

**Plymouth Annual Town Meeting**  
**Monday, April 12, 2021**  
**7:00 PM**

Shawn Bemis, Chair, of the Plymouth Selectboard, called the Meeting to Order, as Tom Harris was not available. He stated that he had Roberts Rules of Order, should it be needed. Shawn described the procedure for the hybrid meeting, as there were residents both in the audience and attending via Zoom. He also advised there could be discussions on the Articles, but there would be no voting on the Articles this evening, but rather the voting would take place tomorrow, Tuesday, April 13, 2021.

Shawn proceeded to read the Warning for the Town of Plymouth.

Article 1 was read: To elect Town Officers for the ensuing year(s) by Australian Ballot: Town Moderator; Selectman; Lister; Trustee of Public Funds (2); Cemetery Commissioner; First Constable; Second Constable; and School District Director (2). There was no discussion on this Article.

Article 2 was read: To see if the Town will vote \$12,055 for Human Services to be allocated as in the Warning. There was no discussion on this Article.

Article 3 was read: To see if the Town will vote to raise \$923,509.04 in taxes to pay estimated expenses in the amount of \$1,579,709.04. There was no discussion on this Article.

Article 4 was read: To see if the legal voters of the Town will vote to pay to the Treasurer, real property taxes in two installments with the due dates of September 1, 2021, and February 1, 2022, with an interest charge of 1% for the first three months and 1.5% thereafter for each month if installment is not paid by the due date; after February 1, 2022, any unpaid taxes would be charged an 8% collection fee plus the interest fees. Bruce Pauley asked who set the 8% delinquent fee, and was advised that this is permissible from the State of Vermont; it can be changed, with a special meeting of registered voters. Steve Radonis suggested that because of Covid that Post Office postmarks be accepted. Again this is something that would need to be decided at a special meeting of registered voters.

Article 5 was read: To see if the Town will vote to allocate \$4,000 to the Cemetery Commission. There was no discussion on this Article.

Article 6 was read: To transact any other necessary and legal business. There was no discussion on this Article.

Rick Kaminski then discussed the Sheriff's Department because there appears to be some misleading information about its duties. He explained that last April the Sheriff's Department stopped writing tickets because of Covid, but resumed again about two months later. However, the Selectboard had already been in contact with the Sheriff's Department and cut its hours from 12 to 8 during the day; this was to be a split shift, and the hourly rate was to remain the same. Rick also gets a weekly schedule from them; the back roads are patrolled once a week instead of twice; and non-emergency calls go to the State Police.

Zoom questions were then taken. Dana Doloff mentioned that he had called 911 but did not get a response.

Jay Kullman mentioned that there is a budget surplus which will be returned to homeowners regarding property taxes, but that there were some budget items which are necessary in the Town, i.e., a new roof and insulation, as well as the Fire Department needing a new pumper truck.

The Annual Town Meeting was adjourned at 7:30 PM. Steve Radonis motioned; Carol Goodwin seconded; so voted.