

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

TOWN OF BELLINGHAM

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

ARTICLE 1. OPERATING EXPENSES AND SALARIES

To see what sums the Town will vote to raise and appropriate by transfer from available funds and/or otherwise, for the following purposes, to include determining the expenses and salaries of the various elected and appointed Town Officials for the period commencing July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017; or act or do anything in relation thereto

<u>Account #</u>	<u>Account</u>
114	Town Meeting Moderator
122	Board of Selectmen
123	Town Administrator
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152	Human Resources
154	Management Information System
156	Tax Title Foreclosure
161	Town Clerk
162	Elections
163	Board of Registrars
171	Conservation Commission
172	Planning Board
173	Zoning Board of Appeals
182	Industrial Development Commission
183	Commission on Disability
189	Public Buildings Maintenance
190	OTJ Injury for Deductible
192	Employee Sick Day Buy-Back
193	Property & Liability Insurance
194	Retirement Assessment
195	Medicare/Employer Share

196	Town Reports
197	Physical/Occupational Health
198	Insurance Deductible
210	Police Department
220	Fire Department
251	Town Inspector
252	Sealer of Weights & Measures
253	Inspector of Plumbing & Gas
255	Electrical Inspector
292	Animal Control
294	Tree Warden
299	Auxiliary Police
300	School Department
302	Blackstone Valley Vocational Tech School
303	School Transportation
421	Highway Administration
422	Highway Construction/Maintenance
423	Snow and Ice Removal
424	Street Lighting
425	Highway Maintenance
426	Gas & Oil
433	Solid Waste
439	Sanitary Landfill
491	Cemetery Committee
510	Board of Health
541	Council on Aging
543	Veterans Services
549	Veterans Grave Agent
610	Library
630	Park & Recreation
650	Historical Commission
651	Arts Cultural Commission
660	Memorial Day/Veterans
710	Maturing Debt
715	Interest on Bonds
990	Workers Compensation Trust Fund
991	Unemployment Insurance Trust Fund
992	Group Insurance Claims Trust Fund
996	Transfer to Capital Investment Trust
997	Compensated Absence Trust Fund

(By: Board of Selectmen)

VOTED: The Town voted unanimously to raise and appropriate the sum of \$53,603,631 for the purpose of determining the expenses and salaries of various elected and appointed Town Officials and Town Departments for the period commencing July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017, all as printed in the Report and Recommendations of the Finance Committee and identified within their recommendations with said sum to be raised in the following manner:

\$ 303,858 From Ambulance Receipts
\$ 65,631 From Title V Receipts
\$53,234,142 From Taxation
\$53,603,631

1. All travel expenses are paid at the rate of \$.40 per mile. No travel expenses shall be paid except upon receipt of vouchers showing dates, expenses incurred and the miles traveled.
2. Salaries under negotiation have been level funded.
3. All dollar amounts listed have been rounded to the nearest whole dollar.

(Recommended by Finance Committee)

ARTICLE 2. TRASH ENTERPRISE

To see what sums the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Trash Enterprise for a period commencing July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

(By: Board of Selectmen)

VOTED: The Town voted unanimously to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,607,602 for the Trash Enterprise for the period of July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017; said sum to be by transferred from Trash receipts, with \$150,000 from the General Fund, and expended in the following manner:

\$ 35,200 Elected/Appointed Salaries
\$1,572,402 Expenses
\$1,607,602

(Recommended by the Finance Committee)

ARTICLE 3. WATER ENTERPRISE

To see what sums the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Water Enterprise for a period commencing July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

(By: Board of Selectmen)

VOTED: The Town voted unanimously to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,074,717 for the Water Enterprise Fund for the period commencing July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017; said sum to be raised by transfer from Water Receipts expended in the following manner:

\$ 50,000 Reserve Fund
\$ 901,981 Elected/Appointed Salaries
<u>\$1,122,736 Expenses</u>
\$2,074,717

(Recommended by the Finance Committee)

ARTICLE 4. SEWER ENTERPRISE

To see what sums the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Sewer Enterprise for a period commencing July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

(By: Board of Selectmen)

VOTED: The Town voted unanimously to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,305,662 for the Sewer Enterprise Fund for the period commencing July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017; said sum to be raised from Sewer Receipts and expended in the following manner:

\$ 25,000 Reserve Funds
\$ 121,356 Elected/Appointed Salaries
<u>\$1,159,306 Expenses</u>
\$1,305,662

(Recommended by the Finance Committee)

ARTICLE 5. CONVEYANCES AND EASEMENTS

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to accept and/or purchase conveyances or easements, sewers, water lines, retaining walls and streets, and to raise and appropriate a sum of money to carry out said purposes; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

(By: Board of Selectmen)

VOTED: The Town voted unanimously to authorize the Board of Selectmen to accept and/or purchase conveyances or easements, sewers, water lines, retaining walls and streets, and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1.00 to carry out said purpose; said sum to be raised by Free Cash.

(Recommended by the Finance Committee)

ARTICLE 6. PURCHASE OF SURPLUS EQUIPMENT

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money and to authorize the D.P.W. Director, in conjunction with other Town Departments, to purchase surplus government equipment for the Town; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

(By: Board of Selectmen)

VOTED: The Town voted unanimously to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1.00 and to authorize the DPW Director, in conjunction with other Town Departments, to purchase surplus government equipment for the Town; said some to be raised by Free Cash.

(Recommended by the Finance Committee)

ARTICLE 7. TOWN PROPERTY AUCTION

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen and their successors in office to sell at public auction any of the property which the Town may have acquired or may hereafter acquire through proceedings based upon non-payment of taxes or under proceedings for the sale of lands of low value, to impose upon the property so sold such restrictions, reservations or conditions as shall be deemed expedient, and to execute quitclaim deeds and other instruments thereto; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

(By: Board of Selectmen)

VOTED: The Town voted unanimously to authorize the Board of Selectmen and their successors in office to sell at public auction any of the property which the Town may have acquired or may hereafter acquire through proceedings based upon non-payment of taxes or under proceedings for the sale of lands of low value, to impose upon the property so sold such restrictions, reservations or conditions as shall be deemed expedient, and to execute quitclaim deeds and other instruments thereto; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

(Recommended by the Finance Committee)

ARTICLE 8. HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to accept and enter into contracts for the expenditure of funds to be allotted by the State under authorization of Chapter 90 of the Massachusetts General Laws, (as pertaining to Highway Funds) for the construction, reconstruction, and improvement of Town roads, said funds to be borrowed in anticipation of State Revenue; and expended under the direction of the D.P.W. Director.

(By: DPW Director)

VOTED: The Town voted unanimously to authorize the Board of Selectmen to accept and enter into contracts for the expenditure of funds to be allotted by the State under authorization of Chapter 90 of the Massachusetts General Laws, (as pertaining to Highway Funds) for the construction, reconstruction, and improvement of Town roads, said funds to be borrowed in anticipation of State Revenue; and expended under the direction of the D.P.W. Director; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

(Recommended by the Finance Committee)

ARTICLE 9. AMEND ARTICLE 1.

To see if the Town will vote to amend Article 1 of the 2015 Annual Town Meeting by reducing, adding to, deleting, amending appropriations or transferring funds from various sources into items within Article 1; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

(By: Board of Selectmen)

VOTED: The Town voted unanimously to amend Article 1 of the 2015 Annual Town Meeting, and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$503,448 by transferring said amounts from and into various accounts as follows:

<u>Department</u>	<u>Amount Requested</u>	<u>Transfer From</u>
423 - Snow & Ice	\$425,000	Free Cash
543 – Veterans’ Benefits	\$ 39,000	Free Cash
210 – Police Expenses	<u>\$ 39,448</u>	Police Salaries
	\$503,448	

(No Recommendation)

ARTICLE 10. AMEND ARTICLE 2.

To see if the Town will vote to amend Article 2 of the 2015 Annual Town Meeting by reducing, adding to, deleting, amending appropriations or transferring funds from various sources into items within Article 2; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

(By: Board of Selectmen)

VOTED: This article was Passed Over by unanimous vote.

ARTICLE 11. AMEND ARTICLE 3.

To see if the Town will vote to amend Article 3 of the 2015 Annual Town Meeting by reducing, adding to, deleting, amending appropriations or transferring funds from various sources into items within Article 3; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

(By: Board of Selectmen)

VOTED: This article was Passed Over by unanimous vote.

ARTICLE 12. AMEND ARTICLE 4.

To see if the Town will vote to amend Article 4 of the 2015 Annual Town Meeting by reducing, adding to, deleting, amending appropriations or transferring funds from various sources into items within Article 4; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

(By: Board of Selectmen)

VOTED: This article was Passed Over by unanimous vote.

ARTICLE 13. CAPITAL OUTLAY

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money and to determine how such appropriation shall be raised, whether by transfer of available funds, by taxation, by borrowing or otherwise, and if by borrowing to authorize the issuance and sale of general obligation bonds or notes of the Town therefore for the purpose of financing the purchase, construction, reconstruction and/or engineering costs associated with various capital outlay items or improvements proposed by Town Departments, Boards or Committees; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

(By: Board of Selectmen)

VOTED: The Town voted unanimously to raise and appropriate the sum of \$300,000 for the purchase of a new rescue vehicle for the Fire Department; said sum to be raised from Ambulance Receipts.

(Recommended by the Finance Committee)

ARTICLE 14. NON-CAPITAL OUTLAY EXPENDITURES

(Expenditures of Less Than \$50,000)

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money and to determine how such appropriation shall be raised, whether by transfer of available funds, by taxation, by borrowing or otherwise, and if by borrowing to authorize the issuance and sale of general obligation bonds or notes of the Town therefore for the purpose of financing the purchase of various non-capital outlay items or improvements proposed by Town Departments, Boards or Committees; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

(By: Board of Selectmen)

VOTED: The Town voted unanimously to raise and appropriate the sum of \$184,604 all from Free Cash for the purpose of financing the Non-Capital Outlay items from stated funds as follows:

<u>Department/Use</u>	<u>Amount Requested</u>
DPW/New Flooring	\$21,000
FIRE DEPARTMENT/ New SCBA Face Piece Testing Machine	\$10,000

FIRE DEPARTMENT/Lighting Upgrade	\$ 7,997
CFO-FINANCE/BIENNIAL OPED	
Actuarial Study and Report	\$ 8,500
SCHOOL DEPARTMENT/	
Cash Basin and Drywall	
Clean Out at BHS	\$22,000
SCHOOL DEPARTMENT/	
AV and Projection System for BHS Auditorium	\$49,107
SCHOOL DEPARTMENT/	
Trench and Electrical Work for Shed and	
BECP Stall Brook Elementary School	\$23,500
SCHOOL DEPARTMENT/	
Bar Joist Monitor for Snow Load	
Stall Brook Elementary School	\$12,500
MUNICIPAL CENTER/	
New 24x32 Foot Storage Facility	\$30,000

(Recommended by Finance Committee)

ARTICLE 15. REVOLVING FUNDS

To see if the Town will vote to adopt provisions of Chapter 44, Section 53E-1/2, of the General Laws to allow the reauthorization and/or creation of the following revolving funds:

1. To allow the Bellingham Public Library Trustees to create a special revolving fund from revenues received from overdue books and video fines and to authorize the Trustees to use said funds for purchasing books, videos, library materials, and to make payment to temporary or part-time employees and independent contractors, not to exceed \$15,000.
2. To allow the D.P.W. to create a special revolving fund from the revenues received for services provided to open cemetery graves and to authorize the DPW to use said funds to make payments for salaries and other related expenses not to exceed \$20,000.

3. To allow the Board of Health to create a special revolving fund from the revenues received for services provided for food inspections and to authorize the Board to use said funds for salaries and other related expenses not to exceed \$35,000.
4. To allow the Board of Health to create a special revolving fund from the revenues received from Tobacco Permits and violations and to authorize the use of said funds for tobacco surveillance of the tobacco regulations and for tobacco education and training, not to exceed \$20,000.
5. To allow the Commission on Disability to create a special revolving fund from revenues received from gifts, grants and fees and to authorize the use for purchasing equipment and supporting materials, and to authorize the Commission to use said funds to make payment to temporary or part-time employees and independent contractors, not to exceed \$10,000.
6. To allow the Bellingham Police Department to create a special revolving fund from revenues received from third party vendors hired by the Police Department, details with assigned vehicles for the detail; and to authorize the Department to use funds for the repair, replacement and/or for the purchase of equipment or vehicles for the Police Department, not to exceed \$40,000; or act or do anything in relation thereto.
7. To allow the Bellingham Conservation Commission to create a special revolving fund from revenues received by applicants under the Town's local wetlands protection by-law; not to exceed \$15,000; and to authorize the Commission to use said funds for potential land purchases, in supplementation of funds in the Town's Land Acquisition Trust; or act or do anything in relation thereto.
8. To allow the Board of Selectmen to create a special revolving fund from revenues received from fees and fines issued by the Sealer of Weights and Measures and to authorize the Selectmen to use said funds for purchasing equipment and materials and to make payments for salaries, all in the performance of annual inspections as required by State law, not to exceed \$25,000; or act or do anything in relation thereto.
9. To allow the School Committee to create a special revolving fund from revenues received from the rental of the Anderson Athletic Field; the purchase of commemorative bricks at said field; and the purchase of advertising at said field and to authorize the use of such funds for maintenance of the grounds to include payments to qualifying employees and independent contractors, not to exceed \$50,000; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

(By: Library Trustees, D.P.W., Board of Health, Commission on Disability, Police Department, Conservation Commission, Board of Selectmen, School Committee)

VOTED: The Town voted unanimously to reauthorize the Town's various revolving funds, all as stated in the Report and Recommendations of the Finance Committee.

1. To allow the Bellingham Public Library Trustees to create a special revolving fund from revenues received from overdue books and video fines and to authorize the Trustees to use said funds for purchasing books, videos, library materials, and to make payment to temporary or part-time employees and independent contractors, not to exceed \$15,000.
2. To allow the D.P.W. to create a special revolving fund from the revenues received for services provided to open cemetery graves and to authorize the DPW to use said funds to make payments for salaries and other related expenses not to exceed \$20,000.
3. To allow the Board of Health to create a special revolving fund from the revenues received for services provided for food inspections and to authorize the Board to use said funds for salaries and other related expenses not to exceed \$35,000.
4. To allow the Board of Health to create a special revolving fund from the revenues received from Tobacco Permits and violations and to authorize the use of said funds for tobacco surveillance of the tobacco regulations and for tobacco education and training, not to exceed \$20,000.
5. To allow the Commission on Disability to create a special revolving fund from revenues received from gifts, grants and fees and to authorize the use for purchasing equipment and supporting materials, and to authorize the Commission to use said funds to make payment to temporary or part-time employees and independent contractors, not to exceed \$10,000.
6. To allow the Bellingham Police Department to create a special revolving fund from revenues received from third party vendors hired by the Police Department, details with assigned vehicles for the detail; and to authorize the Department to use funds for the repair, replacement and/or for the purchase of equipment or vehicles for the Police Department, not to exceed \$40,000; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

7. To allow the Bellingham Conservation Commission to create a special revolving fund from revenues received by applicants under the Town's local wetlands protection by-law; not to exceed \$15,000; and to authorize the Commission to use said funds for potential land purchases, in supplementation of funds in the Town's Land Acquisition Trust; or act or do anything in relation thereto.
8. To allow the Board of Selectmen to create a special revolving fund from revenues received from fees and fines issued by the Sealer of Weights and Measures and to authorize the Selectmen to use said funds for purchasing equipment and materials and to make payments for salaries, all in the performance of annual inspections as required by State law, not to exceed \$25,000; or act or do anything in relation thereto.
9. To allow the School Committee to create a special revolving fund from revenues received from the rental of the Anderson Athletic Field; the purchase of commemorative bricks at said field; and the purchase of advertising at said field and to authorize the use of such funds for maintenance of the grounds to include payments to qualifying employees and independent contractors, not to exceed \$50,000; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

(Recommended by the Finance Committee)

ARTICLE 16. PINE GROVE SEWER PUMPING STATION

To see if the Town will vote to amend Article 13 of the May 27, 2015 Annual Town Meeting to raise and appropriate \$320,000 to replace the existing sewer siphon with a sewer pump station on Pine Grove Avenue to reduce the risk of sewer overflows and backups. Funding to be as follows: Raise and appropriate by transfer \$185,000 from Article 13 of the May 27, 2015 Annual Town Meeting; and raise and appropriate by taxation \$135,000 from borrowing or other such means; or act or do anything related thereto.

(By: DPW Director)

VOTED: The Town voted unanimously to amend Article 13 of the May 27, 2015 Annual Town Meeting to raise and appropriate \$320,000 to replace the existing sewer siphon with a sewer pump station on Pine Grove Avenue to reduce the risk of sewer overflows and backups. Funding to be as follows: Raise and appropriate by transfer \$185,000 from Article 13 of the May 27, 2015 Annual Town Meeting; and raise and appropriate by borrowing \$135,000 and to authorize the issuance and sale of general obligation bonds or notes of the Town for the purpose of funding the project.

Motion carried by a 2/3 voice vote (per General By-Law Section 4.07.100 adopted by Town on May 28, 1997.

(Recommended by the Finance Committee)

ARTICLE 17. AMENDMENT OF VOTE ADOPTED UNDER ARTICLE 16 OF THE OCTOBER 10, 2012 TOWN MEETING

To see if the Town will vote to amend the vote adopted under Article 16 of the October 10, 2012 Town Meeting, which vote approved the borrowing of \$15,400,000 to pay costs to design, obtain environmental permits, obtain easements, and construct water mains, water treatment plants and appurtenances, and to modify existing treatment and pumping systems, to treat and deliver the Town's drinking water, by expanding the scope of such borrowing authority to permit the use of such funds to also pay costs of well reconstruction of two wells located at Cross Street (Well #1) and Hartford Avenue (Well #7) including the payment of all costs incidental and related thereto; or act or do anything related thereto.

(By: Board of Selectmen)

VOTED: The Town voted unanimously to amend the vote adopted under Article 16 of the October 10, 2012 Town Meeting, which vote approved the borrowing of \$15,400,000 to pay costs to design, obtain environmental permits, obtain easements, and construct water mains, water treatment plants and appurtenances, and to modify existing treatment and pumping systems, to treat and deliver the Town's drinking water, by expanding the scope of such borrowing authority to permit the use of such funds to also pay costs of well reconstruction of two wells located at Cross Street (Well #1) and Hartford Avenue (Well #7) including the payment of all costs incidental and related thereto.

Motion carried by 2/3 vote (per General By-Law Section 4.07.100 adopted by Town on May 28, 1997.

(Recommended by the Finance Committee)

ARTICLE 18: BROOKFIELD LANE ACCEPTANCE

To see if the Town will vote to accept as a Public Way a road identified as Brookfield Lane, being shown on a Plan entitled, "Brookfield Estates Definitive Subdivision Plan", dated June 9, 2007, revised through October 11, 2007, prepared by Colonial Engineering, Inc., P.O. Box 95, Medway, MA 02053, along with all easements appurtenant thereto, and further to authorize the Selectmen to accept Deeds and/or easements for the same. The above described plan is recorded in the Norfolk County Registry of Deeds on February 4, 2008, in Plan Book 577, Page 90 as more particularly described in the deed on file at the Office of the Town Clerk; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

(By: Emile P. Gareau
66 Locust St., Bellingham MA)

VOTED: The Town voted unanimously to accept as a Public Way a road, the easements and appurtenant thereto, and deed thereto, identified at Brookfield Lane, being shown on a Plan entitled, "Brookfield Estates Subdivision Plan", dated June 9, 2007, revised through October 11, 2007, prepared by Colonial Engineering, Incorporated, PO Box 95, Medway, MA 02053. Said plan recorded in the Norfolk Registry of Deeds on February 4, 2008, in Plan Book 577, Page 90 as described in a deed attached thereto and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to accept deed thereto.

(Recommended by the Finance Committee, Planning Board and DPW)

ARTICLE 19. PINE ACRES DRIVE ACCEPTANCE

To see if the Town will vote to accept as a Public Way a road and the easements thereto, identified as PINE ACRES DRIVE, being shown on a Plan entitled, "PINE ACRES ESTATES, PLAN OF LAND, IN BELLINGHAM, MASS" prepared by G. R. Brisson, Registered Land Surveyor, and recorded at the Norfolk County Registry of Deeds as Plan No. 59 and 60 of 2005 in Plan Book 539, and as more particularly described in a deed on file at the Office of the Town Clerk dated August 5, 2004 (with revisions through March 11, 2005) and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to accept a deed and/or easements thereto; or act or do anything related thereto.

(By: Richard R. Cornetta, Jr., Esq.
4 West St., Franklin, MA
For: Germaine Realty Trust)

VOTED: The Town voted unanimously to accept as a Public Way a road, the easements and appurtenant thereto, and the Deed thereto, identified as Pine Acres Drive, being shown on a Plan entitled, "Pine Acres Estate, Plan of Land, Bellingham, Mass." Dated August 5, 2004 (with revisions through March 11, 2005) prepared by G. R. Brisson, Registered Land Surveyor, and recorded at the Norfolk County Registry of Deeds as Plan Numbers 59 and 60 of 2005 in Plan Book 539, and as more particularly in a deed on file at the Office of the Town Clerk and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to accept the deed thereto; or act or do anything related thereto.

Recommended by the Finance Committee, Planning Board and DPW)

ARTICLE 20. OPEN SPACE PARCEL ACCEPTANCE

To see if that the Town vote to accept as Open Space, the easements and appurtenant thereto, and the Deed thereto, identified as PARCEL A , being shown on a Plan entitled, "PINE ACRES ESTATES, PLAN OF LAND, IN BELLINGHAM, MASS" dated August 5, 2004 (with revisions through March 11, 2005) prepared by G.R. Brisson, Registered Land Surveyor, and recorded at the Norfolk County Registry of Deeds as Plan No. 55 of 2005 in Plan Book 539, and as more particularly described in a deed on

file at the Office of the Town Clerk and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to accept the deed thereto; or act or do anything related thereto.

(By: Richard R. Cornetta, Jr., Esq.
4 West St., Franklin, MA
For: Germaine Realty Trust)

VOTED: The Town voted unanimously to Pass Over this article.

ARTICLE 21. OPEN SPACE PARCEL ACCEPTANCE

To see if that the Town vote to accept as Open Space, the easements and appurtenant thereto, and the Deed thereto, identified as PARCEL D , being shown on a Plan entitled, "PINE ACRES ESTATES, PLAN OF LAND, IN BELLINGHAM, MASS" dated August 5, 2004 (with revisions through March 11, 2005) prepared by G.R. Brisson, Registered Land Surveyor, and recorded at the Norfolk County Registry of Deeds as Plan No. 58 of 2005 in Plan Book 539, and as more particularly described in a deed on file at the Office of the Town Clerk and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to accept the deed thereto; or act or do anything related thereto.

(By: Richard R. Cornetta, Jr., Esq.
4 West St., Franklin, MA
For: Germaine Realty Trust)

VOTED: The Town voted unanimously to Pass Over this article.

ARTICLE 22. PEARL STREET MILL DEMOLITION

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purpose of paying all costs associated with the demolition of the Pearl Street Mill and to determine how said sum will be raised, whether by transfer of available funds, by taxation, by borrowing or otherwise and if by borrowing to authorize the issuance and sale of general obligation bonds or notes of the Town therefore for the purpose of paying all associated costs with the demolition; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

(By: Board of Selectmen)

VOTED: The Town voted unanimously to raise and appropriate the sum of \$575,000 and authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into contracts for the purpose of paying all costs associated with the demolition of the Pearl Street Mill and to authorize the issuance and sale of general obligation bonds or notes of the Town for said purpose.

Motion carried by a 2/3 voice vote (per General By-Law Section 4.07.100 adopted by Town on May 28, 1997.

(Recommended by the Finance Committee)

ARTICLE 23. SALE OF LAND

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to sell at public auction property identified as Assessors Map 29 Parcel 108, a 15 acre plus or minus parcel which was the former site of the Clara Macy Elementary School and to impose upon the property such restrictions, reservations or conditions as shall be deemed expedient and to execute agreements, quitclaim deeds and other instruments relating to such sale; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

(By: Board of Selectmen)

VOTED: The Town voted to authorize the Board of Selectmen to sell at public auction property identified as Assessors Map 29 Parcel 108, a 15 acre plus or minus parcel which was the former site of the Clara Macy Elementary School and to impose upon the property such restrictions, reservations or conditions as shall be deemed expedient and to execute agreements, quitclaim deeds and other instruments relating to such sale; or act or do anything in relation thereto as amended as follows:

Amendment 1 (Denis Fraine): "Additionally, the Board of Selectmen will seek two appraisals and accept no less than the average of the two appraisals."

Amendment 2 (Lee Ambler): "Provided that any sale would exclude the existing ballpark and playground."

All three motions carried by a 2/3 voice vote (per General By-Law Section 4.07.100 adopted by town on May 28, 1997.

(Recommended by the Finance Committee)

ARTICLE 24. MUNICIPAL AGGREGATION OF ELECTRICITY

To see if the Town will vote, pursuant to G. L. c. 164, s. 134, or other applicable statutes, to grant the Board of Selectmen authority to research, develop and participate in a contract, or contracts, to aggregate the electricity load of the residents and businesses in the Town and for other related services, independently, or in joint action with other municipalities, retaining the right of individual residents and businesses to opt-out of the aggregation; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

(By: Board of Selectmen)

VOTE: The Town voted unanimously, pursuant to G. L. c. 164, s. 134, or other applicable statutes, to grant the Board of Selectmen authority to research, develop and participate in a contract to aggregate the electricity load of the residents and businesses in the Town and for other related services while retaining the right of individual residents and businesses to opt-out of the aggregation at any time.

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen)

ARTICLE 25. CONVEYANCE OF EASEMENT

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to sell, exchange or convey an access easement across a Town owned access road identified as "Water Department Roadway" as shown on Assessor's Parcel 13-3A, said access to be limited to construction and maintenance on a solar facility that may be located on adjoining property; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

(By: Board of Selectmen)

VOTE: The Town voted unanimously to authorize the Selectmen to sell, exchange or convey an access easement along a Town owned access road identified as "Water Department Roadway" as shown on Assessor's Map 13, Parcel 3A; said access to be limited to providing access for construction and maintenance on a solar facility that may be located on adjoining property.

Amendment (Lee Ambler) "such conveyance to be consistent with the agreement between the Selectmen and the Solar contractor."

Motion and amendment carried by a 2/3 voice vote (per General By-Law Section 4.07.100 adopted by Town on May 28, 1997.

(Recommended by Finance Committee)

ARTICLE 26. UNPAID BILLS

To see if the Town will vote to raise, appropriate or transfer a sum of money for the payment of certain unpaid bills; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

(By: Finance Committee)

VOTED: The Town voted unanimously to raise, appropriate or transfer a sum of money for the payment of certain unpaid bills all as follows:

<u>Department</u>	<u>Amount Requested</u>	<u>Transferred From</u>
Sewer City Of Woonsocket, RI	\$17,900.45	Article 5 STM 10/14/15
Treasurer/Collector's Office Kelly & Ryan Associated	\$ 21.00	Free Cash
Police Department Cross Match Tech	\$ <u>400.00</u> \$ 18,321.45	Free Cash

(Recommended by the Finance Committee)

Adjourned at 9:34 PM.

No quorum required.

Attendance:

P - 1	P - 2	P - 3	P - 4	P - 4A	P - 5	TOTAL
15	26	6	11	1	19	78

A True Record.

ATTEST:

Ann L. Odabashian
Bellingham Town Clerk

