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HELD BEGINNING MAY 2, 2016

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
Town of Hanover

Warrant for *Annual* Town Meeting

Plymouth, SS

Greetings: To any Constable of the Town of Hanover in said County

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of said town who are qualified to vote in Elections and Town Affairs to meet in the Hanover High School, 287 CEDAR STREET, HANOVER, on

MONDAY THE 2nd DAY OF MAY 2016 AT 7:30 P.M.

And you are hereby ordered to serve this Warrant posting attested copies thereof seven days at least before the time of said meeting.

Given under our hands this 21st day of March, 2016.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Brian E. Barthelmes, Chairman

Susan M. Setterland, Vice-Chair

Joseph R. Salvucci

Robert S. O'Rourke

David R. Delaney

Thomas F. Hayes, Constable

Posted this 13th day of April, 2016

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A quorum being present, the Annual Town Meeting was called to order by Moderator Douglas Thomson at 7:34 p.m. on Monday, May 2, 2016.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by the Boy Scouts of Troop 1.

The National Anthem was sung by Hanover High School Vox Choir.

A Hanover Food Pantry donations announcement was made by former Director Barbara Itz.

Motion to waive the reading of the articles.

So carries.

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ARTICLE 1. ACCEPT REPORTS IN ANNUAL TOWN REPORT

To see if the Town will vote to accept the reports of the Officers and Committees as printed in the Annual Town Report, or take any other action relative thereto.

Advisory Committee

We move that the Town accept the 2015 Annual Report as written.

So carries unanimously.

ARTICLE 2. HEAR/ACCEPT REPORTS OF COMMITTEES & STATE OFFICIALS

To see if the Town will vote to hear reports of the Committees and State Officials and act thereon, or take any other action relative thereto.

Advisory Committee

Reports were received from several temporary and standing committees, and follow as submitted, below.

Report of the Veterans Memorial Committee:

The Committee has presented in front of many various committees for this project including Park and Recreation Committee, the town Selectman and Town Manager twice, CPC and Advisory Committee. Every Committee has responded positively to the thorough presentation in addition to the fact we are going full force in our fund raising efforts for the remaining balance. We have used the American Legion tax ID to run all of our donations through which is legal. We have put run a couple of stories in the newspaper highlighting our efforts, we have set up a table outside the "Primary" area to the public as to our progress so the word is "around town". We have received quotes from Swenson granite and all of the granite including the wall, benches and posts will cost roughly \$25,000. We also received quotes from Village Landscaping and all of the plantings, trees, shrubs along the walkway and surrounding the memorial will cost \$50,200 including grading the land and footings for the flag poles. The lighting is scalable and was quoted by Gary Farrow which on the high end will cost \$20K. We also believe the installation will be a higher number and closer to \$20,000 but our fundraising will cover the cost. CPC has approved us for about \$50,000 providing the tax payers agree during the vote at town meeting. We have raised about \$15,000 through donations and plan on obtaining more through selling 3-500 bricks at \$100.00 apiece roughly raising \$30,000-\$50,000 as well as "field of flags" which we plan on raising \$5,000.

Submitted by Ray A. Miller, Chair

Report of the Hanover Dog Park Committee:

The Hanover Dog Park Committee became finalized and began monthly meetings in September 2015. We have identified many locations throughout the town that could be viable locations for

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the Dog Park and are particularly looking at the Sheftel property located behind Winter St and the Fireworks Open Trails. We have met with the Board of Selectman who are optimistic and are also assisting us in finding the perfect location.

We continue to meet and research grants and funding that would be necessary to complete the project. We have reached out to neighboring towns, all of whom are building dog parks as it is the thing to do. We look forward to working in the next months and opening the Hanover Dog Park within the next two years.

Submitted by Nancy Devlin, Donna Pineau, Paul Ciccolo, Kristi Peak-Oliveira, Seth Pritikin, Laura Rappaport, and Cathy Zine.

Report of the School Building Committee:

Timeline of Center Sylvester Building Project

- 4/2013 - Town submits Statement of Interest to MSBA detailing the poor conditions of Sylvester School
- 9/26/2013 - MSBA officials tour Sylvester School
- 1/29/2014 - MSBA invites Sylvester School into the eligibility period
- 4/22/2014 - MSBA approves composition of Center Sylvester School Building Committee
- 5/6/2014 - Town Meeting unanimously approves \$500,000 to fund the Center Sylvester Feasibility Study and Schematic Design
- 8/12/2014 - Enrollment Certification executed by School Department and MSBA (allowing a build for Town Wide grades 2-4 population of 560 students or Neighborhood grades K-4 of 415 students)
- 8/22/2014 - Town Manager Troy Clarkson designates Anthony Marino as the Eligible Applicant for the project
- 9/24/2014 - MSBA approves Feasibility Study Agreement and moves the Town into the Feasibility Study
- 12/31/2014 - Request for Services for Owner's Project Manager posted
- 1/26/2015 - Building Committee selects P3, Inc. as the Owner's Project Manager
- 4/2015 - Designer (Architect) Request for Services posted and applications gathered
- 6/16/2015 - MSBA Designer Selection Panel approves Mt. Vernon Group as designer / architect for the Center Sylvester project
- 7/15/2015 - "Kick off" joint meeting with MSBA, OPM, School Officials, Building Committee and Town Officials
- 9/2015 - Educational visioning workshops begin with teachers, school administrators and school officials
- 9/21/2015 - Building Committee members review proposed design solutions from Mt. Vernon Group
- 9/28/2015 - Building Committee votes to narrow preferred design solutions
- 10/14/2015 - Proposed design solutions presented to School Committee
- 10/28/2015 - School Committee votes to reconfigure elementary schools effective 9/2018 to District wide schools

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- 11/30/2015 - Building Committee votes to submit Design Option 8A to the MSBA as the Preferred Design Solution.
- 12/1/2015 - 1/30/2016 - District develops Educational Plan for MSBA
- 3/9/2016 - District attends MSBA Facilities Assessment Subcommittee meeting to review design and educational plan
- 3/30/2016 - MSBA Board votes to move Center Sylvester School Building project forward to Module 4, Schematic Design
- 4/27/2016 - Space discussion workshops with Mt. Vernon Group

UPCOMING EVENTS

- 5/4/2016 - Mt. Vernon Group, Project Manager, Building Committee and School Officials meet with Public Safety Departments to review project
- 5/4/2016 - Space Discussion workshops continue
- 6/2/2016 - Schematic Design complete and submitted to MSBA for approval.
- 7/27/2016 - MSBA finalizes funding share (Town has 90 days to vote to move project forward)
- Fall 2016 - Project put forward for Town vote

In 2014, Town Meeting unanimously appropriated \$500,000 to fund a Feasibility Study to investigate the building and renovation options for Center / Sylvester School. It has been a very busy two years. The Center / Sylvester Building Committee in conjunction with the Massachusetts State Building Authority (MSBA) appointed P3, Inc. as the Project Management team and Mt. Vernon Group as the Designer / Architect team.

We began by evaluating Sylvester School to determine whether it was feasible to retain Sylvester as a school. We determined that option was not in the best interest of our taxpayers or students. The Sylvester building is severely deficient in regards to function, structure, air quality, hazardous materials, handicap accessibility, and mechanical / electrical components. It is completely inaccessible to individuals with mobility disabilities. The building has inadequate ventilation, wiring and electric systems that do not meet code, it is not energy efficient, and the current amperage does not adequately support technology. In addition, the overcrowding and lack of sufficient space for educational programming remains problematic. As we suspected, the cost of retaining Sylvester School was significant - 13 million dollars simply to bring the building to code and that does not include improvements to enhance educational programming. Because the "no build option" is not reimbursable by the MSBA, the \$13,000,000 expense would be a direct cost to our taxpayers with no state funded offset. For a slightly higher investment, Hanover can receive a state of the art renovated school with greater educational benefits for our children.

In October 2015, the School Committee voted to reconfigure our elementary schools. Effective for the 2018 school year, Cedar will house preschool, kindergarten and first grade. The configuration of Center School will depend on the outcome of this project. Should voters decide to move this project forward, grades 2, 3 and 4 will be housed in a renovated Center school. Should the project fail to move forward, town wide grades 2 and 3 will be housed in Center School with town-wide 4th grade at Sylvester. The selected design option builds to a town wide

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population of 560 students, as allowed by the MSBA. Some highlights of the most recent plan include a new wing of classroom space, new cafeteria and stage, media, art and library rooms, a dedicated STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, Media) laboratory, dedicated SPED instruction space, courtyard with outdoor classroom and student garden space, breakout spaces for student collaboration that will facilitate project based learning, completely updated wiring and HVAC, wireless technology and complete systems upgrade. It will be a state of the art learning center for all of our students.

The initial design from Mt. Vernon had an estimated cost of \$35 million dollars, with approximately half to be reimbursed by the MSBA, making the tax impact to the residents approximately 18 million. At the most recent Building Committee meeting, we directed Mt. Vernon to employ additional modes of value engineering to provide us with options that reduce the tax impact to our citizens. We are looking forward to reviewing the revised designs options and sharing those with our community.

At this point, Hanover has invested \$500,000 and 3 years into developing a fiscally responsible plan for renovating Center and taking Sylvester School offline. We are fortunate that the MSBA has backed our project and we continue to work with the MSBA to minimize the Town's financial share of this project. In addition to our work with the MSBA and our architect to maximize Hanover's reimbursement rate, we are working closely with Town officials to establish a capital savings that we can use to offset the impact to the taxpayer. The Building Committee continues to develop this project with a respectful balance of spending. We are aware of the tremendous opportunity before us, the amount of resources invested thus far and mindful that if we do not take advantage of the MSBA's willingness to fund this project, we will be paying to maintain and upkeep a barely viable, educationally unfit building for the significant future.

The time is now. We appreciate the Town's support of this project and look forward to presenting this project to voters in the fall.

Respectfully,

Libby Corbo on behalf of the Center / Sylvester School Building Committee

Report of the Professional Firefighter's Association:

The Professional Firefighters of Hanover, I.A.F.F. Local #2726 have been proudly hosting Touch A Truck since 2012. Every year a charity has been selected to receive proceeds from the event. Following the loss of our friend and brother firefighter in September 2011, Thomas Boucher, we dedicated the inaugural event in his name and made a donation to The American Liver Foundation. To honor his spirit in the future, we thought it was best to donate to charities within the Town. Our second year proceeds were given to help The Hanover Food Pantry. With the growing use of Forge Pond Park, the Local thought an Automated External Defibrillator and signage would be key in life saving efforts. After hosting this event on B. Everett Hall Field for three years, it became obvious to us that the playground located there was seeing a lot of traffic and in turn, wearing out. We decided that we would make Touch A Truck 2015 for the kids and

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families that use it so frequently. It brings me great joy to announce that we raised \$8,000.00 for improvements to be made the existing playground.

The success of this event not only comes from hard work on our part, but from the continued support of the citizens of Hanover and other South Shore Communities. This event could not be made possible if not for the cooperation of nearly every entity in Town. We would like to thank Town Manager Clarkson and The Board of Selectmen for their cooperation in the planning of this event. Superintendent Matt Ferron and his staff were so supportive when we needed access to fields and use of the electronic backpack to get the word out about our event. The Hanover Police Department Officers and Police Chief Sweeney played a huge role in the preparation and security of the day. Fire Chief Jeff Blanchard and Deputy Barbara Stone (retired) gave us the support to host the event. Call Firefighters from Engine Company 3 and 4 played support roles on the day and helped things go smoothly. The cooperation between the DPW truly blew us away when they went above and beyond our expectations in the preparation of the field, equipment and clean up. Many volunteers from Hanover High School and the community came out and provided help for numerous jobs that day. The local businesses and municipalities are the stars of the event and without them, we wouldn't be here. Most of all, working with Park and Recreation inspired us. The excitement and dedication of the employees of this Town is awesome.

Art Ceurvels Jr., Lauren Rodday and their committee have teamed up with an aspiring Eagle Scout from Troop 38 to get the job done. Michael Fay is leading the charge to get the necessary repairs in order and we will be providing monetary and physical support. We are all looking forward to seeing this great place look even better. As far as next year goes, we are pledging a portion of proceeds to help build The Veterans Memorial Garden located at B. Everett Hall Field. Our anticipated date of Touch A Truck 2016 is [September 24](#) with a rain date of [September 25](#).
Respectfully submitted,
Chris Azizian, President
Professional Firefighters of Hanover
I.A.F.F. Local #2726

Proclamations from the Board of Selectmen:

TO HONOR JOSEPH R. SALVUCCI

On this day, May 2, 2016, the Hanover Board of Selectmen would like to join with all of the boards, committees, employees and residents of the Town of Hanover in honoring Selectman Joseph R. Salvucci to thank him for his dedication and his twelve years of service to the Town of Hanover. Joe volunteered for six years with the Advisory Committee and six years with the Board of Selectmen. Joe has served with honor and quiet dignity on behalf of the residents of the Town bringing with him a special sense of caring for all people. Joe is to be commended for his contribution to Hanover growing into the highly respected community it is today.

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The Town of Hanover has benefited from having a person of Joe's caliber step forward and we appreciate all the personal sacrifices, and many unheralded services that you have contributed and hope we may see your return to public service in the Town of Hanover in the future.

We wish to thank your wife Christine and your children, Kathleen, Amanda, Anthony, and Joann for their patience on the occasions you were away from them to serve our community. On behalf of the Town of Hanover, and the citizens that have been fortunate enough to know you, we give to you the Community's Heartfelt Thanks and Best Wishes for your continued success, health, and happiness in all your endeavors.

In recognition of Joseph R. Salvucci and his faithful service to the Town, we hereby ask Town Meeting, through the Moderator, to consider the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Annual Town Meeting of 2016, officially extends to you, Joseph R. Salvucci, our congratulations and thanks for a job well done over your twelve years of service. We wish you good health and happiness, on behalf of the residents of the Town of Hanover.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN: Brian E. Barthelmes, Chairman, Susan M. Setterland, Vice-Chair, Robert S. O'Rourke, David R. Delaney

TO HONOR JAMES A. TOOMEY

BE IT RESOLVED on this the 2nd day of May, 2016, the Board of Selectmen is proud to join with the residents of Hanover in honoring James A. Toomey for his professional excellence, ethical and moral fortitude and the outstanding guidance and leadership he has bestowed upon the Town of Hanover in the performance of his duties as Town Counsel.

Since becoming the Hanover's Town Counsel in 1989, James has exemplified uncompromised integrity, dedication and loyalty to the Town of Hanover, its citizens, and all Town staff. Through his expanse of legal knowledge, diligence, strong work ethic and quick wit, James has earned our respect and admiration.

On behalf of the Town of Hanover we would like to thank you James for the twenty seven years of hard work and dedication you have given to the Town of Hanover. We extend to you our heartfelt appreciation and best wishes for a happy and healthy retirement. May you have fair winds and following seas.

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Moderator Doug Thomson asked for a moment of silence for Virginia Szejnar and James Gallant, two Spirit of Hanover Award Community Service Award winners who passed away earlier this year.

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We move that the Town accept these reports.

So carries unanimously.

ARTICLE 3. AUTHORIZE TREASURER TO ACCEPT TRUST FUNDS

To see if the Town will vote to authorize its Treasurer to accept such trust funds as may be placed in his or her hands during the Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2017, or take any other action relative thereto.

Treasurer/Collector
Finance Director

We move that the Town vote to authorize the Treasurer/Collector to accept trust funds for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2017.

So carries unanimously.

ARTICLE 4. AUTHORIZE TREASURER TO DISPOSE OF TAX TITLE LAND

To see if the Town will vote to authorize its Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, to dispose of such parcels of real estate as may have been, or may be taken by the Town under Tax Title foreclosure proceedings, or take any other action relative thereto.

Treasurer/Collector
Board of Selectmen

We move that the Town authorize the Treasurer/Collector, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, to dispose of tax title property.

So carries unanimously.

ARTICLE 5. ENTER INTO COMPENSATING BALANCE AGREEMENTS

To see if the Town will vote to authorize its Treasurer/Collector to enter into compensating balance agreements for the Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2017, pursuant to Chapter 44, Section 53F of the Massachusetts General Laws, or take any other action relative thereto.

Treasurer/Collector

We move that the Town vote to authorize the Treasurer/Collector to execute compensating balance agreements for the Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2017.

So carries unanimously.

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ARTICLE 6. ASSUME LIABILITY TO ALLOW STATE DEP WORK

To see if the Town will vote to assume liability in the manner provided by Section 29 and 29A of Chapter 91 of the Massachusetts General Laws, as most recently amended, for all damages that may be incurred by work to be performed by the Department of Environmental Protection, or take any other action relative thereto.

Board of Selectmen

We move that the Town vote to accept this article for the Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2017.

So carries unanimously.

ARTICLE 7. SET PAY FOR ELECTIVE OFFICERS

To see if the Town will vote to fix the pay of its elective officers as required by law as follows, or take any other action relative thereto.

Town Clerk:	\$60,180.00 annually
Moderator:	\$100 for Annual Town Meeting
	\$100 for Special Town Meeting

Advisory Committee
Town Manager

We move that the Town set the pay of its elective officers for fiscal year 2017 required by law as follows:

Town Clerk: annual salary to be \$61,950.00 per year which includes any amounts due under MGL, c.41, §Section 19G.

Moderator: \$100 for Annual Town Meeting, and \$100 for Special Town Meeting.

Motion to amend Town Clerk's salary to \$66,198.

Motion to amend fails.

Main motion carries.

ARTICLE 8. SCHOOL SICK LEAVE BUYBACK FUND

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or appropriate from available funds, a sum of money to the School Sick Leave Buyback Fund, or take any other action relative thereto.

Advisory Committee
Town Manager

We move that the Town vote to appropriate the sum of \$100,000 from General Fund Free Cash to the School Sick Leave Buyback Fund. Said funds to be expended at the direction

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of the School Committee.

So carries unanimously.

ARTICLE 9. TOWN SICK LEAVE BUYBACK FUND

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or appropriate from available funds, a sum of money to the Town Sick Leave Buyback Fund, or take any other action relative thereto.

Advisory Committee
Town Manager

We move that the Town vote to appropriate the sum of \$10,000 from General Fund Free Cash to the Town Sick Leave Buyback Fund. Said funds to be expended at the direction of the Town Manager.

So carries unanimously.

ARTICLE 10. APPROPRIATE CPC REVENUES FOR FY2017

To see if the Town will vote as recommended by the Community Preservation Committee to appropriate the Town's Community Preservation Revenues for Fiscal Year 2017 as follows:

- I. 10% of the said revenues to be set aside for future appropriation for open space (other than open space for recreational use);
- II. 10% of the said revenues to be set aside for future appropriation for historic resources;
- III. 10% of the said revenues to be set aside for future appropriation for community housing;
- IV. 5% of the said revenues to be set aside for administrative expenses; and
- V. the remainder of said revenues to be set aside for future appropriation for any purposes permissible under the Community Preservation Act, Chapter 44B;

said funds to be expended for the purposes stated herein within the scope proposed and approved by the Community Preservation Committee and for the purposes approved by this Town Meeting, by the Town Manager, or take any other action relative thereto.

Community Preservation Committee

We move that the Town vote to appropriate from the Community Preservation Fund FY2017 estimated annual revenues the sum of \$52,403 to meet the administrative expenses and all other necessary and proper expenses of the Community Preservation Committee for Fiscal Year 2017; and further to reserve for future appropriation from the Community Preservation Fund FY2017 estimated revenues the sum of \$104,806 for the acquisition, creation and preservation of open space excluding land for recreational use; \$104,806 for

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the acquisition, preservation, restoration and rehabilitation of historic resources; \$104,806 for the acquisition, creation, preservation and support of community housing; \$238,640 for the creation of a budgeted reserve and \$442,600 to provide for Community Preservation Fund debt obligations.

So carries unanimously.

ARTICLE 11. ESTABLISH REVOLVING FUND – LIBRARY

To see if the Town will vote to accept the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 53E½, or any other enabling statute to establish and define the terms of a revolving fund for the John B. Curtis Library for funds collected, or take any other action relative thereto.

Board of Selectmen
Town Manager

We move that the Town vote to authorize a revolving fund for the John Curtis Library as specified in the article, under the provisions of MGL c.44, §53E1/2 for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2016, with specific receipts credited to each fund, the purposes for which each fund may be spent, and the maximum amount that may be spent from each fund for FY2017 as stated in the table below.

Revolving Funds Chapter 44, Section 53E1/2 FY17 Revolving Fund Requests				
Spending Authority	Revolving Fund	Revenue Source	Use of Fund	FY17 Authorized Spending Limit
Community Services Director	Library	Late Fines	Expenditures may include salaries, benefits, facility and all those in support of programs	\$9,000

So carries unanimously.

ARTICLE 12. REVOLVING FUND AUTHORIZATIONS

To see if the Town will vote to establish revolving funds for certain Town departments under the provisions of MGL c.44, §53E1/2 for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2016, with specific receipts credited to each fund, the purposes for which each fund may be spent, and the maximum amount that may be spent from each fund for FY2017 as follows, or take any other action relative thereto:

Revolving Funds Chapter 44, Section 53E1/2 FY17 Revolving Fund Requests				
Spending Authority	Revolving Fund	Revenue Source	Use of Fund	FY17 Authorized Spending Limit

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Community Services Director	Recreation Fund*	Program Fees	Expenditures may include salaries, benefits, facility and all those in support of programs	
Community Services Director	GATRA	Fees related to transportation program	Expenditures may include salaries, benefits, facility and all those in support of programs	
Community Services Director	Forge Pond Park	Fees related to programs	Expenditures may include salaries, benefits, facility and all those in support of programs	
Town Manager	Cable Services	Fees related to cable license agreements	Expenditures may include salaries, benefits, facility and all those in support of PEG access and programs	
Community Services Director	Flu Clinic	Receipts from Medicare/Medicaid billing	Expenditures may include salaries, benefits, facility and all those in support of programs	
Community Services Director	Library	Late Fines	Expenditures may include salaries, benefits, facility and all those in support of programs	

* Special legislation was approved to allow for the creation of the Recreation Fund to allow for the spending limit to exceed the threshold of 1% of the amount raised by taxation for the Town in FY17.

Finance Director

Revolving Funds Chapter 44, Section 53E1/2				
FY16 Revolving Fund Requests				
Spending Authority	Revolving Fund	Revenue Source	Use of Fund	FY17 Authorized Spending Limit
Community Services Director	Recreation Fund*	Program Fees	Expenditures may include salaries, benefits, facility and all those in support of programs	\$250,000
Community Services Director	GATRA	Fees related to transportation program	Expenditures may include salaries, benefits, facility and all those in support of programs	\$90,000
Community Services Director	Forge Pond Park	Fees related to programs	Expenditures may include salaries, benefits, facility and all those in support of programs	\$1

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Town Manager	Cable Services	Fees related to cable license agreements	Expenditures may include salaries, benefits, facility and all those in support of PEG access and programs	\$300,000
Community Services Director	Flu Clinic	Receipts from Medicare/Medicaid billing	Expenditures may include salaries, benefits, facility and all those in support of programs	\$9,000

We move that the Town vote to re-authorize revolving funds for the Town departments as specified in the article, with the exception of the library fund, under the provisions of MGL c.44, §53E1/2 for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2016, with specific receipts credited to each fund, the purposes for which each fund may be spent, and the maximum amount that may be spent from each fund for FY2017 as stated in the article and revised table above.

So carries unanimously.

ARTICLE 13. GENERAL FUND OPERATING BUDGET

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$56,073,671 for a total General Fund Operating Budget, to provide for a reserve fund and to defray the expenses of the Town, and for the purposes listed in the budget document, and to meet said appropriation transfer the sum of \$65,000 from the Cemetery Graves & Foundations account, and transfer the sum of \$10,000 from the Sale of Cemetery Lots account, and transfer the sum of \$39,810 from the Title V Betterment Program, and transfer the sum of \$915,295 from the Ambulance Receipt Reserved account and raise \$55,043,566 from the 2017 Tax Levy, or take any other action relative thereto.

<i>Summary of Vote</i>	
General Government:	
Salaries	\$ 251,892
Expenses	\$ 218,900
Finance Department:	
Salaries	\$ 767,361
Expenses	\$ 199,207
Community Services:	
Salaries	\$ 1,439,804
Expenses	\$ 468,257
Police:	
Salaries	\$ 3,389,731
Expenses	\$ 245,107

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Fire:	
Salaries	\$ 2,607,595
Expenses	\$ 269,084
Hanover Public Schools	\$ 25,765,115
Other Education - South Shore Vocational	\$ 794,915
Public Works:	
Salaries	\$ 1,229,619
Expenses	\$ 1,355,098
Facilities:	
Salaries	\$ 1,940,354
Expenses	\$ 1,862,332
Snow & Ice	\$ 387,000
Debt	\$ 5,474,530
Town Wide Expenses	\$ 7,217,770
Transfers	\$ 190,000
Total General Fund Operating Budget	\$ 56,073,671
Free Cash	\$ -
Indirect Costs	\$ -
Cemetery Graves & Foundations	\$ 65,000
Sale of Cemetery Lots	\$ 10,000
Title V Receipts Reserved Account	\$ 39,810
Ambulance Receipt Reserved Account	\$ 915,295
<i>Less Total Transfers</i>	\$ 1,030,105
To be raised by the 2017 Tax Levy	\$ 55,043,566

Advisory Committee
Town Manager

We move that the Town vote to raise and appropriate \$56,073,671 for a total General Fund Operating Budget, to provide for a reserve fund and to defray the expenses of the Town, and for the purposes listed in the budget document, and to meet said appropriation transfer the sum of \$65,000 from the Cemetery Graves & Foundations account, and transfer the sum of \$10,000 from the Sale of Cemetery Lots account, and transfer the sum of \$39,810 from the Title V Betterment Program, and transfer the sum of \$915,295 from the Ambulance Receipt Reserved account and raise \$55,043,566 from the 2017 Tax Levy.

<i>Summary of Vote</i>	
General Government:	
Salaries	\$ 251,892

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Expenses	\$ 218,900
Finance Department:	
Salaries	\$ 769,131
Expenses	\$ 199,207
Community Services:	
Salaries	\$ 1,439,804
Expenses	\$ 468,257
Police:	
Salaries	\$ 3,389,731
Expenses	\$ 245,107
Fire:	
Salaries	\$ 2,607,595
Expenses	\$ 269,084
Hanover Public Schools	\$ 25,765,115
Other Education - South Shore Vocational	\$ 725,406
Public Works:	
Salaries	\$ 1,229,619
Expenses	\$ 1,355,098
Facilities:	
Salaries	\$ 1,940,354
Expenses	\$ 1,738,932
Snow & Ice	\$ 387,000
Debt	\$ 5,474,530
Town Wide Expenses	\$ 7,362,693
Transfers	\$ 236,216
<i>Total General Fund Operating Budget</i>	\$ 56,073,671
Free Cash	\$ -
Indirect Costs	\$ -
Cemetery Graves & Foundations	\$ 65,000
Sale of Cemetery Lots	\$ 10,000
Title V Receipts Reserved Account	\$ 39,810
Ambulance Receipt Reserved Account	\$ 915,295
<i>Less Total Transfers</i>	\$ 1,030,105
To be raised by the 2017 Tax Levy (General Fund revenues & other sources)	\$ 55,043,566

Motion carries.

ARTICLE 14. WATER ENTERPRISE BUDGET

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To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$3,292,774 from Water Enterprise receipts to defray Water Enterprise direct costs and that \$358,739 as appropriated in the General Fund Operating Budget, be used for Water indirect costs, all to fund the total costs of operations of the Water Enterprise as follows, or take any other action relative thereto.

Personal Services	\$ 1,502,608
Other Expenses	\$ 1,246,315
Debt Service	\$ 543,851
Appropriate for Direct Costs	\$ 3,292,774
Indirect Costs - Reimburse General Fund for Shared Expenses	\$ 358,739
Total Cost - Water Enterprise	\$ 3,651,513

Advisory Committee
Town Manager

We move that the Town vote to appropriate \$3,292,774 from Water Enterprise receipts to defray Water Enterprise direct costs and that the sum of \$358,739 as appropriated in the General Fund Operating Budget be used for the Water indirect costs, all to fund the total costs of operations of Water Enterprise. Each item is to be expended by the Town Manager in accordance with Chapter 67 of the Acts of 2009 Town Manager Act for the purposes identified and those purposes only, and each item to be considered a separate appropriation for that purpose only.

So carries unanimously.

ARTICLE 15. SPECIAL EDUCATION EXPENSES

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money for School Special Education Expenses to be expended by the School Committee for this purpose, or take any other action relative thereto.

Town Manager
School Committee

We move that the Town vote to appropriate the sum of \$450,000 from General Fund Free Cash for School Special Education Expenses to be expended by the School Committee for the purposes stated herein.

So carries unanimously.

ARTICLE 16. SCHOOL DEPARTMENT MEDICAID REIMBURSEMENTS

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To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer a sum of money from available funds to fund a contract to assist the School Department in recovering Medicaid reimbursements, or take any other action relative thereto.

Board of Selectmen

We move that the Town not accept this article and take no further action.

So carries unanimously.

ARTICLE 17. APPROPRIATE FUNDS - BUILDINGS INSURANCE FUND

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or appropriate from available funds a sum of money to the Municipal Buildings Insurance Fund, or take any other action relative thereto.

Town Manager

We move that the Town not accept this article and take no further action.

So carries unanimously.

ARTICLE 18. PUBLIC SAFETY EMPLOYEE TRAINING

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or appropriate from available funds a sum of money, for public safety employee training, or take any other action relative thereto.

Town Manager

We move that the Town vote to appropriate the sum of \$30,000 from General Fund Free Cash for public safety employee training. Said funds to be expended at the direction of the Town Manager for the purposes stated herein.

So carries unanimously.

ARTICLE 19. PURCHASE POLICE DEPARTMENT VEHICLES

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, appropriate from undesignated fund balance, or borrow in accordance with Massachusetts General Laws, or any other enabling act, the sum of \$118,612.00 or another sum, to the Public Safety Vehicle Account authorized under Article #32 of the 1983 Annual Town Meeting. The amount will be for the purchase, lease, or lease purchase and equipping of two marked police vehicles and one unmarked police vehicle and to authorize related trade-ins or to be sold by sealed bid, said funds to be expended at the direction of the Town Manager, or take any other action relative thereto.

Chief of Police
Town Manager

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We move that the Town vote to appropriate the sum of \$118,612 from General Fund Free Cash for the purchase, lease or lease purchase and equipping of two marked police vehicles and one unmarked police vehicle. Said funds to be expended for the purposes stated herein at the direction of the Town Manager.

So carries.

ARTICLE 20. APPROPRIATE FUNDS – FIRE PUMPING ENGINE

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, appropriate from the undesignated fund balance or borrow in accordance with Massachusetts General Laws or any other enabling act, the sum of \$220,000 or another sum, to refurbish a 1997 Fire Pumping Engine. Said funds to be expended at the direction of the Town Manager and the Fire Chief, or take any other action relative thereto.

Fire Chief
Town Manager

We move that the sum of \$220,000 be and hereby is appropriated to pay costs of refurbishing and equipping a 1997 Fire Pumping Engine, and for the payment of any and all other costs incidental and related thereto, said funds to be expended at the direction of the Town Manager and the Fire Chief, and that to meet this appropriation, the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen is hereby authorized to borrow said amount under and pursuant to Chapter 44, Section 7(9) of the General Laws, or pursuant to any other enabling authority, and to issue bonds or notes of the Town therefor.

Motion achieves the required 2/3 majority as called by the Moderator after a hand vote.

ARTICLE 21. APPROPRIATE FUNDS – FIRE COMMAND VEHICLE

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, appropriate from the undesignated fund balance or borrow in accordance with Massachusetts General Laws or any other enabling act, the sum of \$60,000 or another sum, to purchase and equip a Fire Command Vehicle. Said funds to be expended at the direction of the Town Manager and the Fire Chief, or take any other action relative thereto.

Fire Chief
Town Manager

We move that the Town vote to appropriate the sum of \$55,000 from General Fund Free Cash for the purchase and equipping of a Fire Department command vehicle. Said funds to be expended for the purposes stated herein at the direction of the Town Manager.

So carries.

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ARTICLE 22. CREATE TURF FIELD STABILIZATION FUND

To see if the Town will vote to establish under Chapter 40, Section 5B of the Massachusetts General Laws, a Turf Field Stabilization Fund for the purpose of receiving funds from Turf Field usage charges and other sources, said fund to be used exclusively to defray the cost of the eventual replacement of the Turf Field sports surface materials, or take any other action relative thereto.

Facilities Engineering Manager
Finance Director

We move that the Town establish under Chapter 40, Section 5B of the Massachusetts General Laws, a Turf Field Stabilization Fund for the purposes of maintenance and replacement costs of Turf Field at the Hanover High School.

So carries.

ARTICLE 23. APPROPRIATE FUNDS – WOOD CHIPPER

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, appropriate from available funds and/or borrow in accordance with Chapter 44 of the Massachusetts General Laws the sum of \$40,000, or another sum, to purchase and equip a wood chipper, said purchase and equipping to be done at the direction of the Town Manager who is authorized to sell or make appropriate trade-ins, or take any other action relative thereto.

Town Manager
Director of Public Works

We move that the Town vote to appropriate the sum of \$40,000 from General Fund Free Cash to purchase and equip a wood chipper. Said funds to be expended for the purposes stated herein at the direction of the Town Manager.

So carries.

ARTICLE 24. APPROPRIATE FUNDS – GASOLINE & DIESEL PUMPS

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, appropriate from available funds and/or borrow in accordance with Chapter 44 of the Massachusetts General Laws the sum of \$60,000, or another sum, to purchase, equip, and install gasoline and diesel pumps and related equipment at the Ames Way Highway Garage, said purchase, installation and equipping to be done at the direction of the Town Manager, or take any other action relative thereto.

Town Manager
Director of Public Works

We move that the Town vote to appropriate the sum of \$60,000 from General Fund Free Cash to purchase, equip, and install gasoline and diesel pumps and related equipment at the Ames Way Highway Garage. Said funds to be expended for the purposes stated herein at the direction of the Town Manager.

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So carries.

ARTICLE 25. APPROPRIATE FUNDS – LARGE DUMP TRUCK

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, appropriate from available funds and/or borrow in accordance with Chapter 44 of the Massachusetts General Laws the sum of \$190,000, or another sum, to purchase and equip a large dump truck, said purchase and equipping to be done at the direction of the Town Manager who is authorized to sell or make appropriate trade-ins, or take any other action relative thereto.

Town Manager
Director of Public Works

We move that the sum of \$190,000 be and hereby is appropriated to pay costs of purchasing and equipping a large dump truck, and for the payment of any and all other costs incidental and related thereto, said purchase and equipping to be done at the direction of the town Manager which is authorize to sell or make appropriate trade-ins, and that to meet this appropriation, the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen is hereby authorized to borrow said amount under and pursuant to Chapter 44, Section 7(9) of the General Laws, or pursuant to any other enabling authority, and to issue bonds or notes of the Town therefor.

Motion achieves the required 2/3 majority as called by the Moderator after a hand vote.

ARTICLE 26. APPROPRIATE FUNDS – VACUUM SWEEPER TRUCK

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, appropriate from available funds and/or borrow in accordance with Chapter 44 of the Massachusetts General Laws the sum of \$250,000, or another sum, to purchase and equip a vacuum sweeper truck, said purchase and equipping to be done at the direction of the Town Manager who is authorized to sell or make appropriate trade-ins, or take any other action relative thereto.

Town Manager
Director of Public Works

We move that the sum of \$250,000 be and hereby is appropriated to pay costs of purchasing and equipping a vacuum sweeper truck, and for the payment of any and all other costs incidental and related thereto, said purchase and equipping to be done at the direction of the town Manager who is authorized to sell or make appropriate trade-ins, and that to meet this appropriation, the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen is hereby authorized to borrow said amount under and pursuant to Chapter 44, Section 7(9) of the General Laws, or pursuant to any other enabling authority, and to issue bonds or notes of the Town therefor.

Motion achieves the required 2/3 majority as called by the Moderator after a hand vote.

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ARTICLE 27. APPROPRIATE FUNDS – CRANE UTILITY TRUCK

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from Water Revenues, appropriate from available undesignated Water Revenue Balances, appropriate from available funds, re-appropriate from the unexpended balances of previous Town Meeting articles, and/or borrow in accordance with Chapter 44 of the Massachusetts General Laws the sum of \$135,000, or another sum, to purchase and equip a crane utility truck, said purchase and equipping to be done at the direction of the Town Manager who is authorized to sell or make appropriate trade-ins, or take any other action relative thereto.

Town Manager
Director of Public Works

We move that the Town vote to appropriate the sum of \$135,000 from the Water Enterprise Retained Earnings for the purchase and equipping of a crane utility truck. Said funds to be expended for the purposes stated herein at the direction of the Town Manager.

So carries.

ARTICLE 28. APPROPRIATE FUNDS – STORMWATER MANAGEMENT

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, appropriate from available funds and/or borrow in accordance with Chapter 44 of the Massachusetts General Laws the sum of \$80,000, or another sum, to perform stormwater management mapping, engineering services, environmental testing, and related field work to meet the Town's obligations under the Stormwater Phase II program of the Federal Clean Water Act, said work to be done at the direction of the Town Manager, or take any other action relative thereto.

Town Manager
Director of Public Works

We move that the Town vote to appropriate the sum of \$80,000 from General Fund Free Cash to meet the Town's obligations. Said funds to be expended for purposes stated herein at the direction of the Town Manager.

So carries unanimously.

ARTICLE 29. APPROPRIATE FUNDS – WATER TREATMENT PLANTS

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from Water Revenues, appropriate from available undesignated Water Revenue Balances, appropriate from available funds, re-appropriate from the unexpended balances of previous Town Meeting articles, and/or borrow in accordance with Chapter 44 of the Massachusetts General Laws the sum of \$1,400,000, or another sum, to modify the Pond Street Water Treatment Plant, Beal Water Treatment Plant, Broadway Water Treatment Plant, Old and New Union Street Standpipes, and Walnut Hill Standpipe to reduce disinfection byproducts below Federal Tier 2 levels, said work to be done at the direction of the Town Manager, or take any other action relative thereto.

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Town Manager
Director of Public Works

We move that the sum of \$1,519,200 be and hereby is appropriated to pay costs of modifications to the Pond Street Water Treatment Plant, the Beal Water Treatment Plant, the Broadway Water Treatment Plant, Old and New Union Street standpipes, and Walnut Hill standpipe and for the payment of any and all other costs incidental and related thereto, said work to be done at the direction of the Town Manager, and that to meet this appropriation, the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen is hereby authorized to borrow said amount under and pursuant to Chapter 44, Section 8 of the General Laws, or pursuant to any other enabling authority, and to issue bonds or notes of the Town therefor.

Motion to cut off debate.

So carries.

Motion achieves the required 2/3 majority as called by the Moderator after a hand vote.

ARTICLE 30. APPROPRIATE FUNDS – WATER MAINS

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from Water Revenues, appropriate from available undesignated Water Revenue Balances, appropriate from available funds, re-appropriate from the unexpended balances of previous Town Meeting articles, and/or borrow in accordance with Chapter 44 of the Massachusetts General Laws the sum of \$200,000, or another sum, to replace and or reinforce the existing water main on Plain Street from Hanover Street to Circuit Street with a 12-inch water main, said work to be done at the direction of the Town Manager and Director of Public Works, who are authorized to apply for and accept any Federal or State assistance that may be available, or take any other action relative thereto.

Town Manager
Director of Public Works

We move that the sum of \$200,000 be and hereby is appropriated to pay costs of to replace and/or reinforce the existing water main on Plain Street from Hanover Street to Circuit Street with a 12-inch water main, and for the payment of any and all other costs incidental and related thereto, said work to be done at the direction of the Town Manager and director of Public Works, who are authorized to apply for an accept any Federal or State assistance that may be available for the project, and that to meet this appropriation, the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen is hereby authorized to borrow said amount under and pursuant to Chapter 44, Section 8(5) of the General Laws, or pursuant to any other enabling authority, and to issue bonds or notes of the Town therefor.

So carries unanimously.

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ARTICLE 31. APPROPRIATE FUNDS – UNION STREET STANDPIPE

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from Water Revenues, appropriate from available undesignated Water Revenue Balances, appropriate from available funds, re-appropriate from the unexpended balances of previous Town Meeting articles, and/or borrow in accordance with Chapter 44 of the Massachusetts General Laws the sum of \$500,000, or another sum, to perform maintenance to the interior and or exterior of the large 2.0 million gallon Union Street standpipe, said work to be done at the direction of the Town Manager and Director of Public Works, who are authorized to apply for and accept any Federal or State assistance that may be available, or take any other action relative thereto.

Town Manager
Director of Public Works

We move that the Town not accept this article and take no further action.

So carries unanimously.

ARTICLE 32. APPROPRIATE FUNDS – ONE TON DUMP TRUCK

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, appropriate from available funds and/or borrow in accordance with Chapter 44 of the Massachusetts General Laws the sum of \$75,000, or another sum, to purchase and equip a one-ton dump truck, said purchase and equipping to be done at the direction of the Town Manager, or take any other action relative thereto.

Facilities Engineering Manager
Town Manager

We move that the Town not accept this article and take no further action.

So carries unanimously.

ARTICLE 33. APPROPRIATE FUNDS - JOHN CURTIS LIBRARY – RESTORATION

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, appropriate from available funds, or borrow in accordance with Massachusetts General Laws or any other enabling act, the sum of \$45,000 or any other sum, for Phase 1 (Children's Library) of a finishes renewal project at the John Curtis Library, involving carpet replacement, wall repairs and repainting, woodwork refinishing, and miscellaneous repairs, or take any other action relative thereto.

Facilities Engineering Manager
Town Manager

We move that the Town not accept this article and take no further action.

So carries unanimously.

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ARTICLE 34. APPROPRIATE FUNDS – REPLACE CARPETS – TOWN HALL

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, appropriate from available funds, or borrow in accordance with Massachusetts General Laws or any other enabling act, the sum of \$33,000 or any other sum, to replace existing carpets at Town Hall, or take any other action relative thereto.

Facilities Engineering Manager
Town Manager

We move that the Town not accept this article and take no further action.

So carries unanimously.

ARTICLE 35. APPROPRIATE FUNDS - CEDAR SCHOOL FLOORING

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, appropriate from available funds, or borrow in accordance with Massachusetts General Laws or any other enabling act, the sum of \$260,000 or any other sum, to remove carpet in 35 rooms, abate/remove vinyl asbestos floor tile; and install new vinyl composition floor tile at Cedar Elementary School, or take any other action relative thereto.

Facilities Engineering Manager
Town Manager

We move that the Town not accept this article and take no further action.

So carries unanimously.

ARTICLE 36. APPROPRIATE FUNDS – TRACTOR/SNOW BLOWER

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, appropriate from available funds and/or borrow in accordance with Chapter 44 of the Massachusetts General Laws the sum of \$22,600, or another sum, to purchase and equip a Kubota 26 HP ROPS Tractor/Snow Blower for the snow removal and sanding on the High School Campus Sidewalks, said purchase and equipping to be done at the direction of the Town Manager, or take any other action relative thereto.

Facilities Engineering Manager
Town Manager

We move that the Town not accept this article and take no further action.

So carries unanimously.

Motion to adjourn to Tuesday night, May 3, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. at Hanover High School.

Motion carries unanimously.

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Meeting adjourned at 10:52 p.m., Monday, May 2, 2016.

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With a quorum being present at Hanover High School, Moderator Douglas Thomson called the Annual Town Meeting back to order at 7:03 p.m. on Tuesday, May 3, 2016.

The Moderator re-opened Article 2 without objection.

State Senator Michael Brady gave a brief report from the State House after thanking and welcoming many in attendance.

Report from State Representative David DeCoste:

Thank you Mr. Moderator, Board of Selectmen, town meeting members, and other elected officials for this opportunity to speak to you.

First, let me just say that it is truly an honor for me to serve as the state Representative for the town of Hanover and the residents of the Fifth Plymouth District. I know there are a lot of items on the agenda this evening, and many people who want to speak, so I will be brief.

As you know, the House just completed debate last week on the Fiscal Year 2017 budget. I'm happy to report that the proposed House budget does not increase taxes, and also includes a significant increase in local aid for our cities and towns. The House budget funds Chapter 70 education aid at \$4.6 billion, which is \$96 million more than the current fiscal year and \$24 million higher than Governor Baker's proposal. This Chapter 70 increase will allow for a guaranteed statewide minimum increase of \$55 per pupil. Hanover's current Chapter 70 allocation for Fiscal Year 2016 is \$6,654,914. Governor Baker's budget called for an increase of \$51,140 in Chapter 70 aid for Hanover in Fiscal Year 2017. The House budget goes even further, allocating \$6,795,549 in education aid for the town, which represents an increase of \$140,635 over current funding levels.

The House budget also increases unrestricted general government aid by \$42.1 million statewide to a total of \$1.022 billion. Hanover's unrestricted local aid is funded in the House budget at \$2,036,793, the same as the Governor's budget. This represents an increase of \$83,971 over current levels.

The House budget also includes \$276.6 million for Special Education Circuit Breaker reimbursements, which will fully fund the state's share of special education aid for local school districts at 75 percent. In addition, the House budget provides \$85.5 million for charter school tuition reimbursements. Under the House budget, Hanover's charter tuition reimbursement will increase by \$13,781 to a total of \$58,923.

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One key provision added to the budget during floor debate was an amendment offered by Republican leadership to establish a task force to look at unfunded education mandates. This task force is intended to provide communities with financial relief from the many unfunded mandates the state has imposed on local school districts over the years. This task force will be responsible for developing recommendations for streamlining, consolidating or eliminating any mandates or reporting requirements that are outdated, duplicative or unnecessary.

During the budget debate, I also joined with my colleagues in the Republican caucus to support an amendment that would have returned half of all surplus state revenues to cities and towns – up to \$100 million – as additional local aid. Unfortunately, the amendment failed to gain enough votes to be included in the budget. However, I want everyone here tonight to know that I will continue to advocate for additional local aid for the Fifth Plymouth District.

I believe in promoting a strong state-municipal partnership, through initiatives like the Chapter 90 program, which this year will deliver \$518,735 to Hanover to fund essential repairs to local roadways.

You have my word that anything I can do to help reduce the financial pressures on the town's budget and ensure the delivery of essential municipal services to Hanover's residents, I will do.

In closing, I want to thank you again for allowing me this chance to provide you with an update on what's been happening on Beacon Hill. I truly appreciate the opportunity you have given me to serve the residents of Hanover in the Legislature. My office is always open to you, and I'm only a phone call away by dialing 617-722-2430. I also want to thank each and every one of you for your dedication to the town, and I wish you nothing but the best as you deliberate tonight.

Town Planner Peter Matchak gave a report regarding the Town Hall Restoration project and the Town of Hanover's Master Plan.

We move that the Town accept these reports as presented.

Article 2 so re-carries unanimously.

ARTICLE 37. ABANDON/SELL ELM STREET LAND

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to abandon, sell or otherwise convey a parcel of land on Elm Street, or take any other action relative thereto.

Board of Selectmen

We move that the town authorize the Board of Selectmen to abandon, sell or otherwise convey a parcel of land on Elm Street, shown on a Town of Hanover reference map dated April 26, 2016, as a highlighted parcel adjacent to parcel known as Map 65, parcel 8, as shown on the Hanover Assessor's maps.

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So carries unanimously.

ARTICLE 38. DOG LICENSE FEE – MGL CHAPTER 140, § 139

To see if the Town will vote to accept the provision of Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 140, Section 139 that reads ‘...No fee shall be charged for a license for a dog owned by a person aged 70 years or owner in a city or town that accepts this provision’, or take any other action relevant thereto.”

Town Clerk

I move that the Town accept the provision of Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 140, Section 139 that reads “...No fee shall be charged for a license for a dog owned by a person aged 70 years or older in a city or town that accepts this provision”.

So carries unanimously.

ARTICLE 39. APPROPRIATE FUNDS – VOTING MACHINES

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, appropriate from available funds and/or borrow in accordance with Chapter 44 of the Massachusetts General Laws the sum of \$32,000, or another sum, to purchase five (5) optical scanning vote tabulators to replace the Town’s existing voting machines, said purchase to be done at the direction of the Town Manager, or take any other action relative thereto.

Finance Director
Town Manager

We move that the Town vote to appropriate the sum of \$32,000 from General Fund Free Cash for the purchase of five (5) optical scanning vote tabulators. Said funds to be expended for the purposes stated herein at the direction of the Town Manager.

So carries unanimously.

ARTICLE 40. APPROPRIATE FUNDS - TECHNOLOGY UPGRADES

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, from undesignated fund balance or borrow in accordance with Massachusetts General Laws or any other enabling act, the sum of \$100,000 or any other sum, to upgrade or replace obsolete hardware including, but not limited to, firewalls, switches, wireless access points, servers, desktops and laptops, or take any other action relative thereto.

Director of Technology

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We move that the Town vote to appropriate the sum of \$100,000 from General Fund Free Cash to upgrade or replace obsolete hardware including, but not limited to, firewalls, switches, wireless access points, servers, desktops and laptops. Said funds to be expended for the purposes stated herein at the direction of the Superintendent of Schools.

So carries.

Richard DeLuca, Chair of the Planning Board, recognized member Ken Blanchard and thanked him for his 5 years of service on the Planning Board.

ARTICLE 41. AMEND SIGN BYLAW – DIGITAL MESSAGE BOARDS

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Sign Bylaw for the Town in the manner described below, or take any other action relative thereto:

Definition:

3.10 Digital Message Board:

Computerized programmable electronic visual communication devices used for the advertisement purposes for good and services, specially manufactured for the outside environment.

Article 5: Amend the Hanover Sign Bylaw, Section 5.1.1 Digital Message Boards, by adding following:

To be inserted as Section 5.1.1:

5.1.1 Digital Message Boards:

Notwithstanding the above provision and upon applying for and the granting of a Special Permit by the Planning Board acting as the as Special Permit Granting Authority, Digital Message Board signs are allowed in Commercial, Business, and Planned Shopping Center districts. Elements to be reviewed and regulated in allowing a Special Permit shall include, but not limited to the following:

- (a) Digital Message Boards can only display goods and services available at the petitioner's place of business.
- (b) There shall be only one (1) Digital Message Board allowed per property.
- (c) Digital Message Boards shall display static images only.
- (d) Digital Message Boards may change their static images no more than once every fifteen minutes (15) as a free standing, monument, or wall sign. In addressing this issue, the Planning Board may review sight distances and speed limits on surrounding roads.
- (e) Transitions from one static image to the next shall appear instantaneously without the appearance of flashing, animation or movement of any kind.
- (f) The background of any Digital Message Board shall remain a consistent color and intensity from one message to the next.

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- (g) Such sign shall come equipped with automatic dimming technology that automatically adjusts the sign's brightness based on ambient light conditions.
- (h) No electronic message center sign shall exceed a brightness level of 3.0 foot candles above ambient light as measured using a foot candle meter and a distance of 50 feet from the display.
- (i) Digital Message Boards shall meet the dimensional requirements outlined in Article 7.2.b. and Article 7.2.c of the Sign Bylaw.
- (j) During a public safety event, the petitioner shall make the Digital Message Board accessible to the Town of Hanover's public safety departments.

Landscaping: The area surrounding the base of all freestanding and monument Digital Message Boards shall be attractively landscaped. Landscaping shall include low shrubbery, flowers or other such plantings that will not exceed one and half (1 ½) feet in height. These plantings will serve to obscure the supporting structure of the sign, while adding to overall appearance of the property.

Site Plan Approval: All Digital Message Board signs shall be included as an element of all Site Plan Approval applications Section 10 of the Hanover Zoning Bylaws. The application shall include the location, size, and height of all signs existing and proposed on the property. Applicants may be required to document signs on adjacent property if the Planning Board determines the circumstances warrant such review to reach an informed decision.

Director of Community Services
Town Planner

We move that the Town vote to amend the Sign Bylaw for the Town in the manner described below:

Definition:

3.10 Digital Message Board:

Computerized programmable electronic visual communication devices used for the advertisement purposes for goods and services, specifically manufactured for the outside environment.

Article 5: Amend the Hanover Sign Bylaw, Section 5.1.1 Digital Message Boards, by adding following:

To be inserted as Section 5.1.1:

5.1.1 Digital Message Boards:

Notwithstanding the above provision and upon applying for and the granting of a Special Permit by the Planning Board acting as the Special Permit Granting Authority, Digital Message Board signs are allowed in Commercial, Business, and Planned Shopping Center districts. Elements to be reviewed and regulated in allowing a Special Permit shall include, but not limited to the following:

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- (a) Digital message Boards can only display goods and services available at the petitioner's place of business.
- (b) There shall be only one (1) Digital Message Board allowed per property.
- (c) Digital Message Boards shall display static images only.
- (d) Digital Message Boards may change their static images no more than once every fifteen (15) minutes as a free standing, monument, or wall sign. In addressing this issue, the Planning Board may review sight distances and speed limits on surrounding roads.
- (e) Features and functions that are prohibited: continuous scrolling and/or traveling, flashing, spinning, rotating, and similar effects, and all dynamic frame effects or patterns of illusionary movement or simulating movement.
- (f) Transitions from one static image to the next shall appear instantaneously without the appearance of flashing, animation, or movement of any kind.
- (g) The background of any Digital Message Board shall remain a consistent color and intensity from one message to the next.
- (h) Such sign shall come equipped with automatic dimming technology that automatically adjusts the sign's brightness based upon ambient light conditions.
- (i) Digital Message Board brightness levels shall not exceed industry standards.
- (j) All Digital Message Boards shall have a minimum of twelve (12) millimeter resolution.
- (k) Digital Message Boards shall meet the dimensional requirements outlined in Article 7.2.b. and Article 7.2.c. of the Sign Bylaw.
- (l) During a public safety emergency, the petitioner shall make the Digital message Board accessible to the Town of Hanover's public safety departments.
- (m) Portable Digital Message Boards utilized under government authority for public safety or public works purposes are exempt from these requirements.

Landscaping: The area surrounding the base of all freestanding and monument Digital Message Boards shall be attractively landscaped. Landscaping shall include low shrubbery, flowers or other such plantings that will not exceed one and one half (1-1/2) feet in height. These plantings will serve to obscure the supporting structure of the sign, while adding to overall appearance of the property.

Site Plan Approval: All Digital Message Board signs shall be included as an element of all Site Plan Approval applications Section 10 of the Hanover Zoning Bylaws. The application shall include the location, size, and height of all signs existing and proposed on the property. Applicants may be required to document signs on adjacent property if the Planning Board determines the circumstances warrant such review to reach an informed decision.

Motion to cut off debate.

So carries.

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Main motion carries.

ARTICLE 42. AMEND ZONING BYLAW 10.110 (S)

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning Bylaw for the Town in the manner described below, or take any other action relative thereto:

Amend the Hanover Zoning Bylaw, Section 10.110 (Site Plan Approval), by replacing the existing language with the following:

~~S. Location, dimensions, height and characteristics of proposed signs;~~

To be inserted as Section 10.110 S.

- S. Location, dimension, height and characteristics of all proposed signs permitted through the Sign Bylaw, including the use of Digital Message Boards outlined in Section 5.1.1 of the Sign Bylaw.

Director of Community Services
Town Planner

We move that the Town accept this article as written.

So carries unanimously.

ARTICLE 43. APPROPRIATE FUNDS – AFFORDABLE HOUSING TRUST

To see if the Town will vote, pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws (M.G.L.) Chapter 44B (Community Preservation), and the Hanover General Bylaws, Section 4-19, to appropriate a sum of \$110,091 dollars U.S., from the Community Housing Reserve Fund to be transferred to the Hanover Affordable Housing Trust to provide for the creation and preservation of affordable housing in Hanover, said funds to be expended for the purposes stated herein within the scope proposed and approved by the Community Preservation Committee and for the purposes approved by this Town Meeting, by the Town Manager, or take any other action relative thereto.

Community Preservation Committee
Affordable Housing Trust

We move that the Town vote, pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws (M.G.L.) Chapter 44B (Community Preservation), and the Hanover General Bylaws, Section 4-19, to appropriate a sum of \$110,091 dollars U.S., from the Community Housing Reserve Fund to be transferred to the Hanover Affordable Housing Trust to provide for the creation and preservation of affordable housing in Hanover. Said funds to be expended for the purposes stated herein at the direction of the Town Manager.

So carries.

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ARTICLE 44. APPROPRIATE FUNDS – OPEN SPACE PLAN

To see if the Town will vote, pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws (M.G.L.) Chapter 44B (Community Preservation), and the Hanover General Bylaws, Section 4-19, to appropriate \$20,000 U.S. dollars, from the Town's Community Preservation Fund (CPF) to "conduct a Town of Hanover Open Space Plan, which will be directed with the Metropolitan Area Planning Council (MAPC), to promote open space networks and public spaces in the Town of Hanover." Within the scope approved by the Community Preservation Committee, and for the purposes approved by this Town Meeting, said funds to be expended for the purposes stated herein by the Town Manager, under the direction of the Community Preservation Committee, or take any other action relative thereto.

Community Preservation Committee
Open Space Committee

We move that the Town vote, pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws (M.G.L.) Chapter 44B (Community Preservation), and the Hanover General Bylaws, Section 4-19, to appropriate a sum of \$20,000 dollars U.S., from the Open Space Reserve to conduct a Town of Hanover Open Space Plan 2016-2021. Said funds to be expended for the purposes stated herein at the direction of the Town Manager.

So carries.

**ARTICLE 45. APPROPRIATE FUNDS – FOUNDATION WALL STETSON HOUSE
BARN**

To see if the Town will vote, pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws (M.G.L.) Chapter 44B (Community Preservation), and the Hanover General Bylaws, Section 4-19, to appropriate \$10,000 U.S. dollars from the Town's Community Preservation Fund (CPF) to "repair the foundation wall of the Stetson House Barn, which is in a poor condition due to the expansions from the extreme weather conditions." Within the scope approved by the Community Preservation Committee, and for the purposes approved by this Town Meeting, said funds to be expended for the purposes stated herein by the Town Manager, under the direction of the Community Preservation Committee, or take any other action relative thereto.

Community Preservation Committee
Historical Commission
Facilities Engineering Manager

We move that the Town vote, pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws (M.G.L.) Chapter 44B (Community Preservation), and the Hanover General Bylaws, Section 4-19, to appropriate a sum of \$10,000 dollars U.S., from the Historic Resources Reserve to repair the foundation wall of the Stetson House Barn. Said funds to be expended for the purposes stated herein at the direction of the Town Manager.

So carries unanimously.

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ARTICLE 46. APPROPRIATE FUNDS – TRAILS

To see if the Town will vote, pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws (M.G.L.) Chapter 44B (Community Preservation), and the Hanover General Bylaws, Section 4-19, to appropriate \$9,200 U.S. dollars, from the Town's Community Preservation Fund (CPF) "for the expansion and improvement of trails to increase the visibility with improved signage and restoration work to reconnect the path to the Hanover community," within the scope approved by the Community Preservation Committee, and for the purposes approved by this Town Meeting, said funds to be expended for the purposes stated herein by the Town Manager, under the direction of the Community Preservation Committee, or take any other action relative thereto.

Community Preservation Committee
Open Space Committee

We move that the Town vote, pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws (M.G.L.) Chapter 44B (Community Preservation), and the Hanover General Bylaws, Section 4-19, to appropriate a sum of \$9,200 dollars U.S., from the Open Space Reserve as set forth in the Article. Said funds to be expended for the purposes stated herein at the direction of the Town Manager.

So carries unanimously.

ARTICLE 47. APPROPRIATE FUNDS – ROLL OF HONOR RESTORATION

To see if the Town will vote, pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws (M.G.L.) Chapter 44B (Community Preservation), and the Hanover General Bylaws, Section 4-19, to appropriate \$8,960 U.S. dollars, from the Town's Community Preservation Fund (CPF) to "restore the World War II Honor Roll plaques from 1946 and to further preserve the plaques for the future." Within the scope approved by the Community Preservation Committee, and for the purposes approved by this Town Meeting, said funds to be expended for the purposes stated herein by the Town Manager, under the direction of the Community Preservation Committee, or take any other action relative thereto.

Community Preservation Committee
Historical Commission
Town Planner

We move that the Town vote, pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws (M.G.L.) Chapter 44B (Community Preservation), and the Hanover General Bylaws, Section 4-19, to appropriate a sum of \$8,960 dollars U.S., from the Historic Resources Reserve as set forth in the Article. Said funds to be expended for the purposes stated herein at the direction of the Town Manager.

So carries unanimously.

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ARTICLE 48. APPROPRIATE FUNDS – VETERANS HONOR GARDEN

To see if the Town will vote, Pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws (M.G.L.) Chapter 44B (Community Preservation), and the Hanover General Bylaws, Section 4-19, to appropriate \$50,000 U.S. dollars, from the Town's Community Preservation Fund (CPF) to "include landscaping, walkways, lightings, grading and plantings to the development of the Hanover Veterans Honor Garden". Within the scope approved by the Community Preservation Committee, and for the purposes approved by this Town Meeting, said funds to be expended for the purposes stated herein by the Town Manager, under the direction of the Community Preservation Committee, or take any other action relative thereto.

Community Preservation Committee
Veterans Memorial Committee

We move that the Town vote, pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws (M.G.L.) Chapter 44B (Community Preservation), and the Hanover General Bylaws, Section 4-19, to appropriate a sum of \$50,000 dollars U.S., from the FY17 Budgeted Reserve to landscape including walkaways, lightings, grading and plantings to the current development of the Hanover Veterans Honor Garden. Said funds to be expended for the purposes stated herein at the direction of the Town Manager.

So carries unanimously.

ARTICLE 49. ADDITIONAL LIQUOR LICENSE

To see if the Town will authorize, but not require the Board of Selectmen to petition the Great and General Court of the Commonwealth to enact special legislation to authorize the licensing authority of the Town to issue an additional license for the sale of all alcoholic beverages not to be drunk on the premises pursuant to Section 15 of Chapter 138 of the General Laws, or take any other action relative thereto.

Board of Selectmen

We move the article as printed.

Motion to cut off debate not accepted by the Moderator.

Additional motion to cut off debate.

Motion passes. Debate closes.

Main motion fails.

**ARTICLE 50. ALL ALCOHOL BEVERAGE LICENSE-TWINS CONVENIENCE
STORE**

To see if the Town of Hanover will vote to petition the Great and General Court of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to seek Special Legislation authorizing the Town of Hanover to Convert the currently issued Chapter 138, Section 12 Wine and Malt Beverage License not to

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be drunk on the premises held by HSK Crop. dba Twin's Convenience Store, 124 Rockland Street to a Chapter 138, Section 15 All Alcohol Beverage License not to be drunk on the premises to be held by HSK Corp. dba Twin's Convenience Store provided that such license be issued through the usual licensing process administered by the local licensing authority.

By Petition: Hunha Lee
 Allen A. Prescott
 Todd Parent
 Robert O'Neil
 Kasey Flaherty

I move that the Town vote to accept Article 50 as printed in the Warrant, and shall further be established as a transferable license.

Move to amend the main motion to delete the words "and shall further be established as a transferable license" and to add "said license shall be restricted to 124 Rockland Street."

Amendment fails.

Motion to close debate.

So carries unanimously.

Main motion fails.

ARTICLE 51. ACCEPT CHAPTER 90 ROAD GRANT MONIES

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen and the Town Manager to accept such sums of money as may be distributed by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts through the Chapter 90 highway grant program, so-called, funds to be expended by the Town Manager in accordance with the guidelines and requirements of the Massachusetts Highway Department, or take any other action relative thereto.

Board of Selectmen
Town Manager
Director of Public Works

We move that the Town vote to authorize the Town Manager to accept Chapter 90 Highway Funds as distributed by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. Said funds to be expended by the Town Manager for the purposes stated herein in accordance with the guidelines and requirements of the Massachusetts Highway Department.

So carries unanimously.

ARTICLE 52. ACCEPT STREETS – TRAILSIDE LANE & MEADOW DRIVE

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To see if the Town will vote to accept the following streets as public ways, or take any other action relative thereto:

Trailside Lane: The entire length of Trailside Lane, as shown on a plan entitled “River Path Roadway as-built Trailside Lane and Meadow Drive Hanover, MA” prepared by Hoyt Land Surveying, dated October 22, 2014, Revised October 23, 2015, a copy of which is on file in the office of the Hanover Department of Public Works.

Meadow Drive: The entire length of Meadow Drive, as shown on a plan entitled “River Path Roadway as-built Trailside Lane and Meadow Drive Hanover, MA” prepared by Hoyt Land Surveying, dated October 22, 2014, Revised October 23, 2015, a copy of which is on file in the office of the Hanover Department of Public Works.

Director of Public Works

The Board of Public Works moves that the Town accept the full lengths of Trailside Lane and Meadow Drive as described in the printed warrant as public ways.

So carries.

ARTICLE 53. ACCEPT STREET – SUNSET POINT

To see if the Town will vote to accept the following streets as public ways, or take any other action relative thereto:

Sunset Point: The entire length of Sunset Point, as shown on a plan entitled “As Built Acceptance Plan of Sunset Point, Hanover, Mass” prepared by Keefe Associates, dated May 15, 2015, a copy of which is on file in the office of the Hanover Department of Public Works.

Director of Public Works

The Board of Public Works moves that the Town accept the full length of Sunset Point as described in the printed warrant as a public way.

So carries unanimously.

A motion to adjourn to the Annual Town Election on Saturday, May 7, 2016, after which the meeting will be hereby dissolved, was made at 9:52 p.m.

Motion carries unanimously.

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NOTICE FOR THE ELECTION OF OFFICERS
Hanover High School, 287 Cedar Street
On **SATURDAY, THE 7TH OF MAY 2016**
Then and there to act on the following:

To bring in their votes for each of the following:

For at term of five years: One Planning Board Member

For a term of three years: One Board of Assessors Member
One Board of Health Member
One Board of Public Works Member
One Planning Board member
One Board of Selectmen Member
One School Committee Member
One Trustee of the Public Library
One Town Clerk

For a term of one year: One Town Moderator

Polls open from 8 A.M. to 6 P.M., unless otherwise ordered by the Town.