

2008 WARRANT



TOWN OF NEW BOSTON

To the inhabitants of the Town of New Boston, in the county of Hillsborough, qualified to vote in town affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the New Boston Central School in said New Boston on Tuesday, the eleventh of March next. Polls will be open at 7 o'clock in the forenoon to take up Articles 1 – 33. Polls will close at 7 o'clock in the evening.

Article 1. To choose all necessary officers for the ensuing year.

Selectmen for 3 years: **Vote for ONE only**

Christine A. Quirk

Peter G. Kucmas

Write In

Cemetery Trustee for 3 years: **Vote for ONE only**

Gregg L. Peirce

Write In

Fire Ward for 3 years: **Vote for TWO only**

George St. John

Wayne Blassberg

Write In

Library Trustee for 3 years: **Vote for TWO only**

Candace Woodbury

Karen Salerno

Write In

Town Moderator for 2 years: **Vote for ONE only**

Lee Nyquist

Write In

Supervisor of the Checklist for 6 years: **Vote for ONE only**

Cathleen J. Strausbaugh

Write In

Town Treasurer for 3 years: **Vote for ONE only**

Karen M. Johnson

Write In

Trustee of the Trust Funds for 3 years: **Vote for ONE only**

Thomas C. Manson

Write In

Explanation for Article 2. This article, proposed by the Planning Board, based on suggestions from the Building Inspector, will allow the use of different kinds of lighting that can be proposed for signs in the residential district by changing reference from incandescent lighting to a reference to externally illuminated signs. The addition of phone number and/or website to the sign will aid in identification of the business and allow customers to quickly find out how to contact the business owner.

The sign requirements for the residential district currently do not include any requirements to shield the lighting on an externally illuminated sign. By copying the requirements from the commercial sign section it will be clear that externally illuminated signs in the residential district will have to be shielded so as not to produce glare, distract passing drivers, etc., no matter the type of lighting proposed.

Article 2. Are you in favor of the adoption of the following amendment to the existing Town Zoning Ordinance as proposed by the Planning Board?

ARTICLE III GENERAL PROVISIONS

Section 318 Signs

Sub-Section 318.2 Replace the words "a sign with incandescent lighting" with the words "an externally illuminated sign" in the first sentence and add the words "phone number and/or website" after the word "address" in the first sentence so the section reads as follows: "In any residential district, *an externally illuminated sign*, not exceeding four square feet per face is permitted which announces the name, address, *phone number and/or website*, or professional or home business of the occupant of the premises on which said sign is located. One off-site sign is allowed with the written permission from the landowner and the Board of Selectmen."

Add a new Sub-Section 318.2, A, to read as follows: "Externally illuminated signs in the residential district shall be shielded in such a way as to produce no glare, undue distraction, confusion or hazard to the surrounding area or to vehicular traffic. Illumination shall be properly focused upon the sign itself."

YES []

NO []

Explanation for Article 3. This article proposed by the Planning Board, based on suggestions from the Building Inspector, will allow the inclusion of a phone number and/or website on a business sign in the commercial district. As noted above this will allow potential customers to easily determine how to contact the business.

Article 3. Are you in favor of the adoption of the following amendment to the existing Town Zoning Ordinance as proposed by the Planning Board?

ARTICLE III GENERAL PROVISIONS

Section 318 Signs

Sub-Section 318.5 Add the words "phone number and/or website" after the words "products sold" so the section reads as follows: "The primary purpose of the sign shall be for identification and not for advertising and may state only the owner, trade names, trademarks, products sold, *phone number and/or website* and/or the business or activity conducted on the premises on which the sign is located."

YES []

NO []

Explanation for Article 4. This article proposed by the Planning Board, based on suggestions from the Fire Inspector and Fire Wards, will require heat detectors in each stall of a multi-stall garage. Currently, the requirement is for only one heat detector in a garage.

Article 4. Are you in favor of the adoption of the following amendment to the existing Town Building Code as proposed by the Planning Board?

CHAPTER NB-4.0 SMOKE ALARMS

In the first paragraph, second sentence, add the words "in each stall" after the words "a heat detector" so that the sentence reads as follows: " Attached garages shall include a heat detector *in each stall* interconnected with required smoke detectors."

YES []

NO []

Explanation for Article 5. This article proposed by the Planning Board, based on suggestions from the Fire Inspector and Fire Wards, will add some requirements to the building code to specify some uniform design standards for the Town's sprinkler system section.

Article 5. Are you in favor of the adoption of the following amendment to the existing Town Building Code as proposed by the Planning Board?

CHAPTER NB-5.0 SPRINKLER SYSTEMS FOR NEW ONE- AND TWO-FAMILY DWELLINGS AND MANUFACTURED HOMES

Section NB-5.4 Design

Add five new sections as follows:

- "3. Pumps and tanks shall be installed no less than 7" and no more than 9" above the permanent floor. The material used to accomplish this shall be permanent, solid and not allow any voids under the pump or tank.
4. Circuit breakers responsible for supplying power to the sprinkler system shall be equipped with a lockout device.

5. Valve handles shall be removed and stored in the sprinkler head box.
6. The power feed for the sprinkler system shall be protected in a method approved by the authority having jurisdiction.
7. Sprinkler systems shall be equipped with a fire department connection and external alarm approved by the authority having jurisdiction."

YES []

NO []

Explanation for Article 6. The Selectmen have traditionally placed their recommendation and that of the Finance Committee at the end of any warrant article requesting money. Technically, only certain money articles are allowed to be so noted by the Selectmen and an advisory Finance Committee has no right to have its opinion listed. A new law has changed all this and allows both parties to state their preferences on all warrant articles including listing the vote tally for each warrant article. A town vote is required to institute.

Article 6. To see if the Town will vote to accept RSA 32:5 V-a, a new option under the Municipal Budget Act, that allows for any town to vote requiring that all votes by an advisory budget committee, a town budget committee, and the governing body (Board of Selectmen) related to budget items or warrant articles shall be recorded and the numerical tally of any such vote shall be printed in the town warrant next to the affected warrant article. (Majority Vote Required)

YES []

NO []

Explanation for Article 7. Occasionally the Tax Collector is asked to accept tax payments ahead of time. It takes a vote of the Town to allow it and no such vote has ever been taken.

Article 7. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Tax Collector to accept payments in prepayment of taxes due the town. Any taxpayer owning taxable property may, at any time before notice of the amount of taxes assessed against said property has been received, make payments on account of such taxes as will be due. The collector shall receive such payments as defined in RSA 41:35. No taxpayer shall be allowed to prepay taxes more than two (2) years in advance of the due date of the taxes. No interest shall accrue to the taxpayer on any prepayment nor shall any interest be paid to the taxpayer on any prepayment, which is later subject to rebate or refund. (Majority Vote Required)

YES []

NO []

Explanation for Article 8. The qualifying income and asset limits for these two exemptions need to be adjusted from time to time to allow for inflation and other factors. The requirements are the same for both exemptions. The new limits are based on a review of the amounts used in other communities.

Article 8. Shall we **modify the qualifying income and asset limits for the elderly exemption** in the Town of New Boston? The exemption limits, for qualified taxpayers as defined in RSA 72:37-b, shall increase from \$21,000 for a single person to, not more than \$35,000, and from \$30,000 if married to, a combined net income of not more than \$45,000, and own net assets not in excess of \$90,000 excluding the value of the person's dwelling with the associated 2 acre house lot. (Majority Vote Required)

YES []

NO []

Explanation for Article 9. The qualifying income and asset limits for these two exemptions need to be adjusted from time to time to allow for inflation and other factors. The requirements are the same for both exemptions. The new limits are based on a review of the amounts used in other communities.

Article 9. Shall we **modify the qualifying income and asset limits for the disabled exemption** in the Town of New Boston? The exemption limits, for qualified taxpayers as defined in RSA 72:37-b, shall increase from \$21,000 for a single person to, not more than \$35,000, and from \$30,000 if married to, a combined net income of not more than \$45,000, and own net assets not in excess of \$90,000 excluding the value of the person's dwelling with the associated 2 acre house lot. (Majority Vote Required)

YES []

NO []

Explanation for Article 10. RSA 41:11-a states that any lease agreement for a period of more than one year shall not be valid unless ratified by vote of the town. Verizon Wireless is looking to locate a cell tower on town land to the rear of the Highway garage, should it receive Planning Board approval to do so. This article must pass to allow the Selectmen to enter into the long-term lease.

Article 10. Shall the Town vote to authorize the Selectmen to enter into a long-term lease agreement with Verizon Wireless for the purpose of erecting a cell phone tower on property owned by the Town of New Boston, Tax Map/Lot 008-117, Old Coach Road (in back of the Highway Department), should the Planning Board give final approval. (Majority Vote Required)

YES []

NO []

Explanation for Article 11. A new subdivision has been approved on Pulpit Road but part of the approval required a new entrance off Bedford Road. The short section that used to be the entrance is being discontinued as a public way with approval of this article.

Article 11. To see if the Town will vote to discontinue absolutely and relinquish all interests therein, pursuant to RSA 231:43, that portion of Pulpit Road, the center line of which is described as follows: beginning at the easterly sideline of Bedford Road at approximate N.H. State Plane Coordinates: N170, 737 feet; E996, 937 feet; thence

running southeasterly about 460 feet to a curve in the northerly sideline of the realigned Class V portion of said road at the N.H. State Plane Coordinates: N170, 373 feet; E997, 218 feet; and to further authorize the Board of Selectmen to execute any quitclaim deed or deeds or other instrument deemed in their judgment to be necessary to conclude this transaction. (Majority Vote Required)

YES []

NO []

Explanation for Article 12. The Solid Waste Ordinance has remained unchanged since first written back in 1991. These revisions more accurately reflect how the Transfer Station is run today and under what authority.

Article 12. To see if the Town will vote to **adopt the following amendments** to the New Boston Transfer Station and Recycling Center Solid Waste Ordinance, Voted at Town Meeting on March 12, 1991. Delete the ~~striketrough text~~ and replace with the text in **bold italics**, as printed herein, in accordance with RSA 149-M:17, RSA 41:9a and RSA 31:39. (Majority Vote Required)

**New Boston, New Hampshire
Solid Waste Transfer Station and Recycling Center**

SOLID WASTE ORDINANCE

ARTICLE I.....Authority

The Town of New Boston, New Hampshire accepts the provisions of RSA 149-M: ~~13,17~~ RSA 41:9A ~~-a~~, and RSA 31:39, **as revised**, to enable the New Boston Board of Selectmen to make rules and regulations governing the New Boston Solid Waste Transfer Station and Recycling Center.

ARTICLE IIDefinition

1. Name

The name of this facility shall be the New Boston Solid Waste Transfer Station and Recycling Center, hereafter known as the ~~Center~~ **Transfer Station**. It is located at 412 Old Coach Road in New Boston, New Hampshire.

2. Residential Waste

Residential waste is non-hazardous household waste (including yard wastes) generated by individuals or families in single or multi-family dwellings- **in New Boston**.

3. Non-residential Waste

Non-residential waste is any *non-hazardous* waste generated in New Boston by the commercial and institutional sector, or by industrial processes and manufacturing operations, consisting largely of decomposable materials in the form of paper and food waste from offices, restaurants, retail establishments, schools, medical facilities, and churches.

4. Commercial Haulers

Commercial Haulers, defined as anyone who hauls waste materials to the ~~Center~~ ***Transfer Station*** for others on a contract basis, have the right to use the ~~Center~~ ***Transfer Station*** in accordance with the Rules and Regulations established by the Selectmen. ~~Commercial Haulers shall obtain a permit from the office of the Town Clerk.~~ All material hauled to the ~~Center~~ ***Transfer Station*** must originate in New Boston and be separated in accordance with the Rules and Regulations.

ARTICLE III.....Procedures

1. Use

The ~~Center~~ ***Transfer Station*** shall be opened for New Boston residents and non-resident property owners during the published days and hours prescribed by the New Boston Board of Selectmen. The use of the ~~Center~~ ***Transfer Station*** shall be in accordance with the Rules and Regulations established by the Selectmen.

Residents and non-residents property owners shall obtain a permit from the ~~Town Clerk's office~~ ***Transfer Station***. This permit shall be displayed on the driver's *lower left* side window of all vehicles depositing material.

2. Materials

Material considered acceptable or unacceptable shall be specified in the Rules and Regulations. All material deposited at the ~~Center~~ ***Transfer Station*** becomes the property of the Town of New Boston and can be sold with proceeds returning to the Town. The Manager of the ~~Center~~ ***Transfer Station*** has the authority to ~~establish value and sell usable items deposited~~ ***select vendors and make the financial arrangements for the sale of recyclables***, with proceeds returning to the Town.

3. Supervision

The ~~Center~~ ***Transfer Station***'s manager shall have the right to refuse use of the facility to any person violating the Rules and Regulations: ***, per the process outlined in the Rules and Regulations.***

4. Security

The gates shall be locked at all times when the ~~Center~~ ***Transfer Station*** is not open to the public. Persons trespassing within the locked gates and fenced area, or depositing materials outside the gates or fenced area, shall be prosecuted and fined.

5. Regulations

The Board of Selectmen shall determine Rules and Regulations for the use of the *Transfer Station*. The regulations shall be posted at the ~~Center~~ *Transfer Station*, ~~Post Office and Town Offices, and shall be given when permits are issued.~~ *and on the Town web site.*

6. ~~User~~ Fees

~~Fees for certain materials deposited at the Center~~ *What type of materials will have a fee for disposal and what that fee will be* shall be determined by the Board of Selectmen, i.e. ~~user fees for the disposal of tires.~~ *after review by the Transfer Station Advisory Committee.*

7. Penalties

Failure to operate within the provisions of this ordinance, and/or failure to comply with the Rules and Regulation of the ~~Center~~ *Transfer Station*, shall result in penalties. Notice of violation will be a written statement.

Any law enforcement officer, or any designated Town employee, may issue a notice of violation. Such notice shall impose upon the person a forfeiture of One hundred and fifty dollars (\$150.00) which must be paid to the Town Clerk within ten (10) days of the date and time notice is given, in full satisfaction of assessed penalty. In the event such penalty is not paid to the Town within the time limitations specified, a summons shall be issued for appearance in district court and any person found guilty of violating the provisions of this article shall be guilty of a violation and shall be fined Two hundred and fifty dollars (\$250.00).

ARTICLE IVAdministration

1. Committee

The Selectmen shall ~~elect~~ *appoint* a five-member *Transfer Station Advisory* committee *with up to two (2) alternates*. Each committee member shall be appointed for a three year term, ~~with the first committee being comprised of two (2) three-year members, two (2) two-year members and one (1) one-year member.~~ The committee shall annually elect a chairman. The function of this committee shall be to advise the Selectmen regarding issues relating to ~~integrated solid waste management in New Boston~~ *the operation of the facility.*

2. Amendments

This ordinance may be amended at any Town meeting by majority vote.

3. Severability

If any portion or portions of the regulations become null and void, that portion affected shall be severed without invalidating the remaining regulation.

4. Effective Date

~~This ordinance shall take effect upon its passage.~~ ***The original ordinance passed in 1991. This revision, if approved, will take effect March 13, 2008.***

YES [] NO []

Explanation for Article 13. The backhoe has been purchased with a little over \$2,300 left in the fund. It takes a vote of the town to close a fund. The money will be transferred from the Trustees of Trust Funds to the Town Treasurer who will place the money in the general fund as a revenue. Revenues serve to reduce the amount that must be raised by taxes to fund town operations.

Article 13. To see if the Town will vote to **discontinue the capital reserve fund established for the purchase of the backhoe (acct. # 1101-1408-4418)**. Said funds, with accumulated interest to date of withdrawal, are to be transferred to the town's general fund. (Majority Vote Required)

YES [] NO []

Explanation for Article 14. This petition article asks the town to explore who is responsible for the drainage system in question and what steps would be prudent relative to maintaining the integrity of the system.

Article 14. To see if the Town will vote to explore responsibility for the maintenance and repair of a drainage system, including a culvert and sluiceway, located on Tax Map 016 Lot 013, Map 016 Lot 014, Map 018 Lot 014. (Petitioned Article) (Majority Vote)

YES [] NO []

Explanation for Article 15. If article 14 passed, this sets the limits of how much can be spent.

Article 15. To see what sum of money the Town will raise and appropriate for the maintenance and repair of the drainage system, including culvert and sluiceway, located on Tax Map 016 Lot 013, Map 016 Lot 014, and Map 018 Lot 014. (Petitioned Article) (Majority Vote Required)

YES [] NO []

Explanation for Article 16. This article asks for permission to grant a property tax break to those who wish to invest in Wind Power Energy Systems.

Article 16. To see if the Town will adopt an exemption from taxation for Wind Powered Energy System Improvements as defined in RSA 72:65 and allowed by RSA 72:66.

These limit the exemption to “wind-powered devices which supplement or replace electrical power supplied to households or businesses at the immediate site”. This request is in accordance with the provisions of RSA 72:27-a, RSA 72:33, 34, and 34-a, for the full value of the improvements to be exempted from taxation. The State of New Hampshire has given towns the option of this incentive to utilize renewable energy systems, which can reduce our dependence on fossil fuels. (Petitioned Article) (Majority Vote Required)

YES []

NO []

Explanation for Article 17. This article asks for permission to grant a property tax break to those who wish to invest in Solar Power Energy Systems.

Article 17. To see if the Town will adopt an exemption from taxation for Solar Powered Energy System Improvements as defined in RSA 72:61 and allowed by RSA 72:27-a and RSA 72:33, 34, and 34-a., for the full value of the improvements to be exempted from taxation. The State of New Hampshire has given towns the option of this incentive to utilize renewable energy systems, which can reduce our dependence on fossil fuels. (Petitioned Article) (Majority Vote Required)

YES []

NO []

Explanation for Article 18. Do you feel state leaders taking the pledge against new taxes is a good idea? Here is your chance to voice your opinion.

Article 18. To see if the Town will vote to approve the following resolution to be forwarded to our State Representatives, our State Senator and our Governor:
Resolved: We the citizens of New Boston, NH believe in a New Hampshire that is just and fair. The property tax has become unjust and unfair. State leaders who take a pledge for no new taxes perpetuate higher and higher property taxes. We call on our State Representatives, our Senator, and our Governor to reject the “Pledge”, have an open discussion covering all options, and adopt a revenue system that lowers property taxes. (Petitioned Article) (Majority Vote Required)

YES []

NO []

Explanation for Article 19. The operating budget includes routine, and for the most part, recurring expenses related to staffing (including salaries and benefits), supplies, utilities, vehicles, maintenance, repairs, and the like required for the day-to-day operation of the town departments. This year’s budget is up 8% influenced heavily by the cost for fuel and the cost of oil that affects our paving costs and even things like road salt (due to the cost of bringing the salt here by ship and then the trucking expense to deliver it to New Boston). Elections expense is up because we only had one last year and there are four this year.

Article 19. 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 **three million, seven hundred and twenty thousand, seven hundred and eighty dollars (\$3,720,780)**. Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be three million, five hundred thousand, one hundred and thirty two dollars (\$3,500,132) which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Town of New Boston 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) (Selectmen and Finance Recommend)

YES []

NO []

Explanation for Article 20. New Boston's Foot Traffic Road Safety Committee won a competition for federal funds directed at improving facilities for walking, biking, etc. The 80/20 federal/town grant for \$150,000 is to engineer and install a footbridge over the river to link the lower village with the center of town. After allowing for the grant and private fundraising, the amount to be raised from taxes is \$19,000.

Article 20. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate one hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$150,000) to construct a footbridge over the Piscataquog River connecting Mill Pond Conservation property with property owned by the New Boston Tavern, allowing public access to the businesses located in the post office section of town, of which one hundred and twenty thousand dollars (\$120,000) is to be funded by the NH Department of Transportation, **nineteen thousand dollars (\$19,000)** to come from taxation and eleven thousand dollars (\$11,000) to be fundraised by the New Boston Foot Traffic Road Safety Committee. (Majority Vote Required) (Selectmen and Finance Recommend)

YES []

NO []

Explanation for Article 21. Our primary tanker is due for its mid-life refurbishment; something we do with all the fire trucks on their way to a typical 28 year average life of service. But this one is more expensive than normal because the metal tank is beginning to leak and must be replaced. Tankers today are made with heavy duty plastic tanks and that is what is planned for our truck. The capital plan calls for \$90,000 to be set aside each year for fire department vehicle replacements/refurbishments. This year we are asking for \$60,000 of that \$90,000 to go towards this vehicle repair.

Article 21. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **sixty thousand dollars (\$60,000)** for the normal mid-life **refurbishment of** the town's main water attack vehicle a **1988 Ford Tanker** plus the replacement of the tank. (Majority Vote Required) (Selectmen and Finance Recommend)

YES []

NO []

Explanation for Article 22. Over the long term it has been determined that to have the money needed to buy fire trucks when they are scheduled for replacement and/or to do the refurbishments, \$90,000 must be allotted each year. With article 21 using \$60,000 of the \$90,000 the remaining \$30,000 will go into the capital reserve fund established for this purpose.

Article 22. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000)** to be placed in the existing **Capital Reserve Fund for Fire Department Vehicles.** (Majority Vote Required) (Selectmen and Finance Recommend)

YES []

NO []

Explanation for Article 23. An old clay drainage pipe system currently takes water from the catch basin in the Town Hall parking lot to the catch basin out in back of the building going through the Town Hall basement to do so. It is very old and the clay pipe has cracked in several places allowing water to enter the basement of the Town Hall. This article would fund a new plastic pipe system and it will go between the Town Hall and the Historical Building to reach the catch basin out back of the building.

Article 23. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **ten thousand dollars (\$10,000)** for the **installation of a new drainage line** to take water from the catch basin **at the Town Hall** parking lot and deliver it to the catch basin at the back of the building replacing an old clay pipe system that now goes through the basement of the Town Hall. (Majority Vote Required) (Selectmen and Finance Recommend)

YES []

NO []

Explanation for Article 24. Every five years the town, by law, must perform a town-wide revaluation. Our last one was in 2006. Based on the expected going rate for this type of work (\$72/parcel) and an estimated number of parcels by 2011 of 2,750 the anticipated cost is near \$200,000. A capital reserve fund has been established at the \$40,000 level to ensure the money is available by 2011.

Article 24. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **forty thousand dollars (\$40,000)** to be placed in the existing **Capital Reserve Fund for the revaluation of the community.** (Majority Vote Required) (Selectmen and Finance Recommend)

YES []

NO []

Explanation for Article 25. The Town Hall is structurally sound but to meet future needs requires systems updates and a better floor plan. An elevator would allow the second floor to be used more (most likely as meeting space). The \$400,000 total cost was

seen as less expensive than building a new facility. It also preserves and continues in use a building of historical significance to the town. A 2011 renovation is planned with funds put away in a capital reserve fund as the method of funding.

Article 25. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **sixty thousand dollars (\$60,000) to be placed in the existing Capital Reserve fund for the renovation of the Town Hall.** (Majority Vote Required) (Selectmen and Finance Recommend)

YES []

NO []

Explanation for Article 26. The 2001 Highway Department 1-ton is due for replacement this year. Money has been set aside to go toward the purchase with the last installment being this one. This purchase is more expensive than normal because the plan is to buy a heavier duty truck that will last longer. Also, while we do not always need new plows and a sander unit, those are needed this time and included in the total cost.

Article 26. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate ninety five thousand dollars (\$95,000) to **replace the 2001 Highway Department 1-ton** including the front plow, wing plow, and sander unit with sixty-five thousand dollars (\$65,000) from previously appropriated non-lapsing funds and **thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000) from taxation.** (Majority Vote Required) (Selectmen and Finance Recommend)

YES []

NO []

Explanation for Article 27. Last year money was voted for improvements to this section of Bedford Road. Those funds were not spent but held over to go with the amount being asked for this year so the project can all be done at once. There is a need to replace some large and very old culverts along with other road improvement work plus paving.

Article 27. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **eighty-five thousand dollars (\$85,000) to continue improvements on the portion of Bedford Road that crosses the wetland area before intersecting with Chestnut Hill Road.** (Majority Vote Required) (Selectmen and Finance Recommend)

YES []

NO []

Explanation for Article 28. The Highway Truck capital reserve fund will cover future 1-tons plus one 10-wheel dump and two 6-wheel dump trucks. The dump trucks see front line use for around 15 years and then are kept another 5 years or better as plow trucks and general backup. The next planned purchase is in 2009.

Article 28. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **fifty-five thousand dollars (\$55,000) to be placed in the existing Capital Reserve Fund for Highway Department Trucks.** (Majority Vote Required) (Selectmen and Finance Recommend)

YES []

NO []

Explanation for Article 29. In the past each piece of Highway Department heavy equipment had its own capital reserve fund. Last year we established a new comprehensive one covering the grader, backhoe, and loader. The next planned purchase is in 2010.

Article 29. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **fifty-five thousand dollars (\$55,000) to be placed in the existing Capital Reserve Fund for Highway Department Heavy Equipment.** (Majority Vote Required) (Selectmen and Finance Recommend)

YES []

NO []

Explanation for Article 30. Lyndeboro Road Bridge is scheduled for replacement under the state bridge aid program in 2009. Meetings with engineers to design it have already begun. There will be this installment of funds and one more next year.

Article 30. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **sixty-five thousand dollars (\$65,000) to continue the funding for the 2009 replacement of the single lane bridge on Lyndeboro Road** nearest the 2nd NH Turnpike. Replacement is being funded under the state bridge aid program with an 80/20 state/town cost share. This will be a non-lapsing appropriation under RSA 32:7 VI and will not lapse until the project is complete or until 2012. (Majority Vote Required) (Selectmen and Finance Recommend)

YES []

NO []

Explanation for Article 31. Gregg Mill Road Bridge was built in 1938 and its replacement under the state bridge aid program is scheduled for 2011. A capital reserve fund has been established to save the money needed for the town share of the expense.

Article 31. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **fifty-five thousand dollars (\$55,000) to be placed in the existing Capital Reserve Fund** established for the planned 2011 **replacement of Gregg Mill Road Bridge** under the state bridge aid program that provides for an 80/20 state/town cost sharing. (Majority Vote Required) (Selectmen and Finance Recommend)

YES []

NO []

Explanation for Article 32. The large culverts at the Tucker Mill/Saunders Hill/Middle Branch intersection qualify as a bridge under state DOT guidelines. They were damaged in the 2007 flood. Repairs will be made in 2008 but the culverts are in need of replacement. With this first installment of town funds we will be able to apply for the

state bridge aid program, with 80% of the cost paid by the state. A date for replacement will be provided once our application has been received by NHDOT.

Article 32. To see if the Town will vote to **establish a Capital Reserve Fund** under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of **replacing the Tucker Mill Road Bridge** (actually two large culverts) under the state bridge aid program that provides for 80/20 state/town cost sharing and to raise and appropriate **twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000)** to be placed in the fund. (Majority Vote Required) (Selectmen and Finance Recommend)

Article 33. To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.