

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING, THURSDAY, JUNE 25, 2009

At the Special Town Meeting held on Thursday, June 25, 2009 at the Cohasset High School Sullivan Gymnasium the following articles were contained in the warrant and acted upon as follows.

Checkers sworn in by the Town Clerk, Marion L. Douglas at 6:30 p.m. were Carol St. Pierre, Debra Krupczak, Sandra Murray, Abigail Alves and Christina St Pierre. Tellers were appointed and sworn in by the Moderator, Daniel Evans.

The Moderator called the meeting to order at 7:25 p.m. and a quorum of 100 was present at that time. The registered voters checked in on the voting list totaled for Precinct 1 – 158 and Precinct 2 – 159 for a grand total of 317.

Members of the meeting called the pledge of allegiance.

Voted unanimously to dispense with the reading of the call of the Meeting and Return of Service having been examined by the Moderator and found to be in order.

ARTICLE 1: TURF FIELD PROJECT

To see if the Town will vote to amend the vote taken pursuant to Article 13 of the 2008 fall Special Town Meeting to change the conditions upon which the town may borrow money or expend money for the purpose of a synthetic turf field and track at the Clark Chatterton Athletic Complex, or take any other action related thereto.

ARTICLE 1: TURF FIELD PROJECT

MOVED that the appropriation voted pursuant to Article 13 of the 2008 fall Special Town Meeting, no part of which has been spent or borrowed, be changed as follows: delete the existing language entirely and substitute the following:

MOVED that Nine Hundred Seventy-Five Thousand Dollars (\$975,000), be hereby appropriated, with the intention that these amounts be available in FY 09 and beyond, to be expended by the Town Manager, to construct a synthetic turf field and track at the Clark Chatterton Athletic Complex; and that to fund this appropriation, the Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, is hereby authorized to borrow Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$500,000) pursuant to Chapter 44, Section 7 of the Massachusetts General Laws, as amended, and to issue bonds and notes of the Town therefor, such borrowing to be a general obligation of the Town; and Four Hundred Seventy-Five Thousand Dollars (\$475,000) to come from donations of cash and in-kind contributions of materials, goods and services to be received by the Town as gifts, provided however, that no money shall be borrowed under this vote unless the following condition is met: that the Cohasset Sports Partnership will have raised a sum of at least Four Hundred Seventy-Five Thousand Dollars (\$475,000), and delivered in cash and documented paid receipts for goods, materials and services to the Town Manager, by December 31, 2010 it being the understanding of the Town that said Four Hundred Seventy-Five Thousand Dollars (\$475,000) in cash and in-kind contributions shall be given to the Town by the Cohasset Sports Partnership for this purpose.

Motion adopted by the required 2/3's.

ARTICLE 2: CITIZEN'S PETITION – WIND ENERGY CONVERSION FACILITY BYLAW AMENDMENT

The undersigned request that the following article be included in the warrant for the Special Town Meeting scheduled to be held in June 2009. The purpose of the article is to see if the Town will vote to amend Section 19, of the Cohasset Zoning Bylaws, the Town of Cohasset Wind Energy Conversion Facility Bylaw, inserting the following: All provisions of Section 19 and any other provisions of the Cohasset Zoning Bylaws which would allow an application for and consideration of a special permit for the placement and/or construction of one or more commercial wind turbines in Town shall cease in their effect and operation, as a whole and severable, upon passage of this paragraph by action of Town Meeting, such that no further special permits for the placement and/or construction of one or more commercial wind turbines in Town may be applied for by any person, partnerships, corporations, or other entity following the date of first public advertisement of the amendatory town meeting warrant article containing this paragraph.

<u>NAME</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>
Nathaniel Palmer	9 Little Harbor Road	Gary Cohen	27 Cedar Street
Vaughn Littlejohn	39 Hill Street	Jill Littlejohn	39 Hill Street
Melissa Schorr	27 Cedar Street	Jeffrey Patterson	10 Sanctuary Pond
James Huse	34 Cedar Acres Lane	Conrad Langenhagen	24 Sanctuary Pond
H. Shields Day, Jr.	96 Fair Oaks Lane	Nora Speer	100 Pond Street

ARTICLE 2: CITIZEN'S PETITION – WIND ENERGY CONVERSION FACILITY BYLAW

MOVED, that Section 19 of the Zoning Bylaws be amended by adding the following new Section 19.10:

All provisions of Section 19 and any other provisions of the Cohasset Zoning Bylaws which would allow an application for and consideration of a special permit for the placement and/or construction of one or more commercial wind turbines in Town shall cease in their effect and operation, as a whole and severable, upon passage of this paragraph by action of Town Meeting, such that no further special permits for the placement and/or construction of one or more commercial wind turbines in Town may be applied for by any person, partnerships, corporations, or other entity from the date of first notice of the Planning Board's public hearing, pursuant to M.G.L. c. 40A, Section 5, on the amendatory town meeting warrant article containing this paragraph until the earlier of the following: the effective date of any additional amendments to Section 19 or thirty five (35) days after the Cohasset Town Meeting to be held in Spring 2010. The purpose of this Section 19.10 is to allow the Town to consider further amendments to the Zoning Bylaws to improve the process by which wind energy conversion facilities are permitted in the Town.

Moved by Jeffrey Patterson that this meeting be adjourned to Monday, September 21, 2009 at 7 p.m. at the Cohasset High School Sullivan Gymnasium. Hand count was taken to adjourn - **Yes 113; No 134. Motion is defeated.**

Moved by Paul Carlson, Chairman of the Board of Selectmen that the article be indefinitely postponed.

Motion adopted.

It was moved and seconded that this Special Town Meeting be dissolved at 8:30 p.m.

A True Record, ATTEST:

**Marion L. Douglas
Town Clerk**