

Warrant Article 5: Unpaid Bills

Recommendation: NO ACTION on the article by a vote of 4-0

Executive Summary:	This article is inserted in the Warrant for every Town Meeting in case there are any unpaid bills from a prior fiscal year that are deemed to be legal obligations of the Town. Per Massachusetts General Law, unpaid bills from a prior fiscal year can only be paid from current year appropriations with the specific approval of Town Meeting.
Voting Yes will...	
Voting No will...	
Financial impact [if any]	There are no unpaid bills from a prior fiscal year and, therefore, no financial impact
Legal implications [if any]	N/A

Introduction

The Administration and Finance Subcommittee held a public hearing on April 5, 2022 to review the Warrant Article 5. In attendance were: Harry Bohrs, Neil Gordon, Kelly Hardebeck and Stephen Reeders for the subcommittee; and Justin Cassanova-Davis, Acting Finance Director/Treasurer.

This article is filed annually by the Select Board in case there are unpaid bills from a prior fiscal year. Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 64, requires the specific appropriation of funds for the payment of bills from a prior fiscal year.

Discussion

The Town has not identified any unpaid bills from a prior fiscal year. A review by the Schools is underway to determine if they have any unpaid bills.

By a vote of 4-0 with no abstentions, the Administration and Finance Subcommittee recommends NO ACTION.