



**Select Board Minutes
Tuesday April 4, 2017 - 7 pm
Holland Town Hall
27 Sturbridge Road
Holland, MA**

Present: Elias Gillen, Chair
Lawrence Mandell, Member – Remote participation
Bettina Schmidt, Member
Kelli A. Robbins, Esq., Executive Secretary

Call to Order:

Mr. Gillen called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Mr. Mandell joined the meeting via telephone, placed on speaker phone by the microphone to ensure audio capability for the cable viewers.

Approval of Minutes

None were available for review at the time of the meeting.

Public Access (part one)

Seeing James Gagne, Deputy Fire Chief and Rick Lundin in the audience bearing breathing apparatus, Chairman Gillen invited them to speak.

James Gagne, Deputy Fire Chief, came to let the Select Board that Holland received 10 used Scott Air Packs, enough to outfit all the vehicles. This was achieved through the coordinated efforts of Chief Schroder and Eric Lundin, of the Newington CT., Fire Department, and Rick Lundin of the Holland Fire Department These give Holland a stepping stone to improve our equipment, better insuring our fire fighters' safety.

Mr. Gillen asked what the life span of the units are. 30 plus years with care. DC Gagne explained how these packs are a better system that include the ability to buddy breath. Mr. Lundin showed the board the tank up close. The Select Board thanked Rick and his son for getting these to Holland.

Ms. Schmidt stated the Select Board should send a letter of thanks to Newington FD. Ms. Robbins will see to the letter on behalf of the Select Board.

Old Business:

Select Board resigned the Caucus notice after a typo was corrected.

Information on NOI for drawdown – no information available at this time

New Business:

Warrant for Annual Town Meeting

Mr. Gillen read the warrant as presented with the instructions that any item should be put on hold if there were any questions or discussions.

Ms. Schmidt noted that the day of the week for the upcoming election, stated in the warrant needed to be corrected from Monday to Tuesday.

Motion 040417-2 Ms. Schmidt, to accept warrant as written with the before noted amendment. 2nd Mr. Mandell. So voted. (see attached)

Public Access

Jon Smith – Dug Hill Road, Recreation Committee. Mr. Smith came to discuss having a bandstand/gazebo on the town hall lot for the purpose of holding musical event and giving people somewhere to sit. Mr. Smith suggested that Tantasqua tech students could possibly build it as a school project. Mr. Smith then went into great detail on research he has done on the purchase of a new lawn mower. Mr. Gillen stated he could look into an answer.

Announcements:

Ms. Schmidt reported on warrants signed.

W35 P \$84,796.41	W37 A \$21,818.99
A \$61,434.79	P \$85,830.03
W36 P \$22,990.82	W38 A \$108,123.92
A \$39,352.87	P \$25,721.37

Motion 040417-8 Mr. Mandell, to adjourn. Ms. Schmidt 2nd. So voted.

Meeting closed 7:33 PM

WARRANT
ANNUAL TOWN MEETING
TUESDAY, MAY 30, 2017

WARRANT – Annual Town Meeting, Tuesday, May 30, 2017

HAMPDEN, ss

To any and all constables in the Town of Holland, County of Hampden

GREETINGS

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Holland qualified to vote in elections and in Town affairs, to meet at the Holland Elementary School Auditorium in said Town on Tuesday, May 30, 2017 at 7:00 PM, then and there to act on all business on the Annual Town Meeting Warrant except the election of such officers and the determination of such matters as are required by law to be determined by ballot, which election shall be held on Tuesday, June 13, 2017, between the hours of 10:00 AM and 8:00 PM, to wit:

ARTICLE #1 To choose by ballot all necessary Town Officers for the ensuing terms: Selectman, (one) 3 yr.; Assessor, (one) 3 yr.; Board of Health, (one) 3 yr.; Cemetery, (one) 3 yr.; Constable, (one) 3 yr.; Library Trustee, (one) 3 yr.; Library Trustee, (one) 1 yr.; Planning Board, (one) 5 yr.; Holland School Committee, (one) 3 yr.; Holland School Committee, (one) 3 yr.; Holland School Committee (one) 2 yr.; Holland School Committee (one) 1 yr.; Tantasqua School Committee (one) 2 yr.; Tree Warden (one) 3 yr.; Water Commissioner (one) 3 yr.; or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE #2 To hear the reports of the Town Officers and outstanding committees, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE #3 To see if the Town will vote to fix the salary and compensation of all officers of the Town, effective from July 1, 2017, as provided by Section 108 of Chapter 41 of the General Laws, as amended and raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money thereto, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE #4 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, borrow or transfer from available funds such sums of money as may be necessary to defray the expenses of the Town, for the ensuing twelve month fiscal period, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE #5 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, borrow or transfer from available funds such sums of money as may be necessary to pay an FY16 bill from Republic Services, in the amount of \$147.25, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE #6 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, borrow or transfer from available funds such sums of money as may be necessary to pay an FY16 bill from Pearson, for truck repair for Fire Department, in the amount of \$1,650.00, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE #7 To see if the Town will vote to borrow, a sum up to but not to exceed \$100,000.00 (one hundred thousand dollars and no cents), for the purpose of funding a Dredging Feasibility Study for Hamilton Reservoir, or take any action relative thereto.
Sponsor – Lake Oversight Committee

ARTICLE #8 To see if the Town will vote to transfer \$ _____ from Free Cash to cover the snow and ice deficit, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE #9 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, borrow or transfer from available funds a sum of money to cover snow and ice deficit, or take any other action relative thereto. Sponsor -

ARTICLE #10 To see if the Town will vote to transfer \$39,000.00 from Capital Purchase Stabilization, to purchase a 2017 Ford Interceptor Utility SUV equipped as a fire command vehicle, or take any other action relative thereto. Sponsor-Fire Department

ARTICLE #11 To see if the Town will vote to increase the amount that an individual can earn through the senior tax work off program from \$1000.00 to \$1200.00 in accordance with G.L. c. 59, § 5K, or take any other action relative thereto.
Sponsor - Citizen Petition

ARTICLE #12 To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Cemetery Commissioners to draw interest on the Perpetual Care Funds to be used on said lots, and also the interest on General Care Funds to be used for burials and general maintenance, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE #13 To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Tree Warden to bill the appropriate utility companies, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE #14 To see if the Town will vote to appropriate funds provided to the Town by the State under Chapter 90 Type money and such other funds as the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Department of Transportation may provide, and to authorize the Select Board to enter into contracts with Commonwealth of Massachusetts Highway Division for Chapter 90 Type money allocated to the Town by the State, or take any action relative thereto.

ARTICLE #15 To see if the Town will vote to authorize revolving funds for certain Town departments for FY18, pursuant to M.G.L. c.44, §53E1/2 of the General Laws, as amended, for the following purposes:

<u>Revolving Fund</u>	<u>Authorized to Spend</u>	<u>Revenue Source</u>	<u>Use of Fund</u>	<u>Spending Limit</u>	<u>Amount to Remain in Fund</u>
Cemetery Commission	Cemetery Commission	Burial Fees	Excavations,Burial Costs,Maintenance	\$5,000	0

Library Trustees	Library Trustees	Fines & Book Sale Receipts	Purchase of Books	\$600	0
Electrical Inspector	Electrical Inspector	Permit and Inspection fees	Fees and expenses of electrical insp.	\$2,000	0
Plumbing Inspector	Plumbing Inspector	Permit and Inspection fees	Fees and expenses of Plumbing insp.	\$2,000	0
Zoning Board of Appeals	Zoning Board of Appeals	All fees	Fees and operating expenses of ZBA	\$2,000	0
Fire Dept.	Fire Chief	Permits, Inspection fees, hazardous material fees	Materials and equipment for Fire prevention, public safety, education, and hazardous materials response	\$3,000	0
Animal Control Officer(s)	Animal Control Officer(s)	Fines and fees	Food, supplies, fees and expenses of the A.C.O.	\$5,000	0
Conservation Commission	Conservation Commission	Fees	Fees and operating expense of Conservation Commission	\$2,000	0
Planning Board	Planning Board	Fees	Fees and operating expense of the Planning Board	\$500.00	0
Cable Commission	Cable Commission	Fees	Fees and operating expense of Cable Commission	\$100.00	0
Building Commissioner	Building Commissioner	Permits and inspection fees	Inspections, clerical services, and expenses	\$24,000	\$1,500
Board of Health	Board of Health	Permit and inspection fees	Sanitarian fees, fees for enforcing Health regulations	\$15,000	\$15,000
Community Center	Coordinator/ Board of Selectmen	Fees	Expenses	\$10,000	\$1,000

Or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE #16 To see if the Town will vote to transfer \$259.69 from Catch Basin Stabilization to the Road Improvement Stabilization account or take any other action relative thereto.

Sponsor –

ARTICLE #17 To see if the Town will vote to transfer \$85,000.00 from Free Cash to pay down the Fire Truck loan or take any other action relative thereto

ARTICLE #18 To see if the Town will vote to transfer \$20,000.00 from Free Cash for Roadway Tree Removal, or act anything thereto.

And you are hereby directed to serve this warrant, by posting up attested copies thereof at five (5) conspicuous places in said town, at least seven days (7) before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, at a said time and place meeting, as fore said.

Given under this fourth day of April in the year of our Lord Two Thousand and Seventeen.

Elias Gillen, Chairman

Constable

Lawrence Mandell

A True Copy, Attest:

Bettina Schmidt

Sharon Ashleigh
Town Clerk