

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING TUESDAY, MAY 14TH, 2024 - 7:00 P.M. HARVARD TOWN HALL 13 AYER ROAD, HARVARD, MA, 01451

The Special Town Meeting of the Town of Harvard was convened at 7:06 PM in the Harvard Town Hall, 13 Ayer Road, with Town Moderator William Barton presiding, and a quorum of registered voters in attendance. The call of the meeting, and the return of service were found to be in order by Town Clerk, Rose Miranda.

The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance. Moderator Barton requested of the meeting that the Town allow the following non-voters to speak if necessary:

Timothy Bragan - Town Administrator Attorney Mark Lanza - Town Counsel Rose Miranda - Town Clerk Andrew Sammarco - Assistant Town Clerk

ARTICLE 1: PERMANENT WATER CONNECTION WITH DEVENS

(Two-Thirds Majority Vote Required)

To see if the Town will appropriate \$2,310,000 or any other amount, to pay costs of constructing a water main and booster station to provide a permanent water connection with Devens to supply water to the Town, and for the payment of all costs incidental and related thereto, to determine whether this amount shall be raised by borrowing or otherwise. (Inserted by Select Board)

On a motion by Charles Oliver, 14 Simon Atherton Row, Select Board and seconded,

I move the Town appropriate an additional \$2,310,000 to be added to and expended in conjunction with the funds appropriated at the February 13, 2023 Special Town Meeting, for the costs of the Harvard-Devens Water System Interconnection (Project No. DWSRF-7285) for making various water system improvements, including, but not limited to, (i) the construction of a new water system interconnection between the Town of Harvard and Devens water distribution systems; and (ii) an associated pumping system and chemical feed facility, and for the payment of all other costs

incidental and related thereto; b.) to meet this appropriation, authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Select Board to borrow said amount under the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 44, Sections 7 and 8, or any other enabling authority, and to issue bonds or notes of the Town therefor; c.) obtain all or any portion of this borrowing through the Massachusetts Clean Water Trust in accordance with Chapter 29c, as amended, of the General Laws; and d.) authorize the Chair of the Board of Water Commissioners, acting on behalf of the Select Board, the Town Treasurer and any other appropriate official of the Town to execute and deliver any and all agreements and other documents that may be required by said Trust, or by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts' Department of Environmental Protection in connection with any financing to be obtained through said Trust.

Vote on Article 1, Main Motion: Passed by Two-Thirds Majority

A motion was made by Moderator William Barton and seconded to adjourn the meeting to September 28, 2024 at 12:00PM. This motion passed by majority vote. Special Town Meeting was adjourned at 7:24PM.

Of the 4,721 registered voters in the Town of Harvard, 126 voters were checked-in to attend.

With much gratitude, we extend our great thanks to our incredible volunteers, Anton Chernoff, Peggy Chernoff and Deb Barton, who checked-in voters and provided exceptional logistical support at this meeting.

Respectfully submitted, Rose Miranda Town Clerk