

**SPECIAL TOWN MEETING
JUNE 14, 2023
MINUTES**

Quorum being met, meeting was called to order at 7:00pm

46 Present

ARTICLE ONE:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Four Hundred Fifty-Eight Thousand Five Hundred Thirty-Two Dollars (\$458,532.00) as the Aquinnah share of the Martha's Vineyard High School District budget for FY 2024.

Motion made to amend the amount from \$458,532. to \$432,432.01

Seconded

Yes – 40

No – 1

Electronic Voting System

Amendment Passed

ARTICLE ONE AS AMENDED:

Yes – 39

No – 2

Electronic Voting System

ARTICLE ONE AS AMENDED PASSED

ARTICLE TWO:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Six Thousand and Sixty Dollars (\$6,060.00) as the Aquinnah share of the construction budget for repairs and improvements to the Dukes County Health Care Access Building.

Electronic Voting System

Yes – 41

No – 1

ARTICLE TWO PASSED

ARTICLE THREE:

To see if the Town will vote to transfer from Available Funds the sum of Eighteen Thousand Dollars (\$18,000.00) to fund grant consultant services for FY 2024, or take any other action relative thereto.

Electronic Voting System

Yes – 35

No – 0

ARTICLE THREE PASSED

ARTICLE FOUR:

To see if the Town will vote to take from Available Funds the sum of Thirteen Thousand Dollars (\$13,000.00) to fund an increase (to Twenty Five Thousand Dollars [\$25,000.00]) in the Building Inspector salary budget and expense line item for FY 2024, or take any other action relative thereto.

Electronic Voting System

Yes – 37

No – 5

ARTICLE FOUR PASSED

ARTICLE FIVE:

The Town of Aquinnah asks that the Martha's Vineyard Regional High School commits to an all grass campus with no plastic fields. (Non-binding request by petition).

Electronic Voting System

Yes – 31

No – 12

ARTICLE FIVE PASSED

ARTICLE SIX:

The Town of Aquinnah asks that the Martha's Vineyard Regional High School commits to NO anonymous donations above \$5000.00 for legal action, experts, project design and permitting related to any and all plastic fields on the Martha's Vineyard Regional High School campus. (Non-binding request by petition).

Electronic Voting System

Yes – 34

No – 9

ARTICLE SIX PASSED



ARTICLE SEVEN:

To see if the Town will vote to amend Chapter XXIX of the Town of Aquinnah General Bylaws, entitled "Fossil Fuel Free Demonstration," for the purpose of conforming its text to a recent modification of the model rule promulgated by the Massachusetts Department of Energy Resources pursuant to 225 CMR 24, with an effective date of January 1, 2024, a copy of which is on file with the Town Clerk, or take any other action relative thereto. This shall take effect only if Aquinnah is approved by the Massachusetts Department of Energy Resources as a Participating Community pursuant to 225 CMR 24.

Section 1, Definitions, is amended as follows:

The definitions of **Major Renovation** and **Work Area** are deleted.

The following new definition is inserted:

Major Renovation – As defined in 225 C.M.R. 24.00.

Electronic Voting System

Yes – 33

No – 5

ARTICLE SEVEN PASSED

Meeting adjourned at 7:33pm

Gabriella Camilleri

Respectfully submitted,

Gabriella Camilleri

Aquinnah Town Clerk