

TOWN OF NORTHBOROUGH
ANNUAL TOWN MEETING WARRANT
APRIL 25, 2016

WORCESTER, SS

GREETINGS:

To any Constable in the Town of Northborough, County of Worcester:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby commanded to warn and notify the legal voters of the Town of Northborough to meet at THE ALGONQUIN REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL on MONDAY, the TWENTY-FIFTH day of April 25, 2016 at 7:30 p.m. to act on the following warrant articles:

7:40pm Moderator Fred George announced a quorum was present in the hall; the meeting was called to order.

Moderator Fred George read the return of service of the warrant

ARTICLE 1: Appointing Deputy Moderator **MOTION PASSED**

To see if the Town will vote to ratify the appointment by the Moderator of Gerald Hickman as Deputy Moderator, as provided by Article II, Section 2-2 of the Northborough Home Rule Charter.

ARTICLE 2: Compensating Balance Agreement **MOTION PASSED**

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, to enter into a Compensating Balance Agreement or Agreements pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 53F, if necessary.

- This Article provides the authorization for the Town to enter into a compensating balance agreement in order to obtain banking services. A compensating balance is an arrangement by which a town maintains municipal funds on deposit in return for banking services. Under such an arrangement, the earnings retained by the bank on the account balances “compensate” the bank for the services provided.

ARTICLE 3: Prior Years Bills **PASSED OVER**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from unappropriated available funds in the Treasury, or other available funds, a sum of money to pay bills incurred in prior years, or takes any action relative thereto.

- Town Meeting action is required to pay bills incurred in prior fiscal years. This Article will be passed over if no bills for goods and services incurred in prior fiscal years are presented to the Town.

ARTICLE 4: Town Budget **MOTION PASSED**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and transfer from available funds the sum of Twenty One Million Three Hundred Ninety Eight Thousand Four Hundred Sixty Eight Dollars (\$21,398,468) for Town Government as displayed below, and to meet said appropriation, the following sums available for appropriation to be transferred:

From:

Transfer from Cemetery Trust Fund Income	\$5,398
Transfer from Cemetery Sale of Lots	\$17,000
Transfer from Debt Exclusion Reserve	\$111,208
Transfer from Debt Exclusion Premium Reserve	\$16,978
Transfer from Title V Reserve	\$4,532
Transfer from Conservation Commission Fees	\$5,770
Transfer from Fire Emergency Medical Services Revolving Fund	\$307,987
Transfer from Recreation Revolving Fund	\$138,049
Transfer from Animal Control Revolving Fund	\$27,000
Transfer from Medicare Part D Subsidy	\$9,659
Transfer from PEG Access Cable Related Fund	\$365,000
Free Cash	\$500,000

for a total of One Million Five Hundred Eight Thousand Five Hundred Eighty One Dollars (\$1,508,581) and that the sum of Nineteen Million Eight Hundred Eighty Nine Thousand Eight Hundred Eighty Seven Dollars (\$19,889,887) be raised by taxation.

ARTICLE 5: Water, Sewer and Solid Waste Enterprise Funds **MOTION PASSED**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and transfer from available funds the sum of Four Million Seven Hundred Thirty Eight Thousand Two Hundred Forty Five Dollars (\$4,738,245) for Water/Sewer and Solid Waste Funds as displayed below for the operation of the Water/Sewer and Solid Waste Utilities, and to meet said appropriation, the following sums available for appropriation be transferred:

From:

Water Fund Free Cash	\$ 51,248
Sewer Fund Free Cash	\$ 45,246
Solid Waste Fund Free Cash	\$ 63,190

Raise and Appropriate by Taxation:

Solid Waste General Fund Subsidy	\$ 217,160
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for a total of Three Hundred Seventy Six Thousand Eight Hundred Forty Four Dollars (\$376,844) and that the sum of Four Million Three Hundred Sixty One Thousand Four Hundred One Dollars (\$4,361,401) be financed from Water/Sewer and Solid Waste Revenues.

Water Fund	\$ 2,251,473
Sewer Fund	\$ 1,718,422
Solid Waste	<u>\$ 768,350</u>
	\$ 4,738,245

ARTICLE 6: Northborough K-8 Schools Budget MOTION PASSED

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate by taxation the sum of Twenty Two Million Seven Hundred Nineteen Thousand Eight Hundred Forty Three Dollars (\$22,719,843) for the operation of the Northborough Public Schools, or take any action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 7: Algonquin Regional High School Budget MOTION PASSED

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate by taxation Northborough's share of the assessment for the operation of the Northborough-Southborough Regional School District, the sum of Ten Million Seven Hundred Thirty Nine Thousand Six Hundred Eighty One Dollars (\$10,739,681), or take any action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 8: Assabet Valley Regional Voc School District Budget MOTION PASSED

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate by taxation Northborough's share of the assessment for the operation and debt service of the Assabet Valley Regional Vocational School District, the sum of Eight Hundred Eighty Thousand Four Hundred Forty Eight Dollars (\$880,448), or take any action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 9: Library Grants MOTION PASSED

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Library Trustees to accept and spend a sum of money received under the Library Incentive and Municipal Equalization Grants, and the Nonresident Circulation Offset program, under the provisions of M.G.L. Chapter 78, Sections 19A and 19B, and 605 CMR 4.00, and as supplemented or amended by current state budget language, to be used by the Library Trustees for books, automation costs, or in any way that may benefit the library, and to apply for State aid for the coming fiscal year.

ARTICLE 10: Authorization for Grant Applications **MOTION PASSED**

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to make such application as may be necessary for Federal and/or State funds or grants, to accept such funds or grants and to expend those funds as required by the various acts, if and when such funds are received.

- Allows the Town to apply for grant funds through Federal and/or State agencies.

ARTICLE 11: Revolving Funds - Combine Articles 12-16 **MOTION PASSED**

To see if the Town will vote to combine Articles 12 through 16 as follows:

Article 12 Reauthorizes the Fire Department Revolving Fund;

Article 13 Reauthorizes the Animal Control Revolving Fund;

Article 14 Reauthorizes the Community Affairs Committee Revolving Fund;

Article 15 Reauthorizes the Family and Youth Services Department Revolving Fund;

Article 16 Reauthorizes the Council on Aging Revolving Fund;

And in so voting that the Town vote to establish and/or reauthorize revolving fund as stated in Articles 12 through 16 of the Warrant, said revolving funds being authorized to and for the use of the Fire Department, Animal Control, Community Affairs Committee, Family and Youth Services Department, and Council on Aging pursuant to the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 53E½.

- Pursuant to the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 44, Section 53E½, it is required that the revolving funds must be reauthorized annually.

ARTICLE 12: Reauthorize the Fire Department Revolving Fund

To see if the Town will vote to reauthorize the revolving fund authorized to and for the use of the Northborough Fire Department for the receipt of site assessment fees, hazardous materials charges, SARA compliance, training/education programs, alarm fees, Local Emergency Planning, replacement of lost and/or damaged equipment, water supply maintenance and development, and Advanced Life Support/Emergency Medical Service and rescue maintenance; with annual expenditures for FY2017 not to exceed Four Hundred Fifty Thousand Six Hundred Eighty Nine Dollars (\$450,689), pursuant to the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 44, Section 53E½.

- Chapter 44, Section 53E½ of the Massachusetts General Laws authorizes the Northborough Fire Department to maintain the revolving fund for the purpose enumerated in this Article. Under this statute, these revolving funds must be reauthorized annually.

ARTICLE 13: Reauthorize the Animal Control Revolving Fund

To see if the Town will vote to reauthorize the revolving fund authorized to and for the use of the Department of the Northborough Animal Control Officer for the receipt of dog license fees and related fines, which sums shall be utilized to support the Animal Control Officer's expenditures; with annual expenditures for FY2017 not to exceed Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000), pursuant to the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 53E½.

- Chapter 44, Section 53E½ of the Massachusetts General Laws authorizes the Department of the Northborough Animal Control Officer to maintain the revolving fund for the purpose enumerated in this Article. Under this statute, such revolving funds must be reauthorized annually.

ARTICLE 14: Reauthorize the Community Affairs Committee Revolving Fund

To see if the Town will vote to reauthorize the revolving fund authorized to and for the Community Affairs Committee for the receipt of income, gifts and donations and any other monies and for expenditure in connection with its related expenses; with annual expenditures for FY2017 not to exceed Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000), pursuant to the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 53E½.

- Chapter 44, Section 53E½ of the Massachusetts General Laws authorizes the Northborough Community Affairs Committee to maintain the revolving fund for the purpose enumerated in this Article. Under this statute, such revolving funds must be reauthorized annually.

ARTICLE 15: Reauthorize the Family & Youth Services Dept. Revolving Fund

To see if the Town will vote to reauthorize the revolving fund authorized to and for the use of the Family and Youth Services Department for the receipt of income, gifts and donations and any other monies and for expenditure in connection with its related expenses; with annual expenditures for FY2017 not to exceed Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000), pursuant to the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 53E½.

- Chapter 44, Section 53E½ of the Massachusetts General Laws authorizes the Northborough Family and Youth Services Department to maintain the revolving fund for the purpose enumerated in this Article. Under this statute, such revolving funds must be reauthorized annually.

ARTICLE 16: Reauthorize the Council on Aging Revolving Fund

To see if the Town will vote to reauthorize the revolving fund authorized to and for the use of the Council on Aging for the receipt of income, gifts and donations and any other monies and for expenditure in connection with its related expenses; with annual expenditures for FY2017 not to exceed Two Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$200,000), pursuant to the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 53E½.

- Chapter 44, Section 53E½ of the Massachusetts General Laws authorizes the Council on Aging to maintain the revolving fund for the purpose enumerated in this Article. Under this statute, such revolving funds must be reauthorized annually.

ARTICLE 17: Appropriations Committee Reserve Fund MOTION PASSED

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of One Hundred Seventy Five Thousand Dollars (\$175,000) for a Reserve Fund to provide for extraordinary or unforeseen expenditures in accordance with Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 40, Section 6, and to meet said appropriation, One Hundred Seventy Five Thousand Dollars (\$175,000) be transferred from Free Cash, or take any action relative thereto.

- This Article provides the Town operations with an option for the funding of extraordinary or unforeseen expenditures during the year.

ARTICLE 18: Stabilization Fund Contribution MOTION PASSED

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$200,000) to transfer to the Stabilization Fund, and to meet said appropriation, the sum of Two Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$200,000) be transferred from Free Cash, or take any action relative thereto.

- This Article provides for a contribution to the Stabilization or general savings account for the Town.

ARTICLE 19: Lincoln Street School Bond Premium Appropriation MOTION PASSED

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of Six Hundred Sixty Four Thousand Dollars (\$664,000) from the premium paid to the Town upon the sale of bonds or notes issued for the Lincoln Street School project, which are the subject of a Proposition 2 ½ debt exclusion, to pay costs of the project being financed by such bonds or notes and to reduce the amount authorized to be borrowed for such project, by the same amount, or to take any other action relative thereto.

- This Article provides for the appropriation of \$664,000 from the premium paid to the Town upon the sale of bonds or notes issued to pay costs of the Lincoln Street School project, which are the subject of a Proposition 2 ½ debt exclusion, to pay costs of the project being financed by such bonds or notes and, further, to reduce the amount to be borrowed for such project.

ARTICLE 20: PEG Access and Cable Related Fund MOTION PASSED

To see if the Town will vote to accept the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 44, Section 53F ¾ and establish a special revenue fund as the PEG Access and Cable Related Fund, to reserve cable franchise fees and other cable-related revenues for appropriation to support PEG access services and oversight and renewal of the cable franchise agreement, or take any other action relative thereto.

- This Article establishes a separate revenue account to be known as the “PEG Access and Cable Related Fund”, into which will be deposited funds received in connection with franchise agreements between the Town’s cable operators and the Town.

ARTICLE 21 (CIP): Police – Police Cruiser Replacement **MOTION PASSED**

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of Eighty Five Thousand Dollars (\$85,000) for the use of the Police Department for the purchase of two police vehicles, and to meet said appropriation, the sum Eighty Five Thousand Dollars (\$85,000) be transferred from Free Cash.

- This Article provides funds for the purchase of two new vehicles which will replace a 2011 Ford Crown Victoria and a 2012 Ford Expedition SUV. Included in the funding request is the cost of outfitting the vehicles with equipment, including mobile data terminals.

ARTICLE 22 (CIP): Police – Police Station Roof **MOTION PASSED**

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of Ninety Thousand Dollars (\$90,000) for the replacement of the Police Station roof, and to meet said appropriation the sum of Ninety Thousand Dollars (\$90,000) be transferred from Free Cash.

- This Article provides funds for the replacement of the Police Station roof with a 30-year asphalt roof with the Town required to pay the State-mandated "prevailing wage" for all labor on this project.

ARTICLE 23 (CIP): DPW – Church Street Culvert Replacement **MOTION PASSED**

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of Two Million Dollars (\$2,000,000) to replace the Church Street Culvert, and to meet said appropriation, the sum of Nine Hundred Forty Three Thousand Four Hundred Sixty Dollars (\$943,460) be transferred from Free Cash and the sum of Twenty Nine Thousand Five Hundred Forty Dollars (\$29,540) be transferred from unexpended bond proceeds, in accordance with Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 20 and the sum of One Million Twenty Seven Thousand Dollars (\$1,027,000) be raised by borrowing, in accordance with the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 7(4) or any other enabling authority, and the Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, be authorized to issue bonds or notes therefor.

- This Article provides funds for the replacement of the Church Street Culvert over Cold Harbor Brook. This structure provides a critical link between major routes such as Route 20 to the south and I-290 to the north. The current structure is in fair condition but the granite support under the sidewalk has severely cracked. Part of this project includes a widening of this portion of Church Street to accommodate an extra lane of traffic approaching the Route 20 intersection. The project design was completed and bid in FY2016.

ARTICLE 24 (CIP):DPW-6-Wheel Dump Truck w/Spreader&Plow **MOTION PASSED**

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$215,000) to purchase a six-wheel dump truck with spreader and plow; and to meet said appropriation, the sum of Two Hundred Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$215,000) be transferred from Free Cash.

- This Article provides funds for the replacement of a 1997 International truck with a dump truck with a plow and spreader. The 1997 International truck has surpassed its useful life expectancy of about 15 to 20 years.

ARTICLE 25 (CIP): DPW – Sidewalk Machine **MOTION PASSED**

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of One Hundred Eighty Thousand Dollars (\$180,000) for the purchase of a sidewalk snow clearing machine, and to meet said appropriation, the sum of One Hundred Eighty Thousand Dollars (\$180,000) be transferred from Free Cash.

- This Article provides funds for the replacement of an existing 2002 sidewalk machine. These vehicles are used to clear snow from various sidewalks throughout Town.

ARTICLE 26 (CIP): DPW – Road Improvements and Maintenance **MOTION PASSED**

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of Three Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$300,000) for Road Improvements and Maintenance, and to meet said appropriation, the sum of Three Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$300,000) be transferred from Free Cash.

- This Article provides funds in addition to the FY2017 Chapter 90 allocation in order to maintain current road conditions in accordance with the Pavement Management Plan.

ARTICLE 27 (CIP): Sewer – Inflow & Infiltration (I&I) Study **MOTION PASSED**

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$500,000) to fund a comprehensive study and implement a detailed operation and maintenance plan to mitigate inflow and infiltration (I&I) into the Town's sanitary sewer system, and to meet said appropriation, the sum of Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$500,000) be raised by borrowing, in accordance with the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 7 or any other enabling authority, and the Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, be authorized to issue bonds or notes therefor.

- This Article provides funds for a DEP mandated study to determine inflow and infiltration (I&I) into the Town's sanitary sewer system. This inflow is from flowing storm water and runoff making its way into manhole covers. Infiltration is the seeping of groundwater into the system through pipe connections, cracks in the manholes or other small openings in the system below grade. Identifying and

mitigating this inflow and infiltration greatly reduces the volumes of 'clean' water sent to the waste water treatment plant for processing.

ARTICLE 28 (CIP):Water – Water Gate Valve Maintenance Trailer **MOTION PASSED**
To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of Seventy Five Thousand Dollars (\$75,000) for the purchase of a Water Gate Valve Maintenance Trailer, and to meet said appropriation, the sum of Seventy Five Thousand Dollars (\$75,000) be transferred from Water Enterprise Free Cash.

- This Article provides funds to purchase a Water Gate Valve Maintenance Trailer to satisfy a mandate by the State DEP to perform an annual gate valve exercise program throughout Town. This includes locating, inspecting, cleaning and operating/exercising each gate valve within the Town's system.

ARTICLE 29 (CIP):Water/Sewer – 1 Ton Dump Truck with Plow **MOTION PASSED**
To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of Ninety Five Thousand Dollars (\$95,000), for the purchase of a One-Ton Dump Truck with Plow for the Water and Sewer Enterprise Divisions of the Department of Public Works, and to meet said appropriation, the sum of Fifty Seven Thousand Dollars (\$57,000) be transferred from Water Enterprise Free Cash and the sum of Thirty Eight Thousand Dollars (\$38,000) be transferred from Sewer Enterprise Free Cash, for a total of Ninety Five Thousand Dollars (\$95,000).

- This Article provides funds for the replacement a 2006 dump truck. The one-ton dump trucks are the most used equipment in the fleet. These vehicles are used to perform everyday tasks including moving materials and equipment.

ARTICLE 30: 250th Town Celebration - Appropriation **MOTION PASSED**
To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000) for the use of the 250th Town Anniversary Committee, and to meet said appropriation, the sum of Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000) be transferred from Free Cash.

- This Article provides funds to support the Town's 250th anniversary celebration efforts during the 2016 calendar year. The proposed appropriation will come from one-time revenues and is not part of the recurring operating budget.

ARTICLE 31: Open Space – Transfer of Town Owned Land to Conservation Commission **MOTION PASSED**
To see if the Town will vote to transfer the care and custody of the property shown on Assessors' Map 45 as Parcel 131, 0 Meadowbrook Road, .68± acres, and the property shown on Assessors' Map 46 as Parcel 55, 23 Overlock Drive, 2.42± acres to the Conservation Commission for open space and passive recreation purposes pursuant to General Laws Chapter 40 Section 8C, or take any other action relative thereto.

- This Article provides for the transfer of two parcels to the Conservation Commission so as to permanently protect these parcels from development and it will also add to the acreage of the existing Edmund Hill Woods conservation land. This transfer also addresses the need to remedy the encroachment of the Senior Center onto conservation land.

ARTICLE 32: Municipal Aggregation **MOTION PASSED**

To see if the Town will vote, in accordance with Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 164 Section 134, to initiate the process to aggregate electrical load for interested electric utility customers in the Town of Northborough; and to authorize the Town Administrator to enter into an agreement or an agreement for services to facilitate the sale and purchase of electric energy and other related services, for terms of up to or in excess of three years, either independently or through inter-municipal agreements with other municipalities or other political subdivisions or regional governmental entities, on such terms and conditions as are deemed to be in the best interest of the Town, its residents and businesses, provided that any agreement for such purposes shall include a provision securing to individual consumers the ability to “opt out” at their discretion so as to be able to choose from among any available alternative electric supply service; or to take any other action relative thereto.

- This Article authorizes the Town to enter into aggregation program whereby the Town buys electric power on behalf of those living within its boundaries at a discounted rate and passes the savings on to its residents. Participation in the program is not required and residents may “opt out” at their discretion. The sole purpose for initiating such a program is to save residents money on their electric bills.

ARTICLE 33: Consolidated Personnel Bylaw **MOTION PASSED**

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Consolidated Personnel Bylaw as shown in the handout entitled “Article 33 – Consolidated Personnel Bylaw Amendments – 2016 Annual Town Meeting”.

- At the time of the printing of this Warrant, the Town has not settled any successor collective bargaining agreements with its unions for FY2017. Therefore, the general wage increase detail that is typically printed in the warrant book (the “handout” referenced above) is not included herein as the general wage increase has not yet been determined. If additional information becomes available prior to Town Meeting, it will be posted online and in the Town Clerk’s Office and distributed at Town Meeting.

ARTICLE 34: Election – Date of Annual Town Election **MOTION PASSED**

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Northborough Municipal Code Chapter 1-80 Administrative Legislation, Section 1-80-010, Date of Annual Town Election, by adding the text shown as underlined, and deleting the words shown as stricken through below:

1-80-010 Date of annual town election.

The annual town election shall be held on the second Tuesday ~~Monday~~ in May at such time and place as the Selectmen may determine.

- This Article seeks to change the date of the annual town election date from Monday to Tuesday.

ARTICLE 35: Community Preservation Fund Historical Site Signage **MOTION PASSED**

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of Four Thousand Nine Hundred Dollars (\$4,900), or any other sum, from the Community Preservation Fund revenues to the Northborough Historic District Commission for the purchase of two signs to identify significant historical sites, or take any other action relative thereto.

- This Article provides funds for the purchase of informational signs identifying the First Parish Church at 40 Church Street as the first Meeting House in Northborough and Mark Fidrych, former pitcher for the Detroit Tigers (sign location to be determined).

10:36pm – Motion made to suspend the rules and continue past the hour of 11pm **MOTION PASSED**

ARTICLE 36: Community Preservation Fund – Old Brigham Street Survey **MOTION PASSED**

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000), or any other sum, from the Community Preservation Fund revenues to the Northborough

Historic District Commission to conduct a property line survey of the Old Brigham Street Burial Ground, or take any other action relative thereto.

- This Article provides funds for a property line survey to determine the exact boundaries of the 3.3 acre Old Brigham Street Burial Ground site.

ARTICLE 37: Community Preservation Fund – First Parish Unitarian Restoration

MOTION PASSED

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of Fifty Four Thousand Dollars (\$54,000), or any other sum, from the Community Preservation Fund revenues to the First Parish Unitarian Universalist for restoration and accessibility improvements at the Church and Meeting House located at 40 Church Street, or take any other action relative thereto.

- This Article provides funds for repairs to the belfry (new louvers in the bell area; preparation and painting of bell tower and siding down to roof; cleaning, painting and gold leafing of clock faces and weathervane); retrofitting of one pew for handicap accessibility; and installation of wheelchair ramp on rear of the Meeting House.

ARTICLE 38: Community Preservation Fund – Transfer to NAHC **MOTION PASSED**

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000), or any other sum, from the Community Preservation Fund revenues to the Northborough Affordable Housing Corporation, for the purpose of the creation of affordable housing, or take any other action relative thereto.

- This Article provides funds to be used by the Northborough Affordable Housing Corporation for future creation of affordable housing.

ARTICLE 39: Community Preservation Fund – Green Street Debt Service **MOTION PASSED**

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of Forty Six Thousand Eight Hundred Dollars (\$46,800), or any other sum, from the Community Preservation Fund revenues to the Northborough Community Preservation Committee for Debt Service and expenses associated with the Open Space land acquisition for the Fiscal Year 2017, or take any other action relative thereto.

- This Article provides funds to pay for debt service associated with the purchase of the Green Street parcel.

ARTICLE 40: Community Preservation Fund – Town Common **MOTION PASSED**

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of Fifty Four Thousand Dollars (\$54,000), or any other sum, from the Community Preservation Fund revenues and Four Hundred Twenty-Six Thousand Dollars (\$426,000), or any other sum, from the Community Preservation Fund Unreserved Fund for a total of Four Hundred Eighty

Thousand Dollars (\$480,000) to the Northborough Department of Public Works, for the creation of a town common comprising property located at 0, 39 and 45 West Main Street and shown on Assessors' Map 63 as Parcels 159, 157 and 158, respectively, including the purchase of the land at 45 West Main Street, to be combined with the Town-owned land at 0 and 39 West Main Street for such purpose, pursuant to the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 45, Section 3, as it may hereafter be amended, and any other enabling authority related to public parks and playgrounds, said Town Common to be managed and controlled by the Department of Public Works; to authorize the Department of Public Works to file on behalf of the Town of Northborough any and all applications deemed necessary for grants and/or reimbursements from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts under the Land and Water Conservation Fund Act (P.L. 88-578, 78 Stat. 897) as amended and any other law in any way connected with the scope of this Article; and to authorize the Department of Public Works to enter into all agreements and execute any and all instruments as may be necessary to accomplish said purchase, or take any other action relative thereto.

- This Article provides funds for the first of two phases related to the creation of a new Town Common. Phase I, of two phases, is to acquire 45 West Main Street, combine it with Town-owned land at 39 West Main Street; raze structures at 39 West Main Street; and prepare bid package for construction plans.

ARTICLE 41: Community Preservation Fund – CPA Administration MOTION PASSED

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of Twenty Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000), or any other sum, from the Community Preservation Fund revenues to the Northborough Community Preservation Committee for expenses associated with the implementation of the Community Preservation Act including but not limited to clerical assistance, office supplies, property surveys, appraisals, attorney's fees, and other professional services, recording fees, printing and all other necessary and proper expenses for the Fiscal Year 2017, or take any other action relative thereto.

- This Article provides funds to be used for the administration of the Community Preservation Act.

ARTICLE 42: Community Preservation Fund – White Cliffs Mansion MOTION PASSED (by the required 2/3rd vote; Yes 218, No 67)

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from Community Preservation Fund revenues and borrow, pursuant to the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 44B, Section 11, or any other enabling authority, the total sum of \$2,400,000 for the purpose of acquiring and preserving the 6.5± acres of land and buildings thereon located at 167 Main Street and shown on Northborough Assessors' Map 53 as Parcel 73, and the .58± acres of land located at 0 Rear East Main Street and shown on Northborough Assessors' Map 53 as Parcel 155, for historic preservation purposes, and costs relating thereto, including property maintenance, protection and insurance and professional service costs for environmental and site assessments to determine appropriate preservation measures;

and to authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, to issue bonds or notes of the Town in connection with any such borrowing, or take any other action relative thereto.

- This Article provides funds to purchase the White Cliffs Mansion and preserve it while the Community Preservation Committee investigates viable long term preservation options.

ARTICLE 43: Reports– no reports offered.

12:15am Motion made to dissolve the meeting **MOTION PASSED**

Attendance 4/25/2016: 416

Total Registered Voters: 10,733

A True Copy Attest:

Andrew T. Dowd,

Town Clerk