

TOWN OF DALTON
SPECIAL TOWN MEETING
NESSACUS REGIONAL MIDDLE SCHOOL – JUNE 25, 2007 – 7:00 P.M.

The Moderator, Ronald J. Marcella, Sr., called the Meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Jean M. Gingras and Victoria M. Sedgwick were appointed tellers and sworn by Town Clerk, Barbara L. Suriner. There was a total of 45 Registered Voters checked at the door as follows:

PRECINCT 1 - 25
PRECINCT 2 - 20
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ARTICLE 1. It was moved, seconded and voted that the Town accept the provisions of Chapter 43D of the Massachusetts General Laws, “Expedited Permitting”, as amended pursuant to Section 11 of Chapter 205 of the Acts of 2006, and approve the filing of a formal application with the Interagency Permitting Board for a priority development site or sites within the area generally described as those industrial parcels of land in I-1 or I-2 classifications between South Street and Hubbard Avenue.

CARRIED. UNANIMOUSLY.

ARTICLE 2. It was moved, seconded and voted that the Town amend the Stormwater Management bylaw, by deleting section 5.0 A. Responsibilities in its entirety and inserting the following language therefor:

“A Stormwater Management Commission shall be established to administer and enforce this bylaw. The Stormwater Management Commission shall consist of nine members. The Building Inspector and the Highway Department Superintendent shall serve ex-officio during the term of their appointment. Seven additional members shall be recommended for appointment by the Town Manager and subject to the Select Board’s ratification: a member of the Conservation Commission, a member of the Planning Board, and a member of the Board of Health, whose terms shall be co-terminus with their appointments to said boards and four other members for a term of three years except upon enactment of this amendment one member shall be reappointed for one year, one member shall be reappointed for two years and two members shall be reappointed for three years. The Commission shall annually vote for a Chair, who shall preside at meetings, a Vice-Chair who shall preside at meetings in the absence of the Chair and Clerk or Recording Secretary who shall record minutes of the of the Commission meetings. The Clerk need not be a member of the Commission. Any powers granted to or duties imposed upon the Stormwater Management Commission may be delegated to its employees and/or agents.”

CARRIED. UNANIMOUSLY.

ARTICLE 3. It was moved, seconded and voted that the Town transfer the sum of \$60,536 from the Capital Projects Stabilization Fund for the costs related to the Fiscal Year 2008 annual element of the Capital Improvement Program and further that the town appropriate the sum of \$234,000 including borrowing costs associated with said program, and authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Select Board, to borrow said sum in accordance with MGL. Chapter 44, Section 7. Said appropriation and transfer to be used as follows:

Department	Project/Equipment/Program	Borrowed	Stabilization
Police	Police cruiser & related equipment		\$ 7,836
Communications	Console(s), including installation & related equipment	\$ 60,000	
Highways/Sewers	Old Windsor Road culvert & misc. sidewalk repairs	\$ 50,000	\$ 25,000
	5-Ton plow truck & roller with equipment & accessories	\$ 124,000	
Tree Warden	Purchase & plant street trees		\$ 3,000
Computers	Laptops – COA (Outreach), Clerk (Elections); Desktops – Library Public Access Server – Assessors		\$ 7,500
Town Hall	Carpets (repair, replacement, cleaning),fencing, tree removal		\$ 6,000
Assessors	Mapping Amendments		\$ 1,800
Develop. Comm.	Economic Development Consulting		\$ 9,400
Totals		\$ 234,000	\$ 60,536

TWO-THIRDS VOTE REQUIRED

CARRIED. UNANIMOUSLY.

ARTICLE 4. It was moved, seconded and voted that the Town appropriate \$22,164 from the Treasury recovered under the terms of a fire or physical damage insurance policy for damage done to a Police Cruiser to be used for the purchase of a replacement therefor.

CARRIED. UNANIMOUSLY.

ARTICLE 5. It was moved, seconded and voted that the Town consolidate the various remaining appropriations and borrowing authorizations for Town Hall renovations into one appropriation and borrowing authorization, such appropriation to be used for any and all renovations or repairs to the Town Hall as deemed necessary by the Select Board, as follows: \$221,780 is appropriated, including borrowing costs associated with said project; that to meet this appropriation the Treasurer with the approval of the Select Board is authorized to borrow \$202,040 and further that the remaining borrowing authorizations approved by the Town Meetings of June 24, 2002 (\$80,000), June 30, 2003 (\$80,000), June 28, 2004 (\$25,634), September 27, 2004 (\$6,406), and June 27, 2005 (\$10,000) are hereby consolidated into one borrowing authorization totaling \$202,040, and further to meet this appropriation, \$4,740 originally authorized by the Town Meeting of June 19, 2000 for Library roof repair and \$15,000 originally authorized by the Town Meeting of June 27, 2005 for the Communications Center is hereby consolidated into one account totaling \$19,740.

Town Hall Renovation Project		Sources of Funds	
Original Authorization	Remaining Borrowing Authorized	Funded by Stabilization or Other Source	TOTALS
Library Roof Repair-STM 6/19/00		\$ 4,740.00	\$ 4,740.00
Windows-STM 6/24/02 and STM 6/30/03	\$ 160,000.00		\$ 160,000.00
General Exterior Repairs- STM 6/27/05	\$ 10,000.00		\$ 10,000.00
Generator & Electric Upgrade – STM 6/28/04 and Town Hall Improvements - STM 9/27/04	\$ 32,040.00		\$ 32,040.00
Communications Center Including Elec. - STM 6/27/05		\$ 15,000.00	\$ 15,000.00
TOTALS	\$ 202,040.00	\$ 19,740.00	\$ 221,780.00

TWO-THIRDS VOTE REQUIRED

CARRIED. UNANIMOUSLY.

ARTICLE 6. It was moved and seconded that the Town authorize the purchase of an additional lawn tractor with the remaining borrowing authorization of \$4,597.80 originally approved for the purchase of a lawn tractor under Article 6 of the June 27, 2005 Special Town Meeting.

CARRIED. UNANIMOUSLY.

ARTICLE 7. It was moved, seconded and voted that the Town rescind the unutilized balance of several prior years' borrowing authorizations for completed capital improvement projects as follows:

Town Meeting Date	Article #	Capital Project	Amount Rescinded
June 24, 2002	2	Police SUV	\$ 1,421.00
		Highway Truck	\$ 5,526.00
June 30, 2003	9	Highway Truck	\$ 6,965.00
		Highway Loader	\$ 45,428.00
June 28, 2004	4	Lawn Tractor-Cemetery	\$ 435.73
June 27, 2005	6	Police Cruiser	\$ 932.79
		Animal Control Vehicle	\$ 1,220.41
June 27, 2006	5	Hydro Turn Plow	\$ 1,330.00

CARRIED. UNANIMOUSLY.

ARTICLE 8. It was moved, seconded and voted that the Town approve the vote of the Central Berkshire Regional School District to borrow \$64,654.00 for repair and replacement of a boiler, telephone system, and windows at Craneville School.

CARRIED. UNANIMOUSLY.

ARTICLE 9. It was moved, seconded and voted that the Town take no action under this Article.

CARRIED. UNANIMOUSLY.

ARTICLE 10. It was moved, seconded and voted that the Town transfer \$8,611.17 from Free Cash in the Treasury to fund additional expenses in department # 423 Snow and Ice incurred under the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 44, Section 31D.

CARRIED. UNANIMOUSLY.

ARTICLE 11. It was moved, seconded and voted that the Town appropriate \$175,700 from available funds to be reimbursed by a Grant from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in accordance with Chapter 90 Section 34 of the Massachusetts General Laws.

CARRIED. UNANIMOUSLY.

ARTICLE 12. It was moved, seconded and voted that the Town appropriate \$19,000 from Free Cash in the Treasury to the Reserve Fund for the purpose of paying for extraordinary and unforeseen expenses through the end of the 2007 Fiscal Year.

CARRIED. UNANIMOUSLY.

ARTICLE 13. It was moved, seconded and voted that the Town appropriate \$1,569.00 from Free Cash in the Treasury to reimburse the Dalton Fire District for funds received from the Federal Emergency Management Agency as a result of the flooding in October 2005.

CARRIED. UNANIMOUSLY.

ARTICLE 14. It was moved, seconded and voted that the Town amend the vote taken under Article 17 of the May 7, 2007 Annual Town Meeting to increase the sum of money appropriated from the Capital Stabilization Fund from \$157,185 to \$187,161.

TWO-THIRDS VOTE REQUIRED

CARRIED. UNANIMOUSLY.

Meeting adjourned at 7:39 p.m.

Barbara L. Suriner, TOWN CLERK
