

2021 WAC FALL TOWN REPORT REV – Oct 5, 2021

Billerica Warrant Action Committee 2021 Fall Town Meeting Report

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Members, Chairman Jack Cavicchio, Vice Chairman Deedee (Diane) Dorrington, Recording Secretary Cosmo Cavicchio, William Greene, and Town Accountant Paul Watson, Ex-Officio.

General By-Law Article 2. Section 37.1 It shall be the duty of the warrant action committee to report to town meeting on the status of any and all outstanding warrant articles that were approved by town meeting

This report is on all open articles from the 2017 Spring, 2018 Spring, 2019 Spring, 2019 Fall, 2020 Spring , 2020 Fall, and 2021 Spring Town Meetings as of Oct 5, 2021.

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The following is the Warrant Action Committee Report for the 2017 Spring Town Meeting outstanding warrant articles.

Art 23 – Funding for Sewer Construction Area 3 (Contract 36) ... Borrowing \$14,000,000

Construction has been completed. The first debt payment was made in July 2021.

Status: Action Complete, Article Closed

Art 25 – Funding for Radio Read Water Meters ... Borrowing \$4,000,000

Purchase parts \$2,946,000. Installation \$1,100,000

Installation work stopped in March 2020 due to COVID with approximately 210 meters remaining to be replaced. The first debt payment was made in Oct 2020.

Status: open

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The following is the Warrant Action Committee Report for the 2018 Fall Town Meeting outstanding warrant articles

Art 18 – Funding for Phase II of the Frost St. Drainage ... Free Cash \$500,000

This project is currently in the bidding process with Construction scheduled for summer 2023.

Status: open

Art 25 – Community Preservation Projects \$1,605,141

Sexton Museum preservation \$101,000 (Historical Society)

Status: Action Complete

Howe School Design \$420,000

Project funded as Article # 22 June 2020 TM

Status: Action Complete

YD Bike path \$367,000

Status: Action Complete

Peggy Hannon Complex \$433,200 Design

Project funded as Article # 15 May 2021 TM

Status: open

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The following is the Warrant Action Committee Report for the 2019 Spring Town Meeting outstanding warrant articles

Art 24 – Community Preservation Projects \$314,057

BFD 1926 Maxim Ladder Truck Restoration \$29,000

Status: Project Ongoing

First Parish Church Steeple Restoration \$52,877

Status: Action Complete

Art 27 – Fund Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvements ... Borrowing \$9,005,000

Construction is currently ongoing with completion scheduled for June 2022.

Status: open

Art 28 – Fund Water Treatment Plant Improvements \$10,025,400

Construction is currently ongoing with completion scheduled for Nov 2021. The first Debt payment was made in July 2021.

Status: open

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The following is the Warrant Action Committee Report for the 2019 Fall Town Meeting outstanding warrant articles

Art 17 – Funding FY 2020 Town Capital Budget ... Free Cash \$220,055

New basement floor, renovation second floor hallway and offices in Town Hall (acoustic ceilings, lighting, paint and carpeting.)

Status: open

Art 18 – FY 2020 School Capital Budget ... Free Cash \$1,100,000

Item	School	Project	Expended to date	Status
1	Districtwide (ex HS)	Upgrade and add security cameras	\$ 78,699.00	Completed
2	Districtwide (ex HS, Parker)	Exterior doors and locks, master key system and security	\$ 103,998.00	Completed
3	Locke	Asbestos abatement of flooring and re-tile	\$ 40,169.00	Completed summer 2021
4	Kennedy, Dutile, Hajjar	Asbestos abatement of flooring and re-tile	\$ 381,148.20	Completed summer 2021
6	Kennedy, Dutile	Ceilings and lighting	\$ 112,518.55	Completed summer 2021
7	Hajjar, Marshall	Paving Hajjar bus loop, portion of Marshall teacher lot ¹	\$ 181,568.81	Completed (Marshall teacher lot ppnd)
8	Locke, Marshall	Interior lighting ²	\$ 73,948.44	Completed
9	Marshall	Library and gym windows	\$ 88,850.00	Completed
10	Dutile	Exterior soffits and repair deteriorated areas of foundation wall	\$ 39,100.00	Completed
	TOTAL		\$ 1,100,000.00	
Note: The additional projects below were included in the Warrant Article. The number denotes what item above it's associated with.				
	⁷ Locke	Locke Student drop off/Staff walkway		
	⁷ Dutile	Dutile side lot Paving		
	⁷ Hajjar	Student dismissal zone concrete walkway		
	³ Marshall	HS equipment repurpose in woodshop		
		— Woodshop asbestos tiled floor was in poor condition. When repurposing former BMHS equipment it was evident the floor needed to be replaced with a commercial grade concrete floor — Woodshop and lab needed additional electrical capacity to support equipment		

Status: Action Complete, Article Closed

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Art 20 – Fund Hydrants and Valve Replacements \$100,000 from Water Conservation Funds

Funding from this article is complete but the project is continuing Article # 27 Oct 2021 TM

Status: Action Complete, Article Closed

Art 21 – Fund Drinking Water Risk and Resiliency Assessment ... Water Conservation Fund \$300,000

Status: Action Complete, Article Closed

Art 26 – Design and Construction of Pinehurst Fire Station ... Borrow \$10,000,000

Project is ongoing with completion scheduled for Oct 2021.

Status Open

Art 35 – Petition State Legislature to Lift Restriction on Land (for the proposed DPW Yard)

Town Counsel is working with the State to formalize the necessary agreements. Town Counsel will also write the special legislation required to complete the transaction.

Status: open

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The following is the Warrant Action Committee Report for the 2020 SPRING Town Meeting outstanding warrant articles

Art 19 – Funding for water main replacements on Boston Rd. ... Water Retained Earnings \$600,000

Status: Action Complete, Article Closed

Art 21 – Funding the replacement of one air blower for the sewer treatment plant ... Sewer Expansion Funds \$445,000

Project is ongoing with completion scheduled for late fall 2021

Status: open

Art 22- Funding an addition to and remodeling of the Howe School ...Borrowing \$7,500,000

Funding for this project is divided between CPC \$4.9 million, \$1.6 million from lease revenues, and \$911,000 from cable access fees.

Project construction is currently ongoing.

Status: open

Art 24 – Funding for demolition of the old Ditson and Vining Schools ... Borrowing \$5,000,000

Project are scheduled to be complete this fall.

Status: open

Art 25 – Funding for repairs to Dunham Rd and Plank St. by a road betterment ... Borrowing \$2,000,000

Project ongoing ... construction is 90% complete.

Status: open

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Art 26 – Funding for Waste Water Treatment Improvements ... Borrowing \$2,355,632

This project was funded by the 2019 Spring Town Meeting for \$9,005,000 which was less than the construction bids by \$2,355,632. This article makes up for the shortfall.

Project Ongoing

Status: open

Art 28 – Funding a Capital Planning Committee Study ... Free Cash \$30,000

Committee has been formed and is working.

Status: open

Art 30 - Community Preservation Committee Appropriations for \$259,303,10.

Billerica Public Library Archival \$9,303.10

Action complete

Katie Durand Memorial Park/Carter Ave. \$75,000

Action Ongoing, Article Open

Sheridan St River access \$40,000

Action Ongoing, Article Open

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The following is the Warrant Action Committee Report for the 2020 Fall Town Meeting outstanding warrant articles

Art 14 – Funding purchase and installation of secondary clarifiers at the wastewater treatment plant ... Plant Expansion Fund \$350,000

Project is ongoing with an estimated completion date of late fall 2021.

Status: open

Art 15 – Funding hydrants and valve replacements ... Water Conservation Funds \$100,000

Project is ongoing. The current balance in this article is \$32,587 and additional funding is requested as Article # 27 Oct 2021 TM.

Status: open

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The following is the Warrant Action Committee Report for the 2021 Spring Town Meeting outstanding warrant articles

Art 15 – Funding for the Peggy Hannon Rizzo Sports complex ... Free Cash \$3,000,000 and \$8,000,000 Borrowing

Project is scheduled for bidding in winter 2021/2022.

Status: open

Art 16 - Community Preservation Projects

Middlesex Canal Association Museum \$280,000

Status: open

Katie Durand Memorial Park \$ 100,000

Status: open

Masonic Hall Facility Repairs and Study \$200,000

Status: open

Billerica Affordable Housing Trust \$200,000

Status; Action Complete

Art 18 – Purchase of Property at 367 Boston Rd

Status: Action Complete, Article Closed

Art 18 – Funding for the expansion of Town Hall Parking Lots and Safety ... \$443,750 from free cash

Status: open

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Art 19 – Funding for Grinder Replacement ...\$60,000 from Sewer Retained Earnings

Status: open

Art 20 – Funding for an Unaccounted for Water Study ... \$65,000 from Water Retained Earnings

Status: open

Art 21 – Funding for purchase of Front End Loader ... \$265,000 from Sewer Retained Earnings

Status: open

Art 22- Funding for addition costs of sewer contracts ... \$494,000 Borrowing

Project Contract 37 to be funded at Oct 2021 Fall TM

Status: open

Art 23 – Funding for Repairs at Pond Street Sewer Break ... \$1,000,000 of Sewer Retained Earnings

Repairs are ongoing. Current spending is \$846,298.

Status: open

Art 24 - Funding for Design of replacement of Sewer on Pond Street ... \$ 875,000 of Plant Expansion

Project will be funded at Oct 2021 Fall TM.

Status: open

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Respectfully Submitted,

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Recording Secretary, Warrant Action Committee

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