

MINUTES
Warrant Committee Meeting
March 23, 2020

Warrant Committee Members	Present: Michael Pastore (chair), Sharon Tatro, Robert Sliney, Jeremy Marsette, Joanna Hilvert, Ed Vozzella, Amanda Hall, Kristine Barton and Newton Thompson Absent:
Guests	Kristine Trierweiler, Town Administrator Nicholas Milano, Asst Town Administrator Scott McDermott, Moderator Fred Davis, Medfield Energy Committee (Chair) Paul Fechtelkotter, Medfield Energy Committee Daria Parks, Green Energy Consumers Alliance
Meeting Location	By remote participation via Zoom
Meeting Times	Meeting convened: 7:03pm Meeting adjourned: 8:45pm
Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Minutes of the March 9, 2020 meeting approved unanimously by roll call of all members present.
Operational Budgets (including votes taken)	None taken
Warrant Articles (including votes taken)	<p>The following Warrant articles were addressed during the meeting with results of any votes taken recorded.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Article 11 (Municipal Building Stabilization Fund) - Approved unanimously by roll call of all members present. Article 16 (Economic Vitality Fund) - Approved by 6-3 margin; minority report required. Article 20 (Ice House Road Lot 1 Disposition) - Approved unanimously by roll call of all members present. Article 21 (Former Landfill Authorization to Lease) - Approved unanimously by roll call of all members present. Article 22 (Energy Manager) - Withdrawn by Energy Committee. Article 23 (Townwide Climate Goals) - Withdrawn by Energy Committee. Article 24 (Electricity Aggregation) - Approved unanimously by roll call of all members present. Article 28 (MSH Development Committee) - Approved unanimously by roll call of all members present. Article 29 (Transfer of Hinkley North Parcel to AHT) - Withdrawn by Affordable Housing Trust.
List of all documents and exhibits used	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Review of Medfield Energy Committee-sponsored articles prepared by JMarsette

Other Business	
Follow-ups	
Dates for Meetings including WC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 3/30 - Proposed date for Warrant Committee meeting with School Superintendent, Director of Finance & Operations and School Committee members to review revised School budget for FY21.
Names of people participating remotely and why	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● All Warrant Committee members and guests participated remotely; see above for names of meeting attendees.
Other	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● MPastore called the meeting to order at 7:03 and noted that all votes will be by roll call. ● KTrierweiler gave the following update: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The Board of Selectmen would soon hold an emergency meeting to determine new dates for both the Town Election and Annual Town Meeting. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The State Department of Revenue is allowing towns to spend 1/12th of the existing FY20 budget until a new FY21 budget is approved. ■ Once the new date for Annual Town Meeting is chosen, the Warrant hearing will be rescheduled. ○ Because of COVID-19 restrictions, there are financial headwinds impacting both the current and next fiscal years, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Both Fire and Police departments are experiencing more overtime and any self-quarantine of staff will exacerbate the situation. ■ Local receipts are lower than expected due to both bar and restaurant closures. ■ The Town’s financial company has cancelled all bonding through July impacting both the timing of financing of both needed fire engines and the water tower painting project. ○ STatro noted that the Board of Selectmen’s decision regarding the amount of FY21 capital spending would in turn impact operating budgets.

Respectfully Submitted: Newton H Thompson

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