

TOWN WARRANT
Town of Tuftonboro
State of New Hampshire

TOWN MEETING OVERVIEW

Article 8: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Cemetery Trustees to create an Expendable Cemetery Trust Fund under the provisions of RSA 31:19-a wherein the money received from the sale of Rights to Burial will be deposited. The funds received from the sale of such lots shall be deposited with the Trustees of the Trust Funds for the maintenance of cemeteries, which shall include cemeteries which have been abandoned and become municipal cemeteries for management purposes pursuant to RSA 289:20-21. Maintenance shall include repair of gravestones as well as maintenance of cemetery grounds.

(Majority vote required)

PASSED

Article 9: To see if the Town will vote pursuant to RSA 80:80 to authorize the Selectmen to convey real property acquired by the Town by Tax Collector's Deed by Public Auction (or advertised sealed bid) or in such manner as determined by the Selectmen as justice may require. The law allows this authority to extend indefinitely until rescinded by a vote of Town Meeting. This article recommended by the Selectmen.

(Majority vote required)

Article amended to read: ***"To see if the Town will vote pursuant to RSA 80:80 to authorize the Selectmen to convey real property acquired by the Town by Tax Collector's Deed by advertised sealed bid or in such manner as determined by the Selectmen as justice may require."***

AMENDED ARTICLE PASSED

Article 10: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Forty-Two Thousand Dollars (\$42,000.00) to be added to the previously established Fire/Rescue Department SCBA (Self Contained Breathing Apparatus) Equipment Capital Reserve Fund. The full amount (\$42,000.00) will come from the Unassigned Fund Balance and no amount to be raised from taxation.

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3-0 and the Budget Committee 5-0)

(Majority vote required)

PASSED

Article 11: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Seventy-Five Thousand Dollars (\$75,000.00) to be deposited to the previously established Library Capital Building Fund. The full amount (\$75,000.00) will come from the Unassigned Fund Balance and no amount to be raised from taxation.

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3-0 and the Budget Committee 5-0)
(Majority vote required)

PASSED

Article 12: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Seventy-Five Thousand Dollars (\$75,000.00) to be deposited to the previously established Police Department Capital Reserve Fund. The full amount (\$75,000.00) will come from the Unassigned Fund Balance and no amount to be raised from taxation.

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3-0 and the Budget Committee 4-1)
(Majority vote required)

PASSED

Article 13: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Thirty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$235,000.00) for the preparation and paving of Town Roads.

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3-0 and the Budget Committee 4-1)
(Majority vote required)

PASSED

Article 14: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000.00) to replace the Lake Road boat ramp.

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3-0 and the Budget Committee 5-0)
(Majority vote required)

PASSED

Article 15: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Nine Thousand Two Hundred Six Dollars (\$9,206.00) for the Mirror Lake Boat Launch and Improvements.

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3-0 and the Budget Committee 4-1)
(Majority vote required)

PASSED

Article 16: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Forty-One Thousand Two-Hundred Sixty Eight Dollars (\$41,268.00) to purchase and install new mobile radios for the Fire/Rescue Department.

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3-0 and the Budget Committee 5-0)
(Majority vote required)

PASSED

Article 17: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000.00) for a watershed plan to be administered by the Lake Winnepesaukee Association. This will be a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7, VI and will not lapse until the Watershed Plan is completed or by December 31, 2019, whichever comes first.

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3-0 and the Budget Committee 5-0)
(Majority vote required)

PASSED

Article 18: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifty Five Thousand Dollars (\$55,000.00) for the purchase of a new police vehicle.

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3-0 and the Budget Committee 5-0)
(Majority vote required)

PASSED

Article 19: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirteen Thousand Dollars (\$13,000.00) to purchase and install a new air filtration system in the Town Garage.

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3-0 and the Budget Committee 5-0)
(Majority vote required)

PASSED

Article 20: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) to support Mount Washington Valley Supports Recovery.

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3-0 and the Budget Committee 4-1)
(Majority vote required)

Article amended *“To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$2,500.00) to support Mount Washington Valley Supports Recovery.”*

AMENDED ARTICLE PASSED

Article 21: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00) for the Pier 19 Crosswalk Project. Nine Thousand Dollars (\$9,000.00) to come from outside fundraising and One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) to come from taxation. This project will be null and void should the fundraising portion of Nine Thousand Dollars (\$9,000.00) not be reached.

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3-0 and the Budget Committee 3-2)
(Majority vote required)

DEFEATED

Article 22: To see if the town will vote to establish a contingency fund for the current year for unanticipated expenses that may arise and further to raise and appropriate Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00) for said purpose. Said sum to come from the Unassigned Fund Balance and no amount to be raised from taxation. Any appropriation left in the fund at year end will lapse into the general fund.

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3-0 and the Budget Committee 4-1)
(Majority vote required)

PASSED

Article 23: To see if the Town will vote to adopt the “all veterans’ property tax credit” under RSA 72:28-b. 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 was an officer honorably separated from service, and (2) is not eligible for and not receiving the credit for veterans who served in a qualifying war or armed conflict or for veterans with a service-connected disability. If adopted, the credit will be in the amount of \$500.00, which is the same amount as the credit for a veteran who served in a qualifying war or armed conflict. If the credit is adopted, any person desiring to claim the credit will be required to file an application with the selectmen or the assessors by April 15 of the tax year.

PASSED

Article 24: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the Budget Committee recommended sum of Three Million Six Hundred Fifty Two Thousand Seven Hundred and Fifty-Five Dollars (\$3,652,755) for general Town Operations. The Selectmen recommended Three Million Six Hundred Fifty Seven Thousand Seven Hundred and Fifty-Five Dollars (\$3,657,755). This article does not include any special or individual warrant articles addressed separately.

(Recommended by the Budget Committee 5-2)
(Majority vote required)

PASSED

Article 25 (by Petition): To see if the Town will vote to require the board of selectmen to hold all meetings of the board of selectmen, both regular and work session, at 6:30 PM to allow as many residents of the town to attend meetings as possible. The selectmen currently hold most meetings at either 9AM or 4PM, when the vast majority of residents are unable to attend. Holding meetings after normal work hours would be in keeping with the spirit of the Right to Know law (RSA 91:A), which states: “Openness of the conduct of public business is essential to a democratic society.”

DEFEATED