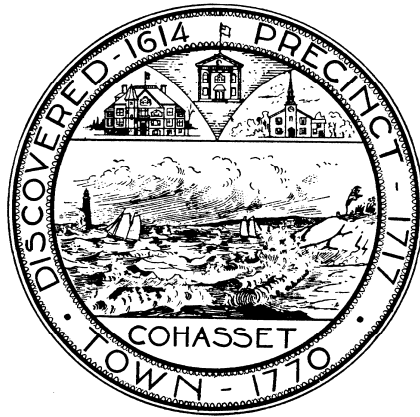


TOWN OF COHASSET

WARRANT



SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

Thursday, June 25, 2009

7:00 P.M.

**COHASSET HIGH SCHOOL
SULLIVAN GYMNASIUM
COHASSET, MASSACHUSETTS**

TOWN OF COHASSET

**WARRANT FOR SPECIAL TOWN MEETING
THURSDAY, JUNE 25, 2009**

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

NORFOLK, ss

To the Constables of the Town of Cohasset, in the County of Norfolk.

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Cohasset who are qualified to vote in Elections and Town Affairs to meet at the Cohasset High School Sullivan Gymnasium.

**THURSDAY, THE TWENTY FIFTH DAY OF JUNE, 2009
AT 7:00 O’CLOCK IN THE EVENING**

Then and there to act on the following article:

ARTICLE 1: TURF FIELD PROJECT

To see if the Town will vote to amend the vote taken pursuant to Article 13 of the November 17, 2008 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.

Board of Selectmen

INFORMATIONAL SUMMARY: Based on a projected project cost of \$1,050,000, the November 17, 2008 special town meeting authorized a \$500,000 town bond issue for the turf field project provided the Cohasset Sports Partnership fund raised and provided to the town the balance of \$550,000. Based upon the low bid for the project, the purpose of this article is to amend the funding requirement for the Cohasset Sports Partnership and allow the project to proceed. If the project’s \$25,000 contingency set-aside is not required in whole or in part to complete the project, the Town’s financial obligation for the project will also be reduced by that same amount.

Board of Selectmen: Recommendation Deferred Until Town Meeting
Advisory Committee: Recommendation Deferred Until Town Meeting

**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 Road
James Huse	34 Cedar Acres Lane	Conrad Langenhagen	24 Sanctuary Pond Road
H. Shields Day, Jr.	96 Fair Oaks Lane	Nora Speer	100 Pond Street

INFORMATIONAL SUMMARY PROVIDED BY THE PETITIONERS (as submitted by the petitioners): Section 19 of the Cohasset Zoning Bylaws, the Town of Cohasset Wind Energy Conversion Facility Bylaw, describes the criteria by which wind turbines are permissible. Passage of the article will sunset the existing bylaw, thereby suspending new permits for wind turbines, until which time a new bylaw is passed. The intent of this bylaw change, by the 100 citizens presenting it, is to upon passage work with the appropriate town bodies to develop a new bylaw which incorporates facts discovered during the public hearing and deliberation on the first application put before the Planning Board under the existing Wind Energy Conversion Facility Bylaw. Considerations include more specific guidance in the bylaw regarding safety, noise, flicker and visual impacts, as well as economic benefit to the Town and its residents. The objective of suspending the existing bylaw is to avoid the grandfathering of new applications during the period for which an amended bylaw is developed and brought forward to the Town. It is the considered opinion of these citizens that including a specific expiration date will be counterproductive to the expeditious redrafting of a new bylaw. Therefore, the proposed change will be in effect until a new bylaw is approved by the Town.

Board of Selectmen:	Recommendation Deferred Until Town Meeting
Advisory Committee:	Recommendation Deferred Until Town Meeting
Planning Board:	Recommendation Deferred Until Town Meeting

And you are directed to serve this Warrant by posting copies thereof, attested by you in writing, at the Post Office of the Town of Cohasset and in not less than five (5) other public places in the Town fourteen (14) days at least before the time appointed for in the meeting called for in this Warrant.

Whereof, fail not and make due return of this Warrant, indicating your method of service, and posting thereon, to the Clerk of the Town of Cohasset, on or before the time and place of the meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands this twenty eighth day of May in the year two thousand nine.



BOARD OF SELECTMEN

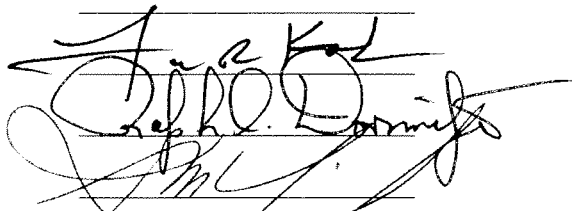
Paul Carlson, Chairman

Karen Quigley

Frederick R. Koed

Ralph S. Dormitzer

Edwin G. Carr



NORFOLK, ss

By virtue of the above Warrant, I hereby notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Cohasset, qualified to vote in elections and Town affairs, to meet at the time, place, and for the purposes therein mentioned.

ATTEST:

Maria A. Plante, Constable of Cohasset

TOWN MEETING PROCEDURES

Our Town Meeting is conducted in accordance with the Town Bylaws and traditions adopted in our Town Meetings over the years. Several matters of procedure are summarized below. Anyone with questions about procedure should see the Moderator, ideally prior to the start of the meeting.

- Discussion should be **courteous** and **respectful**, and should be confined to the subject under consideration. Sarcasm is generally not respectful, and the subject under consideration does not include the individuals involved in the debate. All questions should be directed to the Moderator, who will ask the appropriate person to respond. Under our Bylaws, no one may speak a second time on any subject for longer than five minutes, nor more than twice on any subject (except to correct an error or make an explanation), without permission of the Meeting.
- If you desire to speak, please rise and seek the attention of the Moderator. When recognized by the Moderator, please use a microphone and begin by stating your name and address.
- Persons who are not registered voters may be admitted to the meeting as **guests**. Guests must display the nametags provided and, except with the permission of the Moderator (denoted by a colored sticker on the nametag), must remain in the designated guest seating area. Guests may address the meeting with the permission of the Moderator.
- An **article** in the warrant describes the subject matter to be acted on by the Town Meeting. A **motion** is proposed action to be taken by the Meeting, and must be within the scope of the article (i.e., the motion must not go beyond the subject matter, dollar amounts, restrictiveness, etc., contemplated by the article). Articles will be acted on in the order in which they are published in the warrant unless the Meeting otherwise determines. On each article, the first main motion will be the Town Manager's (or citizen proponent's) proposed motion.
- All **motions** (including proposed amendments) should be **in writing** unless they are so brief and simple as to be easily understood orally. If you plan in advance to make a motion, please let the Moderator know before the meeting so any wording issues can be resolved smoothly.
- Votes will generally be taken first by voice vote. If the Moderator is in doubt as to the results or if seven voters stand to express doubt as to the result declared by the Moderator, a **hand count** will be taken. Voters wishing to participate in the hand count must be in designated seating areas.
- A **motion for the previous question**, if adopted, will be followed immediately by a vote on the pending question. The motion is not debatable and requires a two-thirds vote for adoption. The Moderator will not accept a motion for the previous question if both sides have not had a fair opportunity to be heard, and may allow voters who have sought recognition to speak to be heard prior to considering the motion. A person who **"moves the previous question"** may not accompany the motion with remarks on the.
- Only those who were on the winning side of a vote may move to reconsider that vote. A vote may not be reconsidered a second time or after a motion to reconsider it has failed. A vote adopted at one session of the town meeting may not be reconsidered at a later (adjourned) session of the meeting unless notice of the intended reconsideration is given at the session at which the vote was passed.
- A **quorum** for the transaction of business is **100**. Once a quorum is determined, the presence of a quorum is presumed unless a point of no quorum is raised and a count shows that a quorum is not present. A quorum is not required to adjourn or dissolve.

Daniel S. Evans, Moderator

COHASSET TOWN HALL, LIBRARY AND WATER DEPARTMENTS

TOWN HALL HOURS

Monday	8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.
Tuesday	8:30 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.
Wednesday	8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.
Thursday	8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.
Friday	8:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

TOWN HALL PHONE NUMBERS

Town Hall Fax Number:	1-781-383-0228
Board of Assessors	1-781-383-4114
Board of Health	1-781-383-4116
Board of Selectmen & Town Manager	1-781-383-4105
*Building Commissioner/Zoning Officer	1-781-383-4112
Conservation Commission	1-781-383-4119
Director of Finance/Town Accountant	1-781-383-4118
Greenbush/Engineering Office	1-781-383-3094
Planning Board	1-781-383-3517
Recreation Commission	1-781-383-4109
Sewer Commission	1-781-383-4108
Town Clerk	1-781-383-4100
Town Treasurer/Tax Collector	1-781-383-4102
Zoning Board of Appeals	1-781-383-4105

*Call for appointments on Monday and Friday

LIBRARY

Phone – 1-781-383-1348

HOURS

Monday & Tuesday	10:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.
Wednesday	10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Thursday	10:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.
Friday	10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Saturday	9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Sunday	2:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. (hours may vary)

WATER DEPARTMENT

Phone – 1-781-383-0057

HOURS - Monday – Friday 8:00 a.m. – 3:00 pm.

FOR MORE INFORMATION GO TO
www.townofcohasset.org

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