

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING
September 27, 2021
Town of Nahant, Massachusetts
Suggested Article and Motion

ARTICLE 14. (Sewer Capital) To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$3,000,000, or any other greater or lesser amount, to pay costs of repairing and/or replacing portions of the Town’s sewer collection system, including the payment of all costs incidental and related thereto, and to determine whether this amount shall be raised by borrowing or otherwise, including by borrowing all or any portion of this amount through the Massachusetts Clean Water Trust, or to take any other action relative thereto.

MOTION: ***JULIE TARMY***
SEWER INFRASTRUCTURE

I move that the Town appropriate the sum of \$3,000,000 to pay costs of improvements to the Nahant sewer collection system, including the payment of all costs incidental or related thereto; that to meet this appropriation, the Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, is authorized to borrow said amount under G.L. c. 44, §8 or any other enabling authority, and to issue bonds or notes of the Town therefor; that all or any portion of this amount may be obtained through the Massachusetts Clean Water Trust (the “Trust”); that the Board of Selectmen is authorized to contract for and expend any federal or state aid available for the project and to enter into any agreements with the Trust or the Department of Environmental Protection of the Commonwealth that may necessary in order to obtain assistance through the Trust; and that the Board of Selectmen is authorized to take any other action necessary or convenient to carry out this project, and that any premium received 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 G.L. c. 44, §20, thereby reducing the amount authorized to be borrowed to pay such costs by a like amount.

2/3 Vote Required

Seconded by: Ms Warren PASS by: _____

Vote: YES: Unanimous NO: _____ Time of Vote: 7:29 pm

Tony Barletta, Town Administrator: Thanked everyone for coming to Special Town Meeting. Brief description of the Warrant article and need for the additional funds to fix the sewer pipe before the end of the year as mandated by the state.

Paul Spirn- 36 Maolis Rd: Are most of the water breaks on the Lynnway, where there is a lot of Construction?

Tony: Yes, most of the breaks are on Lynnway. No, not from construction but from corrosion.

Paul Spirn: will new pipe be located near old pipe?

Tony B: New pipe is laid inside of existing pipe with better materials.

Paul Spirn: If Nahant's pipe breaks due to damage by others, does Nahant go after the second party?

Tony B.: - Yes, common practice in the past.

Jeff Lewis – 6 Ellsworth Rd. Useful Life does the new pipe rely on the integrity of the external existing pipe?

Tony B: No, No effect on new pipe

Bea Rogers- 44 Pearl Rd. Are there any State or Federal Funds to assist with this project?

Tony: Nahant has reached out – there are Grants, however, they may not be available in time. Nahant is borrowing from the TRUST originally borrowed from the State Loan for this project at a rate of 2.2%. – If we were borrowing as a new project rate would be @ approx. 3.5%

Ann Marie Grady – 4 Rosemary Road- As it is written in the Warrant – allows for borrowing 3 million- more or less. What is the price Cap?

JEFF BLAKE – KP Law - Counsel for Nahant - The Motion as stated is no more than 3 million and that is what we are voting on today.

Peter Barba- 22 Emerald Rd. - We will be able to apply for Grants and use \$\$ to pay back the Loan

TONY B: We will try. Typically State does not give Grants for past projects. We do have several other project in Town we could use \$\$ for.

Laurie Barbacoff- 22 Fox Hill Rd. – Question about the Plastic Pipe being used. Any chance the plastic material will degrade or dissolve in water

Tom Simbro – Wright Pierce Engineering- Product is made to go over water. Life of product is minimum 50 years.

Janet Dolan: 45 Pleasant St. - Plans for maintenance??

Tony B: New pipe allows for better Maintenance. It has release vents which makes it easier for Town to access.

SEAN Roberts – 17 Highland Rd. – Call the Vote 7:28 pm

Dave Conlin - MODERATOR: Vote on the Motion to Call the Vote: Unanimous in FAVOR

Dave C - MODERATOR - Vote on Article – Unanimous in Favor 7:29 pm

Dave C. Moderator: Meeting Adjourned 7:30pm