

TOWN OF HARTLAND
SPECIAL TOWN MEETING MINUTES

Monday, September 16, 2019

TO: Susan Frost, a resident of the Town of Hartland, Maine, County of Somerset

Greetings:

In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby required to notify and warn the Inhabitants of the Town of Hartland in said county, qualified by law to vote in town affairs, to meet and assemble at the Irving Tanning Community Center, 62 Elm Street in said Town, on Monday, September 16, 2019 A.D. at 6:00 PM then and there to act on the following articles:

Article 1. To elect a Moderator to preside over this meeting.

Nomination made for Mark Brooks, Motion and second to elect Mark Brooks. No other nomination was made. Mark was elected by majority vote. Three voters came forward to do written ballots. Mark Brooks was sworn in as Moderator and presided over the meeting.

Article 2. Shall the Town allow the American Legion Steeves-McCormack Post 141 of Hartland, ME to construct a Veterans Memorial Flag Display, which includes a granite Honor Role Monument and benches, that represents all branches of the military: Army, Airforce, Coast Guard, Marines, Merchant Marines, and MIA-POW flags on Map 019 Lot 019 and Lot 020 (known as old pool lot on Pleasant Street) and use said lots to accommodate the display?

Motion and second made to accept article as written. Discussion followed: Why were these articles not done prior to this meeting? Monies were being raised prior to this meeting? American Legion members were raising monies for this project and intending to use their own piece of land adjacent to (Old pool lot), the idea of utilizing and including the Town Lot would allow more space for the Flag and Monument Display. Motion and second made to end discussion to move question. Motion to pass article carried with no opposing votes.

Article 3. Shall the Town accept the Flag and Monument Display as a gift from the Legion and take responsibility for maintenance and care (flags, honor roll, benches, and mowing lawn) of the display indefinitely?

Motion and second made to accept the article as written. No discussion, Motion to pass article carried with no opposing votes.

Article 4. Shall the Town approve the relocation of the two granite benches by the gazebo to incorporate them into the Flag Display Monument at the old pool site?

Motion and second made to accept the article as written. No discussion. Motion to pass the article carried with two opposing votes.

Article 5. Shall the Town allow the use of Town equipment and resources to be used to assist with the construction and development of the site as long as the operators of equipment are working as volunteers while operating the Town Equipment?

Motion and second made to accept the article as written. Discussion: What about the insurance on the Town equipment and the operators using equipment? Selectman advised no issue with insurance. Motion to pass the article carried with no opposing votes.

Article 6. Shall the Town allow fill material to be taken from various Town properties and be relocated to the Flag Display site?

Motion and second made to accept the article as written. Discussion: A voter asked a nonrelated question; "Won't the Town need fill for the road at the landfill? Town Manager responded that the road to landfill is complete. Motion to pass the article carried with no opposing votes.

Article 7. Shall an ordinance entitled "Town of Hartland Animal Control Ordinance", be enacted?

Motion made to accept, second. Discussion followed: Resident commented on the language on page 11, item b, and the negative affect on out of town residents. Resident also mentioned that the residents in Town should have their own rules and not affect the out of Town residents. Another resident spoke about the problems within Town and that the rules should be the same for all of Hartland. Selectman Buker advised that an ordinance was necessary in order to have set rules to enforce, without it the Board has no power. Selectman Hikel advised that this ordinance could be voted down and a new revised one could be presented with fewer restrictions. A few residents opposed the length of the document. Others spoke in favor of having an ordinance. Motion and second to move the article. Motion to pass 45 Votes, not to pass 24 Votes. Motion to pass carried.

** Draft ordinance is available at the Town Office and will be provided as separate document at the Special Town Meeting.

Art 8. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Treasurer and The Board of Selectmen, in the name of and on behalf of the Town, to borrow an amount not to exceed \$1,152,483, of which \$981,800 will be loan forgiveness, the proceeds to be appropriated to finance a portion of the cost of upgrades to the Town's Wastewater Treatment facility, and to issue the Town's general obligation bond and note in anticipation thereof, for a term not to exceed 30 years, under such other terms and conditions, including provisions for early redemption or prepayment, as may be

approved by the Treasurer, and to further authorize the Treasurer and a majority of the Board of Selectmen, separately, to take any and all other actions and to sign such other documents and certificates as may be necessary or convenient to accomplish such borrowing, and to authorize such other action as the Special Town Meeting may approve.

Motion and second to accept as written. No discussion. Motion to pass the article carried with no opposing votes.

ARTICLE 8. TREASURER'S FINANCIAL STATEMENT

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Total Town Indebtedness

A. Total debt outstanding and unpaid:	\$ 371,637
B. Total debt authorized and unissued:	\$2,069,519
C. Total Debt to be incurred if this article is approved:	\$1,152,483
D. Amount to be forgiven:	\$ 981,800

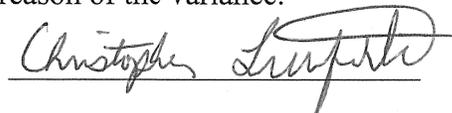
Total Debt Authorized after Passage of Article 8:	\$3,593,639
Total Debt Authorized After Forgiveness of \$981,800:	\$2,611,839

ESTIMATED COSTS:

Estimated Interest rate:	2 %
Estimated term:	30 years
Total principal to be repaid:	\$170,683
Total interest to be paid over term:	\$ 52,300
Total cost of principal and interest:	\$222,983

VALIDITY:

The validity of the note and the bond and of the voters' ratification of the note and bond may not be affected by any errors in the above estimates. If the actual amount of the total debt service for the bond issue varies from the estimate, the ratification by the electors is nevertheless conclusive and the validity of the bond issue is not affected by reason of the variance.


Christopher Littlefield, Treasurer

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WARRANT FOR SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

Monday, September 16, 2019

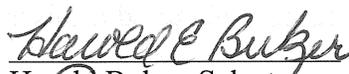
Motion made and second to adjourn at 6:52 PM,

There were 74 voters present at meeting.

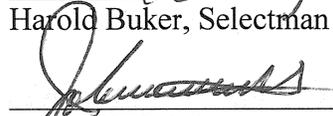
Dated: October 7, 2019



Judith Alton, Selectman



Harold Buker, Selectman



John Hikel, Selectman

A true copy of the minutes,

Attest: Jessie A Smith

Clerk of Hartland