

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

**FISCAL PERIOD JULY 1, 2016 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2017 ANNUAL FALL MEETING
Containing the Recommendations of the Finance Committee**

PLEASE BRING THIS REPORT WITH YOU TO THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING



**ANNUAL FALL TOWN MEETING – MONDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 2016 AT 7:30 PM
MIDDLE/HIGH SCHOOL AUDITORIUM**

**PRE-TOWN MEETING – WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 2016 AT 7:30 PM
VETERANS MEMORIAL BUILDING – ROOM 229**

TM Introduction:

The purpose of the Fall Town Meeting is to deal with funding and other issues that arise between the regular annual May Town meetings. These include emergency appropriations for such items as fixing and replacing critical equipment, budget adjustments, accounting reviews, legal issues and other issues that can't wait until the annual Town Meeting. Most major appropriations and capital expenditures will be deferred until the annual Town Meeting.

Status Update:

At this Town Meeting we are fortunate that for once we are not facing any major issues or responding to a major crisis. However, that doesn't mean that all is smooth sailing from here on. There are three Articles that do require our immediate attention and will be discussed in detail when presented. However, I'll summarize them now:

1. Article 13 - 1 Ton Dump Truck for DPW - The old truck requires substantial costly repairs and will still not meet the plowing and other needs of the Town.
2. Article 14 - Vehicle for DPW - The vehicle presently used by the maintenance crew is beyond repair. This individual usually gets the Deputy Director's hand-down vehicle. As such, we need a new vehicle for the deputy director.
3. Article 16 - MS/HS Intercom Replacement - The old intercom system is unreliable and inoperative in many school rooms. This poses a potential security danger to all students and faculty.

As I noted last year at this time, this leads into a much larger issue which will necessarily be discussed at future Finance Committee meetings and at a future Town Meeting. I refer, as in the past, to the continuing need to fund a myriad of projects relating to the Town's infrastructure that have been deferred for years. These include road maintenance, repair of culverts and bridges, maintenance of schools and other public buildings, and maintenance and upgrades to the Town playing fields.

In addition to these very obvious items, there are the continuing issues of funding mandatory and recurring budget items, though not necessarily anticipated items. For example, we have an obligation to:

- Fund OPEB (Other Post-Employment Benefits) which refers to Town employee retirement benefits which include insurance, retirement pay and other items. These liabilities are now in the range of nearly \$30M; the Town has placed approximately \$100K into this fund. There isn't a chance that we, the Town, will ever fund it 100%, but it is an obligation that we have to address. And we do so by meeting former employee benefits through current expenditures. But there is essentially no reserve, so it's a liability that must be taken into consideration when reviewing the Town's budgeting process.
- Maintain our stabilization fund at a level of 5% of the Operating Budget (now approximately \$1.5M). As a result of the horrible winter of two years ago, we are now still underfunded by approximately \$250K. We hope to redress most of this at this Town Meeting.
- Continue to repair and replace equipment such as ambulances, fire engines, trucks and other vehicles, and heavy equipment such as front-loaders, back hoes, road resurfacing machines, street sweepers, computers, school buses and vans, etc.
- Continue maintenance of our buildings and other portions of our infrastructure.
- Meet mandated requirements such as SPED, which costs the Town just over \$1M each year, and the Charles River cleanup. Most recently, the Town has been advised that we

will have a financial obligation of approximately \$300K in the first year alone to meet the most recent regulations associated with this cleanup.

These items can only be deferred for so long. Eventually they must be dealt with, which means we must identify a procedure that is fair to the taxpayers while allowing the Town administration to address these concerns.

As I stated last year at this time, the members of the Finance Committee are frequently asked why our discretionary funds and free cash are so limited, whereas in the past we seemed to have adequate funds to address these many needs and had an even larger staff. The answer is that there are many new programs and costs that have been legislated and that must now be managed but are not otherwise funded. And most of these programs are unfunded or underfunded mandates such as some of those previously mentioned.

All of this adds to the burden placed on the existing staff. Eventually, it means that our existing staff must be augmented. And thus the costs for operating the Town increase. To put this all into perspective, the Town has an operating budget this fiscal year of approximately \$28M. Of this amount, that portion of the budget that we term non-discretionary spending, approximately 65%, or \$18M, goes to the schools. The remaining \$10M pays for Town employee salaries, insurance and employee benefits. What remains, or what we term discretionary spending, is considerably less than \$1M to meet all the rest of the Town's needs such as those noted in the earlier portion of my remarks.

The remaining articles concern themselves with the need to replace a DPW truck, primarily used for snow plowing, the repair of the DPW building roof, a sewer issue, some policy issues and replenishment of some funds.

Conclusion:

The Finance Committee will present an overview of each article and its recommendations at the Town Meeting. However, the final responsibility rests with you who attend the Town Meeting to approve, or not, each of the articles. In arriving at our recommendations, the Finance Committee has considered many factors, including the immediacy of the need for a project, the cost of the project, available funds and the impact on future requirements. Regardless, the residents who attend the Town Meeting are the final decision makers.

In closing, let me also note that the full Finance Committee should consist of 9 members. However, we are shortly going to be at least one, and possibly two, members short of that number. Please see me or Paul Jacobsen, the Town Moderator, at the end of this meeting if you have any interest in serving on the Finance Committee. This is your committee; we represent you with respect to the Town's budgeting process. We need your support.

Thank you

Respectfully Submitted,

Peter Jurmain, Chair
Tayana Antin
Richard Molloy

Susan Vecchi, Vice Chair
Peter Berube
Jerry Nunnaley

Craig Schultze, Clerk
Jodie Garzon
Doug Riley

Town of Millis Fall Town Meeting November 7, 2016 Article Summary

These are the recommendations of the Finance Committee as of October 19, 2016. These are subject to change prior to the Town Meeting date.

Article #1 Unpaid Bills

This article is a standard article for the Town Meeting Warrant. It covers expenses from prior fiscal years. Because these items are from prior fiscal years, Town Meeting approval is required before they can be paid. *The Finance Committee's recommendation will be at Town Meeting.*

Article #2 SEIU Contract Settlement

The contract settlement establishes wage increases for members of the Service Employees International Union retroactive to July 1, 2015. *The Finance Committee's recommendation will be at Town Meeting.*

Article #3 Police Union Contract Settlement

The contract is still under negotiation. *The Finance Committee's recommendation will be at Town Meeting.*

Article #4 Police – Removal from Civil Service

This is still under negotiation. *The Finance Committee's recommendation will be at Town Meeting.*

Article #5 Proposed Land Swap

This article will transfer approximately 10.5 acres of Municipal and School land to Park Status (put into Article 97 Status) and remove approximately six acres from Park status and transfer it to School Department Control. The 10.5 acres transferred into Article 97 status includes the Sisto Little League field, flag football field located behind the Clyde F. Brown School, first base line of the softball field and wet lands located near the High School Football field. The six acres being transferred out of Article 97 control include the wooded hill near the Clyde F. Brown School." *The Finance Committee recommends approval of this article.*

Article #6 Assessors – Change Chapter 41C Amounts

The purpose of article 6 is to increase the minimum and maximum tax deduction for low income senior citizens. This amount hasn't changed since 1999, and few seniors are currently able to take advantage of this deduction. *The Finance Committee recommends approval of this article.*

Article #7 Assessors – Adopt 41D Clause

The purpose of article 7 is to adopt clause 41D, which allows for annual increases in the income and asset limit for qualified low income senior citizens. The annual increase is specified by the Consumer Price Index from the previous calendar year. *The Finance Committee recommends approval of this article.*

Article #8 Establish Commission on Disability

This article's intent is to establish a Commission on Disability for the Town of Millis. Millis is one of a few towns that do not have a commission on disability. The commission will be made up of 5 – 9 people from the Town of Millis and will provide a voice to those with Disabilities in the Town of Millis. *The Finance Committee recommends approval of this article.*

Article #9 OPEB

This article adds monies to the Other Post-Employment Benefits Funds. Currently the town is covering claims as needed, but should be setting aside additional funds for future OPEB obligations. *The Finance Committee recommends dismissal of this article because there are no funds available at this time.*

Article #10 CPC – Etchings Restoration

This article provides for the restoration of six Currier and Ives lithographs that at one time hung in the Niagara Hall Fire Station, plus copies of the originals. The request is for \$11,000.00 from Community Preservation Act funds. *The Finance Committee recommends approval of this article.*

Article #11 Area BIII & Area F Sewer Project

This article would appropriate funds to cover all costs, including design, engineering, and construction, associated with extending sewer service in area BIII (Village St./Forest Road/Birch St.) and area F (Brookview Rd/Holbrook Way/Middlesex St./Orchard St./Walnut St. Walnut Hill Rd). *The Finance Committee recommends approval of this article.*

Article #12 Dean Street Water Main

This article seeks to fund the replacement of an aging water main on Dean St. (approximately between the Norfolk Ice Arena and the Myrtle St. /Pleasant St. intersection). *The Finance Committee recommends approval of this article.*

Article #13 DPW – 1 Ton Dump Truck

This article funds the purchase of a new 1-ton dump truck for use by the DPW in road, utilities and cemetery maintenance as well as plowing. It would allow for replacement of an older vehicle which is failing. Cost of the vehicle after trade-in is \$40,100.53. *The Finance Committee's recommendation will be at Town Meeting.*

Article #14 DPW – Deputy Director Vehicle

This article funds the purchase of a new Ford Explorer for use by the DPW Deputy Director. It would allow for the Deputy Director's current vehicle to be re-allocated to the Town Mechanic whose vehicle is currently out of commission. Cost of the vehicle is \$31,537.00. *The Finance Committee's recommendation will be at Town Meeting.*

Article #15 School Roof Repairs Clyde F. Brown School

School Building Repairs: The School Committee requested funds to repair the roof of the Clyde Brown Elementary, and Millis Middle and High School. The Finance Committee recommends dismissal of this article given that there were sufficient reserves in the School Committee budget to fund the project without additional resources. *The Finance Committee recommends dismissal of this article.*

Article #16 School MS/HS Intercom Upgrade

Intercom & Telephone Repairs: This article funds the repair and refurbishment of the defective intercom and telephone equipment at the Middle and High School. The current equipment is prone to overheating and not working properly in all rooms. The deficiencies were discovered during a safety exercise. This update, which is not a total replacement, would make the system fully operational. *The Finance Committee's recommendation will be at Town Meeting.*

Article #17 Replenish Stabilization Fund

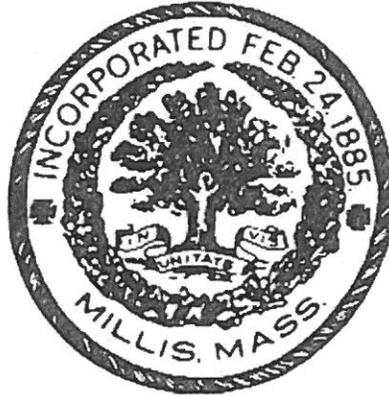
The Town of Millis has adopted a policy to maintain a Stabilization Fund equal to 5% of its annual Operating Budget to be used for unforeseen and emergency purposes. The fund is currently below its 5% target, and this transfer will help build up the fund's balance to the 5% level. *The Finance Committee will make its recommendation for this article at Town Meeting.*

Article #18 Repurchase of Cemetery Lots

The Board of Selectmen has received requests from former Millis residents for refunds on unused cemetery lots. By repurchasing the lots using our cemetery funds, these lots will be available for purchase by other families in Millis in the future. *The Finance Committee recommends approval of this article.*

Article #19 Petitioned Article – Door Improvements at VMB

A Millis resident put forth this article by petition to the Board of Selectmen to install automatic door openers at three doors in the Veteran's Memorial Building: at the elevator, the entrance to the handicap ramp and at the interior door to the building from the handicap ramp. This would allow Millis citizens with limited capabilities to access important functions within our town hall without needing the assistance of others to gain access. *The Finance Committee's recommendation will be made at town meeting.*



WARRANT

2016

FALL ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

TOWN OF MILLIS COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

NORFOLK, SS.

GREETING:

To either of the Constables of the Town of Millis in said county, in the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Millis qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs, to meet on Monday, the seventh day of November, AD 2016 at 7:30 p.m. in the Middle-Senior High School Auditorium in said Millis:

**FOR THE BUSINESS MEETING, THEN AND THERE,
TO ACT ON THE FOLLOWING ARTICLES, VIZ**

FALL 2016 TOWN MEETING ARTICLE LIST

1. Unpaid Bills
2. SEIU Contract Settlement
3. Police Union Contract Settlement
4. Police Removal from Civil Service
5. Proposed Land Swap
6. Assessors – Change Minimum/Maximum Income Amount, G.L. c. 59, §5, cl. 41C
7. Assessors – Accept G.L. c. 59, §5, cl. 41D
8. Establish Commission on Disability
9. OPEB
10. CPC – Etchings Restoration
11. Sewer Study
12. Dean Street Water Main
13. DPW – 1 Ton Dump Truck Request
14. DPW – DPW Vehicle for Deputy Director
15. School-Roof Repairs Clyde F. Brown & MS/HS Buildings
16. School – MS/HS Intercom Replacement
17. Replenish Stabilization Fund
18. Repurchase of Cemetery Lots
19. Petitioned article – Door Improvements at VMB

TOWN OF MILLIS
NOVEMBER 7, 2016 FALL ANNUAL TOWN MEETING WARRANT

ARTICLE 1. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and raise by taxation or by transfer from available funds or by transfer from the Stabilization Fund a sum of money for unpaid bills, or act in any manner relating thereto.

(Submitted by Board of Selectmen)

DEPARTMENT	VENDOR	AMOUNT
Selectmen/Administrator	GateHouse Media	\$ 32.76
Veterans	AD Print	\$ 63.00
DPW	Fairmount Fruit Farm	\$ 203.76
DPW	Fairmount Fruit Farm	\$ 818.39
Police	Rocky's Ace Hardware	\$ 24.97
Police	Rocky's Ace Hardware	\$ 27.57
Police	Rocky's Ace Hardware	\$ 90.29
Police	Rocky's Ace Hardware	\$ 92.40
Police	Rocky's Ace Hardware	\$ 24.97
Police	Rocky's Ace Hardware	\$ 10.47
Police	Rocky's Ace Hardware	\$ 19.47
Selectmen/Administrator	Patriot Disposal	\$ 130.00
Selectmen/Administrator	Patriot Disposal	\$ 95.00
Selectmen/Administrator	Patriot Disposal	\$ 110.00
Dale Bickford	Police	\$ 200.00
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ARTICLE 2. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and raise by taxation, by transfer of available funds, or by transfer from the Stabilization Fund, a sum of money to fund the cost items for the first two years of the contract between the Town of Millis and the **Service Employees International Union Local 888**, for the period covering July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2018, or act in any manner relating thereto.

(Submitted by the Board of Selectmen)

ARTICLE 3. To see if Town will vote to appropriate and raise by taxation, by transfer of available funds, or by transfer from the Stabilization Fund, a sum of money to fund the cost items for the first year of the contract between the Town of Millis and the **Massachusetts of Police Local 171** Coalition, effective July 1, 2016 to June 30, 2019, or act in any manner relating thereto.

(Submitted by the Board of Selectmen)

ARTICLE 4. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to petition the General Court for special legislation providing that the positions of Police Officers of all ranks appointed after passage of the Act **not be subject to the Civil Service** statute, all as set forth below; provided, however, that the General Court may make clerical or editorial changes of form only to the bill, unless the Board of Selectmen approves amendments to the bill before enactment by the General Court which are within the scope of the general public objectives of the petition, and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to approve such amendments:

AN ACT EXEMPTING CERTAIN POSITIONS IN THE POLICE DEPARTMENT OF THE TOWN OF MILLIS FROM THE CIVIL SERVICE LAW

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives, in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same as follows:

Section 1. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, all future Police Officer positions within the police department of the Town of Millis shall be exempt from chapter 31 of the General Laws.

Section 2. Section 1 shall not impair the civil service status of any Police Officer employed in the Town of Millis on the effective date of this act.

Section 3. This revocation shall not affect any contractual or civil service rights which have come into existence between the town and any employee of the Police Department as a result of original acceptance.

Section 4. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Or act in any manner relating thereto.
(Submitted by the Board of Selectmen)

ARTICLE 5. To see if the Town will vote to **transfer the care, custody, management and control of three (3) certain parcels of land**, as shown on a plan entitled "Parcel Plan: Proposed Land Swap," revised through October 12, 2016, as may be amended, said plan on file with the Town Clerk, comprising 6.52 acres, more or less, being Tax Map Parcel 23-119, held by the Board of Selectmen for general municipal purposes, and Tax Map Parcels 29-011 and 30-019, both held by the School Committee for school purposes, to the Board of Selectmen, acting as the Board of Park Commissioners, said parcels to be held in perpetuity for park purposes, including, but not limited to, active recreational uses, which property shall be designated for and subject to the protections of Article 97 of the Amendments to the Massachusetts Constitution; and further, to transfer the care, custody, management and control of a fee or lesser interest in a portion of Tax Map Parcel 30-053 and a portion of Tax Map Parcel 30-021, both held by the School Committee for school purposes, said property comprising 3.94 acres, more or less, as shown on the aforesaid plan, to the Conservation Commission, said property to be held in perpetuity for conservation and open space purposes, which property shall be

designated for and subject to the protections of Article 97; such transfer being undertaken as mitigation for the prior transfer of property subject to the protections of Article 97 to the School Committee for the siting of the new Clyde Brown Elementary School pursuant to the vote taken under Article 44 of the 2016 Annual Town Meeting, which vote authorized the Board of Selectmen to submit a petition for special legislation to the General Court under the provisions of Article 97, in order to satisfy the Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs' "no net loss policy" which states that the loss of Article 97 land shall be compensated for by the designation of other land of at least equal conservation value; or to act in any manner relating thereto.
(Submitted by the Board of Selectmen)

ARTICLE 6. To see if the Town will , in accordance with the provisions of G.L. c. 59, sec. 5, cl. 41C, to **increase the allowable gross receipts for eligibility for a senior citizen property tax exemption** from \$13,000 single, \$15,000 married to \$17,000 single, \$20,000 married; and further to increase the allowable whole estate allowed for a senior citizen property tax exemption from \$28,000 single, \$30,000 married to \$40,000 single, \$55,000 married; or act in any manner relating thereto .
(Submitted by the Board of Assessors)

ARTICLE 7. To see if the Town will vote to accept the provisions of Massachusetts G.L. c. 59, sec. 5, cl. 41D to **allow the amounts of the gross receipts and whole estate**, real and personal, as set forth in Clauses 41, 41B and 41C of G.L. c. 59, sec. 5, **to be increased annually by an amount equal to the increase in the Consumer Price Index** published by the United States Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, for such year, with the Department of Revenue to inform the Town annually of the amount of this increase; or act in any manner relating thereto.
(Submitted by the Board of Assessors)

ARTICLE 8. To see if the Town will vote to accept the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 40, Section 8J relative to the **establishment of a Commission On Disability**; or act in any manner relating thereto.
(Submitted by the Board of Selectmen)

ARTICLE 9. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and raise by taxation or by transfer from available funds a sum of money for the **OPEB Trust Fund**, or act in any manner relating thereto.
(Submitted by Board of Selectmen)

ARTICLE 10. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money from the Community Preservation Historic Resource Reserve Fund and/or the Community Preservation Fund Budgeted Reserve and/or the Undesignated Fund for the **Currier & Ives Etchings Restoration Project**, or act in any manner relating thereto.
(Submitted by the Community Preservation Committee)

ARTICLE 11. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and raise by taxation, by transfer from available funds, by transfer from the Stabilization Fund, or by borrowing

under the provisions of M.G.L. Chapter 44, or any other enabling authority, a sum of money for **design, permitting, construction and inspection of a sewer extension project** and including the payment of all costs and expenses incidental and related thereto, and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to apply for any grants or loans in connection therewith, on Village St. from Main Street to Forest Rd., Forest Rd. from Bow St. to Birch St. and Birch St. from Forest Road to Village St. ("Area BIII") and Middlesex St. from the Sherborn Town Line to Ridge St. Brookview Rd., Walnut St., Walnut Hill Rd. Holbrook Way, Orchard St. from Bullard Lane to just east of Bogastow Brook ("Area F"), and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to acquire by gift, purchase or eminent domain, such lands or permanent or temporary easements as may be required for such purposes, including but not limited to the fee or easements, and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to assess by the uniform unit method, 80% of the project costs by sewer betterments therefore, on lots including those shown, but not limited to, on Assessors map 25, parcels 91, 102, 103, 104, 105, 106, and map 28 parcels 7, 8, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 25, 28, 29, 30, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 40, 41, 42, 43, 45, 47, 55, and map 29 parcels 58, 59, 188, 73, 75, 74, 76, 92, 93, 103, 104, 123, 124, 125, 126, 127, 128, 129, 134 and map 36 parcels 10, 12, 13, 14, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 97, 102, 103, 105, 106, and map 37 parcels 1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 14, 15, 16, 17 as shown on a map on file with the Board of Selectmen entitled "Town of Millis Sewer Study Area BIII" and Assessors map 2, parcels 9, 12, 13, and map 3, parcels 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 11, 12, 13, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, and map 6, parcels 3, 19, 20, 21, 23, 30, 37, 38, 39, and map 7, parcels 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 30, 31, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 56, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 85, 86, 87, 88, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100, 101, 102, 103, 104, 105, 106, 108, 110, 115, 118, and map 8, parcel 14, and map 12, parcels 12, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 31 as shown on a map on file with the Board of Selectmen entitled "Town of Millis Sewer Study Area F" which may be viewed during normal business hours, at the Town Clerk's office 900 Main St., Millis, MA 02054 Monday 8:30 AM – 7:00 PM, Tuesday through Thursday 8:30 AM – 4:00 PM and Friday 8:30 AM to 12:30 PM; or act in any manner relating thereto.

(Submitted by Board of Selectmen)

ARTICLE 12. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and raise by taxation, by transfer from available funds, by transfer from the Stabilization Fund, or by borrowing under the provisions of M.G.L. Chapter 44, a sum of money for water system improvements, including **replacement of the Dean Street water main**, including the payment of all costs incidental and related thereto, and to meet such appropriation by authorizing the Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, to borrow such sum under G.L. Chapter 44 or any other enabling authority, and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to apply for any grants or loans in connection thereto and to take all actions necessary to carry out this project, said appropriations to be expended by June 30, 2018, with unexpended balances being returned to the Water Enterprise Fund, or act in any manner relating thereto.

(Submitted by Board of Selectmen)

ARTICLE 13. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and raise by taxation, by transfer from available funds, by transfer from the Stabilization Fund, or by borrowing under the provisions of M.G.L. Chapter 44 or any other enabling authority, a sum of money for the **purchase and equipping of DPW one ton dump truck** and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to dispose of the old vehicles or equipment by outright sale, trade, auction, or otherwise and that the proceeds from such disposal be applied to the purchase price of the vehicle or equipment, said appropriations to be expended by June 30, 2017 with unexpended balances being returned to the General Fund or act in any manner relating thereto.

(Submitted by Board of Selectmen)

ARTICLE 14. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and raise by taxation, by transfer from available funds, by transfer from the Stabilization Fund, or by borrowing under the provisions of M.G.L. Chapter 44 or any other enabling authority, a sum of money for the **purchase and equipping of a 2017 Ford Explorer for the DPW Deputy Director** and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to dispose of old vehicles or equipment by outright sale, trade, auction, with appropriations to be expended by June 30, 2017, with unexpended balances to be returned to the Water Enterprise Fund, Sewer Enterprise Fund, and General Fund; or act in any manner relating thereto.

(Submitted by Board of Selectmen)

ARTICLE 15. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and raise by taxation, by transfer from available funds, by transfer from the stabilization fund, or by borrowing under the provisions of M.G.L. 44 or any other enabling authority, a sum of money for **roof repairs for the Clyde Brown Elementary School, and Middle and High School Buildings**, including the payment of all costs incidental and related thereto; or act in any manner relating thereto.

(Submitted by the School Committee)

ARTICLE 16. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and raise by taxation, by transfer from available funds, by transfer from the stabilization fund, or by borrowing under the provisions of M.G.L. 44 or any other enabling authority, a sum of money for **intercom and telephone repairs for the Middle and High School Building**, with appropriations to be expended by June 30, 2017, with unexpended balances to be returned to the General Fund; or act in any manner relating thereto.

(Submitted by the School Committee)

ARTICLE 17. To see if the Town of Millis will vote to appropriate and raise by taxation or by transfer from available funds a sum of money for the **Stabilization Fund**, or act in any manner relating thereto.

(Submitted by Board of Selectmen)

ARTICLE 18. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum for money to **repurchase cemetery lots** no longer wanted by their current owners, or act in any manner relating thereto.

(Submitted by Board of Selectmen)

ARTICLE 19. Petitioned Article

To see if the Town will vote to require the Board of Selectmen to appropriate funding for improvements to the existing door at the elevator entrance and two additional doors accessing the entrance to the ground level of the Veterans Memorial Building for the purpose of making them more accessible to individuals with limited capabilities.

To see if the Town will vote to require the Board of Selectmen to appropriate funding for improvements to the existing door at the elevator entrance and two additional doors accessing the entrance to the ground level of the Veterans Memorial Building for the purpose of making them more accessible to individuals with limited capabilities.

And, you are hereby directed to serve this Warrant by posting attested copies hereof fourteen days before time of said meeting as directed by the vote of the Town. Hereof fail not and make due return of this Warrant with your doings thereon at the time and place of said meeting.

Given under our hands this 12th day of October in the Year of Our Lord two thousand and sixteen.

**TOWN OF MILLIS
BOARD OF SELECTMEN**


James G. Neville, Chairman

James J. McCaffrey, Vice-Chairman


Catherine C. MacInnes, Clerk

A True Copy, Attest


Lisa J. Hardin, Town Clerk


Helen R. Kubacki, Constable
Town of Millis

Oct. 20, 2016

ANNUAL FALL TOWN MEETING
Middle/High School Auditorium
Monday, November 7, 2016 – 7:30 PM

PRE-TOWN MEETING
Veterans Memorial Building – Room 229
Wednesday, November 2, 2016 – 7:30 PM

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