

2021 TOWN WARRANT

To the inhabitants of the Town of Enfield, in the County of Grafton, qualified to vote in Town affairs:

Take notice and be warned that the Annual Town Meeting of the Town of Enfield, New Hampshire, will be held on two days as follows:

On Tuesday, March 9, 2021, at the Enfield Community Building, 308 US Route 4, Enfield, NH, there will be voting only by Official Ballot for the election of Town Officers and other questions required to be voted by Official Ballot. Note: By law, the meeting must open before the voting starts. Therefore, the meeting and polls will open at 8:00 a.m. for the consideration of all ballot articles. At 12:00 Noon the meeting will recess, but the polls will remain open.

Polls will be open at 8:00 a.m. and close at 7:00 p.m. There will be no opportunity to vote by ballot on Articles 1 through 3 at the second session of the Town Meeting. After the polls close at 7:00 p.m. the ballots will be counted.

The meeting will reconvene Saturday, May 1, 2021; Articles 1 through 3 will be presented and Articles 4 through 16 will be presented, discussed, and acted upon beginning at 9:00 a.m. at Huse Park, 308 US Route 4, Enfield, NH.

Article 1. To choose by ballot all necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year.

For Two Years: One Moderator
One Budget Committee Member

For Three Years: One Selectman
One Trustee of Trust Funds
One Cemetery Trustee
One Library Trustee
Two Zoning Board of Adjustment Members
Three Budget Committee Members

Article 2: (*By Petition*) Do you favor the continuation of the town manager plan as now in force in this town?

Article 3: (*By Petition*) Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment of the Town of Enfield Zoning Ordinance as follows?

Reword the responsibilities of the Conservation Commission by amending ARTICLE VI – CONSERVATION MANAGEMENT, Section 600 CONSERVATION COMMISSION to read:

“The Conservation Commission for the Town of Enfield shall have the responsibility for identifying the natural resources within its boundaries, protecting those already established, working to enhance existing areas and to conserve new areas as they become available. Natural resources include, but are not limited to, the following categories: wildlife and wildlife corridors and habitats, water quality, unique geological features such as waterfalls, wetlands and bogs, vernal pools, rivers and streams, escarpments, sensitive areas, views and trails.”

The Planning Board does not recommend this article by a vote of 6-0.

Article 4: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$570,000** to replace Fire Department Engine 4, to authorize the issuance of not more than \$570,000 of bonds or notes in accordance with the provision of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA 33) and to authorize the municipal officials to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon. The Capital Improvement Program Capital Reserve Fund, which the Board of Selectmen is agent to expend, will be used for the annual principal and interest payments for the life of the loan.

Special Warrant Article

3/5 Paper Ballot Vote Required

The Board of Selectmen recommends this article by a vote of 3-0.

The Budget Committee recommends this article by a vote of 7-2.

Article 5: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$195,000** to replace one Public Works 10-wheel dump truck with plow package, to authorize the issuance of not more than \$195,000 of bonds or notes in accordance with the provision of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA 33) and to authorize the municipal officials to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon. The Capital Improvement Program Capital Reserve Fund, which the Board of Selectmen is agent to expend, will be used for the annual principal and interest payments for the life of the loan.

Special Warrant Article

3/5 Paper Ballot Vote Required

The Board of Selectmen recommends this article by a vote of 3-0.

The Budget Committee recommends this article by a vote of 9-0.

Article 6: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$133,793** for Public Works Facility improvements, to authorize the issuance of not more than \$129,584 of bonds or notes in accordance with the provision of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA 33) and to authorize the municipal officials to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon. The balance of the Municipal Facilities, Maintenance & Equipment Capital Reserve Fund (\$4,209.24, plus accumulated interest), which the Board of Selectmen is agent to expend, will be used to reduce the amount of borrowing. The Capital Improvement Program Capital Reserve Fund, which the Board of Selectmen is agent to expend, will be used for the annual principal and interest payments for the life of the loan.

Special Warrant Article

3/5 Paper Ballot Vote Required

The Board of Selectmen recommends this article by a vote of 3-0.

The Budget Committee recommends this article by a vote of 9-0.

Article 7: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$1,900,000** to make improvements to the municipal water system (including preparation of applications for funding sources which become available, hydrogeological work, design and construction of a new well to increase drinking water supply, and replacing approximately 5,500 linear feet of water distribution main) to authorize the issuance of not more than \$1,800,000 of bonds or notes in accordance with the provision of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA 33), to authorize the municipal officials to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon, and to authorize the withdrawal of up to \$100,000 from the undesignated fund balance of the Municipal Water Fund to reduce the amount borrowed. It is the intent of the Board of Selectmen to make associated future principal and interest payments from the Municipal Water Fund operating budget for the life of the loan. Should both Articles 7 & 8 be approved, the Board of Selectmen may pursue integrated funding opportunities while ensuring that all future principal and interest payments are made from the appropriate fund on a proportionate basis.

Special Warrant Article

3/5 Paper Ballot Vote Required

The Board of Selectmen recommends this article by a vote of 3-0.

The Budget Committee recommends this article by a vote of 9-0.

Article 8: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$1,900,000** to make improvements to the municipal sewer system (including preparation of applications for funding sources which become available, improved access, infiltration and inflow removal, manhole rehabilitation, CCTV inspection, pipe rehabilitation), to authorize the issuance of not more than \$1,900,000 of bonds or notes in accordance with the provision of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA 33) and to authorize the municipal officials to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon. It is the intent of the Board of Selectmen to make associated future principal and interest payments from the Municipal Sewer Fund operating budget for the life of the loan. Should both Articles 7 & 8 be approved, the Board of Selectmen may pursue integrated funding opportunities while ensuring that all future principal and interest payments are made from the appropriate fund on a proportionate basis.

Special Warrant Article

3/5 Paper Ballot Vote Required

The Board of Selectmen recommends this article by a vote of 3-0.

The Budget Committee recommends this article by a vote of 9-0.

Article 9: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$47,000** to replace one police cruiser, to authorize the issuance of not more than \$47,000 of bonds or notes in accordance with the provision of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA 33) and to authorize the municipal officials to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon. The Capital Improvement Program Capital Reserve Fund, which the Board of Selectmen is agent to expend, will be used for the annual principal and interest payments for the life of the loan.

Special Warrant Article

3/5 Paper Ballot Vote Required

The Board of Selectmen recommends this article by a vote of 3-0.

The Budget Committee recommends this article by a vote of 9-0.

Article 10: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$50,000** to purchase a Fire Department 'Car 1', to authorize the issuance of not more than \$50,000 of bonds or notes in accordance with the provision of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA 33) and to authorize the municipal officials to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon. The Capital Improvement Program Capital Reserve Fund, which the Board of Selectmen is agent to expend, will be used for the annual principal and interest payments for the life of the loan.

Special Warrant Article

3/5 Paper Ballot Vote Required

The Board of Selectmen recommends this article by a vote of 2-1.

The Budget Committee recommends this article by a vote of 7-2.

Article 11: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$50,000** to purchase a Public Works F-350 pickup truck, to authorize the issuance of not more than \$50,000 of bonds or notes in accordance with the provision of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA 33) and to authorize the municipal officials to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon. The Capital Improvement Program Capital Reserve Fund, which the Board of Selectmen is agent to expend, will be used for the annual principal and interest payments for the life of the loan.

Special Warrant Article

3/5 Paper Ballot Vote Required

The Board of Selectmen recommends this article by a vote of 3-0.

The Budget Committee recommends this article by a vote of 9-0.

Article 12: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the Budget Committee recommended sum of **\$7,149,460.00** for general municipal operations. This article does not include appropriations contained in special or individual articles addressed separately.

The Board of Selectmen recommends this article by a vote of 3-0.

The Budget Committee recommends this article by a vote of 9-0.

Article 13: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$519,568** to be placed in the Capital Improvement Program Capital Reserve Fund; \$474,568 to come from general taxation and \$45,000 to come from the unassigned general fund balance.

Special Warrant Article

The Board of Selectmen recommends this article by a vote of 3-0.

The Budget Committee recommends this article by a vote of 8-1.

Article 14: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$30,000 to be placed in the Employee and Retiree Benefits Expendable Trust Fund. This appropriation will come from unassigned general fund balance.

Special Warrant Article

The Board of Selectmen recommends this article by a vote of 3-0.

The Budget Committee recommends this article by a vote of 9-0.

Article 15: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$35,000 for community master planning with said funds to come from unassigned general fund balance.

Special Warrant Article

The Board of Selectmen recommends this article by a vote of 2-1.

The Budget Committee recommends this article by a vote of 7-2.

Article 16: To hear the reports of agents, auditors, committees, or any other officers heretofore chosen and pass any vote relating thereto.

A true copy of warrant, attest:

Katherine D. P. Stewart

Meredith C. Smith

John W. Kluge
BOARD OF SELECTMEN
ENFIELD NH

CERTIFICATE OF POSTING

February 16, 2021

We hereby certify that on February 16, 2021, we posted an attested copy of the 2021 Town Warrant at the Place of Meeting, along with a copy of the 2021 Proposed Budget of the Town (MS737) within named, and posted a like copy at:

Enfield Post Office
Enfield Center Post Office
Enfield Community Building
Enfield Town Office
<https://www.enfield.nh.us>

Being public places in said town on February 16, 2021.

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