

2020 Town Warrant



Town of Hampton
State of New Hampshire
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To the inhabitants of the Town of Hampton, in the County of Rockingham, and the State of New Hampshire, qualified to vote in town affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at eight-thirty o'clock in the forenoon in the auditorium of the Hampton Academy, Academy Avenue, on Saturday, February 1, 2020, for the first session of the Annual Town Meeting for the transaction of all business other than voting by official ballot.

In accordance with the action on Article 14 of the 1996 Town Meeting (pursuant to RSA 40:13), the second session of the Annual Town Meeting to elect officers by official ballot and to vote on questions required by law to be inserted on said official ballot, shall be held on Tuesday, March 10, 2020 at seven o'clock in the forenoon at the Winnacunnet Cafeteria, Alumni Drive. The polls will not close before eight o'clock in the evening.

Further, you are notified that the Moderator will process the absentee ballots beginning at 9:00 o'clock in the forenoon on Tuesday, March 10, 2020, pursuant to RSA 659:49.

Article 01

To choose by non-partisan ballot:

Two (2) Members of the Board of Selectmen for a term of three (3) years; One (1) Treasurer for a term of three (3) years; One (1) Moderator for a term of two (2) years; One (1) Supervisor of the Checklist for a term of six (6) years; Two (2) Trustees of the Trust Funds for a term of three (3) years; Two (2) Trustees of the Lane Memorial Library for a term of three (3) years; One (1) Trustee of the Lane Memorial Library for a term of one (1) year; Two (2) Members of the Planning Board for a term of three (3) years; One (1) Cemetery Trustee for a term of three (3) years; Two (2) Members of the Budget Committee for a term of three (3) years; Two (2) Members of the Zoning Board of Adjustment for a term of three (3) years.

Article 02

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 1 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Hampton Zoning Ordinance as follows?

Amend Article I - General. Section 1.6 Definitions to modify the definition of "Use Change" to clarify that use changes apply to proposed non-residential uses, to indicate that all changes of building occupancy involving any use of a non-residential nature

require Use Change Approval from the Planning Board (regardless of similarity or not to the former use) if located in the Town Center-Historic district, and to state that any use which, in the opinion of the Building Inspector or the Town Planner, requires Planning Board approval in order to safeguard the health, welfare, convenience and safety of Hampton's citizens and recreational guests shall require Use Change Approval.

Amend Article II - Districts. Section 2.8 F to delete Note #3 regarding the Use Change approval requirement for all non-residential changes of building occupancy in the Town Center-North and Town Center-South Districts.

Recommended by the Planning Board

Article 03

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 2 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Hampton Zoning Ordinance as follows?

Amend Article I - General. Section 1.6 to add language that a deck is considered to be pervious if it is elevated at least 6 feet off the ground and permeable underneath.

Amend Article II - Districts. Sections 2.3.1, 2.3.2, and 2.3.3 by moving the description of 1st through 4th order streams to the Wetland Conservation District definition, replacing "inland wetland" with "freshwater wetland", removing the impervious coverage definition, and simplifying the "Permitted Uses" section to remove redundancies. Add language that allows the Building Inspector to approve the replacement or repair of previously permitted fences, sheds, and decks that are maintaining the same square footage and not encroaching further into the Wetland Conservation District.

Recommended by the Planning Board

Article 04

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 3 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Hampton Zoning Ordinance as follows?

Amend Article II - Districts. Section 2.3.2 Wetland Conservation District Ordinance to revise the definition and delineation for the Highest Observable Tide Line to be consistent with the NH Department of Environmental Services Wetland Bureau. This revision includes removing two outdated Appendices.

Recommended by the Planning Board

Article 05

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 4 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Hampton Zoning Ordinance as follows?

Amend Article II - Districts. Sections 2.3.2 and 2.3.7 Wetland Conservation District Ordinance to add language that defines and provides examples of wetland and buffer mitigation.

Recommended by the Planning Board

Article 06

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 5 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Hampton Zoning Ordinance as follows?

Amend Article II- Districts. Section 2.4 Floodplain Management Ordinance to add language under 2.4.11.C Coastal High Hazard Areas (Zone VE), Construction Standards (subsection 2.c) requiring that breakaway walls have flood openings that meet the existing criteria for enclosed areas below the lowest floor.

Recommended by the Planning Board

Article 07

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 6 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Hampton Zoning Ordinance as follows?

Amend Article IV - Dimensional Requirements. Section 4.4 to apply Footnotes 27A and 32 to the Business-Seasonal zoning district. Modify Footnote 27A to require that no architectural appurtenance shall extend to a point greater than 60 feet in height in the Business-Seasonal zoning district measured vertically from the established average grade plane, and to clarify that the existing 80-foot limit applies to the Business-Seasonal 1 zoning district. Modify Footnote 32 to require, as part of any permitting process for applicable structures on the easterly side of Ocean Boulevard, a shadow study from a qualified consultant for new structures exceeding 50 feet in height and for modifications to existing structures that would exceed 50 feet in height.

Recommended by the Planning Board

Article 08

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 7 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Hampton Zoning Ordinance as follows?

Amend Article IV - Dimensional Requirements. Section 4.5.2 (Minimum Side Setback) and Footnote 16 to require a minimum of 12 feet on one side lot line in the Residence B zoning district, to provide for an adequate driveway on one side or the other of the lot. In these situations, the current requirement will remain unchanged for the opposite side lot line. Additionally, where the legally required parking is provided in front of the dwelling, underneath the dwelling, or by structural attachment to the dwelling, the shorter of the aforementioned setbacks shall apply to both sides of the lot. Further, pre-existing lots of record with less than 50 feet of frontage may have a side lot line setback opposite the driveway side that is reduced to not less than 4 feet to accommodate a dwelling unit and driveway on the lot.

Recommended by the Planning Board

Article 09

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 8 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Hampton Zoning Ordinance as follows?

Amend Article II - Districts. Section 2.3.7(C)(4) to cross-reference a proposed amendment to Article IV, New Section 4.9.

Amend Article IV - Dimensional Requirements to add a New Section 4.9 which would include the existing requirement in Section 2.3.7(C)(4) for a minimum of 12 feet separating a dwelling structure(s) including attached garages from the Wetlands Conservation District. The existing requirement applies to the RAA, RA, RB, RCS, G, and I zoning districts, and would not change under this amendment.

Recommended by the Planning Board

Article 10

Shall the Town of Hampton vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$125,000 for the purpose of contracting professional services for the completion of a comprehensive update of the Town of Hampton Master Plan. The purpose of a Master Plan is to guide the overall character, physical form, and development of a community and is required by law to be updated periodically. Hampton's Master Plan has had only occasional updating since its inception in 1985. As Hampton is the most vulnerable Town in the Seacoast in several respects (such as flooding, potential impacts from sea-level rise, drainage problems, etc.), it is essential to update our Master Plan in its entirety in order to meet more recent challenges and to better plan for the future. A professionally developed, forward-looking Master Plan is needed to preserve, protect, and enhance property values and the quality of life of Hampton residents, and to enable the Town to qualify for grants for projects that are otherwise financially beyond what the Town can afford.

The Master Plan update will be conducted with the assistance of qualified professional consultant(s), and will include a robust public participation process. The Town has already been successful in securing grant funding in the amount of \$45,000 from other sources to accomplish specific parts of this project. The additional \$125,000 must be raised and appropriated through this Article to provide for the concurrent completion of all Master Plan components, resulting in a Plan that is fully current, comprehensive, and user-friendly.

This shall be a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7, VI and shall not lapse until the purpose of this Article is completed or by December 31, 2023, whichever is sooner? (Majority vote required)

Recommended by the Planning Board 7-0-0

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0

Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 8-0-0

Fiscal Impact Note (Finance Dept.) The estimated 2020 tax impact on \$125,000 is \$0.033 per \$1,000 valuation (three point three cents per thousand dollars of valuation).

Article 11

“Shall we discontinue the board of cemetery trustees by delegating their duties and responsibilities to the Town Manager?”

Recommended by the Board of Cemetery Trustees 3-0-0

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0

Article 12

“Shall we allow the operation of sports book retail locations within the Town of Hampton?”

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 4-1-0

Article 13

Shall the Town of Hampton vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$30,000 to assist the Department of Public Works in the continued advancement for the Town’s Asset Management program for Wastewater Assets. Said appropriation to be offset by \$30,000 in principal loan forgiveness under the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services Clean Water State Revolving Fund (SRF); and

To authorize the Board of Selectmen to apply for, contract for, accept and expend any Federal, State or other available funds towards the project in accordance with the terms and conditions under which they are received and to borrow in anticipation of the receipt of such and or the issuance of such bonds or notes as provided in the Municipal Finance Act (RSA 33); and

To authorize participation in the State Revolving Fund (SRF) (RSA 486:14) established for the purpose, and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to accept and expend such monies as they become available from the Federal and State Governments.

This shall be a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7, VI and shall not lapse until the project is completed or by March 31, 2022, whichever occurs sooner? (3/5ths vote required)

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0

Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 8-0-0

Fiscal Impact Note (Finance Dpt.) The estimated 2020 tax impact on \$30,000 is \$0.008 per \$1,000 valuation (eight tenths of one cent per thousand dollars of valuation). If the loan forgiveness occurs by the time the tax rate is set then the estimated 2020 tax impact would be \$0.000 per \$1,000 valuation.

Article 14

Shall the Town modify the Elderly exemptions for property tax in the Town of Hampton, pursuant to N.H. RSA 72:27-a, based on assessed value, for qualified taxpayers, to be as follows: for a person 65 years of age up to 75 years increase to \$140,000 (currently \$125,000); for person 75 years of age up to 80 years increase to \$168,000 (currently \$160,000); for a person 80 years of age or older increase to \$221,000 (currently \$200,000). To qualify the person must have been a New Hampshire resident for at least three (3) consecutive years preceding April 1st, must own the real estate individually, or

jointly, or if the real estate is owned by his or her spouse, they must have been married and living together for at least five (5) years, in addition, the taxpayers must have a net income of not more than \$38,000 if single, or if married, a combined net income of less than \$58,000, and own net assets not in excess of \$250,000 excluding the value of the person's primary residence? (Majority vote required)

The purpose of this article is to modify the exemption for the elderly due to the recent revaluation of the Town in order for the exemption to keep pace with inflation and the general increase in property values so as to leave no elderly persons behind because of these value changes.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0

Article 15

Shall the Town of Hampton 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 on the budget posted with the warrant as amended by vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein, totaling \$28,322,336. Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be \$28,335,036, which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Town of Hampton 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)

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0

Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 8-0-0

Fiscal Impact Note (Finance Dept.) The proposed operating budget figure of \$28,322,336 is an increase of \$727,220 more than the budget amount adopted in 2019 of \$27,595,116. The net estimated 2020 tax impact of the proposed operating budget is \$0.193 per \$1,000 valuation (nineteen point three cents per thousand dollars of valuation). The default budget figure of \$28,335,036 is an increase of \$739,920 more than the budget amount adopted in 2019. The net estimated tax impact for the default budget is \$0.197 per \$1,000 valuation (nineteen point seven cents per thousand dollars of valuation)

Article 16

Shall the Town of Hampton vote to approve the cost items included in the collective bargaining agreement reached between the Hampton Board of Selectmen and with the Hampton Professional Firefighters Association, Local 2664, IAFF, which calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits at current staffing levels, over the amount paid in the prior fiscal year:

	Estimated Increase (over previous year level)
2020 (39 weeks)	\$ 87,623
2021 (52 weeks)	\$118,455
2022 (52 weeks)	\$125,166

2023 (13 weeks) \$ 29,054

And to further raise and appropriate \$87,623 for the current fiscal year, such sum representing the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits required by the new agreement over those that would be paid at current staffing levels? (Majority vote required)

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0
Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 8-0-0

Fiscal Impact Note (Finance Dpt.) The estimated 2020 tax impact on \$87,623 is \$0.023 per \$1,000 valuation (two point three cents per thousand dollars of valuation).

Article 17

Shall the Town of Hampton vote to approve the cost items included in the collective bargaining agreement reached between the Hampton Board of Selectmen and the Hampton Fire Department Supervisory Association, affiliated with the Hampton Professional Firefighters Association, Local 2664, IAFF, which calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits at current staffing levels, over the amount paid in the prior fiscal year:

	Estimated Increase (over previous year level)
2020 (39 weeks)	\$ 31,742
2021 (52 weeks)	\$ 38,398
2022 (52 weeks)	\$ 37,769
2023 (13 weeks)	\$ 9,499

And to further raise and appropriate \$31,742 for the current fiscal year, such sum representing the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits required by the new agreement over those that would be paid at current staffing levels? (Majority vote required)

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0
Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 8-0-0

Fiscal Impact Note (Finance Dpt.) The estimated 2020 tax impact on \$31,742 is \$0.008 per \$1,000 valuation (eight tenths of one cent per thousand dollars of valuation).

Article 18

Shall the Town of Hampton vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$435,000 from the 1998 Road Improvement Capital Reserve Fund, previously established, for the purpose of the survey, engineering and design work for replacing the Winnacunnet Road and High Street sewer and closed drainage system mains, sewer services, then followed by curbing, sidewalks, school zone and pedestrian signage, street lights, traffic signage, paving of the entire roadway, and line painting. Reconstruction of the roadway may ultimately include traffic calming structures or other improvements to assist in controlling the speed of vehicles.

Further to authorize the Board of Selectmen to apply for, contract for, accept and expend any Federal, State or local grants and funds towards the project in accordance with the terms and conditions under which they are received for the purpose of sidewalks, CMAQ mitigation, State or Federal highway funding or Hazard Mitigation grants with said grants and funds to be added to the project; and

To authorize the Board of Selectmen to implement such cost effective solutions as are presented in the future that they deem to be in the best interests of the Town that may result in lesser amount of expenditure than is authorized by this warrant article; and

To authorize participation in the State Revolving Fund (SRF) (RSA 486:14) established for the purpose; and

To authorize the Board of Selectmen to take any and all actions necessary to carry out the project in the best interests of the Town.

This will be a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7, VI and shall not lapse until the work is completed or by March 31, 2024, whichever is sooner? (Majority vote required)

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0
Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 8-0-0

Fiscal Impact Note (Finance Dept.) Zero Tax Impact.

Article 19

To see if the Town will approve the Board of Selectmen entering into a three and a half (3 and ½) year contracts from July 1, 2020 through December 31, 2023 with separate entities that have submitted bids for the collection, transport and disposal of solid waste, recyclables, and construction and demolition waste, from the Town of Hampton with an annual increase in accordance with the Consumer Price Index-Northeast, Urban (CPI-U), and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$425,127 to cover the increases in contract costs for these services for the second half of 2020 over the 2020 budget amount of \$615,659 that is included in both the operating budget and default budget figures in the operating budget Warrant Article 15; said sum of \$425,127 to come from the Unassigned Fund **Balance**. Based on the bid prices and the increase in contract costs in accordance with the CPI-U, the estimated cost increase over the total fiscal year 2020 is \$248,097. The contracts will entail the Town using the entities contracted with for the **entire 3 and ½-year period?** (Majority Vote required)

	Estimated Increases (over previous year's level)
2020 (6 months)	\$ 425,127
2021 (12 months)	\$ 198,054
2022 (12 months)	\$ 24,777
2023 (12 months)	\$ 25,267

Recommended by the Board of Selectman 5-0-0
Recommended by the Budget Committee 8-0-0

Fiscal Impact Note (Finance Dpt.) Zero Tax Impact

Article 20

Shall the Town of Hampton vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$850,000 for the purpose of replacing the Locke Road vitrified clay sewer line and the surface and closed drainage systems that services part of the street followed by the paving of the entire roadway, said costs to include survey and engineering. Reconstruction of the roadway may include traffic calming structures or other improvements to assist in controlling the speed of vehicles. The application of new pavement will occur in the year following the installation of the sewer and drainage replacement systems to allow for the proper settlement of the excavated roadbed. This will be a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7, VI and shall not lapse until the work is completed or by March 31, 2024, whichever is sooner? (Majority vote required)

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0

Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 8-0-0

Fiscal Impact Note (Finance Dept.) The estimated 2020 tax impact on \$850,000 is \$0.226 per \$1,000 valuation (twenty two point six cents per thousand dollars of valuation).

Article 21

Shall the Town of Hampton vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$486,231 for improvements to streets consisting of a) paving overlays, b) adjustments to structures to permit paving, c) repairs and replacements to drainage, d) repairs and replacement to sewers if needed for pavement repair, e) repairs to sidewalks and driveway openings, f) crack sealing and curbing installation, and g) improvements and repairs to Town Parking Lots and parking areas. Upon completion of the work scheduled in this warrant article, if funds remain unused the DPW may proceed to the next street(s) on their priority repair list until said unused portion is spent. Said appropriation to be offset by the State Highway Block Grant estimated to be \$323,509. This shall be a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7, VI and shall not lapse until the projects are completed or by March 31, 2022, whichever occurs sooner? (Majority vote required)

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0

Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 8-0-0

Fiscal Impact Note (Finance Dept.) The estimated 2020 tax impact on \$162,722 is \$0.043 per \$1,000 valuation (four point three cents per thousand dollars of valuation).

Article 22

Shall the Town of Hampton vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$303,000 for the purchase of the following vehicles and equipment for the Department of Public Works, two (2) 3/4 ton trucks with plows; one (1) utility hot box; and one (1) 926M Caterpillar Loader, with any replaced vehicles to be traded in, if deemed to be prudent by the Public Works Director, Town Manager and Board of Selectmen. Said sum of \$303,000 to come from the Unassigned Fund Balance. This shall be a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7, VI and shall not lapse until these purchases are completed or by March 31, 2022, whichever is sooner? (Majority vote required)

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0

Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 8-0-0

Fiscal Impact Note (Finance Dept.) Zero Tax Impact.

Article 23

Shall the Town of Hampton vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$300,000 to be added to the Road Improvement Capital Reserve Fund created under Article 16 of the 1998 Annual Town Meeting in accordance with the provisions of RSA 35 for the purpose of maintenance and/or reconstruction of streets? (Majority vote required)

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0
Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 8-0-0

Fiscal Impact Note (Finance Dept.) The estimated 2020 tax impact on \$300,000 is \$0.080 per \$1,000 valuation (eight point zero cents per thousand dollars of valuation).

Article 24

Shall the Town of Hampton vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$200,000 for the purpose of moving forward solutions with flood control design for the protection of the west side streets off of Ashworth Avenue, Brown Avenue, the Island Path and Glade Path areas north to Winnacunnet Road, including NH Route 1A and the areas surrounding Meadow Pond, including High Street, King's Highway, Gentian, Greene and Meadow Pond Roads, the areas surrounding the Hampton-Seabrook Estuary and all contributing water ways. Such solutions and flood control designs are those recommended by the Flood Studies conducted by the Town and the Town's consultants. Funds may be utilized for the design and permitting of final engineering plans and construction plans for bidding purposes. Funds may also be utilized for necessary work projects that are needed to facilitate the construction of flood and drainage facilities prior to the issuance of construction contracts. Said sum of \$200,000 to come from the Unassigned Fund Balance. This will be a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7, VI and shall not lapse until the work is completed or by March 31, 2024, whichever is sooner? (Majority vote required)

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0
Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 8-0-0

Fiscal Impact Note (Finance Dept.) Zero Tax Impact.

Article 25

Shall the Town of Hampton vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$195,000 for the reconstruction of the High Street and Mill Road intersection to include the replacement of sidewalk approaches in accordance with ADA sidewalk construction and the installation of underground piping for future pedestrian signal improvements. This shall be a non-lapsing appropriation RSA 32:7, VI and shall not lapse until the purpose is completed or by March 31, 2025, whichever is sooner? (Majority vote required)

NOTE - The \$195,000 does not include the required work on the traffic control and lighting system that is in need of replacement.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0
Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 8-0-0

Fiscal Impact Note (Finance Dept.) The estimated 2020 tax impact on \$195,000 is \$0.052 per \$1,000 valuation (five point two cents per thousand dollars of valuation).

Article 26

Shall the Town of Hampton vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$183,039 for the cost of Hampton’s contribution to twenty-one (21) human service agencies in the Seacoast in the amounts corresponding to the agencies’ requests in the right hand columns as follows:

<u>Human Service Agency Request</u>	<u>2019 Funding</u>	<u>2020 Funding</u>
American Red Cross	2,000	2,000
Aids Response Seacoast	2,700	2,700
Area Home Care & Family Services	12,000	12,000
Big Brothers Big Sisters	8,000	8,000
Child Advocacy Center	1,250	1,250
Child and Family Services now Waypoint	6,000	6,000
Crossroads House	15,000	15,000
Families First Health & Support Center	10,000	10,000
Haven Violence Protection & Support Services	7,500	7,500
Lamprey Health Sr. Trans. Program	4,200	4,200
New Generation Shelter	2,000	2,000
One Sky Community Services	5,100	5,100
Retired & Senior Volunteer Program	1,800	1,800
Richie McFarland Children’s Center	7,800	10,500**
Rockingham Community Action	25,000	25,000
Rockingham Meals on Wheels	6,625	7,389**
Seacoast Family Promise	2,500	2,500
Seacoast Mental Health Center	8,000	8,000
Seacoast Visiting Nurse	40,000	40,000
Seacoast Youth Services	2,500	2,500
Transportation Assistance for Seniors (TASC)	9,600	9,600
Total	\$177,724	\$183,039

These twenty-one (21) human service agencies shall each be required to give a written report at the end of the calendar or fiscal year 2020 to the Board of Selectmen highlighting what the funds were used for and what impact the funds had in assisting to achieve their goals and objectives? (Majority vote required)

**Amount changed from 2019

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0
Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 8-0-0

Fiscal Impact Note (Finance Dept.) The estimated 2020 tax impact on \$183,039 is \$0.049 per \$1,000 valuation (four point nine cents per thousand dollars of valuation).

Article 27

Shall the Town of Hampton vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$126,700 for the following purposes of the Parks and Recreation Department: (a) Purchase playground equipment to replace old broken equipment for the Library Playground \$35,000; (b) Skateboard Park renovations and concrete work, \$20,000; (c) Landscape, tree and invasive growth removal at Low Brown Park, Skateboard Park, Eaton Park and Tuck Park, \$20,500; (d) Laser Grading at Eaton Park to make safer playing conditions, \$20,000; (e) Tennis Courts and inline rink surface crack repairs, \$9,500; (f) Recreation equipment maintenance, \$4,000; (g) Recreation playground maintenance, \$1,000; (h) General building repairs, \$3,000; (i) Skateboard park maintenance \$2,500; (j) Shed repairs, roof cleaning and new doors for the Cave Building, \$6,700; (k) Replace two (2) garage overhead doors \$4,500, all as determined by the Board of Selectmen, the Town Manager, and the Director of Parks and Recreation and to authorize the withdrawal of \$126,700 from the Hampton Recreation Infrastructure Special Revenue Fund established for these purposes under Article 44 of the 2007 Annual Town Meeting? (Majority vote required)

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0

Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 8-0-0

Fiscal Impact Note (Finance Dept.) Zero Tax Impact.

Article 28

Shall the Town of Hampton vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into a 5-year lease purchase agreement for one (1) Mack Cab Over Refuse and Recycling Truck with a Labrie Automated two sided Loader Body unit in the amount of \$350,395, including interest, the yearly payment being \$75,500, and one (1) Mack 16-yard rear loading refuse and recycling truck in the amount of \$237,090, including interest, the yearly payment being \$51,000, and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$126,500 to fund said lease-purchase agreement in year one, with said lease-purchase agreement to contain a non-appropriation clause? (Majority vote required)

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0

Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 6-2-0

Fiscal Impact Note (Finance Dept.) The estimated 2020 tax impact on \$126,500 is \$0.034 per \$1,000 valuation (three point four cents per thousand dollars of valuation).

Article 29

Shall the Town of Hampton raise and appropriate the sum of \$116,300 for the purpose of improving the radio and Town emergency communications systems for the Police, Fire, Public Works, Building, Emergency Management and other Departments of the Town, said appropriation to be offset by funds in the amount of \$116,300 to be received in the fall of 2020 from the State of New Hampshire under Chapter 346 of the Acts of 2019 (HB4) as unrestricted municipal aid? (Majority vote required)

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0

Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 8-0-0

Fiscal Impact Note (Finance Dept.) Zero Tax Impact.

Article 30

Shall the Town of Hampton vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$90,000 to carry out all lawful functions allowed under federal, state and local criminal justice forfeiture programs and to authorize the withdrawal of said sum of \$90,000 from the Police Forfeiture Special Revenue Fund created for that purpose under Article 55 of the 2003 Town Meeting? (Majority vote required)

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0

Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 8-0-0

Fiscal Impact Note (Finance Dept.) Zero Tax Impact.

Article 31

Shall the Town of Hampton vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$85,000 for the purpose of interior building improvements at the DPW main offices. Improvements include the installation of an air filtration system within the main office to filter fumes and other air born particles from entering the existing office space. It also includes the renovation of the existing kitchen/bathroom/meeting area to provide separation of the existing spaces to be able to facilitate meetings at the DPW office, to provide a location to have breaks and meals that doesn't double as a meeting space and bathroom entrance, and to update the bathroom for unisex use. Said sum of \$85,000 to come from the Unassigned Fund Balance. This shall be a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7, VI and shall not lapse until the purpose is completed or by March 31, 2023, whichever is sooner. (Majority vote required)

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0

Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 8-0-0

Fiscal Impact Note (Finance Dept.) Zero Tax Impact.

Article 32

Shall the Town of Hampton vote to create a Recycling Revolving Fund in accordance with the provisions of RSA 31:95-h,l,(a) and RSA 149-M:4, XIX and XX, into which shall be deposited all funds received as income, fees and charges from the receipt or sale of recyclable materials and recycling, including, but not limited to a) materials that can be used to produce marketable goods, including but not limited to clear and colored glass, aluminum, ferrous and nonferrous metals, plastics, corrugated cardboard, vehicle batteries, tires from vehicles, paper, demolition materials, yard and earth materials, and any other materials that are collected, deposited with, charged for, reprocessed and recycled for a further or new use by the Town of Hampton or by others. Funds derived from such recycled materials shall be deposited into the Recycling Revolving Fund. The money in the fund shall be allowed to accumulate from year to year, and shall not be considered part of the town's general surplus. The Town Treasurer shall have custody of all moneys in the fund, and shall pay out the same only upon the order of the Board of Selectmen or the Town Manager without further approval of the legislative body (Town Meeting). Such funds may be expended only for the purposes for which the fund was created which is for the receipt, processing of recyclable materials, their collection, separation, storage, loading for shipment, the shipment of such materials, the purchase, replacement and repair of recycling equipment, vehicles, and carts, and the collection,

storage, loading, and transportation expense and the cost of recycling personnel, contractors services directly related to those function and, to establish funding for this account to raise and appropriate the sum of \$80,000 to be placed in such account with said sum of \$80,000 to come from the Unassigned Fund Balance? (Majority vote required)

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0
Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 8-0-0

Fiscal Impact Note (Finance Dept.) Zero Tax Impact.

Article 33

Shall the Town of Hampton vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$50,000 for the purpose of participating in the FEMA Advanced Assistance Grant Program that will reimburse the Town 75% of the Town's expenses in the grant program based on the expenditure of \$50,000 in completing the program requirements, with said appropriation to be funded from the Unassigned Fund balance; this funding will enable the Town to establish a process to prioritize, manage and administer requests for Hazard Mitigation Grant Program funds by Hampton on behalf of those property owners interested in elevating their structures or selling their vulnerable properties to the Town within the FEMA flood hazard areas that are or will be subject to sea level rise utilizing private and Federal funds? (Majority vote required)

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 4-0-1
Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 8-0-0

Fiscal Impact Note (Finance Dept.) Zero Tax Impact.

Article 34

Shall the Town of Hampton vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$50,000 to conduct a Transfer Station Improvements Feasibility Study to balance the changing rubbish and recycling markets as well as current operations. The facility will require modifications to be able to address needs to segregate materials, improve internal operations, and make building modifications and research alternatives for disposal. The study will provide recommendations, facilitate immediate improvements such as the purchasing of storage trailers, dumping containers, earthwork, and provide planning level designs and costs for future appropriation requests. Said sum of \$50,000 to come from the Unassigned Fund Balance. This shall be a non-lapsing appropriation by RSA 32:7, VI and shall not lapse until the purpose is completed or by March 31, 2024, whichever is sooner? (Majority vote required)

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0
Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 8-0-0

Fiscal Impact Note (Finance Dept.) Zero Tax Impact.

Article 35

Shall the Town of Hampton vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$50,000 for the purpose of removing trees from the High Street Cemetery in order to protect grave sites, gravestones and abutting properties and roadways, such sum to be used by the Tree

Warden to contract for the removal of the trees and for the restoration of said Cemetery caused by such removal, and to authorize the Tree Warden in consultation with the Board of Selectmen, Town Manager and the Cemetery Trustees, to contract the work for said purposes, and to authorize funding said appropriation through the withdrawal of \$50,000 from the principal in the Cemetery Burial Trust Fund, which has a principal balance of more than \$500,000 generated from the sale of cemetery burial plots? (Majority vote required)

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0
Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 8-0-0

Fiscal Impact Note (Finance Dept.) Zero Tax Impact.

Article 36

Shall the Town of Hampton vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$40,000 to replace and equip a new vehicle for the Fire Prevention Officer, this vehicle is utilized by Fire Prevention Officer to attend meetings at various sites, conduct on-site inspections and to respond to fires to investigate their origin and cause, the vehicle carries all necessary tools to perform the work of the Fire Prevention Officer as well as his firefighters turn out gear. Said sum of \$40,000 to come from the Unassigned Fund Balance. This shall be a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7, VI and shall not lapse until the purpose is completed or by March 31, 2021, whichever is sooner? (Majority vote required)

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0
Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 8-0-0

Fiscal Impact Note (Finance Dept.) Zero Tax Impact.

Article 37

Shall the Town of Hampton vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$32,000 for the purpose of replacing the Town Office, Second Floor, West Side Heating System with a Heat Pump Mini-Split System to include all labor, materials, and utility connections, with said appropriation to be funded from the Unassigned Fund balance. This shall be a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7, VI and shall not lapse until the project is completed or by March 31, 2021, whichever occurs sooner? (Majority vote required)

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0
Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 8-0-0

Fiscal Impact Note (Finance Dept.) Zero Tax Impact.

Article 38

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriation the sum of \$27,500 to be added to the Firefighters Turn Out Gear/Personal Protective Equipment Capital Reserve Fund created under Article 17 of the 2019 Annual Town Meeting in accordance with the provisions of RSA 35. Said sum of \$27,500 to come from the Unassigned Fund Balance. (Majority vote required)

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0
Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 8-0-0

Fiscal Impact Note (Finance Dept.) Zero Tax Impact.

Article 39

Shall the Town of Hampton vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$24,500 to purchase a new mid-size pickup truck equipped with a two-way radio for the Building Department, with a replaced unit, a 2012 pickup truck, to be traded-in or sold, if deemed to be prudent by the Building Inspector, the Town Manager, and the Board of Selectmen. Said sum of \$24,500 to come from the Unassigned Fund Balance. This shall be a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7, VI and shall not lapse until the purchase is completed or by March 31, 2021, whichever is sooner? (Majority vote required)

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0

Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 8-0-0

Fiscal Impact Note (Finance Dept.) Zero Tax Impact.

Article 40

Shall the Town of Hampton vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$20,000 for the purpose of conducting two (2) household hazardous waste collection days during calendar year 2020; and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to permit the Towns of New Castle and Hampton Falls to participate in said collection days at their own expense; and to apply for, accept and expend for such purpose any funds from the State of New Hampshire, the Federal Government, and any private source as may be made available? (Majority vote required)

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0

Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 8-0-0

Fiscal Impact Note (Finance Dept.) The estimated 2020 tax impact on \$20,000 is \$0.005 per \$1,000 valuation (five tenths of one cent per thousand dollars of valuation).

Article 41

Shall the Town of Hampton vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$20,000 to be placed in the Hampton Conservation Commission Fund; this fund to be used to “acquire, maintain, improve, protect or limit the future use of, or otherwise conserve and properly utilize,” open spaces and conservation easements in Hampton in accordance with RSA 36-A, Sections 1 through 4, inclusive? (Majority vote required)

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0

Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 8-0-0

Fiscal Impact Note (Finance Dept.) The estimated 2020 tax impact on \$20,000 is \$0.005 per \$1,000 valuation (five tenths of one cent per thousand dollars of valuation).

Article 42

Shall the Town vote to discontinue and close the Department of Public Works Equipment Capital Reserve Fund created under Article 23 of the 2008 Annual Town Meeting with a balance of \$3,490.52 as of December 31, 2018, plus accrued interest, to be transferred to the Town’s General Fund to be used to reduce property taxes? (Majority vote required)

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0

Article 43

Shall the Town of Hampton vote to amend the membership composition of the Heritage Commission established under Article 45 of the 2019 Annual Town Meeting in that portion of said Article 45 beginning "As provided in RSA 673:4-a." by amending section 1.(b) to read "one regular member of the Heritage Commission shall be a member of the Board of Selectmen" and by amending section 1.(c) to read "one regular member of the Heritage Commission shall be a member of the Planning Board."

This amendment is required for the membership of the Commission to come into compliance with the requirements of RSA 673:4-a, II. (Majority vote required)

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0

Article 44

On the petition of Kristen Russell and at least 25 Hampton registered voters, shall the Town of Hampton vote to raise and appropriate \$3,000 to pay to Experience Hampton Inc., the organizer of the 2010 to 2019 Hampton Christmas Parades, to help defray the expenses of the 2020 Christmas Parade and related activities?

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0

Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 8-0-0

Fiscal Impact Note (Finance Dept.) The estimated 2020 tax impact on \$3,000 is \$.001 per \$1,000 valuation (one tenth of one cent per thousand dollars of valuation).

Article 45

On the petition of G. Berkley Bennett and at least 25 Hampton registered voters, shall the Town of Hampton raise and appropriate \$6500 to reimburse the American Legion Post 35, The Hamptons, for the purchase of 200 bronze service flag holder grave markers? American Legion Post 35 would, with the assistance of community volunteers, place or replace the markers so that the Town of Hampton may continue to properly honor the graves of our veterans in the High Street and other Hampton cemetery's.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 4-0-1

Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 8-0-0

Fiscal Impact Note (Finance Dept.) The estimated 2020 tax impact on \$6,500 is \$.002 per \$1,000 valuation (two tenths of one cent per thousand dollars of valuation).

Article 46

(As Petitioned)

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the amount of \$500 for Step Up Parents.

Step Up Parents is a N.H. based 501(c)(3) that provides financial assistance and support to grandparents and relative caregivers who have stepped up to raise the

children of parents struggling with substance use disorder. These funds are used to provide help with needs not met through traditional state and local funding for such things as the cost of summer camp, music lessons, sports camps, daycare, food, clothing, automobile repairs, rent, and gas.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0

Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 8-0-0

Fiscal Impact Note (Finance Dept.) The estimated 2020 tax impact on \$500 is \$.0001 per \$1,000 valuation (one hundredth of one cent per thousand dollars of valuation).

Town of Hampton 2020 Town Meeting Warrant

Given under our hands and seals this 24th day of January, in the Year of our Lord Two Thousand Twenty

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Richard P. Griffin, Chairman

James A. Waddell, Vice-chairman

Russell D. Bridle, Selectman

Regina M. Barnes, Selectman

Mary-Louise Woolsey, Selectman

A true copy of the Warrant - Attest

Richard P. Griffin, Chairman

James A. Waddell, Vice-chairman

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Russell D. Bridle, Selectman

Regina M. Barnes, Selectman

Mary-Louise Woolsey, Selectman

Town of Hampton 2020 Town Meeting Warrant

We hereby certify that we gave notice to the inhabitants, within named, to meet at the time and place and for the purposes within named, by posting an attested copy of the within Warrant at the place of meeting within named, and a like attested copy at the United States Post Office, the Town Offices, and the Lane Memorial Library, being public places in said Town of Hampton on the 27th day of January 2020

Richard P. Griffin, Chairman

James A. Waddell, Vice-chairman

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Russell D. Bridle, Selectman

Regina M. Barnes, Selectman

Mary-Louise Woolsey, Selectman

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

January 24, 2020

Rockingham, ss

Personally appeared the above named Selectmen of the Town of Hampton and swore that the above was true and to the best of their knowledge and belief.

Before me,

Notary Public

My Commission expires: