



**TOWN OF PELHAM
STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
2021 TOWN MEETING**

To the inhabitants of the Town of Pelham, in the County of Hillsborough and the State of New Hampshire, qualified to vote in Town affairs. You are hereby notified of the following annual Town Meeting schedule:

First Session of Annual Meeting (Deliberative)

You are hereby notified to meet at the Sherburne Hall, 6 Village Green, Pelham, New Hampshire on Tuesday, February 2, 2021 at 7:00 PM. This session shall consist of explanation, discussion, and debate of warrant articles numbered 2 through 9. Warrant articles may be amended subject to the following limitations: (a) warrant articles the wording of which is prescribed by law shall not be amended and (b) warrant articles that are amended shall be placed on the official ballot for a final vote on the main motion, as amended.

Second Session of Annual Town Meeting (Official Ballot Voting)

You are hereby notified to meet again at the Pelham High School, 85 Marsh Road, Pelham, New Hampshire on Tuesday, March 9, 2021 between the hours of 7:00 AM and 8:00 PM to vote by official ballot to choose all necessary town officials for the ensuing year and to vote on warrant articles numbered 1 through 9.

Article 1

To see what action the Town will take in the election of the following Officers: One (1) Selectman for a term of three (3) years; two (2) Cemetery Trustees for a term of three (3) years; One (1) Trustee of the Trust Funds for a term of three (3) years; One (1) Library Trustees for a term of three (3) years; three (3) Budget Committee Members for a term of three (3) years; two (2) Planning Board Members for a term of three (3) years.

Article 2

Are you in favor of Zoning Amendment No. 1 as proposed by the Pelham Planning Board to add to Pelham zoning an entirely new ordinance, Article XV RESIDENTIAL OPEN SPACE SUBDIVISION BY SPECIAL PERMIT? The purpose of this ordinance is to promote the conservation of undeveloped land, limit the length of new roads to minimize the impact of their future and ongoing maintenance, preserve the rural character of the town, provide an alternative option for landowners to conserve open space from development while minimizing impacts on environmental resources, to provide for connected corridors of open land, to conserve scenic views and to provide design flexibility. This ordinance requires a yield plan that limits the number of homes in any Open Space subdivision to the number of homes that would be allowed in a conventional subdivision with no allowance for additional homes beyond the density determined in the yield plan. Lot size would be a minimum of 30,000 square feet with 125 feet of frontage required on interior roads and 40% of the land area kept as open space. (Recommended by the Planning Board).

Article 3

Are you in favor of Zoning Amendment No. 2 as proposed by the Pelham Planning Board to clarify the allowed uses as shown in Section 307-25-3, table of allowed uses in the existing MUZD ordinance? The added language clarifies that only one single-family, duplex or multi-family residential structure is allowed per lot and that multiple mixed-use (business and residential) structures are allowed per lot. The new language also identifies the ordinance as an innovative land use ordinance that gives the Planning Board broad approval authority to consider mixed-use projects submitted under this ordinance. (Recommended by the Planning Board).

Article 4

Shall the Town 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 or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth herein totaling Eighteen Million, One Hundred and Fifty-six Thousand, Eight Hundred and Eighty-Nine Dollars (\$18,156,889)? Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be Eighteen Million, One Hundred and Fifteen Thousand, Three-Hundred and Thirty-Six Dollars (\$18,115,336) which is the same as last year with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Town 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. (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen) (Recommended by the Budget Committee).

<u>Department</u>	<u>Selectmen</u>	<u>Budcom</u>
	<u>2021 Approved</u>	<u>2021 Approved</u>
Assessor	\$228,722	\$228,722
Budget Committee	\$1	\$2
Cable Department	\$150,603	\$150,603
Cemetery	\$162,266	\$161,966
Conservation	\$5,989	\$5,989
Debt Service Interest	\$70,982	\$70,982
Debt Service Principal	\$540,642	\$540,642
Elections	\$16,283	\$16,283
Emergency Management	\$8,913	\$8,913
Fire Department	\$2,647,234	\$2,646,310
Health Officer	\$45,916	\$45,916
Health Services	\$73,700	\$73,700
Highway Maintenance	\$1,814,976	\$1,814,694
Human Services	\$73,820	\$73,820
Insurance	\$2,637,815	\$2,637,814
Legal	\$96,000	\$96,000
Library	\$543,000	\$547,000
Parks & Recreation	\$265,816	\$265,676
Planning Dept	\$535,804	\$535,644
Police Department	\$3,467,666	\$3,433,536
Retirement	\$2,093,332	\$2,093,332
Selectmen	\$530,324	\$530,324
Senior Center	\$161,861	\$161,165
Technology	\$171,368	\$171,368
Town Buildings	\$625,337	\$625,337
Town Celebrations	\$9,260	\$9,260

Town Clerk/Tax Collector	\$274,441	\$274,441
Transfer	\$922,146	\$922,050
Treasurer	\$15,249	\$15,249
Trust Funds	\$150	\$150
Total	\$18,189,616	\$18,156,889

Article 5

Shall the Town vote to add the following two (2) parcels to the Cutler Spalding Town Forest pursuant to RSA 31:110-113: Map 32 Lot 2-69-3, Map 32 Lot 2-69 totaling approximately 16.62 acres? No Tax impact. (Majority Vote Required). (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen) (Recommended by the Conservation Commission).

Article 6

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Hundred and Ninety-Five-Thousand Dollars (\$295,000) for the purpose of purchasing and equipping an ambulance and to authorize the Selectmen to withdraw Two Hundred Ninety-Five-Thousand Dollars (\$295,000) from the Ambulance Replacement Revolving Fund established by the 2006 Town Meeting and amended in 2014 by Town Meeting for this purpose. No amount will be raised through taxation. (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen) (Recommended by the Budget Committee).

Article 7

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Three Hundred Twenty Thousand, Seven Hundred Sixty-Eight Dollars (\$320,768) for repair, maintenance, purchase of equipment and upgrading of Town roads, to be offset by the State Highway Grant? This will be a non-lapsing account per RSA 32:7, IV. No money to be raised by taxation. (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen) (Recommended by the Budget Committee).

Article 8

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$200,000) to be placed in the Compensated Absence Trust Fund for the purpose of distributing accrued time (annual earned and paid time off) to terminating employees as required by law or negotiated contracts? (Majority Vote Required). (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen) (Recommended by the Budget Committee).

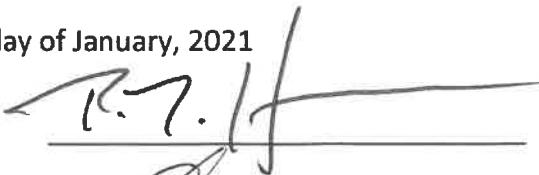
Article 9-Citizens Petition

Are you in favor of repealing, in its entirety, the provision of RSA 41:14-b, that was created by Article 21 of the 2017 Town Warrant, passed at the March 2017 Town election, "which authorizes the Selectmen to establish and amend certain Town codes and ordinances after they hold 2 public hearings on the establishment or amendment of the ordinance or code, provided however, upon the written petition of 50 registered voters presented to the Selectmen prior to their vote on the establishment or amendment to the ordinance or code,

the issue shall instead be inserted as an article on the warrant at the next Town meeting. The authority to establish or amend Town ordinances or building codes, which are governed by the adoption rules RSA 675?" a yes vote would remove this language and give any and all voting rights back to the Town. (Not Recommended by the Board of Selectmen).

Given under our hands this 25th day of January, 2021

Robert Haverty, Chair



Heather Forde, Vice Chair



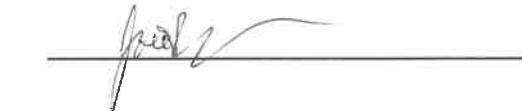
Hal Lynde, Selectmen



Kevin Cote, Selectman



Jaie Bergeron, Selectman



I, the undersigned, Brian McCarthy, serving as the Town Administrator, do hereby certify that on this 25th day of January, 2021, I did post signed copies of the 2021 Annual Town Meeting Warrant at the Pelham Town Hall, located at 6 Village Green and the Pelham High School, located at 85 Marsh Road and at the Pelham Public Library, located at 24 Village Green, of said Town.

Respectfully Submitted,



Brian McCarthy, Town Administrator



Dorothy A. Marsden, Notary Public

DOROTHY A. MARSDEN
NOTARY PUBLIC
State of New Hampshire
My Commission Expires
August 26, 2025