

June 23, 2020
ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION



Worcester SS.

To a Constable of the Town of PRINCETON in the County of WORCESTER

GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of Princeton who are qualified to vote in elections and town affairs, to meet at:

**Thomas Prince School
170 Sterling Road**

on **Tuesday, THE TWENTY-THIRD DAY OF June 2020**, from 12:00 Noon to 8:00 P.M. for the following purpose:

To cast their votes in the Annual Town Election for the candidates for the following offices:

- ONE Selectman for three years
- ONE Assessor for three years
- ONE Electric Light Commissioner for three years
- ONE Trustee of Trust Funds for three years
- TWO Planning Board members for three years
- ONE Moderator for one year

POLLS WILL BE OPEN FROM TWELVE O'CLOCK P.M. TO EIGHT O'CLOCK P.M.

You are further hereby directed to notify and warn the said inhabitants of the Town of Princeton to meet at the Thomas Prince School, in said Town on **Saturday, THE Twenty-third DAY of June 2020** at ten o'clock ante meridiem to act on the following articles of Town affairs:

And you are directed to serve this Warrant by posting attested copies thereof seven days at least before time of said meeting at Bagg Hall, Mechanics Hall and the Princeton Post Office.

*Note: Additional Posting Places include 206 Worcester Road, Suite 16 Post Office Place,
www.townofprinceton.ma.us*

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

Given under our hands on this ____ day in June, 2020.

A true copy, ATTEST:

Ginger R. Toll, Town Clerk

Karen G. Cruise, Chair

Richard C. Bisk

Matthew Moncreaff

Selectmen of the Town of Princeton

Seal

I have this day posted the above warrant at Bagg Hall, Mechanics Hall, and Princeton Post Office.

Date: _____

Constable

**TOWN WARRANT
COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
ANNUAL TOWN MEETING
June 27, 2020**

ARTICLE 1. To hear the reports of the Town Officers and any outstanding committees and act thereon.

Advisory Committee Opinion: To Be Determined

ARTICLE 2. To see if the Town will vote under the provisions of Massachusetts General Law (M.G.L.), c. 41, §108, to fix the salaries of the following Town Officers for the ensuing year (FY21), or take any other action relative thereto.

	<u>FY 20</u>	<u>FY 21</u>
Moderator	\$ 25	\$ 25
Selectmen	\$3,600 (\$1,200 per member)	\$3,600 (\$1,200 per member)
Assessors	\$1,500 (\$500 per member)	\$1,500 (\$500 per member)

This article establishes the salaries of paid elected officials.

Advisory Committee Opinion: To Be Determined

ARTICLE 3. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$10,693,162.25** including debt and interest, and to provide for a reserve fund for the ensuing fiscal year (FY21), or take any other action relative thereto.

DEPARTMENT	FY20 BUDGET VOTED	FY21 PROPOSED BUDGET	FY21 Sub-Total To Be Voted On	FY21 AC RECOMMENDS (TBD)
GENERAL GOVERNMENT:				
Moderator				
Salary	25.00	25.00		
Expense	86.00	86.00		
Sub-Total	111.00		111.00	

DEPARTMENT	FY20 BUDGET VOTED	FY21 PROPOSED BUDGET	FY21 Sub-Total To Be Voted On	FY21 AC RECOMMENDS (TBD)
Board of Selectmen				
Salaries	3,600.00	3,600.00		
Expense	6,150.00	6,150.00		
Sub-Total	9,750.00		9,750.00	
Town Administrator				
Salary	95,000.00	100,000.00		
Expense	43,700.00	3,700.00		
Sub-Total	138,700.00		103,700.00	
Reserve Fund				
Expense	75,000.00	75,000.00	75,000.00	
Town Accountant				
Salary	51,938.00	52,977.00		
Accountant Certification		1,000.00		
Annual Audit Expense	14,500.00	14,500.00		
Expense	9,693.00	8,654.00		
Sub-Total	76,131.00		77,131.00	
Board of Assessors				
Board Salaries	1,500.00	1,500.00		
Department Salary	56,930.52	58,099.13		
Principal Assessor Certification	1,000.00	1,000.00		
Expense	18,659.00	17,490.39		
Sub-Total	78,089.52		78,089.52	
Treasurer/Tax Collector				
Department Salary	94,638.51	102,993.04		
Certification	2,000.00	2,000.00		
Expense	19,650.00	18,692.50		
Sub-Total	116,288.51		123,685.54	
Town Counsel				
Expense	28,000.00	28,000.00	28,000.00	
Information Technology				
Info. Tech. Salary	26,496.60	27,027.00		
Info Tech Expense	14,723.00	30,850.00		
Sub-Total	41,219.60		57,877.00	

DEPARTMENT	FY20 BUDGET VOTED	FY21 PROPOSED BUDGET	FY21 Sub-Total To Be Voted On	FY21 AC RECOMMENDS (TBD)
Administrative Assistants				
Salaries	23,186.56	25,819.54		
Expense	400.00	400.00		
Sub-Total	23,586.56		26,219.54	
Town Clerk				
Salary	39,306.60	40,092.72		
Certification		-		
Expenses	4,695.00	5,380.00		
Sub-Total	44,001.60		45,472.72	
Elections & Registration				
Salaries	3,800.00	5,975.00		
Expense	4,793.00	7,805.00		
Sub-Total	8,593.00		13,780.00	
Conservation Commission				
Expense	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	
Environmental Action Committee				
Expense	-	1,000.00	1,000.00	
Planning Board				
Admin. Asst. Salary	20,553.12	20,964.18		
Expense	1,866.51	1,866.51		
Sub-Total	22,419.63		22,830.69	
Board of Appeals				
Expense	500.00	500.00	500.00	
Open Space Committee				
Expense	500.00	500.00	500.00	
Agricultural Commission				
Expense	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	
Town Building Operations				
Salaries	49,168.20	50,776.72		
Expense	66,950.00	65,341.48		
Sub-Total	116,118.20		116,118.20	
TOTAL GENERAL GOVMT.	781,008.62		781,765.21	

DEPARTMENT	FY20 BUDGET VOTED	FY21 PROPOSED BUDGET	FY21 Sub-Total To Be Voted On	FY21 AC RECOMMENDS (TBD)
PUBLIC SAFETY:				
Police/Dispatch				
Police non-union Salaries	163,994.00	165,118.00		
Police Union Salaries	484,296.00	557,027.00		
Regional Dispatch	83,467.00	62,165.00		
Expense	87,144.00	121,536.00		
Sub-Total	818,901.00		905,846.00	
Fire Department				
Salaries	145,384.00	145,384.00		
Expense	133,974.00	137,574.00		
Amb Readiness (see article 10 from 2019 ATM below which increased this item for FY 20)	84,656.00	100,256.00		
Sub-Total	364,014.00		383,214.00	
Animal Control				
Animal Inspector Salary	500.00	500.00		
Expense (Regionalized)	12,221.14	12,465.56		
Sub-Total	12,721.14		12,965.56	
Emergency Response				
Emergency Mgt. Exp.	3,060.00	3,060.00		
Emergency Notification Sys	3,699.00	3,699.00		
COVID-19 Expenses		12,000.00		
Sub-Total	6,759.00		18,759.00	
Tree Warden				
Salary	1,632.00	1,665.00		
Expense	11,968.00	11,935.00		
Sub-Total	13,600.00		13,600.00	
TOTAL PUBLIC SAFETY:	1,215,995.14		1,334,384.56	
SCHOOLS				
Wachusett Regional School				
Wachusett Min. Contribution	3,565,466.00	3,697,913.00		
Operations Assessment	948,577.00	1,045,013.00		
Transportation	286,222.00	294,015.00		
Long Term Debt	153,566.00	147,641.00		
Sub-total	4,953,831.00		5,184,582.00	
Montachusett Reg. Vocational	385,123.00	429,474.00	429,474.00	
Smith Vocational		60,000.00	60,000.00	
TOTAL SCHOOLS	5,338,954.00		5,674,056.00	

DEPARTMENT	FY20 BUDGET VOTED	FY21 PROPOSED BUDGET	FY21 Sub-Total To Be Voted On	FY21 AC RECOMMENDS (TBD)
PUBLIC WORKS:				
Highway				
Salaries	386,719.04	388,119.04		
Expense	260,994.79	256,031.79		
Road Reconstruction	350,000.00	350,000.00		
Sub-Total	997,713.83		994,150.83	
Snow/Ice Removal				
Expense	210,000.00	210,000.00	210,000.00	
Street Lights				
Expense	5,127.81	3,095.95	3,095.95	
Wachusett Earthday	1,849.00	1,849.00	1,849.00	
Environmental				
Expense	19,980.00	19,980.00	19,980.00	
Cemeteries				
Salaries	9,833.62	9,833.62		
Expense	20,940.00	20,940.00		
Sub-Total	30,773.62		30,773.62	
TOTAL PUBLIC WORKS	1,265,444.26		1,259,849.40	
HUMAN SERVICES				
Council on Aging				
Salary	30,865.60	33,506.60		
Expense	63,900.00	61,509.00		
Sub-Total	94,765.60		95,015.60	
Veterans Services				
Salary	2,600.00	3,000.00		
Expense	18,248.67	35,100.00		
Sub-Total	20,848.67		38,100.00	
TOTAL HUMAN SERVICES	115,614.27		133,115.60	

DEPARTMENT	FY20 BUDGET VOTED	FY21 PROPOSED BUDGET	FY21 Sub-Total To Be Voted On	FY21 AC RECOMMENDS (TBD)
CULTURE & RECREATION:				
Library				
Salaries	121,080.00	124,712.84		
Expense	65,750.00	69,100.00		
Sub-Total	186,830.00		193,812.84	
Parks & Recreation				
Salaries	19,037.20	10,000.00		
Expense	13,769.94	11,000.00		
Sub-Total	32,807.14		21,000.00	
Historical Commission				
Expense	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00	
Memorial Day				
Expense	1,800.00	1,800.00	1,800.00	
TOTAL CULTURE & RECREATION	222,937.14		218,112.84	
DEBT & INTEREST:				
Police Cruisers	17,000.00	17,000.00	17,000.00	
Thomas Prince/PCBs	30,375.00	-	0.00	
Thomas Prince/Green Repair	122,100.00	119,900.00	119,900.00	
PFAS Remediation	-	13,000.00	13,000.00	
Broadband Make Ready	124,300.00	121,300.00	121,300.00	
Fire Truck Debt/Int	134,700.00	130,500.00	130,500.00	
Bagg Hall Stab. Debt/Int	32,350.00	18,700.00	18,700.00	
General Interest/Borrowing Fees	26,300.00	25,000.00	25,000.00	
TOTAL DEBT	487,125.00		445,400.00	

DEPARTMENT	FY20 BUDGET VOTED	FY21 PROPOSED BUDGET	FY21 Sub-Total To Be Voted On	FY21 AC RECOMMENDS (TBD)
MISCELLANEOUS:				
Retirement	230,637.00	258,577.00	258,577.00	
Town Insurance	140,500.00	160,000.00	160,000.00	
Health Insurance	360,436.54	348,864.22	348,864.22	
Life & Fringe	8,900.00	8,900.00	8,900.00	
FICA/Medicare	44,252.37	45,137.42	45,137.42	
Wage/Salary Reserve	25,000.00	25,000.00	25,000.00	
TOTAL MISCELLANEOUS	809,725.91		846,478.64	
GRAND TOTAL TO BE VOTED:	10,236,804.34		10,693,162.25	
Article # 10 2019 ATM for Expanded Daytime Weekend Ambulance Coverage For FY 20	15,600.00	(Incl Above)	(Incl Above)	
Total Amended Budget	10,252,404.34		10,693,162.25	

This article establishes the FY21 operating budget for town departments.

Advisory Committee Opinion: To Be Determined

ARTICLE 4. RECURRING BUSINESS

- A. To see if the Town will vote to establish the FY21 ambulance operating budget by use of receipts for ambulance services received to date and if necessary by raising and appropriating or by appropriating from available funds. Receipts for ambulance services received in FY21 and all subsequent fiscal years to be deposited into a receipt reserved for appropriation account established in FY01. Appropriations from said account to be made at either the annual or special town meetings for the purpose of maintaining and operating the Town's ambulance service, i.e. salary for ambulance employees, vehicle maintenance, fuel, equipment and operating supplies. The requested appropriation for the FY21 ambulance-operating budget is \$62,620 for salary and \$65,000 for expenses for a total budget of \$127,620 with any balance in said account to be carried forward to subsequent years, or take any other action relative thereto.

This establishes the FY21 receipts reserved for appropriation account from which ambulance operating expenses will be paid.

- B. To see if the Town will vote to establish the FY21 trash operating budget. Receipts for trash disposal services received in FY21 and all subsequent fiscal years to be deposited into a trash enterprise fund account established in FY08. Appropriations from said account to be made at either the annual or special town meetings for the purpose of paying for the proper disposal of solid waste generated within the town. The requested appropriation for the FY21 trash-operating budget is **\$21,000**, to be appropriated from Solid Waste Enterprise. Any balance in said account to be carried forward to subsequent years, or take any other action relative thereto.

The Town directly pays Wheelabrator Millbury, Inc. which operates the trash incinerator for solid waste disposal. This article allows the town to receive and deposit into this account offsetting payments from trash haulers.

- C. To see if the town will vote to transfer from undesignated fund balance (free cash) account # 01-000-3591-000000 the sum of **\$10,000.00** to be deposited in the Other Post Employment Benefits Liability Trust Fund in order to offset future health insurance costs for retirees, or to take any other action relative thereto.

Approval of this will authorize a contribution to a trust fund established by the May 2011 Annual Town Meeting to fund future health insurance liabilities for retirees, similar to the way future pension obligations are funded.

- D. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds the sum of **\$50** to the Goodnow Book Expense Account for the purchase of books for the Library, as required by the terms of the Goodnow Deed of Gift, or take any other action thereto.

The Deed of Gift requires an annual payment of \$50.

- E. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of **\$800** to support the Wachusett Greenways, or take any other action thereto.

This article funds a portion of the Wachusett Greenways operation for maintaining and managing the rail trails in the Wachusett area.

- F. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from undesignated fund balance (free cash) account # 01-000-3591-000000 the sum of **\$2,047** to the School Septic System Stabilization Fund for the purpose of reserving funds for the replacement and/or repair of the septic system at the Thomas Prince School; or to take any other action relative thereto.

The Town and the Wachusett Regional School District signed a Maintenance Agreement in FY19, which provides for an annual payment in the amount of \$2,047 in FY20, 21, and 22 to the Town of Princeton from the Wachusett Regional School District to be put toward the replacement or repair costs of the septic system at the school. The funds for FY20 were received by the town and by law were required to be deposited to miscellaneous revenue to become part of the FY20 free cash balance. They can now be transferred into this Stabilization Account

- G. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to contract with and accept any grants from the Mass. Department of Transportation-Highway Division for the construction of any road or related work that may be allotted to the Town for the ensuing year or to take any other action relative thereto.

This article authorizes the Selectmen to accept any grants or contracts with the state for road or road-related projects.

Advisory Committee Opinion: To Be Determined

ARTICLE 5: DEPARTMENTAL REVOLVING FUNDS AUTHORIZATION

To see if the Town will vote to authorize revolving funds for certain town departments
under Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 44 Section 53E 1/2 for the fiscal year
beginning July 1, 2020, or take any other action relative thereto.

Revolving Fund	Authorized to Spend Fund	Revenue Source	Use of Fund	FY 2020 Spending Limit	FY 2021 Spending Limit
Building Department	Bldg. Inspector Town Admin.	Fees from Bldg, Wiring, and Plumbing Permits	To Pay Administrative & Inspector Salary & Expenses	\$55,000	\$55,000
Library	Library Director, Town Admin.	Copy Machine, Fax, Fines and Fees	Defray Operational Expenses	\$4,000	\$4,000
Parks and Recreation (P&R)	P&R Commission Chairman, P&R Director, and Town Admin.	Fees Collected from Recreational Programs	Provide Recreational Programs & Pay Salaries	\$20,000	\$20,000
Parks and Recreation (P&R)	P&R Commission Chairman, P&R Director, and Town Admin.	Fees Collected from Recreational Programs	Maintenance of Parks Pay Salaries	\$30,000	\$30,000
Board of Health	Board of Health Town Admin.	Permits & Inspections	Salary & Expense	\$21,000	\$21,000
Cemetery	Cemetery Comm. Chairman, Town Admin.	Burial Fees	Salary & Expense	\$4,000	\$8,000
Fire Department	Fire Chief, Deputy Chiefs, Town Admin.	Fees from Fire Permits	To Pay Administrative & Inspector Salary & Expenses	\$8,500	\$8,500
Conservation Commission	Conservation Commission Chair, Town Admin.	Lease Payments from Four Corners Hayfields	To Pay for the Upkeep of & Improvements to Conservation Property	\$3,500	\$3,500
Maximum Spending					\$150,000

All departments having revolving accounts were asked to complete a FY21 budget request. The spending limits were adjusted for each account to match revenue anticipated and available for each fund, as well as budgets requested, with minor exceptions. Please note that the Municipal Modernization Act of 2016 changed the procedures for Revolving Funds, requiring that a By-Law be established for revolving funds. A By-Law was established at the May 2017 Annual Town Meeting.

Advisory Committee Opinion: To Be Determined

ARTICLE 6. To see if the Town will vote to enact Chapter XX of the Town of Princeton General Bylaws, entitled “Stretch Energy Code”, for the purpose of regulating the design and construction of buildings for the effective use of energy, pursuant to Appendix 115.AA of the Massachusetts State Building Code, 780 CMR, the Stretch Energy Code, including future editions, amendments or modifications thereto, with an effective date of January 1, 2021, a copy of which is on file with the Town Clerk, or take any other action relative thereto.

Currently, the Base Energy Code of the Massachusetts State Building Code is applied to all construction in town. Passage of this article would adopt a Stretch Energy Code Bylaw. This bylaw would apply the Stretch Energy Code, which is an appendix to the Massachusetts State Building Code, to new construction in town, requiring more energy efficiency in construction than currently required under the Base Energy Code. The current Stretch Energy Code applies only to new residential construction and to new large commercial construction (e.g., over 100,000 sq. feet or over 40,000 sq. feet for high-intensity energy users such as laboratories or grocery stores); it does not apply to renovations, repairs, alterations, or additions to existing homes or commercial buildings, or to new small commercial construction. Adoption of this bylaw would also adopt and apply all future versions of the Stretch Energy Code.

Advisory Committee Opinion: To Be Determined

ARTICLE 7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of **\$25,000** to conduct an energy audit of all town owned buildings, or take any other action relative thereto.

This article funds a baseline energy audit for Town buildings. This is one of the requirements for achieving Green Community Status. The Environmental Action Committee (EAC) and Town will continue to pursue ways to have the audit done without using Town funds. The Municipal Energy Technical Assistance Funds—which typically would have paid for the audits—are delayed until the fall in part because of Coronavirus restrictions and related delays. The Town would be unable to make the 2020 Green Community Designation deadline if the Town waited for META funds. This would mean missing the opportunity to get grant funds for energy efficiency projects as part of capital improvements that are already underway. The Selectboard and EAC believe that it is in the Town’s best interest to complete the steps needed to become a Green Community and have access to the related grant opportunities as soon as possible. The PMLD Commissioners voted to pay half the cost of the audit as long as the Town approves the Stretch Energy Code warrant article. Though the article includes the full \$25,000, it will be amended on the floor to be \$12,500 if the Stretch Code article (Article 6) passes.

Advisory Committee Opinion: To Be Determine

ARTICLE 8. To see if the Town will vote to **transfer** from undesignated fund balance (free cash) account # 01-000-3591-000000 a sum of **\$60,000** for design and engineering services, including the production of construction documents, for repair of Princeton Library Clock Tower, including the payment of all costs incidental or related thereto; or take any other action relative thereto.

This article pays for design and construction documents for the repair of the Goodnow Library clock tower. Inspection of the Tower by Chris Conway uncovered damage that needs to be repaired. The Library Trustees funded the preliminary design work by Jones Whitsett Architects. The remaining documents are needed to search for grants and to pay to repair the Tower in a timely fashion before the water damage becomes worse.

Advisory Committee Opinion: To Be Determine

ARTICLE 9. To see if the Town will vote to **transfer** from undesignated fund balance (free cash) account # 01-000-3591-000000 the sum of **\$267,424** to the Town’s General Stabilization account #80-000-5780-801001; or take any other action relative thereto.

This is the Town’s general savings account. It is generally recommended that cities and towns maintain a minimum of five (5) percent of their annual operating budget in stabilization. The stabilization account currently has approximately \$442,085, which is approximately four (4) percent of the total annual budget. If approved, a 2/3rds vote is required to transfer funds out of this account in the future. Since the state passed the Municipal Modernization Act, funds from the Stabilization fund can be applied to capital expenses and infrastructure projects. For convenience, the Town has opted to place all funds into the General Stabilization Fund instead of splitting them across the General Stabilization Fund and the Stabilization Infrastructure Fund. Capital Requests have been deferred this year due to COVID-19 and the uncertainty surrounding state revenue estimates. These funds will be available to address future capital needs and/or reduce debt obligations.

Advisory Committee Opinion: To Be Determined

ARTICLE 10. To see if the Town will vote to **transfer** from the Town Hall Annex Repair Account #03-192-5305-0210100 the sum of **\$18,000** to the Public Safety Building Repair Account #03-220-5304-0231016 for installation of a power generator at the Public Safety Building, or take any other action relative thereto.

Approval of the article will allow certain funds remaining in the Town Hall Annex Account to be transferred to the Public Safety Building Repair Account to fund the installation of a power generator at the Public Safety Building. When Dispatch was regionalized several years ago, this generator was received through a grant, with the understanding that the Town would fund the installation. The existing generator isn’t sufficient to power everything necessary at the Public Safety Building, while the new one will power everything. Note that the cost of installation has risen from \$12,000 in 2017 to \$18,000 today. The current balance in the annex repair account is \$78,355.58 as of 6/26/2020. Should both article 10 and article 11 pass, the remaining balance in the annex repair account will be \$45,355.58.

Advisory Committee Opinion: To Be Determined

ARTICLE 11. To see if the Town will vote to **transfer** from the Town Hall Annex Repair Account #03-192-5305-0210100 the sum of **\$15,000** to the Public Safety Building Repair Account #03-220-

5304-0231016 for unforeseen repairs at the Public Safety Building, or take any other action relative thereto.

Approval of the article will allow certain funds remaining in the Town Hall Annex Account to be transferred to the Public Safety Building Repair Account for unforeseen repairs. Most of the repair work authorized by Town Meeting in 2018 has been completed. Installation of the exhaust evacuation system was more expensive than originally estimated, and most of the contingency funds for the project have been spent. This article allows the Town to finish the repair project. The current balance in the annex repair account is \$78,355.58 as of 6/26/2020. Should both article 10 and article 11 pass, the remaining balance in the annex repair account will be \$45,355.58

Advisory Committee Opinion: To Be Determined

ARTICLE 12. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of **\$700,000** for the purpose of funding road construction and infrastructure improvements in town, and to meet said appropriation, the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, is hereby authorized to **borrow** said sum, pursuant to Mass. General Laws c.44, §7, or any other enabling authority, and to issue bonds or notes of the Town, or take any other action relative thereto.

Approval of this article will allow the Treasurer, with approval of the Board of Selectmen, to borrow funds for road construction and infrastructure improvements (reconstruction of a culvert on Route 31 near Mirick Road and the bridge on Route 31 behind the old Highway Barn). Repayment of the funds borrowed would come from the annual Capital Road Construction Infrastructure Improvements budget. Combined, these projects total \$1,196,026. A Small Bridge grant and available Chapter 90 funds will provide partial funding for these projects. This article is meant to provide the balance. This strategy of borrowing for large, long-lived projects helps the road budget go further by avoiding a large one-time drawdown of available funds which would severely restrict the amount of available funds for future road reconstruction activity. Any borrowing undertaken now would be at historically low interest rates and would spread the cost of these nontraditional road projects out over time and enable the Town to continue with its program of rebuilding a portion of the Town's road system each year.

Advisory Committee Opinion: To Be Determined

ARTICLE 13. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of **\$80,000** for the purpose of stabilization and repairs at Bagg Hall, and to meet said appropriation, the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, is hereby authorized to **borrow** said sum, pursuant to Mass. General Laws c.44, §7, or any other enabling authority, and to issue bonds or notes of the Town, or take any other action relative thereto.

Approval of this article will allow the Treasurer, with approval of the Board of Selectmen, to increase the amount of borrowing for Bagg Hall Stabilization by \$80,000. Unexpected issues and unforeseen additional brick and mortar repairs have arisen with the project, and the contingency funds are not considered to be sufficient given how far along the contractors are with the project. Excavation in the basement has already uncovered several problems that will need to be addressed, including the need

for a sump pump to address a second source of water damaging the foundation. This amount would be added to the \$1.25 million authorized in May 2018.

Advisory Committee Opinion: To Be Determined

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