

**2012 Spring Annual Town Meeting
Wilson Middle School
Marshall Lebowitz Town Meeting Hall
April 12, 2012
Second Session**

The Second Session of the 2012 Spring Annual Town Meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM by the Town Moderator, Frank W. Foss, who declared a quorum present. The Moderator welcomed residents, taxpayers, town officials, Town Meeting Members and interested parties to the Second Session of 2012 Spring Annual Town Meeting. The Moderator asked that any recently elected or appointed members of Town Meeting who have not been sworn in please stand to take the oath of office. Town Meeting stood for the Pledge of Allegiance and remained standing for a moment of silence in recognition of all the men and women serving on our behalf throughout the world.

The Moderator introduced the officials present on stage and in the well of the auditorium. The following people were present: Diane Packer, Town Clerk; Jonathan Freedman, Finance Committee Chair; James Everett, Finance Committee Secretary; Martha White, Town Administrator; John Flynn, Town Counsel; and Paul Joseph, Chair of the Board of Selectmen.

The Moderator informed the body that the same general rules and procedures accepted by Town Meeting at its first session are still in effect including waiving the reading of the warrant and motions under certain conditions. He also reiterated that any person who has a monetary or equitable interest must disclose that prior to speaking on an article.

The Moderator indicated that the meeting would begin with Article 8. Ms. Boggia rose to present a resolution to Town Meeting.

Moved by Ms. Boggia, seconded by Mr. Kessel that Natick Town Meeting adopt the following resolution:

We, the Town Meeting of Natick, Massachusetts, declare that:

1. The United States Constitution was intended to protect the rights of people, not corporations;
2. Corporate and private entities are not people, but are created under the laws of states and nations, subject to regulation by the people through the legislative process; and
3. The Supreme Court decision, *Citizens United v. Federal Election Commission* unleashed unlimited election spending from undisclosed special interest sources that is a threat to our local and national republican democracy, and to our individual free and fair participation in political and government processes;

and therefore, we urge our state and federal elected officials to support legislation and a constitutional amendment to reverse *Citizens United v. Federal Election Commission*, and to work toward fair elections in the United States.

Mr. Glater moved, seconded by Ms. Ball to waive the reading of this motion. The motion to waive the reading of the motion passed unanimously. *The resolution passed by majority vote.*

ARTICLE 8: Other Post-Employment Benefits (OPEB) Fund (Town Administrator)

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money from available funds for the purpose of funding the Other Post-Employment Benefits Liability Trust Fund authorized by vote of the 2011 Fall Annual Town Meeting under Article 8 pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 32B, Section 20 of the General Laws, as amended, or otherwise act thereon.

RECOMMENDATION: By a vote of 11-2-1 on March 22, 2012, The Finance Committee recommends favorable action with regard to the subject matter of Article 8.