

School Building Maintenance Fund

Established 1991/1999

Warrant Article 10/15

**Expendable General Trust Fund for the purpose of repairing and
maintaining school buildings**

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Given under our hands at said Pelham, New Hampshire, on the
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If we adopt the provisions of RSA 194B implementing a charter and open enrollment school program? Shall no more than 0% of the district's current pupil enrollment be eligible for tuition to district charter and open enrollment schools located outside the district and shall no more than 20% of district's current pupil enrollment be eligible for tuition to attend charter and open enrollment schools located inside the school district?"

Lynde questioned why this article was before us again this year?

Bean replied that this article was voted down last year but it is a requirement to go along with the charter school warrant article.

Currier read Article 13 as follows:

To see if the Pelham School District will vote to raise and appropriate Forty-Nine Thousand Dollars (\$49,000). Said sum of money being the amount necessary to replace two entrance doors and frames of the gymnasium roof at Memorial School. All specifications will be reviewed by the building inspector prior to inviting bids and the building inspector will review the project upon completion. Appropriation is scheduled on the Pelham Capital Improvement Plan for 1999.

(Recommended by the School Board)
(Recommended by the Budget Committee)

(Estimated tax impact \$.09)

Currier explained the necessity of the new doors and roof.

A motion was made to restrict Articles 11, 12, and 13. This was in the positive.

Currier continued with Article 14:

To see if the Pelham School District will vote to raise and appropriate Seventy-Five Thousand Dollars (\$75,000). Said sum of money being the amount necessary to install horns, strobes and lights in all Pelham schools in compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act. All specifications will be reviewed by the building inspector and fire chief prior to inviting bids and the building inspector will review the project upon completion. This appropriation is scheduled on the Pelham Capital Improvement Plan for 1999.

(Recommended by the School Board)
(Recommended by the Budget Committee)

(Estimated tax impact \$.14)

Currier said that on this article the money allocated for Sherburne School, about \$15,000, would not be spent if the new elementary school was built and the money returned to the taxpayers.

Currier asked the Board why they were not pursuing money from the Trust Fund to offset some expenditures for the school.

Currier answered that the Board chooses not to do so at this time.

Currier made a motion to amend Article 14 to add this amendment to the end: "If Article 2 passes, money scheduled for Sherburne School would be slotted for the new school".

Currier said that the new school has already been budgeted for the new equipment and thus Mrs. Currier withdrew her amendment and offered this one: "In the event that Article 2 passes in the affirmative, then the funds scheduled in this article for Sherburne School shall be returned to the Trust Fund".

This amendment passed in the affirmative and will appear on the ballot.

Mr. Currier read Article 15:

15. To see if the Pelham School District will vote to establish a maintenance capital reserve fund, for the purpose of repairing and maintaining the District's school buildings. Furthermore to name the School Board as agent to expend from this fund and to raise and appropriate One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000) toward this purpose.

(Recommended by the School Board)
(Recommended by the Budget Committee)

(Estimated tax impact \$.04)

The explanation here is to have this money available for future years.

The body felt, and the Board agreed, to adjust the tax impact figure to have it appear correctly on the ballot in March.

Mr. Bourque asked not to set up another trust fund, as we are not using the funds available to us now.

Mr. Lynde agreed and made a motion to adjust the figure to \$25,000 and the tax impact to .04 cents but the amendment failed and the amount will remain at \$100,000.

A motion was made to restrict reconsideration on Articles 13 through 15 and it was in the affirmative.

Mr. Currier continued with Article 16 as follows:

16. To see if the Pelham School District will vote to raise and appropriate Seventy-Three Thousand Seven Hundred Dollars (\$73,700). Said sum of money necessary to establish a state of the art business computer lab at Pelham High School, expanding library resources at Pelham High School, and increasing media access at Pelham Memorial School. This equipment will consist of PC workstations, laser printers, ink jet printers, CD Towers and software. Selection and purchase will be jointly performed by the Pelham School District Technology Committee and Pelham School Board.

(Recommended by the School Board)
(Recommended by the Budget Committee)

(Estimated tax impact \$.14)

Mr. Caynon explained that this warrant came out of the work done by the Technology Committee and the need for these computers at the high school. Students can apply their knowledge to the real working world.

Debate was limited and a motion was made to restrict reconsideration on Article 16 and it was positive.

We then proceeded to Article 17 and Mr. Currier read as follows:

17. To see if the Pelham School District will vote to raise and appropriate Eighteen Thousand Dollars (\$18,000). Said sum of money being the amount necessary to expand parking area and increase the number of parking spaces at Pelham High School from 192 to 292 spaces.

(Recommended by the School Board)
(Not recommended by the Budget Committee)

(Estimated tax impact \$.03)

Mrs. Lazarus explained the parking problem at the high school and also that students can no longer park on the street.

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Another voter expressed concern that he had been in the high school for evening meetings when the heat was turned up high. He wondered why the heat had to be on twenty-four hours a day.

A contractor in the audience questioned why the town would have to pay for a feasibility study when heating contractors would do this research for free.

Mr. Greenhalgh, Melody Lane, replied that impartiality is the most important aspect of this study. We could not expect this from a contractor who wants the work.

Article 7 was adopted by voice vote to raise \$4,000.00.

Article 8:

To see if the Pelham School District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Forty Three Thousand, Eight Hundred Forty-Six Dollars (\$43,846). Said sum of money being the amount necessary to fund salary increases and salary related costs for all support and administration staff for the school year 1992-93.

Mr. Lavallee introduced the Article by explaining that the Budget Committee did not recommend adoption of this Article because the contract for teachers is not settled and is level-funded. Last year, this group received a 4% increase, and did not want to set a precedent.

Mr. Rowe countered by saying that the cost of living increased 4.6%, so that this 3.8% increase is not excessive. This Article would grant a raise to the following groups of employees who are all non-union: 3 principals, 2 vice principals, custodians, aides, including those in Special Education, secretaries, and lunchroom workers. He concluded by saying that we have an obligation to take care of this group.

Mr. Marcinkowski felt that this vote could be delayed and taken up at the special meeting for the teachers' raises.

Mr. Farris said that there should be support for families in this town, and that many of them went without raises over the past two years.

Mrs. Eleanor Burton, Sherburne Road, countered with the argument that support staff may have received raises, but many of them had their hours cut, so they in fact did not get a raise in their salary.

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To the inhabitants of the School District in the Town of Pelham, New Hampshire, qualified to vote in District affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Pelham Memorial School in said District on the 17th day of March, 1993 at 7:30 o'clock in the afternoon to act upon the following subjects:

1. To see if the Pelham School District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of TWO HUNDRED SEVENTY EIGHT THOUSAND, FOUR HUNDRED NINETY NINE DOLLARS (\$278,499). Said sum of money being the amount necessary to fund the second year of the two-year collective bargaining agreement between the Pelham School Board and the Pelham Education Association. (Recommended by the Budget Committee)
2. To see if the Pelham School District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of FORTY SIX THOUSAND, EIGHT HUNDRED TWENTY NINE DOLLARS (\$46,829). Said sum of money being the amount necessary to fund salary increases and salary related costs for all support, nurses, and administrative staff for the school year 1993-94. (Not recommended by Budget Committee)
3. To see if the Pelham School District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of SIXTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$60,000) to fund two additional staff positions; one sixth grade teacher at Pelham Memorial School and one part-time teacher/assistant principal at the E. G. Sherburne School. (Recommended by the Budget Committee)
4. To see if the Pelham School District will vote to authorize the Pelham School District to enter into a lease/purchase agreement for a period of up to ten years for the purpose of retrofitting the heating, ventilation, and windows at Pelham High School for energy conservation and to raise and appropriate the sum of SEVENTY ONE THOUSAND SIX HUNDRED NINETEEN DOLLARS (\$71,619) for the fiscal year 1993-94 lease payment, or take any other action relative thereto. (Recommended by Budget Committee)
5. To see if the Pelham School District will vote to create an expendable general fund trust under the provisions of RSA 198:20 c, to be known as the Pelham School District Technology Fund for the purpose of purchasing technology for the Pelham Schools as described in the Long-Range Technology Plan. To name the Pelham School Board as agents to expend. Furthermore, to raise and appropriate up to TEN THOUSAND FOUR HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$10,400) from surplus to be placed in this fund and to authorize the use/transfer of up to TEN THOUSAND FOUR HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$10,400) from the June 30, 1993 general fund balance for this purpose. (Recommended by Budget Committee)
6. To see if the Pelham School District will vote to raise and appropriate and add the sum of THIRTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$30,000) to the existing school building maintenance fund for the purpose of

repairing, maintaining, and modifying school buildings as required by the Americans With Disabilities Act (ADA). Expending such funds may not occur until and unless the school board has conducted a public hearing prior to expenditure. This expendable trust fund was created by the District in March of 1992 under the provisions of RSA 15:20 c for the purpose of repairing and maintaining school buildings. (Recommended by the Budget Committee)

To see if the Pelham School District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of FORTY-FOUR THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED EIGHTY DOLLARS (\$44,580) to continue providing child benefit services to Pelham school children attending St. Patrick's School. (Submitted by Petition)

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To see if the District will vote to adopt the following resolution.

Whereas the State of New Hampshire has adopted a program to provide educational opportunity in New Hampshire through the application of statewide resources equal to 8% of those funds allocated to education by the people in the local communities of New Hampshire.

Whereas a legislative study committee has just concluded an intense study of the present implementation of that program and has developed eight recommendations, including that of fully funding the program, for the perfecting of the New Hampshire Educational Aid Program.

Whereas the people of Pelham today struggle to support an educational program for our youth that requires the application of 79% of our local financial resources.

Therefore the people of the School District of Pelham assembled in Annual School District Meeting urge the strongest possible support of these study recommendations, especially that for full program funding, upon our Legislature, our State Representative and our State Senator.

A copy of this resolution is to be sent to the President of the New Hampshire Senate, the Speaker of the New Hampshire House, each of Pelham's Representatives and Pelham's Senator.

Given under our hands at said Pelham, New Hampshire, on the 17th day of February, 1993.

Dr. Donald Hill
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