



Town of Medway
FINANCE COMMITTEE
155 Village Street
Medway MA 02053

Tel: (508) 533-3200
Fax: (508) 533-3201

Wednesday, April 25, 2018 – 7:00 PM
Sanford Hall, Town Hall
155 Village Street

Present: Frank Rossi, Chair; Rohith Ashok, Vice Chair; Todd Alessandri, Clerk; Dan Doherty, Ellen Hillery, Jeff O' Neill, Jim Sullivan

Others Present: Mr. Boynton, Ms. Carol Pratt; Susy Affleck-Childs.

At 7:02 PM Chairman Rossi called the meeting to order. He declared that there was a quorum with seven members present.

A motion was made by Mr. Ashok to open the public hearing, seconded by Mr. Alessandri. All were in favor.

The purpose of the public hearing is to hear public input on any articles being presented at the May 21, 2018 Special Town Meeting and Annual Town Meeting. Chair, Mr. Rossi asked if there are any comments on the warrant articles. There were no comments.

A motion was made by Mr. Ashok to close the public hearing, seconded by Mr. Sullivan. All were in favor.

Annual Town Meeting Warrant Review-

(Complete Description of the Articles are available on Medway town website. The link below will bring you to the complete list of annual town meeting articles:

https://www.townofmedway.org/sites/medwayma/files/uploads/warrant_atm_5.10.18_for_printing_for_atm.pdf

Members went over the annual town meeting planning board warrant articles with Ms. Affleck-Childs, Planning and Economic Development Board Coordinator. She provided an overview of the articles and answered member's questions.

ARTICLE 21: (Discontinue Public Way – Portion of Alder St) - To vote to discontinue as a public way a portion of Alder Street, shown as parcel No. T-2 on a plan entitled “Layout and Discontinuance Plan, Alder Street and Trotter Drive, 2018 ATM Warrant 11 Medway, Massachusetts”, dated June 4, 1988, recorded at the Norfolk County Registry of Deeds in Plan Book 464, Plan No. 180 of 1999, and to abandon the Town’s easement in said portion of Alder Street discontinued as a public way, and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to execute any documents to accomplish said discontinuance and abandonment, and to file at the Norfolk County Registry of Deeds any documents to accomplish said discontinuance and abandonment. The new owner will be responsible for the abandoned piece of the parcel (2170 Sq. Ft.).

- ✓ It was originally a cul-de-sac. Ms. Affleck-Childs provided a brief update on the construction of O’Brien and Son’s play equipment facility.

A motion was made by Mr. Alessandri to approve Article 21, seconded by Mr. Schrader. All were in favor. Voted 6-0-0.

ARTICLE 22: (Amend Zoning Bylaw: Registered Marijuana Dispensary) - To vote to amend the Zoning Bylaw, Section 8.9 Registered Marijuana Dispensary.

- ✓ Article 22 relates to medical marijuana and Article 23 is recreational marijuana. Town books for many years had bylaws for medical marijuana. Proposal is to change the name of the bylaw to promote better understanding and to make a clear distinction between the two. Registered Marijuana Dispensary (RMD) is being changed to Registered Medical Marijuana Facility (RMMF).
- ✓ She talked about planning board public hearing on the current marijuana facility on Tumarc Road that was held last night. There were concerns expressed about the noise from the facility.

A motion was made by Mr. Alessandri to hold off on approving Article 22 until it’s reviewed and approved by BOS, seconded by Mr. Doherty. All were in favor. Voted 6-0-0.

ARTICLE 23: (Amend Zoning Bylaw: Definitions; Delete Temporary Moratorium on Non-Medical Marijuana Establishments) - To vote to amend the Zoning Bylaw by revising **SECTION 2 DEFINITIONS-**

- ✓ Article is to remove the moratorium on non-medical marijuana that was executed last year.
- ✓ It’s very similar to article 22 but with subtle differences in language. It’s still a special permit and follows the same format as the previous article. No retail sales of marijuana is allowed under this article.

A motion was made by Mr. Alessandri to hold off on approving article 23 until BOS have reviewed and approved, seconded by Mr. Ashok. All were in favor. Voted 6-0-0.

ARTICLE 24: (Amend Zoning Bylaw: Site Plan Review)-

- ✓ There are three levels of site plan review; major, minor, and administrative site plan reviews. The purpose of this article is to clearly define activities that fall into each review category.

A motion was made by Mr. Alessandri to hold off on approving article 24 until BOS have reviewed and approved, seconded by Mr. Ashok. All were in favor. Voted 6-0-0.

ARTICLE 25: (Amend Zoning Map: District Boundaries) - To vote to rezone the following parcels as shown on the map titled Proposed Boundary Changes to AR-I & AR-II Zoning Districts dated February 18, 2018 which is on file with the Town Clerk: and to amend the Zoning Map accordingly.

A motion was made by Mr. Alessandri to hold off on approving article 25 until BOS have reviewed and approved, seconded by Mr. Ashok. All were in favor. Voted 6-0-0.

ARTICLE 26: (Accept Easement: Pine Ridge Drive)-

- ✓ Pine Ridge is a 20 unit condo development. There’s an open parcel that’s under CONCOM jurisdiction. Planning Board wants to retain public access to the parcel. The article allows the public to access this open parcel and park in the three available parking spaces.

A motion was made by Mr. Alessandri to approve article 26 as presented, seconded by Mr. Ashok. All were in favor. Voted 6-0-0.

ARTICLE 27: (Street Acceptance, Land Conveyance and Infrastructure Acceptance – Candlewood Drive and Island Road Subdivisions) - To vote to accept as public ways, the following streets as laid out by the Board of Selectmen and as shown on a plan or plans on file in the Office of the Town Clerk.

- ✓ This article is street acceptance for Candlewood Drive, Island Road (neighboring St.), and a drainage parcel that's located between the two streets.

A motion was made by Mr. Alessandri to approve article 27 as presented, seconded by Mr. Doherty. All were in favor. Voted 6-0-0.

Vote on Special and Annual Town Meeting Warrant Articles-

(Complete Description of the Articles are available on Medway town website. The link below will bring you to the complete list of special town meeting articles):

https://www.townofmedway.org/sites/medwayma/files/uploads/warrant_stm_as_of_5-10-18_to_print_for_stm.pdf

Article 1: Snow and Ice Deficit- Current estimated amount is \$155K. \$18K will be added to the estimate for salting. This article will authorize transferring 150K from stormwater funds, \$30K from FY2018 health insurance fund to FY2018 Snow & Ice account.

A motion was made by Mr. Alessandri to approve article 1 as presented, seconded by Mr. Ashok. All were in favor. It was voted 6-0-0.

Article 2: Transfer from fiscal stability fund to general stabilization fund

ARTICLE 3: (Transfers to General Stabilization Fund)-

A motion was made by Mr. Alessandri to approve articles 2 and 3 as presented, seconded by Mr. Doherty. All were in favor. It was voted 6-0-0.

Article 4: Establish and transfer to Debt Stabilization fund-

A motion was made by Mr. Alessandri to approve article 4 as presented, seconded by Mr. Doherty. All were in favor. Voted 6-0-0.

Article 5: Transfer to water main projects-

A motion was made by Mr. Alessandri to approve article 5 as presented, seconded by Mr. Ashok. All were in favor. Voted 6-0-0.

ARTICLE 6: (Transfers to Water Main Project)-

A motion was made by Mr. Alessandri to approve article 6 as presented, seconded by Mr. Ashok. All were in favor. Voted 6-0-0.

ARTICLE 7: (Transfer to Athletic Fields Stabilization Fund)-

- ✓ There was discussion on identifying the right amount to transfer into this fund. Mr. Boynton said, DPS will authorize any spending from the stabilization fund.
- ✓ Members talked about seeing a workable and realistic plan for all fields in town. There was some discussion on the potential Parks & Recreational Director position that will be filled soon.

A motion was made by Mr. Rossi to hold off on approving article 7 until May 9th meeting, seconded by Mr. Ashok. All were in favor. Voted 6-0-0.

ARTICLE 8: (Prior Year Bills)-

A motion was made by Mr. Alessandri to approve article 8 as presented, seconded by Mr. Ashok. All were in favor. Voted 6-0-0.

Annual Town Meeting Warrant Articles-

ARTICLE 1: (ESCO Stabilization Reserve Transfer)-

A motion was made by Mr. Alessandri to approve article 1 as presented, seconded by Mr. O' Neill. All were in favor. Voted 6-0-0.

ARTICLE 2: (Debt Stabilization Fund Transfer)-

A motion was made by Mr. Alessandri to approve article 2 as presented, seconded by Mr. O' Neill. All were in favor. Voted 6-0-0.

ARTICLE 3: (Appropriation: FY19 Operating Budget) –

- ✓ Mr. Boynton provided an update on the operating budget. The line item “Salary Reserve” budgeted at \$180K will have a shift in the numbers among various departments based on the agreement made with the collection bargaining unit. The agreement has not been approved by BOS. The bottom line budget in the article will remain the same as presented.

A motion was made by Mr. Alessandri to approve article 3 as presented, seconded by Mr. Ashok. All were in favor. Voted 6-0-0.

ARTICLE 4: (Appropriation: FY19 Water Enterprise Fund)-

A motion was made by Mr. Alessandri to approve article 4 as presented, seconded by Mr. Ashok. All were in favor. Voted 6-0-0.

ARTICLE 5: (Appropriation: FY19 Sewer Enterprise Fund)-

A motion was made by Mr. Ashok to approve article 5 as presented, seconded by Mr. Alessandri. All were in favor. Voted 6-0-0.

ARTICLE 6: (Appropriation: FY19 Solid Waste Enterprise Fund)-

A motion was made by Mr. Alessandri to approve article 6 as presented, seconded by Mr. O' Neill. All were in favor. Voted 6-0-0.

ARTICLE 7: (Appropriation: FY19 Ambulance Enterprise Fund)-

A motion was made by Mr. Doherty to approve article 7 as presented, seconded by Mr. Ashok. All were in favor. Voted 6-0-0.

ARTICLE 8: (Free Cash Appropriation: Capital and Other Items)-

A motion was made by Mr. Alessandri to approve article 8 as presented, seconded by Mr. Doherty. All were in favor. Voted 6-0-0.

ARTICLE 9: (Raise & Appropriate: Roads & Sidewalks)-

A motion was made by Mr. Alessandri to approve article 9 as presented, seconded by Mr. O' Neill. All were in favor. Voted 6-0-0.

ARTICLE 10: (Transfer – Retained Earnings – Sewer Enterprise)-

A motion was made by Mr. Ashok to hold off on approving article 10, seconded by Mr. Doherty. All were in favor. Voted 5-0-0.

ARTICLE 11: (Transfer – Retained Earnings – Water Enterprise) –

A motion was made by Mr. Ashok to hold off on approving article 11, seconded by Mr. Doherty. All were in favor. Voted 5-0-0.

ARTICLE 12: (Borrowing – Water Enterprise) –

- ✓ Mr. Boynton met with integrated water resources management project (IWRMP) team. Other town officials and members of BOS also attended the meeting.
- ✓ He talked about coming up with a plan to maintain the existing wells and protect them and also to come up with a plan to treat the well systems in town. Initial borrowing funds will be used for engineering design.

A motion was made by Mr. Ashok to hold off on approving article 12, seconded by Mr. Alessandri. All were in favor. Voted 6-0-0.

ARTICLE 13: (Borrowing – General Fund – School Repairs)-

A motion was made by Mr. Alessandri to approve article 13 as presented, seconded by Mr. Ashok. All were in favor. Voted 6-0-0.

ARTICLE 14: (Free Cash Transfer to General Stabilization) –

A motion was made by Mr. Alessandri to approve article 12 as presented, seconded by Mr. Doherty. All were in favor. Voted 6-0-0.

ARTICLE 15: (Appropriation: OPEB Trust) –

A motion was made by Mr. Alessandri to approve article 15 as presented, seconded by Mr. Doherty All were in favor. Voted 6-0-0.

ARTICLE 16: (Appropriation: Medway Day) –

- ✓ An alternate location for the event is still being looked at. If for some reason the event doesn't take place this year, \$9500 will be transferred to next year funds and used for the grand opening of Choate Park.

A motion was made by Mr. O' Neill to approve article 16 as presented, seconded by Mr. Doherty All were in favor. Voted 6-0-0.

ARTICLE 17: (Appropriation: Community Preservation Committee) –

A motion was made by Mr. Alessandri to approve article 17 as presented, seconded by Ms. Hillery. All were in favor. Voted 6-0-0.

ARTICLE 18: (Amend General Bylaws – Revolving Funds; Authorize FY19 Spending Limits) –

- ✓ There's an update in Thayer Homestead numbers (\$65K). There projects needed to be done inside Thayer House and could utilize revolving funds.
- ✓ It's been determined that additional \$15K will allow them to do some additional programming there.

A motion was made by Mr. Alessandri to approve article 18 as presented, seconded by Mr. Ashok. All were in favor. Voted 6-0-0.

ARTICLE 19: (Establish Special Education Stabilization Fund) –

- ✓ Intention is to establish the fund to put some monies aside in the future. School Choice funds could be used to add some funding to the SE stabilization fund. BOS and School Committee voting/ approval will be required to take money out of the SE stabilization fund.

- ✓ Mr. O'Neill talked about having a plan to identify funding for the to-be-established stabilization fund rather than create the fund first. He expressed concerns that the town might be requested to add monies to this fund.

A motion was made by Mr. Doherty to approve article 19 as presented, seconded by Mr. Alessandri. Mr. O'Neill opposed. Voted 5-1-0.

ARTICLE 20: (Conveyance of Real Property to Medway Redevelopment Authority)-

A motion was made by Mr. Hillery to approve article 20 as presented, seconded by Mr. Alessandri. All were in favor. Voted 6-0-0.

Mr. Rossi talked about an unpaid invoice for \$72.70 from Gate House Media for a July public hearing legal notice. Ms. Pratt asked the members to sign the invoice in order to approve the expenses.

Subcommittee Reports for Town Book Discussion- None.

Miscellaneous:

Chairman's Report – None.

Clerk's Report – None.

Liaison Reports – None.

Approval of Minutes:

A motion was made by Mr. Ashok to approve the minutes from 03/06/2018 as presented, seconded by Mr. Alessandri. Voted 5-0-1.

**At 9:03 PM Mr. Alessandri made the motion to adjourn; Mr. Ashok seconded. No discussion.
VOTE: 6-0-0.**

*Respectfully submitted,
Sreelatha Allam
Night Board Secretary*