

2014 WARRANT
THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the inhabitants of the Town of Barrington, in the County of Strafford, State of New Hampshire, qualified to vote in Town affairs: You are hereby notified of the annual meeting.

The first session for the transaction of all business other than voting by official ballot shall be held Saturday, the 1st day of February 2014, at 9:00 A.M. at the Middle School 51 Haley Drive in Barrington. If the session cannot be held that date because of weather or other unexpected emergencies the session will be held the 3rd day of February 2014, at 6:30 PM at the Early Childhood Learning Center, 77 Ramsdell Lane. The first session shall consist of explanation, discussion, and debate of each warrant article. Warrant articles may be amended, subject to the following limitations:

- Warrant articles whose wording is prescribed by law shall not be amended.
- Warrant articles that are amended shall be placed on the official ballot for final vote on the main motion, as amended.

The second session of the annual meeting, to vote on questions required by law to be inserted on said official ballot, and to vote on all warrant articles from the first session on official ballot shall be held Tuesday, March 11, 2014, at the Middle School 51 Haley Drive in Barrington. The polls shall be open from 8:00 A.M. to 7:00 P.M.

Article 1 To choose all necessary Town Officers by ballot and majority vote, including:

Two Selectman for three years.
Two Library Trustees for three years.
One Trustee of Trust Funds for three years.
One Cemetery Trustee for three years.
One Supervisor of the Checklist for 6 years.

Article 2 Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 1 as proposed by the Planning Board - To provide for inclusion of specific items to be reviewed and documented regarding their potential effects of excavation operations within a residential zone. Applications will be reviewed under the Conditional Use Permit which required findings of compatibility with the environs and preservation of land value with the provisions of overall Performance Standards of the Ordinance. By a vote of (7) in favor (0) opposed the Board unanimously recommended this article. [Majority Vote Required]

Article 3 Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 2 as proposed by the Planning Board - To provide for the accessory use of "recreation" for limited periods of the year on certain lots that have no principal structure or use. By a vote of (7) in favor (0) opposed the Board unanimously recommended this article. [Majority Vote Required]

Article 4 Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 3 as proposed by the Planning Board – To bring current our definition of Light Manufacturing. By a vote of (7) in favor (0) opposed the Board unanimously recommended this article. [Majority Vote Required]

Article 5 Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 4 as proposed by the Planning Board - To provide the permitted dwelling density or yield plan (number of houses allowed) for a Conservation Subdivision equal to the permitted dwelling density of a Conventional Subdivision, By a vote of (7) in favor (0) opposed the Board unanimously recommended this article. [Majority Vote Required]

Article 6 Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 5 as proposed by the Planning Board - To show the effective date of the “buffer requirement” in the provision that created it. By a vote of (7) in favor (0) opposed the Board unanimously recommended this article. [Majority Vote Required]

Article 7 Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 6 as proposed by the Planning Board - This proposal strikes the prohibition of service on the Planning Board by individuals who serve a Code Enforcement function in the Town of Barrington. By a vote of (4) in favor (2) opposed (1) abstention the Board recommends this Article. [Majority Vote Required]

Article 8 Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 7 – This amendment includes Stratified Drift Aquifer Overlay in the list of Overlay Zones at Section 2.1 of the Ordinance. By a vote of (6) in favor (0) opposed (1) abstention the Board recommends this Article. [Majority Vote Required]

Article 9 Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 8 In order to protect the groundwater in the Swains Lake area this amendments repeals and replaces Article 12 and provides for the amending of the Town Map. This amendment also amends the list of overlay zones at Section 2.1 of the Ordinance to include the Stratified Drift Aquifer Overlay and the Swains Lake – Water Management Zone Overlay.

Other substantive changes consequent to this amendment are as follows:

Describes and sets the boundaries of the SDAO and the SW-WMZO.

Establish performance standards for the SL-WMZO district.

Requires any new development to meet the water needs of that development from an off-site source or from the Swains Lake Village Water District (SLWD). Specifically exempted from this provision is the renovation or expansion of existing residences.

Provides for the repair and replacement of existing wells.

Provides assurance that Property Development can continue.

Exempts the authorized testing by Federal and State Authorities necessary to monitor water contamination levels.

By a vote of (6) in favor (0) opposed (1) abstention the Board recommends this Article. [Majority Vote Required]

Article 10 “Shall the Town of Barrington 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 \$6,409,114 (six million four hundred nine thousand one hundred fourteen dollars)? Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be \$6,269,561 (six million two hundred sixty nine thousand five hundred sixty one dollars) which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Town of Barrington 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.” [Majority Vote Required]. By a 5-0 vote the Board of Selectmen recommends this article. NOTE: This operating budget warrant article does not include appropriations contained in any other warrant article. This article has a projected total 2014 property tax increase of \$44.50 on a home currently assessed at \$250,000.

Article 11 To see if the town will vote to approve the cost items included in the collective bargaining agreement reached between the Board of Selectmen and the International Union of Public Employees representing police employees other than the Police Chief which calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits at the current staffing level: \$ 3,291 and further to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,291 for the current fiscal year, such sum representing the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits required by the new agreement over those that would be paid at current staffing levels. [Majority vote required]. By a 5-0 vote the Board of Selectmen recommends this article. Note: This appropriation is in addition to Warrant Article #10, the operating budget article. This article has a projected total 2014 property tax increase of 90 cents on a home currently assessed at \$250,000.

Article 12 To see if the Town of Barrington will vote to accept the land to be donated by the Svenson family adjacent to the Christmas Dove and further to raise and appropriate the sum of \$50,000 to pay for engineering and related studies for the development of the property for municipal buildings or other civic purposes. This is a special warrant article and will not lapse until December 31, 2016. [Majority vote required]. By a 3-2 vote the Board of Selectmen recommends this article. Note: This appropriation is in addition to Warrant Article #10, the operating budget article. This article has a projected total 2014 property tax increase of \$13.50 on a home currently assessed at \$250,000.

Article 13 To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$50,000.00 to be added to the Fire Truck Capital Reserve Fund previously established, this sum to come from fund balance and no amount to be raised from taxation. [Majority Vote Required]. By a 5-0 vote the Board of Selectmen recommends this article. *Note: This appropriation is in addition to Warrant Article #10, the operating budget article. This article has no impact on 2014 property taxes.

Article 14 To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000.00 to be added to the Fire and Rescue Equipment Capital Reserve Fund previously established, this sum to come from fund balance and no amount to be raised from taxation. By a 5-0 vote the Board of Selectmen recommends this article. [Majority Vote Required] *Note: This appropriation is in addition to Warrant Article #10, the operating budget article. This article has no impact on 2014 property taxes.

Article 15 To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,000.00 to be added to the Library Technology Fund Capital Reserve previously established, this sum to come from fund balance and no amount to be raised from taxation. [Majority Vote Required]. By a vote of 4 in favor, 0 opposed and 1 abstention the Board of Selectmen recommends this article. *Note: This appropriation is in addition to Warrant Article #10, the operating budget article. This article has no impact on 2014 property taxes.

Article 16 To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,209 to be added to the Cemetery Capital Reserve previously established, this sum to come from fund balance and no amount to be raised from taxation. This is the amount the Town collected in 2013, from sale of cemetery lots and other cemetery revenue. [Majority Vote Required]. By a 5-0 vote the Board of Selectmen recommends this article. *Note: This appropriation is in addition to Warrant Article #10, the operating budget article. This article has no impact on 2014 property taxes.

Article 17 To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$50,000.00 to be added to the Highway Heavy Equipment Capital Reserve previously established, this sum to come from fund balance and no amount to be raised from taxation. [Majority Vote Required]. By a 5-0 vote the Board of Selectmen recommends this article. *Note: This appropriation is in addition to Warrant Article #10, the operating budget article. This article has no impact on 2014 property taxes.

Article 18 To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$50,000 to be added to the Bridge Capital Reserve fund previously established, this sum to come from fund balance and no amount to be raised from taxation. Such funds may be expended for the purposes of the fund and may be used to apply for 80% state funding from the New Hampshire Bridge Aid Program for some of this work. [Majority Vote Required]. By a 5-0 vote the Board of Selectmen recommends this article. *Note: This appropriation is in addition to Warrant Article #10, the operating budget article. This article has no impact on 2014 property taxes.

Article 19 To see if the town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$250,000 for construction of a Highway Equipment Garage, this sum to come from fund balance and no amount to be raised from taxation. This is a special warrant article that will not lapse until December 31, 2015. [Majority Vote Required]. By a 5-0 vote the Board of Selectmen recommends this article. *Note: This appropriation is in addition to Warrant Article #10, the operating budget article. This article has no impact on 2014 property taxes.

Article 20 To see if the town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$175,000 for road paving and reconstruction, this sum to come from fund balance and no amount to be raised from taxation. This money helps fund the third year of a multi-year plan recommended by the town's consulting engineer to maintain and improve road conditions. This is a special warrant article and will not lapse until December 31, 2015. [Majority Vote Required]. By a 5-0 vote the Board of Selectmen recommends this article. *Note: This appropriation is in addition to Warrant Article #10, the operating budget article. This article has no impact on 2014 property taxes.

Article 21 To see if the Town will authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into a long term power purchase agreement for electricity with a company that provides and installs solar panels to produce electricity with no up-front cost to the town at a cost savings to the Town of Barrington or other performance contract to save energy costs. [Majority Vote Required] By a vote of 4 in favor, 0 opposed and 1 abstention the Board of Selectmen recommends this article.

Article 22 To see if the Town will vote to adopt the ordinance proposed by the Board of Selectmen to restrict and establish a penalty for the owners of domestic and farm animals running at large on town roads and streets, public property or lands and other areas not owned by the animals owner as authorized in RSA 31:39. A complete copy of the proposed ordinance is at the town website www.barrington.nh.gov or the Town Clerk. [Majority vote required]. By a 5-0 vote the Board of Selectmen recommends this article.

Article 23 To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to appoint five members and up to 2 alternates to the Advisory Budget Committee established in or prior to 1976 and to do so with staggered 3 year terms of office that can be renewed. The method of selection from 1976 is no longer available under the changed form of town meeting and was originally limited to one 2 year nonrenewable term. If both this article and Article 28 pass, this article will take precedence and the town will continue with only an Advisory Budget Committee. [Majority vote required]. By a 5-0 vote the Board of Selectmen recommends this article.

Article 24 To see if the town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen, without further action of the town, to purchase back ownership of real estate that the Board has previously sold if the option of first refusal required that real estate first be offered to the town for \$1 (one dollar) or less and if there are funds in the operating budget to do so, such authority to continue until rescinded by Town Meeting. [Majority vote required]. By a 5-0 vote the Board of Selectmen recommends this article.

Article 25 Shall the Town of Barrington adopt an Ordinance to Protect the Health, Safety, and Welfare of River Ecosystems and Residents of Barrington, New Hampshire by establishing a Community Bill of Rights, the language of which is available at town hall and the library and is posted online as "Petitioned Article" at http://www.barrington.nh.gov/Pages/BarringtonNH_Administrator/TM? (By Petition) [Majority Vote required]. The Board of Selectmen does not recommend this article by a 5-0 vote.

Article 26 Resolved, the People of Barrington, New Hampshire, stand with the Move to Amend campaign and communities across the country to defend democracy from the corrupting effects of undue corporate power by amending the United States Constitution to establish that: 1 Only human beings, not corporations, are endowed with constitutional rights, and 2. Money is not speech, and therefore regulating political contributions and spending is not equivalent to limiting political speech. Be it further resolved, that the People of Barrington, New Hampshire, hereby instruct our state and federal representatives to enact resolutions and legislation to advance this effort. (By Petition) [Majority vote required].

Article 27 Despite the fact that the New Hampshire Department of Revenue Administration indicates that, even if passed, the proposed trust fund shall not be created because funds are not being raised and appropriated into it, shall the town vote that those monies collected by the town as land use change fees that are not already being deposited to the Conservation Fund be used to establish a trust fund to renovate, or remove and rebuild

new our town hall on Ramsdell Lane? (By Petition) [Majority Vote Required] The Board of Selectmen does not recommend this article by a 5-0 vote.

Article 28 Shall a nine (9) member “official” budget committee be adopted and members appointed by the Town Moderator until elections in 2015? If this article and Article 23 both pass, Article 23 will take precedence and the town will continue with only the Advisory Budget Committee. If this article passes and Article 23 does not, the current Advisory Budget Committee will be dissolved and the town will only have the official Budget Committee. (By Petition) [Majority Vote Required] The Board of Selectmen does not recommend this article by a 5-0 vote.

Article 29 To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting of the honorable Town Government.

Given under our hands, this 23rd day of January 2014

Michael Clark, Chair
Fred Bussiere
Susan Gaudiello
Dawn Hatch
Dennis Malloy

A TRUE COPY OF WARRANT – ATTEST

Please notify the Selectmen’s Office at least five business days prior to this meeting if the meeting must be modified for your participation.

January 23, 2014

We hereby certify that we gave notice to the inhabitants within named, to meet at time and place and for the purpose within mentioned, by posting up an attested copy of the within Warrant at the place of meeting within named, and a like attested copy at the Town Office and post office being a public place in same town, on the 23rd day of January, 2014,

Given under our hands, this 23rd day of January 2014

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(this warrant reflects changes made at deliberative session)

