

Town of New Hampton  
New Hampshire  
Warrant  
2018

To the inhabitants of the town of New Hampton in the County of Belknap in the state of New Hampshire qualified to vote in town affairs are hereby notified and warned that the two phases of the Annual Town Meeting will be held as follows:

**FIRST SESSION**

**You are hereby notified to meet at the New Hampton Public Safety Building for the First Session of the 2018 Town Meeting to be held at the New Hampton Public Safety Building, 26 Intervale Drive, New Hampton on Tuesday, the 6<sup>th</sup> day of February next at 7:00 p.m. The First Session will consist of explanation, discussion and debate of the warrant articles, which are attached, and will afford those voters who are present the opportunity to propose, debate and adopt amendments to the warrant articles.**

**In the event of an emergency cancellation, the Deliberative Session will be held on Wednesday, February 7, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. at the same location.**

**SECOND SESSION**

**You are also notified to meet for the Second Session of the 2018 Town Meeting, to vote by official ballot Election of town officers, zoning amendments and the warrant articles as they may have been amended at the First Session, to be held at the Town House, 86 Town House Road, New Hampton on Tuesday, the 13<sup>th</sup> day of March next. Polls for voting by official ballot at the Town House will open at 11:00 a.m. and will close at 7:00 p.m. unless the town votes to keep the polls open to a later hour.**

**Article 01: Election of Town Officers**

- 1 Selectman 3 year term
- 1 Moderator 2 year term
- 1 Town Clerk/Tax Collector 1 year term
- 1 Trustee of Trust Funds 3 year term
- 1 Sarah MacGregor Scholarship Fund 3 year term
- 1 Supervisor of the Checklist 6 year term

**Article 02: Zoning Amendment #1**

Are you in favor of the adoption of the following amendment to the New Hampton Zoning Ordinance as proposed by the planning board as follows: Amend the Ordinance to allow by Special Exception an apartment in an accessory building, such as a garage in all Districts that allow a single family dwelling.

The Planning Board recommends this amendment.

**Article 03: Zoning Amendment #2**

Are you in favor of the adoption of the following amendment to the New Hampton Zoning Ordinance as proposed by the planning board as follows: Add language to permit one accessory structure on a lot without a principal /primary structure on the same lot provided it is compatible with the permitted uses in that District and complies with all other regulations.

The Planning Board recommends this amendment.

**Article 04: Zoning Amendment #3**

Are you in favor of the adoption of the following amendment to the New Hampton Zoning Ordinance as proposed by the planning board as follows:

Remove the General Parking Regulations in the Village District and amend the Off Street Loading and Parking regulations to define the number of parking spaces required for a proposed use(s) and allow by Special Exception the ability to supplement or reduce the required spaces.

The Planning Board recommends this amendment.

**Article 05: Zoning Amendment #4**

Are you in favor of the adoption of the following amendment to the New Hampton Zoning Ordinance as proposed by the planning board as follows: Add to Definition section language to define a structure and an accessory structure.

The Planning Board recommends this amendment.

**Article 06: Prime Wetlands Designation of Snake River**

To see if the Town will vote to designate the Snake River Wetlands Complex as a Prime wetlands in the Town of New Hampton and place it into State Prime Wetlands Status as recommended by the Planning Board?

**Article 07: Town 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 two million nine hundred and five thousand and two hundred twenty one dollars and no cents (\$2,905,221.00)? Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be two million seven hundred and ninety one thousand and six hundred seventy three dollars and no cents (\$2,791,673.00), 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 Selectmen recommend (3-0) this appropriation.

**Article 08: Appropriation for PSB loan payment**

Shall the Town raise and appropriate twenty five thousand dollars (\$25,000) to partially pay the seventh 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 (\$145,636.40) is included in the Operating Budget Article 7. The Selectmen recommend (3-0) this appropriation.

**Article 09: Highway Department Dump Truck Lease/Purchase**

Shall the Town authorize the Selectmen to enter into a five year lease/purchase agreement for the lease and purchase of a fully equipped Highway Department 1-Ton Dump Truck, with a plow and sander, for a total cost of eighty five thousand (\$85,000), and to raise and appropriate seventeen thousand dollars (\$17,000) for the first year's payment? This lease agreement will contain an escape clause. The remaining balance of \$68,000 will be financed through the lease/purchase agreement. The amount of the appropriation in this article is not included in the operating budget under Article 7. The Selectmen recommend (3-0) this appropriation.

**Article 10: Repair or Replacement of Town Bridge(s)**

Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000) to be placed in the Town Bridge Repair or Replacement Expendable Trust Fund, created by Town vote in 2008 under RSA 31:19-a for the purpose of repairing or replacing town owned bridges? The amount of the appropriation in this article is not included in the operating budget under Article 7. The Selectmen recommend (3-0) this appropriation.

**Article 11: Purchase of Police Cruiser**

Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of thirty seven thousand two hundred and ninety four dollars (\$37,294) to purchase and equip a Police Cruiser all-wheel drive utility vehicle for the Police Department? The amount of the appropriation in this article is not included in the operating budget under Article 7. The Selectmen recommend (3-0) this appropriation.

**Article 12: Fire Department/EMS Ambulance**

Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred and ninety five thousand dollars (\$195,000) for the purchase of a Fire Department/EMS Ambulance and to fund this appropriation by authorizing the withdrawal of \$195,000 from the Fire Department Special Revenue Fund, with no amount from taxation? The amount of the appropriation in this article is not included in the operating budget under Article 7. The Selectmen recommend (3-0) this appropriation.

**Article 13: Fire Department/EMS Equipment**

Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of seventeen thousand seven hundred and twenty one dollars (\$17,721) for the purchase of Fire/EMS equipment (Hose rack, turntable, winder and washer; 2 Mobile Ready racks for firefighter gear; Mobile Radio; Infusion Pump; and Water Rescue Sled) for the Fire Department and to fund this appropriation by authorizing the withdrawal of \$17,721 from the Fire Department Special Revenue Fund, 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 7. The Selectmen recommend (2-1) this appropriation.

**Article 14: Petition for CADY**

To see if the Town of New Hampton will vote to raise and appropriate funds totaling One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000) for Communities for Alcohol and Drug-Free Youth (CADY) a non-profit organization serving New Hampton and nearby towns. CADY’s work protects children from the harms of substance misuse; prevents juvenile delinquency; breaks the cycle of crime; contains community costs; prevents addiction; and saves lives. (BY PETITION) The Selectmen recommend (3-0) this appropriation.

**Article 15:** To transact any other business that may legally come before said Meeting.

Given under our hands, January 29, 2018		
We certify and attest that on or before January 29, 2018, we posted a true and attested copy of the within Warrant at the place of meeting, and like copies at the Town Office at 6 Pinnacle Hill Road and the Public Works Department at 26 NH Route 132N, and delivered the original to the Regina M. Adams, Town Clerk.		
Printed Name	Position	Signature
Kenneth A. Mertz	Board of Selectmen, Chairman	
Neil G. Irvine	Selectman	
Mark T. Denoncour	Selectman	