



COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS  
TOWN OF HUBBARDSTON

**SPECIAL TOWN MEETING**

**MINUTES**

**AUGUST 29, 2012**

**STABILIZATION: \$359,572.14**

Pursuant to the foregoing warrant, the voters of the Town of Hubbardston assembled at the Center School gymnasium to act on the articles in said warrant. Present were Moderator Edward Leonard; Board of Selectmen members Michael Stauder (Chair), Matt Castriotta, and Chris Norcross; Town Clerk Joyce Green; Finance Committee members Edward Blanchard (Chair), Benjamin Prentiss, Patrick Girouard, Faye Zukowski, Raeanne Siegel, Mark Connery, and Philip Churchill.; and Interim Town Administrator Brian Bullock.

A total of 156 registered voters were checked in by Marcia Howlett and Shonna Larson. A quorum of 50 voters was present throughout the meeting.

Moderator Leonard called the meeting to order at 7:06pm.

A statement was given by Edward Blanchard, Chairman of the Finance Committee, on the research done by the committee and their concerns regarding the Quabbin Regional School District budget. A handout entitled "*Appropriation Control Report Comparison of FY13 Preliminary Budget Revisions*" was distributed by the Finance Committee to voters prior to the start of the meeting. Mr. Blanchard reiterated the points made on the handout and stated that the Finance Committee will support whatever action Town Meeting takes tonight.

A representative from Quabbin Regional School District, Cheryl Duval, was asked if she wished to make a statement. Ms. Duval declined but stated she would answer questions.

The following actions were taken on the articles presented in the aforesaid warrant:

**ARTICLE 1. Motion, Chris Norcross**, that the Town vote to transfer from Overlay Surplus (#01-00-3130-000) the sum of \$10,029.62 (Ten Thousand Twenty-Nine and 62/100 Dollars) to the 2012 Overlay Account (#01-000-1230-2012), and transfer \$26,773.35 (Twenty Six Thousand Seven Hundred Seventy Three and 35/100 Dollars) from Overlay Surplus (#01-00-3130-000) to the Quabbin Above Minimum Contribution Account (#300-5700 ).

**Second: Michael Stauder**

**Vote: Motion passes; majority affirmative vote**

**ARTICLE 2. Motion, Chris Norcross**, that the Town vote to transfer from the following accounts the sum of \$46,648.00 (Forty-Six Thousand Six Hundred Forty-Eight and 00/100 Dollars) to the Quabbin Above Minimum Contribution Account (#300-5700)

\$2,500.00 (Two Thousand Five Hundred 00/100 Dollars) from Wage Adjustment

\$11,000.00 (Eleven Thousand 00/100 Dollars) from Unemployment

\$15,000.00 (Fifteen Thousand 00/100 Dollars) from Workers Compensation

\$3,500.00 (Three Thousand Five Hundred 00/100 Dollars) from Regional Dispatch

\$3,148.00 (Three Thousand One Hundred & Forty Eight 00/100 Dollars) from Worcester  
Regional Retirement Assessment

\$7,500.00 (Seven Thousand Five Hundred 00/100 Dollars) from Health Insurance

\$2,500.00 (Two Thousand Five Hundred 00/100 Dollars) from Police Professional Development

\$1,500.00 (One Thousand Five Hundred 00/100 Dollars) from Animal Control

for a total of \$46,648.00.

**Second: Michael Stauder**

**Vote: Motion passes; majority affirmative vote**

**ARTICLE 3. Motion, Chris Norcross,** that the Town vote to transfer and closeout from the following articles:

01-175-5101	PROFESSIONAL LAND PLANNING	\$1,250.00	STM #4 12-10-09
01-510-5800	WATER/SEWER STUDY	\$200.00	STM #17 11-9-10
01-220-5420	SCBA FILL SYSTEM	\$7,900.00	ATM #19 6-1-10
01-146-5715	TAX COLLECTOR PRINTER	\$181.43	ATM# 14 6-7-11
01-210-5405	PD COMPUTER SERVER	\$290.60	ATM #14 6-7-11
01-210-5800	PD CRUISER	\$37.78	ATM #14 6-7-11
01-220-5416	HUBB FD FORESTRY UNIT	\$572.78	ATM #14 6-7-11
01-422-5809	93 FORD REFURBISH	\$1,835.27	ATM 6-1-10
01-422-5810	98 FORD REFURBISH	\$75.19	ATM#14
01-752-5900	INTEREST SHORT TERM	\$2,525.60	ATM #14 6-7-11

totaling \$14,868.65 (Fourteen Thousand Eight Hundred Sixty-Eight and 65/100 Dollars) to the Quabbin Above Minimum Contribution Account (#300-5700).

**Second: Michael Stauder**

**Vote: Motion passes; majority affirmative vote**

**ARTICLE 4. Motion, Chris Norcross,** that the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$46,322.00 (Forty Six Thousand Three Hundred Twenty-Two and 00/100 Dollars) to the Quabbin Above Minimum Contribution Account (#300-5700) to add to the \$3,632,897.00 (Three Million Six Hundred Thirty Two Thousand Eight Hundred Ninety Seven Dollars and No Cents) previously appropriated at the June 5, 2012 Annual Town Meeting for the Quabbin Regional School District, which will provide full funding of Hubbardston's apportioned share of the FY13 revised budget in the amount of \$3,767,509.00 (Three Million Seven Hundred Sixty Seven Thousand Five Hundred Nine Dollars and 00/100), as approved by the Quabbin Regional School District Committee July 18, 2012.

**Second: Michael Stauder**

**Vote: Motion passes; majority affirmative vote**

Seeing no further business before the meeting, the Moderator adjourned the meeting at 7:22pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Joyce E. Green, Town Clerk

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