

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING TOWN OF BERKLEY NOVEMBER 14, 2018

Moderator: John D. Blake Clerk: Deborah Pereira Berkley Community School

Attendance: 105

The Moderator called the meeting to order at 7:31 p.m.

Mr. Blake started with The Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence for those that couldn't be at the meeting. He pointed out the section of non-residents although there were none in attendance at the meeting. He also pointed out the exits in the event of an emergency.

The Moderator entertained a motion and it was seconded, to dispense with the reading of the warrant in its entirety. The Moderator declared the motion carried by majority.

ARTICLE 1. Selectman George Miller made a motion and it was seconded that the Town raise and appropriate the following amounts:

<u>Department</u>		<u>Description</u>	<u>Aı</u>	<u>Amount</u>	
Police		Additional personnel expenses	To	tal	\$15,510
Celebrations		Flags and Holders	\$	750	
Cemetery Commission	on	Mowing Expense Roadway repairs	\$ \$	700 2,500	
Selectmen		Salary add. Temp Hours	\$	500	
Town Clerk		Salary add. Temp Hours	\$	500	
Collector		Salary add. Temp Hours	\$	500	
Treasurer		Salary add. Temp Hours	\$	500	
Board of Assessors		Salary add. Temp Hours	\$	500	
Inspectional Services	S	Salary add. Temp Hours	\$	500	
Ra	ise and Appropriate	Grand Total	\$	22,460	0
And Transfer	from K-8 Health	Insurance to Health Insurance Town	\$	35,000	0

A motion was made and seconded to hear from The Finance Committee. Joseph Freitas, Chairman, added the Finance Committee reviewed the report and recommends approval of all transfers.

A resident asked to explain why the Council on Aging has no allocation of money for a director. Selectman Wendy Cochrane explains that there is already enough money in the FY19 budget for the director position.

A motion was made and seconded to vote,

VOTE, PASS, MAJORITY, LITTLE OPPOSITION

ARTICLE 2.

Selectman Wendy Cochrane made a motion and it was seconded that the Town vote to raise and appropriate, the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000.00) for the purpose of upgrading technology in Town Hall

No discussion

A motion was made and seconded to vote,

VOTE, PASS NO OPPOSITION

ARTICLE 3.

Selectmen Heather Martin-Sterling made a motion and it was seconded that the Town vote to raise and appropriate, the sum of fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000.00) for the purpose of contributing to the Town's OPEB Trust

Town Administrator, Alan Coutinho, explained what OPEB stood for.

No discussion

A motion was made and it was seconded to vote,

VOTE, PASS, UNANINIMOUS

ARTICLE 4.

Selectman George Miller mad a motion and it was seconded that the Town vote to raise and appropriate, the sum of \$83,009.00 for the purpose of contributing to a Stabilization Fund in accordance with the provisions of General Laws Chapter 40, Section 5B

No discussion

A motion was made and it was seconded to vote,

VOTE, PASS UNANIMOUS

The Moderator made a motion to adjourn and it was seconded. Meeting adjourned at 7:37 PM

A TRUE RECORD ATTEST

Deborah Pereira Town Clerk