

**PROCEEDINGS OF
SPECIAL TOWN MEETING
HELD ON OCTOBER 19, 2011**

PURSUANT TO THE FOREGOING WARRANT, THE LEGAL VOTERS OF THE TOWN OF ASHBURNHAM MET AT THE OAKMONT REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AUDITORIUM, 9 OAKMONT DRIVE ON OCTOBER 19, 2011. MODERATOR, DONALD "JEFF" LAWRENCE PRESIDED AT THE MEETING WHICH WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT 7:00 P.M. THE VETERANS PRESENT WERE RECOGNIZED AS WERE THOSE WHO ARE PRESENTLY SERVING OUR COUNTRY.

Article 1.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds, a sum of money to be added to account #25450-59175 for the cost of interest on the Water Tank Project temporary loan, or act in relation thereto. *(Requested by the Town Treasurer and the Town Administrator)*

SELECTMEN RECOMMENDATION: **YES** ADVISORY RECOMMENDATION: **YES** TAX IMPACT: N/A

Article 1 Voted: On motion of Edward Vitone, it was voted to transfer from water retained earnings the sum of \$14,916.67, and to apply this amount to account #25450-59175 for the cost of interest on the Water Tank Project temporary loan.

Unanimous "YES"

Article 2.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds, a sum of money to update the Assessors maps, or act in relation thereto. *(Requested by the Board of Assessors and the Town Administrator)*

SELECTMEN RECOMMENDATION: **YES** ADVISORY RECOMMENDATION: **YES** TAX IMPACT: N/A

Article 2 Voted: On motion of Ronald Reed, it was voted to transfer funds from Free Cash in the amount of \$3,000 to update the Assessors maps.

Unanimous "YES"

Article 3.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds, a sum of money to purchase equipment for the Police Department as follows:

- (5) Bushmaster .223 cal. Rifles with accessories
- (1) Glock Model 27
- (14) Level-2 bullet resistant vests
- Related miscellaneous equipment

Or act in relation thereto. *(Requested by the Police Chief and the Town Administrator)*

SELECTMEN RECOMMENDATION: **YES** ADVISORY RECOMMENDATION: **YES** TAX IMPACT: N/A

Article 3 Voted: On motion of Gregory Fagan it was voted to transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$15,321.50 to purchase the following equipment for the Police Department:

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| ▪ (5) Bushmaster .223 cal. Rifles with accessories | \$ 2,959.95 |
| ▪ (1) Glock Model 27 | \$ 429.00 |
| ▪ (14) Level-2 bullet resistant vests | \$10,120.00 |
| ▪ Related miscellaneous equipment | \$ 1,562.55 |

Majority “YES”

Article 4.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds, a sum of money to be added to account #15543–57700 to cover unanticipated Veterans Benefits for the remainder of FY12, or act in relation thereto. *(Requested by the Town Administrator)*

SELECTMEN RECOMMENDATION: **YES** ADVISORY RECOMMENDATION: **YES** TAX IMPACT: N/A

Article 4 Voted: On motion of Edward Vitone, it was voted to transfer from free cash the sum of \$40,000 to be added to account #15543-57700 to cover unanticipated Veterans Benefits for the remainder of FY12.

Unanimous “YES”

Article 5.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or appropriate by transfer from available funds, a sum of money for the reconstruction of town roads, or act in relation thereto. *(Requested by the Town Administrator)*

SELECTMEN RECOMMENDATION: **YES** ADVISORY RECOMMENDATION: **YES**
CAPITAL PLANNING RECOMMENDATION: **YES** TAX IMPACT: N/A

Article 5 Voted: On motion of Ronald Reed, it was voted to transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$125,000 for the reconstruction of Town roads.

Unanimous “YES”

Article 6.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or appropriate by transfer from available funds, a sum of money to be transferred to the Capital Improvement Fund, or act in relation thereto. *(Requested by the Town Administrator)*

SELECTMEN RECOMMENDATION: **YES** ADVISORY RECOMMENDATION: **YES** TAX IMPACT: N/A

Article 6 Voted: On motion of Gregory Fagan, it was voted to transfer from Free Cash the amount of \$33,000.50 to the Capital Improvement Fund.

Unanimous “YES”

Article 7.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or appropriate by transfer from available funds, a sum of money to be transferred to the Stabilization Fund, or act in relation thereto. *(Requested by the Town Administrator)*

SELECTMEN RECOMMENDATION: **YES** ADVISORY RECOMMENDATION: **YES** TAX IMPACT: N/A

Article 7 Voted: On motion of Edward Vitone, it was voted to **PASS OVER** this article.

Unanimous “YES”

Article 8.

To see if the Town will vote to transfer custody for the purposes of conveying and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to convey an easement to Investar Renewable Energy LLC, its heirs and assigns (IRE), in a certain portion of town property, being the same land shown on Assessor’s Maps; Map 58 parcel 25 Center Street and Map 17 parcel 12, said easement to be granted on such terms and conditions as are in the best interests of the town for purposes of allowing IRE access to maintain a solar field on its adjacent land, or act in relation thereto. *(Requested by the Town Administrator)*

SELECTMEN RECOMMENDATION: **YES** ADVISORY RECOMMENDATION: **YES** TAX IMPACT: N/A

Article 8 Voted: On motion of Ronald Reed, it was voted to transfer custody for the purposes of conveying and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to convey an easement to a LLC, its heirs and assigns (IRE), in a certain portion of town property, being the same land shown on Assessor's Maps; Map 58 parcel 25 Center Street and Map 17 parcel 12, Book 3661, Page 38, said easement to be granted on such terms and conditions as are in the best interests of the town for purposes of allowing IRE access to maintain a solar field on its adjacent land.

Unanimous "YES"

Article 9.

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Ashburnham Board of Water Commissioners to enter into a five year contract for the operation and maintenance of the Joint Water Filtration Plant off Lake Road, along with the Town of Winchendon, as contemplated by Chapter 742 of the Acts of 1967, entitled "An Act Authorizing the Joint Ownership And Operation of Certain Municipal Water Supplies By the Towns of Ashburnham and Winchendon", or act in relation thereto. *(Requested by the Town Administrator)*

SELECTMEN RECOMMENDATION: **YES** ADVISORY RECOMMENDATION: **YES** TAX IMPACT: N/A

Article 9 Voted: On motion of Ronald Reed, it was voted to authorize the Ashburnham Board of Water Commissioners to enter into a five year contract for the operation and maintenance of the Joint Water Filtration Plant off Lake Road, along with the Town of Winchendon, as contemplated by Chapter 742 of the Acts of 1967, entitled "An Act Authorizing the Joint Ownership And Operation of Certain Municipal Water Supplies by the Towns of Ashburnham and Winchendon".

Unanimous "YES"

Meeting adjourned at 7:36 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,
Linda A. Ramsdell, CMMC
Town Clerk