

# 2019 WARRANT



## TOWN OF NEW BOSTON

To the Inhabitants of the Town of New Boston, New Hampshire in the County of Hillsborough, in said State qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified in accordance with SB-2, the first session of all business other than voting by official ballot shall be held on Monday, February 4, 2019 at 7:00 pm, at the New Boston Central School. The first session shall consist of explanation, discussion, and debate of each warrant article. 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 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 on Tuesday, March 12, 2019 from 7:00 am until 7:00 pm to act upon the following:

### Article 1:

Cemetery Trustee for 3 years, vote for 1:	
Almus E. Chancey	[1437]
Fire Wards for 3 years, vote for 2:	
Bradford Bingham	[736]
Brandon Merron	[942]
Dick Moody	[970]
Library Trustees for 3 years, vote for 3:	
Kate Fitzpatrick	[1196]
Bill Gould	[1099]
Jennifer Allocca	[1143]
Selectman for 3 years, vote for 1:	
David Litwinovich	[759]
Karen Scott	[805]
Trustee of the Trust Funds for 3 years, vote for 1:	
Wendy Lambert	[1375]
Trustee of the Trust Fund for 1 year, vote for 1:	
Write in Burke	[43]
Write in Nats	[4]
Write in Segien	[3]

**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?

*To see if the town will amend Article IV Special Provisions, by adding a new section 407, Impact Fees. This Ordinance is intended to implement and be consistent with the Town of New Boston's Master Plan and allocate a fair and equitable share of the cost of public capital facilities (including school construction) to new development and require that new accommodate its impact on public facilities; and apply to all forms of development identified in NH RSA 674:21 (V). The Section will include the following subsections: Findings, Definitions, Off-site Improvements, Imposition of Impact Fees for New Development, Computation of Impact Fees, Administration and Custody, Refunds, Credits, Additional Assessments, Premature & Scattered, Establishment-calculation-review-termination, Waivers and Severability.*

YES [1231] NO [401]

**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?

*Amend Article VI Definitions, Section 602, by amending the existing term Lodging House (Short term Rental) as follows: Any Dwelling (other than a hotel or motel) in which living accommodations with a shared kitchen are rented to three or more transient guests. Meals are typically not provided. The property owner's primary residence shall be in New Boston. ~~A boarding, bed and breakfast, inn or rooming house shall be deemed a lodging house, and more specifically described as follows: A boarding or rooming house shall accommodate non transient guests and may provide them with regular meals; A bed and breakfast shall accommodate transient guests and provide them with breakfast; An inn shall accommodate transient guests for lodging but may also serve the general public, as well as the guests, in a restaurant facility.~~ In addition, amend Article II, Establishment of Districts, Section 204.3 R-1 and 204.4 R-A by removing Lodging House as a use Allowed by Special Exception and allow use by Conditional Use Permit (CUP) Also, amend Section 204.2 Small Scale Planned Commercial District by adding Lodging House (short term rental) as a Permitted Use. Also, amend Article IV Special Provisions, by adding a new section 408, Conditional Use Permit Criteria (CUP): Conditional Use Permits, as authorized under NH RSA 674:21. Specific criteria will be established and the Planning Board shall review all CUP applications to ensure no adverse impacts, limit noise and other intrusions, protect groundwater and consider neighborhood/rural character.*

YES [1069] NO [531]

**Article 4:** Are you in favor of the adoption of the following amendment to the existing Town Zoning Ordinance as proposed by the Planning Board?

*Amend Article VI Definitions, Section 602, by amending the existing term Bed and Breakfast/Inn: A dwelling in which, for compensation, sleeping accommodations are provided to transient guests under management ~~and operation of the owner/occupant of the dwelling~~ of an owner who resides on the property. A Bed and Breakfast/Inn may include the provision of meals for overnight guests only. In addition, amend Article II, Establishment of Districts, Section 204.3 R-1 and 204.4 R-A by adding a Bed and Breakfast/Inn use as a use allowed by Planning Board through a Conditional Use Permit (CUP). Also, amend Article IV Special Provisions, by adding a new section 408, Conditional Use Permit Criteria (CUP): Conditional Use Permits, as authorized under NH RSA 674:21. Specific criteria will be established and the Planning Board shall review all CUP applications to ensure no adverse impacts, limit noise and other intrusions, protect groundwater and consider neighborhood/rural character.*

YES [1030] NO [477]

**Article 5:** Are you in favor of the adoption of the following amendment to the existing Town Zoning Ordinance as proposed by the Planning Board?

*Amend Article VI Definitions, Section 602 by amending the existing definition of a boarding/Rooming House: ~~shall accommodate non-transient guests~~ **A residential structure that accommodates non-transient guests and may provide them with regular meals. Guest stays are typically longer than two weeks. The owner shall reside on the property.** In addition, amend Article II, Establishment of Districts, Section 204.3 R-1 and 204.4 R-A by allowing a Boarding/Rooming House as a use by Conditional Use Permit (CUP). In addition amend Section 204.2 Small Scale Planned Commercial District to allow Boarding /Rooming House as a Permitted Use. Also, amend Article IV Special Provisions, by adding a new section 408, Conditional Use Permit Criteria (CUP): Conditional Use Permits, as authorized under NH RSA 674:21. Specific criteria will be established and the Planning Board shall review all CUP applications to ensure no adverse impacts, limit noise and other intrusions, protect groundwater and consider neighborhood/rural character.*

YES [1096] NO [518]

**Article 6:** Are you in favor of the adoption of the following amendment to the existing Town Zoning Ordinance as proposed by the Planning Board?

*Amend Article VI Definitions, Section 602, by adding the following two new definitions: Short Term Rental: A residential structure, in which rooms or homes are rented, leased or otherwise made available for compensation to three or more individuals for less than 30 days. Transient: Staying at an accommodation for a brief stay, not to exceed 30 days.*

YES [1111] NO [478]

**Article 7:** Are you in favor of the adoption of the following amendment to the existing Town Zoning Ordinance as proposed by the Planning Board?

*Amend Article II, Establishment of Districts, Section 204.4 R-A and 204.2 Small Scale Planned Commercial District by removing Kennels as a use allowed by Special Exception and allow by Conditional Use Permit (CUP) in R-1 & R-A. In addition amend Section 204.2 Small Scale Planned Commercial District to allow as a Permitted Use. Also, amend Article IV Special Provisions, by adding a new section 408, Conditional Use Permit Criteria (CUP): Conditional Use Permits, as authorized under NH RSA 674:21. Specific criteria will be established and the Planning Board shall review all CUP applications to ensure no adverse impacts, limit noise and other intrusions, protect groundwater and consider neighborhood/rural character.*

YES [999] NO [559]

**Article 8:** Are you in favor of the adoption of the following amendment to the existing Town Zoning Ordinance as proposed by the Planning Board?

*Amend Article VI Definitions, Section 602, by adding the following: Outdoor Event Venue: A site that accommodates the gathering of groups and/or individuals to host a commercial event such as a wedding, business meeting(s), or any other outdoor activity. Such events are expected to be conducted outdoors with accessory buildings or structures that are ancillary uses. In addition, amend Article II, Establishment of Districts, Section 204.3 R-1 and 204.4 R-A by adding Outdoor Event Venue as a use allowed by Planning Board through a Conditional Use Permit (CUP). In addition, amend Section 204.2*

*Small Scale Planned Commercial District to allow Outdoor Event Venue as a Permitted Use. Also, amend Article IV Special Provisions, by adding a new section 408, Conditional Use Permit Criteria (CUP): Conditional Use Permits, as authorized under NH RSA 674:21. Specific criteria will be established and the Planning Board shall review all CUP applications to ensure no adverse impacts, limit noise and other intrusions, protect groundwater and consider neighborhood/rural character.*

YES [1130] NO [487]

**Article 9:** Are you in favor of the adoption of the following amendment to the existing Town Zoning Ordinance as proposed by the Planning Board?

*Amend Article II, Section 204.6, Wetland Conservation and Stream Corridor District, paragraph E.4. (a), replacing the 15 day submittal requirement with a 21 day submittal requirement.*

YES [1181] NO [427]

**Article 10:** Proposed Fire Fighting Water Supply Requirements for new Subdivisions.

*The Planning Board and Fire Wards are considering amendments to the Town's Subdivision Regulations relative to firefighting water supply requirements. Currently, subdivisions of 5 or more lots must install a cistern if they are not within 2,200 feet of an existing cistern. This has created situations where subdivisions with less than 5 lots are created with no access to a cistern nearby. The proposed amendment would require all new subdivisions "as defined in the Town of New Boston Subdivision Regulations, Definitions - Section III-S" be within a maximum of 2,200 feet of an existing cistern and if not, install a new cistern or provide some other form of firefighting water supply to protect the home. Do you support this proposed regulation?*

YES [1241] NO [414]

**Article 11:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **two million eight hundred thousand dollars (\$2,800,000)**, for the purpose of the **design and construction of a new fire and EMS facility** in the Town of New Boston and to include funds for the repurposing/demolition of the present Fire Station. Said sum to be raised by issuance of a serial bond (s) or notes not to exceed **two million eight hundred thousand dollars (\$2,800,000)** under and in compliance with the provisions of Municipal Finance Act (RSA Chapter 33:1 e seq., as amended) and to authorize the Selectmen to issue and negotiate such bonds and notes, to determine the rate (s) of interest thereon and to take such other actions as may be necessary to effect the issuance, negotiation, sale and delivery of such bonds or notes as shall be in the best interest of the Town of New Boston. (3/5ths vote required) (Selectmen and Finance Committee recommend 7-0)

YES [860] NO [867]

**Article 12:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate as an **operating budget** not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth in the budget posted with the warrant or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein, totaling **five million two hundred ninety-two thousand, six hundred fifty-seven dollars (\$5,292,657)**. Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be **four million, eight hundred sixty-three thousand, nine hundred fifty-five dollars (\$4,863,955)** 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. (Selectmen and Finance Committee Recommend 6-0 with 1 abstention)

YES [895] NO [815]

**Article 13:** To see if the Town will vote to approve the **reorganization of the New Boston Fire Department** under RSA 154:1, to RSA 154:1 (a). Furthermore to transfer to the New Boston Selectmen the authority and legal responsibilities to conduct business on behalf of the Fire Department previously approved by voters of the Town of New Boston and, furthermore, to eliminate the positions of Fire Wards, and transfer the authority of the Board of Fire Wards to the Board of Selectmen.

YES [730] NO [941]

**Article 14:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **six hundred seventy-one thousand dollars (\$671,000)**, for a **new pumper fire truck**, and further more to authorize the withdrawal of **six hundred seventy one thousand dollars (\$671,000)** from the Fire Department Vehicle Capital Reserve Fund with no amount to be raised from taxation in 2019. (Majority vote required). (Selectmen and Finance Committee Recommend 7-0)

YES [1186] NO [518]

**Article 15:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **one hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$150,000)** to be placed in the existing **Fire Department Vehicle Capital Reserve Fund**. (Selectmen and Finance Committee Recommend 7-0)

YES [1166] NO [526]

**Article 16:** To see if the Town will vote to change the purpose of the Fire Department Vehicle Capital Reserve Fund to include the word 'Equipment'. The requested new purpose would be the **Fire Department Vehicle and Equipment Capital Reserve Fund**. (2/3 vote required)

YES [1040] NO [636]

**Article 17:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **sixty-four thousand dollars (\$64,000)** for the installation of an **exhaust capture system** for the existing fire station. If the Fire Facility article (#11) does pass, then this Article would be null and void. (Selectmen and Finance Committee Recommend 7-0)

YES [1174] NO [494]

**Article 18:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate an additional sum of **eleven thousand, two hundred and two dollars (\$11,202)**, for the purpose of funding the additional cost of **Fire Department dispatch services** contracted with the Town of Goffstown. If the operating budget passes, this Article will be null and void. (Selectmen and Finance Committee Recommend 7-0)

YES [1196] NO [474]

**Article 19:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate an additional sum of **ten thousand three hundred dollars (\$10,300)** for the purpose of funding the additional cost of the **Police Department dispatch services** contracted with the Town of Goffstown. If the operating budget passes, this Article will be null and void. (Selectmen and Finance Committee Recommend 7-0)

YES [1147] NO [522]

**Article 20:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000)** to be placed in the existing **Highway Truck Capital Reserve Fund**. (Majority Vote Required). (Selectmen and Finance Committee Recommend 7-0)

YES [1003] NO [648]

**Article 21:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **forty thousand dollars (\$40,000)** to be placed in the existing **Highway Department Heavy Equipment Capital Reserve Fund**. (Majority Vote Required) (Selectmen and Finance Committee Recommend 7-0)

YES [1034] NO [614]

**Article 22:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **forty thousand dollars (\$40,000)** to be added to the existing **Town Bridge Repair/Replacement Capital Reserve Fund**. (Majority Vote Required) (Selectmen and Finance Committee Recommend 7-0)

YES [1118] NO [518]

**Article 23:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **two hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$250,000)** for the purpose re-opening the **Dougherty Lane Bridge** which was closed due to undermined footings. **One hundred twenty thousand dollars (\$120,000)** to come from the Highway Block Grant and the remaining **one hundred thirty thousand dollars (\$130,000)** to come from unassigned fund balance with no amount to be raised from taxation in 2019. This is a non-lapsing appropriation and will not lapse until the project is complete or until December 31, 2022. (Majority vote required) (Selectmen and Finance Committee Recommend 7-0)

YES [1052] NO [622]

**Article 24:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **forty-six thousand dollars (\$46,000)** for the second of a two-year appropriation request for the purpose of constructing a **Salt Shed** for use at the New Boston Highway Department. Said building to be located at the Highway Department facility on Old Coach Road. This is a non-lapsing appropriation and will not lapse until the project is complete or until December 31, 2022, whichever comes first. (Majority Vote Required) (Selectmen and Finance Committee Recommend 7-0)

YES [1068] NO [605]

**Article 25:** To see if the Town will vote to change the purpose of the Transfer Station Machinery and Equipment Expendable Trust established at the 2011 Town Meeting, to the **Transfer Station Machinery, Equipment and Facility Expendable Trust**, and furthermore to name the Selectmen as agents. (2/3 vote required)

YES [905] NO [758]

**Article 26:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the additional sum of **twenty-six thousand five hundred thirty-three dollars (\$26,533)** for the purpose of funding the town's additional cost of **solid waste disposal and trucking** for the New Boston Transfer Station. If the operating budget passes, this Article will be null and void. (Majority vote required) (Selectmen and Finance Committee Recommend 7-0)

YES [957] NO [691]

**Article 27:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000)** to be added to the existing **Revaluation Capital Reserve Fund** to be used to complete the 2021 town-wide revaluation as required by law. (Majority Vote Required) (Selectmen and Finance Committee Recommend 7-0)

YES [898] NO [764]

**Article 28:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the additional sum of **eight thousand four hundred dollars (\$8,400)** for the purpose of funding the town's **additional IT costs**, including the outsourced maintenance and support of our IT infrastructure, backup and recovery services, licensing and Office 365 software. If the operating budget passes, this article will be null and void. (Majority vote required) (Selectmen and Finance Committee Recommend 7-0)

YES [1039] NO [609]

**Article 29:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **thirty-three thousand dollars (\$33,000)** for the purpose of replacing the **Police Department Server, Network Switch, and Power Protection hardware**. (Majority vote required) (Selectmen and Finance Committee Recommend 6-1)

YES [890] NO [799]

**Article 30:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **twenty-eight thousand one hundred thirty-one dollars (\$28,131)** for the purpose of purchasing a replacement **police cruiser**. If the operating budget passes, this article will be null and void. (Majority vote required) (Selectmen and Finance Committee Recommend 7-0)

YES [813] NO [841]

**Article 31:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of up to **nineteen thousand eight hundred twenty-four dollars (\$19,824)** for the purpose of once weekly **van transportation** between 10:00 AM and 3:00 PM for the New Boston Community to include medical appointments, shopping and other events, with up to nine thousand nine hundred twelve dollars (\$9,912.00), coming from the POS Grant through the Southern NH Planning Commission and the remaining cost of up to nine thousand nine hundred twelve dollars (\$9,912.00), from unassigned fund balance with no amount to be raised from taxation in 2019; and furthermore, to fund future annual costs through the operating budget. (Majority vote required) (Selectmen and Finance Committee Recommend Against 3-4)

YES [974] NO [702]