

## **ARTICLE 9. MODERATOR**

9.1. Election. The Town shall have an elected Moderator who is a registered voter in the Town.

9.2. Term. The term of office shall be one year.

9.3. Vacancy. When the office of Moderator is vacant because of one of the conditions described in Section 7.1, it shall be filled by Town Meeting Members at a Town Meeting held for the purpose of filling the vacancy. When the office of Moderator at a Town Meeting is vacant for any reason, the Town Meeting Members shall elect a Moderator Pro Tempore. A Town Meeting Member may be elected as Moderator Pro Tempore. The Town Clerk shall preside at these elections.

9.4. Presiding at Meetings. The Moderator shall preside at and regulate the proceedings of any Town Meeting, and shall decide all questions of order. The Moderator shall make a public declaration of all votes.

9.5. Assistance at Meetings. The Moderator may seek assistance in the conduct of Town Meeting, including the counting of votes.

9.6. Distribution of Material. The Moderator may establish reasonable procedures for the distribution of material at Town Meeting.

9.7. Appointment of Committees. The Moderator shall appoint the members of the following committees:

- a. Advisory Committee;
- b. Permanent Building Committee;
- c. Human Resources Board (*Renamed ATM 2000.*);
- d. Audit Committee;
- e. Four members of the Community Preservation Committee; and
- f. Members of other committees as authorized by Town Meeting.

9.8. General Provisions. The Moderator shall also be governed by the applicable provisions of Articles 2 through 7 of these bylaws and other provisions of these bylaws applicable generally to Boards, except as the Moderator is specifically directed by law or a provision of these bylaws to act otherwise.