Article 5 -Funding of Fire Station & DPW Building Project: Voted to appropriate the sum of \$38.5 million for the financing of the demolition of the existing DPW Buildings and the final design, construction and original furnishing and equipping of a new Fire Station and new DPW Buildings, and anything incidental or related thereto, on the parcel of land located on Map 31, Lot 79A and Map 31, Lot 79 of the Assessors Maps of the Town of Abington, more specifically defined as 225 Central Street and 215 Central Street in said Town, and a parcel of land located on Map 32, Lot 1 of the Assessors Maps of the Town of Abington, more

specifically defined as 199 Central Street, said parcel authorized to be taken by eminent domain in Article 10 of the 2023 Annual Town Meeting; and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to accept on behalf of the Town any federal or state financial assistance available to offset the funds appropriated pursuant to this vote; to authorize the Town Manager to enter into agreements and to take all actions necessary to effectuate the purposes of this vote; and to authorize the Town Manager with the advice of a

Building Committee of five members to be appointed by the Town Manager to carry out the respective projects; and to meet this appropriation, the Treasurer with the approval of the Board of Selectmen is authorized to borrow said sum pursuant to the

provisions of M.G.L. Chapter 44, Section 7 as amended or any other enabling authority, provided however, that this vote shall not take effect until the Town votes to exempt from the limitations on total taxes imposed by M. G. L. Chapter 59, Section 21 C (m) (Proposition 2  $\frac{1}{2}$  so called) the amounts required to pay the principal of and interest on the borrowing authorized by this vote.

Passes with a 213rd vote