

# Town Meeting - Elections

HOLLIS TOWN ELECTIONS  
MARCH 11, 2014

The meeting was called to order by Moderator James Belanger, at 7:00am, for voting on the following subjects:

To choose all necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year.

Selectman – 3 yrs – Frank Cadwell and Vahrij Manoukian  
Budget Committee – 3 yrs – Susan Benz and Frank Whittemore  
Town Clerk – 3 yrs – Nancy Jambard  
Supervisors of the Checklist – 6 yrs – Mary Thomas  
Trustee of the Trust Funds – 3 yrs – Shelly Gillis  
Library Trustee – 3 yrs – Laurel Lang, Stephanie Stack and  
Library Trustee – 2 yrs – Amy Kellner  
Moderator – 2 yrs – James Belanger  
Cemetery Trustee – 3 yrs – Amy Armstrong, Melinda Willis  
Cemetery Trustee – 1 yr – Lisa Schmalz

To conduct other business by official ballot.

Ballot Questions – Planning Board:

Amend Section XIV – Sign Ordinance –Res&Sub	Yes - 743	No - 171
Amend Section XIV – Agric. Signs	Yes - 588	No - 324
Amend Section XIV – Agric. Signs	Yes - 680	No - 216
Amend Section IX – Landscape	Yes - 559	No - 316
Section XI – Wetland Conservation	Yes - 766	No - 140
Amend Section IX – Accessary Dwelling	Yes - 551	No - 335

Meeting adjourned until Wednesday, March 12, 2014 at 7:00pm.

A True Copy of Record – Attest:

Nancy Beal Jambard  
Hollis Town Clerk

# Town Meeting - Minutes

HOLLIS TOWN MEETING  
MARCH 12, 2014

The meeting was reconvened at 7:00pm in the Hollis Brookline Cooperative High School Gymnasium by Moderator James Belanger. The National Anthem was performed by Vanessa Hale. The Veterans in attendance were recognized by the people in attendance.

Introduction of our Representatives Carolyn Gargas, Gary Daniels and Jim Belanger and our State Senator Peg Gilmour.

The 20th Annual Citizen of the Year Award for Americanism was presented to Dan Harmon. He was the head of a committee that was looking to the future for the Town of Hollis, took on the charge to try and recruit volunteers for the various volunteer committees in Hollis. He and family have resided in town for 25 years.

ARTICLE 1 – Motion by Peter Band to hear reports of the Board of Selectmen, other Town Officers and Committees. Seconded by Frank Cadwell. CARRIED.

ARTICLE 2,3,4,5,and 7 – Motion by Frank Cadwell to take all five of these Articles at once. Seconded by Michael Harris. ALL CARRIED.

ARTICLE 2 – Pick-up Truck Lease Purchase.

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the selectmen to enter into a five (5) year lease purchase agreement for the sum of \$38,000, plus interest, for the purchase of lease purchasing one (1) pick-up truck with equipment and attachment for the Public Works Department with a \$1.00 purchase option at the end of the lease term, and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,200 for the first year's payment for that purpose. This lease agreement contains an escape clause.

FY14	FY15	FY16	FY17	FY18	FY19	TOTAL
\$4,200	\$8,400	\$8,400	\$8,400	\$8,400	\$4,200	\$42,000

Recommended by Selectmen

Recommended by Budget Committee

ARTICLE 3 – Dump Truck Lease Purchase – Int. 7400 Plow Truck

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the selectmen to enter into a five (5) year lease purchase agreement for the sum of \$165,000, plus interest, for the purchase of lease purchasing one (1) dump truck with equipment and attachments for the Public Works Department with a \$1.00 purchase option at the end of the lease term, and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$18,000 for the first year's payment for that purpose. This lease purchase agreement contains an escape clause.

FY14	FY15	FY16	FY17	FY18	FY19	TOTAL
\$18,000	\$36,000	\$36,000	\$36,000	\$36,000	\$18,000	\$180,000

Recommended by Selectmen

Recommended by Budget Committee

ARTICLE 4 – Dump Truck Lease Purchase – Int. 550 Dump Body

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to enter into a five (5) year lease purchase agreement for the sum of \$53,000, plus interest, for the purpose of lease purchasing one (1) dump truck with equipment and attachments for the Public Works Department with a \$1.00 purchase option at the end of the lease term, and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,900 for the first year's payment for that purpose. This lease agreement contains an escape clause.

FY14	FY15	FY16	FY17	FY18	FY19	TOTAL
\$5,900	\$11,800	\$11,800	\$11,800	\$11,800	\$5,900	\$59,000

Recommended by Selectmen

Recommended by Budget Committee

ARTICLE 5 – Tractor Lease Purchase – John Deere

To see if the Town will authorize the selectmen to enter into a five (5) year lease purchase agreement for the sum of \$53,000, plus interest, for the purpose of lease purchasing one (1) tractor with equipment and attachments for the Public Works Department with a \$1.00 purchase option at the end of the lease term, and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,900 for the first year’s payment for that purpose. This lease purchase agreement has an escape clause.

FY14	FY15	FY16	FY17	FY18	FY19	TOTAL
\$5,900	\$11,800	\$11,800	\$11,800	\$11,800	\$5,900	\$59,000

Recommended by Selectmen

Recommended by Budget Committee

ARTICLE 7 – Municipal Accounting Software Lease Purchase

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the selectmen to enter into a three (3) year lease purchase agreement for the sum of \$56,000, plus interest, for the purpose of lease purchasing municipal accounting software for the Finance Department with a \$1.00 purchase option at the end of the lease term, and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000 for the first year’s payment for that purpose. This lease purchase agreement has an escape clause.

FY14	FY15	FY16	FY17	TOTAL
\$10,000	\$20,000	\$20,000	\$10,000	\$60,000

Recommended by Selectmen

Recommended by Budget Committee

ARTICLE 6 – Motion by Michael Harris to see if the Town will vote to authorize the selectmen to enter into a five (5) year lease purchase agreement for the sum of \$223,000, plus interest, for the purpose of lease purchasing one (1) grader with equipment and attachments for the Public Works Department with a \$1.00 purchase option at the end of the lease term, and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$24,400 for the first year’s payment for that purpose. This lease purchase agreement contains an escape clause.

Seconded by David Petry. CARRIED.

FY14	FY15	FY16	FY17	FY18	FY19	TOTAL
\$24,400	\$48,800	\$48,800	\$48,800	\$48,800	\$24,400	\$244,000

Recommended by Selectmen

Recommended by Budget Committee

ARTICLE 8 – Motion by David Petry to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$87,000 to reconstruct and pave the Fire Station parking lot. Seconded by Peter Band. CARRIED.

Recommended by Selectmen

Recommended by Budget Committee

Motion by Peter Band to restrict reconsideration of ARTICLES 2 – 7. Seconded by David Petry. CARRIED.

ARTICLE 9 – Motion by Peter Band to see if the Town will vote to authorize and appropriate \$75,000 to be placed in the Municipal Buildings and Facilities Maintenance Expendable Trust Fund as previously established at the 2008 Annual Town Meeting and amended by the 2009 Annual Town Meeting. Seconded by Vahrij Manoukian. CARRIED.

Recommended by Selectmen

Recommended by Budget Committee

ARTICLE 10 – Motion by David Petry to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$30,000 to be placed in the Compensated Absences Payable Expendable Trust Fund as previously established at the 2002 Annual Town Meeting. Seconded by Frank Cadwell. CARRIED.

Recommended by Selectmen

Recommended by Budget Committee

ARTICLE 11– Motion by Peter Band to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$50,000 for the purpose of sponsoring the Old Home Days event and to fund this appropriation by authorizing the withdrawal of said sum from the Old Home Day Special Revenue Fund. Tjis article will not affect the tax rate, as these funds will be raised from fees and donations. Seconded by Frank Cadwell. CARRIED.

Recommended by Selectmen

Recommended by Budget Committee

Motion by Peter Band to restrict reconsideration of ARTICLES 8 – 11. Seconded by Michael Harris. CARRIED.

ARTICLE 12 – Motion by Peter Band to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$14,000 to be placed in the Revaluation Capital Reserve Fund as previously established at the 1996 Annual Town Meeting. Seconded by David Petry. CARRIED.

Recommended by Selectmen

Not Recommended by Budget Committee

ARTICLE 13 – Motion by Vahrij Manoukian to see if the Town will authorize the establishment of a contingency fund under the provisions of RSA 31:98-a for the purpose of funding unanticipated expenses that may arise during the year. Furthermore, to raise and appropriate \$70,000 towards this purpose and appoint the selectmen as agents to expend from said fund. Seconded by David Petry. CARRIED.

Recommended by Selectmen

Recommended by Budget Committee

ARTICLE 14 – Collective Bargaining Agreement, Local 1801 (DPW/Town Hall)

Motion by David Petry to see if the Town will vote to approve the cost items included in the Collective Bargaining Agreement reached between the Board of Selectmen and AFSCME Local 1801, which call for the following increases for salaries and benefits at the current staffing level and, further, to raise and appropriate the amount of \$33,200 for the current fiscal year, such sum representing the additional cost attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits required by the new Agreement over those that would be paid at current staffing levels. Seconded by Peter Band. CARRIED.

FY 2014	FY 2015	FY 2016	TOTAL
\$33,200	\$28,700	\$17,450	\$79,350

Recommended by Selectmen

Recommended by Budget Committee

ARTICLE 15 – Collective Bargaining Agreement, Local 3657 (Police/Fire)

Motion by David Petry to see if the Town will vote to approve the cost items included in the Collective Bargaining Agreement reached between the Town of Hollis and AFSCME Local 3657, and in doing so, to approve the cost items within said agreement, which calls for the following increases for salaries and benefits over what was raised under any current agreements for the employees of the Union and, further, to raise and appropriate the amount of \$75,600.00 for the current fiscal year, such sum representing the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits required by the Collective Bargaining Agreement over those that would be paid at current staffing levels in accordance with the most recent collective bargaining agreement. Seconded by Peter Band. CARRIED.

FY 2014	FY 2015	TOTAL
75,600	\$0.00	\$75,600

Recommended by Selectmen

Recommended by Budget Committee

Motion by Peter Band to restrict reconsideration of ARTICLES 11 – 15. Seconded by David Petry. CARRIED.

ARTICLE 16 – 2014 Operating Budget

Motion by Vahrij Manoukian to see if the Town will vote raise and appropriate the sum of \$9,919,270 which represents the operating budget of the Town for 2014, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately. Seconded by David Petry. CARRIED.

Recommended by Selectmen

Recommended by Budget Committee

ARTICLE 17 – Petition – Playground

Article as printed in Town Report – To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$7,500 towards building of a new playground structure at Big Nichols Field and improvements and repairs to the Little Nichols Field (behind the Hollis Social Library). This sum will be in addition to \$40,000 raised through private fundraising efforts by the community volunteer group Hollis Parks Project.

Changed Article -Motion by Anna Birch to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$50,000 towards building of a new playground structure at Nichols Field and improvements and repairs to the Little Nichols Field (behind the Hollis Social Library) and to authorize the selectmen to accept \$40,000 from private donations made for this purpose; the balance of \$10,000 to be raised by taxation. The expenditure of the \$10,000 raised by taxation is contingent upon the \$40,000 from donations being raised from other sources. Seconded by Erin Hubbard. CARRIED.

Recommended by Selectmen

Not Recommended by Budget Committee

ARTICLE 18 – Petition –

Motion by Kathy McGhee to see if the Town will vote to urge the New Hampshire State Legislature to join nearly 500 municipalities and 16 other states, including all other New England states, in calling upon Congress to move forward a constitutional amendment that 1) guarantees the right of our elected representatives and of the American people to safeguard fair elections through authority to regulate political spending, and 2) clarifies that constitutional rights were established for people, not corporations. That the New Hampshire Congressional delegation supports such a constitutional amendment. That the New Hampshire State Legislature supports such an amendment once it is approved by Congress and sent to the State for ratification. The record of the vote approving this article shall be transmitted by written notice to Hollis’s congressional delegation, and to Hollis State Legislators, and to the Governor of New Hampshire and the President of the United States informing them of the instructions from their constituents by the Hollis Selectmen, with 30 days of the vote. Seconded by Catherine Goldwater.

Motion by Chris Hyde to table Article 18. Seconded by Tom Gehan . DEFEATED. Yes - 45 No - 67

ARTICLE 18 as presented CARRIED. Yes - 67 No - 46

ARTICLE 19 – Motion by Peter Band to transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting. Seconded by David Petry

Seeing no other business to come before the meeting Michael Harris made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Tom Jambard. Meeting adjourned at 10:00pm

A True Copy of Record – Attest:

Nancy Beal Jambard  
Hollis Town Clerk