

THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

MAY 5, 2016

MOTION CARDS

CONSENT

CALENDAR

I move that the Town vote by unanimous consent the following Articles that have not been requested "hold"; those (consent calendar) Articles being: 2, 6, 7, 9, 24 and 26.

ARTICLE 3:

I move that the Town vote to fix the salaries and compensation of all officers of the Town as provided by Chapter 41, Section 108, M.G.L. as amended, and to raise and appropriate \$20,702,889.00 as necessary to defray expenses of the Town Departments for the ensuing year, as set forth in the document entitled "Finance Committee Report, Town of Upton, Massachusetts, Fiscal Year 2017 Budget Recommendation" for all those items not requested "hold", and as amended, if applicable, by vote of Town Meeting for those items requested "hold".

ARTICLE 4:

I move that the Town vote to appropriate the sum of One million one hundred twenty-two thousand five hundred thirty-two dollars (\$1,122,532.00) to operate the Water Enterprise Fund as set forth below for the ensuing fiscal year:

That the following sums be appropriated for the Water Enterprise Fund:

Wages & Salaries	\$ 237,194.00
Expenses	340,104.00
Capital Outlay	65,000.00
Debt	402,878.00
Extra/Unforeseen	50,000.00
Budgeted Surplus*	27,356.00
Total	\$ 1,122,532.00

And that **\$1,122,532.00** be raised for such purposes as follows:

Department receipts	\$ 871,094.00
Retained Earnings	50,000.00
Tax Levy	201,438.40**
Free Cash	-0-

*(NOTE: the budgeted surplus is intended to be used, subject to appropriation, to pay a portion of the costs of the replacement of the Hartford Avenue North water main in FY 18)

** (NOTE: As raised and appropriated under Article 3)

ARTICLE 5: I move that the Town vote to appropriate the sum of Eight hundred fifty-nine thousand five hundred seven dollars money to operate the Wastewater Enterprise Fund as follows for the ensuing fiscal year:

That the following sums be appropriated for the Wastewater Enterprise Fund:

Wage & Salaries	\$ 214,414.00
Expenses	317,674.00
Capital Outlay	40,000.00
Debt	253,507.00
Extra/Unforeseen	30,000.00
Budgeted Surplus*	3,912.00
Total	\$ 859,507.00

And that **\$859,507.00** be raised for such purposes as follows:

Department receipts	\$ 672,754.00
Retained Earnings	30,000.00
Tax levy	126,753.00**
	30,000.00
Free cash	-0-

* (NOTE: A rate increase of 2.0% is projected to raise \$3,912.00 more than the budgeted expenditures for FY 17, which amount will be used, subject to appropriation, for future capital improvements to the water system)

** (NOTE: As raised and appropriated under Article 3)

ARTICLE 6: I move that the Town vote to appropriate the sum of Four hundred forty-nine thousand, nine hundred eighty-three dollars (\$449,983.00), in conformity with M.G.L. Chapter 32, Section 22(7)(c)(ii) of the General Laws relative to the Pension, Expense, Worker's Compensation, and Military Service Funds of the Worcester Regional Retirement System for the fiscal year 2017, and for such purposes to raise or transfer the following amounts:

Tax levy - \$409,206

Water Enterprise Fund - \$20,389
Wastewater Enterprise Fund - \$20,388

ARTICLE 7: I move that that the Town vote to establish the following revolving funds for FY2017 subject to certain limitations and conditions, all as printed in the warrant under Article 7, and to carry forward any balances in such funds as of June 30, 2016: Wetland By-law Fund, Curbside Waste & Recycling Fund, Title V Fund, Upton Town Library Fund, Council on Aging Fund, Recreation Commission Revolving Account, Conservation Commission Storm Water By-Law Fund, Land Stewardship Committee Community Garden Fund and Land Stewardship Land Stewardship Fund.

ARTICLE 8: I move that the Town vote to accept Massachusetts G.L. Chapter 60, § 15B that allows the Town of Upton to establish a tax title collection revolving fund for the Treasurer/Collector, and to establish a spending limit of \$15,000 for FY 2017, provided, however, that the Board of Selectmen, with the approval of the Finance Committee, may increase such limit at the request of the Treasurer/Collector.

ARTICLE 9: I move that the Town vote to accept and expend such sum or sums of money allotted or to be allotted to the Town from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts under the provisions of M.G.L. c.90 or under any other state roadway reimbursement programs for fiscal year 2017, and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into a contract or contracts with the Massachusetts Department of Transportation Highway Division for such purposes; and further, to authorize the Treasurer with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, to borrow in anticipation of 100% reimbursement of said amounts.

ARTICLE 10: I move that the Town vote to amend the provisions of the Town of Upton Bylaws, by inserting in Title 3, a new Chapter 8 for the purpose of establishing a process to address tree management on Town property as set forth in the handout entitled "Town of Upton, Text of Various Warrant Articles, Article 10".

ARTICLE 11: I move that the Town vote to amend the provisions of the Town of Upton Bylaws, by inserting in Title 3, a new Chapter 7 for the purpose of allowing the Town to address hazardous conditions when water is discharged into a public way as set forth in the handout entitled "Town of Upton, Text of Various Warrant Articles, Article 11".

ARTICLE 12: I move that the Town vote to become a member in the Central Massachusetts Mosquito Control Project (“CMMCP”), for a minimum three year period, pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 252, Section 5A and any other applicable sections of law, and as funding therefor to raise and appropriate the sum of fifty two thousand dollars (\$52,000.00).

ARTICLE 13: I move that the Town vote to amend the vote taken under Article 3 of the May 7, 2015 Annual Town Meeting appropriating the fiscal year 2016 budget, as amended under Article 1 of the March 3, 2016 Special Town Meeting, to make a supplemental appropriation for Town Counsel Expense for the remainder of fiscal year 2016, and as funding therefor, to appropriate from Free Cash the total sum of Twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000.00).

ARTICLE 14: I move that the Town vote to transfer from Free Cash the sum of Three hundred ninety-nine dollars and fifty-eight cents (\$399.58), for outstanding fiscal year 2015 employment benefits.

ARTICLE 15: I move that the Town vote to act on the report of the Community Preservation Committee on the fiscal year 2017 community preservation budget, and to appropriate the sum of Fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000.00) from the Community Preservation Fund fiscal year 2017 estimated annual revenues to the Community Preservation Committee Administrative Expense Account for all necessary and proper administrative expenses of the Committee for fiscal year 2017.

ARTICLE 16: I move that the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000.00), for the purchase of replacement portable and mobile radios and any related equipment required to utilize this equipment for police department operations.

ARTICLE 17: I move that the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty-seven thousand dollars (\$27,000.00), or any other sum, for the purchase of replacement defibrillators and any related equipment required to utilize this equipment for Police and Fire Department operations.

ARTICLE 18: I move that the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty-one thousand one hundred fifty dollars (\$21,150.00), for the purchase of turnout gear for the Fire Department.

ARTICLE 19: I move that the Town vote to transfer from Article 3 of the November 17, 2016 Special Town Meeting the sum of Eighteen thousand dollars (\$18,000.00), for the purchase and installation of replacement flooring and carpeting for the second floor of the Fire Station located at 20 Church Street, including all incidental and related expenses.

ARTICLE 20: I move that the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000.00), for the Town of Upton's share of the costs to complete engineering and design services required for repairs to the Fisk Mill Bridge, jointly owned by the Towns of Milford and Upton, including all incidental and related expenses.

ARTICLE 21: I move to pass over this article.

ARTICLE 22: I move that the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One thousand dollars (\$1,000.00), for the purchase and installation of a gate at the entrance of Heritage Park on Elm Street, including all incidental and related expenses.

ARTICLE 23: I move that the Town vote to raise and appropriate sum of One hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000.00), to the Other Post-Employment Benefits Liability Trust Fund established under Article 42 of the 2011 Annual Town Meeting, to meet the Town's obligations under the Government Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement 45 to fund the Town's future obligations for the cost of other post-employment benefits identified by the GASB 45 Report.

ARTICLE 24: I move that the Town vote to set Fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000.00) as the maximum spending limit for fiscal year 2017 expenditures for the "Senior Work Off" Program, which program allows senior citizens to work for the Town in exchange for credit on annual property tax assessments.

ARTICLE 25: I move that the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Three hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$350,000.00), to be used for the

construction and/or improvement of Town Roads to supplement those provided for under the Commonwealth of Massachusetts M.G.L. Chapter 90 Program.

ARTICLE 26: I move that the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000.00), to the Finance Committee Reserve Account, said amount to be expended in accordance with M.G.L. Chapter 40, §6.

ARTICLE 27: I move that the Town vote to transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$8,000.00 to fund a contract with a qualified, independent outside consultant to complete a work study of the positions of Assessor of Taxes, Treasurer/Collector, Assistant to the Treasurer and Assistant to the Assistant Treasurer specifically to determine the elements of work being performed, the skill sets employed, the amount of productive time needed and the quality of the result accomplished and to prepare comprehensive job descriptions to fit the actual, determine a competitive market value of each position and make recommendations to the Board of Selectmen, Town Manager, Assessors and Office of Treasurer/Collector.

Motion by petitioner.

ARTICLE 28: I move that the Town vote to provide the Board of Selectmen with a sense of the meeting as to whether to place on the ballot at a special or annual election an under-ride question as follows:

Shall the Town of Upton be required to reduce the amount of real estate and personal property taxes to be assessed for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2016 by an amount equal to \$1.4 million?

Motion by petitioner.