CLERK	31,858.00	35,020.00
TREE WARDEN	995.00	1,025.00
ASSESSORS		
Chairman	1,724.97	1,777.00
Member	1,221.19	1,258.00
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HIGHWAY SURVEYOR	45,013.00	46,364.00
WATER COMMISSIONERS		
Chairman	1,724.97	1,777.00
Member	1,221.19	1,258.00
BOARD OF HEALTH		
Chairman	1,724.97	1,777.00
Member	1,221.19	1,258.00
Member	1,221.19	1,258.00

or take any other action in relation thereto.

Proposed by the Board of Selectmen

Explanation: The above represents a 3% increase for FY98 and an adjustment for the Town Clerk.

Finance Committee does not recommend as written.

VOTED Aye voice to fix the Salary and Compensation of all Elected Officers and Committees of the Town as printed in the Warrant with the following amendment:

FY98

Town Clerk \$40,000.00

ARTICLE 5: To determine what sums of money the Town will appropriate and raise by taxation, transfer from Free Cash, transfer from Town Ambulance Funds, Water Department Revenue, Conservation Notice of Intent Fund, Overlay Surplus, and Stabilization Fund to defray charges and expenses of the Town, including Debt and Interest and to provide for a reserve fund for the 1998 fiscal Year or take any other action in relation thereto.

Proposed by the Board of Selectmen

Finance Committee recommends.

VOTED Aye, the following FY 98 Budget Appropriations:
(The source of funding is raise and appropriate unless otherwise noted)

	FY98	
FIXED COSTS		
1. 710-5914 Maturing Debt	\$ 116,000	
2. 710-5912 Debt Exclusion	535,000	
3. 750-5915 Interest Exp. Debt	154,406	
4. 750-5925 Interest Debt Exclusion	154,930	
5. 911-5174 Plymouth County Retirement	51,645	
		42,557
Overlay surplus		187,500
Free Cash		
6. 914-5172 Town Benefits	264,780	
7. 945-5740 Town Insurance	139,000	
8. 913-5173 Unemployment	8,000	
TOTAL FIXED COSTS	1,653,818	-----
TOWN SERVICES		
9. 132-5201 Reserve Fund	30,000	
10. 125-5790 Town Vehicles	50,000	
11. 122-5432 Printing	6,000	
12. 155-5303 Computer	49,500	
13. 155-5341 Postage	18,000	
14. 151-5301 Legal	65,000	
15. 122-5271 Copier Supplies	6,200	
16. 155-5300 Engineering	10,000	
16A. 155-5302 Demolition		10,000
17. 155-5310 Town Audit		12,000
TOTAL TOWN SERVICES	256,700	-----
UTILITIES & MAINTENANCE TOWN BUILDINGS		
18. 197-5201 Utilities	120,000	
19. 192-5113 Town Hall Custodian	10,182	
20. 192-5201 Town Hall Expenses	7,000	
21. 210-5795 Police Dept. Bldg.	7,000	

22.	220-5795	Fire Dept. Bldg. Mainten.	5,000
23.	541-5116	Elder Affairs Custodian	9,636
24.	541-5795	Eld. Aff. Bldg. Mainten.	8,000
25.	610-5116	Library Custodian	8,504
26.	610-5795	Library Bldg. Mainten.	2,590

TOTAL TOWN BUILDINGS

177,912

TOWN GOVERNMENT

27.	114-5113	Moderator Wages	331
28.	114-5201	Moderator Expenses	0
29.	122-5111	Selectmen Wages	38,809
30.	122-5114	Selectmen Clerical Wages	312,925
30A	122-5114	Retirement Buy-out	6,468
31.	122-5201	Selectmen Expenses	4,700
32.	124-5112	Executive Secretary Wages	65,268
33.	124-5201	Executive Secretary Expenses	1,200
34.	131-5790	Finance Committee Expenses	1,000
35.	135-5112	Town Accountant Wages	44,905
36.	135-5201	Town Accountant Expenses	1,000
37.	141-5111	Assessors Board Wages	4,293
38.	141-5113	Assessors Other Wages	47,389
39.	141-5201	Assessors Expenses	7,865
40.	145-5112	Treas/Collector Wages	46,509
41.	145-5201	Treas/Collector Expenses	6,450
42.	145-5201	Treas Contracted Charges	25,124
43.	145-5380	Treas/Coll Prospectus	0
44.	161-5112	Town Clerk Wages	40,000
45.	161-5201	Town Clerk Expenses	4,785
46.	162-5114	Election Wages	2,100
47.	162-5790	Election Expenses	2,950
48.	163-5113	Registrars Wages	8,692
49.	163-5201	Registrars Expenses	6,265
50.	171-5790	Conservation Expenses	900
51.	172-5112	Conservation Agnet Wages	11,960
52.	172-5201	Conservation Agnet Expenses	500
53.	175-5201	Planning Board Expenses	2,000
54.	176-5201	Appeals Board Expenses	645
55.	186-5112	Town Planner Wages	47,402
56.	186-5790	Town Planner Expenses	2,500
57.	241-5112	Building Inspector Wages	36,300
58.	241-5113	Bldg Inspector Other Wages	502
59.	241-5201	Building Inspector Expenses	3,499
60.	242-5112	Gas Inspector Wages	2,766
61.	242-5201	Gas Inspector Expenses	410
62.	243-5112	Plumbing Inspector Wages	3,731
63.	243-5790	Plumbing Inspector Expenses	500
64.	244-5112	Sealer of Weights Wages	1,063
65.	244-5790	Sealer of Weights Expenses	500
66.	245-5112	Wire Inspector Wages	11,052
67.	245-5790	Wire Inspector Expenses	1,000
68.	293-5112	Animal Control Wages	18,723
69.	293-5790	Animal Control Expenses	4,100
70.	297-5112	Tree Dept. Wages	1,026
71.	297-5790	Tree Dept. Expenses	1,100
72.	430-5112	Disposal Area Wages	29,419
73.	430-5113	Disposal Area Expenses	875
74.	430-5191	Disposal Area Expenses	163,680
75.	511-5111	Health Board Wages	4,293
76.	511-5113	Health Board Other Wages	24,487
77.	511-5201	Health Board Expenses	3,300
78.	511-5882	VNA Services	2,287
79.	541-5112	Elder Affairs Wages	36,295
80.	541-5113	Elder Affairs Other Wages	16,005
81.	541-5201	Elder Affairs Expenses	7,580

82.	541-5882 Elder Affairs VNA Services	11,000	
83.	543-5113 Veterans Agent Wages		9,307
84.	543-5114 Veterans Clerical	5,152	
85.	543-5790 Veterans Expenses	500	
86.	543-5770 Veterans Benefits	20,000	
87.	544-5790 Care of Soldiers Graves	1,000	
88.	610-5112 Librarian Wages		40,000
89.	610-5114 Library Other Wages		16,757
90.	610-5201 Library Expenses	37,472	
91.	632-5113 Recreation Wages	29,657	
	TOTAL TOWN GOVERNMENT	1,290,273	-----
EDUCATION			
92.	320-5320 Whitman Hanson Regional	3,872,454	
93.	330-5790 South Shore Vo-Tech		597,908
94.	330-5320 Other Tuition & Transp.	60,000	
95.	310-5331 Non-Mandated Busing		100,498
	TOTAL EDUCATION	4,630,860	-----
PUBLIC SAFETY			
96.	210-5112 Police Chief Wages		55,918
97.	210-5113 Police Other Wages		805,507
98.	210-5201 Police Expenses		20,400
98A.	210-5202 Civil Defense-Aux. Pol.	0	
	SUB-TOTAL		881,825
99.	215-5115 Com. Center Dispatchers	126,940	
100.	215-5201 Com. Center Expenses		5,007
100A	215-5850 Lease Purchase Radio Equip	18,378	
	SUB-TOTAL		150,325
101.	220-5112 Fire Chief Wages	71,875	
102.	202-5110 Firefighters-F/T Wages	478,459	
		140,412	Ambulance Funds
103.	220-5113 Firefighters-P/T Wages	33,508	
104.	220-5201 Fire Dept. Expense		34,000
104A	220-5850 Equipment Outlay	42,000	
	SUB-TOTAL		800,254
105.	420-5112 Highway Surveyor Wages	46,364	
106.	420-5113 Highway Dept. Wages		219,807
107.	420-5201 Highway Expenses	19,375	
107A	420-5850 Loader Lease Payment	14,874	
108.	420-5210 Town Gasoline	53,125	
109.	420-5840 Highway Road Repair & Drain.	20,000	
110.	420-5292 Highway Snow Operation	60,200	
111.	420-5532 Street Signs & Lines	10,000	
112.	420-5533 Street Sweeping	7,000	
	SUB-TOTAL		450,745
	TOTAL PUBLIC SAFETY	2,283,149	
	SUB-TOTAL		\$10,292,712
WATER DEPARTMENT			
113.	450-5111 Board Members Wages		6,809
114.	450-5112 Water Superintendent		42,000

115. 450-5113 Water Other Wages	149,507
116. 450-5114 Water Dept. Clerical	29,728
117. 450-5201 Water Expenses	359,290
117A 450-5850 Truck Lease Payments	11,904
117B 450-5301 Approved Legal Exp.	20,000
118. 450-5925 Water Dept. Debt & Interest	213,235

TOTAL

832,473 -----

GRAND TOTAL

\$11,125,185

The meeting recessed at 9:59 p.m. and reconvened at 10:00 p.m.

ARTICLE 6: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and raise by taxation a sum of money to pay a legal judgement or take any other action in relation thereto.

Proposed by the Board of Selectmen

Explanation: This is payment number 5 of 10 payments to satisfy \$107,000 judgement against the Town. This payment is \$13,281.24.

Finance Committee recommends.

VOTED Aye unanimous to appropriate and raise by taxation \$13,281.24 to pay a legal judgement.

ARTICLE 7: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and raise by taxation a sum of money for the Capital Improvement Fund or take any other action in relation thereto.

Proposed by the Capital Improvement Committee

Finance Committee recommends.

VOTED Aye unanimous to appropriate and raise by taxation \$130,000.00 for the Capital Improvement Fund.

ARTICLE 8: To see if the Town will vote to transfer from the Capital Improvement Fund a sum of money to purchase and install two gasoline tanks and pumps, wiring, associate equipment and site work at the Town Highway Dept. or take any other action in relation thereto.

Proposed by the Capital Improvement Committee

Finance Committee recommends.

VOTED Aye unanimous to transfer from the Capital Improvement Fund \$65,250.00 to purchase and install two gasoline tanks and pumps, wiring, associate equipment and site work at the Town Highway Dept.

ARTICLE 9: To see if the Town will vote to transfer from the Capital Improvement Fund a sum of money to purchase one 2 1/2 ton dump truck or take any other action in relation thereto.

Proposed by the Capital Improvement Committee

Finance Committee recommends.

VOTED Aye unanimous to transfer \$65,250.00 from the Capital Improvement Fund to purchase one 2 1/2 ton dump truck.

ARTICLE 10: To see if the Town will vote to transfer from the Capital Improvement Fund a sum of money for the construction of new drainage at various sites in Town or take any other action in relation thereto.

Proposed by the Capital Improvement Committee

Finance Committee recommends.

VOTED Aye unanimous to Pass Over.

ARTICLE 11: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money for architectural services for plans and specifications and for constructing an addition, remodeling, reconstructing and/or making extraordinary repairs to the Town Hall, Police Station, Library/Senior Center and Fire Station, including original equipment and furnishings and landscaping, paving and other site improvements incidental or directly related to such addition, remodeling, reconstruction or repair, to determine whether this appropriation shall be raised by borrowing or otherwise, or take any other action in relation there to.

Proposed by the Town Hall Feasibility Study Sub
Committee, The Capital Improvement Committee,
Board of Selectmen

Finance Committee recommends.

VOTED Aye 87, Nay 22 (2/3's achieved) that \$1,750,000.00 is appropriated for architectural services for plans and specifications and for constructing an addition and remodeling, reconstructing or making extraordinary repairs to the Hanson Town Hall, including original equipment and furnishings and landscaping, paving and other site improvements incidental or directly related to such addition, remodeling, reconstruction or repair; that to meet this appropriation the Treasurer with the approval of the Board of Selectmen is authorized to borrow \$1,750,000.00 under G.L. c.44, s.7; and that the Board of Selectmen is authorized to take any other action necessary to carry out this project.

VOTED Aye at 11:10 p.m. to recess until Tuesday, May 6, 1997 at 7:30 p.m. in the Memorial Auditorium, Indian Head School.

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING
May 6, 1997

Moderator Charles W. Mann called the meeting to order at 7:45 p.m. in Memorial Auditorium, Indian Head School with Richard Powers, Edward Gronlund and Philip Wyman appointed and sworn in as tellers.

Town Counsel was Jeanne McKnight from Kopelman and Paige.

There were 102 voters present.

ARTICLE 12: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and raise by taxation, transfer from the stabilization fund or transfer from free cash a sum of money to fund a market feasibility study for a Town owned golf course to be located on a site to be determined in the Town of Hanson, or take any other action in relation thereto. Said study will include an analysis of potential sites, a market and financial feasibility analysis, presentation of various financing alternatives, management structures, and environmental/ecological considerations. The study results will be presented to Town Meeting prior to any further expenditure of funds.

Proposed by the Golf Course Study Committee

Finance Committee recommends.

VOTED Aye, voice to raise and appropriate the sum of \$20,000.00 to fund a market feasibility study for a town owned golf course to be located on a site to be determined in the Town of Hanson.

ARTICLE 13: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and transfer from Ambulance Fee Collection Fund a sum of money to Article 5, line 13, postage of the May 1997 Annual Town Meeting or take any other action in relation thereto.

Proposed by the Treasurer/Collector

Finance Committee recommends.

VOTED Aye unanimous to appropriate and transfer from the Ambulance Fee Collection Fund the sum of \$1,000.00 to Article 5, Line 13, Postage of the May 1997 Annual Town Meeting.

ARTICLE 14: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the continuation of the revolving fund established under the provisions of General Law Chapter 44, Section 53E 1/2 for the use of the Police Department. Such funds to be used for the purpose of Police Department operations including the purchase, repair and maintenance of Police Department property and equipment which is covered by contract and cruiser purchase.

The following receipts generated through the operation of the Police Department shall be credited to the revolving fund:

- A. Receipts from the courts' imposition of fines, fees and costs for violations cited by the Police Department.
- B. Receipts from preparing Police reports.
- C. Receipts from licenses issued by the Police Department.
- D. Receipts from payment of fees and fines for violations of the parking and alarm system by-law.

The Chief of Police is authorized to expend from the fund for its stated purpose without further appropriation subject to the restrictions contained in General law Chapter 44, Section 53E 1/2 an amount not to exceed \$40,000. Expenditures shall not be made or liabilities incurred in excess of the balance in the fund at any given time, or take any other action in relation thereto.

Proposed by the Chief of Police

Finance Committee recommends.

VOTED Aye unanimous to authorize the continuation of the revolving fund established under the provisions of General Law Chapter 44, Section 53E 1/2 for the use of the Police Department. Such funds to be used for the purpose of Police Department operations including the purchase, repair and maintenance of Police Department property and equipment which is covered by contract and cruiser purchase.

The following receipts generated through the operation of the Police Department shall be credited to the revolving fund:

- A. Receipts from the courts' imposition of fines, fees and costs for violations cited by the Police Department.

- B. Receipts from preparing Police reports.
- C. Receipts from licenses issued by the Police Department.
- D. Receipts from payment of fees and fines for violations of the parking and alarm system by-law.

The Chief of Police is authorized to expend from the fund for its stated purpose without further appropriation subject to the restrictions contained in General Law, Chapter 44, Section 53E 1/2 an amount not to exceed \$40,000. Expenditure shall not be made or liabilities incurred in excess of the balance in the fund at any given time.

ARTICLE 15: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the continuation of a revolving fund under the provisions of G.L. Chapter 44, Section 53E 1/2 for the use by the Hanson Board of Assessors, such funds to be used for the purchase of maps. The receipts generated through over the counter sale of these maps shall be credited to the revolving account. The Board of Assessors is authorized to expend from the fund for the stated purpose without further appropriation subject to the restrictions contained in G. L. Chapter 44, Section 53E 1/2 an amount not to exceed \$1000.00. Expenditures shall not be made, or liabilities incurred in excess of the balance of the fund at any given time or take any other action in relation thereto.

Proposed by the Board of Assessors

Finance Committee recommends.

VOTED Aye unanimous to authorize the continuation of the revolving fund established under the provisions of General Law Chapter 44, Section 53E 1/2 for the use of the Board of Assessors, such funds to be used for the purchase and maintenance of maps. The receipts generated through over the counter sales of these maps shall be credited to the revolving account. The Board of Assessors is authorized to expend from the Fund for the stated purpose without further appropriation subject to the restrictions contained in General Law Chapter 44, Section 53E 1/2, an amount not to exceed \$1,000.

ARTICLE 16: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the continuation of a revolving fund under the provisions of G.L. C. 44, s53E 1/2 for the purpose of Hanson Senior Center/Library operations including purchase, repair and maintenance of equipment, additional utility expense and janitorial reimbursement. The following receipts generated shall be credited to the fund:

Receipts from deposit and hourly use charges imposed upon any group or individual that has with prior approval agreed to the use and fee regulations as set forth by the Council for Elder Affairs and the Board of Library Trustees.

The Council for Elder Affairs or the Board of Library Trustees is authorized to expend from the account for its stated purpose without further appropriation subject to the restrictions contained in G.L. c. 44 s53E 1/2 an amount of money not to exceed \$3,000.00. Expenditures shall not be made, or liabilities incurred in excess of the balance of the fund at any given time.

or take any other action in relation thereto.

Proposed by the Council for Elder Affairs and
Library Trustees

Finance Committee recommends.

VOTED Aye unanimous to approve Article 16 as printed in the warrant.

ARTICLE 17: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the continuation of a revolving fund established under the provisions of Massachusetts General law, Chapter 44, section 53E 1/2 for the use of the Trustees of Memorial Field. Such funds to be used for the purpose of maintaining and making improvements to Memorial Field. The receipts generated through use of field fees and gifts shall be credited to the Revolving Fund. The Trustees of memorial Field are authorized to expend from the Fund for the stated purpose without further appropriation subject to the restrictions contained in M.G.L. Chapter 44, Section 53E 1/2, an amount not to exceed \$15,000. Expenditures shall not be made, or liabilities incurred in excess of the balance of the fund at any given time or take any other action in relation thereto.

Proposed by the Trustees of Memorial Field

Finance Committee recommends.

VOTED Aye unanimous to authorize the continuation of a revolving fund established under the provisions of Massachusetts General Law, Chapter 44, Section 53E 1/2 for the purpose of maintaining and making improvements to Memorial Field. The receipts generated through use of field fees and gifts shall be credited to the Revolving Fund. The Trustees of Memorial Field are authorized to expend from the Fund for the stated purpose without further appropriation subject to the restrictions contained in M.G.L. Chapter 44, Section 53E 1/2, an amount not to exceed \$15,000.

ARTICLE 18: To see if the Town will vote to authorize a revolving fund under the provisions of G.L. C. 44, s53E 1/2 for the purpose of Hanson Public Library operations including purchase, repair and maintenance of the copy machine(s), equipment and copy machine(s) supplies, and the replacement of lost and damaged library materials. The following receipts generated shall be credited to the fund:

Receipts from charges to the public for the use of the copy machine(s), and fines and fees charged for lost, damaged and overdue library materials.

The Board of Library Trustees is authorized to expend from the account for its stated purpose without further appropriation subject to the restrictions contained in G.L. c. 44 s53E 1/2 an amount of money not to exceed \$5,000.00. Expenditures shall not be made, or liabilities incurred in excess of the balance of the fund at any given time.

or take any other action in relation thereto.

Proposed by the Library Trustees

Finance Committee recommends.

VOTED Aye unanimous to authorize a revolving fund under the provisions of G.L. Chapter 44, Section 53E 1/2 for the purpose of Hanson Public Library operations including purchase, repair and maintenance of the copy machine(s) equipment and copy machine supplies and the replacement of lost and damaged library materials. The following receipts generated shall be credited to the fund:

Receipts from charges to the public for the use of the copy machine(s) and fines and fees charged for lost and damaged and overdue Library materials,

The Board of Library Trustees is authorized to expend from the account for its stated purpose without further appropriation subject to the restrictions contained in G.L. Chapter 44, Section 53E 1/2 an amount of money not to exceed \$5,000. Expenditures shall not be more, or liabilities incurred in excess of the balance of the fund at any given time.

ARTICLE 19: To see if the Town will vote to approve the amount of \$1,800,000 debt authorized by the Whitman-Hanson Regional School District School Committee for purchasing

and installing technology equipment for the Whitman-Hanson Regional High School, including costs incidental and related thereto.

Proposed by the Whitman-Hanson Regional School
Committee

VOTED Aye voice to approve the amount of the \$2,000,000.00 debt authorized by the Whitman-Hanson Regional School District School Committee for remodeling, reconstructing, and purchasing and installing technology equipment for the Whitman-Hanson Regional High School and for infrastructure improvements to all District schools, including costs incidental and related thereto.

ARTICLE 20: To see if the Town will vote to transfer from the Water Surplus Account a sum of money to be added to the 1992 Town Meeting Emergency Fund Article 15. or take any other action in relation there to.

Proposed by the Board of Water Commissioners

Finance Committee refers to Town Meeting.

VOTED Aye, unanimous to transfer from the Water Surplus Account, the sum of \$10,994.76 to be added to the 1992 Town Meeting, Water Emergency Fund Article 15.

ARTICLE 21: To see if the Town will vote to transfer \$5000.00 from the Police Revolving Account to the Hanson Civil Defense under the direction of the Civil Defense Director/Police Chief or take any other action in relation there to.

Proposed by the Chief of Police

Finance Committee recommends.

VOTED Aye unanimous to transfer \$5,000.00 from the Police Revolving Account to the Hanson Civil Defense under the direction of the Civil Defense Director/Police Chief.

ARTICLE 22: To see if the Town will vote to raise through borrowing the sum of \$216,318 in anticipation of reimbursement from the state under Chapter 113, Acts of 1996, Section 2(A) for continuing state aid construction of public highways approved by the Board of Selectmen and the Massachusetts Highway Department or take any other action in relation there to.

Proposed by the Highway Surveyor

Finance Committee recommends.

VOTE Aye unanimous to raise through borrowing the sum of \$216,318.00 in anticipation of reimbursement from the State under the provisions of Chapter 113, Acts of 1996, Section 2 (A) for continuing state aid construction of public highways approved by the Board of Selectmen and the Massachusetts Highway Department.

ARTICLE 23: To see if the Town of Hanson will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of \$3,000 to contract with the South Shore Women's Center for domestic violence intervention services to residents, or take any action there to.

Proposed by Susanne Daves and 15 registered
voters

Finance Committee recommends.

VOTED Aye unanimous to raise and appropriate \$3,000.00 under the direction of the Board of Selectmen, to contract with the South Shore Women's Center for domestic violence intervention services to residents.

ARTICLE 24: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of \$2,000 to support Legal Services for Cape Cod and Islands, Inc.'s continued free legal services in civil matters to low-income families and their children, or take any action thereon.

Proposed by John P. Behan and 17 registered voters

Finance Committee recommends at \$1,000.00.

VOTED Aye unanimous to raise and appropriate \$2,000.00, under the direction of the Board of Selectmen, to support Legal Services for Cape Cod and Islands, Inc.'s continued free legal services in civil matters to low-income families and their children.

ARTICLE 25: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate by taxation a sum of money to be added to the Stabilization Fund or take any other action in relation there to.

Proposed by the Finance Committee

VOTED Aye unanimous to Pass Over.

ARTICLE 26: To bring in their votes for the following offices: A Moderator for one year, two Selectmen for three years, a Selectman for one year, an Assessor for three years, a Board of Health member for three years, a Cemetery Commissioner for three years, a member of the Housing Authority for five years, 2 Constables for three year terms, a member of the Planning Board for one year, a member of the Planning Board for five years, a Trustee of Memorial Field for three years, two Trustees of Public Library for three years, a member of the Whitman-Hanson Regional School District Committee PreK-12 for three years, two Water Commissioners for three years.

Finance Committee refers to Town Meeting.

SEE: Town Election, May 17, 1997

VOTED Aye, voice at 8:50 p.m. to recess until Saturday, May 17, 1997 at 10:00 a.m. in the Maquan School Cafeteria to take up Article 26 and to dissolve the meeting upon the closing of the polls.

A true copy, Attest:

Sandra E. Harris, CMC
Town Clerk