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OFFICE OF THE TOWN COUNCIL

- AGENDA -

September 5, 2017 • Horace T. Cahill Auditorium, Town Hall • Starting Time: 7:30_{PM}

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/MOMENT OF SILENCE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- 067 16 Council President: A Lifeline for those concerned about a loved one's Addiction (MassBar) State Helpline 1-800-327-5050
- 067 17 Council President: Recognition –Robyn Houston-Bean & The Sun Will Rise Foundation
- 068 17 Council President: 23rd Annual Bizokas Scholarship Fund Golf Tournament, Fri Oct. 6th

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- July 11, 2017

COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORTS FROM THE MAYOR AND TOWN BOARDS

- 069 17 Councilor Kokoros: Traffic & Safety Committee update
- 070 17 Councilor Kokoros: Public Safety Committee update

OLD BUSINESS

- 17 049 Councilor Clifford: Property Tax Deferral Program or take up any action relative thereto (WITHDRAWN)
- 17 050 Mayor: Appointment – Commission on Disabilities - Mary Russo or take up any action relative thereto
- 17 052 Mayor: To Reduce the Property Tax Deferral Interest Rate for Seniors (Public Hearing)
- 17 053 Mayor: Request for Borrowing Authorization for School Building Project (Public Hearing)
- 17 054 Mayor: Request for the Establishment of the Braintree School Building Authority (BSBA) (Public Hearing)
- 17 057 Mayor: Acceptance of Mass. General Laws, Chapter 90, Section 17C or take up any action relative thereto (Public Hearing)

NEW BUSINESS

- 17 060 Town Clerk: Call to the Town Election November 7, 2017 (to be taken up on September 19th – Committee referral not required)

Refer to the Committee on Ordinance & Rules

- 060 17 Councilor Kokoros: Special Legislation for Police and Fire details to be exempt from retirement law or take up any action relative thereto

Refer to the Committee on Ways & Means

- 17 058 Mayor: Line Item Transfers to Fund Braintree Police Superior Officers' Association, MCOP Local 449 and Braintree Police Officers' Association, MCOP Local 356 Collective Bargaining Agreements or take up any action relative thereto
- 17 061 Councilor Mullaney: Request to Increase Mayor's Salary or take up any action relative thereto

Refer to the Committee on the Department of Public Works

- 17 059 Comcast Petition: Forbes Road or take up any action relative thereto

Refer to the Committee on Traffic & Safety

- 070 17 Council President: Truck Traffic - South Street or take up any action relative thereto

Topics the Chair does not reasonably anticipate will be discussed

UPCOMING MEETINGS:

Next Council Meeting will be held on: **TUESDAY, September 19, 2017@ 7:30pm**

ADJOURNMENT

A LIFELINE

for those concerned
about a loved one's

ADDICTION

Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 123, Section 35 permits individuals to petition the courts to involuntarily commit family members to an inpatient treatment program when their alcohol or drug use puts themselves or others at risk.

Get **FREE LEGAL ASSISTANCE**
with Section 35 petitions. Contact:
SECTION 35 HELPLINE*

(844) 843-6221

or

HelpUs@MassBar.org



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**The 'SECTION 35' HELPLINE is a project created by Massachusetts Bar Association President Robert W. Harnais to help friends and families who are struggling with a loved one's substance abuse. Callers will be referred to volunteer lawyers for assistance.*

The 23rd Annual
Deanna M. and Ralph A. Bizokas Jr.
Scholarship Fund Golf Tournament

When: Friday, October 6th, 2017
 6:45am check-in time --- 7:30 am Tee Time
Where: Ponkapoag Golf Course, Canton, Ma
Cost: \$150 --- includes coffee, lunch, catered dinner,
 tournament apparel, golf and carts, lots of fun and raffles

Please make checks (preferably for your full team) payable to

RAB Scholarship Fund

and mail to:

Michael Bizokas

19 Selwyn Rd

Braintree, Ma 02184

Feel free to contact Mike at

MikeyBiz@hotmail.com or call 781-223-7778

for more info



To all Team Captains

Last years teams have first preference. I need to hear from you ASAP if your team plans to play again this year. I will hold all previous years' teams' spots until September 19th. Please contact me by email or call and reserve a spot for your team. Payment arrangements can be made later. Once September 19th comes around I will start looking towards the waiting list to fill any spots for teams that I did not hear from.

Also, any help with sponsors or prizes that you or your team could supply would be greatly appreciated.

Thank you

Dear Supporter,

The 23rd Annual Deanna M. & Ralph A. Bizokas Jr. Scholarship Fund and Charity Golf Tournament is upon us once again. It will take place on October 6th, 2017, beginning at 7a.m. at the Ponkapoag Golf Club in Canton.



This year we have awarded two \$1000 Local 2222 IBEW AFL-CIO Scholarships in memory of Ralph and Deanna. Many more donations have also been made in their names. Charities like Pan-Mass Challenge, March of Dimes, American Cancer Relay for Life, Friends of Hospice, Out of the Darkness, and others have benefited from our supporters generous donations. In fact, over the course of 22 tournaments, well over \$250,000 has been donated or awarded in scholarships.

The tournament needs corporate and individual sponsorships in order to be successful. We have a number of tee/green sponsorships available at a cost of \$100 each. The sponsorship will result in your name being prominently displayed at a tee or green and at the reception. It will be seen by almost 150 golfers in attendance at the course and by another 100 or more people at the reception. As a tee/green sponsor you will receive a tournament gift and are cordially invited to attend the dinner following the tournament at the Braintree Sons of Italy Hall.

Raffle prizes are also needed for the tournament. Any type of donation, such as a gift certificate, golf accessory, sports memorabilia, etc. would be greatly appreciated.

All checks for sponsoring a hole should be made payable to *RAB Scholarship Fund* and mailed to *Charleene O'Donnell, 9 Harvest Lane, Hingham, MA, 02043.*



If you wish to become a sponsor, donate a gift, or need additional information please contact Michael Bizokas at (781)223-7778 or email MikeyBiz@hotmail.com.



Thank you in advance for your help and support.

The Bizokas Family and Friends

THANK YOU for becoming a sponsor of the
2017

Deanna M. & Ralph A. Bizokas Jr. Scholarship Fund Golf Tournament

Please fill in your name, address and email address. Also, in the large space at the bottom, please fill in whatever you would like listed on the sign that will appear at the golf course. You are also invited to attend the dinner at The Sons of Italy Hall in Braintree on Tournament Day. Please fill out the form below and mail it with your donation of \$100 payable to **RAB Scholarship Fund**

mail to:
Charleene O'Donnell
9 Harvest Lane
Hingham, Ma
02043



Name: _____

Address: _____

Email address: _____

Shirt Size - circle one - S M L XL XXL XXX

Attending reception: Yes _____ No _____

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JULY 11, 2017

MINUTES

The meeting of the Town Council, was held in the Cahill Auditorium, Braintree Town Hall, on Tuesday, July 11, 2017 beginning at 8:00p.m.

Council President Powers was in the chair.

Present: Sean Powers, President
Charles Ryan, Vice President
Paul Dan Clifford
Shannon Hume
John Mullaney
Michael Owens

Not Present: Thomas Bowes
Charles Kokoros
Stephen C. O'Brien

Also Present: James Arsenault, DPW Director
Bob Campbell, Town Engineer
Barbara Kelleher, National Grid Representative
R. Alan Rugman, Comcast Representative
Neil Carrol, Communication Construction Group for Comcast
Stephen Pugsley, resident
Katherine Pugsley, resident
Linda Kopkind, resident

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- 067 16 Council President: A Lifeline for those concerned about a loved one's Addiction (MassBar)
Councilor Kokoros gave information on the State Helpline 1-800-327-5050
- 036 17 Council President: 26th Anniversary Braintree Vietnam Veterans Memorial Golf Tournament,
Monday, August 28, 2017

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- June 20, 2017

Motion: by Councilor Ryan to Approve minutes of June 20, 2017

Second: by Councilor Hume

Vote: For (6), Against (0), Absent (3-Bowes, Kokoros, O'Brien), Abstain (0)

OLD BUSINESS

- **17 030 Comcast Petition: Wood Road or take up any action relative thereto**

Chairman Mullaney stated 17 030 was unanimously recommended for favorable action to the full Council.

MOTION read by Councilor Ryan:

To Approve Comcast request to install a conduit in the town's road and roadside along with necessary terminal location enclosures, fixtures, and appurtenances for the purpose of providing Comcast service as follows:

Comcast requests to open the roadway to a depth of 24" in order to install and maintain 2,275' of conduit along Wood Road servicing the following addresses; 115, 130, 140, 135, 150, 180,165,190,205,215,220,230,235,236,281,290,320,325,340,355,360.

BELD: Please see the below comments Comcast #17 030 Wood Road:

Approval with Conditions: Comcast to notify BELD of any utility conflicts or scope of work changes

DPW: 17-030- Wood Road, install and maintain approximately 2,275 feet of communications cable 24 inches deep in Wood Road, from the existing utility pole # 21 near building number 190 Wood Road, to the end of Wood Road, near building #360, in order to provide cable communication service to numbers 190, 205, 215, 220, 230, 235, 236, 281, 290, 320, 325, 340, 355 and 360 Wood Road. Wood Road is not under the moratorium, having been reconstructed to binder grade in 2010. We'd recommend that the proposed cable locations running through landscaped islands or close to utility poles be moved further into the pavement area and that the petition be granted under the normal conditions, with emphasis on the requirements that the cable be installed outside of the trenches of the water and sewer mains in service and that the trench pavement not be left low for any length of time; We also recommend that the following requirement be added to the permit, if it is to be granted:

"Neither Comcast nor any of its contractors is authorized to close any street or to close a direction of travel to facilitate their work without authorization from the Director of the Department of Public Works or the Highway Superintendent. The Chief of Police can also authorize a closure for a police or fire emergency. Construction zone traffic safety issues are to be addressed by using appropriate traffic control signs and devices and the use of police officers for traffic control to safely guide traffic through the work zone. If a closure is authorized by the DPW, it shall not be implemented until signs and police officers (where needed) are properly in place in conformity with the written plan prepared by the contractor's engineer and approved by the DPW and Police Department."

Motion: by Councilor Ryan

Second: by Councilor Hume

Vote: For (6), Against (0), Absent (3-Bowes, Kokoros, O'Brien)

- **17 032 Resident Petition: 66 Spruce Street or take up any action relative thereto**

Chairman Mullaney stated 17 032 was unanimously recommended for favorable action to the full Council.

The resident is doing a renovation to their house and explained the need to re-route the water line which now runs through the properties of neighbors and for the ability to hook up the water line in the front of their property and to change their current heating system to gas.

Councilor Mullaney stated the Committee on the Department of Public Works members care more about the residents than the rules in place. The rules should rarely be broken but when it is for the good of the people and the Town we should do it. One thing brought up is the residents of Spruce Street were never notified of the reconstructed street going in. Visiting the street it was noted the street was put in at the most economical way possible and divots appeared only 1 ½ years after the reconstruction of the street.

It was stated by National Grid and by the Town Engineer there needs to be two separate trenches with a trench dividing each and two separate contractors.

Councilor Hume stated we need to inform residents that this road work is going to be done. I support the resident in this. It is the Town's job to notify the residents.

Councilor Owens stated I will support this primarily because these residents were not notified well in advance and prior to their street being reconstructed in 2016. This is an issue. We need to properly notify residents. We do not want the burden on the residents. We need to fix the Town's notification process.

Councilor Ryan stated he is glad to see the roadways being done over. We need to protect the roadways. We need to think long and hard about letting anyone cut into a roadway but in this particular situation 66 Spruce Street prior notification was just before the job was to be started that said do not park on the street. We need to give the residents better notification. I spoke to the neighbors on Spruce Street and they were in support of the Pugsley's. They all signed a petition in support. I think this is extenuating circumstances. The main thing is because they were not notified.

Councilor Powers stated we need to give residents more than a year to be notified. If streets are on the list to be reconstructed and we have this list of what will be done in a 3 year timeframe all streets and residents should be notified three years in advance to make the financial decision if they want to do any hook ups to gas. There should not only be a reverse 9-1-1 call the night before saying do not park on the street because they will be repaving.

MOTION read by Councilor Ryan:

To Approve Resident Petition to install at 66 Spruce Street a water service lateral and a gas service lateral in Spruce Street to service house #66 Spruce Street and only repair trenches disturbed. Trenches are to be repaired by the party or contractor who disturbs such trench.

BELD: No underground electric utility conflicts or special requirements within the proposed scope of work.

DPW: To install at 66 Spruce Street a water service lateral and a gas service lateral in Spruce Street to service house number 66. Spruce Street is under the moratorium enacted by the Town in 2015 having been re-paved and microsurfaced in 2016. For transverse trenches in a Road resurfaced as Spruce Street was the moratorium is 5 years. Road openings may be made after 2021 without waiving the ordinance. Some of the statements in the petition need to be clarified: #1. The street was re-paved and then microsurfaced, not merely “sealcoated.” 2. The street has not been opened already. More asphalt was added and then infrared-heated to blend in with the adjacent surfaces in order to displace a puddle that had formed adjacent to two driveways. #4. The gas valve in front of the house has not sunk. It is low because it was not raised after the 2.5 to 3 inches of pavement were added in the re-paving. National Grid had been notified to raise it before the microsurface was paved but still has not raised it. Also in comment #4 the water and gas cannot be in the same trench as National Grid will be responsible for their trench and the contractor the property owner hires for the water service will be responsible for their trench. They can be within the same repair area but the trenches must be separated enough to identify the responsible party. Since the street is under the moratorium, I recommend that the petition not be granted. However, if the Council finds extenuating circumstances and there is no viable option to meet the resident’s needs without excavating the newly re-paved street, I would recommend that the petition for this road opening only be granted on the conditions that since Spruce Street is narrow and so recently repaved that, after maintaining the temporary trench through one winter but within one year of placement of the temporary trench repair, ***(This following statement is not required by Council)*** *the permanent repair be edge to edge in the roadway and at least 20 feet long centered between the two trenches and overlapping the edges by at least 5 feet, that any castings within the area be raised to final grade, and that surety in the amount of not less than \$2000 be put in place to guarantee the satisfactory completion of the repairs.*

We also recommend that the following requirement be added to the permit, if it is to be granted:

“Neither National Grid nor any contractor is authorized to close any street or to close a direction of travel to facilitate their work without authorization from the Director of the Department of Public Works or the Highway Superintendent. The Chief of Police can also authorize a closure for a police or fire emergency. Construction zone traffic safety issues are to be addressed by using appropriate traffic control signs and devices and the use of police officers for traffic control to safely guide traffic through the work zone. If a closure is authorized by the DPW, it shall not be implemented until signs and police officers (where needed) are properly in place in conformity with the written plan prepared by the contractor’s engineer and approved by the DPW and Police Department.”

Motion: by Councilor Ryan

Second: by Councilor Hume

Vote: For (6), Against (0), Absent (3-Bowes, Kokoros, O’Brien)

- **17 038 National Grid Petition: Bellevue Ave/Phillips St/Vernon St or take up any action relative thereto**

Chairman Mullaney stated 17 038 was unanimously recommended for favorable action to the full Council.

MOTION was read by Councilor Ryan:

To install and maintain approximately 390 feet more or less of 4 inch gas main in Bellevue Ave., Braintree. From the existing 2 inch gas main in Bellevue Ave. near Washington St. easterly to the end of main at Phillips St., approximately 195 feet more or less of 2 inch gas main in Phillips St. from the new 2 inch gas main in Bellevue Ave. to the end of main at house #6 Phillips St. and approximately 225 feet more or less of 2 inch gas main in Vernon St. from the new 2 inch gas main in Bellevue Ave. to the end of main at house #16 Vernon St. All of which to replace and abandon the 2 inch gas main in Bellevue Ave. and the 1.5 gas mains in Phillips St. and Vernon St

BELD: No underground electric utility conflicts or special requirements within the proposed scope of work

DPW: 17-038- Bellevue Ave., install and maintain approximately 390 feet of 2 inch gas main in Bellevue Ave., from the existing 2 inch main in Bellevue Ave. easterly to the end of the main gas main at Philips St., approximately 195 feet more or less of 2 inch gas main in Phillips St. from the new 2 inch gas main in Bellevue Ave. to the end of the main at # 6 Philips St. and approximately 225 feet more or less of 2 inch gas main in Vernon St. from the new 2 inch gas main in Bellevue Ave. to the end at #16 Vernon St.. All of which to replace and abandon the 2 inch main in Bellevue Ave. and the 1.5 inch gas mains in Phillips St. and Vernon St. These sections of Bellevue Ave., Phillips St., and Vernon St. are not under the moratorium. The streets have not been resurfaced in several years. Bellevue Ave and Phillips St. are scheduled to have a new water main installed this summer and we would recommend that the petition for all these sections be granted as soon as possible so that both the water main and gas main projects can be coordinated and completed in a timely manner. The petition should be granted under the normal conditions, with emphasis on the requirements that the gas main be laid outside of the proposed new water main trench and that the trench pavement not be left low for any length of time; we also recommend that the following requirement be added to the permit, if it is to be granted:

“Neither National Grid nor any of its contractors is authorized to close any street or to close a direction of travel to facilitate their work without authorization from the Director of the Department of Public Works or the Highway Superintendent. The Chief of Police can also authorize a closure for a police or fire emergency. Construction zone traffic safety issues are to be addressed by using appropriate traffic control signs and devices and the use of police officers for traffic control to safely guide traffic through the work zone. If a closure is authorized by the DPW, it shall not be implemented until signs and police officers (where needed) are properly in place in conformity with the written plan prepared by the contractor’s engineer and approved by the DPW and Police Department.”

Motion: by Councilor Ryan

Second: by Councilor Hume

Vote: For (6), Against (0), Absent (3-Bowes, Kokoros, O’Brien)

- **17 039 National Grid Petition: Commercial St/Bower Rd/John Paul Cir or take up any action relative thereto**

Chairman Mullaney stated there was a recommendation on 17 039 to TABLE. We believe another meeting with National Grid we should be able to work this out.

MOTION read by Councilor Ryan:

To install and maintain approximately 1795 feet more or less of 4 inch gas main in Commercial St., Braintree. From the Quincy Town Line to the end of main near house #675, approximately 217 feet more or less of 2 inch gas main in Bower Rd., from the new 4 inch gas main in Commercial St. to the end of main at Rogers Cir. and approximately 250 feet more or less of 2 inch gas main in John Paul Cir. from the new 4 inch gas main in Commercial St. to the end of main at house #12. All of which to replace and abandon the 3 inch gas main in Commercial St., and the 4 inch gas mains in Bower Rd. and John Paul Cir.

BELD: No underground electric utility conflicts or special requirements within the proposed scope of work.

DPW: Commercial Street, install and maintain approximately 1795 feet of 4 inch gas main in Commercial Street, from the Quincy Town Line to the end of the main near house #675, approximately 217 feet more or less of 2 inch gas main in Bower Road, from the new 4 inch gas main in Commercial Street to the end of the main at Rogers Circle and approximately 250 more or less of 2 inch gas main in John Paul Circle from the new 4 inch gas main in Commercial Street to the end of the main at house #12. All of which to replace and abandon the 3 inch gas main in commercial Street and the 4" gas mains in Bower Road and John Paul Circle. This section of Commercial Street is not under the moratorium. The street has not been resurfaced in several years. Commercial Street is scheduled to have a new water main installed this summer and we would recommend that the petition for this section is granted as soon as possible so that both the water main and gas main projects can be coordinated and completed in a timely manner. This section of John Paul Circle is not under the moratorium. The petitions should be granted for Commercial Street and John Paul Circle under the normal conditions, with emphasis on the requirements that the gas main is laid outside of the proposed new water main trench and that the trench pavement not be left low for any length of time. This section of Bower Road is under the new ordinance. We would recommend that the petition not be granted. However if the Council finds extenuating circumstances warranting approval, in addition to the standard conditions, that the approval be conditioned upon the petitioner, after maintaining the trenches through one full winter but within one year of the temporary trench repair, mill and overlay the full width of each street for the full length of the excavation along the road plus 25 feet on each end, replacing any pavement markings in kind, repairing or replacing curbs and sidewalk areas disturbed each to the satisfaction of the Highway Superintendent and infrared treatment of seams at the discretion of the Highway Superintendent, that the gas main be laid outside of the trench of the water and sewer mains in service and that the trench pavement not be left low for any length of time; We also recommend that the following requirement be added to the permit, if it is to be granted:

“Neither National Grid nor any of its contractors is authorized to close any street or to close a direction of travel to facilitate their work without authorization from the Director of the Department of Public Works or the Highway Superintendent. The Chief of Police can also authorize a closure for

a police or fire emergency. Construction zone traffic safety issues are to be addressed by using appropriate traffic control signs and devices and the use of police officers for traffic control to safely guide traffic through the work zone. If a closure is authorized by the DPW, it shall not be implemented until signs and police officers (where needed) are properly in place in conformity with the written plan prepared by the contractor's engineer and approved by the DPW and Police Department."

Motion: by Councilor Ryan to TABLE due to Bower Road being under the moratorium

Second: by Councilor Hume

Vote: For (6), Against (0), Absent (3-Bowes, Kokoros, O'Brien)

- **17 040 National Grid Petition: Hemlock Street or take up any action relative thereto**

Chairman Mullaney stated 17 040 was unanimously recommended for favorable action to the full Council.

MOTION read by Councilor Ryan:

To install and maintain approximately 290 feet more or less of 2 inch gas main in Hemlock St., Braintree. From the existing 4 inch gas main in Grove St. southerly to the existing 2 inch gas main in Hemlock St. at house #20. All of which to replace and abandon the 2 inch gas main in Hemlock St.

BELD: No underground electric utility conflicts or special requirements within the proposed scope of work.

DPW: Hemlock Street, install and maintain approximately 290 feet of 2 inch gas main in Hemlock Street., from the existing 4 inch main in Grove Street southerly to the existing 2 inch gas main in Hemlock Street at house #20. All of which to replace and abandon the 2" main in Hemlock Street. This section of Hemlock Street is not under the moratorium. The street has not been resurfaced in several years. Hemlock Street is scheduled to have a new water main installed this summer and we would recommend that the petition for this section is granted as soon as possible so that both the water main and gas main projects can be coordinated and completed in a timely manner. The petition should be granted under the normal conditions, with emphasis on the requirements that the gas main be laid outside of the proposed new water main trench and that the trench pavement not be left low for any length of time; There is also a portion of the work to be completed within the State layout of Grove Street that will need to be approved by MassDOT we also recommend that the following requirement be added to the permit, if it is to be granted:

"Neither National Grid nor any of its contractors is authorized to close any street or to close a direction of travel to facilitate their work without authorization from the Director of the Department of Public Works or the Highway Superintendent. The Chief of Police can also authorize a closure for a police or fire emergency. Construction zone traffic safety issues are to be addressed by using appropriate traffic control signs and devices and the use of police officers for traffic control to safely guide traffic through the work zone. If a closure is authorized by the DPW, it shall not be implemented until signs and police officers (where needed) are properly in place in conformity with the written plan prepared by the contractor's engineer and approved by the DPW and Police Department."

Motion: by Councilor Ryan
Second: by Councilor Hume
Vote: For (6), Against (0), Absent (3-Bowes, Kokoros, O'Brien)

- **17 041 National Grid Petition: Hickory Road or take up any action relative thereto**
Chairman Mullaney stated 17 041 was unanimously recommended for favorable action to the full Council.

MOTION read by Councilor Ryan:

To install and maintain approximately 545 feet more or less of 2 inch gas main in Hickory Rd., Braintree. From the existing 2 inch gas main at Liberty St. northerly to the end of main at house #33 Hickory Rd. All of which to replace and abandon the 2 inch gas main in Hickory Rd.

BELD: Hickory Road: BELD has a 13,800 volt underground system on the road. This is a concrete encased duct bank to be identified through the Dig safe process.

DPW: Hickory Road, install and maintain approximately 545 feet of 2 inch gas main in Hickory Road, from the existing 2 inch main in Liberty Street northerly to the end of the main at house #33 Hickory Rd. All of which to replace and abandon the 2" main in Hickory Road. This section of Hickory Road is not under the moratorium. The street has not been resurfaced in several years. Hickory Road is scheduled to have a new water main installed this summer and we would recommend that the petition for this section is granted as soon as possible so that both the water main and gas main projects can be coordinated and completed in a timely manner. The petition should be granted under the normal conditions, with emphasis on the requirements that the gas main be laid outside of the proposed new water main trench and that the trench pavement not be left low for any length of time; we also recommend that the following requirement be added to the permit, if it is to be granted:

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Motion: by Councilor Ryan
Second: by Councilor Hume
Vote: For (6), Against (0), Absent (3-Bowes, Kokoros, O'Brien)

- **17 042 National Grid Petition: Pearl Street or take up any action relative thereto**

Chairman Mullaney stated 17 042 was unanimously recommended for favorable action to the full Council.

MOTION read by Councilor Ryan:

To install and maintain approximately 2960 feet more or less of 4 inch gas main in Pearl St., Braintree. From the existing 3 inch gas main at #268 Pearl St. easterly to the existing gas main in Liberty St. All of which to replace and abandon the 3 inch and 4 inch gas mains in Pearl St.

BELD: Pearl Street: Please note, BELD has an 115,000 volt oil filled transmission line located on Pearl St... BELD Engineering should be notified in advance of any excavation to be performed in close proximity to this line. BELD will provide onsite support and safety personnel at no cost to the project. BELD also has a 13,800 volt underground system on the road. This is a concrete encased duct bank to be identified through the Dig safe process.

DPW: Pearl Street, install and maintain approximately 2960 feet of 4 inch gas main in Pearl Street, from the existing 3 inch main at #268 Pearl Street easterly to the existing gas main in Liberty Street. All of which to replace and abandon the 3 inch and 4 inch mains in Pearl Street. This section of Pearl Street is not under the moratorium. The street has not been resurfaced in several years. Pearl Street is scheduled to have a new water main installed this summer and we would recommend that the petition for this section is granted as soon as possible so that both the water main and gas main projects can be coordinated and completed in a timely manner. The petition should be granted under the normal conditions, with emphasis on the requirements that the gas main be laid outside of the proposed new water main trench and that the trench pavement not be left low for any length of time; we also recommend that the following requirement be added to the permit, if it is to be granted:

“Neither National Grid nor any of its contractors is authorized to close any street or to close a direction of travel to facilitate their work without authorization from the Director of the Department of Public Works or the Highway Superintendent. The Chief of Police can also authorize a closure for a police or fire emergency. Construction zone traffic safety issues are to be addressed by using appropriate traffic control signs and devices and the use of police officers for traffic control to safely guide traffic through the work zone. If a closure is authorized by the DPW, it shall not be implemented until signs and police officers (where needed) are properly in place in conformity with the written plan prepared by the contractor’s engineer and approved by the DPW and Police Department.”

Motion: by Councilor Ryan

Second: by Councilor Hume

Vote: For (6), Against (0), Absent (3-Bowes, Kokoros, O’Brien)

- **17 043 National Grid Petition: Plymouth Road or take up any action relative thereto**
Chairman Mullaney stated 17 043 was WITHDRAWN by National Grid. This subcommittee recommends this petition be TABLED.

MOTION: To install and maintain approximately 265 feet more or less of 2 inch gas main in Plymouth Rd., Braintree. From Washington St. westerly to the end of main at house #22. All of which to replace and abandon the 1.5 inch gas main in Plymouth Rd.

BELD: No underground electric utility conflicts or special requirements within the proposed scope of work.

DPW: Plymouth Road, to install and maintain approximately 265 feet of 2 inch gas main in Plymouth Rd., from Washington Street westerly to the end of the gas main at house #22. All which is to replace and abandon the 1.5 inch gas main in Plymouth Road. Plymouth Road was reconstructed in 2014. Streets completed in 2014 are under the 5-year moratorium that pre-dates the current ordinance. Since the street is under the moratorium, we recommend that the petition not be granted. However, if the Council finds extenuating circumstances we would recommend that the trenches be permanently paved with 2 ½" of binder and 1 ½" of top course, then the following year the street is to be milled and paved curb to curb the entire length with 1 ½" of bituminous concrete. There is also a portion of the work to be completed within the State layout of Washington Street that will need to be approved by MassDOT. We would also recommend that the following requirement be added to the permit, if it is to be granted:

"Neither National Grid nor any of its contractors is authorized to close any street or to close a direction of travel to facilitate their work without authorization from the Director of the Department of Public Works or the Highway Superintendent. The Chief of Police can also authorize a closure for a police or fire emergency. Construction zone traffic safety issues are to be addressed by using appropriate traffic control signs and devices and the use of police officers for traffic control to safely guide traffic through the work zone. If a closure is authorized by the DPW, it shall not be implemented until signs and police officers (where needed) are properly in place in conformity with the written plan prepared by the contractor's engineer and approved by the DPW and Police Department."

Motion: by Councilor Ryan to TABLE 17 043

Second: by Councilor Hume

Vote: For (6), Against (0), Absent (3-Bowes, Kokoros, O'Brien)

- **17 044 National Grid Petition: Celia Road/Moreland Ave or take up any action relative thereto**
Chairman Mullaney stated 17 044 was WITHDRAWN by National Grid. This subcommittee recommends this petition be TABLED.

MOTION read by Councilor Ryan:

To install and maintain approximately 570 feet more or less of 2 inch gas main in Celia Rd., Braintree. From the existing 2 inch gas main near house #59 to Moreland Ave. and approximately 325 feet more or less of 2 inch gas main in Moreland Ave. from Celia Rd. to the existing 6 inch gas main in

Peach St. All of which to replace and abandon the existing 2 inch gas mains in Celia Rd. and Moreland Ave.

BELD: No underground electric utility conflicts or special requirements within the proposed scope of work

DPW: To install and maintain approximately 570 feet of 2 inch gas main in Celia Road, from the existing 2 inch main near house #59 to Moreland Ave, and approximately 325 feet of 2 inch gas main in Moreland Avenue, from Celia Road to the existing 6 inch gas main in Peach Street, all to replace the existing 2 inch gas mains in Celia Road and Moreland Avenue, which would be taken out of service but left in place. Both streets were totally reconstructed this year and so are under the moratorium enacted by the Town in 2015. As such, we recommend that the petition be denied, but if the Council finds extenuating circumstances warranting approval, in addition to the standard conditions, that the approval be conditioned upon the petitioner, after maintaining the trenches through one full winter but within one year of the temporary trench repair, mill and overlay the full width of each street for the full length of the excavation along the road plus 25 feet on each end, replacing any pavement markings in kind, repairing or replacing curbs and sidewalk areas disturbed each to the satisfaction of the Highway Superintendent and infrared treatment of seams at the discretion of the Highway Superintendent, that the gas main be laid outside of the trench of the water and sewer mains in service and that the trench pavement not be left low for any length of time; We also recommend that the following requirement be added to the permit, if it is to be granted:

“Neither National Grid nor any contractor is authorized to close any street or to close a direction of travel to facilitate their work without authorization from the Director of the Department of Public Works or the Highway Superintendent. The Chief of Police can also authorize a closure for a police or fire emergency. Construction zone traffic safety issues are to be addressed by using appropriate traffic control signs and devices and the use of police officers for traffic control to safely guide traffic through the work zone. If a closure is authorized by the DPW, it shall not be implemented until signs and police officers (where needed) are properly in place in conformity with the written plan prepared by the contractor’s engineer and approved by the DPW and Police Department.”

Motion: by Councilor Ryan to TABLE

Second: by Councilor Hume

Vote: For (6), Against (0), Absent (3-Bowes, Kokoros, O’Brien)

- **17 045 National Grid Petition: Hancock Street or take up any action relative thereto**

Chairman Mullaney stated 17 045 was unanimously recommended for favorable action to the full Council.

MOTION read by Councilor Ryan:

To install and maintain approximately 1050 feet more or less of 6 inch gas main in Hancock St., Braintree. From the existing at #125 Hancock St. southerly to the existing 4 inch gas main near the intersection of Hancock St., Washington St. and Plain St. All of which to replace and abandon the 4 inch and 3 inch gas mains in Hancock St.

BELD: Hancock Street: BELD has a 13,800 volt underground system on the road crossing Washington St and Plain St. This is a concrete encased duct bank to be identified through the Dig safe process.

DPW: Hancock Street, install and maintain approximately 1050 feet of 6 inch gas main in Hancock Street, from the existing at #125 Hancock Street southerly to the existing 4 inch gas main near the intersection of Hancock St., Washington St. and Plain St. All of which to replace and abandon the 4 inch and 3 inch mains in Hancock Street. This section of Hancock Street is not under the moratorium. The street has not been resurfaced in several years. Hancock Street had a new water main installed this summer and we would recommend that the petition for this section be granted as soon as possible so that both the water main and gas main projects can be coordinated and completed in a timely manner. The petition should be granted under the normal conditions, with emphasis on the requirements that the gas main be laid outside of the new water main trenches and that the trench pavement not be left low for any length of time. There is also a portion of the work to be completed within the State's part of the layout of Hancock Street that will need to be approved by MassDOT; we also recommend that the following requirement be added to the permit, if it is to be granted:

“Neither National Grid nor any of its contractors is authorized to close any street or to close a direction of travel to facilitate their work without authorization from the Director of the Department of Public Works or the Highway Superintendent. The Chief of Police can also authorize a closure for a police or fire emergency. Construction zone traffic safety issues are to be addressed by using appropriate traffic control signs and devices and the use of police officers for traffic control to safely guide traffic through the work zone. If a closure is authorized by the DPW, it shall not be implemented until signs and police officers (where needed) are properly in place in conformity with the written plan prepared by the contractor's engineer and approved by the DPW and Police Department.”

Motion: by Councilor Ryan

Second: by Councilor Hume

Vote: For (6), Against (0), Absent (3-Bowes, Kokoros, O'Brien)

- **17 046 National Grid Petition: Washington Street or take up any action relative thereto**

Chairman Mullaney stated 17 046 was unanimously recommended for favorable action to the full Council.

MOTION read by Councilor Ryan:

To install and maintain approximately 320 feet more or less of 2 inch gas main in Washington St., Braintree. From the existing 2 inch gas main at Jefferson St. southerly to the existing gas main at the intersection of Hancock Ave. All of which to replace and abandon the 2 inch gas main in Washington St.

BELD: Washington Street: BELD has a 13,800 volt underground system on the road. This is a concrete encased duct bank to be identified through the Dig safe process.

DPW: Washington St, install and maintain approximately 320 feet of 2 inch gas main from the existing 2 inch main at Jefferson St southerly to the existing gas main at Hancock Av to replace the existing main in Washington Street which will be taken out of service but left in place. This section of Washington Street is State Highway that has not been resurfaced recently and so is not under the moratorium. As such, we recommend that if the State allows the excavation the petition be granted under normal conditions, with emphasis on the requirements that the gas main be laid outside of the trench of the water and sewer mains in service and that the trench pavement not be left low for any length of time; We also recommend that the following requirement be added to the permit, if it is to be granted:

“Neither National Grid nor any of its contractors is authorized to close any street or to close a direction of travel to facilitate their work without authorization from the Director of the Department of Public Works or the Highway Superintendent. The Chief of Police can also authorize a closure for a police or fire emergency. Construction zone traffic safety issues are to be addressed by using appropriate traffic control signs and devices and the use of police officers for traffic control to safely guide traffic through the work zone. If a closure is authorized by the DPW, it shall not be implemented until signs and police officers (where needed) are properly in place in conformity with the written plan prepared by the contractor’s engineer and approved by the DPW and Police Department.”

Motion: by Councilor Ryan

Second: by Councilor Hume

Vote: For (6), Against (0), Absent (3-Bowes, Kokoros, O’Brien)

- **17 047 National Grid Petition: Commercial Street/Holden Rd or take up any action relative thereto**

Chairman Mullaney stated 17 047 was WITHDRAWN by National Grid. This subcommittee recommends this petition be TABLED.

MOTION read by Councilor Ryan:

To install and maintain approximately 970 feet more or less of 4 inch gas main in Commercial Street, Braintree. From the existing 2inch at Elm St.to the existing 2 inch gas main at house #485 and on Holden Rd from the new 4 inch gas main in Commercial St.to the end of main at #38. All of which to replace and abandon the 2 inch gas main in Commercial St., and the 2 inch gas main in Holden Rd.

BELD: No underground electric utility conflicts or special requirements within the proposed scope of work.

DPW: Commercial Street, install and maintain approximately 970 feet of 4 inch gas main in Commercial Street, from the existing 2 inch at Elm Street to the existing 2 inch gas main at house #485, and approximately 250 of 2 inch gas main in Holden Road from the new 4 inch gas main in Commercial Street to the end of the main at house #38, all of which to replace and abandon the 2 inch gas mains in Commercial Street and Holden Road. The short section of Commercial St, from Elm and Hayward Streets to house #550 was milled and overlaid in 2015 and Holden Rd was shimmed and micro-surfaced in 2015 so both sections remain under moratorium. As such, we recommend that the petition for those sections be denied, but if the Council finds extenuating circumstances

warranting approval, in addition to the standard conditions, we'd recommend that the approval be conditioned upon the petitioner, after maintaining the trenches through one full winter but within one year of the temporary trench repair, mill and overlay the full width of each street for the full length of the excavation along the road plus 25 feet on each end, replacing any pavement markings in kind, repairing or replacing curbs and sidewalk areas disturbed each to the satisfaction of the Highway Superintendent and infrared treatment of seams at the discretion of the Highway Superintendent, that the gas main be laid outside of the trench of the water and sewer mains in service and that the trench pavement not be left low for any length of time. The balance of the work area, from #550 to #485 Commercial St is not under any moratorium. The Town plans to install a new water main through this section extending to Front Street in 2019 and pave the top on the road in 2020, so we would like National Grid's work to be done as soon as possible so the gas and water work are not being done at the same time and so that there is at least a year of normalcy before our 1 ½ to 2 year construction project there begins. That general area has been subjected to protracted periods of construction over the past several years and we are very sensitive to any additional protracted inconvenience. In fact, our water project had been scheduled for this year but we pushed it back for that reason. We recommend that the petition for this section of Commercial Street be granted under the normal conditions, with emphasis on the requirements that the gas main is laid outside of the proposed new water main trench and that the trench pavement not be left low for any length of time. We also recommend that the following requirement be added to the permit, if it is to be granted:

"Neither National Grid nor any of its contractors is authorized to close any street or to close a direction of travel to facilitate their work without authorization from the Director of the Department of Public Works or the Highway Superintendent. The Chief of Police can also authorize a closure for a police or fire emergency. Construction zone traffic safety issues are to be addressed by using appropriate traffic control signs and devices and the use of police officers for traffic control to safely guide traffic through the work zone. If a closure is authorized by the DPW, it shall not be implemented until signs and police officers (where needed) are properly in place in conformity with the written plan prepared by the contractor's engineer and approved by the DPW and Police Department."

Motion: by Councilor Ryan to TABLE

Second: by Councilor Hume

Vote: For (6), Against (0), Absent (3-Bowes, Kokoros, O'Brien)

- **17 048 National Grid Petition: Vinedale Road/Audubon Ave or take up any action relative thereto**
Chairman Mullaney stated 17 048 was unanimously recommended for favorable action to the full Council.

MOTION: To install and maintain approximately 450 feet more or less of 2 inch gas main in Vinedale Rd., Braintree. From the existing 2 inch gas main near Arborway Dr. northerly to the existing gas main near Trefton Dr., and approximately 290 feet more or less of 2 inch gas main in Audubon Ave. from the end of main at house #151 to the end of main at house #182. All of which to replace and abandon the 1.5 inch gas main and the 2 inch gas main in Vinedale Rd. and Audubon Ave.

BELD: Vinedale Road/Audubon Ave: Please note, BELD has an 115,000 volt oil filled transmission line located on Vinedale Road. BELD Engineering should be notified in advance of any excavation to be performed in close proximity to this line. BELD will provide onsite support and safety personnel at no cost to the project.

Audubon Ave: No underground electric utility conflicts or special requirements within the proposed scope of work

DPW: Vinedale Road, install and maintain approximately 450 feet of 2 inch gas main in Vinedale Road, from the existing 2 inch gas main near Arborway Drive northerly to the existing gas main near Trefton Drive, and approximately 290 more or less of 2 inch gas main in Audubon Avenue from the end of the main at house #151 to the end of the main at house #182. All of which is to replace and abandon the 1.5 inch gas main in Vinedale Road and Audubon Avenue. Vinedale Road and Audubon Avenue are not under the moratorium. We'd recommend that the petition be granted under the normal conditions, with emphasis on the requirements that the gas main be laid outside of the trench of the water mains in service and that the trench pavement not be left low for any length of time; We also recommend that the following requirement be added to the permit, if it is to be granted:

"Neither National Grid nor any of its contractors is authorized to close any street or to close a direction of travel to facilitate their work without authorization from the Director of the Department of Public Works or the Highway Superintendent. The Chief of Police can also authorize a closure for a police or fire emergency. Construction zone traffic safety issues are to be addressed by using appropriate traffic control signs and devices and the use of police officers for traffic control to safely guide traffic through the work zone. If a closure is authorized by the DPW, it shall not be implemented until signs and police officers (where needed) are properly in place in conformity with the written plan prepared by the contractor's engineer and approved by the DPW and Police Department."

Motion: by Councilor Ryan

Second: by Councilor Hume

Vote: For (6), Against (0), Absent (3-Bowes, Kokoros, O'Brien)

NEW BUSINESS

- None

Councilor Ryan read the following Motions for referrals to committee:

Refer to the Committee of Ways & Means

- 17 049 Councilor Clifford: Property Tax Deferral Program take up any action relative thereto

Motion to refer Order 17 049 to the Committee of Ways & Means:

Motion: by Councilor Ryan

Second: by Councilor Hume

Vote: For (6), Against (0), Absent (3-Bowes, Kokoros, O'Brien)

ADJOURNMENT

It was unanimously voted to adjourn the meeting at 8:57 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan M. Cimino
Clerk of the Council

Documents provided for Meeting

- 17 030 Comcast Petition: Wood Road or take up any action relative thereto
- 17 032 Resident Petition: 66 Spruce Street or take up any action relative thereto
- 17 038 National Grid Petition: Bellevue Ave/Phillips St/Vernon St or take up any action relative thereto
- 17 039 National Grid Petition: Commercial St/Bower Rd/John Paul Cir or take up any action relative thereto
- 17 040 National Grid Petition: Hemlock Street or take up any action relative thereto
- 17 041 National Grid Petition: Hickory Road or take up any action relative thereto
- 17 042 National Grid Petition: Pearl Street or take up any action relative thereto
- 17 043 National Grid Petition: Plymouth Road or take up any action relative thereto
- 17 044 National Grid Petition: Celia Road/Moreland Ave or take up any action relative thereto
- 17 045 National Grid Petition: Hancock Street or take up any action relative thereto
- 17 046 National Grid Petition: Washington Street or take up any action relative thereto
- 17 047 National Grid Petition: Commercial Street/Holden Rd or take up any action relative thereto
- 17 048 National Grid Petition: Vinedale Road/Audubon Ave or take up any action relative thereto



Office of the Mayor
One JFK Memorial Drive
Braintree, Massachusetts 02184

Joseph C. Sullivan
Mayor

781-794-8100

August 9, 2017

To: Sean E. Powers, Council President

From: Joseph C. Sullivan, Mayor

JCS

Re: Appointment to the Commission on Disabilities

Cc: Town Clerk
Clerk of the Council
Kristen Zechello, ADA Coordinator
Mary Russo

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In accordance with authority vested in me by Section 3-3 of the Charter of the Town of Braintree, I hereby appoint Mary Russo of 108 Louise Road to the Commission on Disabilities.

Attachments: Russo resume

Mary Russo

617-610-5713 | 108 Louise Road Braintree MA 02184 | MEDI1604@aol.com

EDUCATION

Quincy High School, Quincy, MA
Diploma, 1978

RELATED EXPERIENCE

Braintree Public Schools, Braintree, MA

September 2011-Current

Bus Monitor

- Develop meaningful and trusting relationships with students with special needs and their families
- Maintain a safe environment for students through buckling seatbelts and securing wheelchairs
- Attend in-service meetings for additional training

State Street Bank

1978-1988

Support Services Supervisor

- Managed staff of six
- Balanced customer accounts
- Conducted yearly staff reviews

VOLUNTEER WORK

Animal Rescue Volunteer

August 2013-Current

- Assist animal rescue leagues to promote awareness
- Help with the adoption process for cats and dogs

Beautify Braintree

May 2017

Participant

- Cleaned grounds at Sunset Lake and other areas in Braintree

Super Saturdays

April 2017

Participant

- Raised funds to support individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities
- Participated in three mile walk

Morrison Elementary School Jingle Jaunt

December 2016

Participant

- Raised funds for the school
- Participated in three mile walk

SKILLS AND CERTIFICATIONS

Certifications

- CPR
- First Aid



#17-052

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Joseph C. Sullivan
Mayor

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To: Sean Powers, President of the Council
Susan Cimino, Clerk of the Council
James Casey, Town Clerk
Cc: Edward Spellman, Director of Municipal Finance
Joseph Reynolds, Chief of Staff and Director of Operations
Board of Assessors

From: Joseph C. Sullivan, Mayor

JCS

Date: August 9, 2017

RE: To Reduce the Property Tax Deferral Interest Rate for Seniors

Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 59, Section 5, Clause 41A, allows for *qualifying seniors to be allowed to defer the payment of their property taxes to a future date. The current statutory interest rate for the property tax deferral is at 8%, this is one half of the current tax title interest rate of 16%. Communities at local option may vote to lower this interest rate charged on deferred tax to an amount lower than 8%.

This action has the support of the Board of Assessors to reduce the interest rate from 8% to 4% effective July 1, 2017.

***Qualifications for the program:**

- Applicant must be at least 65 years on July 1
- Applicant must occupy the property as his or her domicile on July 1 and must have been domiciled in Massachusetts for preceding 10 years
- Applicant must be the sole owner of property or jointly
- Property may not be owned in whole or part by a business
- If property is held in trust the applicant must be the trustee

MOTION:

That the town reduce the rate of interest that accrues on property taxes deferred by eligible seniors under G.L. c. 59, § 5, Clause 41A from 8% to 4%, with such reduced rate to apply to taxes assessed for any fiscal year beginning on or after July 1, 2017.

This request requires advertising and a public hearing is required under the sections 2-9 of the Town Charter.

#17-053



Office of the Mayor

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Braintree, Massachusetts 02184

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Joseph C. Sullivan
Mayor

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To: Sean E. Powers, President of the Council
Susan Cimino, Clerk of the Council
James Casey, Town Clerk

From: Joseph C. Sullivan, Mayor

Cc: Joseph Reynolds, Chief of Staff and Director of Operations
Edward Spellman, Director of Municipal Finance

Date: August 9, 2017

RE: Request for Borrowing Authorization for School Building Project

I am pleased to report that the Massachusetts School Building Authority ("MSBA") recently approved our project to make substantial renovations and an addition to the East Middle School. The project consists of renovating most of the existing building. The elevated walkway around the back will be removed and a substantial buildout of additional classrooms be created, as well as a second gymnasium. This significant addition / upgrade will accommodate our 5th graders adjustment to middle school. The total project is expected to cost \$83.4 million of which the MSBA has committed to reimbursing the Town at least 57.98% of eligible costs. According to MSBA guidelines the Town is required to authorize the full amount of the project, and the MSBA will reimburse the Town for its share.

At this time, I am requesting that the Town Council vote to authorize the Town to borrow the full \$83.4 million for the project, with the understanding that the amount borrowed will be reduced by reimbursements received from the MSBA. A motion approving the bond authorization is attached hereto. As you are aware, we are able to accomplish this work without an override or debt exclusion request of the community. With proper planning and our financial strength we are able to incorporate this work within our existing budgetary allotments.

Please be advised that, pursuant to Section 2-9 of the Town's Charter, this borrowing authorization must be published in a newspaper at least 10 days before its

final passage. Also, Section 6-7 of the Charter requires that the Town Council conduct a public hearing on this request, with notice of the public hearing being advertised 7 to 14 days prior to the date set for the public hearing. One advertisement covering both the amount of the appropriation order and notice of the public hearing will suffice.

Finally, this authorization requires an initial reading before the matter is referred to a subcommittee for recommendation. Your cooperation is appreciated by conducting the initial reading of this matter at your meeting on August 15 and conducting the public hearing on September 5.

Thank you for your continued support on this very important project.

Since these requests involve the appropriation of funds within the fiscal year 2018 budget, advertising and a public hearing is required under the sections 2-9 and 6-7 of the Town Charter. This is a bond authorization vote and requires a majority of the full Town Council to pass.

TOWN OF BRAINTREE, MASSACHUSETTS

IN TOWN COUNCIL

ORDERED:

That the sum of Eighty-Three Million Four Hundred Seventy-Two Thousand Two Hundred Eleven Dollars (\$83,472,211) is appropriated to pay costs of making substantial renovations and an addition to the East Middle School, located at 305 River Street, in Braintree, and for the payment of all costs incidental and related thereto (the "Project"), which school facility shall have an anticipated useful life as an educational facility for the instruction of school children of at least 50 years, said sum to be expended under the direction of the School Building Committee, and to meet said appropriation the Treasurer, with the approval of the Mayor, is authorized to borrow said sum under M.G.L. Chapter 44, or any other enabling authority; that the Town acknowledges that the Massachusetts School Building Authority's ("MSBA") grant program is a non-entitlement, discretionary program based on need, as determined by the MSBA, and any project costs the Town incurs in excess of any grant approved by and received from the MSBA shall be the sole responsibility of the Town; provided further that any grant that the Town may receive from the MSBA for the Project shall not exceed the lesser of (1) fifty-seven and ninety-eight hundredths percent (57.98 %) of eligible, approved project costs, as determined by the MSBA, or (2) the total maximum grant amount determined by the MSBA; and that the amount of borrowing authorized pursuant to this vote shall be reduced by any grant amount set forth in the Project Funding Agreement that may be executed between the Town and the MSBA.

Any premium received by the Town upon the sale of any bonds or notes approved by this order, less any such premium applied to the payment of the costs of issuance of such bonds or notes, may be applied to the payment of costs approved by this order in accordance with G.L. c. 44, §20 of the General Laws, thereby reducing the amount authorized to be borrowed to pay such costs by a like amount.

Note: As this request involves a loan authorization, advertising and a public hearing is required under Sections 2-9 and 6-7 of the Town Charter.

Committee on Ways & Means – August 23, 2017

1) While my information searching is not all-encompassing, nor have I contacted the MSBA. It is difficult to find other towns or cities that have undergone school building and felt the need to have a school building authority. Why does the Town of Braintree feel the need for a school building authority when it already has a school building committee made of up membership that seems to this writer to be what MOST other towns have used for the same function?

Answer = Many communities pay for their local matching share of Massachusetts School Building Authority (MSBA) approved major school building projects by either override or debt exclusion. Braintree is not going that way. We will be funding this through operating funds and not an override. To accomplish this and to also spread the impact of these projects over several fiscal years, we are asking the Council to approve the BSBA. This will allow the establishment of an account to accumulate funds over several fiscal years to cover the projected debt service for these projects when completed and the final bonds are issued.

2) Ask Director Spellman and/or Braintree Public Schools how much in-total was the cost of bringing the Monatiquot School Kindergarten Center on-line, the last information I have is that it cost less than \$200k?

Answer = The Town Council on March 18, 2014 voted to approve CO 14-009(15) in the amount of \$167,000 to a Monatiquot School capital account. Dr. Hackett is searching for any additional expenditures that may have been made from the operational budget and will do the best he can to have that information for you tomorrow night.

3) What would be the ESTIMATED cost associated with redistricting elementary schools (THIS QUESTION HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH A HIGH SCHOOL)?

Answer = I am not sure what you want to redistrict. The town has six elementary schools and five of the six are at capacity with the one with limited space the Hollis School. Hollis is adding a new first grade class of 25 students who if there was room would have gone to their home school of Liberty.

Town of Braintree
Braintree School Building Authority

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<u>fy</u>	<u>description</u>	<u>amount</u>	<u>yearly amount</u>	<u>total fund balance</u>
FY 2018				0
	Excess Levy Capacity yr. 1	600,000		
	2018 increase in tax levy	420,000		
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FY 2019				
	Excess Levy Capacity yr. 1	600,000		
	2018 increase in tax levy	420,000		
	Excess Levy Capacity yr. 2	600,000		
	2019 increase in tax levy	420,000		
			2,040,000	3,060,000
FY 2020				
	Excess Levy Capacity yr. 1	600,000		
	2018 increase in tax levy	420,000		
	Excess Levy Capacity yr. 2	600,000		
	2019 increase in tax levy	420,000		
	Excess Levy Capacity yr. 3	600,000		
	2020 increase in tax levy	420,000		
	projected fy2020 debt service	(3,900,000)		
			(840,000)	2,220,000
FY 2021				
	Excess Levy Capacity yr. 1	600,000		
	2018 increase in tax levy	420,000		
	Excess Levy Capacity yr. 2	600,000		
	2019 increase in tax levy	420,000		
	Excess Levy Capacity yr. 3	600,000		
	2020 increase in tax levy	420,000		
	2021 increase in tax levy	420,000		
	projected fy2021 debt service	(3,900,000)		
			(420,000)	1,800,000
FY 2022				
	Excess Levy Capacity yr. 1	600,000		
	2018 increase in tax levy	420,000		
	Excess Levy Capacity yr. 2	600,000		
	2019 increase in tax levy	420,000		
	Excess Levy Capacity yr. 3	600,000		
	2020 increase in tax levy	420,000		
	2021 increase in tax levy	420,000		
	2022 increase in tax levy	420,000		
	projected fy2022 debt service	(3,900,000)		
				1,800,000

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Cc: Edward Spellman, Director of Municipal Finance
Joseph Reynolds, Chief of Staff and Director of Operations
Dr. Frank Hackett, Superintendent of Schools
Lisa Maki, Town Solicitor

From: Joseph C. Sullivan, Mayor *JCS*

Date: August 9, 2017

RE: Request for the Establishment of the Braintree School Building Authority (BSBA)

In conjunction with the FY 2018 budget we introduced the creation of the Braintree School Building Authority (BSBA) stabilization fund. Given the recent success that we had with the Massachusetts School Building Authority (MSBA) with our East and South Middle School projects we are in a position to financially manage our school improvements with the creation of our own School Building Authority. The purpose of the fund is to accumulate and manage funds for our School Building Repairs, Renovation, and New Construction and match the funding formula provided by the MSBA.

Funds into the account will come from the following sources:

Excess Tax levy capacity of \$600,000 for the next 3 years for a total of \$1,800,000;
Current tax levy funds \$420,000 for five years for a total of \$2,100,000;
Interest Income earned on the balance in the account;
MSBA direct reimbursements to the Town for planning and design funds already expended; and
Possible use of Excess Town funds over stated reserve levels

The plan is to accumulate these funds over several years to minimize the tax rate impact on the residents and not require a debt exclusion.

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Funds are to be used for School building expenditures of planning, design, capital expenditures and the debt service both short term notes and interest and long term bonds and interest for school projects.

Accordingly, your review and approval of the following orders is requested.

As this request involves a loan authorization, advertising and a public hearing is required under Sections 2-9 and 6-7 of the Town Charter.

TOWN OF BRAINTREE, MASSACHUSETTS

IN TOWN COUNCIL

ORDERED:

Pursuant to M.G.L. Ch. 40 section 5B, the Town Council establish a capital stabilization fund in the name of The Braintree School Building Authority (BSBA) for the purpose of accumulating funds for School Building Construction including planning, design, capital expenditures and debt service both short term notes and interest and long term bonds and interest.

Reply 17 054

Edward J. Spellman, Jr.
Director of Finance




Joseph C. Sullivan
Mayor

TOWN OF BRAINTREE
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To: Dan Clifford, Town Councilor
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Cc: Joseph C. Sullivan, Mayor
Joseph Reynolds, Chief of Staff and Director of Operations
Mark Lin, Town Accountant

From: Edward J. Spellman,  Director of Municipal Finance

Date: August 31, 2017

RE: School Stabilization Funding

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To answer your questions I am using the following assumptions:

- 1) FY 2017 residential value per recap of \$4,929,037,567
- 2) FY 2017 number of residential parcels \$12,027
- 3) FY 2017 average residential home value of \$409,762.87
- 4) The increase of 2.5% is \$2,074,000 for all yearly increases
- 5) I am not using a new growth figure as this number varies from year to year

MODEL #1 (Mayor's proposal: no debt exclusion override)

In year one of Model 1, the 2.5% adjustment alone, to the average residential tax payer, is \$106; the \$600,000 increase in the level of the tax levy is \$ 33; for a total increase in Model 1 Year 1 of \$139. In year two, the 2.5% adjustment would be \$111; the increase for the \$1,200,000 increase in the level of the tax levy is \$ 61; for a total increase in Model 1 Year 2 of \$172. In year three,

the 2.5% adjustment would be \$106; the increase for the \$1,800,000 increase in the level of the tax levy is \$ 94; for a total increase in Model 1 Year 3 of \$200.

MODEL #2 (Includes a debt exclusion override)

This model assumes that the funding is from a debt exclusion. This model is made up of two items; first, the 2.5% adjustment alone to the average tax payer is \$ 106 and the debt exclusion amount of \$3,900,000 a year is added on top of the Town's levy limit, resulting in an increase of \$204, for a total increase of \$311. For future years the \$204 would be added on top of the tax levy calculation.

<u>Year</u>	<u>Model 1</u>	<u>Model 2</u>	<u>Increase of Model 2 over Model 1</u>
1	\$139	\$311	\$172
2	\$172	\$311	\$139
3	\$200	\$311	\$111
TOTAL			\$422

Attached please find the detailed calculations for this memo.
Please contact me if you have any questions or would like any additional information.

TOWN OF BRAINTREE
PROJECTED TAX RATE

assumptions for exercise.

- 1 FY 2017 residential value at FY 2017 amount of 4,939,037,567
- 2 FY 2017 number of parcels 12,027
- 3 FY 2017 average residential homer value of \$ 409,762.87
- 4 increase to 2.5 % is 2,074,000 for all Fiscal year increases
- 5 I am not using a new growth figure as this number varies from year to year

year	rate	res. value	parcels	avg.	avg. tax
2017	10.74	4,929,037,567	12,029	409,762.87	4,400.85
2016	10.98	4,586,821,359	11,987	382,649.65	4,201.49

199.36 increase 2017 over 2016

Model #1

- 1A FY 2018 increase in tax levy 2 1/2 % of 2,074,000 over prior year
- FY 2017 Residential Tax Rate 2017 10.74
- 2.5 % increase 2018 11.00

increase based of FY 2017 numbers + 2.5 % increase

106.54

- 1BA FY 2018 increase in tax levy 2 1/2 % of 2,074,000 over prior year + 600,000 excess levy
- FY 2017 Residential Tax Rate 2017 10.74

4,929,037,567

4,400.85

- 2.5 % increase + excess levy 600, 2018 11.08
- increase based of FY 2017 numbers + 2.5 % increase + excess levy 600,000

139.32

additional amount from excess levy 600,000 yr. 1

32.78

- 2A FY 2019 increase in tax levy 2 1/2 % of 2,074,000 over prior year
- FY 2018 Residential Tax Rate 2018 11.00
- 2.5 % increase 2019 11.27

4,929,037,567

4,507.39

increase based of FY 2018 numbers + 2.5 % increase

110.64

- 2B FY 2019 increase in tax levy 2 1/2 % of 2,074,000 over prior year + 600,000 excess levy yr. 1 + 600,000 yr. 2
- FY 2018 Residential Tax Rate 2018 11.00

4,929,037,567

4,507.39

- 2.5 % increase + excess levy 1,200, 2019 11.42
- increase based of FY 2018 numbers + 2.5 % increase + excess levy 2 * 600,000 = 1,200,000

172.10

H:\FY 2018\model excess levy vs debt exclusion

additional amount from excess levy 1,200,000 yr. 2 61.46

3A FY 2020 increase in tax levy 2 1/2 % of 2,074,000 over prior year
 FY 2019 Residential Tax Rate 2019 11.27
 2.5 % increase 2020 11.53
 increase based of FY 2018 numbers + 2.5 % increase

38 FY 2020 increase in tax levy 2 1/2 % of 2,074,000 over prior year + 600,000 excess levy yr. 1 +600,000 yr. 2+ 600,000yr. 3
 FY 2019 Residential Tax Rate 2019 11.27 4,929,037,567 12,029 409,762.87 4,618.03
 2.5 % increase + excess levy 1,200 2020 11.76 4,929,037,567 12,029 409,762.87 4,818.81
 increase based of FY 2018 numbers + 2.5 % increase + excess levy 3*600,000 =1,800,000 200.78

additional amount from excess levy 1,800,000 yr. 3 94.25

Model #2

M2A increase in tax levy 2 1/2 % of 2,074,000 over prior year

	year	rate	res value	parcels	avg.	avg. tax
FY 2017 Residential Tax Rate	2017	10.74	4,929,037,567	12,029	409,762.87	4,400.85
2.5 % increase	2018	11.00	4,929,037,567	12,029	409,762.87	4,507.39

Estimated residential increase based on FY 2017 numbers and 2.5% increase in levy

106.54

M2B increase in tax levy 2 1/2 % of 2,074,000 over prior year plus 3,900,000 debt exclusion amount

	year	rate	res value	parcels	avg.	avg. tax
FY 2017 Residential Tax Rate	2017	10.74	4,929,037,567	12,029	409,762.87	4,400.85
2.5% +3.9 million debt exclusion	2018	11.5	4,929,037,567	12,029	409,762.87	4,712.27

Est. Res. increase based on FY 2017 and an increase of 3.9 million projected debt service for a debt exclusion 311.42

added debt exclusion amount for next 30 years 204.88

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OFFICE OF THE TOWN COUNCIL

August 29, 2017

Cc: Joe Sullivan
Bob Brinkman
Joe Reynolds
Sean Powers
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Sue Cimino

Director of Finance, Ed Spellman

Subject: School Stabilization Funding Business Case Models Contrasting and Comparing Costs

Ed,

Thank you for your time today, it was a productive meeting and helped clarify several business questions and concerns.

Just to recap our next steps; In order to address the questions surrounding raising the Levy Limit an additional \$1.8 million it is important the public recognize how that decision came about, and show 2 business cases.

Model #1 to show the effective incremental tax cost per average home owner by raising the Levy Limit compared to modeling the cost of a potential debt exclusion.

Comparing and contrasting each funding model should provide a clearer understanding, and at least address the concerns of a perceived taking-back of previously provided property tax relief as represented by the Levy Excess Capacity.

In scenario #1: Develop a business case showing the costs of raising the Levy Limit; show the increased year over year tax for the 3 years the Levy Limit increases; \$600,000 per year for three year totaling \$1.8 million (Ref. Ed Spellman's Worksheet, H:\FY 2018\BSBA detail, 5/31/2017), for example:

Assumptions for modeling:

- 1) Using the existing Levy Limit for 2018 of approx. \$82,955,000 X .025 = \$2.074 million (annual levy increase). Based on that determine an average residential home owners annual increase of \$X dollars. The case below offers \$300 for modeling purposes only. The Assessor's office may use pro forma actuals.
- 2) Next, factor in the additional annual increase due to using the excess capacity of \$1.8 million spread over 3 years, but display each year separately over the 3 years to capture year over year increases.
- 3) Recognize that \$600,000 as a percent (29%) of the annual levy increase of \$2.074M in year #1 is the additional incremental tax burden to residents above the normal 2.5% levy increase. Therefore, see example below:

Model #1

Year 1: Assumptions:

1) If the average annual total levy increase is \$2.074M, then using \$600,000 as a percent of the \$2.074M would equal 29%. For example;

- If the Annual average household levy increase equaled:	\$300 (Then add 29%, or \$87.00 seen below)
- Incremental tax due on \$600,000 rise using excess capacity equals:	\$ 87 (This then is the additional tax burden from the excess capacity)
	<u>\$387</u> (total annual increase)

Continue to show this methodology for the next two years and total the business case.

Model #2, Address the financial impact of a potential DEBT EXCLUSION on Braintree versus Model #1 above:

1) Using a similar methodology as above develop the business case showing the financial benefits year over year for 30 years to demonstrate which model and analysis yields greater benefits to the tax payers of Braintree..

Conclude the comparing and contrasting models with a statement of recommendation based on the business cases developed above. By doing these models and analyzes, it will provide substantive and detailed financials, and diminish the concerns that this is a tax relief "Take-back" from previous tax avoidances over the past 10 years.

It will demonstrate in business case fashion solid fiduciary practices that all can understand and appreciate, and demonstrate long-range planning and overall cost avoidance and saving down the road.

Please give me a call if I can clarify anything requested here.

Respectfully,

-Dan-

Dan Clifford
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"Understand what is important and standup for it"

"Accept mediocrity and few will notice, promote excellence and many will notice, and follow"



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To: Sean Powers, President of the Council
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Cc: James Arsenault, Director of Public Works
Robert Campbell, Town Engineer
Paul J. Shastany, Police Chief
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From: Joseph C. Sullivan, Mayor

Date: August 11, 2017

RE: Acceptance of Mass. General Laws, Chapter 90, Section 17C

On November 7, 2016, Chapter 218 of the Acts of 2016, "An Act Modernizing Municipal Finance and Government" (hereinafter, the "Act") became effective. Sections 193 and 194 of the Act, created Sections 17C and 18B of Chapter 90 of the Massachusetts General Laws. Section 17C gives municipalities the authority to reduce the statutory speed limit from 30 mph to 25 mph on any or all town-owned roadways within a thickly settled or business district. Section 18B authorizes our Director of Public Works, James Arsenault, to promulgate a traffic regulation that would establish designated "safety zones" which would have a speed limit of twenty (20) miles per hour. I would respectfully request that the Town Council accept this provision.

Section 18B authorizes the Director of Public Works to promulgate a traffic regulation that would establish designated "safety zones" which would have a speed limit of twenty (20) miles per hour.

As the Council Members are aware, there is a strong correlation between the speed at which a crash occurs and the severity of the incident, particularly for vulnerable users such as cyclists and pedestrians. Given the strong concerns regarding safety, lowering speed limits is a critical step to improve safety within our Town, particularly in our neighborhoods.

I respectfully request that the Town Council accept Sections 17C and 18B, of Chapter 90 of the General Laws, which would authorize the Director of Public Works to promulgate a traffic regulation that would reduce speed limit on all ways other than state highways that are in "thickly settled or business districts" to twenty-five (25) miles per hour.

With this action, we will begin to undertake the necessary actions to implement these changes, including the following:

- The Director of Public Works will promulgate a new traffic regulation lowering the speed limit on ways located within “thickly settled or business districts” to twenty-five (25) miles per hour. The phrase “thickly settled or business district” is defined in G.L. c. 90, § 1 as: “the territory contiguous to any way which is built up with structures devoted to business, or the territory contiguous to any way which is built up with structures devoted to business, or the territory contiguous to any way where the dwelling houses are situated at such distances as will average less than two hundred feet between them for a distance of a quarter of a mile or over.” MassDOT recommends that, if a city or town is considering opting-in to this legislation, that it is done so for the entire municipality to avoid potential confusion for drivers. Based on this definition, Town Engineer, Robert Campbell has determined the ways that are located in areas that would fit within the statutory definition of a “thickly settled or business district.” The list is attached hereto.
 - Purchase and install the signs necessary to let the public know about this change by publishing notice for three consecutive weeks in the local newspaper. The earliest possible effective date of the traffic regulation would be twenty-one (21) days following the publication in the newspaper of the first public notice. Based on this requirement, we anticipate that the new speed limit will go into effect not sooner than September 15, 2017.
 - Town departments will work together to implement a public awareness campaign so that drivers become aware of the new speed limit, along with the safety benefits associated with driving more slowly. Although the Police Department will be working diligently to enforce the new speed limit once they go into effect, it is also important that the public become aware through proactive communications that include a message about why driving more slowly is beneficial to the community.
 - Safety Zone speed limits are the only regulatory speed limits that municipalities can adopt without prior approval from MassDOT. Safety Zones cannot, however, be placed on State Highway without MassDOT approval. Police, Engineering, and Public Works will work together to develop a specific program to recommend areas that should be designated as “safety zones,” which pursuant to Section 18B of Chapter 90, will have a speed limit of twenty (20) miles per hour. While we expect there to be community demand for Safety Zones in various locations around Braintree, the MassDOT guidance recommends specific criteria for the establishment of designated Safety Zones.
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- Speed limits within a Safety Zone must be set at 20 mph and are intended to be used in areas where vulnerable road users are likely to be present. Examples of such areas are: parks and playgrounds, senior citizen housing and centers, hospitals or other medical facilities, high schools and higher education centers, and daycare facilities. Note that Safety Zones should not be used in place of School Zones for streets adjacent to grades 1-8 schools.
 - To establish a Safety Zone, MassDOT has developed the following minimum criteria:
 - The street should be adjacent to a land use that is likely to attract vulnerable road users.
 - The Safety Zone should contain one or more areas that have potential conflicts between motor vehicles and vulnerable road users that warrant a reduction in speeds such as crosswalks, driveways, or side streets.
 - The minimum length of the Safety Zone should be at least 1/4 of a mile and it should not extend more than 500' beyond a side street unless an applicable land use continues along the adjacent block.
 - To make these zones effective, we believe that they need to be deployed strategically in locations with characteristics that support both the need and the ability to introduce a lower speed limit. To that end,

the Director expects to develop criteria for the establishment of designated Safety Zones, which can be used both to protectively introduce Safety Zones and to effectively respond to community requests for Safety Zones. Following the development of those criteria, the Director will take the steps necessary to promulgate a traffic regulation in order to implement the establishment of designated Safety Zones. The promulgation of this regulation will include the same notice procedures that will be used for the promulgation of the regulation reducing speed limits in “thickly settled or business districts.”

As the Council knows, we are committed to creating the safest possible community, through a range of infrastructure, education, public health, policing, and policy actions. Enabling this reduction in the tow-wide speed limit is an important element of these efforts. I recommend that you vote to accept Sections 17C and 18B of Chapter 90, as we continue to work together to make Braintree safer and stronger.

The full text of Section 17C of Chapter of the General Laws. Section 17C. (a) Notwithstanding section 17 or any other general or special law to the contrary, the city council, the transportation commissioner of the city of Boston, the board of selectmen, park commissioners, a traffic commission or traffic director of a city or town that accepts this section in the manner provided in section 4 of chapter 4 may, in the interests of public safety and without further authority, establish a speed limit of 25 miles per hour on any roadway inside a thickly settled or business district in the city or town on any way that is not a state highway. (b) Upon establishing a speed limit under this section, the city or town shall notify the department. The operation of a motor vehicle at a speed in excess of a speed limit established under this section shall be a violation of section

The full text of Section 18B of Chapter of the General Laws. Section 18B. Notwithstanding section 18 or any other general or special law to the contrary, the city council, the transportation commissioner of the city of Boston, the board of selectmen, park commissioners, a traffic commission or traffic director of a city or town that accepts this section in the manner provided in section 4 of chapter 4 may, in the interests of public safety and without further authority, establish designated safety zones on, at or near any way in the city or town which is not a state highway, and with the approval of the department if the same is a state highway. Such safety zones shall be posted as having a speed limit of 20 miles per hour. (b) The operation of a motor vehicle in such zone at a speed exceeding the speed limit established under this section shall be a violation of section 17.

Motion: That the Town Council vote to accept the provisions of Massachusetts General Law, Chapter 90, Section 17C, which authorizes the City to establish a speed limit of 25 mph for all roadways inside any thickly settled and business districts in the Town of Braintree on any way that is not a state highway. This applies only to roads where a speed limit is not otherwise posted.

Motion: That the Town Council vote to accept the provisions of Massachusetts General Law, Chapter 90, Section 18B, which authorizes the City to adopt 20 mph speed limits in certain Safety Zones, which are designated by specific criteria in certain areas where vulnerable road users are likely to be present. This applies only to roads where a speed limit is not otherwise posted.

EXEMPT

Town Jurisdiction Streets Classified "Collector" or Higher	
Street	Segment(s) included
Adams Street	(All)
Allen Street	(Front Street to Quincy Avenue)
Central Avenue	(All)
Church Street	(All)
Cleveland Avenue	(All)
Commercial Street	(All)
Common Street	(All)
Elm Street	(All)
Front Street	(All)
Granite Street	(Five Corners to Pond St)
Grove Street	(Columbian Street to Weymoth Town Line)
Hancock Street	(Pearl Street to Plain Street)
Hawthorn Road	(All)
Hayward Street	(All)
Hollingsworth Avenue	(All)
Howard Street	(Shaw Street to Quincy City Line)
Independence Avenue	(Centre Street to Quincy City Line)
Ivory Street	(All)
John W Mahar Highway	(All)
King Hill Road	(All)
Liberty Park Avenue	(Wildwood Avenue to Liberty Street)
Liberty Street	(All)
Middle Street	(All)
Park Avenue	(All)
Peach Street	(All)
Pearl Street	(All)
Plain Street	(Grove Street to Liberty Street)
Pond Street	(All)
Quincy Avenue	(Commercial Street to the Fore River Bridge)
Shaw Street	(All)
South Street	(All)
Tremont Street	(All)
Union Street	(All)
Washington Street	(Common Street to Franklin Street)
Washington Street	(Capen Road to Quincy City Line)
West Street	(All)
Widwood Avenue	(All)



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Cc: Edward Spellman, Director of Municipal Finance

From: Joseph C. Sullivan, Mayor

Date: August 31, 2017

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BRAINTREE, MA

RE: Line Item Transfers to Fund Braintree Police Superior Officers' Association, MCOP Local 449 and Braintree Police Officers' Association, MCOP Local 356 Collective Bargaining Agreements

I am pleased to report that collective bargaining agreements have been reached between the Town of Braintree and the Braintree Police Superior Officers' Association, MCOP Local 449 and Braintree Police Officers' Association, MCOP Local 356. These agreements include a two percent (2%) wage increase for FY17 and a two and a half percent (2 1/2%) increase in year two and year three. In anticipation of approval of these agreements, funds were appropriated to the FY 2017 Police Department Salary Reserve Article.

I believe this agreement recognizes the daily effort of our Braintree police and the public safety value that is offered to our community. I offer my appreciation to the union representatives and our Town negotiating team for the cooperative spirit that secured this successful negotiation. The highlights of the agreements are:

- Random Drug Testing
- Goal of Accreditation for the Braintree Police Department

- 1) To approve and fund the Braintree Police Superior Officers' Association, MCOP Local 449 and Braintree Police Officers' Association, MCOP Local 356 contracts

MOTION:

That the Town vote to amend the wage and salary classification schedules, as most recently amended by appropriating the sum of \$344,000.00 for the purpose of funding a wage increase and other items as detailed in the Memorandum of Agreements (MOAs) for the Braintree Police

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Superior Officers' Association, MCOP Local 449 and Braintree Police Officers' Association, MCOP Local 356, effective July 1, 2016, and for this purpose, the sum of \$344,000.00 be transferred from the FY 2017 Police Department Salary Reserve Article and further, that the Director of Municipal Finance is authorized to allocate said sums to and among the various accounts affected thereby in such amounts as are proper and required.

Since these requests involve the appropriation of funds within the fiscal year 2018 budget, advertising and a public hearing is required under the sections 2-9 and 6-7 of the Town Charter.