

Town of Alexandria

New Hampshire

Warrant

2018

To the inhabitants of the town of Alexandria in the County of Grafton 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 of Annual Meeting (Deliberative Session):

Date: Saturday, February 10, 2018

Time: 10:00 am

Location: Town Hall, 47 Washburn Road, Alexandria, NH

Details: This session shall consist of explanation, discussion and deliberation of the warrant articles numbered 1 through 15. The warrant articles may be amended subject to the following limitations: (a) warrant articles whose wording is prescribed by law shall not be amended; (b) warrant articles that are amended shall be placed on official ballot for a final vote on the main motion, as amended; and (c) no warrant article shall be amended to eliminate the subject matter of the article; but an amendment that changes the dollar amount of an appropriation in a warrant article shall not be deemed to violate this subparagraph.

Second Session of Annual Meeting (Official Ballot Voting)

Date: Tuesday, March 13, 2018

Time: 11:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Location: Alexandria Town Hall, 45 Washburn Road, Alexandria, NH

Details: Voting Session to act on all Warrant Articles as amended, including the proposed budget, as a result of the action of the "FIRST SESSION".

Article 01: ELECTION OF PUBLIC OFFICIALS

Election of Public Officials, Newfound Area School District Items and other Articles appearing on the warrant as may be required by state law.

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 \$1,683,246 (as recommended by the Budget Committee)? Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be \$1,597,384, 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 operating budget warrant article does not include appropriations contained in ANY other warrant articles. Estimated tax impact \$8.56 per thousand, before revenues, based on the Budget Committee's recommended budget. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen. Recommended by the Budget Committee.

Article 03: New Highway Department Loader Lease

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the selectmen to enter into a six year lease agreement for \$166,000 for the purpose of leasing a Loader for the Highway Department, and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$29,000 for the first year's payment for that purpose. The full cost of the vehicle is \$206,000; the amount of the lease reflects trade-in value of the loader being replaced. This lease agreement contains an escape clause. (Estimated tax impact \$0.15). Recommended by the Board of Selectmen(3-0-0). Not recommended by the Budget Committee(2-3-2).

Article 04: Highway Department Truck Lease 2016

To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$28,305 for the third of seven yearly payments for the lease of the 2016 dump truck for the Highway Department. This lease agreement was approved at the 2016 Town Meeting and contains an escape clause. (Estimated tax impact \$0.14 per thousand) Recommended by the Board of Selectmen (3-0-0). Recommended by the Budget Committee (5-0-2).

Article 05: Highway Department Backhoe Lease 2016

To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$19,996 for the third of seven yearly payments for the lease of the 2016 Backhoe for the Highway Department. This lease agreement was approved at the 2016 Town Meeting and contains an escape clause. (Estimated tax impact \$0.10 per thousand) Recommended by the Board of Selectmen(3-0-0). Recommended by the Budget Committee (5-0-2).

Article 06: Highway Department Truck Lease 2017

To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$12,655 for the second of six yearly payments for the lease of the 2017 dump truck for the Highway Department. This lease agreement was approved at the 2017 Town Meeting and contains an escape clause. (Estimated tax impact \$0.06 per thousand). Recommended by the Board of Selectmen(3-0-0). Recommended by the Budget Committee(5-0-2).

Article 07: Fire Department Lease for Self-Contained Breathing

To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$28,040 for the second of four yearly payments for the lease of twelve self-contained breathing apparatus for the Fire Department. This lease agreement was approved at the 2017 Town Meeting and contains an escape clause. (Estimated tax impact \$0.14 per thousand). Recommended by the Board of Selectmen(3-0-0). Recommended by the Budget Committee(5-0-2).

Article 08: Sand Shed at Highway Department

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$125,000 construct a sand shed for the Highway Department. (Estimated tax impact \$0.64 per thousand). Recommended by the Board of Selectmen (3-0-0). Recommended by the Budget Committee(3-2-2).

Article 09: Paving

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$80,000 for the repair and maintenance of paved roads? (Estimated tax impact \$0.41 per thousand). Recommended by the Board of Selectmen(3-0-0). Recommended by the Budget Committee(5-0-2).

Article 10: Fire Equipment Expendable Trust Fund

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000 to be put into the Fire Department Maintenance Expendable Trust Fund? (Estimated tax impact \$0.05 per thousand). Recommended by the Board of Selectmen(3-0-0). Recommended by the Budget Committee(3-2-2).

Article 11: Building Permit Ordinance

In order to protect the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of the Town of Alexandria, the Selectmen have proposed adopting a building permit ordinance. Are you in favor of the adoption building permit ordinance as proposed by the Board of Selectmen? Recommended by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 12: All Veterans' Tax Credit

To see if the Town will vote to adopt the provisions of RSA 72:28-b, All Veterans' Tax Credit? If adopted, the credit will be available to any resident, or the spouse or surviving spouse of any resident, who (1) served not less than 90 days on active service in the armed forces of the United States and was honorably discharged or an officer honorably separated from service and is not eligible for or receiving a credit under RSA 72:28 or RSA 72:35. If adopted, the credit granted will be \$270.00, the same amount as the standard or optional veterans' tax credit voted by the Town under RSA 72:28. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 13: Property Exemption for Industrial Use

To see if the Town will vote to adopt the provisions of RSA 72:76, which would allow the Town to adopt a new property exemption for commercial or industrial use. The exemption shall apply only for municipal and local school property taxes assessed by the municipality. The exemption does not apply to the state education property tax nor the county property tax. The exemption shall take effect in the year beginning April 1 following its adoption. The exemption will run for three years and be for 50% of the valuation. If adopted by the local legislative body, the percentage rate and duration of the exemption shall be granted uniformly within the Town to all projects for which a property application is filed. A vote adopting RSA 72:76 shall remain in effect for a maximum of five tax years; provided, however, that for any application which has already been granted prior to expiration of the five year tax period, shall continue apply at the rate and for the duration in effect at the time it was granted. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 14: Day Away Program

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$1,500) for the Day Away Program located in the Lakes Region, a non-profit center for those people having Alzheimer or a related form of Dementia, whose purpose is to provide the caregiver a time of respite and help the participant to maintain their independence and encourage socialization. This article presented by petition. Recommended by the Budget Committee(5-0-2).

Article 15: Newfound Hills Road Seasonally Maintained

To see if the Town will approve Newfound Hills Road to become maintained by the Town of Alexandria for seasonal maintenance (not winter). Town work would include annual culvert maintenance, roadside weed/brush maintenance, road surface grading and emergency washout repair. This article presented by petition.

Given under our hands, January 23, 2018.

We certify and attest that on or before January 24, 2018 we posted a true and attested copy of the within Warrant at the place of meeting, and like copies at the Alexandria Municipal Building at 45 Washburn Road, Alexandria, NH and delivered the original to the Town Clerk.

Printed Name	Position	Signature
George Tutthill	Chair, BOS	<i>George Tutthill</i>
Robert Piehler	BOS	<i>Robert Piehler</i>
Chef Caron	BOS	<i>Chef Caron</i>