

# THE TOWN OF PELHAM STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE WARRANT 2011 TOWN MEEETING

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 Sherburne Hall in the Pelham Municipal Building, 6 Village Green, Pelham, New Hampshire on Tuesday, February 8, 2011 at 7:00 PM. This session shall consist of explanation, discussion, and debate of warrant articles numbered 2 through 17. 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 8, 2011 between the hours of 7:00 AM and 8:00 PM to vote by official ballot to choose all necessary town officials for the ensuring year and to vote on warrant articles numbered 1 through 17.

### ARTICLE 1:

To see what action the Town will take in the election of the following Officers: two (2) Selectmen for a term of three (3) years; one (1) Supervisor of the Checklist for a term of five (5) years; one (1) Supervisor of the Checklist for a term of six (6) years; one (1) Budget Committee Member for a term of one (1) year; three (3) Budget Committee Members for a term of three (3) years; two (2) Cemetery Trustees for a term of three (3) years; two (2) Library Trustees for a term of three (3) years; one (1) Trustee of Trust Funds for a term of three (3) years; and two (2) Planning Board Members for a term of three (3) years; one (1) Treasurer for a term of three (3) years.

### ARTICLE 2:

Shall the Town of Pelham raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,700,000 (gross budget) for the construction and equipping of a new Fire Station building and to authorize the issuance of not more than \$3,500,000 of bonds or notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA 33) and to authorize the municipal officials to issue and negotiate the terms of such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon, with the balance of \$200,000 to be raised from impact fees that have been collected for this purpose? (3/5 majority vote required) (Recommended by Budget Committee)

### ARTICLE 3:

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 \$12,339,320? Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be \$11,975,550 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 Budget Committee)

(\$12,339,320 approved by Selectmen) (Majority Vote Required)

	Selectmen	Budget Committee
	2011 final Dept.	2011 final Dept.
Department	approved	approved
Assessing	184,104.00	184,104.00
Budget Committee	2,341.00	2,341.00
Cable	90,925.00	90,925.00
Cemetery	139,660.00	139,660.00
Conservation Committee	3,997.00	3,997.00
Debt Service - Interest	186,970.00	186,970.00
Debt Service - Principal	536,597.00	536,597.00
Elections	9,760.00	9,760.00
Emergency Management	6,501.00	6,501.00
Fire	1,764,569.00	1,764,569.00
Health Officer	43,266.00	43,266.00
Health Services	48,145.00	48,145.00
Highway	1,203,915.00	1,203,915.00
Human Services	85,440.00	85,440.00
Insurance	1,881,633.00	1,881,633.00
Legal	90,000.00	90,000.00
Library	230,256.00	230,256.00
Parks and Recreation	180,841.00	180,841.00
Planning Department	269,428.00	269,428.00
Police	2,324,518.00	2,324,518.00
Retirement	1,265,367.00	1,265,367.00
Selectmen	457,537.00	457,537.00
Seniors	75,090.00	75,090.00
Town Buildings	518,975.00	518,975.00
Town Celebrations	9,585.00	9,585.00
Town Clerk	199,570.00	199,570.00
Transfer Station	522,334.00	522,334.00
Treasurer	7,851.00	7,851.00
Trust Funds	145.00	145.00
TOTAL	12,339,320.00	12,339,320.00

### ARTICLE 4:

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$100,000 to be placed in the Tallant Road/ Willow Street Bridge Capital Reserve Fund? This funding is for the Willow Street Bridge replacement which is identified by the State of New Hampshire as being sub-standard and is eligible for 80% grant reimbursement. There is approximately \$124,000 in this fund. (Majority Vote Required) (Recommended by Budget Committee)

### ARTICLE 5:

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$318,383 for repair, maintenance and upgrading of Town roads, to be offset by the State Grant for highway maintenance? This is a Special Warrant Article. (Majority Vote Required) (Recommended by Selectmen)(Recommended by Budget Committee)

### ARTICLE 6:

Shall the Town vote to approve cost items included in the three year collective bargaining agreement ratified by the Board of Selectmen and the Professional Firefighters of Pelham, The International Association of Fire Fighters, Local 4546, which calls for the following increases and benefits and to further raise and appropriate the sum of \$86,331 to fund the first year of this agreement? If this warrant article is approved, \$23,296 will be removed from the operating and default budgets representing automatic step increases previously included there. This is a special warrant article.

YEAR	COST	ACCUMULATED COST
2011	\$86,331	
2012	\$72,954	\$159,285
2013	\$49,138	\$208,423
(Majority Vote	e Required)	

(Recommended by Selectmen)(Recommended by Budget Committee)

### ARTICLE 7:

Shall the Town vote to approve cost items included in the two year collective bargaining agreement ratified by the Board of Selectmen and the Pelham Public Works and Municipal Employees, Local 1801 of the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees (AFSCME), which calls for the following increases and benefits and to further raise and appropriate the sum of \$62,254 to fund this year of the agreement? If this warrant article is approved, \$4,539 will be removed from the operating and default budgets representing automatic step increases previously included there. This is a Special Warrant Article.

YEAR	COST
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 2010
 \$ 0
 No Retroactivity

 2011
 \$ 62,254

(Majority Vote Required) (Recommended by Selectmen)(Recommended by Budget Committee)

### ARTICLE 8:

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$45,000 from the Forest Maintenance Fund for the purpose of forest management, stewardship (signage, trail maps, parking, etc.), security, public education and other costs associated with the maintenance and care of Town forest land? All expenditures are approved by the Board of Selectmen. Funds requested come from the revenues produced by timber harvesting, not property taxes. This is a non-lapsing account per RSA 32:7. This is a Special Warrant Article. (Majority Vote Required)

(Recommended by Selectmen)(Recommended by Budget Committee)

## ARTICLE 9:

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$39,815 for the purpose of hiring and equipping a school resource police officer? The amount raised covers costs from July through December, 2011 after which the position, if approved, will be funded through the Police Department operating budget. The cost breakdown includes salary of \$17,640 plus benefits and equipment. Should this Article pass, the Police Operating Budget shall be reduced by \$5,365. (Majority vote required) (Recommended by Budget Committee)

## ARTICLE 10:

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$100,000 to be placed in the Compensated Absence Trust Fund for the purpose of disbursing accrued time (annual vacation and sick leave) to terminating employees as required by law and/or negotiated contracts? The money for this Article shall come from the 2010 year end unreserved fund balance. This Article shall have no impact on the tax rate. (Majority Vote Required) (Recommended by Budget Committee)

### ARTICLE 11:

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$130,000 for the purpose of constructing a second egress from George M. Muldoon Park on to Nashua Road? The money for this Article shall come from the 2010 year end unreserved fund balance. This Article shall have no impact on the tax rate. (Majority Vote Required) (Recommended by Selectmen)(Recommended by Budget Committee)

### ARTICLE 12:

Shall the Town of Pelham adopt the provisions of RSA Chapter 398 which authorizes the governing body (Board of Selectmen) to license and inspect pawnbrokers and further to hold two public hearings before any vote is taken on the proposed regulation?

### ARTICLE 13:

Shall the Town of Pelham vote to accept Moonshadow Drive and Collins Way as Class V public roads. (Recommended by the Planning Board) (Recommended by Selectmen)

### ARTICLE 14:

Shall the Town of Pelham vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to accept a portion of Mulberry Lane (Map 24 Lot 12-203-19 to Map 24 Lot 12-44-2), a portion of Shephard Road (Map 24 lot 12-209-5 to Map 24 Lot 12-63-3) and all of Lannan Drive as Class V public roads once the remaining minor road work and documentation is completed to the satisfaction of the Road Agent and the Planning Board and a written recommendation for acceptance is provided to the Board of Selectmen. The Selectmen shall conduct a public hearing prior to their vote to accept. (Recommended by the Planning Board)(Recommended by Selectmen)

#### **ARTICLE 15**

Shall the Town of Pelham vote to delegate to the Board of Selectmen the authority to accept public roads as authorized by RSA 674:40-a. This delegation of authority would be limited to those roads that the Planning Board has approved following subdivision, site plan or street plats approval. The Board of Selectmen may accept these roads as town roads or "public highways" after holding a public hearing. (Recommended by the Planning Board)(Recommended by Selectmen)

#### ARTICLE 16:

To see if the Town will vote, for the sum of one dollar (\$1.00) and other valuable consideration, to authorize the Board of Selectmen to transfer and convey by deed a 50' foot wide area of land with frontage on Castle Hill Road, located between Map 2, Lot 5-97 and Map 2, Lot 5-98 to the owners of Map 2, Lot 5-89 as shown on the Town of Pelham tax map. The area to be conveyed is the same area conveyed to the Town of Pelham as show on Plan #7211 within a deed recorded at the Hillsborough County Registry of Deeds at Book <u>3632</u> page <u>0055</u>. This will also authorize the Board of Selectmen to execute any document necessary to convey this land. (Recommended by Selectmen)

#### ARTICLE 17:

Shall the Town vote to adopt a Town of Pelham Blasting Ordinance (a copy of which is available for inspection and copying at the Town Clerk's office) to supersede and replace in its entirety the current Blasting Regulations in accordance with the Town's authority set forth in RSA 31:39-b. This proposed blasting ordinance updates the Town's regulation of blasting with the aim of providing further protection to the general public and property owners. This ordinance does not regulate the use of fireworks within the Town of Pelham.

(Recommended by Selectmen)

Given under our hands this 31<sup>st</sup> day of January, 2011 Douglas Viger, Chairman

Edmund Gleason, Vice Chair

Robert Haverty

Harold Lynde

William McDevitt

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I, the undersigned Town Administrator for the Town of Pelham, do hereby certify that on the 31<sup>st</sup> day of January, 2011, I did post signed copies of the 2011 annual Town Meeting at the Pelham Town Hall, located at 6 Village Green and the Pelham High School located the 85 Marsh Rd. and at the Pelham Post Office, located at 150 Bridge Street of said Town.

Respectfully Salemitted,

Thomas R. Gaydos, Town Administrator

LINDA NEWCOMB, Notary Public My Commission Expires September 5, 2012