

**RECORD  
TOWN OF GRANBY  
ANNUAL TOWN MEETING  
JULY 25, 2020**

In accordance with the foregoing warrant, the inhabitants of the Town of Granby qualified to vote in elections and town affairs, met at the Granby Jr. Sr. High School on East State Street on July 25, 2020, at 9:00 a.m. then and there to act on the following articles, to wit:

The Moderator, Lynn Snopek Mercier opened the Annual Town Meeting at 9:07 a.m. The ATM was called to order at 9:08 am a quorum was present (30 or more) 77 attended at the time of opening.

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was led by Select Board Chair, Glen Sexton, and the residents joined in.

The Moderator calls on the Town Clerk, Katherine A. Kelly-Regan, to certify that all the warrants were posted in accordance with the law.

The Clerk responds they have. The warrant for this portion of the Annual Town Meeting was declared to be in order.

The Committees and Boards present at this ATM:

Select Board: Chairman, Glen N. Sexton, Members, and Jennifer Silva not present was Jay Joyce. Sitting with the Select Board, Town Counselor, Brian O'Toole and Town Administrator, Christopher Martin.

Finance Committee: Chairman, John Libera, Jr., Members, Robert Glesmann, III, Richard Jolivet and Scott Wilson, All Present.

School Committee: Chairman, Emre Evren, Members, Jennifer Bartosz, Jennifer Mallette, Audrey Siudak, and Not Present Stephanie Parent.

Sitting with the School Committee was the schools Acting Superintendent Carol Hepworth.

Others in Attendance to support their Articles: Maintenance Supervisor, Jeremy Carriere, Highway Superintendent, David Desrosiers Police Chief, Alan Wishart, and the Town Treasurer, Steven Nally.

Vote Counters & Checkers: Elaine Lafleur, Earl Owen, Emily Reed, Virginia Snopek, and Dawn Stolulonis.

Filmed by Alex LaMarche

Orange Sound audio: Greg Dwinell

Police Officer on Duty: Eric Jorgenson

Due to the Pandemic of COVID-19 the Annual Town Meeting has been delayed until now. Governor Baker has deemed Massachusetts to be in Phase 3 of this pandemic.

Under phase 3 we are practicing the social distancing and the wearing of masks. The Select Board, Board of Health, the Moderator along with other Town Officials agreed that if we do what the Governor has deemed safe for the public this meeting will be very safe to attend.

The meeting is being held outside under an open tent with seven feet between chairs to abide by the social distancing requirement, and we are sanitizing any equipment that is being used. The Moderator, Lynn Snopek Mercier now informs the voters on some new procedures due to the COVID-19 Pandemic.

**Lynn Snopek Mercier, Moderator:**

"Before I start reading today's Articles, I would like to go over some information and procedures that should help this outdoor, unprecedented town meeting go smoother and faster and keep everyone safe:

**For those of you in the cars,**

please tune your radios to 88.3 FM, and you should be able to hear the ATM in your car.

When I call for a vote, please hold your card and lift your hand high outside your window. There are workers monitoring the votes in the parking lot, and even if you cannot see me, I am able to tally your vote.

If you are in your car and wish to discuss a motion, please open your door, and stand outside your car, so I may recognize you. Once I call you, you must come to the microphone in the front of the parking lot so Town Members can hear you.

If you are unable to leave your car, I can have a microphone come to you.

For those of you under the tent, please raise your hand if you would like to discuss a motion. When I recognize you, you can then come through the middle aisle to one of the microphones.

For anyone coming to the Microphone, you must keep your mask on when speaking. You will have a maximum of 2 minutes at the microphone.

When you are done with your question or comment, you must wipe the microphone down with an antibacterial wipe. The wipes are next to microphone. When done, please place the wipe in the trash basket next to the microphone and return to your seat.

Bathrooms are available in the school.

The Moderator now introduces all committees and boards sitting in front at Town Meeting to the far left, the Finance Board; Select Board. She mentions that Select Board Member, Jay Joyce apologizes for not being here—he was unable to attend; Town Administrator; Town Attorney; and the Town Clerk

If you are a non-resident or non-voter, you must sit in the designated area for non-voters in the back of the tent.

Again, if I recognize you for discussing a motion, please proceed to the closest mike with your mask on. Since this is a legal business meeting and is recorded, you must state your name and address before commenting. If you are unable to get to the mike, please raise your hand, and I will have a mike runner come to you.

As usual, please do not direct a comment or question to a member or the members of Town Meeting.

All discussion and questions must be directed to me, and I will direct your question to the appropriate individual.

Lastly, please note that in your handouts, you have a Consent Agenda explanation — which is new this year, and the Finance Committee / Capital Expenditures booklet, in addition to other documents. In the booklet, you will find the warrant articles and a short explanation of each article.

Moderator recognizes Mr. Libera of the Finance Committee to speak.

Finance Committee Chair, John Libera, Jr. ,addresses the voters and explains due to these circumstances he will not discuss the report and you can find it in the Finance Committee booklet that you received when you check in for the meeting. He does mention that the Finance Committee approves of this years' budget except for a few Articles that he will address when we get to them.

***\*\*To read the full Finance report please refer to the Finance Committee and Capital Improvement Committee Reports 2019-2020, or by going on the Website [www.granby-ma.gov](http://www.granby-ma.gov)***

**The Moderator, Lynn Snopek Mercier mentions how today's procedure will work:**

"This year, with Article 1, I am introducing a procedure called the Consent Agenda. You have a document in your handouts that explains this procedure. The purpose of the Consent Agenda is to save time by dispensing with the reading of and voting on individual articles that can be expected to pass overwhelmingly and instead, voting on them all together with one vote.

So now, I will call out each article on the Consent Agenda and you will hear a short explanation of the article. If a Town Meeting Member has a question about the article I am calling and or believes that a separate debate or vote on a specific article is necessary, please raise your card and yell "Hold." I will then remove the article from the Consent Agenda and restore it to its original place on the Warrant for debate and discussion. When I have gone through all articles in the Consent Agenda, I will call for a motion for the Consent Agenda. We will then vote, in a single vote, on the remaining articles on the Consent Agenda. If a majority of the members vote in favor, those articles will be considered passed through the Consent Agenda. Any questions?

The articles in the Consent Calendar include:

1A- 1B- 1C- 1D- 1E- 1F- 1G- 1H- 1I- 1J- 1K- 1L

The Moderator now calls on Mr. Martin for the Motion for the Consent Agenda — Second — We are now ready to vote on the motion to approve the Consent Agenda items This calls for a Majority vote to pass. All those in favor — oppose Passes By Unanimous Vote-Show of Hands

Article 1. move the vote to approve the consent of the agenda as follows: Motion 2<sup>nd</sup>  
*Only Majority Vote Required for 1A-1L* Passed-Unanimous-Show of Hands  
Declared By The Moderator

**ARTICLE 1A.** move the Town vote to authorize the Select Board to conduct the following activities for fiscal year 2021:

- A. To sell, after first giving notice of time and place of sale by posting such notices of sale in some convenient and public place in the Town 14 days at least before the sale, property taken by the Town under tax title land of low value procedure, provided the Select Board or whomever they authorize to hold such public auction, may reject any bid they deem inadequate.
- B. To apply for and accept Federal or State grants or monies as may be made available and to allow the Select Board to expend any funds received as set forth in the appropriate application.
- C. To enter into a contract with the Massachusetts Highway Department for the construction and maintenance of public highways for the ensuing year.

*Town Administrator, Christopher Martin explains "this article allows the Select Board to sell property taken under tax foreclosure, to apply for grants, accept them and spend them and to sign Chapter 90 contracts with the State for FY2021.*

**ARTICLE 1B.** move the Town vote to authorize the various departments to receive compensation for services rendered for fiscal year 2021 as follows:

- A. The Cemetery Commissioners to dig graves and maintain the equipment and grounds in the cemeteries at a wage rate that is no less than the minimum wage.
- B. The members of the Board of Assessors to be compensated \$15 per parcel for necessary fieldwork and data collection for services rendered in connection with the revaluation and re-certification process involving one-sixth of the improved parcels in town.
- C. The members of the Board of Health, or their consultants, to receive compensation at a wage rate of \$35 per inspection or specific required activity.

- D. The members of the Planning Board, or their appointees, to receive compensation at a wage rate of \$65 per inspection.

*Mr. Martin explains: This article sets the rate of compensation for the various elected boards for FY2021*

**ARTICLE 1C.** move the Town vote to authorize the Conservation Commission to charge a fee of \$75 for each site inspection deemed necessary by a quorum of the Commission. Fees shall be payable to the Town of Granby Conservation Commission and deposited in the Conservation Hatch Fund.

*Mr. Martin explains: This article sets the fee the Conservation Commission can charge for site inspections when necessary.*

**ARTICLE 1D.** move the Town vote to accept the following gifts in calendar year 2019 for perpetual care of cemetery lots:

Amy LeBlanc	\$1,565.
Francis M & Cheryl D Appleton	\$1,565.
Barbara K & Daniel C Rosazza	\$ 775.
Luke D Cote	\$3,145.
Mary Ann Mugnier	\$3,145.
Noreen H Clark	\$ 775.
Ann K & Leslie Rood	\$ 775.
Steven J Merrill	\$1,575.
Paul M Delp	\$3,145.
Joseph & Rene-Anne Desmarais	\$1,565.

*This article accepts the perpetual care fees collected by the cemetery commissioners.*

**ARTICLE 1E.** move the Town vote to authorize expenditures from these revolving funds for fiscal year 2021 without further appropriation:

- A. A Parks Oversight Revolving Fund from which the Parks Oversight Ad-Hoc Committee may spend \$40,000 in revolving fund monies in fiscal year 2021.
- B. A Charter Day Revolving Fund from which the Charter Day Ad-Hoc Committee may spend \$50,000 in revolving fund monies in fiscal year 2021.
- C. A Planning Board Fees Revolving Fund from which the Planning Board may spend \$50,000 in revolving fund monies in fiscal year 2021.
- D. An After-School Activities Program Revolving Fund from which the Superintendent of Schools may spend \$20,000 in revolving fund monies in fiscal year 2021.

E. A Dog Revolving Fund from which the Police Chief may spend \$13,040 in revolving fund monies in fiscal year 2021.

F. A Library Revolving Fund from which the Library Commissioners may spend \$2,000 in revolving fund monies in fiscal year 2021.

*This article is the annual authorization of the Town revolving funds as listed in the Town Bylaws.*

**ARTICLE 1F.** move the Town vote to authorize Town departments to enter into agreements in accordance with M.G.L. Chapter 40 Section 4A for the fiscal year 2021.

*This allows the various departments to enter into contracts and agreements with another governmental agency to provide a service the departments is unable to.*

**ARTICLE 1G.** move the Town vote to allow the Board of Selectmen to appoint a member of the Board of Selectmen to a position that is under the supervision of the Board of Selectmen as allowed under M.G.L. Chapter 268A Section 21A.

*This article is to be in compliance with the Ethics Law. As Select Board members are appointed to committees that report to them. We need town meeting approval to allow this.*

**ARTICLE 1H.** move the Town vote to amend the Bylaws of The Town of Granby, Volume II, Chapter XIX Personnel Bylaw, APPENDIX D Compensation Plan Pay Schedules, and substituting a new APPENDIX D, showing the nine pay grades and ten steps to be effective July 1, 2020.

*This Article set the pay rates for non-union employees for the period July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021.*

**\*Back page for the Appendix D Compensation Plan Pay Schedules**

**ARTICLE 1I.** move the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$268,769, or a greater or lesser amount, as its apportioned share of the fiscal year 2021 budget for the Pathfinder Regional Vocational Technical High School District.

*This article is to pay the assessment to Pathfinder Vocational school of which the Town is a member community and sends students to.*

**ARTICLE 1J.** move the Town vote to appropriate as offset receipts fire permit fees in the amount of \$435, or a greater or lesser amount, for Forest Fire Warden Expense.

*This article allows the Town to spend burning permit fees, collected in FY2020, in FY2021 by the Forest Warden.*

**ARTICLE 1K.** move the Town vote to transfer from available funds the sum of \$278,108, or a greater or lesser amount, authorized under Chapter 291 of the Acts of 2004 for highway construction and improvements defined under Chapter 90 of the General Laws.

*This article accepts the Chapter 90 allocation for FY2021 as determined by the State*

**ARTICLE 1L.** move the Town vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds, transfer from the stabilization fund, borrow or bond \$175,000, or a greater or lesser amount, for the purpose of funding the Town's Other Post-Employment Benefits (OPEB) liability.

*This is the last section of the consent agenda the Town Administrator Mr. Martin explains:  
This article is an attempt to fund the town's post-employment benefits liability. As of June 30, 2019, this liability is \$25,713,292. The proposed funding source is Tax levy.*

The Moderator now asks' the voters if there are any questions on the consent agenda.

*Article 1. Items 1A-1L.*

Motion 2nd

*Presented by Chris Martin*

*Majority Vote Required- No Discussion*

Passed: Unanimous-Show of Hands  
Declared By Moderator

**ARTICLE 2:** move the Town vote to transfer from Free Cash \$14,000 for the purpose of funding the purchase of storage containers.

Motion 2<sup>nd</sup>

**Postponed**

Passed by Majority to Postpone- Show of Hands

*Presented by Chris Martin*

*Majority vote Required-Short Discussion*

Declared By Moderator

*This article is for the purchase of storage containers to be able to store records that are currently located in the pavilion at the old library so that space can become a covered workspace for the public building department. The proposed funding source is Free Cash. The Finance Committee does not recommend this article.*

*John Libera, Jr., Finance Committee Chair, tells the voters that the Finance Committee is not in favor on this article. We need to investigate other choices on how to store and preserve our records.*

*There is a motion to postpone indefinitely*

Motion 2<sup>nd</sup>

*The moderator now explains to the voters we will have to vote to see if the voters wish to postpone this article, a vote is taken, and the Article is voted to postpone.*

**ARTICLE 3:** move the Town vote to authorize the Select board to grant an easement over certain Town property located at 10 MacDonald Avenue to the owner of record for the purposes of access and entering upon said property.

Motion 2nd

*Presented by Chris Martin*

*Majority vote Required-No Discussion*

Passed: Unanimous-Show of Hands  
Declared By Moderator

*Town Administrator, Mr. Martin explains:*

*In 1991, Ivan and Rita Fabricius donated to the Town a portion of land know as Parcel A on a plan for the purposes of a cul de sac to be built at the end of MacDonald Avenue and to be made a part of MacDonald Avenue. Unfortunately, due to an oversight, the deed that was recorded failed to reserve the right for the Fabricius' to use that portion of parcel A for entry and exit, essentially making the Ridge and pond lots landlocked for purposes of marketability and transferability. This issue has just been discovered this Spring when the descendants of Ivan and Rita were preparing to sell the ridge lot. This article attempts to correct that oversight.*

*There is no discussion and this article passes by unanimous vote.*

**ARTICLE 4:** move the Town vote to authorize the Select board to grant an easement over certain Town property located at 11 MacDonald Avenue to the owner of record for the purposes of access and entering upon said property.

*Motion 2nd*

*Presented by Chris Martin*  
*Majority Vote Required-No Discussion*

Passed: Unanimous-Show of Hands  
Declared By Moderator

*Article 4 has the same explanation as Article 3 and there was no discussion.*  
*Article 4 passes by Unanimous Vote*

**ARTICLE 5:** move the Town vote to rescind the acceptance of M.G.L. Chapter 48, Section 42 as voted at the July 8, 1968 Special Town Meeting.

*Motion 2nd*

*Presented by Chris Martin*  
*Majority Vote Required-Short Discussion*

FAILS: By Majority-Show of Hands  
Declared By Moderator

*This article seeks to rescind the law commonly known as the Fire Department Strong Chief Law.*

Many from the Fire Department were there in support to keep this acceptance of M.G.L, Chapter 48, Section 42 to remain as part of our town polices. After a short discussion the Moderator calls for a vote and Article 5 Fails to pass, it remains as accepted, no changes will take place.

**ARTICLE 6:** move the Town vote to rescind the acceptance of M.G.L. Chapter 41, Section 97A as voted at the March 12, 1974 Annual Town Meeting.

*Motion 2nd*

*Presented by Chris Martin*  
*Majority Vote Required-Short Discussion*

FAILS: By Majority-Show of Hands  
Declared By Moderator

*This article seeks to rescind the law commonly known as the Police Department Strong Chief Law.*

Many from the Police Department were there in support to keep this acceptance of M.G.L, Chapter 41, Section 97A to remain as part of our town polices. After a short discussion the Moderator calls for a vote and Article 6 Fails to pass, it remains as accepted, no changes will take place.

**ARTICLE 7:** move the Town vote to transfer from Free Cash \$150,000 for the purpose of funding tree removal.

*Motion 2nd*

*Presented by Chris Martin*  
*Majority vote Required-No Discussion*

Passed: Unanimous-Show of Hands  
Declared By Moderator

*This article will fund the tree removal project for trees that are hazardous and create power outages or road blockages during an extreme weather event. The proposed funding source is Free Cash.*



**ARTICLE 8:** move the Town vote to transfer from Free Cash \$200,000 for the purpose of funding Highway Department paving operations.

*Motion 2nd*

*Presented by Chris Martin*

*Majority vote Required-No Discussion*

Passed: Unanimous-Show of Hands  
Declared By Moderator

*This article is to fund paving operations for Town roads. With the State having yet to sign the Chapter 90 bond bill, the Town does not wish to lose out on the current construction season in addressing its roads. The proposed funding source is Free Cash.*

**ARTICLE 9:** move the Town vote to transfer from Free Cash \$32,000 for the purpose of funding the cost of computers for the Police Department.

*Motion 2nd*

*Presented by Chris Martin*

*Majority vote Required-No Discussion*

Passed: Unanimous-Show of Hands  
Declared By Moderator

*This article is for the replacement of the server in the Police Department. The proposed funding source is Free Cash.*

**ARTICLE 10:** move the Town vote to raise and appropriate \$36,800 for the purpose of funding the tuition for Smith Vocational and Agricultural High School students.

*Motion 2nd*

*Presented by Chris Martin*

*Majority vote Required-No Discussion*

Passed: Unanimous-Show of Hands  
Declared By Moderator

*This article is for the tuition of two students who are attending Smith Vocational school as Pathfinder does not offer these courses. The proposed funding source is Tax Levy.*

**ARTICLE 11:** move the Town vote to raise and appropriate \$51,345 for the purpose of funding the purchase of a marked cruiser for the Police Department.

*Motion 2<sup>nd</sup>*

*Presented by Chris Martin*

*Majority vote Required-No Discussion*

Passed: By Majority Vote-Show of Hands  
Declared By Moderator

*This article is to fund a new police cruiser for the Police Department. This is an annual purchase for the Town. The proposed funding source is Tax Levy.*

**ARTICLE 12:** move the Town vote to borrow in accordance with M.G.L. Chapter 44 Sec.7 Clause 1 \$220,000 for the purpose of funding the purchase of a dump truck for the Highway Department.

*Motion 2nd*

*Presented by Chris Martin*

*Two-Third votes Required-Short Discussion*

Passed: Unanimous-Show of Hands  
Declared By Moderator

*This article is for the purchase of a new dump truck for the Highway Department. The proposed funding source is borrowing under M.G.L. Chapter 44 Section 7 Clause 1.*

**ARTICLE 13:** move the Town vote to borrow in accordance with M.G.L. Chapter 44 Section 7 Clause 1, \$115,000 for the purpose of funding the purchase of a mower for the Public Buildings Department.

*Motion 2nd*

*Presented by Chris Martin*

*Two-Third votes Required-Long Discussion*

Passed: By 2/3 Majority Vote-Show of Hands  
Declared By Moderator

*This article is for the purchase of a new mower for the fields at Dufresne Park, Brown Ellison Park, and the High School athletic fields. The proposed funding source is borrowing under M.G.L. Chapter 44 Section 7 Clause 1.*

*The Finance Committee does not recommend this article.*

*John Libera, Jr. Finance, Chair, makes a Motion to postpone this Article. The Finance Committee feels this is not the time we should spend this kind of money on a mower.*

*The Moderator, Lynn Snopek Mercier calls for a vote to see if we want to vote to postpone this article. A Motion is second, and she explains we need a Majority vote to allow the voters to vote to postpone. A vote is taken to see if the voters want to postpone Article 13. Article 13 Fails by a Majority Vote to postpone. Article 13 is now brought back to the floor as originally presented.*

*There is a long discussion and Steve Nally, Town Treasurer asks to move the question and stop this debate.*

*The Moderator calls for a vote on Article 13 as originally presented, motion is second, voted, and it passes by a two-third votes Declared by the Moderator.*

**ARTICLE 14:** move the Town vote to borrow in accordance with M.G.L. Chapter 44 Section 7 Clause 1, \$52,000 for the purpose of funding the purchase of a transit for the Public Buildings Department.

*Motion 2nd*

*Presented by Chris Martin*

*Two-Third votes Required-Short Discussion*

Passed: By 2/3 Majority Vote-Show of Hands  
Declared By Moderator

*This article is for the purchase of a transit cargo vehicle for the Public Buildings department. The department currently does not have a covered vehicle to move cleaning equipment, supplies and voting equipment between buildings, This will allow for the movement in both good and bad weather. The funding source is borrowing under M.G. l. Chapter 44 Section 7 Clause 1.*

**ARTICLE 15:** move the Town vote to transfer from Free Cash \$14,800 for the purpose of funding construction at the old Library building.

*Motion 2<sup>nd</sup>*

*Presented by Chris Martin*

*Majority vote Required-Short Discussion*

Passed: By Majority Vote-Show of Hands  
Declared By Moderator

*This article is for construction work at the old library. This article will fund the building of office space in the basement of the library and run power to the pavilion. The funding source is Free Cash.*

*The finance Committee does not recommend this article*

*John Libera, Jr. Finance, Chair, makes a Motion to postpone indefinitely. The Finance Committee feels this is not necessary to do at this time and we should look to bring it back another time.*

*A vote is taken to see if the voters want to postpone Article 15. Article 15 Fails by a Majority Vote to postpone. Article 15 is now brought back to the floor as originally presented.*

*The Moderator calls for a vote on Article 15 as originally presented, motion is second, voted, and it passes by Majority Vote, Declared by the Moderator.*

**ARTICLE 16:** move the Town vote to transfer from Free Cash \$5,000 for the purpose of joining the Pioneer Valley Mosquito Control District.

*Motion 2<sup>nd</sup>*

*Presented by Chris Martin*

*Majority vote Required-Short Discussion*

*Passed: By Majority Vote-Show of Hands  
Declared By Moderator*

*This article will allow the Town to become a member of the Pioneer Valley Mosquito control district. This will allow us to have sampling and testing done in town. This is requested by the Board of health. The funding source is Free Cash.*

**ARTICLE 17:** move the Town vote to raise and appropriate \$470,491 to operate the municipal solid waste department.

Wages	\$ 5,000
Expenses	<u>465,491</u>
	\$470,491

*and that \$24,500 be raised from municipal solid waste receipts, \$112,950 be raised from Retained Earnings and \$333,041 be raised from Tax Levy.*

*Motion 2<sup>nd</sup>*

*Presented by Chris Martin*

*Majority vote Required-No Discussion*

*Passed: Unanimous-Show of Hands  
Declared By Moderator*

*This article is to fund the curbside collection program in Town. It also funds the costs of bringing our recyclables to the Springfield Materials Recycling Facility and bringing our waste to the incinerator located in Agawam. The funding sources are Tax levy in the amount of \$333,041, Municipal solid Waste Receipts in the amount of \$24,500 and Retained Earnings in the amount of \$112,950.*

**ARTICLE 18:** move the Town vote to raise and appropriate \$238,827 to operate the sewer department.

Wages	\$ 10,560
Expenses	169,967
Debt	<u>58,300</u>
	\$238,827

*and that \$226,527 be raised from sewer receipts and \$12,300 be raised from Retained Earnings.*

*Motion 2<sup>nd</sup>*

*Presented by Chris Martin*

*Majority vote Required-No Discussion*

*Passed: Unanimous-Show of Hands  
Declared By Moderator*

*This article is to fund the sewer department in Town. The funding sources are Sewer Receipts in the amount of \$226,527 and Retained Earnings of \$12,300.*

**ARTICLE 19:** move the Town vote to raise and appropriate \$386,878 to operate the ambulance department.

Wages	\$247,221
Expenses	73,065
Capital	13,500
Debt	<u>53,092</u>
	\$386,878

and that \$315,878 be raised from ambulance receipts and \$31,000 be raised from Retained Earnings and that the Ambulance Director’s salary shall not exceed \$25,000 for FY2021.

Presented by Chris Martin  
Majority vote Required-No Discussion

Motion 2nd  
  
Passed: Unanimous-Show of Hands  
Declared By Moderator

This article will fund the ambulance department. The funding sources are Ambulance Receipts in the amount of \$315,878 and Retained Earnings in the amount of \$31,000.  
To Note: the Ambulance Director’s salary shall not exceed \$25,000 for FY2021.

ARTICLE 20: move the Town vote to raise and appropriate such sums of money as may be necessary to defray the expense of the Town including debt and interest for the ensuing year and to carry out any vote passed under this article.

The Moderator, Lynn Snopek Mercier explains how Article 20 will be voted on.  
Items 1-40 require a Majority vote and Item One will be voted as one item and then the rest of the Items will be voted on in groups, and after each group is read the voters will have an opportunity to asks questions before the vote is taken.

Motion 2<sup>nd</sup>

Article 20 Presented by John Libera, Jr., Finance Chairman, Items 1-40  
Majority vote Required on all items-Short Discussion on Item 1

All Items 1- 40 Passed: Unanimous-Show of Hands  
Declared By Moderator

Item		Budget
1	School Department	
	Personal Services	\$6,602,670
	Expenses	1,17,887
	Capital Outlay	0
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		\$7,720,557

Same  
Motion  
2-5

2	Same Motion School Department Transportation	\$838,838
3	Same Motion Moderator Salary Expenses	\$175 75 <hr/> \$250
4	Same Motion Selectmen Salary Personal Services Expenses Capital Outlay	\$9,993 207,554 161,042 15,990 <hr/> \$394,579
5	Same Motion Finance Committee Expenses	\$1,890

Same  
Motion  
6-9

6	Same Motion Town Accountant Personal Services Expenses	\$30,000 27,050 <hr/> \$57,050
7	Same Motion Assessors Salary Personal Services Expenses	\$11,442 29,316 20,511 <hr/> \$61,269

Item

Budget

8	Same Motion Town Treasurer Salary Expenses	\$51,424 9,800 <hr/> \$61,224
9	Same Motion Tax Collector Salary Personal Services Expenses	\$44,758 11,000 21,190 <hr/> \$76,948

Same  
Motion  
10-13

10	Same Motion Personnel Board
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	Expenses	\$500
11	Same Motion	
	Town Clerk	
	Salary	\$56,391
	Personal Services	22,644
	Expenses	2,565
	Capital Outlay	0
		<hr/> \$81,600
12	Same Motion	
	Board of Registrars	
	Personal Services	\$2,000
	Expenses	38,325
		<hr/> \$40,325
13	Same Motion	
	Board of Appeals	
	Expenses	\$1,640
<b>Same Motion 14-17</b>		
14	Same Motion	
	Public Buildings	
	Personal Services	\$219,341
	Expenses	504,767
	Capital Outlay	9,500
		<hr/> \$733,608
<b>Item</b>	<b>Budget</b>	
15	Same Motion	
	Police Department	
	Personal Services	\$1,043,087
	Expenses	59,050
	Capital Outlay	1,000
		<hr/> \$1,093,137
16	Same Motion	
	Auxiliary Police	
	Expenses	\$1,920
17	Same Motion	
	Dispatch	
	Personal Services	\$220,882
	Expenses	35,133
		<hr/> \$256,015
<b>Same Motion 18-21</b>		
18	Same Motion	
	Fire Department	
	Personal Services	\$453,161
	Expenses	46,817
	Capital Outlay	50,650
		<hr/> \$550,628

And that the Fire Chief Salary is not to exceed \$65,000 for FY2021.

19	Same Motion	
	Inspections Department	
	Personal Services	\$66,230
	Expenses	23,201
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		\$89,431

20	Same Motion	
	Preventive Inspections-Board of Health	
	Personal Services	\$13,525
	Expenses	3,823
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		\$17,348

21	Same Motion	
	Sealer of Weights & Measures	
	Expenses	\$3,700

Same  
Motion  
22-25

Item		Budget
22	Same Motion	
	Emergency Management	
	Expenses	\$9,272
	Capital Outlay	0
		<hr/>
		\$9,272

23	Same Motion	
	Highway Department	
	Personal Services	\$392,879
	Expenses	115,950
	Maintenance of Roads	344,100
	Capital Outlay	5,000
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		\$857,929

24	Same Motion	
	Snow & Ice Control	
	Personal Services	\$75,044
	Expenses	56,000
	Maintenance of Roads	122,000
	Capital	20,000
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		\$273,044

25	Same Motion	
	Cemetery	
	Personal Services	\$23,543
	Expenses	3,734
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		\$27,277

Same  
Motion  
26-29

26	Same Motion	
	Board of Health	
	Salary	\$2,955

	Personal Services	28,319
	Expenses	8,484
		<u>\$39,758</u>
27	Same Motion	
	Council On Aging	
	Personal Services	\$97,334
	Expenses	4,300
	Capital	5,644
		<u>\$107,278</u>
Item		Budget
28	Same Motion	
	Senior Lunch Program	
	Personal Services	\$14,924
29	Same Motion	
	Veterans Services	
	Personal Services	\$13,050
	Expenses	\$59,200
Same Motion 30-33		<u>\$72,250</u>
30	Same Motion	
	Public Library	
	Personal Services	\$155,723
	Expenses	50,317
	Less Grant In Aid	-9,995
	Net Expenses	<u>40,322</u>
		<u>\$196,045</u>
31	Same Motion	
	Historical Commission	
	Expenses	\$250
32	Same Motion	
	Retirement of Debt	
	Principal on Permanent Debt	\$514,200
33	Same Motion	
	Interest	\$472,638
Same Motion 34-37		
34	Same Motion	
	Casualty & Liability Insurance	\$250,016
35	Same Motion	
	County Retirement	\$1,206,423
36	Same Motion	
	Workers Compensation	\$169,643



37 Same Motion  
Council of Governments \$0

**Same  
Motion  
38-40**

Item	Budget
38 Same Motion Unemployment Compensation	\$52,568
39 Same Motion Group Health/Life Insurance	\$1,543,187
40 Same Motion Reserve Fund	\$130,000

**TOTAL BUDGET** **\$18,019,159**

***This article is to set the departmental budgets for FY2021.***

*Article 20, Items 1-40 all passed as Unanimous votes, with very little discussion on the Items.*

*To Note: Item 37 Council of Governments is \$0 due to the fact we no longer belong with the Council.*

**ARTICLE 21:** move the Town vote to transfer from the Capital Equipment Needs Stabilization Fund \$99,200 for the purpose of reducing the funding from tax levy for the fiscal year 2021 appropriations.

*Motion 2nd*

*Presented by Chris Martin*

***Two-Third votes Required-No Discussion***

***Passed: By 2/3 Majority Vote-Show of Hands  
Declared By Moderator***

*This article is to cover the debt service on purchases that were approved by the Capital Improvement Committee in prior years.*

**ARTICLE 22:** move the Town vote to transfer from account #30-122-5801-000 Bond Premiums To Be Applied \$13,306.98 for the purpose of reducing the funding from tax levy for the fiscal year 2021 appropriations.

*Motion 2nd*

*Presented by Chris Martin*

***Majority vote Required-No Discussion***

***Passed: Unanimous-Show of Hands  
Declared By Moderator***

*When the town borrowed for the East Meadow building project, when the bids came in, there was a bond premium. Per Department of Revenue regulations, this premium must be amortized over the life of the loan to reduce the amount to be raised by the Debt Exclusion vote.*

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**ARTICLE 23:** move the Town vote to transfer from Free Cash \$1,081,950 for the purpose of reducing the funding from tax levy for the fiscal year 2021 appropriations.

*Motion 2nd*

*Presented by Chris Martin*

***Majority vote Required-No Discussion***

***Passed: Unanimous-Show of Hands  
Declared By Moderator***

*This article is to subsidize the budget to offset the projected reduction in State Aid due to the COVID-19 pandemic.*

**ARTICLE 24:** move the Town vote to assess the amounts raised and appropriated under these articles and warrants on the estates and personal property of the Town of Granby.

*Motion 2nd*

*Presented by Chris Martin*

*Majority vote Required-No Discussion*

*Passed: Unanimous-Show of Hands*

*Declared By Moderator*

This article allows the Assessors to issue tax bills to the taxpayers in Granby.

**The Moderator now motions to adjourn this years' ATM**  
**Motion 2<sup>nd</sup>**

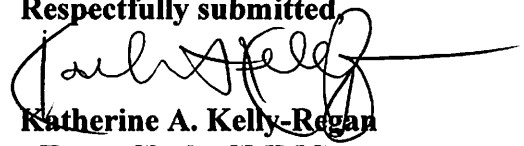
**All in favor to adjourn the Annual town Meeting held on July 25, 2020:**  
**Passed- Unanimous-Show of Hands**

**The business for the Annual Town Meeting held on July 25, 2020, has been voted on, and completed.**

**The Moderator officially dissolves this year's ATM at 10:30 A.M.**

**There were 84 voters and 13 non-voters who showed up to support and contribute to this years' Annual Town Meeting.**

**Respectfully submitted,**

  
**Katherine A. Kelly-Regan**  
**Town Clerk, CMMC**

# APPENDIX D COMPENSATION PLAN PAY SCHEDULE

July 1, 2020

GRADE	STEP										
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
	1	14.26	14.69	15.13	15.58	16.05	16.53	17.03	17.54	18.07	18.61
	2	15.40	15.86	16.34	16.83	17.33	17.85	18.39	18.94	19.51	20.10
	3	16.63	17.13	17.64	18.17	18.72	19.28	19.86	20.46	21.07	21.70
	4	17.96	18.50	19.06	19.63	20.22	20.83	21.45	22.09	22.75	23.43
	5	19.40	19.98	20.58	21.20	21.84	22.50	23.18	23.88	24.60	25.34
	6	20.95	21.58	22.23	22.90	23.59	24.30	25.03	25.78	26.55	27.35
	7	22.63	23.31	24.01	24.73	25.47	26.23	27.02	27.83	28.66	29.52
	8	24.44	25.17	25.93	26.71	27.51	28.34	29.19	30.07	30.97	31.90
	9	26.40	27.19	28.01	28.85	29.72	30.61	31.53	32.48	33.45	34.45