## COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS COUNTY OF FRANKLIN

#### SPECIAL TOWN MEETING Monday June 25, 2018

Pursuant to a warrant signed by the Erving Selectmen and duly posted, as directed by the vote of the Town, the legal voters met in the Erving Town Hall, 12 East Main Street, Erving, Massachusetts, on Monday June 25, 2018, at 7:00 p.m. and conducted the following business. The meeting was called to order by Moderator Richard K. Peabody at 7:02 p.m. and noted that a quorum was present. The Moderator read the call and the Officer's return, and lead the body in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

#### **FY2018 FINANCIAL ARTICLES**

#### ARTICLE 1: APPROPRIATION FOR THE CAPITAL STABILIZATION ACCOUNT

The Town voted unanimously to appropriate the sum of One Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$150,000.00) from Free Cash into the Capital Stabilization Account.

SUBMITTED BY: Board of Selectmen FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS: Approval

Article Information: Approval of this article would transfer available free cash into the newly created capital stabilization account for use on future capital projects that will require Town Meeting approval. Approval of this article requires a majority vote.

#### ARTICLE 2: APPROPRIATION FOR TOWN CODE CODIFICATION PROJECT

The Town voted unanimously to appropriate the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$10,000.00) from Free Cash for the purpose of codifying the bylaws of the Town of Erving and related expenses.

SUBMITTED BY: Town Clerk FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS: Approval

Article Information: Approval of this article would allow the Town Clerk to contract with an experienced vendor in a comprehensive review of the bylaws of the Town of Erving to ensure accuracy and compliance with law. The code would then be made available in print and electronically for use by residents. Approval of this article requires a majority vote.

#### **FY2019 FINANCIAL ARTICLES**

## ARTICLE 3: APPROPRIATION FOR THE CAPITAL STABILIZATION ACCOUNT

The Town voted unanimously to raise & appropriate the sum of Three Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$350,000.00) for the purpose of the Capital Stabilization Account.

# SUBMITTED BY: Board of Selectmen FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS: Approval

Article Information: Approval of this article would allow the Town to raise & appropriate the stated amount and deposit the funding into the newly created capital stabilization account for use on future capital projects that will require Town Meeting approval. Approval of this article requires a majority vote.

## ARTICLE 4: APPROPRIATION FOR THE FY2019 CULTURE & RECREATION BUDGET

During discussion of this article Dan Hammock recused himself from the Finance Committee since he is also a Library Trustee member.

The Town voted by majority to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Thousand Five Hundred Fifty Dollars and No Cents (\$5,550.00) to amend the FY2019 Culture & Recreation budget, as voted in line #5 of the May 2, 2018 Annual Town Meeting Warrant Article #4, by the same amount.

SUBMITTED BY: Board of Library Trustees FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS:

Article Information: Approval of this article would increase the FY2019 Culture & Recreation operating budget by \$5,550. The Board of Library Trustees are making this request specifically to increase the Library Wages line item (01-610-101-51200) to increase the 1<sup>st</sup> Assistant Librarian funding from 19.5 hours per week to 26 hours per week. Approval of this article requires a majority vote.

## LOCAL OPTION EXCISE ON RETAIL MARIJUANA SALES

## ARTICLE 5: LOCAL OPTION EXCISE ON RETAIL MARIJUANA SALES

The Town of Erving voted unanimously to accept G.L. c. 64N, § 3 to impose an excise on the retail sales of marijuana for adult use at the rate of three percent.

SUBMITTED BY: Board of Selectmen FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS: Approval

Article Information: Massachusetts General Law chapter 64N section 3 allows communities to impose a local option excise tax on the sales of recreational marijuana of up to 3%. In order to do so, the legislative body of the Town must vote to adopt the chapter and section and to set a rate. Approval of this article would adopt MGL chapter 64N section 3 and establish an excise on retail marijuana sales. Approval of this article requires a majority vote.

37 registered voters attended this meeting. The meeting was dissolved at 7:57 p.m.

A true copy, ATTEST: Kichard W. Dowlor Richard W. Newton

Erving Town Clerk