

**PROCEEDINGS  
ANNUAL TOWN MEETING  
JUNE 2, 2014**

**On Monday, June 2, 2014, Moderator Deborah Kohl called the meeting to order at 7:30PM.**

*Town Clerk, Maxwell G. Gould, reported "There were 97 RTM members signed in for the just adjourned Special Town Meeting and that quorum continues to be available."*

*Town Moderator, Deborah Kohl, read the warrant:*

**NORTH ATTLEBOROUGH WARRANT  
FOR THE REPRESENTATIVE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING  
Monday, June 2, 2014  
THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS**

**Bristol, ss.**

**To either Constables of the Town of North Attleborough:**

**GREETINGS:**

**In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the legal voters of the Town of North Attleborough to meet at the North Attleborough Middle School Cafetorium, in said North Attleborough on:**

**Monday, the 2<sup>nd</sup> of June, 2014 A.D.**

**At 7:30 P.M., then and there to act upon the following articles to wit:**

And you are hereby directed to serve this warrant by posting up attested copies thereof in at least ten public places in said Town and also in one place in each of the voting precincts within the Town at least twenty-one days before the time of said. Hereof, fail not, and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk on or before the time of said meeting.

Given our hands and seal of the Town of North Attleborough on this March 13, 2014

NORTH ATTLEBORO BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Paul J. Belham Sr., Chairman  
Joan Marchitto, Vice-Chairman  
John C. Rhyno  
Mark Williamson  
Michael S. Thompson

**Town Moderator, Deborah Kohl, then read the Return:**

**BRISTOL, ss.**

Pursuant to this within warrant, I have notified the inhabitants of the Town of North Attleborough within described, to meet at the time and place for the purpose within mentioned by posting attested copies of this warrant in nineteen (19) public places in said town twenty-one (21) days before the time of said meeting.

Chief John J. Reilly,  
Constable Town of North Attleboro

Robert Nerz (P7) made a motion as follows:

*I move that the Town Meeting adopt the Bourne Amendment: That any motion to increase the amount of money recommended for an article must specify where the additional monies will come from.*

Motion seconded.

**Motion carried.**

Robert Nerz (P7) made a motion as follows:

*I move that the Town Meeting adopt the procedural rule: That the count of a super majority vote, when declared obvious by the Moderator, shall not be taken unless requested by seven or more RTM members.*

Motion seconded.

**Motion carried.**

**ARTICLE 2 ACCEPTANCE OF TOWN REPORTS**

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

To see if the town will vote to accept the reports of the Town Officers and Committees.

**PURPOSE AND JUSTIFICATION:** As per Article V, Section 6a of the Town By-Laws, each Department, Board and Committee of the town shall annually present a full report of its acts for the previous year. RTM members vote to accept the report at Annual Town Meeting.

**FINANCE COMMITTEE VOTE: 7-0**

**MAJORITY VOTE**

**FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:** That the Town vote to accept the reports of the Town Officers and Committees.

**FINANCE COMMITTEE REASON:** As stated in the purpose and justification.

**By a majority vote, the RTM members approved the Finance Committee’s recommendations.**

*Moderator Deborah Kohl recused herself from acting as Moderator for Article 3 and called for the election of a Moderator for Article 3.*

*Robert Nerz (P7) made a motion to elect Bill Moffitt (P5) as Moderator for Article 3.*

Motion seconded.

**Motion carried.**

*Town Clerk, Maxwell G. Gould, administered the Oath of Office to Bill Moffitt as Moderator for Article 3.*

**ARTICLE 3 ANNUAL COMPENSATION OF ELECTED TOWN OFFICERS**

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

To see if the town will vote to determine the annual compensation of the elected Town Officers:

|                              |                    |                              |             |
|------------------------------|--------------------|------------------------------|-------------|
| <u>Town Clerk</u>            | \$20,500.00 Annual | <u>Municipal Light Board</u> |             |
| <u>Treasurer/Collector</u>   | \$81,962.00 Annual | Chairman                     | \$1,200.00  |
| <u>Town Moderator</u>        | \$ 1,200.00        | Members (2)                  | \$1,000.00  |
| <br>                         |                    | <br>                         |             |
| <u>Board of Assessors</u>    |                    | <u>Planning Board</u>        |             |
| Chairman                     | \$ 3,200.00        | Chairman                     | \$ 750.00   |
| Members (2)                  | \$ 2,900.00        | Members (4)                  | \$ 500.00   |
| <br>                         |                    | <br>                         |             |
| <u>Board of Public Works</u> |                    | <u>Board of Health</u>       |             |
| Chairman                     | \$ 1,200.00        | Chairman                     | \$ 650.00   |
| Members (2)                  | \$ 1,000.00        | Members (2)                  | \$ 500.00   |
| <br>                         |                    | <br>                         |             |
| <u>Board of Selectmen</u>    |                    | <u>School Committee</u>      |             |
| Chairman                     | \$ 1,200.00        | Chairman                     | \$ 1,200.00 |
| Members (4)                  | \$ 1,000.00        | Members (6)                  | \$ 1,000.00 |

**PURPOSE AND JUSTIFICATION:** The compensation for Town Officials must be approved by Town Meeting annually.

**FINANCE COMMITTEE VOTE: 7-0**

**MAJORITY VOTE**

**FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: That the Town vote to approve the annual compensation for the following elected Town Officers:**

**Town Clerk                   \$20,124.00 Annual**  
**Treasurer/Collector       \$81,962.00 Annual**

**FINANCE COMMITTEE REASON:** The Committee feels that the majority of elected officials do not run for their position in order to collect a stipend and that the money could be better served in helping to fund the crossing guards.

David Manoogian (P8) made a motion as follows:

*Move to Amend the Finance Committee's recommendation by adding the following:*

|                              |             |                              |             |
|------------------------------|-------------|------------------------------|-------------|
|                              |             | <u>Municipal Light Board</u> |             |
|                              |             | Chairman                     | \$ 1,200.00 |
|                              |             | Members (2)                  | \$ 1,000.00 |
| <u>Town Moderator</u>        | \$ 1,200.00 |                              |             |
|                              |             | <u>Planning Board</u>        |             |
|                              |             | Chairman                     | \$ 750.00   |
|                              |             | Members (4)                  | \$ 500.00   |
| <u>Board of Assessors</u>    |             |                              |             |
| Chairman                     | \$ 3,200.00 |                              |             |
| Members (2)                  | \$ 2,900.00 |                              |             |
|                              |             | <u>Board of Health</u>       |             |
|                              |             | Chairman                     | \$ 650.00   |
|                              |             | Members (2)                  | \$ 500.00   |
| <u>Board of Public Works</u> |             |                              |             |
| Chairman                     | \$ 1,200.00 |                              |             |
| Members (2)                  | \$ 1,000.00 |                              |             |
|                              |             | <u>School Committee</u>      |             |
|                              |             | Chairman                     | \$ 1,200.00 |
|                              |             | Members (6)                  | \$ 1,000.00 |
| <u>Board of Selectmen</u>    |             |                              |             |
| Chairman                     | \$ 1,200.00 |                              |             |
| Members (4)                  | \$ 1,000.00 |                              |             |

Motion seconded.

**Motion failed.**

**By a majority vote, the RTM members approved the Finance Committee's recommendation.**

*Moderator Deborah Kohl resumed the chair as Moderator.*

**ARTICLE 4 ANNUAL COMPENSATION OF APPOINTED OFFICIALS**

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

To see if the town will vote to determine the annual compensation for the following appointed boards, commissions or committees:

Election Commissioners (4)

Chairman           \$2,000.00  
Members (3)       \$1,500.00

**PURPOSE AND JUSTIFICATION:** The compensation for these appointed boards, commissions or committees must be approved by Town Meeting annually.

**FINANCE COMMITTEE VOTE: 7-0**

**MAJORITY VOTE**

**FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: That consideration of this article be indefinitely postponed.**

**FINANCE COMMITTEE REASON:** The Committee feels that the majority of appointed officials do not apply for their position in order to collect a stipend and that the money could be better served in helping to fund the crossing guards.

**By a majority vote, the RTM members approved the Finance Committee's recommendations.**

**ARTICLE 5 FISCAL YEAR 2015 OMNIBUS BUDGET**

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

To see if the town will vote to appropriate and raise by borrowing or otherwise such sums of money as may be required to defray Town charges for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2015 and expressly for the following purposes to wit

**FINANCE COMMITTEE VOTE: 4-3**

**MAJORITY VOTE**

**FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: That the Town vote to appropriate and raise by borrowing or otherwise such sums of money as may be required to defray Town charges for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2015 and expressly for the following purposes to wit (see attached recommended budget)**

**FINANCE COMMITTEE REASON: As stated in the purpose and justification.**

*Moderator Deborah Kohl asked that the appropriations from the Stabilization Fund as called for in item 710, Debt Service, be considered before action on the remainder of Article 5 so as to accommodate the 2/3 vote required for that appropriation and allowing for a simple Majority Vote on the remainder of the items in Article 5.*

**Motion made by Robert Nerz (P7)**

Motion seconded.

**By a 2/3 vote, declared obvious by the Moderator, the RTM Members approved the appropriations from the Stabilization Account for Dept. 710, Debt Service.**

*James McKenna (P2) made a motion as follows:*

*Hereby move to amend Article 5 (Fiscal Year 2015 Omnibus Budget) of the June 2, 2014, Annual Town Meeting by increasing line item 300A School Department / General Expenses in the amount of \$76, 000.00. The new total for line item 300A will be \$35,811,147.00. The amended total for the School Department budget will now be \$37,300,661.00*

*Said funds to be transferred from line item 913A Unemployment / General Expenses, new total for said line item and Total Unemployment will be \$104,000.00.*

Motion seconded.

**By a 2/3 majority vote the RTM members approved the amendment.**

**93 Members Voting: 2/3 Required = 47; Yes=58 / No=35**

**By a majority vote, the RTM members approved the Finance Committee’s recommendation as amended.**

**ARTICLE 6A MUNICIPAL CIP PURCHASES AND ON-GOING MAINTENANCE EFFORTS FUNDED BY TAXES OR OTHER AVAILABLE FUNDS**

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

To see if the town will vote to appropriate \$242,542 for various capital projects and equipment as shown below, to be expended under the direction of Town Board/Official indicated or Municipal Building Committee if applicable. Said sum to be raised by General Tax or available funds; and provided further that any funds appropriated hereunder shall remain within the capital budget under the jurisdiction of the Town Board/Official indicated, or the Municipal Building Committee if applicable, until expended or released, unless transferred by Town Meeting.

|    | <u>Department</u>  | <u>Item</u>   | <u>Amount</u> |
|----|--------------------|---|---------------|
| 1. | Fire               | Protective Gear and Breathing Apparatus               | \$45,000      |
| 2. | Park & Recreation  | Protective Ground Cover for Play Areas                | \$ 8,000      |
| 3. | Assessors’         | 1/3 Tri-Annual Revaluation                            | \$40,000      |
| 4. | Police             | Code Upgrade for Retention Cells                      | \$16,542      |
| 5. | Board of Selectmen | Code Compliance for Town Hall Upper Level Ceiling     | \$15,000      |
| 6. | Elections          | Office Furniture                                      | \$ 5,000      |
| 7. | Board of Selectmen | Town Hall Document Management System                  | \$26,000      |
| 8. | Board of Selectmen | Engineering, Design and Cost Estimate – LeStage House | \$20,000      |
| 9. | Park & Recreation  | WWI Park Garage Doors                                 | \$22,000      |

|              |        |   |                  |
|--------------|--------|---|------------------|
| 10.          | School | Walk-in Freezer Replacement             | \$25,000         |
| 11.          | School | Cafeteria Tables and Chairs Replacement | <u>\$20,000</u>  |
| <b>TOTAL</b> |        |   | <b>\$242,542</b> |

**FINANCE COMMITTEE VOTE: 7-0**

**MAJORITY ROLL CALL VOTE**

**FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:** That the Town vote to appropriate \$124,542.00 for the various capital projects and equipment as shown below, to be expended under the direction of Town Board/Official indicated or Municipal Building Committee if applicable. Said sum to be raised by General Tax or available funds; and provided further that any funds appropriated hereunder shall remain within the capital budget under the jurisdiction of the Town Board/Official indicated, or the Municipal Building Committee if applicable, until expended or released, unless transferred by Town Meeting.

|    | <b>Department</b>  | <b>Item</b>                                       | <b>Amount</b>   |
|----|--------------------|---|-----------------|
| 1. | Fire               | Protective Gear and Breathing Apparatus           | <b>\$45,000</b> |
| 2. | Park & Recreation  | Protective Ground Cover for Play Areas            | <b>\$ 8,000</b> |
| 3. | Assessors'         | 1/3 Tri-Annual Revaluation                        | <b>\$40,000</b> |
| 4. | Police             | Code Upgrade for Retention Cells                  | <b>\$16,542</b> |
| 5. | Board of Selectmen | Code Compliance for Town Hall Upper Level Ceiling | <b>\$15,000</b> |

**FINANCE COMMITTEE REASON:** The Committee feels these items are necessary.

**By a unanimous vote, the RTM members approved the Finance Committee's Recommendation.**

**ARTICLE 6B MUNICIPAL CIP PURCHASES AND ON-GOING MAINTENANCE BOARD OF SELECTMEN  
EFFORTS FUNDED BY RETAINED EARNINGS/ENTERPRISE  
FUNDS OR OTHER AVAILABLE FUNDS**

To see if the Town will vote to approve the various capital projects and equipment purchases shown below and totaling \$464,907 or any other sum, shall be undertaken and financed by Retained Earnings, from the Enterprise Funds or other funds as shown below. Such funds to be expended under the direction of the Town Board/Official indicated, or the Municipal Building Committee if applicable, until expended or released, unless transferred by Town Meeting.

|              | <b><u>Department</u></b> | <b><u>Item</u></b>           | <b><u>Source</u></b>  | <b><u>Amount</u></b> |
|--------------|--------------------------|------------------------------|---|----------------------|
| 1.           | School                   | Technology Plan              | \$4,146 – 2009 June ATM Art. 6-29<br>\$18,306.89 -2010 June ATM Art. 6-34<br>\$41,741.35-2011 June STM Art. 13<br>\$74.20 – 2011 June ATM – Art. 6-12<br>\$1,095 – 2012 June ATM – Art. 6-29<br>\$436.49 – 2002 Oct. SATM – Art. 11<br>\$236.98 – 2011 June ATM – Art. 6-32<br>\$80 – 2013 June ATM – Art. 6-43<br>\$1,785 – 2013 June ATM – Art. 6-11<br>\$2,500.01 – 2013 June ATM – Art. 6-33<br>\$5 – 2013 June ATM – Art. 6-41 | \$ 70,406.92         |
| 2.           | Solid Waste              | Construction of Scale Kiosk  | Solid Waste Retained Earnings   | \$ 75,000            |
| 3.           | Sewer                    | Chain & Sprocket Replacement | Sewer Retained Earnings   | \$ 89,500            |
| 4.           | Sewer                    | New Vehicle                  | Sewer Retained Earnings   | \$ 45,000            |
| 5.           | Water                    | Whiting Street Admin. Roof   | Water Retained Earnings   | <u>\$185,000</u>     |
| <b>Total</b> |                          |                              |   | <b>\$464,907</b>     |

**FINANCE COMMITTEE VOTE: 7-0**

**MAJORITY ROLL CALL**

**FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:** That the Town vote to approve the various capital projects and equipment purchases shown below and totaling \$464,906.92 shall be undertaken and financed by Retained Earnings, from the Enterprise Funds or other funds as shown below. Such funds to be expended under the direction of the Town Board/Official indicated, or the Municipal Building Committee if applicable, until expended or released, unless transferred by Town Meeting.

|    | <b>Department</b> | <b>Item</b>                  | <b>Source</b>   | <b>Amount</b>       |
|----|-------------------|------------------------------|---|---------------------|
| 1. | School            | Technology Plan              | \$4,146 – 2009 June ATM Art. 6-29<br>\$18,306.89 -2010 June ATM Art. 6-34<br>\$41,741.35-2011 June STM Art. 13<br>\$74.20 – 2011 June ATM – Art. 6-12<br>\$1,095 – 2012 June ATM – Art. 6-29<br>\$436.49 – 2002 Oct. SATM – Art. 11<br>\$236.98 – 2011 June ATM – Art. 6-32<br>\$80 – 2013 June ATM – Art. 6-43<br>\$1,785 – 2013 June ATM – Art. 6-11<br>\$2,500.01 – 2013 June ATM – Art. 6-33<br>\$5 – 2013 June ATM – Art. 6-41 | \$ 70,406.92        |
| 2. | Solid Waste       | Construction of Scale Kiosk  | Solid Waste Retained Earnings   | \$ 75,000           |
| 3. | Sewer             | Chain & Sprocket Replacement | Sewer Retained Earnings   | \$ 89,500           |
| 4. | Sewer             | New Vehicle                  | Sewer Retained Earnings   | \$ 45,000           |
| 5. | Water             | Whiting Street Admin. Roof   | Water Retained Earnings   | \$ 185,000          |
|    | <b>Total</b>      |                              |   | <b>\$464,906.92</b> |

**FINANCE COMMITTEE REASON:** The Committee feels these items are necessary.

By a unanimous vote, the RTM members approved the Finance Committee’s Recommendation.

**ARTICLE 6C MUNICIPAL CIP PURCHASES AND ON-GOING MAINTENANCE BOARD OF SELECTMEN EFFORTS FUNDED BY BORROWING OR OTHER AVAILABLE FUNDS**

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$23,219,403 or any other sum to hereby be appropriated for various Capital Projects and Equipment Purchases, including design, engineering, construction and installation thereto, as listed below:

That said sum for any project listed in Article C be raised by General Tax, by transfer from available funds, by borrowing or otherwise; and that to meet this appropriation, the Treasurer with the approval of the Board of Selectmen is hereby authorized to borrow the sum of \$23,219,403 (total of projects listed in Article C of this article) or any other sum, under and pursuant to the statutes cited or any other enabling authority, and to issue bonds or notes of the Town therefore; and that the requested sum of \$23,219,403 be expended for project costs by the Town Board/Official listed, or the Municipal Building Committee if applicable, and the sum of - 0 – be expended for issuance costs under the direction of Town Treasurer; and that betterment assessments therefore shall be levied under the provisions of Town By-Laws where applicable:

|    | <b><u>Department</u></b> | <b><u>Item</u></b>  | <b><u>Amount</u></b> | <b><u>M.G.L. Enabling Authorization</u></b> |
|----|--------------------------|---|----------------------|---|
| 1. | Police                   | Design, Engineering, Equipment and Technology for Joint Police/Fire Dispatch    | \$ 475,000           | 44, 7 (3A)                                  |
| 2. | Board of Selectmen       | Design, Engineering, Equipment and Technology for Town-Wide Safety and Security | \$ 250,000           | 44, 7(3A)                                   |

|              |                    |  |                     |                 |
|--------------|--------------------|--|---------------------|-----------------|
| 3.           | Fire               | Station 2 Heating Replacement & Upgrade  | \$ 17,000           | 44, 7(3A)       |
| 4.           | Fire               | Rescue 3 Replacement   | \$ 250,000          | 44, 7(9)        |
| 5.           | IT                 | Hardware Upgrades  | \$ 100,000          | 44, 7(28)       |
| 6.           | Police             | Cruiser Replacement Program  | \$ 177,185          | 44, 7(9)        |
| 7.           | DPW – Highway      | Repair, Maintenance and Reconstruction of roads, sidewalks, bridges and drainage                             | \$ 500,000          | 44, 7(5)(6)     |
| 8.           | School             | Technology Plan  | \$ 367,818          | 44, 7(9)        |
| 9.           | School             | SPED Club Van  | \$ 55,000           | 44, 7(9)        |
| 10.          | DPW – Highway      | Asphalt Management Plan for Town-Wide Parking Lots and Walking Paths   | \$ 200,000          | 44, 7(5)        |
| 11.          | Park & Recreation  | Completion of LeStage Fields   | \$ 220,000          | 44, 7(25)       |
| 12.          | Planning           | Street Scape Design, Design & Engineering and matching grant funds for Downtown and East Street Improvements | \$ 200,000          | 44, 7(22)       |
| 13.          | Animal Control     | Van Replacement  | \$ 26,000           | 44, 7(9)        |
| 14.          | Fire               | Assessment and Feasibility Study of Station 1 options for the future   | \$ 45,000           | 44, 7(21)       |
| 15.          | Park & Recreation  | Dump Truck   | \$ 66,000           | 44, 7(9)        |
| 16.          | DPW – Highway      | Replace T-43 with 6-wheel truck, sander & plow   | \$ 185,000          | 44, 7(9)        |
| 17.          | DPW – Highway      | Replace Van P-3  | \$ 34,200           | 44, 7(9)        |
| 18.          | School             | Generator Replacement  | \$ 45,000           | 44, 7(9)        |
| 19.          | Board of Selectmen | Design, Engineering, Equipment and Technology for Town-Wide Safety and Security                              | \$ 2,000,000        | 44, 7(3A)       |
| 20.          | DPW – Highway      | Repair, Maintenance and Reconstruction of roads, sidewalks, bridges and drainage                             | \$ 500,000          | 44,7(5)(6)      |
| 21.          | DPW – Highway      | Asphalt Management Plan for - Town-Wide Parking Lots and Walking Paths                                       | \$ 280,000          | 44, 7(5)        |
| 22.          | School             | Community Gym Window Replacement   | \$ 250,000          | 44, 7 (3A)      |
| 23.          | Town Wide          | Activity Field Upgrade and Expansion Program   | \$ 6,300,000        | 44, 7(22)       |
| 24.          | Elections          | Storage Trailer & Voting Furniture   | \$ 29,000           | 44, 7(9)        |
| 25.          | Park & Recreation  | Backhoe  | \$ 110,000          | 44, 7(9)        |
| 26.          | Park & Recreation  | Mason Field House Windows, Siding & Roof   | \$ 32,000           | 44, 7(3A)       |
| 27.          | COA                | Engineering for new COA Center   | \$ 445,200          | 44,7(21)        |
| 28.          | Board of Selectmen | Replacement of window shades in Town Hall  | \$ 15,000           | 44, 7(9)        |
| 29.          | School             | Replace Food Delivery Service Truck  | \$ 45,000           | 44, 7(9)        |
| 30.          | DPW – Highway      | 10-Mile River Improvements   | <u>\$10,000,000</u> | 44, 7(1)(4)(7A) |
| <b>Total</b> |                    |  | <b>\$23,219,403</b> |                 |

**FINANCE COMMITTEE VOTE: 7-0**

**2/3 ROLL CALL VOTE**

**FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: That the Town vote to appropriate \$3,213,203 to pay costs of the various capital projects listed below, including the payment of all costs incidental and related thereto, and that to meet this appropriation, the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, is authorized to borrow said amount under and pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 44, Section 7 of the General Laws set forth below, or pursuant to any other enabling authority, and to issue bonds or notes of the Town therefore. The dollar amount associated with each item is necessarily an estimate, and the Town Manager is authorized to allocate funds in excess of amounts needed to pay costs of a particular item, to pay costs of any**

other item that may have costs in excess of the number associated with it, so long as each item set forth below can be completed within the total amount appropriated by this vote.

| Department | Item               | Amount   | Authorization          |
|------------|--------------------|--|------------------------|
| 1          | Police             | Design, Engineering, Equipment and Technology for Joint Police/Fire Dispatch                                 | \$ 475,000 44, 7 (3A)  |
| 2.         | Board of Selectmen | Design, Engineering, Equipment and Technology for Town-Wide Safety and Security                              | \$ 250,000 44, 7(3A)   |
| 3.         | Fire               | Station 2 Heating Replacement & Upgrade  | \$ 17,000 44, 7(3A)    |
| 4.         | Fire               | Rescue 3 Replacement   | \$ 250,000 44, 7(9)    |
| 5.         | IT                 | Hardware Upgrades  | \$ 100,000 44, 7(28)   |
| 6.         | Police             | Cruiser Replacement Program  | \$ 177,185 44, 7(9)    |
| 7          | DPW – Highway      | Repair, Maintenance and Reconstruction of roads, sidewalks, bridges and drainage                             | \$ 500,000 44, 7(5)(6) |
| 8.         | School             | Technology Plan  | \$ 367,818 44, 7(9)    |
| 9.         | School             | SPED Club Van  | \$ 55,000 44, 7(9)     |
| 10.        | DPW – Highway      | Asphalt Management Plan for Town-Wide Parking Lots and Walking Paths   | \$ 200,000 44, 7(5)    |
| 11.        | Park & Recreation  | Completion of LeStage Fields   | \$ 220,000 44, 7(25)   |
| 12.        | Planning           | Street Scape Design, Design & Engineering and matching grant funds for Downtown and East Street Improvements | \$ 200,000 44, 7(22)   |
| 13.        | Animal Control     | Van Replacement  | \$ 26,000 44, 7(9)     |
| 14.        | Fire               | Assessment and Feasibility Study of Station 1 options for the future   | \$ 45,000 44, 7(21)    |
| 15.        | Park & Recreation  | Dump Truck   | \$ 66,000 44, 7(9)     |
| 16.        | DPW – Highway      | Replace T-43 with 6-wheel truck, sander & plow   | \$ 185,000 44, 7(9)    |
| 17.        | DPW – Highway      | Replace Van P-3  | \$ 34,200 44, 7(9)     |
| 18.        | School             | Generator Replacement  | \$ 45,000 44, 7(9)     |
|            |                    | <b>Total</b>   | <b>\$3,213,203</b>     |

**FINANCE COMMITTEE REASON:** The Committee feels these items are necessary.

**By a unanimous vote, the RTM members approved the Finance Committee’s Recommendation.**

*RTM member Kevin Nugent (P6) asked to be recorded as abstaining from the vote.*

**ARTICLE 6D CIP – STATE AND/OR FEDERAL GRANTS**

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

To see if the town will vote to authorize any boards, commissions, committees or departments listed in Article 6C to apply for, accept and expend any state or federal grants that are, or may become available for these purposes under the provisions of the Town By-Laws where applicable.

**FINANCE COMMITTEE VOTE: 7-0**

**MAJORITY VOTE**

**FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:** That the Town vote to authorize any boards, commissions, committees or departments listed in Article 6C to apply for, accept and expend any state or federal grants that are, or may become available for these purposes under the provisions of the Town By-Laws where applicable.

**FINANCE COMMITTEE REASON:** Town meeting must authorize grant applications annually.

**By a majority vote the RTM members approved the Finance Committee’s Recommendation.**

**ARTICLE 7 ADDITIONAL 100% EXEMPTION**

**BOARD OF ASSESSORS**

To see if the town will vote to accept Massachusetts General Laws Section 4 of Chapter 73 of the Acts of 1986 as amended by Chapter 126 of the Acts of 1988 which allows an additional real estate tax exemption of one hundred percent (100%) of said exemption under Clauses 17D, 22, 22A, 22B, 22C, 22D, 22E, 37, 41C of Section 5 of Chapter 59 of the Massachusetts General Laws.

**PURPOSE AND JUSTIFICATION:** Passage of this article will return qualified property owners a tax exemption that compensates for the effects of inflation, since the exemptions were initially established.

**FINANCE COMMITTEE VOTE: 6-0-1**

**MAJORITY VOTE**

**FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:** That the Town vote to accept Massachusetts General Laws Section 4 of Chapter 73 of the Acts of 1986 as amended by Chapter 126 of the Acts of 1988 which allows an additional real estate tax exemption of one hundred percent (100%) of said exemption under Clauses 17D, 22, 22A, 22B, 22C, 22D, 22E, 37, 41C of Section 5 of Chapter 59 of the Massachusetts General Laws.

**FINANCE COMMITTEE REASON:** As stated in the purpose and justification.

**By a majority vote, the RTM members approved the Finance Committee’s recommendation.**

*Paul Follet (P5), Chairman of the Finance Committee, abstained from voting on Article 7.*

**ARTICLE 8 RE-AUTHORIZATION OF REVOLVING FUNDS – 53E ½**

**TOWN ACCOUNTANT**

To see if the town will vote to reauthorize the attached list of Revolving Funds under M.G.L. Chapter 44 §53E ½

| <u>Revolving Account</u>     | <u>Spending Authority</u> | <u>Revenue Source</u>  | <u>Allowed Expenses</u>   | <u>Expenditure Limits</u> |
|------------------------------|---------------------------|--|---|---------------------------|
| E-Rate Fund                  | School Committee          | E-Rate funds   | To be used to help schools improve and expend telecommunications and technology, including training for staff and students      | \$40,000                  |
| Fire Alarm Fund              | Fire Department           | Fire Alarm Fees  | To be used to purchase support and maintain all communication supplies and services related to the fire alarm service/operation | \$50,000                  |
| WWII Memorial Pool Fees Fund | Park Commission           | Swimming pool program fees   | To be used to support the operating expenses and programs of the WWII Memorial Pool   | \$50,000                  |
| Gas Inspections Fund         | Inspections               | 75% of Gas Inspection Fees   | To be used to pay the inspectors performing these gas inspections   | \$50,000                  |
| Plumbing Inspections Fund    | Inspections               | 75% of Plumbing Inspection Fees  | To be used to pay the inspectors performing these plumbing inspections  | \$60,000                  |
| Electrical Inspections Fund  | Inspections               | 75% of Electrical Inspection Fees  | To be used to pay the inspectors performing these electrical inspections  | \$120,000                 |
| Clinic Receipts Fund         | Board of Health           | Clinic related receipts from the provisions of public health services to | To be used for payment of costs directly related to the performance of said clinics   | \$10,000                  |

**TOTAL SPENDING: \$380,000**

**PURPOSE AND JUSTIFICATION:** Revolving funds authorized under this chapter and section of the law need to be re-authorized each year.

**FINANCE COMMITTEE VOTE: 7-0**

**MAJORITY VOTE**

**FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: That the Town vote reauthorize the Revolving Funds shown below under M.G.L. Chapter 44 §53E ½**

| <b>Revolving Account</b>            | <b>Spending Authority</b> | <b>Revenue Source</b>  | <b>Allowed Expenses</b>  | <b>Expenditure Limits</b> |
|-------------------------------------|---------------------------|--|--|---------------------------|
| <b>E-Rate Fund</b>                  | <b>School Committee</b>   | <b>E-Rate funds</b>  | <b>To be used to help schools improve and expend telecommunications and technology, including training for staff and students</b>      | <b>\$40,000</b>           |
| <b>Fire Alarm Fund</b>              | <b>Fire Department</b>    | <b>Fire Alarm Fees</b>   | <b>To be used to purchase support and maintain all communication supplies and services related to the fire alarm service/operation</b> | <b>\$50,000</b>           |
| <b>WWII Memorial Pool Fees Fund</b> | <b>Park Commission</b>    | <b>Swimming pool program fees</b>  | <b>To be used to support the operating expenses and programs of the WWII Memorial Pool</b>   | <b>\$50,000</b>           |
| <b>Gas Inspections Fund</b>         | <b>Inspections</b>        | <b>75% of Gas Inspection Fees</b>  | <b>To be used to pay the inspectors performing these gas inspections</b>   | <b>\$50,000</b>           |
| <b>Plumbing Inspections Fund</b>    | <b>Inspections</b>        | <b>75% of</b>  | <b>To be used to pay the Plumbing inspectors performing these inspection plumbing inspections Fees</b>                                 | <b>\$60,000</b>           |
| <b>Electrical Inspections Fund</b>  | <b>Inspections</b>        | <b>75% of Electrical Inspection Fees</b>   | <b>To be used to pay the inspectors performing these electrical inspections</b>  | <b>\$120,000</b>          |
| <b>Clinic Receipts Fund</b>         | <b>Board of Health</b>    | <b>Clinic related receipts from the provisions of public health services to citizens</b> | <b>To be used for payment of costs directly related to the performance of said clinics</b>   | <b>\$10,000</b>           |

**TOTAL SPENDING: \$380,000**

**FINANCE COMMITTEE REASON:** As stated in the purpose and justification.

**By a majority vote the RTM members approved the Finance Committee’s recommendation.**

**ARTICLE 9 APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR 53<sup>RD</sup> PAY WEEK**

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

To see if the town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$54,193.00 to be accrued for Fiscal Year 2015 to pay the next 53<sup>rd</sup> pay week and to determine how said sum shall be raised whether by taxation, transfer from available funds or otherwise.

**PURPOSE AND JUSTIFICATION:** The Town Accountant has proposed a “53<sup>rd</sup> Week Salary Reserve Account” be established to accrue funds needed to meet the obligations of the Town for Salary and Wage calculations in excess of the normal 52 week pay periods budgeted annually.

**FINANCE COMMITTEE VOTE: 7-0**

**MAJORITY VOTE**

**FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: That consideration of this article be indefinitely postponed.**

**FINANCE COMMITTEE REASON:** There were no available funds to allocate toward this article.

**By a majority vote the RTM members approved the Finance Committee’s recommendation.**

**ARTICLE 10 APPROPRIATE FUNDS INTO THE OPEB TRUST FUND**

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

To see if the town will vote to transfer a sum of money into the OPEB Trust Fund from available funds.

**PURPOSE AND JUSTIFICATION:** To transfer various amounts from the Retained Earnings of the three Enterprise Accounts to cover their portion of this year’s schedule for deposit into the Other Post Employment Trust Fund.

**FINANCE COMMITTEE VOTE: 7-0**

**MAJORITY VOTE**

**FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: That consideration of this article be indefinitely postponed.**

**FINANCE COMMITTEE REASON:** This article was indefinitely postponed at the request of the petitioner.

**By a majority vote the RTM members approved the Finance Committee’s recommendation.**

**ARTICLE 11 ESTABLISH A CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT STABILIZATION FUND**

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

To see if the town will vote to establish a Capital Improvement Stabilization Fund, pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 40, 5B. Said special purpose of the Stabilization Fund shall be for direct funding of Capital Projects or to offset debt payment related to Capital Projects.

**PURPOSE AND JUSTIFICATION:** This will allow the Town to put aside funds for Capital Projects to offset budget constraints for future years.

**FINANCE COMMITTEE VOTE: 7-0**

**MAJORITY VOTE**

**FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: That the Town vote to establish a Capital Improvement Stabilization Fund, pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 40, 5B. Said special purpose of the Stabilization Fund shall be for direct funding of Capital Projects or to offset debt payment related to Capital Projects.**

**FINANCE COMMITTEE REASON:** As stated in the purpose and justification.

**By a majority vote the RTM members approved the Finance Committee’s recommendation.**

**ARTICLE 12 APPROPRIATE FUNDS INTO THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT STABILIZATION FUND**

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

To see if the town will vote to appropriate a sum of money to the Capital Improvement Stabilization Fund from taxation, transfer from available funds or otherwise.

**PURPOSE AND JUSTIFICATION:** To fund contract, effective July 1, 2011

**FINANCE COMMITTEE VOTE: 7-0**

**MAJORITY VOTE**

**FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: That consideration of this article be indefinitely postponed.**

**FINANCE COMMITTEE REASON:** This article was indefinitely postponed at the request of the petitioner.

**By a majority vote the RTM members approved the Finance Committee's recommendation.**

**ARTICLE 13 APPROPRIATE \$1400.00 TO TRIM TREES AT HOLMES SCHOOL HISTORICAL COMM.**

To see if the town will vote to appropriate \$1400.00 to trim trees at the Holmes School. Funds to be appropriated from any available source.

**PURPOSE AND JUSTIFICATION:** To minimize the risk of damage to the schoolhouse. We have no other funds available for this purpose.

**FINANCE COMMITTEE VOTE: 7-0**

**MAJORITY VOTE**

**FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: That consideration of this article be indefinitely postponed.**

**FINANCE COMMITTEE REASON:** There were no available funds to allocate towards this article.

**By a majority vote the RTM members approved the Finance Committee's recommendation.**

**ARTICLE 14 APPROPRIATE \$1920.00 FOR SILL COCKS AT CODDING FARM HISTORICAL COMM.**

To see if the town will vote to appropriate \$1920.00 to install two frost free sill cocks and connect them to an irrigation meter at the Coddling Farmhouse for use of the Community Gardens. Funds to be appropriated from any available source.

**PURPOSE AND JUSTIFICATION:** No sill cock on back of house. No irrigation meter. Sill cock on front of house leaks and is not frost free. No other funds available.

**FINANCE COMMITTEE VOTE: 7-0**

**MAJORITY VOTE**

**FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: That consideration of this article be indefinitely postponed.**

**FINANCE COMMITTEE REASON:** There were no available funds to allocate towards this article.

**By a majority vote the RTM members approved the Finance Committee's recommendation.**

*At 10:00PM on June 2, 2014, a motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting to 7:00 PM on Wednesday June 4, 2014 in the Middle School Cafetorium.*

Motion seconded.

**Motion carried.**

**On Wednesday, June 4, 2014, Town Clerk, Maxwell G. Gould, opened the resumed Annual Town Meeting at 7:15 PM announcing, "With 76 Members present, we have a quorum."**

Town Moderator, Deb Kohl, led the membership in the Pledge of Allegiance to our flag.

She then called for a moment of silence for our men and women serving overseas in the Armed Forces.

*Ron Lagasse (P6) made a motion to waive reading the Finance Committee's recommendation for Article 15 out loud.*

Motion seconded.

**Motion carried.**

**ARTICLE 15 AMEND ARTICLE IV OF TOWN BY-LAWS / CONTRACTS BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

To see if the town will vote to amend Article IV General Provisions of the Town By-Laws by deleting the current Section 1. CONTRACTS a. through i. and replacing it with new Article IV General Provisions, Section 1. CONTRACTS, a. through g.

**PURPOSE AND JUSTIFICATION:** The changes being recommended bring the provisions of this section more in line with Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 30B relative to procurement. It also takes into consideration the expanding procurement being accomplished through state bidding and participation in joint purchase groups, both of which provide significant savings for the Town.

The proposed changes allow for better administration of procurement and contract management without sacrificing the Town's position and allowing for appropriate checks and balances.

**FINANCE COMMITTEE VOTE: 7-0**

**MAJORITY VOTE**

**FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: That the Town vote to amend Article IV General Provisions of the Town By-Laws by deleting the current Section 1. CONTRACTS a. through i. and replacing it with new Article IV General Provisions, Section 1. CONTRACTS, a. through g. as follows:**

**ARTICLE IV. GENERAL PROVISION**

**Section 1. CONTRACTS**

a. The procedures established under various Massachusetts General Laws shall apply to all Town Contracts for the procurement of supplies, services or real property and for the disposing of supplies or real property, except where additional requirements are stipulated in these By-Laws.

b. In all cases where the amount of the procurement is ten-thousand dollars (\$10,000) or greater, the same shall be in writing and signed by at least a majority of the Board or Committee, or their delegated authority or designee, making such procurement. Copies of the related purchase order or contract shall be filed with the Town Accountant, the involved department or committee and the contractor.

c. The Town Accountant, or his/her designee, shall verify the availability of funds for all procurement contracts under which the town shall be a party.

d. The Chief Procurement Officer as appointed by the Board of Selectmen may delegate powers and duties in accordance with c. 30B s. 19.

e. Any Board or officer in charge of a Department of the Town may, with the prior approval of the Selectmen in writing, sell or otherwise dispose of property within the control of the Department which has become obsolete or is not required for further use by such Department. Property of a value exceeding three hundred dollars (\$300.00) shall be sold, traded in, or otherwise disposed of on the basis of competitive bids

f. Whenever a Town board or officer having charge of real estate, except for park, forest and conservation land, shall determine that such real estate is no longer needed for the use of the Department, such Board or officer shall forthwith give notice of such determination to the Board of Selectmen. The board of Selectmen shall then have custody of such property and shall dispose of same by two-thirds vote of a regular or special Town meeting in accordance with M.G.L. Ch. 40, Sections 3 and 15A.

g. All contractual agreements, surety bonds and deeds and easements which the Town is a party shall be submitted to Town Counsel for approval as to form and manner of execution.

**FINANCE COMMITTEE REASON:** As stated in the purpose and justification.

**By a majority vote the RTM members approved the Finance Committee's recommendation.**

**ARTICLE 16 AMEND ARTICLE 1, SECTION 4 - RULES OF TOWN MEETING PETITION**

To see if the town will vote to amend By-Laws Article I, Section 4. RULES OF TOWN MEETING, by deleting subsections (g) and (i) and substituting the following as subsection (g)

g. All attendees at Town Meeting shall register with the Town Clerk before entering the meeting hall. Attendance at Town Meeting shall be open to all persons.

The Town Clerk shall provide each attendee with an adhesive label showing, as appropriate, one of the following identifications: "RTM" for elected RTM members, "VOTER" for other registered voters of the Town of North Attleborough, "OFFICIAL" for designated departmental representatives who are not registered voters of the town, or "VISITOR" for all other attendees.

All RTM members shall be seated by precinct in a manner separate from other attendees and centrally so that voting can be efficiently conducted by the moderator.

All registered voters of the Town of North Attleborough, both RTM members and non-members, including all town officials and the chairmen of boards and commissions, together with department heads or their respective designees who may not be registered voters of the town, shall have the right for equal recognition without distinction to speak before the meeting, subject only to necessity for the moderator to maintain proper order and decorum. Non-voters may speak only at the discretion of the moderator and Town Meeting.

Prior to addressing the meeting all speakers shall identify themselves verbally by name, address, precinct, and status as an RTM member, registered voter, official or visitor.

**PURPOSE AND JUSTIFICATION** The purpose of this amendment is to collectively codify in the Town By-Laws, RULES OF TOWN MEETING, for the first time specific requirements to attend and to speak at Town Meeting. These specifics are based upon North Attleborough's RTM Act of 1999, existing Town By-Laws, M.G.L. Chapter 43A, *Citizen's Guide to Town Meetings*, published by the Secretary of the Commonwealth, and *Town Meeting Time*. In addition, the right of registered voters to speak at an RTM, as quoted from *Citizens Guide to Town Meetings*, has been recognized by the US First Circuit Court of Appeals. See Attachment A for excerpts from the cited sources. These specifics also are consistent with historical procedures which have been followed for North Attleborough's Representative Town Meeting.

**FINANCE COMMITTEE VOTE: 6-1**

**MAJORITY VOTE**

**FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: That the Town vote to amend By-Laws Article I, Section 4. RULES OF TOWN MEETING, by deleting subsections (g) and (i) and substituting the following as subsection (g)**

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**Prior to addressing the meeting all speakers shall identify themselves verbally by name, address, precinct, and status as an RTM member, registered voter, official or visitor.**

**FINANCE COMMITTEE REASON:** As stated in the purpose and justification.

John Dromsky (P3) made a motion as follows:

*Move that Article 16 of the June 2014 Annual Town Meeting be committed to the By-Law Study and Codification Committee and the RTM Coordinating Committee for study with a recommendation to be submitted to this body for the October 2014 Semi-Annual Town Meeting.*

Motion seconded.

**Motion carried.**

**By a majority vote, the RTM members approved the motion.**

***By a majority vote the RTM members approved a motion to adjourn Sine Die at 7:24 PM on June 4, 2014.***