

**SPECIAL TOWN MEETING  
March 9, 2020**

**Attendance  
Precinct A: 30  
Precinct B: 30  
Precinct C: 30  
Precinct D: 40  
Total: 130**

In accordance with the Warrant, as posted, the inhabitants of the Town of Wilbraham, qualified to vote in Town affairs, met in Minnechaug Regional High School on Monday, March 9, 2020. Moderator James Jurgens noted a quorum was present at 7:00pm and called the meeting.

Moderator Jurgens welcomed all and asked attendees to join in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance before the call of the meeting was read by Town Clerk Carole J. Tardif.

Moderator Jurgens allowed Selectwoman, Susan Bunnell to express her gratitude to all resident of Wilbraham for all their support over the years she served on Finance Committee and as a Selectwoman. She will not seek another term due to conflict with her new job.

Superintendent Al Ganem Jr. and Howard G. Barber, Director of Finance, Operations and Human Resources presented a short presentation for Article 1.

**ARTICLE 1.** Approved by a declared 2/3 vote that the town (i) appropriate the sum of \$ 1,520,939 from the Town’s Stabilization Fund to be paid to the Hampden-Wilbraham Regional School District to be used to pay for a portion of the costs of the Project defined below, and (ii) approves the borrowing authorized by the Hampden-Wilbraham Regional School District, for the purpose of paying costs of the replacement of roofs at the Wilbraham Middle School, 466 Stony Hill Road, Wilbraham, MA 01095, including the payment of all costs incidental or related thereto (the “Project”), which proposed repair project would materially extend the useful life of the school and preserve an asset that otherwise is capable of supporting the required educational program, and for which the District has applied for a grant from the Massachusetts School Building Authority (“MSBA”), said amount to be expended under the direction of the School Committee; that the Town acknowledges that the MSBA’s grant program is a non-entitlement, discretionary program based on need, as determined by the MSBA, and if

the MSBA's Board of Directors votes to invite the District to collaborate with the MSBA on this proposed repair project, any project costs the District incurs in excess of any grant that may be approved by and received from the MSBA shall be the sole responsibility of the District; and that, if invited to collaborate with the MSBA on the proposed repair project, 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 District and the MSBA.

Passing by declared two-third vote to appropriate a sum of money as printed in Article 1 of the Warrant.

**ARTICLE 2.** Approved by a declared 2/3 vote to appropriates \$ 135,000 to pay costs of the following capital outlay items:

Equipment      Vehicles 2 Highway Dump Trucks (grant)      \$ 135,000

including the payment of all costs incidental and related thereto; and that to meet this appropriation, the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, is authorized to borrow \$135,000 in accordance with Chapter 44 of the Massachusetts General Laws, or pursuant to any other enabling authority, and to issue bonds or notes of the Town therefor. Any premium received by the Town upon the sale of any bonds or notes approved by this vote, 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 vote in accordance with Chapter 44, Section 20 of the General Laws, thereby reducing the amount authorized to be borrowed to pay such costs by a like amount.

Passing by declared two-third vote to appropriate a sum of money as printed in Article 2 of the Warrant.

Moderator Jurgens moved to adjourn meeting and was seconded, meeting was adjourned at 7:25pm.

A true attest copy: \_\_\_\_\_

Carole J. Tardif  
Town Clerk of Wilbraham