

REPORT ON THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING, TOWN OF MONTEREY MAY 4, 2013

On May 4, 2013 97 people qualified to vote in Town Meeting gathered in the FireHouse of the Town of Monterey at 9:30AM. The first order of business was to elect a Temporary Clerk for this Meeting, followed by the election of Barbara Swann as Temporary Clerk.

The Town remembered Mrs. Lois Ryder and her service to the Town with a moment of silence.

Proceeding to the Articles of this Meeting, the following actions were taken on the following articles:

ARTICLE 1. The reports of all Officers, Agents and Committees of the Town.were unanimously approved by Voice Vote

ARTICLE 2. The Town voted to fix the salaries as indicated below to be paid to elected officials for the period July 1, 2013, to June 30, 2014, pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 41, Section 108, of the General Laws by Voice Vote

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| Select Board Chair | \$4,300.00 |
| Select Board 2 nd | \$4,300.00 |
| Select Board 3 rd | \$4,300.00 |
| Assessors Chair | \$4,000.00 |
| Assessors 2 nd | \$4,000.00 |
| Assessors 3 rd | \$4,000.00 |
| Board of Health Chair | \$ 400.00 |
| Board of Health 2 nd | \$ 400.00 |
| Board of Health 3 rd | \$ 400.00 |

ARTICLE 3. The Town raised and appropriated the following sums of money, including appropriation and transfers from available funds, to defray charges and expenses of the Town, including salaries of certain Town Officers and employees, debt and interest, and provide for a Reserve Fund for the ensuing year.

| Account | Description | FY14 |
|---------|--|-----------|
| 100 | GENERAL GOVERNMENT | |
| 114 | Moderator | 100.00 |
| 122 | Select Board Elected | 12,900.00 |
| 122 | Select Board Expenses | 7,000.00 |
| 124 | Temporary Employee | 1.00 |
| 131 | Finance Committee Expenses | 150.00 |
| 132 | Town Reserve Fund | 15,000.00 |
| 135 | Town Accountant Salary | 14,560.00 |
| 135 | Town Accountant Expenses | 1,000.00 |
| 141 | Assessors Elected | 12,000.00 |
| 141 | Principal Assessor formerly Asst. Assessor | 36,754.00 |
| 141 | Assessors Clerk | 8,440.00 |
| 141 | Assessors Expenses | 15,725.00 |
| 141 | Assessors Software | 6,600.00 |
| 145 | Treasurer Elected | 13,567.00 |
| 145 | Treasurer Expenses | 2,530.00 |
| 145 | Treasurers Tax Titles | 5,000.00 |
| 146 | Tax Collector Elected | 16,922.00 |
| 146 | Tax Collector Expenses | 4,300.00 |
| 147 | Tax Coll. Computer | 4,800.00 |
| 148 | Bank Charges | 200.00 |
| 151 | Town Counsel | 11,254.00 |
| 151 | Town Counsel Expenses | 1,500.00 |
| 158 | Printing & Stationery | 250.00 |
| 159 | Inter-Departmental Secretary | 43,704.00 |
| 160 | Procurement Expenses | 1.00 |
| 161 | Town Clerk Elected | 16,215.00 |
| 161 | Town Clerk Expenses | 4,650.00 |
| 162 | Elections | 6,186.00 |

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| 163 | Registration | 294.00 |
| 164 | Street List/Census Expenses | 750.00 |
| 165 | Assistant Town Clerk | 1,800.00 |
| 171 | Conservation Comm. | 750.00 |
| 175 | Planning Board Clerk | 1,500.00 |
| 175 | Planning Board expenses | 1,000.00 |
| 176 | Board of Appeals expenses | 4,000.00 |
| 176 | Board of Appeals Clerk | 1.00 |
| 192 | Meeting Hall | 975.00 |
| 195 | Town Report | 950.00 |
| 196 | Town Offices | 30,000.00 |
| 197 | Computer Software & Supplies | 4,000.00 |
| 198 | Accounting Software | 6,232.00 |
| | Subtotal | 315,561.00 |

200 PROTECTION, PERSONS & PROPERTY

| | | |
|-----|---|-------------------|
| 209 | Constable | 300.00 |
| 210 | Police Chief Wages | 65,500.00 |
| 210 | Sergeant | 45,500.00 |
| 210 | Police Expenses | 79,785.00 |
| 212 | Police Rental Facilities | 3,600.00 |
| 220 | Fire Dept. Expenses | 49,800.00 |
| 221 | Berkshire County Sheriff Communications | 9,088.00 |
| 222 | Fire Dept Compensation | 91,500.00 |
| 240 | Building Inspector | 27,284.00 |
| 240 | Building Inspector Expenses | 6,868.00 |
| 243 | Plumbing and Gas Inspector | 3,000.00 |
| 243 | Plumbing /Gas Inspector Exp | 100.00 |
| 244 | Fire Inspector | 2,600.00 |
| 245 | Wiring Inspector | 2,500.00 |
| 245 | Wiring Inspector Expenses | 100.00 |
| 246 | Alternate Inspectors | 500.00 |
| 247 | Animal Inspector | 900.00 |
| 292 | Animal Control/Dog Officer | 1.00 |
| 293 | Animal Control Expenses | 500.00 |
| 296 | Tree Warden Salary | 3,150.00 |
| 296 | Tree Warden Expenses | 15,230.00 |
| | Subtotal | 407,806.00 |

300 EDUCATION

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| 301 | School Committee | 1,200.00 |
| 310 | Schools: Capital | 45,628.00 |
| 310 | Schools: Operating | 1,231,663.00 |
| | Subtotal | 1,278,491.00 |

400 PUBLIC WORKS & FACILITIES

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| 422 | Highway Maintenance | 145,943.00 |
| 422 | Director of Operations | 70,225.00 |
| 422 | Foreman | 48,804.00 |
| 422 | H 2 Compensation | 46,020.00 |
| 422 | H 3 Compensation | 46,020.00 |
| 423 | Salt and Sand | 150,000.00 |
| 423 | Supplies & Fuel | 43,944.00 |
| 423 | Winter Overtime | 21,000.00 |
| 424 | Public Lighting | 3,000.00 |
| 427 | Machinery & Tools | 34,000.00 |
| 428 | Town Garage | 17,465.00 |
| 429 | Highway Capital | 75,000.00 |
| 430 | Dam Inspection & Maintenance | 4,000.00 |
| 431 | Southern Berkshire Waste District | 3,220.00 |
| 433 | Transfer Station | 104,000.00 |
| 435 | Household Hazardous Waste | 1,069.00 |

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| 436 | Group Purchasing Regional | 600.00 |
| 491 | Cemetery Maintenance and Lawn Care | 25,350.00 |
| 495 | Soldiers Graves | 1,250.00 |
| | Subtotal | 840,910.00 |
| 500 | HUMAN SERVICES | |
| 510 | Board of Health Salary | 1,200.00 |
| 510 | Board of Health Expenses | 400.00 |
| 510 | Board of Health Clerk | 4,590.00 |
| 511 | Sanitary Inspector | 23,106.00 |
| 522 | Visiting Nurse | 2,074.00 |
| 523 | Berkshire Mental Health (The Brien Center) | 752.00 |
| 529 | Community Health Program | 1,200.00 |
| 531 | Berkshire South Regional Community Center | 1,000.00 |
| 541 | Council on Aging | 2,000.00 |
| 543 | Veterans Benefits | 9,100.00 |
| | Subtotal | 45,422.00 |
| 600 | CULTURE & RECREATION | |
| 610 | Library General | 54,600.00 |
| 611 | Library Maintenance | 5,300.00 |
| 630 | Park Commission | 35,280.00 |
| 630 | Parks Lawn maintenance, spring/fall clean up | 6,500.00 |
| 641 | Cultural Council | 3,000.00 |
| 692 | Memorial Day | 1,500.00 |
| | Subtotal | 106,180.00 |
| 700 | DEBT SERVICE | |
| 700 | Debt Service | 0.00 |
| | Subtotal | 0.00 |
| 900 | MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES | |
| 911 | Berkshire County Retirement | 87,714.00 |
| 913 | Employment Security | 925.00 |
| 914 | Health Insurance | 136,391.00 |
| 914 | Life Insurance | 648.00 |
| 915 | Medicare | 10,830.00 |
| 945 | Bonds & Insurance | 56,000.00 |
| | Subtotal | 292,508.00 |
| | Total Operating Expenses | 3,286,878.00 |
| | Special Articles | 410,343.00 |
| | Total | 3,697,221.00 |

Holds were placed on #914 and the suggestion was made to reduce this figure by \$5,000 per employee to \$112,391, which failed as an amendment on voice vote. Holds on #159, 161, 210, 222, 310, and 422 were all considered and objections withdrawn or overridden by voice vote.

ARTICLE 4. The Town voted to appropriate the sum of \$275,000 to purchase a replacement grader for the Highway Department, and to authorize the Town Treasurer with the approval of the Select Board to borrow said amount .

Unanimously

ARTICLE 5. The Town voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$49,205 for the purchase of a replacement 4WD Police Cruiser with all the necessary equipment.

Unanimously

ARTICLE 6. The Town voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$45,500 for the purchase of replacement air packs for the Fire Department.

Unanimously

ARTICLE 7. The Town voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$45,000.00 by voice vote up from the requested figure of \$31,000.00, for the renovation of the Wilson-McLaughlin House at the corner of Main Rd and New Marlboro Rd. This article was discussed at length and the Town decided to raise half the remainder of needed funds for basic renovations on this year's warrant rather than the amount that represented matching the funds raised this year by the Wilson House Committee.

By Voice Vote

ARTICLE 8. The Town voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,200 for Montereyfest formerly known as Lakefest.

Unanimously.

ARTICLE 9. The Town voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,000 to be deposited in a Stabilization Fund for the Retiree Health and Life Insurance.

Unanimously.

ARTICLE 10. The Town voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,500 for repairs and maintenance of the Bally Gally house on the former Wilson McLaughlin property.

Unanimously

ARTICLE 11. The Town voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500 for the town's assessment to the Southern Berkshire Regional Emergency Planning Committee.

Unanimously

ARTICLE 12. The Town voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$68,468 for the loan and interest on the construction of a salt storage shed

Unanimously.

ARTICLE 13. The Town voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$44,704 for the loan and interest on the Kenworth and Pickup Truck.

Unanimously

ARTICLE 14. The Town voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$56,266 for the loan and interest on Fire Department Rescue Vehicle and Hydraulic Tools.

Unanimously

ARTICLE 15. The Town voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$75,000 for the Stabilization Fund.

By voice vote.

ARTICLE 16. The Town voted to transfer the sum of \$15,000 from Overlay Surplus to the Reserve Fund.

Unanimously.

ARTICLE 17. The town voted and authorized and directed the Assessors to appropriate \$200,000 and to transfer said sum from Free Cash to reduce the tax levy for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2013.

This article elicited much discussion yet was adopted

By voice vote, one negative vote

ARTICLE 18. The Town voted to allow the Treasurer to use available funds in the Treasury, or, with the approval of the Select Board, to borrow money in anticipation of reimbursement by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts on account of Highway Capital Funds, in accordance with Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 44, Section 6A, and to issue notes therefore for a period not to exceed two years from this date, and the proceeds from such reimbursement shall be applied to discharge the loan.

Unanimously

ARTICLE 19. The Town voted to authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Select Board, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning July 1, 2013, in accordance with the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 44, Section 4, and to issue a note or notes therefore, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year, in accordance with General Laws Chapter 44, Section 17.

Unanimously

ARTICLE 20. The Town voted to not appoint any committee or officers and give them or any other officer of the Town instructions, authority or indemnity thought best, because none were proposed.
Unanimously

ARTICLE 21. The Town did not vote to authorize any Town board to appoint any member thereof to another office or position for the term provided by law (if any), otherwise for the term not to exceed one year, and to fix the salary and compensation in accordance with Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 41, Section 4A because there were no requests for any board to appoint one of their members to an additional position under their jurisdiction.

ARTICLE 22. Voters were directed to meet in the Fire Station of the Monterey Fire Company, Ltd. 411 Main Road in said Town on Tuesday, May 7, 2013, at 12:00 o'clock p.m. and then and there to vote their ballots for the election of the following Town officers:

- One member of the Board of Appeals for five years
- One member of the Board of Assessors for three years
- One member of the Board of Health for three years
- One member of the Cemetery Committee for three years
- One Constable for three years
- One member of the Finance Committee for three years
- Two Library Trustees for three years each
- One Moderator for one year
- Two members of the Park Commission for three years each
- One member of the Planning Board for five years
- One member of the Select Board for three years
- One Tax Collector for three years
- One Town Clerk for two years
- One Town Treasurer for three years
- One Tree Warden for one year

All of the above will be voted upon an official ballot provided at the election place by the Town Clerk and Election officers. The polls will be open at 12:00 noon and remain open until 7:00 o'clock p.m.. in the evening.

There being no further business to be brought before this Town Meeting, the Moderator entertained a motion, which was then seconded to adjourn at 12:55 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara B. Swann
Elected Temporary Clerk

REPORT ON THE ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION OF TUESDAY MAY 7, 2013

The Select Board having appointed Barbara Swann as Interim Election Clerk, the polls were opened at 12:00noon. 106 Voters of the Town of Monterey cast their ballots and the results of the election were as follows:

| | | | |
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| BOARD OF APPEALS | 5 years | Fred Chapman | 54* |
| | | Rick Mielke | 49 |
| | | Blank | 3 |
| BOARD OF ASSESSORS | 3 years | Stanley Ross | 91* |
| | | Blank | 15 |
| BOARD OF HEALTH | 3 years | Robert C. Anelli | 88* |
| | | Blank | 18 |
| CEMETERY COMMITTEE | 3 years | Mary Theresa Makuc | 91* |
| | | Blank | 15 |
| FINANCE COMMITTEE | 3 years | Stanley Ross | 87* |
| | | Blank | 19 |
| LIBRARY TRUSTEES (2) | 3 years | Carolee “Mickey” Jervas | 96* |
| | | Lisa Smyle | 20* |
| | | Blank/Other | 96 |
| CONSTABLE | 3 years | Raymond W, Tryon | 84* |
| | | Blank | 22 |
| MODERATOR | 1 year | Mark J.J.Makuc | 95* |
| | | Blank | 11 |
| PARKS COMMISSION (2) | 3 years | Angelica Collins | 86* |
| | | Julio Rodriguez | 89* |
| | | Blank | 37 |
| TAX COLLECTOR | 3 years | Anne Marie Enoch | 91* |
| | | Blank | 15 |
| TREASURER | 3 years | Bethany Mielke | 85* |
| | | Blank | 21 |
| PLANNING BOARD | 5 years | Alan Salamon | 20* |
| | | Blank | 86 |
| SELECT BOARD | 3 years | Scott J. Jenssen | 76* |
| | | Blank | 30 |
| TOWN CLERK | 3 years | Emily J. Johnson | 89* |
| | | Blank | 17 |
| TREE WARDEN | 1 year | Winston Wilson | 81* |
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***indicates elected**

The polls remained open until 7:00PM with no incidents and results were available at 8:00PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara B. Swann