



**2024
WARRANT**



Article 01 Election of Officers

- 1 Selectman for 3-year term
- 1 Trustee of Trust Funds for 3-year term
- 1 Supervisor of the Checklist for 6-year term
- 1 Moderator for 2-year term
- 1 Sarah Dow MacGregor Scholarship Fund Member for 3-year term

Article 02 Operating Budget

Shall the Town 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 first session, for the purposes set forth therein, totaling Three million Five hundred Seventeen thousand Four hundred Sixty-Five dollars and no cents (\$3,517,465.00)? Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be Three million Four hundred One thousand One hundred Thirty-Six dollars and no cents (\$3,401,136.00), which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action by 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. This operating budget warrant article does not include appropriations contained in ANY other warrant articles.

The Select Board recommends (3-0) this appropriation.

Article 03 Fire Department Fire Hose Replacement

Shall the town raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty-Three Thousand dollars (\$23,000) for the purchase of replacement fire hose(s)? This amount will be offset in the amount of Twenty-One Thousand Eight Hundred and Fifty dollars (\$21,850) funded by an Assistance to Firefighters Grant (AFG) The balance of One Thousand One Hundred Fifty dollars (\$1,150) is to come from the Fire Department Special Revenue Fund, with no amount to be raised from taxation.

The Select Board recommends (3-0) this appropriation.

Article 04 Fire Department Dry Hydrant Expendable Trust

Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of Ten Thousand dollars (\$10,000) to be placed in the Dry Hydrant Expendable Trust Fund, created by Town vote in 2017 under RSA 31:19-a for the purpose of repairing and installing dry hydrants? The balance in this Fund as of Dec 31, 2023 was Eighteen Thousand Nine Hundred and Eighteen dollars and Thirty-Seven cents (\$18,918.37). The amount of the appropriation in this article is not included in the operating budget under Article 02.

The Select Board recommends (3-0) this appropriation.

Article 05 Hiring and Equipping Two Full-Time Employees in the Fire Department.

Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of Ninety-Four Thousand Two Hundred and Ninety-One Dollars (\$94,291) for the purpose of hiring two full-time firefighter/EMS employees to work in the Fire Department? This amount also includes the outfitting of these two employees. The amount of the appropriation in this article is not included in the operating budget under Article 02.

The Select Board recommends (3-0) this appropriation.



Article 06 Fire Department Tanker/Engine

Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of Seven Hundred and Fifty Thousand dollars (\$750,000) for the purchase of a new Tanker/Engine to replace 17E3, a 1989 KME Fire Truck, and to fund this appropriation by authorizing the withdrawal of Thirty-Seven Thousand Five Hundred dollars (\$37,500) from the Fire Department Special Revenue Fund with the balance of Seven Hundred Twelve Thousand Five Hundred dollars (\$712,500) funded by an Assistance to Firefighters Grant (AFG), with no amount to be raised from taxation? This will be a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7, VI and will not lapse until December 31, 2025.

The Select Board recommends (3-0) this appropriation.

Article 07 Appropriation for Portion of Public Safety Building

Shall the Town raise and appropriate Twenty-Five Thousand dollars (\$25,000) to partially pay the tenth year's bond payment on the Public Safety Building and to fund this appropriation by authorizing the withdrawal of this amount from the Fire Department Special Revenue Fund, which was authorized to be used for this purpose in 2011? The remainder of the annual bond payment One Hundred Thirty-Nine Thousand Seventeen dollars and Fifty cents (\$139,017.50) is included in the Operating Budget Article 02.

The Select Board recommends (3-0) this appropriation.

Article 08 Fire Department Ambulance Lease Payment

Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of Thirty-Seven Thousand Three Hundred Forty-Four dollars (\$37,344) to pay the fourth year's lease payment on 17A1 (ambulance), purchased in 2020, and to fund this appropriation by authorizing the withdrawal of Thirty-Seven Thousand Three Hundred Forty-Four dollars (\$37,344) from the Fire Department Special Revenue Fund, which was created for the purchase of vehicles and equipment for the Department in 1997, with no amount to be raised from taxation? The amount of the appropriation in this article is not included in the operating budget under Article 02.

The Select Board recommends (3-0) this appropriation.

Article 09 Town Road Maintenance

Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Fifty Thousand dollars (\$250,000) for maintenance and improvements on Town owned roads? The amount of the appropriation in this article is not included in the operating budget under Article 02.

The Select Board recommends (3-0) this appropriation.

Article 10 Purchase of a Police Cruiser

Shall the town raise and appropriate the sum of Eighty Thousand dollars (\$80,000) for the purpose of purchasing a police cruiser, contingent upon a successful grant application? This amount to be offset by a grant from congressionally delegated spending in the amount of Eighty Thousand dollars (\$80,000), with no amount to be raised from taxation. This article is contingent on receiving the grant. If the grant is not received, this article will be null and void.

The Select Board recommends (3-0) this appropriation.



Article 11 Planning & Zoning Consultant

Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty-Five Thousand dollars (\$25,000) for the purpose of hiring a Planning & Zoning Consultant to assist in the updating of the master plan and zoning ordinance? The amount of the appropriation in this article is not included in the operating budget under Article 02.

The Select Board recommends (3-0) this appropriation

Article 12 Establish the Town Capital Equipment Expendable Trust Fund

Shall the town establish a Town Capital Equipment and Vehicle Expendable Trust Fund per RSA 31:19-a, for the purpose of purchasing capital equipment and vehicles and to raise and appropriate Two Hundred Thousand dollars (\$200,000) to put in the fund, with this amount to come from general taxation; further to name the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend from said fund? The amount of the appropriation in this article is not included in the operating budget under Article 02.

The Select Board recommends (3-0) this appropriation.

Article 13 Reimbursable Grants Expendable Trust Fund

Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of Fifteen Thousand dollars (\$15,000) to be placed in the Reimbursable Grants Expendable Trust Fund, created by Town vote in 2023 under RSA 31:19-a for the purpose of applying for grants which reimburse expenditures? The balance in this Fund as of Dec 31, 2023 was Five Thousand Four Hundred Thirty-Eight dollars and Forty-Eight cents (\$5,438.48) The amount of the appropriation in this article is not included in the operating budget under Article 02.

The Select Board recommends (3-0) this appropriation.

Article 14 Town Equipment Repair/Replace Expendable Trust Fund

Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of Eight Thousand dollars (\$8,000) to be placed in the Equipment Repair/Replace Expendable Trust Fund, created by Town vote in 2021 under RSA 31:19-a for the purpose of paying for major repairs for town equipment? The balance in this Fund as of Dec 31, 2023 was Twelve Thousand Two Hundred Forty-Eight dollars and Sixty-Two cents (\$12,248.62). The amount of the appropriation in this article is not included in the operating budget under Article 02.

The Select Board recommends (3-0) this appropriation.

Article 15 Town Vehicle Repair Expendable Trust

Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty-Two Thousand dollars (\$22,000) to be placed in the Town Vehicle Repair Expendable Trust Fund, created by Town vote in 1997 under RSA 31:19-a for the purpose of repairing Town owned vehicles? The balance in this Fund as of Dec 31, 2023 was Twenty-Eight Thousand Two Hundred Twenty-Three dollars and Five cents (\$28,223.05). The amount of the appropriation in this article is not included in the operating budget under Article 02.

The Select Board recommends (3-0) this appropriation.



Article 16 Town Building Maintenance Expendable Trust Fund

Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty-Seven Thousand dollars (\$27,000) to be placed in the Town Building Maintenance Expendable Trust Fund, created by Town vote in 2019 under RSA 31:19-a for the purpose of paying for repairs to Town buildings? The balance in this Fund as of Dec 31, 2023 was Twenty-Three Thousand Two Hundred Seventeen dollars and Thirty-Six cents (\$23,217.36). The amount of the appropriation in this article is not included in the operating budget under Article 02.

The Select Board recommends (3-0) this appropriation.

Article 17 Discontinuance of Doctor Childs Road

Shall the Town discontinue the entirety of Dr. Childs Road (Class V maintained town road) beginning at the intersection with Shingle Camp Hill Road and extending west to the end of the road? Said discontinuance shall be at no cost to the town and in accordance with all approvals.

The Select Board recommends (2-0-1) this appropriation.