



TOWN OF GROVELAND

2023 TOWN MEETING WARRANT

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Town Meeting: Monday, April 24, 2023

Essex, ss:

To Jeffrey T. Gillen, Chief of Police of the Town of Groveland, in the County of Essex

GREETINGS:

In the name of the Commonwealth, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town who are qualified to vote in the **Annual Town Meeting to meet at the Dr. Elmer S. Bagnall School, 253 School Street, Groveland, MA on Monday, April 24, 2023 @ 7:00 P.M.** to act upon or take any other action relative thereto on the following Articles.

ADA ADVISORY – Anyone in need of special accommodations for Town Meeting, please contact the office of the Board of Selectmen at 978-556-7204 by April 14, 2023 in order that reasonable accommodations may be made.

Annual Town Meeting opened at 7:33 PM on April 24, 2023

DATE AND ACTION TAKEN: 4/24/2023

Town Council recommended a temporary or Deputy Moderator for Article 6. A vote was taken to Elect a Deputy Moderator for Article 6.

Motion to elect Donald Greaney as Deputy Moderator for Article 6.

Motion Made: William O'Neil

Seconded: Sarah Sheehan McGrath

Vote Unanimous for Favorable Action so declared the Moderator

DATE AND ACTION TAKEN: 4/24/2023

Moderator requested a motion to accept the reading of the motions and suspend the reading of the articles.

Vote to read the motions and suspend the reading of the articles.

Motion Made: Kathleen Kastrinelis

Seconded: Don Greaney

Vote Unanimous for Favorable Action so declared the Moderator

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Revenue Category	Description	Actuals FY21	Actuals FY22	Adopted FY23	Budgeted FY24
PROPERTY TAXES					
	Prior Years Levy Limit/Ta:	14,213,120	14,819,398	15,549,999	16,072,372
	Plus 2.5%	361,262	374,285	388,750	401,809
	New Growth	159,621	204,334	183,007	137,632
	Debt Exclusion-Town	325,499	317,912	316,563	302,338
	Debt Exclusion-PRSD	1,230,936	2,006,098	1,962,733	2,013,905
	TOTAL	16,290,438	17,722,027	18,401,052	18,928,056
LOCAL RECEIPTS					
1	Motor Vehicle Excise	1,110,202	1,094,056	1,110,000	990,000
3	Penalties & Interest	227,235	340,562	100,000	110,000
4	PILOT	26,337	63,073	89,801	46,200
9	Other Charges for Service	-	-	-	-
11	Rentals (Cell Tower)	39,426	40,614	39,669	41,000
16	Other Dept Revenue:				
	Police	5,452	3,874	3,800	6,000
	Fire	6,945	7,930	6,000	7,000
	Selectmen	11,800	11,400	11,000	12,000
	Cemetery	19,475	24,201	18,000	20,000
	Health	17,705	17,427	17,000	17,000
	Sanitation - Waste Zero		6,062	-	3,000
	Library	109	188	300	200
	Clerk	8,390	10,550	8,000	9,000
	Planning Board	11,517	2,550	4,000	4,000
	ZBA	400	460	400	400
	Collector	7,525	4,873	5,000	5,000
	Assessor		250	-	100
	Other	606	1,569	1,250	-
17	Licenses and Permits	138,637	198,643	140,000	165,000
19	Fines	35,385	38,082	35,000	35,000
20	Investment Income	10,197	9,963	11,000	30,000
22	Misc Recurring			-	-
23	Misc Non-Recurring	(11,792)	-	-	-
TOTALS		1,665,550	1,876,327	1,600,220	1,500,900
STATE AID					
	Chapter 70	65,200	65,470	65,470	65,470
	Unrestricted Aid	772,960	831,501	821,614	860,079
	Additional Assistance		-	-	-
	Surviving Spouse	-	-	-	-
	Elderly	4,016	5,455	25,992	28,429
	State Owned Land	122,379	142,118	142,040	210,195
	Public Libraries	11,115	11,856	11,360	15,395
	Other State Aid	14,457	43,944	12,994	16,596
TOTAL STATE AID		990,127	1,100,344	1,079,470	1,196,164
OTHER FINANCE SOURCES					
	Intergovernmental - Light	40,000	40,000	40,000	40,000
	Overlay Surplus	50,000	50,000	15,000	50,000
	Free Cash	85,000	-	85,000	85,000
	Stabilization		208,167	-	-
	Transfers from Other Funds		44,000	22,420	-
	Sale of Lots				-
	Bond Premiums				5,625
TOTAL Other Finance Sources		175,000	342,167	162,420	180,625
TOTAL RECEIPTS		19,121,116	21,040,865	21,243,162	21,805,745

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ARTICLE 1: To see if the Town will vote for a Fiscal Year 2023 budgetary transfer for the following:

FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS, \$50,000, from Town Free Cash 1001-000-35900-000-000 to Snow and Ice, 1001-421-52300-052-000;

or take any other action relative thereto.

Article submitted by the Town Administrator

Note: This transfer would be for the current Fiscal Year.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN RECOMMENDS: FAVORABLE ACTION

FINANCE BOARD RECOMMENDS: FAVORABLE ACTION

MOTION: That the Town transfer FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS, \$50,000, from Town Free Cash 1001-000-35900-000-000 to Snow and Ice, 1001-421-52300-052-000

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Motion made: Kathleen Kastrinelis

Second: Ruth Rivard

Vote Unanimous for Favorable Action so declared the Moderator

ARTICLE 2: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to petition the State for and accept any sum available under provisions of G.L. c. 90, said funds to be apportioned and expended in accordance with G.L. c. 90 and the rules and regulations of MassDOT; or take any other action relative thereto.

Article submitted by the Highway Superintendent

BOARD OF SELECTMEN RECOMMENDS: FAVORABLE ACTION

FINANCE BOARD RECOMMENDS: FAVORABLE ACTION

MOTION: That the Town authorize the Selectmen to petition the State for and accept any sum available under provisions of G.L. c. 90, said funds to be apportioned and expended in accordance with G.L. c. 90 and the rules and regulations of MassDOT

DATE AND ACTION TAKEN: April 24, 2023

Motion made: Kathleen Kastrinelis

Second: Ruth Rivard

Vote Unanimous for Favorable Action so declared the Moderator

ARTICLE 3: To see if the Town will vote, pursuant to G.L. c.98, Section 56, the Town shall impose upon the owner of any establishment wherein devices subject to the provisions of Chapter 98 of the General Laws are used, the following fees for the sealing and inspecting of weighing or measuring devices:

SCALES

Capacity over 10,000 lbs.	\$150
Capacity 5,000 – 10,000 lbs.	\$100
Capacity 1,000 – 4,999 lbs.	\$50
Capacity 100 – 999 lbs.	\$40
Capacity 10 – 99 lbs.	\$30
Capacity less than 10 lbs.	\$25

LIQUID CAPACITY MEASURING

All liquid capacity measuring (except vehicle tanks)	\$85
Vehicle tanks	\$50

AUTOMATED ELECTRIC REGISTERS

3 or less	\$ 75
4 to 11	\$150
More than 11	\$250

OTHER

Milk bottles or jars (per gross)	\$25
Linear or area measure	\$25
Taxi-meters	\$25
All other	\$25

ADDITIONAL FEES

Minimum fee	\$25
Re-inspection fee equal to fee of initial test	

Or take any action relative thereto.

Article submitted by the Building Inspector

NOTE: Due to the size of our community we are not required to have a staff Sealer of Weights & Measures but are still required to have all scales, pumps and measuring devices certified. Groveland outsources this to a company through the state. The state is billed by the third party and seeks the Town to reimburse them on an annual basis. Historically the Town has paid this invoice for sealing devices at private companies without seeking to recoup the public funds from those private companies. By implementing the attached fees, the Town will be able to invoice those companies enabling the Town to recoup the funds expended as we are required to do ensuring we are not spending public funds on a private entity.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN RECOMMENDS: FAVORABLE ACTION

FINANCE BOARD RECOMMENDS: FAVORABLE ACTION

MOTION: That the Town, pursuant to G.L. c.98, Section 56, impose upon the owner of any establishment wherein devices subject to the provisions of G.L. c. 98 the fees for the sealing and inspecting of weighing or measuring devices as set forth in Article 3 of the Warrant.

DATE AND ACTION TAKEN: April 24, 2023

Motion made: Kathleen Kastrinelis

Second: Ruth Rivard

Vote Unanimous for Favorable Action so declared the Moderator

ARTICLE 4: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to acquire, by purchase, gift, eminent domain or otherwise, upon such terms and conditions as the Board of Selectmen may determine, the fee, easement, leasehold, license and/or other real property interests, permanent or temporary, in, on, over, across, under and along Uptack Road at: 9 Uptack Road, 1,045 sq. ft. +/-; 3 Uptack Road, 1,050 sq. ft. +/-; all as shown on a plan by TEC Inc, 282 Merrimac Street, 2nd Floor, Lawrence MA 01843 and dated October 4, 2022 and on file with the Town Clerk, the acquisition of said land having been determined to be necessary for the health and welfare of the inhabitants of Groveland and to be used for municipal purposes under the care custody and control of the Board of Selectmen; and enter into all agreements and execute any and all documents or instruments necessary to effectuate the purposes of this article and further to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, borrow or transfer from available funds a sum of money for these purposes and any expenses related thereto; or take any action relative thereto.

Article submitted by the Town Administrator

(Requires a 2/3rd Majority)

NOTE: *This article would allow the Town to accept the easement associated with the construction and maintenance of the Uptack Culvert on Uptack Road. The property owners have donated the easements needed for the project.*

BOARD OF SELECTMEN RECOMMEND: FAVORABLE ACTION

MOTION: That the Town authorize the Board of Selectmen to acquire, by purchase, gift, eminent domain or otherwise, upon such terms and conditions as the Board of Selectmen may determine, the fee, easement, leasehold, license and/or other real property interests, permanent or temporary, in, on, over, across, under and along Uptack Road at: 9 Uptack Road, 1,045 sq. ft. +/-; 3 Uptack Road, 1,050 sq. ft. +/-; all as shown on a plan by TEC Inc, 282 Merrimac Street, 2nd Floor, Lawrence MA 01843 and dated October 4, 2022 and on file with the Town Clerk, the acquisition of said land having been determined to be necessary for the health and welfare of the inhabitants of Groveland and to be used for municipal purposes under the care custody and control of the Board of Selectmen; and enter into all agreements and execute any and all documents or instruments necessary to effectuate the purposes of this article.

DATE AND ACTION TAKEN: April 24, 2023

Motion made: Kathleen Kastrinelis
Second: Ruth Rivard

Simple Majority vote required.

Vote Unanimous for Favorable Action so declared the Moderator

ARTICLE 5: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to acquire, by purchase, gift, eminent domain or otherwise, upon such terms and conditions as the Board of Selectmen may determine, the fee, easement, leasehold, license and/or other real property interests, permanent or temporary, in, on, over, across, under and along 908 Salem Street, specifically, that area noted as Prop Perm Easement (E-1) consisting of 34 square feet +/- as shown on a plan entitled Permanent Easement Summary drawn by TEC Inc., 282 Merrimac Street, 2nd Floor, Lawrence, MA 01843 dated October 17, 2022 and a copy of which has been placed on file with the Town Clerk, the acquisition of said land having been determined to be necessary for the health and welfare of the inhabitants of Groveland and to be used for municipal purposes, under the care custody and control of the Board of Selectmen, and enter into all agreements and execute any and all documents or instruments necessary to effectuate the purposes of this article; and further to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, borrow or transfer from available funds a sum of money for these purposes and any expenses related thereto; or take any action relative thereto.

Article submitted by the Town Administrator

(Requires a 2/3rd Majority)

NOTE: *This article would allow the Town to accept the easement associated with the installation of the signal at the intersection of Route 97 School/Salem. The property owner has donated the easement required for the project.*

BOARD OF SELECTMEN RECOMMEND: FAVORABLE ACTION

MOTION: That the Town authorize the Board of Selectmen to acquire, by purchase, gift, eminent domain or otherwise, upon such terms and conditions as the Board of Selectmen may determine, the fee, easement, leasehold, license and/or other real property interests, permanent or temporary, in, on, over, across, under and along 908 Salem Street, specifically, that area noted as Prop Perm Easement (E-1) consisting of 34 square feet +/- as shown on a plan entitled Permanent Easement Summary drawn by TEC Inc., 282 Merrimac Street, 2nd Floor, Lawrence, MA 01843 dated October 17, 2022 and a copy of which has been placed on file with the Town Clerk, the acquisition of said land having been determined to be necessary for the health and welfare of the inhabitants of Groveland and to be used for municipal purposes, under the care custody and control of the Board of Selectmen, and enter into all agreements and execute any and all documents or instruments necessary to effectuate the purposes of this article; and further in order to pay for said acquisition and expenses related thereto, the Town.

DATE AND ACTION TAKEN: April 24, 2023

Motion made: Kathleen Kastrinelis

Second: Ruth Rivard

Simple Majority vote required.

Vote Unanimous for Favorable Action so declared the Moderator

ARTICLE 6: To see if the town will vote pursuant to its authority under G.L. c. 41, Section 1B, contingent on the acceptance by the voters at the annual town election, to authorize the Board of Selectmen to appoint 3 citizens to serve on the Board of Assessors for a term of 3 years, all appointed officials to serve staggered terms in accordance and to succeed the elected officials in their positions in accordance with G.L. c. 41 § 1B of the General Laws, voting, or take any other action relative thereto.

Article submitted by the Board of Selectmen

NOTE: *This article is the result of a recommendation from the Division of Local Services that the Board of Assessors be converted to an appointed board. This is a model utilized successfully in other smaller Essex County communities.*

BOARD OF SELECTMEN RECOMMEND: FAVORABLE ACTION

FINANCE BOARD: FAVORABLE ACTION

MOTION: That the Town, pursuant to its authority under G.L. c. 41, Section 1B, contingent on the acceptance by the voters at the annual town election, authorize the Board of Selectmen to appoint 3 citizens to serve on the Board of Assessors for a term of 3 years, all appointed officials to serve staggered terms in accordance and to succeed the elected officials in their positions in accordance with G.L. c. 41 § 1B.

DATE AND ACTION TAKEN: April 24, 2023

Don Greaney as voted Deputy Moderator stepped in, on behalf of the town he thanked all the Boards and Committees for their service and read the motion

Motion made: Kathleen Kastrinelis

Second: Ruth Rivard

Vote Majority for Favorable Action so declared the Deputy Moderator

ARTICLE 7: To see if the Town will vote to adopt the provisions of G.L. c.148 Section 26H requiring lodging and boarding houses to be protected by automatic sprinkler systems in accordance with the state building code, or take any action relative thereto.
Article submitted by the Building Commissioner & Fire Chief

(Requires a Majority Vote)

NOTE: *The adoption of this MGL would require boarding and lodging houses to be provided with a fire suppression system. Where the Groveland Fire Department is an on-call Fire Department, providing a fire suppression system in this type of occupancy, adoption of this MGL would offer greater protection to the residents which reside there.*

BOARD OF SELECTMEN RECOMMEND: FAVORABLE ACTION

MOTION: That the Town adopt the provisions of G.L. c.148 Section 26H requiring lodging and boarding houses to be protected by automatic sprinkler systems in accordance with the state building code.

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Motion made: Kathleen Kastrinelis

Second: Ruth Rivard

Discussion: Resident requested the definition of Boarding, Rooming or Air B&B House.
Fire Chief Robert Valentine quoted the law, NFPA, 4 people not related, permanent residents.

Vote Majority for Favorable Action so declared the Moderator

ARTICLE 8: To see if the Town will vote to adopt the provisions G.L. c. 148 Section 26I to require automatic sprinkler systems in new or substantially rehabilitated multifamily dwellings, or take any other action relative thereto.

Article submitted by the Building Commissioner & Fire Chief

(Requires a Majority Vote)

NOTE: *The adoption of this MGL would require new or substantially renovated multi-family dwellings to be provided with a fire suppression system. Where the Groveland Fire Department is an on-call Fire Department, providing a fire suppression system in this type of occupancy, adoption of this MGL would offer greater protection to the residents which reside there.*

BOARD OF SELECTMEN RECOMMEND: FAVORABLE ACTION

MOTION: That the Town adopt the provisions G.L. c. 148 Section 26I to require automatic sprinkler systems in new or substantially rehabilitated multifamily dwellings.

DATE AND ACTION TAKEN: April 24, 2023

Motion made: Kathleen Kastrinelis

Second: Ruth Rivard

Vote Majority for Favorable Action so declared the Moderator

ARTICLE 9: To see if the Town will vote to amend the Town of Groveland General Bylaws section 2-42, by amending the name of the Revolving Fund, Pines Maintenance Revolving Fund, to the Recreation Operation and Maintenance Revolving Fund, create a new Revolving Fund pursuant to G.L. c. 44, § 53E 1/2 to be called the Wetlands Protection Act Revolving Fund as set forth below, and to set the annual spending limits for the following seven (7) revolving accounts established in the General Bylaws for Fiscal Year 2024; or take any other action relative thereto.

Article submitted by Town Administrator

A. Revolving Fund	B. Department, Board, or Committee Authorized to Spend from Fund	C. Fees, Charges, or Other Receipts Credited to Fund	D. Program or Activity Expenses Payable from Fund	E. Restrictions or Conditions on Expenses Payable from Fund	F. Other Requirements/ Reports	G. Fiscal Years
Recreation Operation and Maintenance Revolving Fund	Town Administrator	Fees collected for rentals, events, advertisements, permits	Salaries and expenses for the maintenance of the Pines	None	Annual Report to Town Meeting	Fiscal Year 2024 and subsequent years
Wetlands Protection Act Revolving Fund	Conservation Commission	Filing fees paid pursuant to the Wetlands Protection Act	To pay for consultant fees, expenses of, and a portion of the salary and benefits of the Town's Conservation Agent for administration and enforcement of the Wetlands Protection Act	None	Annual Report to Town Meeting	Fiscal Year 2024 and subsequent years

A. REVOLVING FUND	C. SPENDING LIMIT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2024
BAGNALL SUMMER PROGRAM	\$250,000
COUNCIL ON AGING	\$15,000
FIRE DEPARTMENT CPR CLASS	\$6,000
GROVELAND DAY	\$30,000
PINES BOAT RAMP	\$25,000
RECREATION OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE	\$50,000
WETLANDS PROTECTION ACT	\$20,000

NOTE: As currently authorized the revolving fund only accounts for the Pines and does not consider any of our town fields and recreation areas. This article proposes to broaden the use of the funds to help with maintenance of all the Town recreation areas. The creation of the Wetlands Protection Act Fund will provide

funds for the administration and enforcement of the Wetlands Protection Act in place of using the Conservation Commission Fee Account. Reports on the revolving funds may be found in Appendix B.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN RECOMMENDS: FAVORABLE ACTION

FINANCE BOARD RECOMMENDS: FAVORABLE ACTION

MOTION: That the Town amend the Town of Groveland General Bylaws section 2-42, by amending the name of the Revolving Fund, Pines Maintenance Revolving Fund, to the Recreation Operation and Maintenance Revolving Fund, create a new Revolving Fund pursuant to G.L. c. 44, § 53E 1/2 to be called the Wetlands Protection Act Revolving Fund as set forth in Article 10 of the Warrant, and to set the annual spending limits for the revolving accounts established in the General Bylaws for Fiscal Year 2024 as set forth in the Warrant.

DATE AND ACTION TAKEN: April 24, 2023

Motion made: Kathleen Kastrinelis

Second: Ruth Rivard

Vote Majority for Favorable Action so declared the Moderator

ARTICLE 10: To see if the Town will vote to amend Article I, Section 2-1 of the Town of Groveland General Bylaws as follows (**underline and bold new**, ~~cross-out removed~~):

“Section 2-1 Evening Office Hours. Whosoever shall accept the offices of town clerk, tax collector and town treasurer shall, as a public service to the townspeople, open their offices for town business one (1) evening each week, said evening to be Monday from ~~6:00~~ **4: 00** p.m. to ~~8:00~~ **7: 00** p.m. , except for holidays or unforeseen difficulties, at which time one other evening may be designated.”; or take any other action relative thereto.

Article submitted by the Treasurer/Collector

NOTE: Residents are not visiting Town Hall after 7:00PM and time would be better spent adding hours to the week to provide better service for the residents.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN RECOMMEND: FAVORABLE ACTION

MOTION: That the Town amend Article I, Section 2-1 of the Town of Groveland General Bylaws as set forth in Article 10 of the Warrant.

DATE AND ACTION TAKEN: April 24, 2023

Motion made: Kathleen Kastrinelis

Second: Ruth Rivard

Vote Unanimous for Favorable Action so declared the Moderator

ARTICLE 11: To see if the Town will vote to amend Article VI, Section 2-123 of the Town of Groveland General Bylaws as follows (**underline and bold new**, ~~cross-out removed~~):

“Section 2-123. The CIC shall study proposed capital projects involving the planning for and improvement, preservation and creation of tangible assets and projects which 1) have useful life of no less than three years; 2) cost no less than \$**420**,000 and/or 3) for which the town is authorized to borrow funds.”; or take any other action relative thereto.

Article submitted by the Town Administrator

***NOTE:** The purpose of this bylaw change is to better define the number which represents a capital item from a repair. As costs increase, many repairs of assets currently owned by the Town may exceed the level where they could be addressed by the maintenance budget and become a capital item. Delays in making these repairs while waiting for a Town Meeting may result in further damage to the asset.*

BOARD OF SELECTMEN RECOMMEND: FAVORABLE ACTION

MOTION: That the Town amend Article VI, Section 2-123 of the Town of Groveland General Bylaws as set forth in Article 11 of the warrant.

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Motion made: Kathleen Kastrinelis

Second: Ruth Rivard

Vote Unanimous for Favorable Action so declared the Moderator

ARTICLE 12: To see if the Town will vote to accept G.L. c. 41 Section 110A, to authorize the Town Clerk's office to remain closed on all Saturdays and to treat Saturdays as a legal holiday for the purpose of calculating the time frame for filing matters in that office or take any other action relative thereto.

Article submitted by the Town Clerk

NOTE: *Section 110A. Any public office in any city or town may remain closed on any or all Saturdays as may be determined from time to time, in a city by the city council, subject to the provisions of the city charter, or, in a town, by vote of the town at a special or regular town meeting, and the provisions of section nine of chapter four shall apply in the case of such closing of any such office on any Saturday to the same extent as if such Saturday were a legal holiday.*

BOARD OF SELECTMEN RECOMMEND: FAVORABLE ACTION

MOTION: That the Town accept G.L. c. 41 Section 110A, to authorize the Town Clerk's office to remain closed on all Saturdays and to treat Saturdays as a legal holiday for the purpose of calculating the time frame for filing matters in that office.

DATE AND ACTION TAKEN: April 24, 2023

Motion made: Kathleen Kastrinelis

Second: Ruth Rivard

Vote Majority for Favorable Action so declared the Moderator

ARTICLE 13: To see if the Town will vote to amend Article III, Section 3-3 Licensing of Dogs and Kennels of the Town of Groveland General Bylaws by amending as follows (~~cross-out removed bold new~~):

“(a) All dogs 6 months old or over must be licensed and tagged. Licensing will be done in the Office of the Town Clerk. The owner or keeper of any dog in the Town shall obtain a license by April 1st of each year. The license fees for dogs shall be as follows:

1. Male ~~\$10.00~~ **\$20.00**
2. Female ~~\$10.00~~ **\$20.00**
3. Spayed Female ~~\$ 5.00~~ **\$10.00**
4. Neutered Male ~~\$5.00~~ **\$10.00**

(b) Kennel license fees shall be as follows:

1. 1 to 4 dogs ~~\$15.00~~ **\$25.00**
2. 5 to 10 dogs ~~\$25.00~~ **\$35.00**
3. 11 or more dogs ~~\$35.00~~ **\$45.00**

(c) The owner or keeper of an unlicensed dog after June 1st shall be ~~fin~~~~ed~~ **ten twenty** dollars (~~\$120.00~~) per dog in addition to the license fee. ~~The owner or keeper of an unlicensed dog after July 1st shall be fined fifteen dollars (\$15.00) per dog in addition to the license fee. The owner or keeper of an unlicensed dog after August 1st shall be fined twenty-five (\$25.00) per dog in addition to the license fee.~~ All monies collected for licenses and fines shall be retained by the Town.”; or take any other action relative thereto.

Article submitted by the Town Clerk

(Requires a Majority Vote)

BOARD OF SELECTMEN RECOMMEND: FAVORABLE ACTION

MOTION: That the Town amend Article III, Section 3-3 Licensing of Dogs and Kennels of the Town of Groveland General Bylaws by amending it as set forth in Article 13 of the Warrant.

DATE AND ACTION TAKEN: April 24, 2023

Motion made: Kathleen Kastrinelis

Second: Ruth Rivard

Vote Majority for Favorable Action so declared the Moderator

ARTICLE 14: To see if the Town will vote to accept the provision of G.L. c. 140, Section 139 relative to dog license fees, so as to provide that no fee shall be charged for a license for a service animal as defined by the Americans with Disabilities Act and dog(s) owned by a person aged 70 or over, or take any other action relative thereto.
Article submitted by the Town Clerk

(Requires a Majority Vote)

NOTE: Accepting Chapter 140, Section 139 in its entirety will exempt licensing fees for owners of service animals as defined by the Americans with Disabilities Act and owners over the age of 70 years. It does not exempt the process of licensing your dog(s) annually.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN RECOMMEND: FAVORABLE ACTION

MOTION: That the Town accept the provision of G.L. c. 140, Section 139 relative to dog license fees, so as to provide that no fee shall be charged for a license for a service animal as defined by the Americans with Disabilities Act and dog(s) owned by a person aged 70 or over.

DATE AND ACTION TAKEN: April 24, 2023

Motion made: Kathleen Kastrinelis

Second: William O'Neil

Vote Unanimous for Favorable Action so declared the Moderator

ARTICLE 15: To see if the Town will vote to amend Section 15 Board of Trustees of the Town of Groveland General Bylaws by amending as follows (~~cross-out removed bold new~~):

15.3 Trustees

The Officers shall be elected by the Board at the June meeting of the Board or the earliest meeting after the Annual Town Elections. The Officers shall not preside for more than two successive terms **with the exception of the Office of the Treasurer, which is bonded, and unless there are unforeseen circumstances. A** term is designated as one fiscal year.

Duties of Officers

Each officer shall be responsible to perform the duties and responsibilities assigned to the position during the duration of their term. Each position will have the following duties:

- Chairperson
 - preside at all meetings of the Board
 - **along with the Director**, prepare and distribute the agenda for all of the Board meetings **to all Board members**
 - call special meetings of the Board
 - appoint committees ~~of one or more members each for such~~ **for specific business** as the Board requires
- Vice-Chairperson
 - perform the duties of the Chairperson ~~at their request or~~ in their absence
 - other duties to be determined in support of the Chairperson
- Secretary
 - post all minutes as required by law **in a timely manner**
 - record and distribute minutes of all meetings ~~of the Board~~ **to Board members**
 - prepare correspondence as directed by the Board
- Treasurer
 - keep informed of financial status, funding sources and needs of the Library **and report them to the Board at meetings**
 - record all funds from fundraising activities and provide funds to town treasurer to be deposited in designated accounts
 - ensure all expenditures have proper signatures
 - **this is a bonded position**

Responsibilities of the Board of Trustees

The Board shall have those responsibilities as provided by M.G.L., Chapter 78 Section 11, the Bylaws of the Town of Groveland and these Bylaws.

The Board shall have the care, custody and control of the Library holdings, including conducting annual reviews of the Director **prior to the preparation of the budget for the next fiscal year**. The Board shall also be responsible for conducting a search and ~~recommending for appointment~~ appointing a new Director, if necessary.

The Board will ensure that all monies raised and/or appropriated by the Town for the support and maintenance of the Library shall be expended in accordance to M.G.L., Chapter 78, Section 11. In addition all money or property received by bequest or gift for the Library shall be administered by the Board in accordance with the provisions of such gift or bequest.

The Board will also be responsible for approving the Library's annual budget and will **ensure that the Director** provides a report to the Town annually in accordance with M.G.L., Chapter 78, Section 12.

15.4 Meeting

Meeting notices shall be filed with the Town Clerk at least ~~48 hours~~ **one week** prior to the meeting date and time.

15.7 Bylaw Review

These Bylaws shall be reviewed by the Board at least every five (5) years.

Article submitted by the Library Board of Trustees

(Requires a Majority Vote)

NOTE: The bylaw change ensures that term limits for officers within the Library's Board of Trustees are enforced. It also clarifies language that previously was not, such as the Board of Trustees having the powers to appoint the Library Director rather than recommend the Director for hire.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN RECOMMEND: FAVORABLE ACTION

MOTION: That the Town amend Section 15 Board of Trustees of the Town of Groveland General Bylaws as set forth in Article 15 of the Warrant.

DATE AND ACTION TAKEN: April 23, 2023

Motion made: Kathleen Kastrinelis

Second: William O'Neil

Vote Unanimous for Favorable Action so declared the Moderator

ARTICLE 16: To see if the Town shall accept the renumbering and revision of the various general bylaws of the Town from their original numbering or their numbering in the prior General Bylaws Compilation, as amended through May 23, 2022, to the numbering or codification, arrangement, sequence and captions and the comprehensive revisions to the text of the General Bylaws as set forth in the Final Draft of the Code of the Town of Groveland, dated 03/2023, and which is on file with the Town Clerk, said codification having been done under the direction of the Board of Selectmen and Town Attorney, and said Code being a compilation and comprehensive revision of the present general bylaws of the Town. All general bylaws of a general and permanent nature, as amended, heretofore in force and not included in the Code shall be repealed, except that such repeal shall not affect any suit or proceeding pending as the result of an existing law, and such repeal shall not apply to or affect any bylaw, order or article heretofore adopted accepting or adopting the provisions of any statute of the commonwealth.

Article submitted by the Town Administrator

(Requires a Majority Vote)

NOTE: *To recodify the General Bylaw. The Town has already done this for the Zoning Bylaw and Subdivision Rules and Regulations.*

BOARD OF SELECTMEN RECOMMEND: FAVORABLE ACTION

MOTION: That the Town accept and amend the renumbering and revision of the various general bylaws of the Town from their original numbering or their numbering in the prior General Bylaws Compilation, as amended through May 23, 2022, to the numbering or codification, arrangement, sequence and captions and the comprehensive revisions to the text of the General Bylaws as set forth in the Final Draft of the Code of the Town of Groveland, dated 03/2023, and which is on file with the Town Clerk and has been distributed at the Town Meeting all as set forth in Article 16 of the Warrant.

DATE AND ACTION TAKEN: April 24, 2023

Motion made: Kathleen Kastrinelis

Second: William O'Neil

Vote Majority for Favorable Action so declared the Moderator

ARTICLE 17: To see if the Town will vote to amend its Zoning Bylaws to delete and replace Section 50-8.2(C) to read as follows:

C. Street line: in any district, no building shall be erected, reconstructed or placed less than the minimum front setback as determined by § 50-8.1 Table of Dimensional Requirements, unless it is determined by the Zoning Enforcement Officer, that the line of houses on the street existing at the time this bylaw is adopted is less than the required setback from the street line, in which case the erected, reconstructed or placed building shall extend no further into the required setback than the adjacent building(s).

Article submitted by the Building Commissioner

(Requires a 2/3rd Majority)

NOTE: *Clarification on language as to the exception for existing non-conforming building setback lines and removal of the inclusion of agricultural use which is exempt under MGL 40A Section 3.*

BOARD OF SELECTMEN RECOMMEND: FAVORABLE ACTION

PLANNING BOARD RECOMMEND:

MOTION: That the Town amend its Zoning Bylaws to delete and replace Section 50-8.2(C) as set forth in Article 17 of the Warrant.

DATE AND ACTION TAKEN: April 24, 2023

Motion made: Kathleen Kastrinelis

Second: William O'Neil

2/3rd Majority vote required.

Vote 2/3rd Majority for Favorable Action so declared the Moderator

ARTICLE 18: To see if the Town will vote to amend its Zoning Bylaws to add the following definition of “Building Inspector” to Section 50-2.1 Terms Defined:

Building Inspector: The administrative chief of the Inspectional Services Department in the Town of Groveland who is charged with the enforcement of the Zoning Bylaw acting as the Zoning Enforcement Officer.

Article submitted by the Building Commissioner

(Requires a 2/3rd Majority)

NOTE: *The Zoning Bylaw references both the Building Inspector and Zoning Enforcement Officer as the enforcing agent for the bylaw. This definition is to clarify the Building Inspector is the Zoning Enforcement Officer to avoid confusion as to where the enforcing authority lays.*

BOARD OF SELECTMEN RECOMMEND: FAVORABLE ACTION

PLANNING BOARD RECOMMEND:

MOTION: That the Town amend its Zoning Bylaws to add the following definition of “Building Inspector” to Section 50-2.1 as set forth in Article 18 of the Warrant.

DATE AND ACTION TAKEN: April 24, 2023

Motion made: Kathleen Kastrinelis

Second: William O’Neil

2/3rd Majority vote required.

Vote Unanimous for Favorable Action so declared the Moderator

ARTICLE 19: To see if the Town will vote to amend its Zoning Bylaws to add the following definition of “Farm, Non-Exempt” to Section § 50-2.1 Terms Defined:

Farm, Non-Exempt: An area of land and its buildings used for gain in the raising of agricultural products, livestock, poultry and dairy products to which the exemption(s) of G.L. c. 40A, § 3 does not apply.

Article submitted by the Building Commissioner

(Requires a 2/3rd Majority)

NOTE: *The Zoning Bylaw allows for Farm, Non-Exempt under the use the Table of Uses §50-4.5 but has no corresponding definition for the term. Adding the term adds clarity as to what is or is not allowed.*

BOARD OF SELECTMEN RECOMMEND: FAVORABLE ACTION

PLANNING BOARD RECOMMEND:

MOTION: That the Town amend its Zoning Bylaws to add the definition of “Farm, Non-Exempt” to Section § 50-2.1 as set forth in Article 19 of the Warrant.

DATE AND ACTION TAKEN: April 24, 2023

Motion made: Kathleen Kastrinelis

Second: William O’Neil

2/3rd Majority vote required.

Vote Unanimous for Favorable Action so declared the Moderator

ARTICLE 20: To see if the Town will vote to amend its Zoning Bylaws to delete and replace Section 50-8.2(A) to read as follows:

A. Lot Regularity: No lot shall be created so as to be so irregularly shaped or extended that it has a "Shape Factor" in excess of (32), except that a lot may exceed the required "shape factor" if a contiguous portion of the lot meets the minimum lot area requirement and does not exceed the required "shape factor." The Shape Factor equals the square of the lot perimeter divided by the lot area.

Shape Factor Formula: $P = \text{lot perimeter}$ and $A = \text{lot area}$
 $P^2/A < (32)$

Article submitted by the Planning Board

(Requires a 2/3rd Majority)

NOTE: The current Lot Regularity definition allows for the creation of lots that circumvent the intent of the bylaw. This new definition will limit that ability and allow the intention of the bylaw to be met.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN RECOMMEND: FAVORABLE ACTION

PLANNING BOARD RECOMMEND;

MOTION: That the Town amend its Zoning Bylaws to delete and replace Section 50-8.2(A) as set forth in Article 20 of the Warrant.

DATE AND ACTION TAKEN: April 24, 2023

Motion made: Kathleen Kastrinelis

Second: Ruth Rivard

2/3rd Majority vote required.

Vote 2/3rd Majority for Favorable Action so declared the Moderator

ARTICLE 21: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate or reserve from Community Preservation Fund Fiscal Year 2024 estimated annual revenues the amounts recommended by the Community Preservation Committee for committee administrative expenses, debt service, community preservation projects, and other expenses, with each item to be considered a separate appropriation:

PURPOSE	RECOMMENDED AMOUNT
Appropriations:	
Committee Administrative Expenses	\$ 30,000
Reserves:	
Open Space	\$ 77,000
Historic Resources	\$ 77,000
Community Housing	\$ 77,000

or take any other action relative thereto.

Article submitted by the Community Preservation Committee

NOTE: *Annual appropriation set-asides are required for CPA funds at 10 percent of total revenue including any state match for Open Space, Historic Resources and Community Housing. Any Administrative expenses unspent are returned to the General CPA account. The Recreation category has no set aside.*

BOARD OF SELECTMEN RECOMMENDS: FAVORABLE ACTION

FINANCE BOARD RECOMMENDS: FAVORABLE ACTION

MOTION: That the Town appropriate or reserve from Community Preservation Fund Fiscal Year 2024 estimated annual revenues the amounts as set forth in Article 21 of the Warrant.

DATE AND ACTION TAKEN: April 24, 2023

Motion made: Kathleen Kastrinelis

Second: Ruth Rivard

Vote Unanimous for Favorable Action so declared the Moderator

ARTICLE 22: Community Trail UTV. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of up to TEN THOUSAND SIX HUNDRED FORTY-SIX DOLLARS (\$10,646) from the Community Preservation General Reserve FY2023 to be made available towards **the purchase of an all-terrain vehicle and trailer for the Groveland Community Trail.** The project is to be managed by the Town Planner and Town Administrator under the CPA category of Recreation or take any action relative thereto.

Article submitted by the Community Preservation Committee

NOTE: *This project will provide matching funds for a MassTrails grant that will be applied for in February 2023 for an all-terrain vehicle and trailer for the Groveland Police and Fire Department to utilize on the Groveland Community Trail. This vehicle will provide fast and safe access for first responders to monitor the trail and ensure that the recreational aspect of the trail is being utilized responsibly.*

BOARD OF SELECTMEN RECOMMENDS: FAVORABLE ACTION

FINANCE BOARD RECOMMENDS: FAVORABLE ACTION

MOTION: That the Town appropriate a sum of up to TEN THOUSAND SIX HUNDRED FORTY-SIX DOLLARS (\$10,646) from the Community Preservation General Reserve FY2023 to be made available towards the purchase of an all-terrain vehicle and trailer for the Groveland Community Trail The project is to be managed by the Town Planner and Town Administrator under the CPA category of Recreation.

DATE AND ACTION TAKEN: April 24, 2023

Motion made: Kathleen Kastrinelis

Second: Ruth Rivard

Discussion: Mike Dempsey, Chair of Community Preservation Committee, gave a general introduction of the 11 articles on for CPC and mentioned the state match of 84%. One resident asked about the total amount available in the CPC Fund and a second resident asked if considering the proposition 2 ½ override question this year, it is appropriate to spend so much on CPC projects. Mike mentioned the restrictions on CPC funds and that they must be used on CPC projects only.

Vote Majority for Favorable Action so declared the Moderator

ARTICLE 23: Washington Hall Paving and Hydroseeding. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of up to TWENTY-ONE THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED THIRTY-EIGHT DOLLARS (\$ 21,538) from the Community Preservation Historic Preservation Reserve FY2023 to be made available for **Washington Hall Paving and Hydroseeding**. The project is to be managed by the Groveland Historic Society and the Town Administrator under the CPA category of Historic Preservation or take any action relative thereto.

Article submitted by the Community Preservation Committee

NOTE: The proposed project would fund the application of a final topcoat of pavement for the new parking lot at historic Washington Hall to maintain stability and the hydroseeding and landscaping of the area surrounding the lot.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN RECOMMENDS: FAVORABLE ACTION

FINANCE BOARD RECOMMENDS: FAVORABLE ACTION

MOTION: That the Town appropriate a sum of up to TWENTY-ONE THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED THIRTY-EIGHT DOLLARS (\$ 21,538) from the Community Preservation Historic Preservation Reserve FY2023 to be made available for Washington Hall Paving and Hydroseeding. The project is to be managed by the Groveland Historic Society and the Town Administrator under the CPA category of Historic Preservation.

DATE AND ACTION TAKEN: April 24, 2023

Motion made: Kathleen Kastrinelis

Second: Ruth Rivard

Vote Majority for Favorable Action so declared the Moderator

ARTICLE 24: Skatepark at the Pines Recreation Area. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of up to FOUR HUNDRED FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$450,000) from the Community Preservation General Reserve FY2023 to be made available for **construction of a Skatepark at the Pines Recreation Area.** The project is to be managed by the Recreation Committee and the Town Administrator under the CPA category of Recreation or take any action relative thereto.
Article submitted by the Community Preservation Committee

NOTE: *The proposed project would design and construct a skatepark at the Pines Recreation Area. Skateparks build and sustain healthy communities. As a gathering place for dedicated, athletic youth, the skatepark provides the forum for young and old, beginning, and skilled, to meet and share experiences.*

BOARD OF SELECTMEN RECOMMENDS: FAVORABLE ACTION

FINANCE BOARD RECOMMENDS: FAVORABLE ACTION

MOTION: That the Town appropriate a sum of up to FOUR HUNDRED FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$450,000) from the Community Preservation General Reserve FY2023 to be made available for construction of a Skatepark at the Pines Recreation Area. The project is to be managed by the Recreation Committee and the Town Administrator under the CPA category of Recreation

DATE AND ACTION TAKEN: April 24, 2023

Motion made: Kathleen Kastrinelis

Second: Ruth Rivard

Discussion: Resident asked about the hours of operation and if the police would patrol. Selectman responded hours would be dawn till dusk.

Hand count required: Yes vote: 180 No vote: 71
Vote Majority for Favorable Action so declared the Moderator

ARTICLE 25: Splashpad at the Pines Recreation Area. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of up to ONE HUNDRED TEN THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED NINETY -THREE DOLLARS (\$ 110,393) from the Community Preservation General Reserve FY2023 to be made available for **building a Splashpad at the Pines Recreation Area.** The project is to be managed by the Recreation Committee and the Town Administrator under the CPA category of Recreation or take any action relative thereto.
Article submitted by Citizens Petition

NOTE: *The proposed project would construct a splashpad at the Pines. A splashpad will offer a fun water experience while requiring a relatively small ongoing financial investment in comparison to a pool, etc. The proposed co-location to the existing playground will provide further efficiency and create a more well-rounded attraction. A trip to the park could be an all-day outing with the playground, water play, picnic area, restrooms, further enhancing the Pines Recreation facility.*

BOARD OF SELECTMEN RECOMMENDS: UNFAVORABLE ACTION

FINANCE BOARD RECOMMENDS: FAVORABLE ACTION

MOTION: That the Town appropriate a sum of up to ONE HUNDRED TEN THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED NINETY -THREE DOLLARS (\$ 110,393) from the Community Preservation General Reserve FY2023 to be made available for building a Splashpad at the Pines Recreation Area. The project is to be managed by the Recreation Committee and the Town Administrator under the CPA category of Recreation.

DATE AND ACTION TAKEN: April 24, 2023

Motion made: Kathleen Kastrinelis

Second: William O'Neil

Discussion: Resident requested the locations of the items to be constructed and if they would interfere with the current youth football usage. Selectman answered that all new projects would not interfere with the current usage of the Pines Recreation area. Selectman brought up the cost of the splash pad and questioned how the town planned to maintain and clean, not in favor.

Residents asked about insurance liability and parking. Selectman responded the town has adequate insurance coverage and the revolving fund would cover maintenance.

Resident spoke in favor, it would add to the quality of the town.

Vote Majority for Favorable Action so declared the Moderator

ARTICLE 26: Pines Tennis / Pickleball Court. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of up to ONE HUNDRED FIFTY-FOUR THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED TEN DOLLARS (\$154,110) from the Community Preservation General Reserve FY2023 to be made available for **constructing a Pines Tennis and Pickleball Court.** The project is to be managed by the Recreation Committee and the Town Administrator under the CPA category of Recreation or take any action relative thereto.

Article submitted by the Community Preservation Committee

NOTE: *The proposed project would provide construction of a tennis court/pickleball court at the Pines. A tennis court was always envisioned with the regrading and earth removal of the Pines, but the project never reached its completion. Seeing the rise in popularity of pickleball and the very easy way to have a combination court, accommodating the two sports will allow for a wider variety of users of a recreational amenity.*

BOARD OF SELECTMEN RECOMMENDS: FAVORABLE ACTION

FINANCE BOARD RECOMMENDS: FAVORABLE ACTION

MOTION: That the Town appropriate a sum of up to ONE HUNDRED FIFTY-FOUR THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED TEN DOLLARS (\$154,110) from the Community Preservation General Reserve FY2023 to be made available for constructing a Pines Tennis and Pickleball Court. The project is to be managed by the Recreation Committee and the Town Administrator under the CPA category of Recreation.

DATE AND ACTION TAKEN: April 24, 2023

Motion made: Kathleen Kastrinelis

Second: William O'Neil

Vote Majority for Favorable Action so declared the Moderator

ARTICLE 27: Parking Creation at Shanahan Fields. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of up to FOUR HUNDRED EIGHTY-TWO THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$ 482,000) from the Community Preservation General Reserve FY2023 to be made available for **Parking Creation at Shanahan Fields.** The project is to be managed by the Recreation Committee and the Town Administrator under the CPA category of Recreation or take any action relative thereto.

Article submitted by the Community Preservation Committee

NOTE: Shanahan Field is primarily used by Groveland Youth Soccer, where parking is limited on site, forcing parents and children to park on the street, creating a dangerous traffic situation. This project proposes to create designated parking and improve the vehicular circulation at the site to provide a safer environment for recreational field users.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN RECOMMENDS: FAVORABLE ACTION

FINANCE BOARD RECOMMENDS: FAVORABLE

MOTION: That the Town appropriate a sum of up to FOUR HUNDRED EIGHTY-TWO THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$ 482,000) from the Community Preservation General Reserve FY2023 to be made available for Parking Creation at Shanahan Fields. The project is to be managed by the Recreation Committee and the Town Administrator under the CPA category of Recreation.

DATE AND ACTION TAKEN: April 24, 2023

Motion made: Kathleen Kastrinelis

Second: William O'Neil

Discussion: Resident talked about the soccer program. Selectman supported the parking due to growth of the program. Resident who is an abutter requested that the question be put on hold until a legal description of the area is resolved.

Motion to Table made: Luis Rodriguez made a motion to Table Article 27

Second: Danielle MacDonald

Discussion: Resident spoke regarding the fence and the current parking problem and made the request to start the process. Luis clarified that the town had yet to resolve if the area was an easement or right of way and not to vote on the issue until the matter is resolved.

Hand count required to Table: Yes vote: 182 No vote: 76

Vote Majority for Favorable Action to Table so declared the Moderator

Resident requested to make a motion to move the order of the articles.

Motion to vote Article 32 prior to Articles 28 and 29.

Motion made: Brian Lynch

Second: Kathleen Kastrinelis

Discussion: Brian Lynch made the request because Article 32 is a feasibility study and should be discussed and voted on before decisions are made on Articles 28 and 29.

Mike Dempsey, Chair of the CPC recommended not changing the order, the feasibility study is not related to Articles 28 and 29.

Vote Majority for Favorable Action Failed motion failed so declared the Moderator

ARTICLE 28: Planting, Maintaining, and Preserving Our Historic Trees

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of up to NINETY-NINE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$ 99,000) from the Community Preservation General Reserve FY2023 to be made available for **Planting, Maintaining, and Preserving Our Historic Trees**. The project is to be managed by the Conservation Commission and the Town Administrator under the CPA category of Historic Preservation or take any action relative thereto.

Article submitted by Citizens Petition

NOTE: *Our trees in town are under attack. Disease and insects are decimating our ash and hemlock trees. Invasive plants are covering and choking to death our oaks, maples, and birch trees. Many older historic trees are reaching their natural lives. The proposed project would address the crisis by developing maintenance plans for our trees, encouraging the planting of trees, and preserving our trees. Those that exist in historic and recreation areas of our town such as Elm Park and Veasey Park are examples.*

BOARD OF SELECTMEN RECOMMENDS: UNFAVORABLE ACTION

FINANCE BOARD RECOMMENDS: FAVORABLE ACTION

MOTION: That the Town appropriate a sum of up to NINETY-NINE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$ 99,000) from the Community Preservation General Reserve FY2023 to be made available for Planting, Maintaining, and Preserving Our Historic Trees. The project is to be managed by the Conservation Commission and the Town Administrator under the CPA category of Historic Preservation.

DATE AND ACTION TAKEN: April 24, 2023

Motion made: Kathleen Kastrinelis

Second: William O'Neil

Discussion: Resident spoke of the positive impact of trees. Second resident questioned the cost and location of proposed planting. Selectman requested the definition of historical trees. A number of residents spoke regarding the method of planting, what is invasive, funding for the highway department for tree removal, and the additional programs for residents to encourage tree planting.

Vote Majority for Favorable Action so declared the Moderator

ARTICLE 29: Basketball Court Restoration/Reconstruction at Washington Park. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of up to FORTY-FOUR THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED NINETY-FIVE DOLLARS (\$ 44,395) from the Community Preservation General Reserve FY2023 to be made available for a **Basketball Court**

Restoration/Reconstruction at Washington Park. The project is to be managed by the Recreation Committee and the Town Administrator under the CPA category of Recreation or take any action relative thereto.

Article submitted by the Community Preservation Committee

NOTE: The proposed project would restore and reconstruct the current basketball court at Washington Park reconfiguring the court and updating the current layout while resetting the hoops and providing new netting and fencing. The project would provide a suitable recreational area for Town residents to utilize and enjoy.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN RECOMMENDS: FAVORABLE ACTION

FINANCE BOARD RECOMMENDS: FAVORABLE ACTION

MOTION: That the Town appropriate a sum of up to FORTY-FOUR THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED NINETY-FIVE DOLLARS (\$ 44,395) from the Community Preservation General Reserve FY2023 to be made available for a Basketball Court Restoration/Reconstruction at Washington Park. The project is to be managed by the Recreation Committee and the Town Administrator under the CPA category of Recreation.

DATE AND ACTION TAKEN: April 24, 2023

Motion made: Kathleen Kastrinelis

Second: William O'Neil

Vote Majority for Favorable Action so declared the Moderator

ARTICLE 30: Rehabilitation of Lucile's Cottage Project Phase 2. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of up to NINETEEN THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED FIFTY DOLLARS (\$19,250) from the Community Preservation General Reserve FY2023 to be made available for **Rehabilitation of an historic building, Lucile's Cottage**. The project is to be managed by the Groveland Conservation Commission and the Town Administrator under the CPA category of Historic Preservation and Recreation or take any action relative thereto.

Article submitted by Citizens Petition

NOTE: The proposed project would begin Phase 2 of the Rehabilitation of Lucile's Cottage, which will convert an underutilized, historic building into a self-sustaining art studio space. Phase 1 secured funding for a feasibility grant which allowed us to hire an architect, a public artist specializing in creative placemaking and a septic assessment. During Phase 2 we would use professional services to complete the feasibility study, create a master plan, website audit and branding, and prepare grant applications to rehabilitate the building for artist space.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN RECOMMENDS: UNFAVORABLE ACTION

FINANCE BOARD RECOMMENDS: UNFAVORABLE ACTION

MOTION: That the Town appropriate a sum of up to NINETEEN THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED FIFTY DOLLARS (\$19,250) from the Community Preservation General Reserve FY2023 to be made available for Rehabilitation of an historic building, Lucile's Cottage. The project is to be managed by the Groveland Conservation Commission and the Town Administrator under the CPA category of Historic Preservation and Recreation

DATE AND ACTION TAKEN: April 24, 2023

Motion made: Kathleen Kastrinelis

Second: Ruth Rivard

Discussion: Resident spoke about the plans to turn the cottage into an art studio, which would be available for residents to rent. Resident questioned the additional overall project cost and questioned the term historic, since the renovation materials are vinyl. Selectmen questioned if the project is CPC compliant since the usage is proposed as rental space. A number of residents spoke of the history of Veasey, the positive impact, and value to the town.

Vote Majority for Favorable Action so declared the Moderator

ARTICLE 31: Riverview Cemetery Monument Restoration. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of up to THIRTY-TWO THOUSAND DOLLRS (\$ 32,000) from the Community Preservation General Reserve FY2023 to be made available for the **Riverview Cemetery Monument Restoration**. The project is to be managed by the Cemetery Superintendent and the Town Administrator under the CPA category of Historic Preservation or take any action relative thereto.

Article submitted by the Community Preservation Committee

NOTE: The proposed project would restore 119 monuments in the oldest historic section of the cemetery which date back to the 1800s. The restorations will clean, level, and repair some older irreplaceable headstones. The gravestone and monument assessment was performed in 2016 with CPA funds and involved studying all of the markers (headstones, footstones, monuments) located in the older parts of the cemetery.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN RECOMMENDS: FAVORABLE ACTION

FINANCE BOARD RECOMMENDS: FAVORABLE ACTION

MOTION: That the Town appropriate a sum of up to THIRTY-TWO THOUSAND DOLLRS (\$ 32,000) from the Community Preservation General Reserve FY2023 to be made available for the Riverview Cemetery Monument Restoration. The project is to be managed by the Cemetery Superintendent and the Town Administrator under the CPA category of Historic Preservation

DATE AND ACTION TAKEN: April 24, 2023

Motion made: Kathleen Kastrinelis

Second: William O'Neil

Vote Unanimous for Favorable Action so declared the Moderator

ARTICLE 32: Visioning and Feasibility Plan for Veasey Memorial Park. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of up to TWENTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$20,000) from the Community Preservation Historic Preservation Reserve FY2023 to be made available for **development of a Visioning and Feasibility Plan for Veasey Memorial Park.** The project is to be managed by the Groveland Conservation Commission and the Town Administrator under the CPA category of Historic Preservation or take any action relative thereto.

Article submitted by the Community Preservation Committee

NOTE: Veasey Memorial Park is mainly funded through event/function rentals and the three rental housing units on site. The park is under the care, custody, and control of the Groveland Conservation Commission as voted by town meeting in 1996. The park is an asset to the community and the future use, operation, and maintenance of the facility and grounds need to be explored. This project proposes a visioning, and feasibility plan for the future of the facility. With the information on hand, the community can more easily identify and explore varying opportunities that have been vetted through a public process for long-term sustainability.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN RECOMMENDS: FAVORABLE ACTION

FINANCE BOARD RECOMMENDS: FAVORABLE ACTION

MOTION: That the Town appropriate a sum of up to TWENTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$20,000) from the Community Preservation Historic Preservation Reserve FY2023 to be made available for development of a Visioning and Feasibility Plan for Veasey Memorial Park. The project is to be managed by the Groveland Conservation Commission and the Town Administrator under the CPA category of Historic Preservation.

DATE AND ACTION TAKEN: April 24, 2023

Motion made: Kathleen Kastrinelis

Second: William O'Neil

Vote Unanimous for Favorable Action so declared the Moderator

ARTICLE 33: To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of ONE HUNDRED SEVENTY-FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$175,000) from the following:

FORTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$40,000) from the Groveland Municipal Electric Department Operation Account

FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$50,000) from the Overlay Surplus Account

EIGHTY-FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$85,000) from Fiscal Year 2023 Town Free Cash

to reduce the Fiscal Year 2024 tax rate; or take any other action relative thereto.

Article submitted by the Town Administrator

BOARD OF SELECTMEN RECOMMENDS: FAVORABLE ACTION

FINANCE BOARD RECOMMENDS: FAVORABLE ACTION

MOTION: That the Town transfer the sum of ONE HUNDRED SEVENTY-FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$175,000) from the following:

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to reduce the Fiscal Year 2024 tax rate.

DATE AND ACTION TAKEN: April 24, 2023

Motion made: Kathleen Kastrinelis

Second: William O'Neil

Vote Unanimous for Favorable Action so declared the Moderator

ARTICLE 34: To see if the Town will transfer FOUR HUNDRED SEVENTY-FIVE THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED THIRTY-TWO DOLLARS (\$475,932) from Free Cash to the following accounts:

FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$50,000) to the Stabilization Fund Account #8500-040-49700-000-000

FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$50,000) to the Capital Stabilization Fund Account #8525-040-49700-000-000

FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$50,000) to the Municipal Building Improvements Account #1001-192-58401-058-000

TWENTY-FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$25,000) to the MS4 Stormwater Permit Account #2452-421-45810-000-000

ELEVEN THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$11,000) to the Personnel Buy back Account #2410-040-49700-000-000

FIFTY-NINE THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED THIRTY-TWO DOLLARS (\$59,932) to purchase a Line Cruiser for the Police Department

FIFTY-FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$55,000) to purchase Jaws for the Fire Department

SEVENTY-FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$75,000) to install a 911 System for the Bagnall Elementary School

SEVENTY-FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$75,000) to install a new cafeteria door for the Bagnall Elementary School

TWENTY-FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$25,000) to remove the Oil Tank from the Bagnall Elementary School

or take any other action relative thereto.

Article submitted by the Board of Selectmen

BOARD OF SELECTMEN RECOMMENDS: FAVORABLE ACTION

FINANCE BOARD RECOMMENDS: FAVORABLE ACTION

MOTION: That the Town transfer FOUR HUNDRED SEVENTY-FIVE THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED THIRTY-TWO DOLLARS (\$475,932) from Free Cash to the following accounts:

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DATE AND ACTION TAKEN: April 24, 2023

Motion made: Kathleen Kastrinelis

Second: William O'Neil

Discussion: Resident asked about the cost of the proposed cafeteria doors. Selectman stated it was an estimate received for the capital plan project. Bob Danforth, Building Maintenance Director spoke on the need for safety and protection in the cafeteria area.

Jeffrey Gillen, Police Chief requested to speak.

Kathleen Kastrinelis made a motion to allow the Chief to speak.

Second: Ruth Rivard

Vote Majority for Favorable Action to allow Chief Gillen to speak so declared the Moderator

Chief Gillen introduced this capital request in response to the School Lock Down program. The current design with the stage area makes it impossible to secure the cafeteria.

Resident and PTA member also spoke in support.

Vote Majority for Favorable Action so declared the Moderator

ARTICLE 35: To see if the Town will vote to transfer up to TWO HUNDRED EIGHTY-FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$285,000) from the Stabilization Fund Account #8500-991-59610-000-000 to offset the negative variance found in the vendor account with Eastern Bank; or take any other action relative thereto.

Article submitted by the Town Administrator

(Requires a 2/3rd Majority)

BOARD OF SELECTMEN RECOMMENDS: FAVORABLE ACTION

FINANCE BOARD RECOMMENDS: FAVORABLE ACTION

MOTION: That the Town transfer up to TWO HUNDRED EIGHTY-FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$285,000) from the Stabilization Fund Account #8500-991-59610-000-000 to offset the negative variance found in the vendor account with Eastern Bank

NOTE: *For the vendor account with Eastern Bank, the negative variance at June 30, 2022, totaling \$285,000 has been consistently reconciled to that unknown variance since May 2022 and in December 2022, the Town discovered a \$34,000 error from 2018, which was identified and corrected, resulting in a total variance of \$319,000. The Town plans to reconcile to the remaining variance on a consistent basis with a planned cut off of March 2023. This date reflects one year since the last warrant was paid out of that account and reflects the duration of valid checks subject to being cashed.*

DATE AND ACTION TAKEN: April 24, 2023

Motion made: Kathleen Kastrinelis

Second: William O'Neil

Discussion: Resident questioned what happened to the money, the amount is significant. Selectman responded that they met with the auditors and this a correction that needs to be completed and it has been on the books for some time.

2/3rd Majority vote required.

Vote does not have a 2/3rd Majority, Vote for Favorable Action Failed motion failed so declared the Moderator

ARTICLE 36: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate or transfer from the PEG Access and Cable Related Fund the sum of TWO HUNDRED FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$250,000) to be expended under the direction of the Town Administrator to fund cable access services, supplies and equipment for Fiscal Year 2023; or take any other action related thereto.

Article submitted by Cable Department

BOARD OF SELECTMEN RECOMMENDS: FAVORABLE ACTION

FINANCE BOARD RECOMMENDS: FAVORABLE ACTION

MOTION: That the Town appropriate or transfer from the PEG Access and Cable Related Fund the sum of TWO HUNDRED FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$250,000) to be expended under the direction of the Town Administrator to fund cable access services, supplies and equipment for Fiscal Year 2023

DATE AND ACTION TAKEN: April 24, 2023

Motion made: Kathleen Kastrinelis

Second: William O'Neil

Vote Majority for Favorable Action so declared the Moderator

ARTICLE 37: To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of SEVEN THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED NINETY-EIGHT DOLLARS AND FIVE CENTS (\$7,398.05) from the Conservation Commission Fees Account (2601-990-45305-000) to the Conservation Commission Expense Account for Fiscal Year 2024 (1001-171-52000-052) for the Conservation Commission's operating costs; or to take any other action relative thereto.
Article submitted by Town Administrator

BOARD OF SELECTMEN RECOMMENDS: FAVORABLE ACTION

FINANCE BOARD RECOMMENDS: FAVORABLE ACTION

MOTION: That the Town transfer the sum of SEVEN THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED NINETY-EIGHT DOLLARS AND FIVE CENTS (\$7,398.05) from the Conservation Commission Fees Account (2601-990-45305-000) to the Conservation Commission Expense Account for Fiscal Year 2024 (1001-171-52000-052) for the Conservation Commission's operating costs

NOTE: *The Town is creating the Wetlands Protection Act Revolving Fund in place of the Conservation Commission Fee Account. This transfer moves the balance out of the Conservation Commission Fee Account so we can begin the process of closing the account.*

DATE AND ACTION TAKEN: April 24, 2023

Motion made: Kathleen Kastrinelis

Second: Ruth Rivard

Vote Unanimous for Favorable Action so declared the Moderator

ARTICLE 38: To see if the Town of Groveland will appropriate FIVE THOUSAND SIX HUNDRED TWENTY-FIVE DOLLARS (\$5,625) from the premium received upon the sale of bonds or notes issued for the Center Street Land Purchase, which are the subject of a Proposition 2½ debt exclusion by the Town, to pay costs of the project being financed by the bonds or notes and to reduce the amount authorized to be borrowed for the project by the same amount; or take any other action relative thereto.

Article submitted by the Town Administrator

NOTE: *The treatment of premiums and surplus proceeds were changed by the Municipal Modernization Act (MMA), Act Relative to Immediate COVID-19 Recovery Needs (COVID-19 Recovery Act), excluded debt must treat the premium as general fund revenue and the legislative body must vote the amount of the premium.*

BOARD OF SELECTMEN RECOMMENDS: FAVORABLE ACTION

FINANCE BOARD RECOMMENDS: FAVORABLE ACTION

MOTION: That the Town appropriate FIVE THOUSAND SIX HUNDRED TWENTY-FIVE DOLLARS (\$5,625) from the premium received upon the sale of bonds or notes issued for the Center Street Land Purchase, which are the subject of a Proposition 2½ debt exclusion by the Town, to pay costs of the project being financed by the bonds or notes and to reduce the amount authorized to be borrowed for the project by the same amount

DATE AND ACTION TAKEN: April 24, 2023

Motion made: Kathleen Kastrinelis

Second: William O'Neil

Vote Majority for Favorable Action so declared the Moderator

ARTICLE 39: To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of ONE HUNDRED SIXTY-FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$165,000.00) from the Sewer Enterprise Department Retained Earnings to fund the SCADA System Upgrade Project; or take other action relative thereto.

Article submitted by Water & Sewer Commissioners

BOARD OF SELECTMEN RECOMMENDS: FAVORABLE ACTION

FINANCE BOARD RECOMMENDS: FAVORABLE ACTION

MOTION: That the Town transfer the sum of ONE HUNDRED SIXTY-FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$165,000.00) from the Sewer Enterprise Department Retained Earnings to fund the SCADA System Upgrade Project

NOTE: *The SCADA upgrade program is to update and improve our cyber security, as well as enhance our ability to operate and monitor the water and sewer systems.*

DATE AND ACTION TAKEN: April 24, 2023

Motion made: Kathleen Kastrinelis

Second: William O'Neil

Vote Unanimous for Favorable Action so declared the Moderator

ARTICLE 40: To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of FIVE HUNDRED TWENTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$520,000.00) from the Water Enterprise Department Retained Earnings to fund the following:

ONE HUNDRED THIRTY-FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$135,000.00) to fund the SCADA System Upgrade Project

THREE HUNDRED EIGHTY-FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$385,000.00) to fund Phase One of the Lead Service Line Replacement Plan

or take other action relative thereto.

Article submitted by Water & Sewer Commissioners

NOTE: *The Lead Service Line Inventory project is mandated by EPA and MassDEP. The SCADA upgrade program is to update and improve our cyber security, as well as enhance our ability to operate and monitor the water and sewer systems.*

BOARD OF SELECTMEN RECOMMENDS: FAVORABLE ACTION

FINANCE BOARD RECOMMENDS: FAVORABLE ACTION

DATE AND ACTION TAKEN: April 24, 2023

Moderator announced a minor correction to the motion as written, the amount was incorrect the motion should read as follows:

MOTION: That the Town transfer the sum of FIVE HUNDRED THIRTY-EIGHT THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$538,000.00) from the Water Enterprise Department Retained Earnings to fund the following:

ONE HUNDRED FIFTY-THREE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$153,000.00) to fund the Phase One of the Lead Service Line Replacement Plan

THREE HUNDRED EIGHTY-FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$385,000.00) to fund SCADA System Upgrade Project

**Motion made on the corrected amounts: Kathleen Kastrinelis
Seconded: William O'Neil**

Vote Unanimous for Favorable Action so declared the Moderator

ARTICLE 41: To see if the Town will vote to raise, appropriate or transfer the sum of SIX HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$600,000), more or less, to pay costs of developing a new water supply source or sources, and all other costs incidental and related thereto; to determine whether this amount shall be raised by borrowing or otherwise, or to take any other action relative thereto.

Article submitted by Water & Sewer Commissioners

NOTE: *The Bond would cover the process of locating and drilling a new water source.*

BOARD OF SELECTMEN RECOMMENDS: FAVORABLE ACTION

FINANCE BOARD RECOMMENDS: FAVORABLE ACTION

MOTION: That the Town appropriate the sum of SIX HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$600,000), to pay costs of developing a new water supply source or sources, and all other costs incidental and related thereto, and to pay for said appropriation, the Treasurer is authorized, with approval of the Select Board, to borrow \$600,000.00 under and pursuant to G.L. c. 44, §7, or any other enabling authority, and to issue bonds or notes of the Town therefor.

DATE AND ACTION TAKEN: 4/24/2023

Motion made: Kathleen Kastrinelis

Seconded: William O'Neil

2/3 rd.'s Majority vote required: Vote Unanimous for Favorable Action so declared the Moderator.

ARTICLE 42: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of ONE MILLION TWO HUNDRED FIFTEEN THOUSAND, TWO HUNDRED SEVENTY-SIX DOLLARS AND FORTY-SIX CENTS (\$1,215,276.46) for the use of the Water Department, said sum to be offset by Fiscal Year 2023 Water Department Revenue; or take any other action relative thereto:

Article submitted by Water & Sewer Commissioners

SALARIES

PURPOSE	FY23 APPROVED BUDGET	FY24 REQUESTED
Commissioners	\$1,350.24	\$1,377.24
Superintendent	\$62,777.74	\$72,546.08
Office Manager	\$46,395.68	\$47,462.59
Laborers' Wages (3)	\$148,239.93	\$151,204.73
Admin. Assistant	\$32,886.00	\$37,915.35
Overtime	\$41,386.50	\$42,214.23
TOTAL SALARIES	\$333,036.09	\$352,720.22

EXPENSES

PURPOSE	FY23 APPROVED BUDGET	FY24 REQUESTED
Expenses	\$357,499.68	\$364,649.67
New Water Source Work	\$7,500.00	
Health	\$58,850.00	\$62,381.00
Retirement	\$82,910.72	\$72,836.68
Emergency Funds	\$50,000.00	\$50,000.00
Bond Debt & Interest	\$254,895.00	\$238,875.00
Short Term Debt		\$50,000.00
Medicare	\$4,891.59	\$5,013.88
Equipment	\$24,630.00	\$18,800.00
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$841,176.99	\$862,556.23
TOTAL BUDGET	\$1,174,213.08	\$1,215,276.46

BOARD OF SELECTMEN RECOMMENDS: FAVORABLE ACTION

FINANCE BOARD RECOMMENDS: FAVORABLE ACTION

MOTION: That the Town raise and appropriate the sum of ONE MILLION TWO HUNDRED FIFTEEN THOUSAND, TWO HUNDRED SEVENTY-SIX DOLLARS AND FORTY-SIX CENTS (\$1,215,276.46) for the use of the Water Department as set forth in Article 42 of the Warrant and that said sum to be offset by Fiscal Year 2023 Water Department Revenue.

DATE AND ACTION TAKEN: April 24, 2023

Motion made: Kathleen Kastrinelis

Second: William O'Neil

Comment: Selectman explained this was the Operating Budget for the Water Department

Vote Unanimous for Favorable Action so declared the Moderator

ARTICLE 43: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of SIX HUNDRED SEVENTY-ONE THOUSAND, EIGHT HUNDRED FIFTY-FIVE DOLLARS AND TWENTY-ONE CENTS (\$671,855.21) to fund the Sewer Department salaries and expenses for FY 2024, said sum to be offset by Fiscal Year 2023 Sewer Department Revenue; or take any other action relative thereto:
Article submitted by Water & Sewer Commissioners

SALARIES		
PURPOSE	FY23 APPROVED BUDGET	FY24 REQUESTED
Commissioners	\$578.67	\$590.24
Superintendent	\$26,904.74	\$30,871.82
Office Manager	\$20,078.54	\$20,341.11
Laborers' Wages(3)	\$63,531.34	\$64,801.97
Overtime	\$16,900.00	\$17,238.00
Admin. Assistant	\$14,094.00	\$16,249.44
TOTAL SALARIES	\$142,087.29	\$150,092.58
EXPENSES		
PURPOSE	FY23 APPROVED BUDGET	FY24 REQUESTED
Expenses	\$104,865.46	\$106,962.77
Health	\$25,808.31	\$27,356.81
Medicare	\$1,966.69	\$2,006.02
Retirement	\$41,455.36	\$31,215.72
Bond Debt & Interest	\$60,756.26	\$59,306.26
Emergency Funds	\$25,000.00	\$25,000.00
Haverhill Wastewater	\$189,878.80	\$193,676.38
Haverhill Capital Bond	\$74,743.80	\$76,238.68
Equipment	\$ -	\$ -
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$524,474.68	\$521,762.63
TOTAL BUDGET	\$666,561.97	\$671,855.21

BOARD OF SELECTMEN RECOMMENDS: FAVORABLE ACTION

FINANCE BOARD RECOMMENDS: FAVORABLE ACTION

MOTION: That the Town raise and appropriate the sum of SIX HUNDRED SEVENTY-ONE THOUSAND, EIGHT HUNDRED FIFTY-FIVE DOLLARS AND TWENTY-ONE CENTS (\$671,855.21) to fund the Sewer Department salaries and expenses for FY 2024 as set forth in Article 43 of the Warrant, said sum to be offset by Fiscal Year 2023 Sewer Department Revenue

DATE AND ACTION TAKEN: April 24, 2023

Motion made: Kathleen Kastrinelis

Second: Ruth Rivard

Comment: Selectman explained this was the Operating Budget for the Sewer Department

Vote Unanimous for Favorable Action so declared the Moderator

ARTICLE 44: To see if the Town of Groveland will raise and appropriate an additional \$1,250,000 in real estate and personal property taxes for the purpose of funding a portion of the Pentucket Regional School District annual assessment for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2023 contingent upon the successful passage of a levy limit override question in the amount of **\$1,250,000** under G.L. c. 59, § 21C, or take any other action relative thereto.

MOTION: That the Town raise and appropriate an additional \$1,250,000 in real estate and personal property taxes for the purpose of funding a portion of the Pentucket Regional School District annual assessment for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2023 contingent upon the successful passage of a levy limit override question in the amount of \$1,250,000 under G.L. c. 59, § 21C.

DATE AND ACTION TAKEN: April 24, 2023

Motion made: Kathleen Kastrinelis

Second: William O'Neil

Vote Majority for Favorable Action so declared the Moderator

ARTICLE 45: To see if the Town will vote to raise, appropriate or transfer the following sums to defray Town charges for the ensuing year ending June 30, 2024 and make appropriations therefor; or take any other action relative thereto:

Line Item	Actual FY2022	Adopted FY2023	Proposed FY2024
GENERAL GOVERNMENT			
<u>MODERATOR</u>			
Total Moderator Budget	\$ -	\$ 100	\$ 100
<u>SELECTMEN</u>			
Total Salaries	\$ 3,000	\$ 7,500	\$ 7,500
Total Expenses	\$ 40,472	\$ 64,750	\$ 66,200
Total Selectmen Budget	\$ 43,472	\$ 72,250	\$ 73,700
<u>TOWN ADMINISTRATOR</u>			
Total Salaries	\$ 11,570	\$ 113,300	\$ 115,566
Total Expenses	\$ -	\$ 5,000	\$ 5,000
Total Town Administrator Department Budget	\$ 11,570	\$ 118,300	\$ 120,566
<u>TOWN ACCOUNTANT</u>			
Total Salaries	\$ 88,950	\$ 90,729	\$ 108,404
Total Expenses	\$ 3,206	\$ 3,500	\$ 3,500
Total Town Accountant Budget	\$ 92,156	\$ 94,229	\$ 111,904
<u>BOARD OF ASSESSORS</u>			
Total Salaries	\$ 57,985	\$ 60,385	\$ 82,372
Total Expenses	\$ 52,762	\$ 64,250	\$ 64,250
Total Board of Assessors Budget	\$ 110,747	\$ 124,635	\$ 146,622
<u>TREASURER DEPARTMENT</u>			
Total Salaries	\$ 211,627	\$ 119,745	\$ 152,402
Total Expenses	\$ 25,857	\$ 31,950	\$ 32,000
Total Treasurer Department Budget	\$ 237,483	\$ 151,695	\$ 184,402
<u>TOWN COUNSEL</u>			
Total Town Counsel Budget	\$ 37,138	\$ 65,000	\$ 65,000
<u>TECHNOLOGY</u>			
Total Technology Department	\$ 79,026	\$ 100,000	\$ 130,666

TOWN CLERK

Total Salaries	\$	73,874	\$	83,374	\$	112,421
Total Expenses	\$	16,699	\$	26,713	\$	28,138
Total Town Clerk Budget	\$	90,573	\$	110,087	\$	140,559

ECONOMIC DEV, PLANNING, & CONSERV.

Total Salaries	\$	68,981	\$	79,559	\$	97,628
Total Expenses	\$	27,943	\$	12,965	\$	12,936
Total Economic Dev., Planning & Conservation	\$	96,925	\$	92,524	\$	110,564

MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS

Total Salaries		43,514		44,923		58,763
Total Expenses		186,338		192,700		237,088
Total Municipal Buildings Budget	\$	229,852	\$	237,623	\$	295,851

INSURANCE

Total Insurance Budget	\$	746,813	\$	803,890	\$	914,905
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TOTAL GENERAL GOVERNMENT	\$	1,775,754	\$	1,970,333	\$	2,294,839
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PUBLIC SAFETY**POLICE DEPARTMENT**

Total Salaries	\$	1,359,587	\$	1,558,091	\$	1,615,373
Total Expenses	\$	134,241	\$	116,495	\$	123,391
Total Police Budget	\$	1,493,828	\$	1,674,586	\$	1,738,764

PARKING CLERK

Total Parking Clerk Budget	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
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Total Salaries	\$	257,702	\$	269,967	\$	344,999
Total Expenses	\$	91,277	\$	100,500	\$	101,600
Total Fire Budget	\$	348,979	\$	370,467	\$	446,599

BUILDING DEPARTMENT

Total Salaries	\$	81,127	\$	89,934	\$	91,733
Total Expenses	\$	12,100	\$	13,100	\$	14,100
Total Inspectors Budget	\$	93,227	\$	103,034	\$	105,833

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

Total Emergency Management Budget	\$	1,909	\$	4,397	\$	4,485
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TOTAL PUBLIC SAFETY	\$ 1,937,943	\$ 2,152,484	\$ 2,295,682
<u>EDUCATION</u>			
TOTAL EDUCATION	\$ 13,145,636	\$ 13,363,679	\$ 13,266,971
PUBLIC WORKS			
<u>TREE WARDEN</u>			
Total Tree Warden Budget	\$ 27,440	\$ 20,000	\$ 20,000
<u>HIGHWAYS</u>			
Total Salaries	\$ 355,450	\$ 394,910	\$ 404,338
Total Expense	\$ 513,138	\$ 493,060	\$ 504,804
Total Highway Budget	\$ 868,588	\$ 887,970	\$ 909,142
<u>RUBBISH COLLECTION</u>			
Total Rubbish Collection Budget	\$ 576,632	\$ 672,910	\$ 735,000
<u>CEMETERY</u>			
Total Salaries	\$ 63,126	\$ 70,209	\$ 84,536
Total Expenses	\$ 13,458	\$ 17,200	\$ 17,700
Total Cemetery Budget	\$ 76,584	\$ 87,409	\$ 102,236
TOTAL PUBLIC WORKS	\$ 1,549,243	\$ 1,668,289	\$ 1,766,378
HUMAN SERVICES			
<u>BOARD OF HEALTH</u>			
Total Salaries	\$ 62,095	\$ 90,138	\$ 109,045
Total Expenses	\$ 1,180	\$ 2,800	\$ 3,200
Total Board of Health Budget	\$ 63,275	\$ 92,938	\$ 112,245
<u>COUNCIL ON AGING</u>			
Total Salaries	\$ 122,934	\$ 137,590	\$ 173,964
Total Expenses	\$ 9,311	\$ 4,500	\$ 6,000
Total Council on Aging Budget	\$ 132,245	\$ 142,090	\$ 179,964
<u>VETERANS</u>			
Total Veterans Budget	\$ 28,679	\$ 39,180	\$ 39,364
TOTAL HUMAN SERVICES	\$ 224,198	\$ 274,208	\$ 331,572
<u>LIBRARY</u>			

Total Salaries	\$	191,292	\$	210,345	\$	262,317
Total Expenses	\$	78,789	\$	81,865	\$	84,804
Total Library Budget	\$	270,081	\$	292,210	\$	347,121
TOTAL LIBRARY	\$	270,081	\$	292,210	\$	347,121
<u>DEBT SERVICE</u>						
Total Debt Budget	\$	392,397	\$	382,374	\$	376,444
TOTAL DEBT SERVICE	\$	392,397	\$	382,374	\$	376,444
<u>UNCLASSIFIED</u>						
Total Unclassified Budget	\$	802,484	\$	844,263	\$	894,212
TOTAL UNCLASSIFIED	\$	802,484	\$	844,263	\$	894,212
TOTAL APPROPRIATED OPERATING EXPENSES	\$	20,097,736	\$	20,947,839	\$	21,573,217
<u>OTHER RAISE & APPROPRIATE ARTICLES</u>						
Total Other Raise & Appropriate Articles	\$	1,998	\$	-	\$	-
TOTAL OTHER NON-APPROPRIATED EXPENSES	\$	1,998	\$	-	\$	-
<u>OTHER NON-APPROPRIATED EXPENSES</u>						
Total Other Non-Appropriated Expenses	\$	221,681	\$	224,246	\$	230,245
TOTAL OTHER NON-APPROPRIATED EXPENSES	\$	221,681	\$	224,246	\$	230,245
GRAND TOTAL EXPENSES	\$	20,321,415	\$	21,172,085	\$	21,803,462

BOARD OF SELECTMEN RECOMMENDS: FAVORABLE ACTION

FINANCE BOARD RECOMMENDS: FAVORABLE ACTION

The Moderator read the line items list of categories, historically if a resident wishes to discuss an item they request a hold. Once all the items are read, discussion begins. The Moderator read the motion.

MOTION: That the Town raise, appropriate or transfer the sums set forth in Article 45 of the Warrant in order to defray Town charges for the ensuing year ending June 30, 2024 for the operations and expenses of the Town in accordance with Article 45.

DATE AND ACTION TAKEN: April 24, 2023

Motion made: Kathleen Kastrinelis

Second: William O'Neil

Discussion: Resident questioned why if all items on the budget increased why the education line did not. Finance Board member explained that Article 44 the proposition 2 ½ override for education could not be included in the budget line until voted. A second resident questioned why the Fire Department was not listed, the Fire Department budget amount was included in the total for Public Safety.

Vote Unanimous for Favorable Action so declared the Moderator

ARTICLE 46: To see if the Town will vote to fix the salary and compensation of all elective and appointive officers of the Town for the twelve months ending June 30, 2024; or take any other action relative thereto. Fixing of salaries according to Articles #42, #43, #45 above.

Article submitted by Finance Board

BOARD OF SELECTMEN RECOMMENDS: FAVORABLE ACTION

FINANCE BOARD RECOMMENDS: FAVORABLE ACTION

MOTION: That the Town fix the salary and compensation of all elective and appointive officers of the Town for the twelve months ending June 30, 2024 according to Articles #42, #43, #45.

DATE AND ACTION TAKEN: April 24, 2023

Motion made: Kathleen Kastrinelis

Second: William O'Neil

Vote Unanimous for Favorable Action so declared the Moderator

ARTICLE 47: To see if the Town will vote to petition the General Court for special Legislation to decrease the size of the Board of Selectmen from five members to three members. Since the Town has a full-time administrator, this article will authorize the Board of Selectmen to seek special legislation decreasing the size of the Board of Selectmen from five to three members. This article will take effect only if approved by the voters at the 2023 Annual Town Meeting.

Article submitted by Citizens Petition

BOARD OF SELECTMEN RECOMMENDS: UNFAVORABLE ACTION

FINANCE BOARD RECOMMENDS: UNFAVORABLE ACTION

MOTION: That the Town petition the General Court for special Legislation to decrease the size of the Board of Selectmen from five members to three members.

DATE AND ACTION TAKEN: April 24, 2023

Motion made: Kathleen Kastrinelis

Second: William O'Neil

Discussion: Citizens Petition Article, Richard Hodges spoke about the option to reduce the size of the board from 5 to 3 and instead to create a 9-member council to represent the residents. The town has a full time Town Administrator to advise the Board of Selectmen and the option to reduce to a three-member board should be discussed.

A resident asked how this question got on the warrant since it was not recommended by the Board of Selectmen, the Moderator explained it was a Citizens Petition which may be included at the request of ten registered voters. Selectman spoke on the benefit of a five-member board for sub committees, ethics and open meeting law compliance. A resident agreed more representation was better than less.

Vote Majority for Unfavorable Action. Motion to decrease the Board of Selectmen failed so declared the Moderator

ARTICLE 48: To adjourn Town Meeting, and direct those qualified to vote in Annual Town Election to meet in their respective voting precinct **Town Hall, 183 Main Street Groveland, MA on Monday, May 1, 2023 between the hours of 7:00 A.M. and 8:00 P.M.** to elect the following Town Officers and vote on the following Ballot Question:

To Elect:

Assessor 3 Year Term
Assessor 1 Year Term
Board of Health 3 Year Term
Board of Library Trustee 3 Year Term
Board of Library Trustee 3 Year Term
Board of Library Trustee 3 Year Term
Board of Selectmen 3 Year Term
Board of Selectmen 3 Year Term
Cemetery Commission 3 Year Term
Electric Light Commission 3 Year Term
Housing Authority 5 Year Term
Moderator 1 Year Term
Planning Board 3 Year Term
Planning Board 5 Year Term
Planning Board 5 Year Term
Planning Board 5 Year Term
School Committee 3 Year Term
Water & Sewer Commission 2 Year Term
Water & Sewer Commission 3 Year Term

To vote upon the following Question fill in the Oval to the right of the “YES” OR “NO”.

QUESTION 1: Shall the Town of Groveland be allowed to assess an additional \$1,250,000 in real estate and personal property taxes for the purpose of paying the Pentucket Regional School District annual assessment for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2023?

YES () NO ()

MOTION: That the Town adjourn to the Town Election to be held at **Town Hall, 183 Main Street Groveland, MA on Monday, May 1, 2023 between the hours of 7:00 A.M. and 8:00 P.M.** to elect the Town Officers and vote on the following Ballot Question as set forth in Article 48 of the Warrant.

DATE AND ACTION TAKEN: April 24, 2023

Motion made: Kathleen Kastrinelis

Second: William O’Neil

Vote Unanimous for Favorable Action and to adjourn the meeting so declared the Moderator Annual Town Meeting Adjourned at 9:13 PM on April 24, 2023

APPENDIX A

TOWN OF GROVELAND 5 YEAR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN

Project Name	Department	Category	Expected Life	FISCAL YEAR				
				2024	2025	2026	2027	2028
2023 Marked Cruiser - Ford Utility Police Interceptor with a Hybrid Engine	Police	Vehicle	5 Years	\$ 59,931.56	\$ 61,729.51	\$ 63,581.39	\$ 65,488.83	\$ 67,453.50
Public Safety Generator	Police	Equipment	20 Years				\$ 85,000.00	
Police Station Entry Doors	Police	Facilities	40 Years				\$ 19,043.00	
Jaws of Life	Fire	Equipment	25 Years	\$ 55,000.00				
Fire Chief Command Vehicle	Fire	Vehicle	5 Years			\$ 85,000.00		
Central Fire Station Entry Doors	Fire	Facilities	40 Years				\$ 19,043.00	
Public Safety Building Roof	Public Safety	Facilities	40 Years		\$ 680,000.00			
Town Hall Roofing	Town Hall	Facilities	50 Years					\$ 325,000.00
Library Building Roof	Library	Facilities	50 Years			\$ 285,000.00		
Library Flooring Replacement	Library	Facilities	20 Years	\$ 31,634.52				
Library HVAC Upgrade	Library	Facilities	20 Years	\$ 55,000.00				
Highway Garage Replacement	Highway	Equipment	30 Year			\$ 92,890.00		
Riverside Drive Sidewalks	Highway	Infrastructure	40 Years				\$ 240,265.00	
Trackless MT7 Tractor	Highway	Equipment	15 Years	\$ 203,920.00				
289D3 Track Skid Steer	Highway	Equipment	15 Years				\$ 118,000.00	
John Deere 2025R Compact Tractor	Cemetery	Equipment	10 Years			\$ 30,000.00		
Design & Install, Security & Egress Door System for Cafeteria Lockdown & Code Compliance	School	Facilities	20 Years	\$ 75,000.00				
Design & Install/Upgrade Fire Alarm System with addressable components and CO detection	School	Facilities	20 Years					
Design & Install ADA HC Lift in Hallway Room 11	School	Facilities	10 Years			\$ 30,000.00		
Design & Upgrade Site Asphalt Roadways, Curbing, and ADA ramps	School	Facilities	40 Years					\$ 300,000.00

Remove underground 10K gallon fuel oil tank & equipment. Not in use	School	Facilities	N/A	\$ 25,000.00					
Design & Install/Replace Classroom Unit ventilators	School	Facilities	40 Years		\$ 350,000.00				
Replace Carpeting in Library	School	Facilities	10 Years				\$ 20,000.00		
Replace Flooring in Computer Lab	School	Facilities	20 Years			\$ 15,000.00			
Design & Install Generator System for Café/Kitchen & Gym Wing	School	Facilities	20 Years				\$ 150,000.00		
Design & Install/Replace all potable water plumbing fixtures with certified lead free materials	School	Facilities	20 Years			\$ 250,000.00			
School Area Domestic Water Piping Replacement	School	Facilities	40 Years						
Design & Upgrade Restrooms Fixtures & Hardware	School	Facilities	20 Years					\$ 200,000.00	
Design & Install Communication System Upgrade for Emergency 911 classroom calls	School	Facilities	30 Years	\$ 75,000.00					
Design & Install a Synchronized Wall Clock/Bell System	School	Facilities	40 Years				\$ 30,000.00		
TOTAL				\$ 580,486.08	\$ 1,091,729.51	\$ 851,471.39	\$ 746,839.83	\$ 892,453.50	

APPENDIX B

REVOLVING FUNDS ACTIVITY THROUGH MARCH 31, 2023 FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2023

Bagnall Summer Program Revolving Fund - Fund 2406

Beginning Balance as of July 1, 2022	\$	111,272.02
Add: Revenues		85,179.09
Less: Payroll Expenses		73,855.72
Less: Operating Expenses		77,395.92
Ending Balance as of March 31, 2023	\$	<u>45,199.47</u>

Council on Aging Revolving Fund - Fund 2407

Beginning Balance as of July 1, 2022	\$	22,513.65
Add: Revenues		4,913.77
Less: Operating Expenses		10,384.63
Ending Balance as of March 31, 2023	\$	<u>17,042.79</u>

Pines Boat Ramp Revolving Fund - Fund 2409

Beginning Balance as of July 1, 2022	\$	22,972.84
Add: Revenues		3,105.00
Less: Operating Expenses		751.67
Ending Balance as of March 31, 2023	\$	<u>25,326.17</u>

Veasey Memorial Park Revolving Fund - Fund 2411

Beginning Balance as of July 1, 2022	\$	11,308.34
Add: Revenues		106,643.88
Less: Payroll Expenses		3,852.00
Less: Operating Expenses		107,800.67
Ending Balance as of March 31, 2023	\$	<u>6,299.55</u>

Fire Department CPR Class Revolving Fund - Fund 2451

Beginning Balance as of July 1, 2022	\$	191.56
Add: Revenues		60.00
Less: Operating Expenses		-
Ending Balance as of March 31, 2023	\$	<u>251.56</u>

Pines Maintenance Revolving Fund - Fund 2660

Beginning Balance as of July 1, 2022	\$	2,592.49
Add: Revenues		29,896.57
Less: Payroll Expenses		3,505.44
Less: Operating Expenses		15,117.44
Ending Balance as of March 31, 2023	\$	<u>13,866.18</u>

Groveland Day Revolving Fund - Fund 2661

Beginning Balance as of July 1, 2022	\$	5,308.90
Add: Revenues		10,839.75
Less: Operating Expenses		11,225.68
Ending Balance as of March 31, 2023	\$	<u>4,922.97</u>

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APPENDIX C

APPENDIX D

DEFINITION OF FINANCIAL TERMS COMMONLY USED AT TOWN MEETINGS

Appropriation – An authorization by the Town Meeting to make expenditures and incur liabilities for specific purposes. An appropriation is usually limited in amount and as to the time when it may be expended.

Assessed Valuation – A valuation set upon real estate or other property by the Assessors as a basis for levying taxes.

Bond – A written promise to pay a specified sum of money by a fixed date, and carrying with it interest payments at a fixed rate, paid periodically. A **Note** is similar, but issued for a shorter period.

Debt and Interest – The amount of money necessary annually to pay the interest and the principal on the Town's outstanding debt. Also known as "Debt Service."

Fiscal Year – The budget period used by the Town running from July 1 of one year to June 30 of the next year. At the end of this period, the Town closes its books in order to determine its financial condition and the results of its operation.

Free Cash (Available Funds) – The amount of money left after all prior years' uncollected taxes have been deducted from surplus revenue. This amount may be used as available funds by vote of the Town Meeting.

Overlay – The amount, up to 5% of the tax levy, raised by the Assessors in excess of appropriations and other charges to cover abatements and exemptions.

Overlay Reserve – Unused amount of the overlay for previous years, which the Town may transfer to Surplus Revenue after all abatements for such fiscal year are settled.

Reserve Fund – A fund voted by the Annual Town Meeting and controlled by the Finance Committee for extraordinary and unforeseen expenditures incurred by Town departments during the year.

Stabilization Fund – Special Reserve Fund that can be used by a 2/3 vote of the Town Meeting.

Surplus Revenue – The amount by which cash, accounts receivable and other assets exceed the liabilities and reserves. Used in calculating free cash.

Transfer – The movement of funds from one account to another. Transfers between accounts (other than the Reserve Fund) can be made only by vote of the Town Meeting.

Unexpended Balance – That portion of an appropriation or account not yet expended. Any such balances left at the end of the fiscal year are generally used as Surplus Revenue in calculating Free Cash.

APPENDIX E

TABLE OF MOTIONS

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Table of Basic Points of Motion

Rank		Second Required	Debatable	Amendable	Vote Required	May Reconsider	May Interrupt
PRIVILEGED MOTIONS							
1	Dissolve or adjourn sine die	Yes	No	No	Majority	No	No
2	Adjourn to fix time or recess	Yes	Yes	Yes	Majority	No	No
3	Point of no quorum	No	No	No	None	No	No
4	Fix the time to (or at) which to adjourn	Yes	Yes	Yes	Majority	Yes	No
5	Question of privilege	No	No	No	None	No	Yes
SUBSIDIARY MOTIONS							
6	Lay on the table	Yes	No	No	2/3	Yes	No
7	The previous question	Yes	No	No	2/3	No	No
8	Limit or extend debate	Yes	No	No	2/3	Yes	No
9	Postpone to a time certain	Yes	Yes	Yes	Majority	Yes	No
10	Commit or refer	Yes	Yes	Yes	Majority	Yes	No
11	Amend (or substitute)	Yes	Yes	Yes	Majority	Yes	No
12	Postpone indefinitely	Yes	Yes	No	Majority	Yes	No
INCIDENTAL MOTIONS							
*	Point of order	No	No	No	None	No	Yes
*	Appeal	Yes	Yes	No	Majority	Yes	No
*	Division of a question	Yes	Yes	Yes	Majority	No	No
*	Separate consideration	Yes	Yes	Yes	Majority	No	No
*	Fix the method of voting	Yes	Yes	Yes	Majority	Yes	No
*	Nominations to committees	No	No	No	Plur.	No	No
*	Withdraw or modify a motion	No	No	No	Majority	No	No
*	Suspension of rules	Yes	No	No	2/3***	No	No
MAIN MOTIONS							
None	Main Motion	Yes	Yes	Yes	Var.	Yes	No

**	Reconsider or rescind	Yes	**	No	Majority	No	No
None	Take from the table	Yes	No	No	Majority	No	No
None	Advance an article	Yes	Yes	Yes	Majority	Yes	No

* Same rank as motion out of which they arise.

** Same rank and debatable to same extent as motion being reconsidered.

*** Unanimous if rule protects minorities; out of order if rule protects absentees.

And you are directed to serve this Annual Town Meeting Warrant by posting attested copies thereof in said Town, one copy in each of the three parts of Town known as Savaryville, the Village, and South Groveland, fourteen (14) days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this Warrant, with your doings thereon to the Precinct Clerk, at the time and place of said meeting.

Given under our hands this 10th day of April in the year of our Lord two thousand twenty-three.

Edward Watson, Chairman

Daniel MacDonald, Selectman

Jason Naves, Vice-Chair

Kathleen Kastrinelis, Selectman

Mark Parenteau, Selectman

A true copy, attest:

Elizabeth Cunniff, Town Clerk

Jeffrey T. Gillen, Police Chief

OFFICER'S RETURN

I have notified and warned the inhabitants of the Town of Groveland who are qualified to vote in Town Affairs by posting true and attested copies of this Annual Town Meeting Warrant and Annual Election Warrant at the Town Hall, Savaryville and South Groveland. Said copies not having been posted less than **fourteen days** before the time of said meeting.

Elizabeth Cunniff, Town Clerk

Jeffrey T. Gillen, Police Chief

**TOWN OF GROVELAND
MASSACHUSETTS
2022-2023**

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Edward Watson, Chairman
Jason Naves, Vice Chair
Kathleen Kastrinelis
Daniel MacDonald
Mark Parenteau

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR/FINANCE DIRECTOR

Rebecca Oldham

FINANCE BOARD

TERM EXPIRES

Ruth Rivard, Chair	2023
Sarah Sheehan McGrath, Vice Chair	2024
Melissa Baker, Secretary	2024
William O'Neil	2023
James Scanlon	2023
Alexander Wood	2023
VACANT	2023