

**Town of Stow**  
**RESULTS NOVEMBER 7, 2011 SPECIAL TOWN MEETING**

**TOTAL REGISTERED VOTERS: 4732**

**VOTERS CHECKED: 160**

**TURNOUT: 3.4%**

Passed

**Article 1. Field Drivers**

To see if the Town will vote to rescind Article 1 of the May 2011 Annual Town Meeting, which elected the Board of Selectmen as field drivers, or take any other action relative thereto.

Passed

**Article 2. Flagg Hill Bond Line Item Transfer**

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Fiscal Year 2012 Operating Budget, as adopted under Article 6 of the May 2011 Annual Town Meeting, by adjusting budget line items as follows, or take any other action relative thereto.

<u>Budget Item</u>	<u>Line Item</u>	<u>FY 12 Budget</u>	<u>Adjustment</u>	<u>Adjusted FY 12 Budget</u>
Maturing Principal Long-Term Debt	73	\$1,017,000.00	\$31,000.00	\$1,048,000.00
Interest Long-Term Debt	74	\$640,196.00	(\$31,000.00)	\$609,196.00

No Action

**Article 3. Town Building Structural Repairs**

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and transfer from Free Cash the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000) or any other sum for the purpose of making structural repairs to the Town Building, or take any other action relative thereto.

Passed

**Article 4. Pompositticut School-to-Community Center Pre-Design Funds**

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and transfer from available funds the sum of Seventy three Thousand Six Hundred Seventy-nine Dollars and Sixty-eight Cents (\$73,679.68) or any other sum for the purpose of hiring a professional consulting firm or firms to provide pre-design architectural and engineering services related to the possible new construction, reconstruction, expansion, and/or renovation of the of the Pompositticut School, converting it into a multi-use community center. The intent is to create a community center to provide space for use by various town departments and to possibly create leased space for use by other public or private entities. The consulting services to be provided will include but not be limited to a technical evaluation of the building's mechanical, electrical and structural systems as well as overall building condition; a building and site space use needs analysis; preparation of conceptual plans and drawings; and preparation of preliminary project cost estimates. Selection of said firm or firms shall be made pursuant to applicable laws and regulations.

The amount of \$73,679.68 represents the total resulting from the transfer of \$3,286.25 or any other balance remaining from Article 17 voted at the Special Town Meeting in June 1996 to fund the Hale School addition; the transfer of the sum of \$22,449.59 or any other remaining balance from Article 29 voted at the Annual Town Meeting in May 2004 to fund the purchase of a modular classroom building at the Pompositticut School; the transfer of the sum of \$38,392.30 or any other balance remaining from Article 1 voted at the Special Town Meeting in December 2005 to fund the purchase of a modular classroom building at the Center School; the transfer of the sum of \$8,171.54 or any other remaining balance from Article 26 voted at the Annual Town Meeting in May 2003 to fund various capital improvements to both the Pompositticut School and Center School; the transfer of \$1,380.00 or any other remaining balance from Article 34-9 voted at the Annual Town Meeting in May 2009 to fund roof repairs at the Hale School, or take any other action relative thereto.

Passed

**Article 5. Fire Station Improvement Pre-Design Funds**

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and transfer from Free Cash the sum of Seventy Thousand Dollars (\$70,000) or any other sum for the purpose of hiring a professional consulting firm or firms to provide pre-design architectural and engineering services related to the possible new construction, reconstruction, expansion, and/or renovation of the Fire Station. Selection of said firm or firms shall be made pursuant to applicable laws and regulations. The consulting services to be provided will include but not be limited to a

technical evaluation of the building's mechanical, electrical and structural systems as well as overall building condition; a building and site space use needs analysis; preparation of conceptual plans and drawings; and preparation of preliminary project cost estimates, or take any other action relative thereto.

Passed

**Article 6. Randall Library Improvement Pre-Design Funds**

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and transfer from Free Cash the sum of Seventy Thousand Dollars (\$70,000) or any other sum for the purpose of hiring a professional consulting firm or firms to provide pre-design architectural and engineering services related to the possible new construction, reconstruction, expansion, and/or renovation of the Randall Library. Selection of said firm or firms shall be made pursuant to applicable laws and regulations. The consulting services to be provided will include but not be limited to a technical evaluation of the building's mechanical, electrical and structural systems as well as overall building condition; a building and site space use needs analysis; preparation of conceptual plans and drawings; and preparation of preliminary project cost estimates, or take any other action relative thereto.

**Article 7. Street Acceptance – Cardinal Court - Passed**

**Article 8. Street Acceptance – Cricket Court - Passed**

**Article 9. Street Acceptance – Fox Court - Passed**

**Article 10. Street Acceptance – Salamander Lane - Passed**

**Article 11. Street Acceptance – Wildlife Way - Passed**

**Article 12. Street Acceptance – Woodpecker Court - Passed**

Passed

**Article 13. Zoning Bylaw Amendment – Commercial Solar Photovoltaic Renewable Energy Installations**

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning Bylaw by amending Sections 1.3 by adding new definitions; amending Section 8 by adding a new subsection 8.10; amending Section 3 by adding new subsections 3.1.2.7, 3.2.3.6, 3.3.2.10, 3.5.1.4, 3.6.1.4, 3.7.3 and 3.7.3.1; and amending section 3.10 to read in their entirety as stated below in subsections (A), (B), (C), (D), (E), (F), (G), (H) and (I) of this article; and further that non-substantive changes to the numbering of this bylaw be permitted in order that it be in compliance with the numbering format of the Zoning Bylaw; or take any other action relative thereto.

**PLANNING BOARD SUMMARY**

This article proposes to establish Commercial Solar Photovoltaic Renewable Energy Installations as an allowed use subject to Site Plan Approval in the Industrial, Commercial and Refuse Disposal Districts and subject to Special Permit and Site Plan Approval in the Recreation-Conservation, Residential, and Business Districts. This use is in keeping with the Green Communities Act, which purpose is to provide for renewable and alternative energy and energy efficiency in the Commonwealth. Solar energy does not add to the production of global greenhouse emissions, acid rain, or smog. The Proposed bylaw is intended to promote Commercial Solar Photovoltaic Renewable Energy Installations, while establishing standards that address and protect public safety, minimize undesirable impacts on residential property and neighborhoods, protect scenic, natural and historic resources and do not diminish abutting property.