



## **Board of Selectmen Ware Town Hall, 126 Main Street, Meeting Room**

**Meeting Minutes  
Tuesday, April 18, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.**

**Present: Chairman Carroll, Selectman Talbot, Selectman Fountain, Selectman Opalinski, Stuart Beckley, Stanley Ciukaj, Richard Kilhart, Tracy Meehan, Thomas Coulombe, Scott Mosso, Richard Starodaj, Andy Paquette, Chief Kovitch, Denis Ouimette, Janice Hills, Kathleen Coulombe, Melina Bourdeau, Mary Midura**  
**Absent: Selectman Whitney**

**Meeting Opened at 7:00 p.m. by Chairman Carroll.** A moment of silence was held for Irene Higney, former Town employee.

**Reorganization of the Board of Selectmen –**  
**Selectman Opalinski moved to postpone to May 2, 2017; Selectman Talbot seconded. The motion passed on a vote of 3 Yes, 1 No (Selectman Carroll). 1 Absent (Selectman Whitney).**

**Opening Remarks, Announcements, and Agenda review by Chair - None**

**Consent Agenda - None**

**Comments and Concerns of Citizens - None**

**Old Business - None**

### **New Business**

- **Beaver Lake Road – Speeding Concern – Request by Residents to Continue to May 2, 2017**  
**Selectman Talbot moved to table to May 2, 2017 at 7:05 p.m.; Selectman Opalinski seconded. The motion passed on a vote of 4 Yes, 0 No, 1 Absent (Selectman Whitney).**

- **Approval of Special Event – Buy Ware Now**  
Deborah Deschamps noted that the Sparkle Run/Walk 5K will be held on Saturday, May 13, beginning at 9:00 am in Grenville Park. Runners can register online at Buy Ware Now website or call Ms. Deschamps for forms. Families are welcome to dress in patriotic costume and participate in contests for prizes. The Sparkle Run proceeds will go to the time honored tradition of fireworks for the Town of Ware. Chairman Carroll noted his membership in the Lions Club, which sponsors the fireworks.  
**Selectman Talbot moved approval; Selectman Opalinski seconded. The motion passed on a vote of 3 Yes, 0 No, 1 Abstention (Selectman Carroll), 1 Absent (Selectman Whitney).**

- **Set Public Hearing for National Grid/Verizon New England, Inc. Petition for Joint or Identical Pole Locations #23733546 Dugan Road**

Selectman Talbot moved to set the public hearing for May 2, 2017 at 7:15 p.m.; Selectman Opalinski seconded. The motion passed on a vote of 4 Yes, 0 No, 1 Absent (Selectman Whitney).

### **Scheduled Appearances**

- **DPW Director, Water Treatment Plant Discussion**

Richard Kilhart stated that he was charged with three things when he took this position: correct and clear the water, roads, and upgrade the wastewater treatment plant. Since October, the water has been treated on a small scale. To process source water to remove iron and manganese, we use technology that is 50 years old. We looked at other options, but using fabricated sand is most affordable and effective. Article 14 of the Annual Town Meeting addresses this. The plant would process 1.8million gallons daily. Wells 1-4 plus the cistern at Barnes Street would be replaced, with the new built next to the existing, including storage tank with baffles. The present buildings were built in 1895 and are on State historic list. If approved on May 8, 2017 at Town Meeting, it would take at least 18 months to build and go online. Extreme flushing would be done, as was done on Mountainview Drive, where the water is now clear with some very light residue occasionally. We have solicited funding from USDA, and may have 25% paid (there is over \$1million in grant funds). Yes, rates will go up, the USDA has said Town of Ware rates are quite low, so there would be an increase to 2% interest rate over 40 years. The annual payment is affordable for such a large capital expense. Water rates would increase over 3-5 years, gallon is .05, would increase to .724. The building would be 70 ft by 50 ft, and built adjacent to the existing. It would be necessary to include operating expenses of water treatment, electricity, heating and cooling. The present heating system costs \$700 per 21 days. The plan would be to change the egress to the ball field, with different entrance for municipal employees. DEP approved, but is not required. The \$2million in capital plan includes contingency, engineering and all realistic costs involved. Mr. Kilhart will also go on Ware Community TV to explain this plan to citizens and will be at town meeting on May 8, 2017.

Selectman Opalinski stated she spoke with owners of Tree House Brewery, who did not consider Ware because of the water treatment. Mr. Kilhart stated perhaps that could change in the future.

Denis Ouimette questioned if the town pool would be cleaner; Mr. Kilhart noted that all pools would be cleaner.

- **7:15 p.m. – Review of Warrants for Special and Annual Town Meeting with Moderator, Finance Committee and School Committee – Joint Meeting**

**SEE ATTACHED FOR VOTES**

- **Tri-County Recycling, Host Agreement Discussion**

George McLaughlin and Chris Lowe, of Tri-County Recycling, Inc., were present for the discussion. Mr. McLaughlin noted that the Board of Health voted 2-1 to deny, he has appealed the Board of Health decision, and argument is scheduled for August 2017. Mr. McLaughlin stated he has been in discussion with Town Counsel David Wojcik on ways to end the lawsuit. He would be willing to pay the town \$1 per ton of garbage and/or have a “pay as you throw” trash disposal for residents, set up a recycling center, limit the truck traffic and cap the daily municipal solid waste at 200 tons. Planning Board Chairman Richard Starodoj stated that the property is not zoned to accept municipal waste, and the facility would not be able to accept household trash. Town Manager Beckley stated that solid waste is not a pre-existing, non-conforming use, and noted that an article on the Annual Town Meeting warrant asks residents whether they would approve a host agreement between the Town and Tri-County Recycling, Inc. Mr. McLaughlin argued that the company does not have to have a zoning change, further stating that the Town is doomed to lose this zoning issue in state

Town Manager: Stuart Beckley  
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land court while wasting another \$25,000 in legal fees. He stated that no trucks would come through Ware, only from the East, and stated "this facility should be an asset to the town". He proposed hours of accepting trash and recycling as 7am-3pm or 8am-4pm on Saturdays. Mr. McLaughlin further argued that this issue does not need Town Meeting approval.

Selectman Carroll argued the facts as presented by Mr. McLaughlin, and noted that the town has been down this road before with many dollars already spent on litigation. Mr. McLaughlin stated his unhappiness with "this hostility" and "the town's anti-business attitude". Mr. Starodaj stated that a zone change would have simplified the process, and there would not have been a need for eight evenings of public hearings on this issue. Mr. Beckley noted that ultimately the decision rests with the Board of Health.

Resident Carol Zins questioned the process and stated there is not enough information for town meeting residents to know how to vote on this issue.

Selectman Opalinski further questioned specifics of operations. Mr. McLaughlin further stated that 100 residents do not represent the Town, and there is no requirement for this to go to Town Meeting for a vote.

Selectman Opalinski stated that he should not underestimate the residents, and residents would like information and input on this issue before considering the vote.

Selectman Talbot noted that a special meeting of the Board of Selectmen could be held prior to Town Meeting, with proper notice to the public.

#### Town Manager Report

Mr. Beckley noted his report, specifically the Police Chief Assessment Center would be held April 18 and 19, with two internal and three external candidates. The assessors will complete their rankings of the candidates shortly. If acceptable to the Board, the next step would be to have the community interview the candidates on selected areas of interest – domestic violence, opioids, budgeting, accreditation, and other topics. The Board may interview the finalists in open session if it chooses.

Mr. Beckley noted that the Board may consider Stanley Ciukaj rearranging the meeting room to become more connected to the audience. The Board was agreeable to this suggestion.

#### Executive Session: MGL Chapter 30A, Section 21 (a) #2, Negotiations

Selectman Talbot moved to Adjourn Regular Session at 10:06 p.m., to move into Executive Session per MGL Chapter 30A, Section 21 (a) #2, Negotiations, #3, Litigation, NOT TO RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION; Selectman Opalinski seconded. The motion passed on a Roll Call Vote of 4 Yes, 0 No, 1 Absent (Selectman Whitney):

John E. Carroll	Yes√
Nancy J. Talbot	Yes√
Michael Fountain	Yes√
Alan G. Whitney	Absent
Tracy R. Opalinski	Yes√

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_

  
Mary L. Midura, Executive Assistant



**WARRANT FOR SPECIAL TOWN MEETING  
TOWN OF WARE  
COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS**

*Hampshire, ss.*

To any of the Constables of the Town of Ware, in said County,

Greetings:

**In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby required to notify and warn all of the inhabitants of the Town of Ware, Precincts A, B and C, qualified to vote on Town affairs, to meet at the Ware High School Auditorium, 239 West Street, Ware, on Monday, May 8, 2017 at six thirty o'clock in the evening (6:30 P.M.), then and there to act on the following articles:**

**ARTICLE 1.** To see if the town will vote to appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money to pay unpaid bills from prior fiscal years, and to determine the manner of meeting said appropriation, whether by taxation, transfer of available funds, borrowing or any other means or any combination thereof, or take any other action relative thereto.  
**(\$2,430 Free Cash)**

Recommended by: Board of Selectmen 4 Yes, 1 Absent (Whitney)  
Finance Committee 3 Yes  
Town Manager Yes

**ARTICLE 2:** To see if the Town will vote to amend or adjust any of the line items of the Fiscal Year 2017 Town Budget, including debt and interest, and to determine what sums of money the Town will appropriate for any such adjustments or amendments and to determine the manner of meeting said appropriation, whether by transfer from available funds, transfer from other items or appropriations, borrowing, or any other means or combination thereof, or take any other action relative thereto.  
**(\$131,000 = 71,000 Transfers, 60,000 Free Cash)**

Recommended by: Board of Selectmen 4 Yes, 1 Absent (Whitney)  
Finance Committee 3 Yes  
Town Manager Yes

**ARTICLE 3.** To see if the town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen on behalf of the Town to accept an easement for the purpose of a trail connecting community cemeteries, or take any other action relative thereto.

Recommended by: Board of Selectmen 4 Yes, 1 Absent (Whitney)  
Finance Committee Not Financial  
Town Manager Yes

**ARTICLE 4** To see if the town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to amend the deed restrictions for 13 Church Street, or take any other action relative thereto.

Recommended by: Board of Selectmen 3 Yes, 1 Abstention (Opalinski), 1 Absent (Whitney)  
Finance Committee Not Financial  
Town Manager Yes

**ARTICLE 5** To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to pay for new patient care reporting software and upgrade of computers for system upgrade for the Ambulance service and to determine the manner of meeting said appropriation whether by taxation, transfer of available funds, borrowing or any other means or any combination thereof or take any other action relative thereto.  
(\$22,500 Ambulance Reserve)

Recommended by: Board of Selectmen 4 Yes, 1 Absent (Whitney)  
Finance Committee 3 Yes  
Town Manager Yes



WARRANT FOR ANNUAL TOWN MEETING  
TOWN OF WARE  
COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

*HAMPSHIRE, ss*

To any of the Constables of the Town of Ware, in said County,

GREETINGS:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby required to notify and warn all of the inhabitants of the Town of Ware, Precincts A, B and C qualified to vote on Town affairs to meet at the Ware High School Auditorium, 237 West Street Ware, on Monday May 8, 2017, at seven (7:00 PM) o'clock in the evening, then and there to act on the following articles:

Articles 1 – 8, and 10 – 11 are Standard Articles

**Article 1.** To see if the Town will vote to hear the report of the Finance Committee or take any other action relative thereto.

Recommended by: Board of Selectmen 4 Yes, 1 Absent (Whitney)  
Finance Committee 3 Yes  
Town Manager Yes

**Article 2.** To see if the Town will vote to hear the reports of committees and boards and to authorize their continuation, dissolution or any changes with respect to said committees, or boards or take any other action relative thereto.

Recommended by: Board of Selectmen 4 Yes, 1 Absent (Whitney)  
Finance Committee 3 Yes  
Town Manager Yes

**Article 3.** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Treasurer/Tax Collector to enter into Compensating Balance Agreements during Fiscal Year 2018 as permitted by Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 44, §53F, or take any other action relative thereto.

Recommended by: Board of Selectmen 4 Yes, 1 Absent (Whitney)  
Finance Committee 3 Yes  
Town Manager Yes

**Article 4.** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Treasurer/Tax Collector, with the approval of the Selectmen to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the Fiscal Year 2018, beginning July 1, 2017 in accordance with the Provisions of Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 44, §4, and to renew notes or notes payable as may be given for a period of less than one (1) year in accordance with Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 44, §17 or taken any other action relative thereto.

Recommended by: Board of Selectmen 4 Yes, 1 Absent (Whitney)  
Finance Committee 3 Yes  
Town Manager Yes

**Article 5.** To see if the Town will vote to accept and appropriate any Grant Funds awarded to the Town of Ware under Massachusetts Community Development Fund by the Executive Office of Housing and Economic Development and to authorize the Board of Selectmen and Community Development Authority to expend the funds in accordance with the Terms and Conditions of the Grant Agreement or take any action relative thereto.

Recommended by: Board of Selectmen 4 Yes, 1 Absent (Whitney)  
Finance Committee 3 Yes  
Town Manager Yes

**Article 6.** To see if the Town will vote to accept all State and Federal Educational Grants in any amount as may be awarded for the direct educational expenditures for Fiscal Year 2018 to be expended by the Pathfinder Regional Vocational Technical High School District or take any other action relative thereto.

Recommended by: Board of Selectmen 4 Yes, 1 Absent (Whitney)  
Finance Committee 3 Yes  
Town Manager Yes

**Article 7.** To see if the Town will vote to accept all State and Federal Educational Grants in any amount as may be awarded for the direct educational expenditures for Fiscal Year 2018 to be expended by the Ware Public Schools or take any other action relative thereto.

Recommended by: Board of Selectmen 4 Yes, 1 Absent (Whitney)  
Finance Committee 3 Yes  
Town Manager Yes

**Article 8.** To see if the Town will authorize the Board of Selectmen and Town Manager to apply for, accept and expend any grants or donations from State or Federal governments or private agencies, individuals or institutions, or take any other action relative thereto.

Recommended by: Board of Selectmen 4 Yes, 1 Absent (Whitney)  
Finance Committee 3 Yes  
Town Manager Yes

**Article 9.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to be expended for road repairs in anticipation of reimbursement by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Highway Department under the Chapter 90 State Highway Aid Program and to determine the manner of meeting said appropriation, whether by taxation, transfer from available funds, borrowing, or any other means or any combination thereof or take any other action relative thereto.  
(\$429,000)

Recommended by: Board of Selectmen 4 Yes, 1 Absent (Whitney)  
Finance Committee 3 Yes  
Town Manager Yes



**Article 10.**

To see if the Town will vote to authorize revolving funds for certain Town departments under Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 44, §53 E ½ for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2017 or take any other action relative thereto.

Revolving Fund	Authorized to Spend Fund	Revenue Source	Use of Fund	FY 18 Spending Limit	Disposition of FY17 Fund Balance
Senior Center Rental	Town Manager and/or Council on Aging Director	Fees charged for rental of the Senior Center.	Expenses associated with rental of the Senior Center	\$20,000	Balance available for expenditure
Athletic Advertising	School Committee	Sales of advertising at the Ware Public School campus	Expenses for Ware Public School (i.e., uniforms, equipment, use of fields)	\$100,000	Balance available for expenditure
Septic Repair program	Community Development Authority	Previous grant/loan payments	Septic system repair	\$25,000	Balance available for expenditure
Community Development Fund	Community Development Authority	Previous grant/loan payments	Assistance for Community Development projects	\$120,000	Balance available for expenditure
Cemetery Maintenance and Burial	Cemetery Commission/Parks Commission	Cemetery and Burial Fees	Cemetery Maintenance and Burials	\$10,000	Balance Available for Expenditure
Bulky Waste Fund	Town Manager	Appropriation and Fees	Bulky waste disposal	\$15,000	N/A

Recommended by: Board of Selectmen 4 Yes, 1 Absent (Whitney)  
Finance Committee 3 Yes  
Town Manager Yes

**Article 11.**

To see if the Town will vote to fix the salaries of the several Elected Officers of the Town for the Fiscal Year 2018 and to determine whether any Town Board, Commission or Committee shall be authorized to employ any of its members for additional salary or compensation, or take any other action relative thereto.

Recommended by: Board of Selectmen 4 Yes, 1 Absent (Whitney)  
Finance Committee 3 Yes  
Town Manager Yes

**Article 12.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to operate the Water Enterprise during Fiscal Year 2018 and to determine the manner of meeting said appropriation whether by taxation, transfer of available funds, borrowing or any other means or any combination thereof or take any other action relative thereto.  
**(\$757,700)**

Recommended by: Board of Selectmen 4 Yes, 1 Absent (Whitney)  
Finance Committee 3 Yes  
Town Manager Yes

**Article 13.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to operate the Sewer Enterprise during Fiscal Year 2018 and to determine the manner of meeting said appropriation whether by taxation, transfer of available funds, borrowing or any other means or any combination thereof or take any other action relative thereto.  
**(\$686,564)**

Recommended by: Board of Selectmen 4 Yes, 1 Absent (Whitney)  
Finance Committee 3 Yes  
Town Manager Yes

**Article 14.** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money for the purpose of the design and construction of an iron and manganese removal plant and that the Town Manager be authorized to file on behalf of the Town of Ware any and all applications determined necessary or appropriate for grants and/or reimbursements from the United States Department of Agriculture Rural Development Programs and under any other applicable Massachusetts or Federal grant reimbursement or other assistance programs available to fund the work within the scope of this article, and to determine the manner of meeting said appropriation, whether by taxation, transfer from available funds, borrowing or any other means or combination thereof, or take any other action relative thereto.  
**(\$6,000,000 Borrow, Grant, Enterprise)**

Recommended by: Board of Selectmen 3 Yes, 1 Abstention (Opalinski), 1 Absent (Whitney)  
Finance Committee 3 Yes  
Town Manager Yes  
Capital Planning Committee 3 Yes, 1 No, 1 Abstention

**Article 16.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to fund the Employee Compensated Absences Reserve Fund and to determine the manner of meeting said appropriation whether by taxation, transfer of available funds, borrowing or any other means or any combination thereof; or take another action relative thereto.  
**(\$37,000 Transfer)**

Recommended by: Board of Selectmen 4 Yes, 1 Absent (Whitney)  
Finance Committee 3 Yes  
Town Manager Yes

**Article 17.** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money to Valley Human Services a program of the Behavioral Health Network for its general operating budget to provide social and rehabilitative services to the citizens of Ware during Fiscal 2018 and to determine the matter of meeting said appropriation whether by taxation, transfer from available funds, borrowing or any other means or combination thereof or take any other action thereto.  
**RECOMMEND TO DISMISS**

Recommended by: Board of Selectmen 4 Yes, 1 Absent (Whitney)  
Finance Committee 3 Yes  
Town Manager Yes

**Article 18.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to pay for paramedic training for three (3) firefighters and to determine the manner of meeting said appropriation whether by taxation, transfer of available funds, borrowing or any other means or any combination thereof or take any other action relative thereto.  
**(\$27,000 Ambulance Reserve)**

Recommended by: Board of Selectmen 4 Yes, 1 Absent (Whitney)  
Finance Committee 3 Yes  
Town Manager Yes

**Article 19.** To see if the town will vote to appropriate a sum of money for the purchase of an administrative vehicle for the Fire Department, and to determine the manner of meeting said appropriation, whether by taxation, transfer from available funds, borrowing, or any other means or combination thereof or take any other action relative thereto.  
**(\$40,000 Ambulance)**

Recommended by: Board of Selectmen 2 Yes, 2 No (Carroll, Fountain), 1 Absent (Whitney)  
Finance Committee 3 Yes  
Town Manager Yes  
Capital Planning Committee 5 Yes

**Article 20.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purchase of a police vehicle, and to determine the manner of meeting said appropriation whether by taxation, transfer of available funds, borrowing or any other means or any combination thereof or take any other action relative thereto.  
**(\$40,000 Free Cash)**

Recommended by: Board of Selectmen 3 Yes, 1 Abstention (Talbot), 1 Absent (Whitney)  
Finance Committee 3 Yes  
Town Manager Yes  
Capital Planning Committee 5 Yes

**Article 21.** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money for the Ware Public Schools for the purpose of completing the last phase of the SMK carpet removal project including the office area and surrounding hallways. whether by taxation, transfer from available funds, borrowing, or any other means or combination thereof, or take any other action relative thereto.  
**(\$35,000 Free Cash)**

Recommended by: Board of Selectmen 4 Yes, 1 Absent (Whitney)  
Finance Committee 3 Yes  
Town Manager Yes  
Capital Planning Committee 5 Yes

**Article 22.** To see if the town will vote to appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money to pay for the surface repair to extend the life of roadways, and to determine the manner of meeting said appropriation, whether by taxation, transfer of available funds, borrowing or any other means or any combination thereof, or take any other action relative thereto.  
**(\$ 5,000,000 Debt Exclusion)**

Recommended by: Board of Selectmen 1 Yes (Talbot), 2 No (Carroll, Fountain), 1 Abstention (Opalinski), 1 Absent (Whitney)  
Finance Committee 3 Yes  
Town Manager Yes

**Article 23.** To see if the town will vote to appropriate a sum of money to pay for a replacement fuel pump system at the Highway Barn, and to determine the manner of meeting said appropriation, whether by taxation, transfer of available funds, borrowing or any other means or any combination thereof, or take any other action relative thereto.  
**RECOMMEND TO DISMISS**

Recommended by: Board of Selectmen 4 Yes, 1 Absent (Whitney)  
Finance Committee 3 Yes  
Town Manager Yes

**Article 24.** To see if the town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen on behalf of the Town to accept an easement or easements for the purpose of drainage along Bacon Road, or take any other action relative thereto.

Recommended by: Board of Selectmen 4 Yes, 1 Absent (Whitney)  
Finance Committee 3 Yes  
Town Manager Yes

**Article 25.** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate funds for the purchase of a plot of land including home at 116 Pleasant Street for the purpose of public water supply protection and for the removal of said home, and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to complete said purchase, and that the Town Manager be authorized to file on behalf of the Town of Ware any and all applications determined necessary or appropriate for grants and/or reimbursements from the United States Department of Agriculture Rural Development Programs and under any other applicable Massachusetts or Federal grant reimbursement or other assistance programs available to fund the property purchase within the scope of this article, and to determine the manner of meeting said appropriation, whether by taxation, transfer from available funds, borrowing, or any other means or combination thereof, or take any other action relative thereto.  
**(\$130,000 Borrow, Enterprise)**

Recommended by: Board of Selectmen 1 Yes (Talbot), 3 No, 1 Absent (Whitney)  
Finance Committee 2 Yes, 1 No  
Town Manager Yes  
Capital Planning Committee 2 Yes, 3 No

**Article 26.** To see if the town will vote to appropriate a sum of money to pay for a new Jetting/Vacuum Vehicle for the Sewer/Highway/Water Divisions, and to determine the manner of meeting said appropriation, whether by taxation, transfer of available funds, borrowing or any other means or any combination thereof, or take any other action relative thereto.  
**(\$ 400,000)**

Recommended by: Board of Selectmen 3 Yes, 1 No (Carroll), 1 Absent (Whitney)  
Finance Committee 3 No  
Town Manager No  
Capital Planning Committee 5 No

**Article 27.**

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money for the purchase of a Water/Sewer response vehicle for the Department of Public Works, and that the Town Manager be authorized to file on behalf of the Town of Ware any and all applications determined necessary or appropriate for grants and/or reimbursements from the United States Department of Agriculture Rural Development Programs and under any other applicable Massachusetts or Federal grant reimbursement or other assistance programs available to fund the vehicle purchase within the scope of this article, and to determine the manner of meeting said appropriation, whether by taxation, transfer from available funds, borrowing, or any other means or combination thereof, or take any other action relative thereto.

**(\$45,000 Grant/Enterprise)**

Recommended by: Board of Selectmen 3 Yes, 1 Abstention (Opalinski), 1 Absent (Whitney)  
Finance Committee 3 Yes  
Town Manager Yes  
Capital Planning Committee 5 Yes

**Article 28.**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to fund the Bulky Waste Revolving Fund and to determine the manner of meeting said appropriation whether by taxation, transfer of available funds, borrowing or any other means or any combination thereof; or take another action relative thereto.

**(\$10,000 Free Cash)**

Recommended by: Board of Selectmen 4 Yes, 1 Absent (Whitney)  
Finance Committee 3 Yes  
Town Manager Yes

**Article 29.**

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money from the sale of lots account for part-time seasonal help for the care and maintenance of the cemeteries, or take any other action thereto.

**DISMISS**

Recommended by: Board of Selectmen 4 Yes, 1 Absent (Whitney)  
Finance Committee 3 Yes  
Town Manager Yes

**Article 15.** To see if the Town will vote to determine what sums of money the Town will raise and appropriate including appropriations from Available Funds of whatever type, to defray the charges and expenses of the Town including Debt and Interest for Fiscal Year 2018 or take any other action relative thereto.

Recommended by: Board of Selectmen 4 Yes, 1 Absent (Whitney)  
Finance Committee 3 Yes  
Town Manager Yes

**Article 30.** To see if the Town will vote to consider and approve or otherwise act upon a host community agreement with Tri County Recycling, Inc and 198 East Street, LLC or take any other action relative thereto.

**RECOMMENDATIONS PENDING**

Recommended by: Board of Selectmen  
Finance Committee  
Town Manager

**Article 31.** To see if the Town will vote to reaccept MGL Chapter 32B, Section 20, related to retirees' health benefits, or take any other action relative thereto.

**RECOMMENDATIONS PENDING**

Recommended by: Board of Selectmen  
Finance Committee Not Financial  
Town Manager

**Article 32.** To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money for the Stabilization Fund, and to determine the manner of meeting said appropriation whether by taxation, transfer of available funds, or any other means or any combination thereof or take any other action relative thereto.

**RECOMMENDATIONS PENDING**

Recommended by: Board of Selectmen  
Finance Committee Not Financial  
Town Manager



**Article 33.**

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to ratify and approve an agreement made between the Town of Ware and VH West Brookfield, LLC pursuant to G.L. C. 59, §38H, and regulations promulgated thereunder, with respect to annual payments in lieu of real and personal property taxes over a 20 year period relative to a parcel of land located at Gilbertville Road; said PILOT agreement is based upon the proposed construction and operation of a solar photovoltaic power plant with an expected nameplate capacity of approximately 1.4 megawatts and shall be executed in conjunction with a Massachusetts Solar Net Excess Generation Credit Purchase Agreement, or take any other action relating thereto.

**RECOMMENDATIONS PENDING**

Recommended by: Board of Selectmen  
Finance Committee Not Financial  
Town Manager