

**School Warrant
State of New Hampshire**

**School Warrant
State of New Hampshire**

To the inhabitants of the School District in the Town of Pelham, New Hampshire qualified to vote in District affairs: You are hereby notified of the following annual School District meeting schedule:

First Session of Annual Meeting (Deliberative)

You are hereby notified to meet at the Pelham Elementary School in said District on the 9th day of February, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. This 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 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 Meeting (Official Ballot Voting)

You are hereby notified to meet at the Pelham High School in Pelham, on Tuesday, March 08, 2011, between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m. to vote by official ballot on warrant articles numbered 1 through 12.

Article 1. Election of Officers (voting by official ballot March 08, 2011)

To the following school district offices:

- a. To choose one School Board member for the ensuing three years;
- b. To choose one School Board member for the ensuing one year unexpired term;
- c. To choose the School District Moderator for the ensuing three years;
- d. To choose the School District Treasurer for the ensuing three years; and
- e. To choose the School District Clerk for the ensuing three years.

Article 2. "Passage of this article shall override the 10 percent limitation imposed on this appropriation due to the non-recommendation of the budget committee. Shall the Pelham School District raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,815,000 (Three million, eight hundred and fifteen thousand dollars) for the construction and equipping of a new kindergarten and pre-school school building and authorize the issuance of not more than \$3,815,000 (Three million, eight hundred and fifteen thousand dollars) of bonds or notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA Chapter 33) and authorize the Pelham School Board to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and to

**School Warrant
State of New Hampshire**

determine the rate of interest thereon and to authorize the Pelham School Board to apply for, and accept and expend any federal, state, or other aid that may be available for said project and to comply with all the requirements related thereto; and further to raise and appropriate the additional sum of \$64,685 (sixty-four thousand, six hundred and eighty-five dollars) for the first year's interest payment on the bond and authorize the Pelham School Board to take any other action necessary to carry out this vote?"
(3/5 ballot vote required)

Recommended by the School Board

Initially not recommended by the Budget Committee. After the deliberative session,
Recommended by the Budget Committee.

Article 3. "Shall the Pelham School District vote to approve the cost items included in the collective bargaining agreement reached between the Pelham School Board and the Pelham Education Association (PEA) which calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits at the current staffing levels:

Year:	Estimated Increase:
2011-2012	\$66,247
2012-2013	\$256,555

and further to raise and appropriate the sum of \$66,247 (Sixty-six thousand, two hundred and forty-seven dollars) for the upcoming 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 paid in accord with the most recent collective bargaining agreement?"
(Majority vote required)

Recommended by the School Board

Recommended by the Budget Committee

Note: Pursuant to RSA 273-A:12, if approved, the terms of this collective bargaining agreement, including the pay plan, but excluding cost of living increases (if applicable), will continue in force and effect until a new agreement is negotiated.

Article 4. "Shall the Pelham School District 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 therein, totaling \$24,651,498 (Twenty-four million, six hundred and fifty-one thousand, four hundred and ninety-eight dollars)? Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be \$24,569,216 (Twenty-four million, five hundred and sixty-nine thousand, two hundred and sixteen dollars), which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Pelham School District 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."

**School Warrant
State of New Hampshire**

(Majority vote required)

Recommended by the School Board
Recommended by the Budget Committee

*NOTE: Warrant Article 4 (operating budget) does not include appropriations proposed in any other warrant articles.

Article 5. “Shall the Pelham School District vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$15,106 (Fifteen thousand, one hundred and six dollars), for the purpose of funding a 1.5% salary increase and benefits for the following 12 non-union administrative employees: 3 principals, 4 assistant principals, 1 special education coordinator, 1 director of maintenance, 1 school-to-work coordinator, 1 food service director, and 1 pre-school coordinator.”

(Majority vote required)

(Note: Salaries equal \$12,410, Benefits equal \$2,696)

Recommended by the School Board
Recommended by the Budget Committee

Article 6. “Shall the Pelham School District vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$18,477 (Eighteen thousand, four hundred and seventy-seven dollars), for the purpose of funding a 1.5% salary increase and benefits for the following 48 non-union support personnel: 12 secretaries, 15 custodians, 3 maintenance technicians, 1 technology support, and 17 food service workers.”

(Majority vote required)

(Note: Salaries equal \$15,180, Benefits equal \$3,297)

Recommended by the School Board
Recommended by the Budget Committee

Article 7. “Shall the Pelham School District vote to add the following positions and raise and appropriate the money to fund salaries and benefits for those new positions as follows:”

a. District Athletic Director \$81,158

(Majority vote required)

(Note: Salary equals \$50,000 Benefits equal \$31,158)

Recommended by the School Board
Not recommended by the Budget Committee

**School Warrant
State of New Hampshire**

b. District Psychologist \$1
(Majority vote required)
(Note: If this article passes, the monies from the psychologist contracted consultant line in the operating budget will fund this position.)

Recommended by the School Board
Recommended by the Budget Committee

c. District Speech Pathologist \$1
(Majority vote required)
(Note: If this article passes, the monies from the speech contracted consultant line in the operating budget will fund this position.)

Recommended by the School Board
Recommended by the Budget Committee

Article 8. “Shall the Pelham School District vote to raise and appropriate up to the sum of \$50,000.00, (Fifty Thousand dollars and no cents) to be added to the previously established (1999-2000) School District Maintenance Capital Reserve Fund, with such sum to be funded from the June 30, 2011 unreserved fund balance available for transfer on July 1, 2011?”
(Majority vote required).

Recommended by the School Board
Recommended by the Budget Committee

Article 9. “Shall the Pelham School District vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$30,824.00 (Thirty thousand, eight hundred and twenty-four dollars and zero cents) for Child Benefit Services for the 101 Pelham children attending St. Patrick School?”

Recommended by the School Board
Recommended by the Budget Committee

Article 10. “Shall the Pelham School District raise and appropriate up to the sum of \$390,000 (Three hundred ninety thousand dollars) for the purpose of installing a sprinkler system in Pelham High School to comply with life safety and fire codes cited in the NEASC accreditation report? (If approved, this action completes only one of many deficiencies cited in the accreditation report and is not required by the Pelham Fire Department.)”

Not recommended by the School Board
Not recommended by the Budget Committee

Submitted by petition.

**School Warrant
State of New Hampshire**

Article 11. “Shall the Pelham School District raise and appropriate up to the sum of \$385,000 (three hundred eighty-five thousand dollars) for the purpose of replacing the original heating, ventilation, and air cooling system (HVAC) in Pelham High School as cited in the NEASC accreditation report as clearly inadequate? (If approved, this will correct only one of many deficiencies cited in the accreditation report.)”

Not recommended by the School Board
Not recommended by the Budget Committee

Submitted by petition

Article 12. “Shall the Pelham School District raise and appropriate up to the sum of \$330,000 (Three hundred thirty thousand dollars) for the purpose of constructing a high school parking lot on the school district-owned property located across the street from the high school on Marsh Road to address the NEASC accreditation report citing the lack of parking spaces is a major problem?”

Not recommended by the School Board
Not recommended by the Budget Committee

Submitted by petition

Given under our hands as said Pelham, New Hampshire, on the 19th day of January, 2011.

Robert Hardy, Chair

Deborah Ryan, Vice Chair

Linda Mahoney

Andre G. Ducharme

(OPEN SEAT)