

TOWN OF SANDOWN STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the inhabitants of the Town of Sandown qualified to vote in Town affairs you are, hereby, notified of the following Town meeting schedule.

First Session of Annual Meeting (Deliberative)

You are hereby notified to meet at Sandown Town Hall, 320 Main Street, Sandown, New Hampshire, on Saturday, February 1, 2020 at 9:00 am. This session shall consist of explanation, discussion and debate of warrant articles number 2 through 18. Warrant articles may be amended subject to the following limitations: (a) warrant articles whose wording is prescribed by law shall not be amended and (b) warrant articles that are amended shall be placed on the 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.

Second Session of Annual Meeting (Voting)

Voting on warrant articles number 1 through 18 and the zoning amendments will be conducted by official ballot to be held on Tuesday, March 10, 2020 at Sandown Town Hall, 320 Main Street, Sandown, New Hampshire. Polls will be open from 8:00 am to 8:00 pm.

Warrant Article 1. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year (to be voted by ballot March 10, 2020).

Warrant Article 2. 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 \$4,319,408. Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be \$4,116,870, 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. This operating budget warrant article does not include appropriations contained in ANY other warrant articles.

Estimated tax impact of the proposed operating budget of this article is \$6.57 per thousand. Estimated tax impact of the default budget of this article is \$6.27 per thousand.

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen: 5-0-0)

(Recommended by the Budget Committee: 6-1-0)

Warrant Article 3. Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate and authorize the Selectmen to accept a Highway Block Grant an amount expected to be received in the sum of One Hundred Seventy One Thousand One Dollars (\$171,001) for the road improvement programs to be recommended by the Sandown Highway Department and approved by the Sandown Board of Selectmen, said sum to be supplied by the State of New Hampshire.

Estimated tax impact of this warrant article is \$0

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen: 5-0-0)

(Recommended by the Budget Committee: 7-0-0)

Special Warrant Article 4. Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Three Hundred Seventy Thousand Dollars (\$370,000) to be added to the previously established Road Improvement Capital Reserve Fund.

Estimated tax impact of this article is \$.56 per thousand.

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen: 5-0-0)

(Recommended by the Budget Committee: 7-0-0)

Special Warrant Article 5. Shall the Town vote to authorize the Selectmen to enter into a long-term lease/purchase agreement not to exceed five years in the amount of Forty Five Thousand Dollars (\$45,000) for the purpose of leasing/purchasing cardiac monitoring equipment for the Fire and Rescue Department and to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000) for the first year's payment. This lease/purchase agreement contains an escape clause. This article is designated as a special warrant article by the Board of Selectmen.

Estimated tax impact of this article is \$.02 per thousand.

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen: 5-0-0)

(Recommended by the Budget Committee: 7-0-0)

Special Warrant Article 6. Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Forty Nine Thousand Nine Hundred Ninety Nine Dollars (\$149,999) for site work and construction of a new salt shed at the Highway Garage. Costs will be offset by \$ 62,866 of unassigned fund balance, which represents the 2019 Municipal Aid received and \$67,366 Municipal Aid to be received in 2020. This will be a non-lapsing warrant article and will not lapse until the project is completed or by December 31, 2025, whichever is sooner.

Estimated tax impact of this article is \$.23 per thousand.

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen: 5-0-0)

(Not Recommended by the Budget Committee: 3-4-0)

Special Warrant Article 7. Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$30,000) for the purpose of site work and expansion costs of the Center Cemetery. This article is designated as a special warrant article by the Board of Selectmen. Estimated tax impact of this article is \$.05 per thousand.

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen: 5-0-0)

(Recommended by the Budget Committee: 6-0-1)

Special Warrant Article 8. Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Twenty Five Thousand Dollars (\$125,000) to be added to the Bridge Capital Reserve Fund previously established.

Estimated tax impact of this article is \$.19 per thousand.

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen: 5-0-0)

(Recommended by the Budget Committee: 7-0-0)

Special Warrant Article 9. Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirteen Thousand Seven Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$13,750) to be added to the Revaluation Capital Reserve Fund previously established.

Estimated tax impact of this article is \$.02 per thousand.

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen: 5-0-0)

(Recommended by the Budget Committee: 7-0-0)

Special Warrant Article 10. Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000) to be added to the Fire Equipment and Apparatus Capital Reserve Fund previously established.

Estimated tax impact of this article is \$.08 per thousand.

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen: 5-0-0)

(Recommended by the Budget Committee: 7-0-0)

Special Warrant Article 11. Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Four Thousand Six Hundred Twenty Five Dollars (\$4,625) for treatment to control exotic aquatic species including invasive variable milfoil and fanwort in Phillips Pond. Costs may be offset by grant funds. This article is designated as a special warrant article by the Board of Selectmen.

Estimated tax impact of this article is \$.01 per thousand.

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen: 5-0-0)

(Recommended by the Budget Committee: 7-0-0)

Special Warrant Article 12. Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Four Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$4,500) for fireworks with a date and time to be determined by the Board of Selectmen. This article is designated as a special warrant article by the Board of Selectmen.

Estimated tax impact of this article is \$.01 per thousand.

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen: 5-0-0)

(Not Recommended by the Budget Committee: 3-4-0)

Special Warrant Article 13. Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500) to be added to the Stormwater Management Capital Reserve Fund previously established.

Estimated tax impact of this article is less than \$.01 per thousand.

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen: 5-0-0)

(Recommended by the Budget Committee: 7-0-0)

Special Warrant Article 14. Shall the Town vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 to be known as the Government Building Capital Reserve Fund for the purpose of repair, maintenance and new construction of government buildings and to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500) towards this purpose, and to further appoint the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend from the fund.

Estimated tax impact of this article is less than \$.01 per thousand.

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen: 5-0-0)

(Recommended by the Budget Committee: 7-0-0)

Special Warrant Article 15. Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Seven Thousand Dollars (\$7,000) to be added to the Old Home Day Celebration Expendable Trust Fund previously established.

Estimated tax impact of this article is \$.01 per thousand.

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen: 5-0-0)

(Recommended by the Budget Committee: 6-1-0)

Special Warrant Article 16. Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$1,500) to support Southern Rockingham Coalition for Healthy Youth. If this warrant article passes, future appropriations will be included in the operating budget. This article is designated as a special warrant article by the Board of Selectmen.

Estimated tax impact of this article is less than \$.01 per thousand.

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen: 5-0-0)

(Recommended by the Budget Committee: 6-1-0)

Petitioned Warrant Article 17. Shall the Town vote to direct the Board of Selectmen to research the feasibility of entering into a long-term lease with a tower development company to construct a telecommunications tower on town property only within the existing Business District as delineated by Article 1, Part D Business District, Section 1, submitted by petition.
(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen: 5-0-0)
(Recommended by the Budget Committee: 7-0-0)

Petitioned Warrant Article 18. Shall the Town vote to rescind RSA 41:14-a, which allows the Selectmen to sell land, buildings or both, submitted by petition.
(Not Recommended by the Board of Selectmen: 1-4-0)
(Not Recommended by the Budget Committee: 1-4-2)