

**ARTICLE 13: APPROPRIATION TO FUND TAFT PLAYGROUND RESURFACING**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate from available funds and/or transfer from the School/Town Building Maintenance Account #001-940-5200-0000-000 a sum of money to effect playground surface material replacement at Taft Elementary School under the direction of the School Department, or take any other action related thereto.

**SPONSOR:** School Committee

**COMMENTARY:** *Funding for the resurfacing of the Taft Elementary School Playground, replacing the current bark mulch surface with a fifty-year life recycled rubberized mulch product. Currently, the playground remains closed for safety reasons until adequate surface materials are installed. In the past, the Taft PTO has replaced the current bark mulch, with a two-year life, through various fund raising events but can no longer continue this type of costly replacement.*

**SUGGESTED MOTION:** *Move that the Town vote to transfer and to appropriate the sum of \$18,793.31 from the Town Hall Modular Office account #300-122-3580-0001-000, the sum of \$8,466.70 from the High School Vertical Reinforcement Rods account #300-300-3580-0001-000, the sum of \$7,672.64 from Highway Garage account #300-422-3580-0001-000, said transfers totaling \$34,932.65 to the Taft School Playground Resurfacing Account #270-300-3590-2008-320 to pay for playground surface material replacement and any costs associated with said materials replacement at the Taft Elementary School.*

**RECOMMENDATION OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE:**

**VOTE NEEDED:** Requires a simple majority provided none of the money is coming from Stabilization. A transfer from Stabilization requires a 2/3 majority vote.