#### TOWN OF HOPKINTON

# FINANCIAL TOWN ASSEMBLY PHASE OF THE FINANCIAL TOWN

### ASSEMBLY/REFERENDUM PROCESS

MAY 5, 2020 - 7:30 P.M.

### HOPKINTON TOWN HALL

## 1 TOWN HOUSE ROAD, HOPKINTON, RI 02833

#### ORDER OF BUSINESS AGENDA

# NOTICE MEETING BEING HELD REMOTELY

Understanding the people have a vested interest in the operation of their government, the Hopkinton Town Council intends to include the public on May 5, 2020. However, due to the COVID-19 virus, the Council wants to be sure that everyone will do so safely from their own homes.

To attend the meeting, please call in by 7:30 PM. Toll free: 1-877-853-5247 or 1-888-788-0099. Enter the Meeting ID and #: 820-904-7625#.

When asked for a participant ID press # To be recognized to speak press \*9

Please note: Because of ever-changing regulations due to the COVID-19 virus, this meeting may be cancelled. Please check the Town of Hopkinton website <a href="www.hopkintonri.org">www.hopkintonri.org</a> for updates on these meetings and other important Town or COVID-19 information.

Elizabeth J. Cook-Martin Council Clerk/Town Clerk

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- 1. Call to Order.
- 2. Moment of silent meditation and salute to the Flag.
- 3. Introductions by Town Moderator.
- 4. Rules of procedure by Town Moderator.
  - There will be no votes taken as there are no conflicting warrant items or petitions filed by electors, making the requirements of a quorum unnecessary.
  - Access to the proposed FY 20-21 Budget and Capital Improvement Plan is available to the public to view on-line on the Town website @www.hopkintonri.org.
  - On May 13, 2020 at 7:00 PM the Town Council will make final revisions to the budget/warrants and adopt the same for placement on the ballot for the all-day Referendum.
  - The electors of the Town will vote on the budget at the Financial Referendum scheduled for June 9, 2020 at the Town Hall. Polls will be open from 7:00 AM to 9:00 PM. The vote will be an approval or rejection of the municipal budget for FY 2020/2021 including the most recently approved Chariho budget there are no warrant items proposed. In addition, the Town Charter requires the publication of an alternate budget comprised of the most recently approved Chariho School budget and the previous year's approved municipal budget and all approved warrant items. There is no ability to approve or reject individual budget line items. The deadline for receiving objections to individual line item(s) was by April 3, 2020 via the filing of a petition signed by 200 of the Town's electors submitted to the Town Clerk. None were received.
- 5. Introduction of the proposed Budget for Fiscal Year 2020-2021 by Town Council President.

- 6. Discussion on proposed Budget for Fiscal Year 2020-2021.
- 7. Proposed Warrant Item for the June 9, 2020 Budget Referendum Ballot:
  - To restrict the unspent balance of the Salt & Sand Budget Line Item #5350-6000 and Overtime Pay Budget Line Item #4060-6000 in the 2019/2020 Fiscal Year Public Works Department Budget to be placed into the Legal Fees Restricted Account.
- 8. Adjournment.

If communication assistance (readers/interpreters/captions) is needed or any other accommodation to ensure equal participation by any person, please contact the Town Clerk's Office at 377-7777 (V) or 377-7773 (TDD) at least two (2) business days prior to the meeting.

Posting Details: Town Hall, Police Station, Hopkinton Website, Secretary of State Website. Date posted: April 30, 2020

# THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTIONS WILL BE ADOPTED BY THE HOPKINTON TOWN COUNCIL ON JUNE 15, 2020 IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 2380 OF THE TOWN CHARTER:

Resolution authorizing the Town Finance Director to credit to appropriations and to receive monies which apply to the General Fund, as well as to credit to appropriations and to receive monies which apply to Funds other than the General Fund.

Resolution that appropriations be expended and all monies be disbursed under the direction and supervision of the Town Council, except those pertaining to public schools, invoices payable, and interest which shall be disbursed by the Town Finance Director.

Resolution that the Town Finance Director of the Town of Hopkinton be and is hereby authorized and empowered to borrow upon the credit of the Town as the same may be necessary during the present Fiscal Year such sum or sums as may be required to meet the expenses and obligations of the Town, provided however, that such loans shall not at any time exceed the sum of one million five hundred thousand dollars (\$1,500,000.00).

Resolution that the over-expenditures in the 2019-2020 Fiscal Year Budget, identified by the Town Finance Director, are hereby approved.

Resolution setting the tax levy.