

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING MINUTES

May 13, 2024

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ATTEST: Brynn C. Durno

Brynn C. Durno, Town Clerk

RETURN OF THE WARRANT

Pursuant to a warrant signed by Select Board Members Ron Mikol, Leah Basbanes and Kiernan Meehan and posted by Constable Steven Tully in five public places as well as attested copies online. We, the inhabitants of the Town of Dunstable whom are qualified to vote in Elections and Town affairs are convening here today at Swallow Union Elementary School on this 13th day of May, A.D. 2024 to act on the following 19 articles.

There were – *136 – one hundred and thirty six registered voters* and *-13- thirteen visitors* in attendance.

The following Election Workers checked in voters for the Annual Town Meeting:
Mary Dow, 63 Oak Street Lynn D. Denyse, 436 Forest Street

Moderator Glod opened the Annual Town Meeting at 7:05PM. The assembly was presented flags by the Color Guard of Troop 28 and proceeded to recite the Pledge of Allegiance. Mr. Glod followed with introductions of the Town Administrator, Town Clerk, Assistant Town Clerk as well as the Advisory Board. Rules of order were also explained.

MEETING MINUTES

PRELIMINARY MOTION

Simple Majority required for passage

MOTION: Ron Mikol, Select Board Chair

I move the Moderator allow non-voters or non-residents to speak on issues related to Town Meeting warrant articles where appropriate.

MOTION PASSED BY SIMPLE MAJORITY AS DECLARED BY THE MODERATOR

ARTICLE 1 – Reports

To hear and act upon the reports of Town Officers, Boards, Committees, Commissioners, and Trustees, or take any action in relation thereto.

Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen

Motion: *I move that the Town accept the 2023 Annual Town Report as printed as well the reports from Town Officers, Boards, Commissioners, and Trustees offered at this Town Meeting.*

MOTION PASSED BY MAJORITY AS DECLARED BY THE MODERATOR.

ARTICLE 2 - Unpaid Bills of FY23

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from Free Cash (Surplus Revenue) a sum of money for the purpose of paying unpaid bills of FY2023, or take any action in relation thereto.

Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen

Motion: *I move that the Town transfer $139.95 from free cash to pay a Verizon telephone bill from a prior fiscal year in this amount.*

MOTION PASSES BY 4/5THS AS DECLARED BY THE MODERATOR.

ARTICLE 3 – Transfer to Water Enterprise Fund

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate or transfer from available funds to the Water Enterprise Fund a sum of money for the purpose of funding operating expenses or other purposes as deemed necessary by the Board of Water Commissioners for FY2024, or take any action in relation thereto.

Sponsored by the Board of Water Commissioners and Advisory Board

Motion: *I move that the Town take no action on this article.*

MOTION PASSED BY MAJORITY AS DECLARED BY THE MODERATOR.

ARTICLE 4 - Operating Budget

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds, or borrow pursuant to any applicable statute, or any combination thereof, to fund the various departments, boards, committees, commissions, and other operating expenses of the Town for Fiscal Year 2025, beginning July 1, 2024, or take any action in relation thereto.

Sponsored by the Advisory Board

Motion: *I move that the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $13,107,748 to fund the various departments, boards, committees, commissions, and other operating expenses of the Town for the Fiscal Year 2025, beginning July 1, 2024, in the sums listed at lines 1 through 71 in the column "Recommended FY25" in the printed budget handout made available at this Town Meeting*

MOTION PASSED BY MAJORITY AS DECLARED BY THE MODERATOR.

	Department/Account	*Voted FY24*	*Department Requests FY25*	*Recommended FY25*	*% Change*	*Special Town Meeting FY25*	*% Change*
	GENERAL GOVERNMENT						
	Town Administrator						
1	SALARIES	175,600	182,696	182,696	4.04%		
2	EXPENSES	3,280	6,280	3,780	15.24%		
	Total	***178,880***	***188,976***	***186,476***	4.25%		
	Selectmen						
3	EXPENSES	10,003	14,230	14,230	42.26%		
	Total	***10,003***	***14,230***	***14,230***	42.26%		
	Fincom						
4	Dues and Memberships	150	150	150	0.00%		
5	Reserve Account	30,000	30,000	30,000	0.00%		
	Total	**30,150**	**30,150**	**30,150**	0.00%		
	Accountant						
6	SALARIES	12,289	28,311	28,311	130.38%		
7	EXPENSES	64,700	59,700	59,700	-7.73%		
	Total	***76,989***	***88,011***	***88,011***	14.32%		
	Assessors						
8	SALARIES	52,690	47,619	47,619	-9.62%		
9	EXPENSES	20,875	18,675	18,675	-10.54%		
	Total	***73,565***	***66,294***	***66,294***	-9.88%		
	Treasurer						
10	SALARIES	65,850	30,999	30,999	-52.92%		
11	EXPENSES	26,090	28,590	28,590	9.58%		
	Total	***91,940***	***59,589***	***59,589***	-35.19%		
	Town Counsel						
12	Professional and Technical	***32,000***	***32,000***	***32,000***	0.00%		
	Dog Program						
13	***Total***	***800***	***800***	***800***	0.00%		
	Town Clerk						
14	SALARIES	51,314	36,504	36,504	-28.86%		
15	EXPENSES	2,100	2,100	2,100	0.00%		
	Total	***53,414***	***38,604***	***38,604***	-27.73%		
	Elections						
16	SALARIES	3,000	3,000	3,000	0.00%		
17	EXPENSES	8,250	8,250	8,250	0.00%		
	Total	***11,250***	***11,250***	***11,250***	0.00%		
	Registrar						
18	SALARIES	***850***	***850***	***850***	***0.00%***		
	Conservation						

19	SALARIES	14,560	14,616	14,616	0.38%		
20	EXPENSES	2,000	2,000	2,000	0.00%		
	Total	***16,560***	***16,616***	***16,616***	0.34%		
	Planning Board						
21	SALARIES	14,560	14,616	14,616	0.38%		
22	EXPENSES	1,400	1,400	1,400	0.00%		
	Total	***15,960***	***16,016***	***16,016***	0.35%		
	Zoning Board						
23	SALARIES	-	-	-			
24	EXPENSES	1,500	1,500	1,500	0.00%		
	Total	***1,500***	***1,500***	***1,500***	0.00%		
	Town Hall						
25	SALARIES	5,267	5,394	5,394	2.42%		
26	EXPENSES	47,950	50,450	50,450	5.21%		
	Total	***53,217***	***55,844***	***55,844***	4.94%		
	Town Reports						
27	***Total***	***3,025***	***3,025***	***3,025***	0.00%		
	Town Engineer						
28	Engineering Services	10,000	10,000	10,000	0.00%		
	Total	***10,000***	***10,000***	***10,000***	0.00%		

TOTAL GENERAL GOVERNMENT	***660,101.80***	***633,755.00***	***631,255.00***	-4.37%		
SALARIES	395,978.80	364,605.00	364,605.00	-7.92%		
EXPENSES	264,123.00	269,150.00	266,650.00	0.96%		
	660,101.80	633,755.00	631,255.00	-4.37%		

PUBLIC SAFETY

	Police Department						
29	SALARIES	1,024,151	1,128,811	1,047,414	2.27%		
30	EXPENSES	239,150	266,910	182,415	-23.72%		
	Total	***1,263,301***	***1,395,721***	***1,229,829***	-2.65%		
	Fire Department						
31	SALARIES	220,718	368,772	271,013	22.79%		
32	EXPENSES	87,950	105,100	92,450	5.12%		
	Total	***308,668***	***473,872***	***363,463***	17.75%		
	Inspectors						
33	SALARIES	62,843	63,380	63,380	0.85%		
34	EXPENSES	3,500	3,500	3,500	0.00%		
	Total	***66,343***	***66,880***	***66,880***	0.81%		
	Emergency Management						
35	***Total***	***2,900***	***2,900***	***2,900***	0.00%		
	Tree Warden						
36	***Total***	***24,435***	***24,435***	***24,435***	0.00%		

			1,665,647	1,963,808	1,687,507	1.31%		
		TOTAL PUBLIC SAFETY	*1,665,647*	*1,963,808*	*1,687,507*	1.31%		
		SALARIES	1,307,712	1,560,963	1,381,807	5.67%		
		EXPENSES	357,935	402,845	305,700	-14.59%		
	SCHOOLS							
	GDRSD	*(GDRSD Operating + Capital)*	*8,061,150*	*9,181,618*	*8,177,586*	1.44%		
37		Operating	**7,742,721**	**8,864,641**	**7,962,157**	2.83%		
38		Capital	188,281	188,281	86,733	-53.93%		
39		Debt	130,148	128,696	128,696	-1.12%		
	GLRVTS							
40		Operating	199,740	199,740	149,536	-25.13%		
41		Debt	31,883	31,883	29,030	-8.95%		
		TOTAL SCHOOLS	***8,292,773***	***9,413,241***	***8,356,152***	0.76%		
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	PUBLIC WORKS							
	Highway Department							
42		SALARIES	322,695	388,588	331,479	2.72%		
43		EXPENSES	245,296	248,847	219,347	-10.58%		
		Total	***567,991***	***637,435***	***550,826***	-3.02%		
	Snow Removal							
44		SALARIES	56,175	57,300	56,175	0.00%		
45		EXPENSES	229,710	234,404	229,710	0.00%		
		Total	***285,885***	***291,704***	***285,885***	0.00%		
	Street Lights							
46		Energy	***10,000***	***12,000***	***11,000***	10.00%		
	Transfer Station							
47		SALARIES	-	-	-			
48		EXPENSES	22,500	22,500	22,500	0.00%		
		Total	***22,500***	***22,500***	***22,500***	0.00%		
	Cemetery							
49		SALARIES	15,000	15,000	15,000	0.00%		
50		EXPENSES	10,600	10,600	10,600	0.00%		
		Total	***25,600***	***25,600***	***25,600***	0.00%		
			911,976	989,239	895,811	-1.77%		
		TOTAL PUBLIC WORKS	***911,976***	***989,239***	***895,811***	-1.77%		
		SALARIES	393,870	460,888	402,654	2.23%		
		EXPENSES	518,106	528,351	493,157	-4.82%		

HUMAN SERVICES

	Board of Health							
51	SALARIES	14,373	14,717	14,717	2.39%		
52	EXPENSES	21,325	22,420	22,420	5.14%		
	Total	***35,698***	***37,137***	***37,137***	4.03%		
	Council on Aging							
53	SALARIES	9,171	9,557	9,557	4.20%		
54	EXPENSES	8,000	7,000	7,000	-12.50%		
	Total	***17,171***	***16,557***	***16,557***	-3.58%		
	Veterans Affairs							
55	SALARIES	6,041	6,162	6,162	2.00%		
56	EXPENSES	19,472	19,472	19,472	0.00%		
	Total	***25,513***	***25,634***	***25,634***	0.47%		
		78,382	79,328	79,328	1.21%		
	TOTAL HUMAN SERVICES	***78,382***	***79,328***	***79,328***	1.21%		
	SALARIES	29,585	30,436	30,436	2.88%		
	EXPENSES	48,797	48,892	48,892	0.20%		

LIBRARY, PARKS & RECREATION

	Library Operations							
57	SALARIES	122,908	116,664	116,664	-5.08%		
58	EXPENSES	65,913	75,932	68,184	3.45%		
	Total	***188,821***	***192,596***	***184,848***	-2.10%		
	Library Consortium							
59	M.V.L. Consortium Dues	***13,500***	***13,500***	***13,500***	0.00%		
	Technical Expenses							
60	***Total***	***30,250***	***37,546***	***37,546***	24.12%		
	Recreation Department							
61	Rec. Other Purchased Service	***11,400***	***11,400***	***11,400***	0.00%		
	Parks Department							
62	***Total***	***62,500***	***71,500***	***62,500***	0.00%		
	Memorial Day Committee							
63	Expenses	***700***	***700***	***700***	0.00%		
		307,170.72	327,242.00	310,494.00	1.08%		
	TOTAL LIBRARY & RECREATION	***307,170.72***	***327,242.00***	***310,494.00***	1.08%		
	SALARIES	122,907.72	116,664.00	116,664.00	-5.08%		
	EXPENSES	184,263.00	210,578.00	193,830.00	5.19%		

DEBT & INTEREST

	Long Term Principal							
64	Long Term Principal	139,744	137,878	137,878	-1.34%		
	Long Term Interest							
65	Long Term Interest	44,175	37,975	37,975	-14.04%		
	Temporary Loan Interest							
66	Temporary Loan Interest	3,774	3,774	3,774.00	0.00%		
	TOTAL DEBT & INTEREST	***187,693***	***179,627***	***179,627***	-4.30%		
	INSURANCE & ASSESSMENTS							
	County Retirement							
67	County Retirement System	365,094	386,855	386,855	5.96%		
	Group Health Insurance - 914							
68	Group Health Insurance	386,428	426,428	394,929	2.20%		
	Unemployment Account							
69	Unemployment	20,000					
	FICA Town Share							
70	Medicare Town Share	36,720	37,638	37,638	2.50%		
	Bldg./Vehicle Liab. Ins/Workers Compensation, Etc							
71	Bldg./Vehicle Liab. Ins.	147,644	162,408	148,152	0.34%		
	TOTAL INSURANCE & ASSESSMENTS	***955,886***	***1,013,329***	***967,574***	1.22%		
	Total Budget	**13,059,629**	**14,599,569**	**13,107,748**	**0.37%**		
		13,059,629	14,599,569	13,107,748	0.37%		
	Municipal Salaries	2,250,054	2,533,556	2,296,166	2.05%		
	Municipal Operations	1,373,224	1,459,816	1,308,229	-4.73%		
	Insurance & Assessments	955,886	1,013,329	967,574	1.22%		
	Municipal Operations - TOTAL	4,579,163	5,006,701	4,571,969	-0.16%		
	Municipal Debt & Interest	187,693	179,627	179,627	-4.30%		
	Town Operations & Debt - TOTAL	4,766,856	5,186,328	4,751,596	-0.32%		
	Schools - Operations	8,130,742	9,252,662	8,198,426	0.83%		
	Schools - Debt & Interest	162,031	160,579	157,726	-2.66%		
	Schools Operations & Debt - TOTAL	8,292,773	9,413,241	8,356,152	0.76%		
	Total Budget for the Fiscal Year	13,059,629	14,599,569	13,107,748	0.37%		

ARTICLE 5 - Free Cash Transfer for FY25

To see what sum the Town will vote to appropriate from Free Cash (Surplus Revenue) to meet the appropriations of Fiscal Year 2025, beginning July 1, 2024, or take any action in relation thereto.

Sponsored by the Advisory Board

Motion: *I move that the Town vote to transfer from Free Cash the sum of $358,724 to meet the appropriations of Fiscal Year 2025, beginning July 1, 2024.*

MOTION PASSED BY MAJORITY AS DECLARED BY THE MODERATOR.

ARTICLE 6 - Revolving Fund Expenditure Limits

To see if the Town will vote pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 44, Section 53E½, to set the annual expenditure limits for Fiscal Year 2025 for all revolving funds established by the General Bylaws, as follows, or take any action in relation thereto:

Cemetery	$10,000
Recreation	$7,000
COA Transport	$3,500
Permit Application Fees	$5,000
Approval Not Required Plans	$15,000
Transfer Station	$155,400

Sponsored by the Advisory Board

Motion: *I move that the Town vote to set the annual expenditure limits for Fiscal Year 2025 for all revolving funds established by the General Bylaws as set forth under Article 6 of the warrant for this Town Meeting.*

MOTION PASSED BY MAJORITY AS DECLARED BY THE MODERATOR.

Article 7 - Capital Improvements for Municipal Departments

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for remodeling, reconstructing, and making repairs to existing Town buildings, infrastructure, and the purchase of necessary equipment, including all incidental and related costs, or take any action in relation thereto.

Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen

Motion: *I move that the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $119,344, within the Town's levy limit, for the Fiscal Year 2025, beginning July 1, 2024, to fund capital projects and purchases including, but not limited to, the following capital projects and purchases:*

- *New police cruiser*
- *New windows at the police station*
- *New gutters at the police station*
- *Firefighter Personal Protective Equipment*
- *Highway Spreader/Sander*

MOTION PASSED BY MAJORITY AS DECLARED BY THE MODERATOR.

ARTICLE 8 – Water System Infrastructure Improvements

To see if the Town will vote to transfer from Water Retained Earnings the sum of $35,000 for design, repair, replacement, construction, and installation of various water infrastructure and associated work, including all incidental and related costs, or take any action in relation thereto.

Sponsored by the Board of Water Commissioners and Board of Selectmen

Motion: *I move that the Town vote to transfer from Water Enterprise Retained Earnings the sum of $35,000 for design, repair, replacement, construction, and installation of various water infrastructure and associated work, including, but not limited to, the installation of a water disinfection system.*

MOTION PASSED BY MAJORITY AS DECLARED BY THE MODERATOR.

ARTICLE 9 - Community Preservation Committee Recommendations

To see what transfers or other actions the Town may vote with respect to any recommended action of the Community Preservation Committee, or take any action in relation thereto.

Sponsored by the Community Preservation Committee

Motion: *I move that the Town appropriate from the Community Preservation revenue the following sums for the following purposes:*

- *Principle payment of Ferrari Farm Note: $75,000*
- *Interest on Ferrari Farm Note: $7,875*
- *Administrative Expense: $18,750*
- *Historic Reserve: $37,500*
- *Community Housing Reserve: $37,500*
- *Open Space Reserve: $37,500*
- *Balance to Undesignated: $160,875*

MOTION PASSED BY MAJORITY AS DECLARED BY THE MODERATOR.

ARTICLE 10 – Removal of Invasive Weeds at Lake Massapoag

To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds, including CPA funds, a sum of money for the continued removal of invasive weeds in Lake Massapoag, including all incidental and related costs, based upon the recommendation of the Community Preservation Committee, or take any action in relation thereto.

Sponsored by the Community Preservation Committee

Motion: *I move that the Town vote to appropriate the sum of $3,500 from Undesignated CPA Funds for the continued removal of invasive weeds in Lake Massapoag.*

MOTION PASSED BY MAJORITY AS DECLARED BY THE MODERATOR.

ARTICLE 11 – Renovation of Wells at Larter Field

To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds, including CPA funds, the sum of $11,940 for the renovation of wells at Larter Field, including all incidental and related costs, based upon the recommendation of the Community Preservation Committee, or take any action in relation thereto.

Sponsored by the Community Preservation Committee

Motion: *I move that the Town vote to appropriate the sum of $11,940 from the CPA Open Space/Recreation allocation for the purpose of making renovations to the wells at Larter Field located off of Groton Street, including all costs incidental and related thereto.*

MOTION PASSED BY MAJORITY AS DECLARED BY THE MODERATOR.

ARTICLE 12 – Town Center Trail Loop Feasibility Study

To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds, including CPA funds, the sum of $20,000 for consulting services to develop a feasibility study and concept design for the Dunstable Town Center Trail Loop project, based upon the recommendation of the Community Preservation Committee, or take any action in relation thereto.

Sponsored by the Community Preservation Committee

Motion: *I move that the Town vote to appropriate the sum of $20,000 from Undesignated CPA funds for the purpose of developing a feasibility study and concept design for the Dunstable Town Center Trail Loop project, including all costs incidental and related thereto.*

MOTION PASSED BY MAJORITY AS DECLARED BY THE MODERATOR.

ARTICLE 13 – Union School Building Restoration and Rehabilitation

To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds, including CPA funds, borrow pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 44B, Section 11, (the Community Preservation Act), or any other applicable statute, or otherwise provide a sum of money not to exceed $1,132,750 to restore and rehabilitate the exterior of the Union School Building, including all incidental and related costs, based upon the recommendation of the Community Preservation Committee, or take any action in relation thereto.

Sponsored by the Community Preservation Committee

Motion: *I move that the Town vote to appropriate the sum of $200,000 from the Historic Preservation Allocation of CPA Funds and borrow, pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 44B, Section 11, (the Community Preservation Act), or any other applicable statute, a sum of $932,150 or otherwise provide a sum for the purpose of financing, planning, designing, constructing, and permitting the rehabilitation and restoration of the Union Building, including all costs incidental and related thereto.*

MOTION PASSED BY MAJORITY AS DECLARED BY THE MODERATOR.

ARTICLE 14 – Town Hall Chimney and Roof Repairs

To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds, including CPA funds, the sum of $20,000 for repairs to the Town Hall chimney and roof, including all incidental and related costs, based upon the recommendation of the Community Preservation Committee, or take any action in relation thereto.

Sponsored by the Community Preservation Committee

Motion: *I move that the Town vote to appropriate the sum of $20,000 from CPA Historic Preservation Allocation for the purpose of planning, designing, and constructing repairs to and restoration of the Town Hall roof and chimney, including all costs incidental and related thereto.*

MOTION PASSED BY MAJORITY AS DECLARED BY THE MODERATOR.

ARTICLE 15 – High Street Property Conservation Restriction

To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds, including CPA funds, the sum of $300,000 to purchase through the Conservation Commission on behalf of the Town a conservation restriction for open space and conservation purposes on a 29.8-acre +/- tract of real property adjacent to 346 High Street identified on Assessors Map 15 Parcels 2 and 3B, and shown as "Parcel B" and "Assessor Parcel ID: 15-2" on a plan recorded in the North Middlesex Registry of Deeds in Plan Book 251, Plan 34, which is on file with the Town Clerk, based upon the recommendation of the Community Preservation Committee, and further, to determine whether the town will seek and/or accept any gifts or grants therefor, or take any action in relation thereto.

Sponsored by the Community Preservation Committee

Motion: *To see if the Town will vote to appropriate $300,000 - $6,000 from CPA Administrative Allocation, $50,0000 from CPA Open Space/Recreation Allocation, and $244,000 from Undesignated CPA funds - to purchase through the Conservation Commission, on behalf of the Town, a conservation restriction for open space and conservation purposes as defined in Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 184, Section 31, as amended, on certain real property situated on High Street, on a 29.8-acre +/- tract of real property adjacent to 346 High Street identified on Assessors Map 15 Parcels 2 and 3B, or take any action in relation thereto.*

MOTION PASSED BY MAJORITY AS DECLARED BY THE MODERATOR.

ARTICLE 16 – Construction of Tennis Courts at Larter Field

To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds, including CPA funds, an additional $140,875 for the purpose of constructing new tennis courts at Larter Field, including all costs incidental and related thereto, based upon the recommendation of the Community Preservation Committee, or take any action in relation thereto.

Sponsored by the Community Preservation Committee

Motion: *I move that the Town vote to appropriate the sum of $140,875 from Undesignated CPA funds for the purpose of planning, designing, and constructing new tennis courts at Larter Field, including all costs incidental and related thereto.*

MOTION PASSED BY MAJORITY AS DECLARED BY THE MODERATOR.

ARTICLE 17 - Chapter 90 Funds

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate any sums of money received by the Town under provisions of Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 90 for the purposes authorized by Chapter 90, or take any action in relation thereto.

Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen

Motion: *I move that the Town vote to appropriate any sums of money received by the Town under provisions of Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 90 for the purposes authorized by Chapter 90.*

MOTION PASSED BY MAJORITY AS DECLARED BY THE MODERATOR.

ARTICLE 18 – Establishment of an Elderly and Disabled Taxation Fund for the purpose of defraying real estate taxes of elderly and disabled persons of low income

To see if the Town will vote to accept the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 60, Section 3D to establish aid to the elderly and disabled through a taxation fund to be used for the purpose of defraying the real estate taxes of low income elderly and disabled citizens and establish an Elderly and Disabled Taxation Fund Committee under said Section 3D to administer the provisions contained herein, including the identification of citizens to receive such aid, or take any action in relation thereto.

Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen

Motion: *I move that the Town vote to accept the provisions of Section 3D of Chapter 60 of the Massachusetts General Laws, thereby establishing a taxation aid committee and aid to the elderly and disabled taxation fund as provided in said Section 3D.*

MOTION PASSED BY MAJORITY AS DECLARED BY THE MODERATOR.

ARTICLE 19 – Municipal Electrical Aggregation

To see if the Town will vote to initiate the process to aggregate electrical load pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 164, Section 134, and further, to authorize the Select Board, or its designee, to research, develop, and participate in a contract or contracts to aggregate the electricity load of the residents and businesses in the Town, independently or in joint action with other municipalities, and to enter into agreements with consultants, experts, and attorneys in connection with the establishment and operation of an electricity aggregation plan, and to reestablish such plan if its operation is suspended, retaining the right of individual residents and businesses to opt out of the aggregation, or take any action in relation thereto.

Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen

Motion: *I move that the Town vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to research, develop and participate in a Community Choice Aggregation Program, including contract for electric supply for Dunstable residents and businesses authorized by Massachusetts General Law 164, Section 134 of the Acts of 1997, or otherwise act thereon.*

MOTION PASSED BY MAJORITY AS DECLARED BY THE MODERATOR.

All Business on the Warrant having been acted upon, a motion was made and seconded to dissolve said Town Meeting at 9:09PM.