

## ARTICLE XII

### TOWN PROPERTY

STM 10/16/2017

**SECTION 1. DISPOSAL OF TOWN-OWNED PERSONAL PROPERTY.** Any board or officer in charge of a department of the Town may, with the approval of the Town Manager for property having an aggregate value of less than \$10,000\* or with the approval of the Board of Selectmen for property having an aggregate value of \$10,000\* or more, transfer to another Town department or another municipality or transfer by sale any personal property of the Town within the possession or control of the department which has become obsolete or is not required for further use by the department or any other Town department; provided, however, that in the case of transfer by sale of such property which has, in the opinion of the Town Manager, an aggregate value in excess of \$2,000, or in the case of transfer by sale of personal property (regardless of its value) which, in the opinion of the Board of Selectmen, the Historical Commission and the Committee for the Preservation and Management of Town Documents and is contained in a list maintained by them, is historically significant to the Town, the sale shall be by public bid in a manner prescribed by said Board of Selectmen; and provided further that in the case of transfer by sale of such historically significant property the Board of Selectmen shall send advance written notice of such transfer by sale and such public bid to the Historical Commission and to the Committee for the Preservation and Management of Town Documents. For purposes of this Section 1, all personal property located in the Hosmer House shall be deemed to be historically significant to the Town. The disposal of personal property with an estimated resale or salvage value of \$10,000 or more shall also be in accordance with all requirements of General Laws, including but not limited to General Laws chapter 30B, section 15.

Procedures for Disposition of Surplus Supplies Valued at *less than \$10,000* can include any one or combination of the following methods:

Advertised<sup>1</sup> solicitation of at least three oral or written quotations;

Advertised<sup>1</sup> silent auction;

Advertised<sup>1</sup> yard sale;

Use of an established market, such as an on-line auction service (eBay, e.g.).

<sup>1</sup>“Advertised” as used in these procedures for surplus supplies with a resale or salvage *value of less than \$10,000\**, means that the advertisement is posted for at least two weeks on the Town website and/or advertised at least twice in a newspaper of general circulation in the community.

\*The disposal and dollar threshold of these goods must conform to all Massachusetts General Laws as amended.”

**SECTION 2. SALE OF TAX POSSESSION PROPERTY.** The Selectmen are hereby empowered to sell at public auction all or any of the Town property acquired by virtue of sale for non-payment of taxes, which sales have been confirmed by the Land Court or the Tax Commissioner, and they are authorized to give deeds therefor.

The Selectmen shall, not less than twenty-one days before such sale, file a notice thereof with the Town Clerk, who shall post a copy of the notice in the Town Hall. The Selectmen shall also have