

**Special Town Meeting
Town of Stafford
December 30, 2021**

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Edward Muska
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First Selectman Salverio “Sal” Titus called the Special Town Meeting to order at 6:00 pm in the Veteran’s Meeting Room of the Charles Warren Memorial Town Hall. Approximately 24 electors and those eligible to vote in Town Meetings were present. First Selectman Titus led the assemblage in the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

Beth DaDalt nominated Edward Muska to serve as Moderator of the meeting. Rick Hartenstein, Jr. seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously and Edward Muska was named Moderator of the Town Meeting.

Beth Dadalt made a motion to waive the reading of the call of the meeting which was duly published in the Journal Inquirer on December 21, 2021, posted with the Town Clerk on that same day, and made available to those assembled at the Town Meeting. Susan Phillips seconded the motion. After a voice vote, Moderator Muska declared the motion approved.

David Bachiochi proposed the following motion:

“I move that the Town of Stafford approve a transfer of \$82,500.00 from Assigned Fund to Transfer Out (Capital Improvement Fund) Line Item #20-670-9996 for FY 2021-2022, as recommended by the Board of Finance at their December 14, 2021 meeting.”

Richard Hartenstein, Jr. seconded the motion.

Moderator Muska called for questions and discussion.

Hearing no questions or discussion, Moderator Muska called for a voice vote, and declared the motion unanimously approved.

Beth DaDalt proposed the following motion:

“I move that the Town of Stafford appropriate \$300,000 from LoCIP State Funds to Line Item #20-300-7120 (LoCIP State Grant) for FY 2021-2022, as recommended by the Board of Finance at their December 14, 2021 meeting.”

Rick Hartenstein, Jr. seconded the motion.

Moderator Muska called for questions and discussion.

Hearing no discussion, Moderator Muska called for a voice vote, and declared the motion unanimously approved.

James Madsen proposed the following motion:

“I move that the Town of Stafford approve a transfer of \$100,000 from the General Fund (Cash Balance) to Line Item # 20-241-7400 (Police Equipment) for FY 2021-2022 as recommended by the Board of Finance at their December 14, 2021 meeting.”

Beth DaDalt seconded the motion.

Moderator Muska called for questions and discussion. James Madsen asked the Moderator for an explanation of the proposed appropriation. After an explanation by Officer Thomas Duncan that the appropriation was for a five year contract and included camera units and storage for nine officers and six vehicles, discussion ended and Moderator Muska called for a voice vote. Moderator Muska declared the motion unanimously approved.

Carol Parker proposed the following motion:

“I move that the Town of Stafford appoint Mary Quinn to the Stafford Public Library Board for a three (3) year term, term to expire 11/30/2024.”

Bob Titus seconded the motion.

Moderator Muska stated that the library appointment is made via the Town Meeting per the ordinance. Moderator Muska called for a voice vote, and declared the motion unanimously approved.

Carol Parker proposed the following motion:

“I move that the Town of Stafford appoint Ann Puglisi to the Stafford Public Library Board for a three (3) year term, term to expire 11/30/2024.”

Susan Phillips seconded the motion.

Hearing no discussion, Moderator Muska called for a voice vote, and declared the motion unanimously approved.

Beth DaDalt proposed the following motion:

“I move that the Town of Stafford amend Ordinance 7-10 Fire Prevention and Protection Fee Ordinance.”

Richard Hartenstein, Jr. seconded the motion.

Moderator Muska called for questions and discussion.

After Fire Marshal Mark Morrison explained that fees had not changed since the ordinance was adopted in 2007 and that the fees would be similar to other towns, discussion ended and Moderator Muska called for a voice vote. Moderator Muska declared the motion unanimously approved.

As there was no other business to come before the Town Meeting, Moderator Muska entertained a motion to adjourn by Beth DaDalt. Amber Wakley seconded the motion. Moderator Muska declared the meeting adjourned at 6:13pm.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Karen G Troiano". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

Karen G Troiano
Stafford Town Clerk