**OPEN WARRANT MEETING**

*Informal discussion of Warrant Articles*

Monday, April 30 at 7:30pm

**Town Hearing Room, Sharon Community Center, 219 Massapoag Avenue**

**Present:** Patricia-Lee Achorn, Arnold Cohen, Daniel Lewenberg, Anja Bernier, Alexander Korin, Charles Goodman, Edward Phillips, Gordon Gladstone and Hanna Switlekowski

**Absent:** William Brack

Alice asked questions regarding Article 14, revolving fund authorizations for more clarification.

* Why are we changing the name to Solid Waste and Recycling Fund?
* Why is solid waste now included when it was elsewhere prior? Where does the money go? Where is all the money we use to pay for our barrels and what is it being used for?

A response by the Finance Committee was provided.

* The town’s residents have previously been billed separately but going forward, the town will bill its residents for the solid waste directly and then pay the management company.
* The increase is because there is a much larger burden on the town.

Alice requested more information regarding the Railroad Parking Fund.

* In November 2017 when the table was made, Railroad Parking Funds appeared, when never used before.
* This change should be pointed out.

A response by the Finance Committee was provided.

* The Railroad Parking Fund was an existing fund.
* Fred Turkington will go back into previous warrants to provide instances where it was existing.

Richard Kramer directed the Finance Committee to Article 18, section B, sub-paragraph four in the warrant.

* The language stating “owner occupied property” is a small detail that is a serious problem.
* This exempts renters from following through with repairs and only include homeowners themselves.
* There is nothing about protecting the resources whether it is owner occupied or a renter.
* He suggests that the Finance Committee modify the current wording.

A response by the Finance Committee was provided.

* The most effective way to have this change made due to timing is to have Richard make an amendment at Town Meeting.
* Fred Turkington will speak to Peg Arguimbau and their attorney regarding the language and update all accordingly.

Howard Spielneck of Billings Street asked for clarification regarding what the warrant includes in the ending pages particularly. He asked if any substantial changes were made in the process or rather changes were only due to re-organization.

A response by the Finance Committee was provided.

* No changes were made regarding zoning.
* Changes were made to get everything in sync with zoning and the bylaws.
* The overall idea was to make the information clearer and straightforward.

**MOTION:** by Anja Bernier to adjourn **SECONDED:** by Hanna Switlekowski **VOTED:** 10-0-0.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:56 pm.