



Town of Concord

Office of the Town Clerk
22 Monument Square
Concord, Massachusetts 01742-0535

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING **January 20, 2022**

Town Moderator Carmin Reiss called the Special Town Meeting to order at 7:01 pm on Thursday, January 20, 2022 at the Concord-Carlisle High School (CCHS). Voters were checked in from the cafeteria, and from their cars. Voters using the option to attend from their cars were able to tune into WIQH Radio at 88.3 FM and vote by raising their paper ballots. Voters attending in the gymnasium, cafeteria, and auditorium voted by holding up their ballots.

Ms. Reiss declared that she had inspected the Return of Service of the Warrant and found it to be in order. The warrant was mailed to every household. There were 515 registered voters in attendance, of whom 103 voted from their cars.

Ms. Reiss thanked school and town staff for accommodating space at CCHS and all the work done to prepare for the Meeting. She noted that Minuteman Media Network would be broadcasting the meeting on cable through channel 9 and online, and on WIQH Radio 88.3 FM.

Ms. Flood served as Deputy Moderator who would step in for the Moderator if she was unable to perform her duties. Ms. Flood also assisted with moderating from the auditorium, Michael Lawson served as Assistant Moderator for the cafeteria, and Alice Kaufman was Assistant Moderator for the voters outside.

Abe Fisher was appointed Head Teller, Jim Summer, Assistant Teller, Jim Carr served as Ballot Supervisor and Richard Wells served as Assistant Ballot Supervisor.

A special thanks was expressed to Town Meeting Coordinator Chris Carmody for leading Town staff in preparation for Town Meeting. The Select Board, Finance Committee, School Committee, and Middle School Building Committee were praised for their work on the Middle School Building project Warrant Article that was before the voters.

On a motion made by Ms. Ackerman and duly seconded, it was VOTED unanimously to omit the reading of the warrant and return of service.

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ARTICLE 1. CONCORD MIDDLE SCHOOL BUILDING PROJECT

Upon a **MOTION** made by Ms. Pat Nelson and duly seconded by Ms. Dawn Guarriello, it was **VOTED** by well more than a two-thirds majority that the Town appropriate the sum of one hundred two million eight hundred sixteen thousand dollars (\$102,816,000) to be expended under the direction of the Town Manager, in consultation with the Concord Middle School Building Committee, for the construction of a new middle school, to be located at 835 Old Marlboro Road, Concord, Massachusetts (the present site of the Sanborn Middle School), including, without limitation, the costs of engineering, design, site preparation, construction, landscaping, paving, furnishing and equipping, demolishing the existing school, construction of recreational fields, parking lots and driveways, and all other costs incidental or related thereto; that to meet this appropriation the Treasurer, with the approval of the Select Board, is authorized to **borrow said amount under and pursuant to M.G.L. c. 44, §7(1), or pursuant to any other enabling authority; provided, however, that this vote shall not take effect until the Town votes to exempt from the limitation on total taxes imposed by G.L. c.59, §21C (Proposition 2½) amounts required to pay the principal of and interest on the borrowing authorized by this vote.**

Having no further business to take up, the Special Town Meeting of 2022 adjourned and dissolved at 8:02 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Kaari Mai Tari
Town Clerk