

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING



May 7, 1988



At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of Shutesbury, qualified to vote in elections and town affairs, held at the Shutesbury Elementary School on West Pelham Road on May 7, 1988 in the presence of a quorum, the following business was transacted:

The meeting was opened for business at 9:15 a.m. with moderator William E. Randall, Jr. presiding. A motion was made and seconded and carried by vote to dispense with the reading of the warrant.

ARTICLE 1. To receive the reports of boards and committees, Nancy Blitzblau gave a brief summary on the space needs study committee, also a written report was available at town meeting. Veronica Moulton gave a report on the Historical Commission activities.

ARTICLE 2. Move to authorize any and all Town Officers to work for wages in their respective departments.
Voted unanimous.

ARTICLE 3. Move to authorize that the Treasurer, with the approval of the Select Board, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1988 in accordance with provisions of MGL Chapter 44 section 4, and to issue a note or notes therefore payable within one year, and to renew any notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with the provisions of MGL Chapter 44 section 17.
Voted unanimous.

ARTICLE 4. Move to accept funds available from the State under MGL Chapter 90 and related highway reimbursement programs.
Voted unanimous.

ARTICLE 5. Move the town authorize the Library Trustees to expend such monies as they may receive from the sale of discarded books; gifts and bequests; State overpayments; and Town appropriations; to purchase books and necessary supplies and to maintain the library building.
Voted unanimous.

ARTICLE 6. Move the town approve an amendment of item e, Section vi, Apportionment and payment of Costs Incurred by the District, of the Amherst-Pelham Regional School District Agreement, amending the first sentence to read:

Operating costs for the ensuing fiscal year shall be apportioned annually prior to the twenty-fourth day following the date of the annual budget adoption on the basis of the average pupil membership, as computed by a

ARTICLE 13. Move the Town vote to create a permanent Town Building Committee. The committee shall consist of at least three members, appointed jointly by the Moderator and Select Board. The Committee shall examine and oversee renovations, new construction, and maintenance of Town-owned properties. Expiration of terms shall be staggered on a three-year cycle. Voted unanimous.

ARTICLE 14. Voted to pass over this article till Town Meeting reconvenes on June 4.

ARTICLE 15. Move the Town vote to create a School Building Committee. The Committee shall consist of nine members appointed by the Moderator, and shall include representatives of the Shutesbury School Committee, Finance Committee, Capital Planning Committee, Planning Board and the Community-at-large. The Committee shall examine and oversee the design and construction of an addition to, and any associated reconstruction or remodeling of, the existing Elementary School building and property. Voted carried.

ARTICLE 16. Move the Town vote to amend the Town Bylaw governing the conduct of persons in control of dogs, by striking the words, "not more than" in the last sentence, adding a fine of \$25.00 for first offense and \$50.00 for each subsequent violation. Voted unanimous, with amendment as shown.

ARTICLE 17. Move the Town vote to amend the Town Bylaw regulating conduct at the Town Beach and adjacent Town property at Lake Wyola by striking the words, "not more than \$200.00 for each violation" from the last sentence, and adding in place thereof the words, "\$25.00 for the first offense; \$50.00 for the second offense and \$100.00 for the third and each subsequent offense within a twelve month period. Vote carried unanimous, with amendment as shown.

ARTICLE 18. Move the Town vote to amend the Town Bylaw regulating conduct at the Atkins Reservoir and adjacent Town property by striking the words, "not more than \$200.00 for each violation" from the last sentence, and adding in place thereof the words, "\$25.00 for the first offense; \$50.00 for the second offense; and \$100.00 for the third and each subsequent offense within a twelve month period". Vote carried unanimous, with amendment as shown.

ARTICLE 19. Move the Twon vote to authorize the Select Board to acquire all or any portion of a parcel of land in Shutesbury approximately 21 acres in size, located off the westerly side of East Leverett Road, and belonging to Stephen M. Rostas and Edith S. Rostas, and Irving Lloyd Gang, and being Assessors Parcel #x-7; by exercising any option the Town of Shutesbury may have as a result of a letter from the landowner's attorney