

Annual Meeting Warrant 2016
Town of Belmont, New Hampshire

TO THE INHABITANTS OF THE TOWN OF BELMONT IN THE COUNTY OF BELKNAP, IN THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE, QUALIFIED TO VOTE IN TOWN AFFAIRS:

FIRST SESSION

You are hereby notified to meet for the First (Deliberative) Session of the Annual Town Meeting, to be held at the Belmont High School, 255 Seavey Road, Belmont, New Hampshire on the 30th day of January 2016, being a Saturday at 10:00 o'clock in the forenoon. The First (Deliberative) Session will consist of explanation, discussion, and debate of each of the following warrant articles, and will afford those voters who are present the opportunity to propose, debate and adopt amendments to each warrant article, except those articles whose wording is prescribed by State law.

The First (Deliberative) Session of the Annual Town Meeting held at the Belmont High School, Belmont, New Hampshire on the 30th day of January 2016, being Saturday was called to order at ten o'clock in the morning.

Moderator Alvin Nix introduced himself to the attendees. Moderator asked if anyone who is not a resident please acknowledge themselves by a show of hands and advised that a Town Official or non-resident may be asked to speak on an article to clarify and advised that they were not allowed to vote on or amend any articles. Moderator made note of the slide show presentation on today's articles. Moderator made mention to all attendees of all emergency exits signs.

Moderator Alvin Nix introduced the officials at the head table as follows: Ruth Mooney, Chairman of the Board of Selectmen; Ronald Cormier, Vice-Chair of Board of Selectmen; Jonathan Pike, Selectman; Ronald Mitchell, Budget Committee Chairman; Jeanne Beaudin, Town Administrator; Walter Mitchell, Belmont's Legal Counsel from Mitchell Municipal Group, P.A.; Cynthia M. DeRoy, Town Clerk – Tax Collector and Kari Smith, Deputy Town Clerk – Tax Collector today's Recording Secretary.

Moderator asked attendees to keep the meeting orderly, amicable and asked that there be no debates on the floor and that all questions or comments be directed to the Moderator.

Moderator declared that amendment requests must be submitted in writing. Motions for amendments must be legible, signed by the resident making the amendment request and be done in a positive manner. Speaking is limited to three (3) minutes with a maximum of 10 minutes unless you are a presenter and with only one (1) amendment to be on the floor at once. You must come up to the microphone and slowly announce your name, spelling if necessary and

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state your address. We will be using the rules of common civility as a set of rules during today's session.

Moderator asked attendees to please turn off all cell phones, pagers, beepers and electronic devices with the exception of law enforcement officials and emergency services personnel. Moderator asked if all attendees would stand and join in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

You are also notified to meet for the Second Session of the Annual Town Meeting, to elect Town Officers by official ballot and to vote by official ballot on the warrant articles as they may have been amended at the First (Deliberative) Session, to be held at the Belmont High School, 255 Seavey Road, Belmont, New Hampshire on the 8th day of March 2016, being a Tuesday, between the hours of 7:00 o'clock in the forenoon and 7:00 o'clock in the afternoon, to act upon the following warrant articles.

Article #1. To choose necessary officers, including Selectman three-year term (1), Town Clerk/Tax collector, three-year term (1), Treasurer, three-year term (1), Moderator, two-year term (1), Budget Committee three-year term (4), Trustee of Trust Funds three-year term (1), Library Trustee three-year term (1), Cemetery Trustee three-year term (1), Planning Board three-year term (2), Zoning Board of Adjustment three-year term (1).

Article #1 was read by Moderator. Moderator asked if anyone would move this article open for discussion. Moved by Ron Mitchell, seconded by Ruth Mooney. Moderator asked if anyone had questions on this article.

Noting no further questions or comments from the attendees the Moderator declared Article 1 as read will be placed on ballot as written.

Article #2. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment #1 as proposed by PETITION for the town Zoning Ordinance as summarized below?

Prohibit all Industrial uses in the Aquifer and Groundwater Protection District.

THE PLANNING BOARD DOES NOT SUPPORT THIS PETITION.

YES **NO**

Article #2 was read by Moderator. Moderator asked if anyone would move this article open for discussion. Moved by George Condodemetraky, Seconded by Linda Frawley. Moderator asked if anyone had questions or comments on this article.

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James Spiller spoke against this article. He works in the industry and it seems that people overreact to these issues. Although fears are justified as long as all safe guards are in place and samples taken and monitored we should be fine to welcome businesses in town in the area referred to in this article.

Linda Frawley spoke in support of this article and believes the overall master plan need to be changed and needs to be reevaluated with respect to reviewing other locations in town to establish businesses in order to protect the aquifer.

George Condodemetraky spoke in favor of this article and announced that he proposed this article. He gave an overview how aquifers are created and that this aquifer supplies water to the Towns of Belmont, Northfield and Tilton. He stated he is not against industrial development but just not over the aquifer. The average water supply per day is 800,000 gallons per day between the towns which equals 500 gallons per minute. It takes 26 hours to replenish this amount and is concerned how this water supply could be replaced if contaminated. As an engineer I look at the worst case scenario and this petition is to protect the aquifer.

Peter Harris supports the planning board's decision to not support this article. He spoke against this article as a resident and feels that all the safeguards and monitoring are in place to support additional industrial growth in town.

Woodbury Fogg spoke against this article. Being an engineer himself he feels if this article passes that it would be a real mistake to limit industrial and commercial use and could harm our tax base. The Town staff are effective in what is in place now with DES and are competent to ensure the aquifer is not harmed in any way.

Christine Fogg spoke against this article and would dislike the town being limited on industrial development building and could impact our primary contributor to our tax base.

Kenneth Knowlton spoke against this article and was hired by the Town when the aquifer came to exist around the year 2000. At that time reviews of the businesses where compliant and did not have material considered harmful and was stored property. As governed by DES no businesses were found the be a threat to the aquifer. He doesn't believe that there is a threat and is also confident our town inspector we have currently will do his job to be sure all safeguards are in place to protect the aquifer.

George Condodemetraky said that since 2007 we have had five industrial businesses come in and set up on top of the aquifer. As stated before, I am not against industry but shouldn't we be looking into other areas in town to zone for industrial uses.

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James Spiller came up and noted that he keeps hearing that there is a problem with the aquifer. There are no recorded problems with the State of NH DES. To clarify, if there are any release of contaminants it can be remediated to not harm the aquifer. He questioned Mr. Condodemetraky's engineering credibility and the Moderator intervened and told him to stick to the article and not berate other people's credibility.

Motion made by Ronald Mitchell to move article closed for discussion. Noting no further questions or comments from the attendees the Moderator declared Article 2 as read will be placed on ballot as written.

Article #3. Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Three Hundred and Seventy Five Thousand Dollars (\$375,000) for the purpose of reconstructing the Hoadley Road Bridge/Box culvert, and to authorize the issuance of not more than \$375,000 of bonds or notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA 33) and to authorize the municipal officials to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon. (A 3/5 ballot vote required.)

(The Board of Selectmen recommends **\$375,000** and the Budget Committee supports this recommendation.)

Article #3 was read by Moderator. Moderator asked if anyone would move this article open for discussion. Moved by Albert Akerstrom, Seconded by Kerry Bergeron. Moderator asked if anyone had questions or comments on this article.

James Fortin the Public Works Director gave a brief explanation of this article. The culvert is thirty years old and per NH DES will not allow it to be repaired. We have done everything to bring costs down and after reviews we feel that this is the best option.

Kerry Bergeron asked where on Hoadley Road this culvert is located. James Fortin explained it is by the Wheeler property.

Noting no further questions or comments from the attendees the Moderator declared Article 3 as read will be placed on ballot as written.

Article #4. Shall the Town vote to authorize the Selectmen to enter into a long-term lease/purchase agreement in an amount up to Five Hundred and Sixty Thousand Dollars (\$560,000) payable over a term of 120 (One Hundred and Twenty) months for a new Pumper Truck for the Fire Department **and to raise and appropriate the sum of Sixty Three Thousand Five Hundred and Seven Dollars (\$63,507) for the first year's payment for that purpose and**

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further to fund this appropriation by authorizing the withdrawal of said amount from the Fire/Ambulance Equipment and apparatus Special Revenue Fund previously established in accordance with RSA 31:95, c(Created 1994/Amended 1999). This agreement does not contain an escape clause. **(A 3/5 ballot vote required.)**

(The Board of Selectmen recommends **\$63,507** and the Budget Committee supports this recommendation.)

Article #4 was read by Moderator. Moderator asked if anyone would move this article open for discussion. Moved by Kenneth Knowlton, Seconded by George Condodemetraky. Moderator asked if anyone had questions or comments on this article.

Sean McCarty gave a brief explanation as to why this vehicle is not worth repairing and needs to be replaced. Jeanne Beaudin explained the budgetary expense of this article and that this is a fixed note for ten years and that the \$560,000 is the worst case scenario and are hoping to come in lower.

Paul Schmidt of Magnolia Lane asked why we would Lease and not purchase. Jon Pike advised that lease payment options have become low and have far better rates than a purchase and it doesn't affect the tax base. He feels this is a good solution to the need at hand.

James Spiller asked what happened at the end of the ten year note? Jon Pike advised that we would own the truck at the end of the note.

George Condodemetraky moved the article closed for discussion, Seconded by James Spiller.

Noting no further questions or comments from the attendees the Moderator declared Article 4 as read will be placed on ballot as written.

Article #5. Shall the Town vote to amend the vote taken on Article 7 at the 1999 Annual Meeting to restrict all revenues from ambulance billings to be deposited in the Special Revenue fund known as the Fire/Ambulance Equipment and Apparatus Fund to instead restrict all but the first \$45,500 of revenues from ambulance billings received during the 2016 budgetary year to be deposited in the Special Revenue fund known as the Fire/Ambulance Equipment and Apparatus Fund. The first \$45,500 of revenues from ambulance billings will be deposited in the Town's General Fund to defray the cost items identified below. This restriction shall only be effective for the 2016 budgetary year **(A 2/3 ballot vote required).**

Training Expenses

\$12,000

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Medical & Supply Expenses	\$22,000
Ambulance Billing Fees	\$11,500

Article #5 was read by Moderator. Moderator asked if anyone would move this article open for discussion. Moved by Kenneth Knowlton, Seconded by Albert Akerstrom. Moderator asked if anyone had questions or comments on this article.

Noting no further questions or comments from the attendees the Moderator declared Article 5 will be placed on ballot as written.

Article #6. Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Forty Thousand Dollars (\$40,000) for the purpose of purchasing a Command Vehicle for the Fire Department, and to fund this appropriation by authorizing the withdrawal of said amount from the Fire/Ambulance Equipment and Apparatus Special Revenue Fund previously established in accordance with RSA 31:95, c (Created 1994/Amended 1999) for that purpose.

(The Board of Selectmen recommends **\$40,000** and the Budget Committee supports this recommendation.)

Article #6 was read by Moderator. Moderator asked if anyone would move this article open for discussion. Moved by Kenneth Knowlton, Seconded by Woodbury Fogg. Moderator asked if anyone had questions or comments on this article.

Sean McCarty gave a brief description of this article and advised that per the Capital Improvements Plan and based on the vehicle condition it is time to replace this vehicle.

Noting no further questions or comments from the attendees the Moderator declared Article 6 will be placed on ballot as written.

Article #7. Shall the Town vote to expend the income from the John M. Sargent Trust Fund for the purposes recommended by the Sargent Fund Committee?

Article #7 was read by Moderator. Moderator read the memo from the Sargent Fund Committee Meeting of January 20, 2016 to recommend distributing funds as follows:

\$ 500.00	Belmont Conservation Commission
\$2000.00	Belmont Early Learning Center
\$ 500.00	Girl Scouts Troop 10972

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\$ 500.00	Girl Scout Troop 12117
\$ 500.00	Girl Scout Troop 20431
\$ 500.00	Girl Scout Troop 20532/21532
\$ 385.54	Belmont Girl Scouts Community Acct
\$1300.00	Lakes Region Girls Softball
\$ 600.00	Belmont Boy Scouts Troop 65
\$ 650.00	Belmont Heritage Commission
\$1000.00	Belmont High School Drama
\$ 600.00	Belmont High School PTO
\$1800.00	Belmont Historical Society
\$3250.00	Belmont Middle School Nature's Classroom
\$1000.00	Belmont Old Home Day Committee
\$2000.00	Belmont Parks & Recreation Scholarships
\$ 600.00	Belmont Penstock Park Volunteers
\$2000.00	Belmont Police Explorers
\$1163.00	Belmont Public Library
\$ 500.00	LRGHealthcare
\$2400.00	St. Joseph Parish Food Pantry
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\$23,748.54	Grand Total

Moderator asked if anyone would move this article open for discussion. Moved by Albert Akerstrom, Seconded by Richard Meyers. Moderator asked if anyone had questions on this article.

Noting no further questions or comments from the attendees the Moderator declared Article 7 will be placed on ballot as submitted by John M. Sargent Fund Committee.

Article #8. Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant or as amended by vote of the deliberative session, for the purposes set forth herein, totaling Seven Million Three Hundred Forty Five Thousand Three Hundred Ninety Nine Dollars (\$7,345,399)? Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be Dollars \$7,437,658 which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Town or by law; or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13 X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only. Note: This warrant article (operating budget) does not include appropriations in ANY other warrant article.

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(The Board of Selectmen recommends **\$7,345,399** and the Budget Committee supports this recommendation.)

	2015 Expended UNAUDITED	2016 Recommend Select	2016 Recommend Bud Comm	2016 Default
TOWN BUDGET	6,591,479	7,345,399	7,345,399	7,437,658
BUDGET DETAIL				
EXECUTIVE OFFICE				
Salary-Selectmen	15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000
Salary-Trustee, Trust Funds	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
Salary-Town Administrator	91,145	91,214	91,214	91,214
Salary-Administrative Assistant	24,481	25,223	25,223	24,664
Salary-Overtime & Contingency		3,000	3,000	750
Telephone	944	850	850	850
Postage	1,030	1,200	1,200	1,200
Service Contracts		1,500	1,500	2,500
Computer	870	920	920	900
Printing	3,308	5,000	5,000	5,000
Public Notice/Advertising	1,308	1,250	1,250	1,000
Belknap Cnty Registry	151	300	300	300
Conferences & Dues	1,669	1,600	1,600	1,500
Books & Subscriptions	1,009	1,000	1,000	1,200
Training & Mileage	1,609	400	400	400
NHMA Dues	5,613	5,700	5,700	5,700
Professional Services	1,444	5,000	5,000	5,000
Equipment	230	500	500	500
Equip Repairs & Maintenance		500	500	500
FICA	8,084	8,397	8,397	8,397
Medicare	1,905	1,964	1,964	1,964
Health Insurance	94,076	115,493	115,493	115,493
Disability & Life	2,232	3,000	3,000	3,000
Dental Insurance	5,606	2,321	2,321	2,321
Retirement - Employees	12,697	5,623	5,623	5,623
Health Insurance Opt-out	3,000	13,341	13,341	13,341

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	2015 Expended UNAUDITED	2016 Recommend Select	2016 Recommend Bud Comm	2016 Default
Copier Lease - Service	6,398	6,500	6,500	6,400
Supplies	2,342	2,700	2,700	3,000
General Expense	1,652	2,500	2,500	2,500
TOTAL EXECUTIVE OFFICE	288,805	322,995	322,995	321,216
TOWN CLERK FUNCTIONS				
Salary-Town Clerk	28,861	29,740	29,740	29,081
Salary-Deputy Town Clerk	20,891	21,527	21,527	21,051
Salary- Clerk	14,986	16,024	16,024	15,098
Salary-Overtime	383	600	600	600
Telephone				0
Postage	1,255	1,250	1,250	1,250
Service Contracts	7,276	8,500	8,500	8,500
Computer	4,247	4,200	4,200	3,800
Printing	950	1,150	1,150	1,150
Public Notice/Advertising	162	600	600	600
Conferences & Dues	589	700	700	700
Training & Mileage	1,284	1,500	1,500	1,500
Equipment Maintenance & Repair	387	500	500	500
FICA	3,887	4,172	4,172	4,172
Medicare	905	976	976	976
Retirement - Employees	7,150	7,516	7,516	7,516
"E" Service Fees				
Supplies	1,153	1,000	1,000	1,000
Misc. Election Expense	1,261	1,000	1,000	3,300
TOTAL TOWN CLERK FUNCTIONS	95,628	100,955	100,955	100,794
ELECTIONS & REGISTRATIONS				
Salary-Moderator	170	700	700	700
Salary-Supervisors of Checklist	1,284	4,320	4,320	4,320

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Salary-Ballot Clerks	745	3,850	3,850	3,850
Meals	173	800	800	800
FICA	135	550	550	550
Medicare	32	129	129	129
Supervisors Expenses	221	705	705	705
TOTAL ELECTIONS & REGISTRATIONS	2,760	11,054	11,054	11,054
FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION				
Salary-Accountant	47,359	48,802	48,802	47,721
Salary-Treasurer	6,500	6,500	6,500	6,500
Salary-Tax Collector	28,861	29,740	29,740	29,081
Salary-Deputy Tax Collector	20,891	21,527	21,527	21,051
Salary-Bookkeeper Assistant	41,783	43,055	43,055	42,101
Salary -Clerk	14,986	16,024	16,024	15,098
Salary-Overtime	385	500	500	500
Budget Committee Expenses	141	250	250	250
Telephone		0	0	
Postage	6,383	7,500	7,500	7,500
Service Contract	1,108	2,500	2,500	2,500
Computer	5,650	5,947	5,947	5,774
Printing	1,939	3,000	3,000	3,000
Belknap County Registry	1,890	2,000	2,000	2,000
Title Search	2,583	3,000	3,000	3,500
Conferences & Dues	506	700	700	700
Training & Mileage	930	1,600	1,600	1,600
Equipment	175	300	300	300
Equipment, Repair/Maint		300	300	300
FICA	9,822	10,338	10,338	10,338
Medicare	2,292	2,418	2,418	2,418
Retirement - Employees	11,737	12,448	12,448	12,448
Annual Audit	21,116	18,077	18,077	18,077
Supplies	573	1,000	1,000	1,000

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Treasurer General Expense	514	500	500	500
Accountant General Expense	3,211	3,600	3,600	3,595
TOTAL FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION	231,334	241,626	241,626	237,853
PROPERTY TAXATION				
Admin Asst/Assessing Clerk	24,481	25,223	25,223	24,664
Service Contracts	8,575	9,600	9,600	9,600
Appeals, Legal/Appraisal	2,645	5,000	5,000	10,000
Conferences & Dues	380	1,000	1,000	1,000
Property Appraisal Fees	1,365	3,000	3,000	4,000
Equipment	2,487	500	500	500
FICA	1,421	1,564	1,564	1,564
Medicare	332	366	366	366
Retirement - Employees	2,688	2,817	2,817	2,817
Vehicle Repair & Maint		150	150	250
Vehicle Fuel		150	150	250
TOTAL PROPERTY TAXATION	44,374	49,370	49,370	55,011
LEGAL & JUDICIAL				
Legal Expenses	7,865	20,000	20,000	35,000
TOTAL LEGAL & JUDICIAL	7,865	20,000	20,000	35,000
PLANNING BOARD				
Salary-Town Planner	76,220	78,545	78,545	76,806
Salary-Land Use Admin Asst	43,922	45,743	45,743	44,733
Salary-Land Use Technician	56,676	57,944	57,944	56,660
Salary-Land Use Clerk	1,944	4,530	4,530	2,665
Salary - Accrued Liability Vacation/Comp Time		3,117	3,117	3,117

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Postage	3,072	3,000	3,000	3,000
Computer	1,561	1,600	1,600	2,575
Printing	1,258	1,900	1,900	1,900
Public Notices	1,454	2,000	2,000	2,000
Legal & Professional Services	1,096	3,000	3,000	3,000
Lakes Region Planning Comm Dues	5,879	5,900	5,900	5,758
Publications	1,960	2,000	2,000	2,095
Training & Mileage	1,013	1,200	1,200	1,205
Equipment	1,749	2,000	2,000	2,013
FICA	10,660	11,773	11,773	11,773
Medicare	2,493	2,753	2,753	2,753
Health Insurance	38,798	52,700	52,700	52,700
Disability & Life	941	939	939	939
Dental Insurance	2,086	2,549	2,549	2,549
Retirement - Employees	19,413	20,704	20,704	20,704
Plot/Plan/Print Lease	2,407	2,600	2,600	2,324
Office Supplies	922	1,700	1,700	1,700
Master Plan Info Projects	783	600	600	600
Tax Map Update Expenses	4,362	5,750	5,750	5,750
Vehicle Repair & Maint.	406	2,500	2,500	1,500
Vehicle Fuel		500	500	500
TOTAL PLANNING BOARD	281,074	317,548	317,548	311,319
GENERAL GOVERNMENT BUILDINGS				
Building Repair & Maintenance	13,812	20,000	20,000	20,000
Telephone	16,607	20,000	20,000	22,536
Electric	10,220	11,500	11,500	11,500
Heat	6,386	6,000	6,000	8,300
Water Rent	2,055	2,225	2,225	2,225
Sewer Rent	1,832	1,832	1,832	1,832
Hydrant Rent	22,080	22,080	22,080	22,080
Computer Network	57,023	56,489	56,489	56,489

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Equipment	606	500	500	500
Custodial Services	8,154	7,900	7,900	8,288
Supplies	3,372	3,500	3,500	3,500
Ground Maintenance	8,703	7,500	7,500	6,500
Mill - Telephone	1,246	1,250	1,250	1,250
Mill-Building Repair & Maintenance	18,309	15,000	15,000	20,000
Mill - Propane				
Mill - Electricity	13,612	15,000	15,000	15,500
Mill - Heat	13,243	11,000	11,000	15,300
Mill - Water Rent	989	750	750	810
Mill - Sewer Rent	2,748	2,748	2,748	2,748
Mill - Custodial Services	156	1,500	1,500	3,000
Mill - Ground Maintenance	629	1,000	1,000	1,000
TOTAL GEN GOVERNMENT BUILDING	201,781	207,774	207,774	223,358
CEMETERIES				
Cemetery General Expense	15,481	15,800	15,800	15,800
TOTAL CEMETERIES	15,481	15,800	15,800	15,800
INSURANCE				
Unemployment Compensation	4,872	4,679	4,679	4,679
Worker's Compensation	71,095	71,579	71,579	71,579
Property & Liability	87,269	98,103	98,103	98,103
Insurance Contingency	1,576	5,000	5,000	5,000
TOTAL INSURANCE	164,812	179,361	179,361	179,361
POLICE DEPARTMENT				
PD CHIEF OF POLICE	85,283	87,878	87,878	85,932

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PD LIEUTENANT	71,566	73,744	73,744	72,110
PD SERGEANT	53,815	55,457	55,457	54,229
PD PATROLMAN	41,784	43,055	43,055	43,055
PD PATROLMAN	41,609	42,210	42,210	42,210
PD SERGEANT	53,815	55,457	55,457	54,229
PD DISPATCHER	37,517	38,639	38,639	38,639
PD PATROLMAN	47,051	48,487	48,487	48,487
PD PATROLMAN	44,072	44,794	44,794	44,794
PD PATROLMAN	50,928	52,483	52,483	52,483
PD PATROLMAN	44,006	44,794	44,794	44,794
PD ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT	44,403	45,755	45,755	44,742
PD DISPATCHER	33,408	36,411	36,411	36,411
PD PATROLMAN	45,230	46,604	46,604	46,604
PD PATROLMAN	45,098	45,690	45,690	45,690
PD PATROLMAN	19,328	39,776	39,776	39,776
PD PATROLMAN	43,229	44,794	44,794	44,794
PD CORPORAL	49,194	50,373	50,373	50,373
PD HOLIDAY PAY	23,977	21,273	21,273	21,273
PD SPECIAL DUTY PAY	34,609	25,000	25,000	25,000
PD PATROLMAN	45,513	45,690	45,690	45,690
PD PART TIME POLICE	44,784	60,000	60,000	60,000
PD ANIMAL CONTROL	400	0	0	
PD OVERTIME	60,367	65,000	65,000	65,000
PD VACATION BUY BACK		10,000	10,000	0
PD DETECTIVE INCENTIVE	3,000	3,000	3,000	3,000
PD HOMELAND GRANT				
PD OFFICE EXPENSE	2,869	3,000	3,000	3,000
PD TELEPHONE	4,812	4,000	4,000	5,000
PD UNIFORMS	7,910	8,000	8,000	8,000
PD ELECTRIC	6,013	6,500	6,500	6,500
PD HEAT	1,236	1,400	1,400	1,920
PD POSTAGE	908	1,500	1,500	1,500
PD DOG CONTROL	9,182	15,000	15,000	20,500
PD SERVICE CONTRACTS	9,041	14,734	14,734	19,153

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PD COMPUTER	2,119	3,000	3,000	3,000
PD PRINTING & FORMS	1,050	1,000	1,000	1,000
PD CONFERENCES & DUES	754	2,000	2,000	2,000
PD BOOKS &	2,710	3,000	3,000	3,000
PD PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	75	3,000	3,000	3,000
PD TRAINING EXPENSES	6,722	10,000	10,000	10,000
PD EQUIPMENT	22,500	12,287	12,287	10,000
PD UNIFORM CLEANING	1,042	3,000	3,000	3,000
PD TOWN SHARE FICA	8,059	11,210	11,210	11,301
PD TOWN SHARE MEDICARE	13,236	15,058	15,058	15,079
PD HEALTH INSURANCE	233,905	286,854	286,854	286,854
PD LIFE & STD INSURANCE	4,884	5,136	5,136	5,142
PD DENTAL INSURANCE	13,372	14,457	14,457	14,457
PD RETIREMENT-SWORN	229,886	249,438	249,438	249,438
PD RETIREMENT	13,401	13,494	13,494	13,658
PD PHOTO LAB & BLOOD	20	1,000	1,000	1,000
PD MEDICAL EXPENSES	1,104	1,000	1,000	1,000
PD INVESTIGATIONS		300	300	300
PD CRUISER LEASES	40,242	66,796	66,796	66,796
PD COPIER LEASE	2,907	2,907	2,907	3,160
PD SUPPLIES	1,778	2,000	2,000	2,000
PD VEHICLE REPAIRS	4,541	5,500	5,500	5,500
PD VEHICLE FUEL	24,611	37,000	37,000	45,000
PD TIRES	2,347	3,000	3,000	3,500
PD RADIO & RADAR REPAIRS	6,482	6,500	6,500	6,500
PD COMMUNITY POLICING	2,409	3,000	3,000	3,000
TOTAL POLICE DEPARTMENT	1,746,115	1,942,436	1,942,436	1,943,574
FIRE DEPARTMENT				
FD FIRE CHIEF	86,857	88,594	88,594	88,594
FD DEPUTY CHIEF	64,912	66,888	66,888	65,406
FD FF/PARAMEDIC	35,352	48,934	48,934	48,934

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FD LT/EMTI	38,692	39,932	39,932	39,932
FD PART TIME CALL SALARY	39,102	50,000	50,000	50,000
FD TRAINING PAY	18,938	21,000	21,000	21,000
FD LT/PARAMEDIC	59,060	59,020	59,020	59,020
FD FF/PARAMEDIC	48,192	48,934	48,934	48,934
FD LT/PARAMEDIC	38,714	39,932	39,932	39,932
FD FF/EMTI/	45,811	45,792	45,792	45,792
FD FF/EMTI	49,379	49,905	49,905	49,905
FD LT/EMTI	49,256	50,652	50,652	50,652
FD FF/EMTI	48,542	49,905	49,905	49,905
FD FF/AEMT	38,606	39,932	39,932	39,932
FD HOLIDAY PAY	16,263	18,653	18,653	18,653
FD SPECIAL DUTY PAY	3,504	5,000	5,000	5,000
FD ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT	37,156	38,286	38,286	37,438
FD OVERTIME	106,117	95,480	95,480	95,480
FD VACATION BUY-BACK	6,816	10,000	10,000	10,000
FD PER DIEM		1	1	1
FD STATION REPAIR &	2,796	5,000	5,000	5,000
FD SERVICE CONTRACTS	58,775	63,992	63,992	63,697
FD TELEPHONE	3,130	4,000	4,000	3,500
FD UNIFORMS/CLOTHING	4,051	9,000	9,000	9,000
FD ELECTRIC	9,881	10,000	10,000	9,000
FD HEAT	5,519	5,970	5,970	6,800
FD POSTAGE	225	500	500	500
FD COMPUTER	3,085	3,605	3,605	3,000
FD CONFERENCES & DUES	1,849	5,000	5,000	4,500
FD BOOKS &	1,256	1,339	1,339	1,300
FD TRAINING EXPENSES	2,890	22,000	22,000	10,000
FD PHYSICALS & FIT	9,859	12,000	12,000	10,600
FD OPERATING EQUIPMENT	7,522	10,000	10,000	8,000
FD PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT	8,931	10,000	10,000	10,000
FD EQUIPMENT REPAIRS &	4,592	11,598	11,598	11,598
FD TOWN SHARE FICA	4,269	5,474	5,474	5,474
FD TOWN SHARE MEDICARE	11,394	12,622	12,622	12,622

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FD HEALTH INSURANCE	154,960	195,933	195,933	195,933
FD LIFE & STD INSURANCE	3,477	3,577	3,577	3,577
FD DENTAL INSURANCE	9,570	10,048	10,048	10,048
FD RETIREMENT SWORN	213,203	221,964	221,964	221,964
FD RETIREMENT	4,079	4,277	4,277	4,277
FD MEDICAL & SUPPLY	51,679	22,000	22,000	52,427
FD COMSTAR BILLING FEES	14,023	11,500	11,500	9,000
FD FIRE PREVENTION	441	1,500	1,500	1,500
FD OFFICE SUPPLIES	4,457	5,000	5,000	5,000
FD VEHICLE REPAIR &	24,533	31,000	31,000	33,000
FD EQUIPMENT FUEL	14,582	20,000	20,000	24,000
FD RADIO'S & REPAIRS	1,037	5,000	5,000	5,000
FD GENERAL EXPENSE	682	1,000	1,000	1,000
TOTAL FIRE DEPARTMENT	1,468,015	1,591,741	1,591,741	1,605,829
BUILDING INSPECTION				
BI BUILDING INSPECTOR	63,758	68,225	68,225	66,714
BI CLERKS SALARY	7,898	9,926	9,926	8,112
BI PT CE FIELD INSPECT				
BI OFFICE EXPENSES	776	1,000	1,000	1,000
BI TELEPHONE	573	850	850	850
BI PROTECTIVE CLOTHING	295	400	400	400
BI POSTAGE	132	300	300	300
BI COMPUTER	450	1,000	1,000	1,171
BI DUES/MEMBERSHIPS	545	700	700	700
BI PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	220	500	500	500
BI TRAINING & MILEAGE	460	2,600	2,600	2,000
BI TOWN SHARE FICA	4,057	4,845	4,845	4,845
BI TOWN SHARE MEDICARE	958	1,133	1,133	1,133
BI RETIREMENT EMPLOYEE	7,005	7,621	7,621	7,621
BI PLOT/PRINT/SCAN LEASE	3,118	3,464	3,464	3,081
BI VEHICLE REPAIR & MAINT	547	500	500	500

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BI VEHICLE FUEL	853	1,350	1,350	1,350
BI GENERAL EXPENSE	112	300	300	300
TOTAL BUILDING INSPECTION	91,757	104,714	104,714	100,578
EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT CIVIL DEFENSE				
General Expense	8,000	8,000	8,000	8,000
TOTAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT CIVIL DEFENSE	8,000	8,000	8,000	8,000
HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT				
Salary-Director - Public Works	40,308	41,524	41,524	40,602
Telephone	2,659	3,000	3,000	1,400
Electric	5,710	6,000	6,000	5,000
Heating Fuel	6,515	6,900	6,900	7,000
Computer				
Notices and Advertising	410	250	250	250
Conferences		500	500	500
FICA	2,541	2,574	2,574	2,574
Medicare	594	602	602	602
Retirement - Employees	4,426	4,638	4,638	4,638
NH Occupational Testing	304	500	500	500
Office Supplies	227	500	500	750
HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION	63,694	66,988	66,988	63,816
HIGHWAYS AND STREETS				
Salary-Highway Supervisor	53,387	61,317	61,317	59,959
Salary-Equipment Operator 3	36,834	37,990	37,990	37,990

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Salary-Equipment Operator 4	42,024	38,750	38,750	38,750
Salary-Equipment Oper/Foreman	41,345	42,600	42,600	42,600
Salary-Mechanic	44,954	47,536	47,536	47,536
Salary-Truck Driver / Laborer	32,736	33,734	33,734	33,734
Salary Building & Grounds Maint	23,516	33,073	33,073	33,073
Salary - Truck Driver/Laborer	38,356	39,525	39,525	39,525
Salary - Laborer - New Hire	29,379	31,165	31,165	31,165
Salary-Part Time Hire	1,590	7,000	7,000	8,000
Salary-Part Time Secretary	19,323	19,687	19,687	19,253
Salary-Overtime	32,304	42,500	42,500	42,500
Building & Grounds Repair & Maint	5,211	4,000	4,000	4,000
Protective Clothing	3,226	3,000	3,000	3,500
Service Contracts	582	600	600	600
Plow Maintenance & Repair	14,128	10,000	10,000	10,000
Equipment Maint & Repair	4,176	4,000	4,000	4,000
Uniforms/Cleaning	7,389	8,000	8,000	7,500
FICA	23,445	29,599	29,599	29,599
Medicare	5,483	6,922	6,922	6,922
Health Insurance	89,252	109,145	109,145	109,145
Disability & Life	2,344	2,492	2,492	2,492
Dental Insurance	4,802	5,898	5,898	5,898
Retirement - Employees	40,025	50,233	50,233	50,233
Shop Supplies	65,536	91,694	91,694	65,368
Vehicle Repair & Maint	11,286	9,600	9,600	9,500
Heavy Equipment Maint & Repair	10,515	16,000	16,000	16,000
Vehicle Fuel	26,520	36,000	36,000	26,000
Lease Purchase	39,340	53,000	53,000	53,000
Propane Emergency Generator	207	500	500	500
Tires	7,982	11,300	11,300	5,000
Radio Equip & Repairs	578	1,500	1,500	1,500
Street Signs & Barricades	3,387	2,500	2,500	2,000
Street Painting	2,396	4,000	4,000	5,000
Sweeping	3,735	4,500	4,500	4,500
Cold Patch	4,280	5,500	5,500	5,500

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Equipment Hire	6,396	7,000	7,000	6,500
Tools	4,902	5,500	5,500	5,500
Salt	110,583	135,000	135,000	132,000
Asphalt	12,171	25,000	25,000	25,000
Gravel	3,528	6,000	6,000	6,000
Brush Control & Tree Removal	5,575	12,000	12,000	12,000
Dust Control		1,000	1,000	
Culverts	110	5,000	5,000	5,000
Drainage	1,772	3,000	3,000	3,000
Guard Rails	0	2,500	2,500	2,500
Catch-Basin Cleaning		5,000	5,000	5,000
General Expense	1,626	2,000	2,000	2,000
HIGHWAY AND STREETS	918,235	1,113,862	1,113,862	1,066,344
STREET LIGHTING				
Electricity	9,674	10,500	10,500	11,000
TOTAL STREET LIGHTING	9,674	10,500	10,500	11,000
HIGHWAY BLOCK GRANT EXPENSES				
Highway Block - Expenses	176,026	ARTICLE	ARTICLE	0
TOTAL HIGHWAY BLOCK GRANT	176,026	ARTICLE	ARTICLE	0
SANITATION-SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL				
Contract For Pickups	201,667	226,600	226,600	220,000
Transfer Station Expenses	0			100
Disposal Cost	123,404	150,125	150,125	160,325
HHWD Coordinator Stipend/Mileage	584	750	750	750
Recycling	0	1,000	1,000	
Hazardous Waste	5,803	5,600	5,600	5,500

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Landfill Monitoring Wells	3,476	2,272	2,272	3,200
TOTAL SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL	334,934	386,347	386,347	389,875
HEALTH AGENCIES				
South Road Cemetery Association	7,000	7,500	7,500	7,000
Community Health & Hospice	22,000	22,000	22,000	22,000
Community Action Program	10,150	11,000	11,000	10,150
CASA	500	500	500	500
Lakes Region Family Services	4,000	4,000	4,000	4,000
New Beginnings - Crisis CTR	1,836	1,836	1,836	1,800
American Red Cross	4,000	4,000	4,000	4,000
Genesis Agency	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000
Franklin VNA&Hospice	2,500	2,500	2,500	2,500
TOTAL HEALTH AGENCIES	61,986	63,336	63,336	61,950
GENERAL ASSISTANCE ADMIN				
Salary-General Assist Director	55,959	56,566	56,566	55,313
Salary - Part Time Help	800	1,200	1,200	1,200
Telephone	986	800	800	800
Service Contracts		500	500	500
Computer				
Conferences & Dues		300	300	310
Books & Subscriptions		75	75	75
Training & Mileage		175	175	175
FICA	3,358	3,507	3,507	3,507
Medicare	785	820	820	820
Retirement - Employees	6,027	6,318	6,318	6,318
Supplies	645	600	600	650
TOTAL GENERAL ASSIST ADMIN	68,560	70,862	70,862	69,669

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ASSISTANCE VENDOR PAYMENTS				
Housing	91,927	90,000	90,000	120,000
Food & Household Necessities	1,705	3,000	3,000	3,000
Utilities	9,712	11,000	11,000	13,000
Gasoline	37	200	200	200
Heating	11,580	11,000	11,000	11,000
Clothing		200	200	200
Medical Expenses	562	4,000	4,000	4,500
Other Expenses	4,000	3,000	3,000	2,500
Transportation		600	600	600
TOTAL ASSISTANCE VENDOR PYMTS	119,524	123,000	123,000	155,000
PARKS & RECREATION				
Salary - Recreation Director	33,871	34,903	34,903	34,130
Salary - Program Assistant	1,935	2,000	2,000	2,500
Salary - Park Attendant	1,595	2,800	2,800	3,600
Salary - Summer Camp Director	4,697	5,607	5,607	5,430
Salary - Summer Assist Director	3,699	4,212	4,212	4,332
Salary - Summer Camp Counselors	16,966	21,627	21,627	23,166
Telephone	-25			0
Electric	1,560	1,500	1,500	1,700
Postage	61	70	70	70
Public Notice/Advertising	494	700	700	700
Mileage	115	60	60	60
Equipment	105	90	90	120
Maintenance & Repairs	426	450	450	350
FICA	66	500	500	600
Medicare	1,752	800	800	1,800
Office Supplies	3,892	4,411	4,411	4,411
Summer Camp Crafts & Supplies	910	1,032	1,032	1,032

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Summer Camp Field Trips	656	780	780	780
Summer Camp Transportation	3,904	3,800	3,800	3,800
Recreation Programs	481	800	800	1,000
Training	4,718	6,000	6,000	5,082
Membership/Dues	3,150	3,500	3,500	4,165
Background Checks	775	1,500	1,500	1,500
TOTAL PARKS & RECREATION	85,805	97,141	97,141	100,328
TOWN BEACH				
Salary	11,191	12,224	12,224	11,340
Gatekeeper	1,340	1,650	1,650	1,650
Telephone	94	87	87	454
Electric	429	350	350	325
Training/Recertification		680	680	580
Equipment	533	500	500	400
Maintenance	547	600	600	600
Town Share Fica	777	860	860	805
Town Share Medicare	182	201	201	188
Supplies	143	200	200	200
Decals	333	325	325	500
TOTAL TOWN BEACH	15,569	17,677	17,677	17,042
LIBRARY				
Salary-Library	36,522	41,400	41,400	41,400
Salary-Library Assistant	29,056	33,000	33,000	31,407
Employee Benefits	894	1,242	1,242	7,046
Town Share FICA	4,108	4,613	4,613	4,491
Town Share Medicare	961	1,079	1,079	1,050
Retirement Employee	4,017	4,624	4,624	4,502
General Expenses	34,325	41,075	41,075	34,325

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TOTAL LIBRARY	109,883	127,033	127,033	124,221
PATRIOTIC PURPOSES				
Special Event Coord. Stipend	3,000	3,500	3,500	3,000
Special Event Coord. Telephone	502	400	400	400
Town Share FICA	186	186	186	186
Town Share Medicare	44	44	44	44
OHD Misc Expense		500	500	500
Old Home Day	5,500	5,500	5,500	5,500
Fireworks	6,000	6,500	6,500	6,000
Memorial Day	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
Special Events	4,680	6,000	6,000	6,500
Beautification	1,492	1,500	1,500	1,500
TOTAL PATRIOTIC PURPOSES	22,404	25,130	25,130	24,630
OTHER CULTURE & RECREATION				
Temp Clerk		2,000	2,000	675
Town Share Fica		124	124	42
Town Share Medicare		29	29	10
Heritage Commission General Expense	1,727	1,000	1,000	1,000
Heritage Fund	5,000	Article	Article	
TOTAL OTHER CULTURE & RECREATION	6,727	3,153	3,153	1,727
CONSERVATION COMMISSION				
Salary - Town Planner	1,955	2,014	2,014	1,969
Salary - Clerk				
Salary - Land Use Technician	6,250	6,438	6,438	6,296
Professional Services	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000

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FICA	508	524	524	524
Medicare	119	123	123	123
Retirement - Employees	900	944	944	944
Conservation Projects	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000
General Expenses	1,100	1,100	1,100	1,100
TOTAL CONSERVATION COMMISSION	25,832	26,143	26,143	25,956
PRINCIPAL DEBT SERVICE				
Principal - Pleasant	74,003	76,499	76,499	76,499
TOTAL PRINCIPAL DEBT SERVICE	74,003	76,499	76,499	76,499
INTEREST DEBT SERVICE				
Interest Bond - Pleasant	26,849	24,353	24,353	24,353
TOTAL INTEREST DEBT SERVICE	26,849	24,353	24,353	24,353
TAN ANTICIPATION DEBT				
Debt Interest Tax Anticipation		1	1	1
TOTAL TAN ANTICIPATION DEBT	0	1	1	1
CO EQUIPMENT, VEHICLES & MACHINERY				
FD Replace Command Vehicle		ARTICLE	ARTICLE	
FD Replace Pumper Truck (Lease)		ARTICLE	ARTICLE	
TOTAL CO EQUIP., VEHICLES & MACHINERY				

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CO IMPROVEMENTS BUILDINGS				
Village Bandstand Phase 3 Elec.	15,000	0	0	15,000
Town Fuel Dispensing System	10,535			11,500
Recreation Facility Needs	5,194	0	0	40,000
TOTAL CO IMPROV BUILDINGS	30,729	0	0	66,500
CO IMPROV EXCEPT BUILDINGS				
Environmental Contingency	0			10,000
Lake Winnisquam Trail				
TOTAL CO IMPROV EXCEPT BUILDINGS	0	0	0	10,000
CAPITAL RESERVE TRANSFERS TO TRUSTEES				
CAP RES Accrued Liability Exp	30,000	Article	Article	
CAP RES - HD Heavy Equipment	0			
CAP RES - Bridge Repair	40,000			
CAP RES-Cemetery Maintenance	3,450	Article	Article	
CAP RES-TB Municipal Facilities	0			
CAP RES-Lib Build Improvements				
CAP RES-PW Drainage Project	0			
CAP RES-HS Highway Reconstruction	750,000	Article	Article	
CAP RES -Assessing/Prop Tax	0			
CAP RES-Water System Rep & Maint	20,000	Article	Article	
CAP RES - Dry Hydrant & Cistern	2,500	Article	Article	
CAP RES - Sewer Pump Station Upgrades/Maint.	10,000			
CAP RES - Radio Digital Equipment		Article	Article	
CAP RES - ADA Compliance		Article	Article	
CAP RES - Village Rail Spur Trail All Phases		Article	Article	

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TOTAL CAPITAL RESERVE TRANSFERS	855,950
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Article #8 was read by Moderator. Moderator asked if anyone would move this article open for discussion. Moved by Kenneth Knowlton, Seconded by Albert Akerstrom. Moderator asked if anyone had questions or comments on this article.

Noting no further questions or comments from the attendees the Moderator declared Article 8 will be placed on ballot as written.

Article #9. Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirty Thousand dollars (\$30,000) to be placed in the Accrued Benefits Liability Expendable Trust Fund previously established (2007), and further to fund said appropriation by authorizing the transfer of \$30,000 from the unexpended fund balance as of December 31, 2015.

(The Board of Selectmen recommends **\$30,000** and the Budget Committee supports this recommendation.)

Article #9 was read by Moderator. Moderator asked if anyone would move this article open for discussion. Moved by George Condodemetraky, Seconded by Kerry Bergeron. Moderator asked if anyone had questions or comments on this article.

Kerry Bergeron asked for an explanation on what this article was. Jeanne Beaudin gave a brief overview that this fund is used to pay accrued benefits upon an employee's retirement.

Noting no further questions or comments from the attendees the Moderator declared Article 9 will be placed on ballot as written.

Article #10. Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Seven Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$750,000) to be placed in the Highway Reconstruction and Maintenance Capital Reserve Fund previously established (2006).

(The Board of Selectmen recommends **\$750,000** and the Budget Committee supports this recommendation.)

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Article #10 was read by Moderator. Moderator asked if anyone would move this article open for discussion. Moved by Albert Akerstrom, Seconded by Woodbury Fogg. Moderator asked if anyone had questions or comments on this article.

Noting no further questions or comments from the attendees the Moderator declared Article 10 will be placed on ballot as written.

Article #11. Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Eighty Six thousand Six Hundred Fifty Two Dollars (\$186,652) for the reconstruction of highways, said appropriation to be offset by Highway Block Grant funds provided by the State of New Hampshire?

(The Board of Selectmen recommends **\$186,652** and the Budget Committee supports this recommendation.)

Article #11 was read by Moderator. Moderator asked if anyone would move this article open for discussion. Moved by Kerry Bergeron, Seconded by Kenneth Knowlton. Moderator asked if anyone had questions or comments on this article.

Noting no further questions or comments from the attendees the Moderator declared Article 11 will be placed on ballot as written.

Article #12. Shall the town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Four Thousand Dollars (\$4,000) to be placed in the already established General Cemetery Maintenance Fund governed under the provisions of RSA 31:19-A for the purpose of cemetery maintenance, said amounts to be expendable at the discretion of the Cemetery Trustees (1997).

(The Board of Selectmen recommends **\$4,000** and the Budget Committee supports this recommendation.)

Article #12 was read by Moderator. Moderator asked if anyone would move this article open for discussion. Moved by George Condodemetraky, Seconded by Kerry Bergeron. Moderator asked if anyone had questions or comments on this article.

Noting no further questions or comments from the attendees the Moderator declared Article 12 will be placed on ballot as written.

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Article #13. Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$2,500) to be placed in the Dry Hydrant and Cistern Repairs and Maintenance Capital Reserve Fund previously established (2010).

(The Board of Selectmen recommends **\$2,500** and the Budget Committee supports this recommendation.)

Article #13 was read by Moderator. Moderator asked if anyone would move this article open for discussion. Moved by Albert Akerstrom, Seconded by Robert Frame. Moderator asked if anyone had questions or comments on this article.

Noting no further questions or comments from the attendees the Moderator declared Article 13 will be placed on ballot as written.

Article #14. Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Fifty Eight Thousand Four Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$258,450) for the operation and maintenance of the Water Distribution and Treatment System for the ensuing year, said sum is to be offset by users' fees. Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be Two Hundred Fifty Two Thousand Two Hundred Fifty Two Dollars (\$252,252) which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Town or by law.

(The Board of Selectmen recommends **\$258,450** and the Budget Committee supports this recommendation.)

Article #14 was read by Moderator. Moderator asked if anyone would move this article open for discussion. Moved by George Condodemetraky, Seconded by Richard Meyers. Moderator asked if anyone had questions or comments on this article.

Michael Sylvia asked why all the voters were being asked to vote on this. Jon Pike advised this is a self supporting system and is funded by its users and does not affect the tax rate.

Jeanne Beaudin explained that this system is not a water district and it is brought in front of voters for the general operations of the water distribution and treatment system.

Noting no further questions or comments from the attendees the Moderator declared Article 14 will be placed on ballot as written.

Article #15. Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Hundred Forty Three Thousand Thirty four Dollars (\$543,034) for the operation and maintenance of the Sewage

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Collection and Disposal System for the ensuing year, said sum is to be offset by user's fees. Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be Five Hundred Forty Two Thousand Two Hundred forty Seven Dollars (\$542,247) which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Town or by law.

(The Board of Selectmen recommends **\$543,034** and the Budget Committee supports this recommendation.)

Article #15 was read by Moderator. Moderator asked if anyone would move this article open for discussion. Moved by George Condodemetraky, Seconded by Albert Akerstrom. Moderator asked if anyone had questions or comments on this article.

Noting no further questions or comments from the attendees the Moderator declared Article 15 will be placed on ballot as written.

Article #16. Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Seventy Five Thousand Dollars (\$75,000) to be placed in the Water System Repair and Maintenance Capital Reserve Fund previously established (2006).

(The Board of Selectmen recommends **\$75,000** and the Budget Committee supports this recommendation.)

Article #16 was read by Moderator. Moderator asked if anyone would move this article open for discussion. Moved by George Condodemetraky, Seconded by Kerry Bergeron. Moderator asked if anyone had questions or comments on this article.

Noting no further questions or comments from the attendees the Moderator declared Article 16 will be placed on ballot as written.

Article #17. Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000) to be placed in the Heritage Fund previously established (2005).

(The Board of Selectmen recommends **\$5,000** and the Budget Committee supports this recommendation.)

Article #17 was read by Moderator. Moderator asked if anyone would move this article open for discussion. Moved by Richard Meyers, Seconded by Kenneth Knowlton. Moderator asked if anyone had questions or comments on this article.

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Noting no further questions or comments from the attendees the Moderator declared Article 17 will be placed on ballot as written.

Article #18. Shall the Town vote to establish an ADA Compliance Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of complying with the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act and to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000) to be placed in this fund, and further to name the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend from said fund. (Majority Vote Required.)

(The Board of Selectmen recommends **\$5,000** and the Budget Committee supports this recommendation.)

Article #18 was read by Moderator. Moderator asked if anyone would move this article open for discussion. Moved by Kenneth Knowlton, Seconded by Kerry Bergeron. Moderator asked if anyone had questions or comments on this article.

Noting no further questions or comments from the attendees the Moderator declared Article 18 will be placed on ballot as written.

Article #19. Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000) to be placed in the Digital Radio Equipment Capital Reserve fund established in 2005?

(The Board of Selectmen recommends **\$50,000** and the Budget Committee supports this recommendation.)

Article #19 was read by Moderator. Moderator asked if anyone would move this article open for discussion. Moved by Albert Akerstrom, Seconded by George Condodemetraky. Moderator asked if anyone had questions or comments on this article.

Noting no further questions or comments from the attendees the Moderator declared Article 19 will be placed on ballot as written.

Article #20. Shall the Town vote to establish a Village Rail Spur Trail Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of all phases of the Village Rail Spur Trail and to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000) to be placed in this fund, and further to name the board of Selectmen as agents to expend from said fund. (Majority Vote Required.)

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(The Board of Selectmen recommends **\$25,000** and the Budget Committee supports this recommendation.)

Article #20 was read by Moderator. Moderator asked if anyone would move this article open for discussion. Moved by Paul Schmidt, Seconded by Woodbury Fogg. Moderator asked if anyone had questions or comments on this article.

Kenneth Knowlton explained that this is to offset hopeful funds received from grants for the next bridge placement about a mile up from the current one in the village.

Noting no further questions or comments from the attendees the Moderator declared Article 20 will be placed on ballot as written.

Moderator asked if there are any further questions or comments on today's deliberations.

Ron Mitchell gave an overview of the budget and complimented the committee members on trying to hold the amounts steady and majority of the rate increase is due to the school budget.

Linda Frawley asked if there were any funds in the budget for repairs to the Mill or Bank buildings?

Ruth Mooney advised that there are funds in the budget for general maintenance for the Mill and the Bank buildings. There are no funds in the budget for major renovations. We don't know what the school budget will bring to our tax base and we are trying to keep the tax rate down for our residents. We are looking to form a committee to do something with these buildings.

Ronald Mitchell spoke about insurances and increase in the 2016 budget explaining the 3% employee raises. One of the big items is that the state used to pay a 33% portion of retirement costs and no longer does which now forces the town to pay the whole amount.

Barbara Binette commented that it would be nice if the budget could be explained further per category. Today is a public meeting and we should go over each category in the budget. As a town resident I am wondering why we can't do that today at this session.

Ruth Mooney came up advised there have been many publicized meetings. No one comes to our meetings week after week and we always welcome residents to get involved.

Peter Harris made a comment that residents should not come here and complain if they don't get involved.

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Joseph McCormack agrees with Mrs. Binette and he understands the publicized meeting but he comes here today to learn more about what the residents are asked to vote on.

Jeanne Beaudin explained that this is the third and last year of the collective bargaining union contract. As a result that will increase cost of salaries. Health insurance is being looked at for next year's options to better suit our employees. There was a large decrease in health costs in 2015 but an offsetting increase for 2016.

Jay Grafton commented that as a business owner I do not have the time to attend the meetings but want to compliment the committee on how the budget was put together.

Donald McLelland Sr commented that after listening to what has been said I just want to ask how many here today have attended a school meeting? The Town has kept the budget reasonable and as a resident I feel you have to take it upon yourself to attend the meetings to understand and get involved in town business and that includes the school budget. The larger portion of our taxes are going to the school. Maybe the bills should be split and have the town and school send out bills reflecting their own portion of the town's taxes. Maybe that will wake up the residents to get involved and be informed.

Linda Frawley commented that maybe we should have been prodded when an article comes up for discussion but wanted to thank everyone for all the work that went into making this budget.

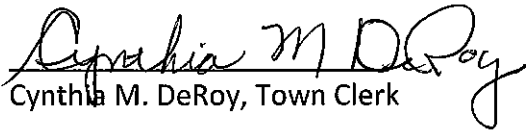
Donna Cilley commented on the suggested need for more explanation on Article 8. I don't miss meetings when publicized and it is no fault of the boards for not explaining the budget today. When the article was brought forth there were no questions asked by the attendees here today. It should be the resident's responsibility to ask questions when the article is on the floor for discussion.


James Spiller wanted to take a moment to thank everyone for all they have done to compile the budget and admits he has not been to a meeting and applauded those who did. I agree with Donna Cilley because the article came up and no one asked questions or for explanation before the article was moved and closed. People should attend meeting or at least take their own responsibility for gaining knowledge and being active when the budget is being prepared.

Donna Cilley made a motion to adjourn today's meeting, Seconded by Kenneth Knowlton. The Moderator declared that with no further Warrant Articles to read or further comments that the Meeting of the First (Deliberative) Session of the Annual Town Meeting adjourned at 11:29 in the morning.

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Recording Secretary

