

Town of Farmington  
New Hampshire  
Warrant and Budget  
2016

To the inhabitants of the town of Farmington in the County of Strafford in the state of New Hampshire qualified to vote in town affairs are hereby notified and warned of the Annual Town Meeting will be held as follows:  
Election of Officers and questions required by law to be on the Ballot:  
Date: 8<sup>th</sup> day of March 2016 (3/08/2016)  
Time: 8:00AM-7:00PM  
Location: 531 Main Street – Town Hall Gymnasium  
Details: The remainder of the warrant will be acted upon beginning at seven o'clock (7:00PM), Wednesday, the 9<sup>th</sup> day of March 2016 (3/09/2016)

**Article 01: Election of Officers**

To choose two Selectmen for three years, one Selectman for one year, three Budget Committee for three years, three Budget Committee for two years, one Treasurer for one year, one Trustee for two years, one Trustee for three years, one Moderator for two years, one Town Clerk-Tax Collector for three years, and one Supervisor of the Checklist for six years. (Official Ballot)

Yes       No

**Article 02: Zoning Amendments**

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Farmington Zoning Ordinance in accordance with the recommendation of the Planning Board as follows:

Amendment 1

To amend Section 4.01 Aquifer Protection Overlay District to be called Groundwater Protection Overlay District and include authority, purpose and intent, definitions, description of the aquifer protection overlay district, incorrectly designated zones, performance standards, permitted uses, prohibited uses, conditional uses, existing nonconforming uses, exemptions, maintenance and inspection, enforcement, and effective date, and to amend the district to include the current wellhead protection areas in the town. Copies of the proposed amendment are posted at the town offices and on the town website. A copy of the proposed amendment will also be posted at the polling place.

Amendment 2

To amend Section 3.16 Recreational Vehicle Parks or Campgrounds to become Section 3.16 (A) Recreational Vehicle Parks and Campgrounds and to include the addition of Section (B) Temporary Use and Storage of a Recreational Vehicle outside of Recreational Vehicle Parks and Campgrounds, and amendments to the definitions of recreational vehicles and tenants. Copies of the proposed amendment are posted at the town offices and on the town website. A copy of the proposed amendment will also be posted at the polling place.

Amendment 3

To amend Section 3.00 General Standards to include Section 3.23 Storage Units and to include a definition of temporary storage units, the permitting requirements for temporary storage units, use of temporary storage units, and duration temporary storage units are considered temporary. Copies of the proposed amendment are posted at the town offices and on the town website. A copy of the proposed amendment will also be posted at the polling place.

Yes       No

**Article 03: Construction of Safety Building**

To see if the Town of Farmington will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,363,000 to construct and equip a new public safety building on Town-owned land on Route 153 (the "Project"); and to authorize the issuance of not more than \$2,363,000 of bonds or notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA Chapter 33); and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to issue, negotiate, sell, and deliver each of such bonds or notes and to determine the interest rate thereon and the maturity and other terms thereof; and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to take any other action or to pass any other vote relative thereto. (Two-thirds (2/3rds) ballot vote required).

Selectmen Recommendation: Yes    Budget Committee Recommendation: Yes

Yes       No

**Article 04: Operating Budget**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$6,513,234 for General Municipal Operations. This article does not include special or individual articles addressed separately.

Board of Selectmen Recommendation: No      Budget Committee Recommendation: Yes

Yes       No

**Article 05: Long Term Lease**

To see if the Town will vote to ratify, pursuant to RSA 41:11-a, a 20-year Real Estate Lease Agreement between the Town and Community Action Partnership of Strafford County ("CAPSC") for the purpose of leasing the town-owned land located at 120 Main Street to CAPSC, for consideration of one dollar per year, to allow the continued operation of a childcare center and Head Start programs. CAPSC is responsible for upgrades to, and maintenance of, the property. (Recommended by Selectmen 4 - 0).

Yes       No

**Article 06: Add to Highway Equipment CRF**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$25,000 to be added to the Highway Equipment CRF, previously established. This is to assist the town to replacement for Highway Equipment.

Selectmen Recommendation: Yes      Budget Committee Recommendation: Yes

Yes       No

**Article 07: Recreation Equipment Fund**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,000 to be deposited into the Recreation Equipment Capital Reserve Fund.

Selectmen Recommendation: Yes    Budget Committee Recommendation: Yes

Yes       No

**Article 08: Self Contained Breathing Apparatus Fund**

To see if the Town will vote to establish a Capital Reserve fund called Self Contained Breathing Apparatus Fund, to raise and appropriate the sum \$15,000 to be deposited in said fund, and further to name Selectman as agents to expend from said fund

Selectmen Recommendation: Yes    Budget Committee Recommendation: Yes

Yes       No

**Article 09: Police Outside Detail Special Revenue Fund**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$80,000 for the purpose of paying all expenses associated with payroll and equipment of police officers with said funds to come from the Police Outside Detail Special Revenue fund created for this purpose. No amount to be raised from taxation.

Selectmen Recommendation: Yes    Budget Committee Recommendation: Yes

Yes       No

**Article 10: Discontinue Building Permit SRF**

Shall we rescind the provisions of RSA 31:95-c which restricted 100% of revenues from Building Inspection Fees to expenditures for the purpose of Building Inspection Fees? These funds will be placed in the towns general fund in accordance with RSA 31:95-d. (2/3 ballot vote required).

Yes       No

**Article 11: Add to Emergency Motorized Equipment CRF**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$40,000 to be deposited into the Emergency Motorized Equipment Capital Reserve and to further fund this appropriation with \$40,000 by revenue from funds raised through ambulance billing and \$0.00 through general taxation.

Selectmen Recommendation: Yes      Budget Committee Recommendation: Yes

Yes       No

**Article 12: Farmington Cable TV**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$60,000 for the purpose of staff payroll, cable TV programming and to renegotiate the cable franchise agreement with said funds to come from the Community Television Special Revenue Fund created for this purpose. No amount to be raised from taxation.

Selectmen Recommendation: Yes    Budget Committee Recommendation: Yes

Yes       No

**Article 13: Tax Increment Finance Development Program**

To see if the Town will vote to approve the TIF Development Program and the TIF Finance and Revenue Plan for the previously established locations known as the as NH Route 11 Business Node/ Tax Increment Finance (TIF) District, which is dated February 18, 2014.

Yes       No

**Article 14: Tax Increment Advisory Board**

To see if the Town will vote to create an Advisory Board for previously established NH Route 11 Business Node/ Tax Increment Finance (TIF) District, to consist of five (5) members, appointed and removed under the discretion of the Board of Selectmen.

Yes       No

**Article 15: Landfill Closure Fund**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$51,407 to be added to the Landfill Closure Fund. This sum comes from the Department of Environmental Services Solid Waste Unlined Municipal Landfill Closure Grant Program. No amount to be raised by taxation.

Selectmen Recommendation: Yes    Budget Committee Recommendation: Yes

Yes       No

**Article 16: Landfill Closure/Transfer Station**

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate \$20,000 for the purpose related to the closure of the Landfill/Transfer Station with said funds to come from the Landfill Closure/Transfer Station Special Revenue Fund previously established. No amount to be raised by taxation.

Selectmen recommendation: Yes      Budget Committee recommendation: Yes

Yes       No

**Article 17: Bridges and Road Design CRF**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$15,000 to be added to the Bridge and Road Design CRF, previously established. This is to pay the 20% of the required funding from NH State Bridge Aid.

Selectmen Recommendation: Yes    Budget Committee recommendation: Yes

Yes       No

**Article 18: Place tax impact on articles having a tax impact**

To see if the Town of Farmington will vote to require that the annual budget and all special warrant articles having a tax impact, as determined by the governing body, shall contain a notation stating the estimated tax impact of the article. (Majority vote required)

Yes       No

**Article 19: Change purpose of Public Safety Building CRF**

To see if the town will vote to change the purpose of the existing Public Safety Building CRF to the Public Safety Building and Equipment CRF to allow money from this fund to be used for the planning, construction and outfitting of a public safety building and furthermore to name the Selectmen as agents to expend. (2/3 vote required)

Yes       No

**Article 20: Decorations for Poles (BY PETITION)**

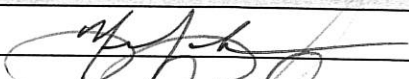
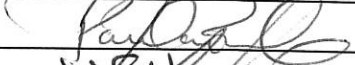

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate \$6,500 for the purchase of banners and hardware to decorate poles. And, for the maintenance of the Christmas lights.

Board of Selectman Recommendation: No      Budget Committee Recommendation: No

Yes       No

Given under our hands, February 19, 2016

We certify and attest that on or before February 22, 2016, we posted a true and attested copy of the within Warrant at the place of meeting, and like copies at the Municipal Office, and delivered the original to the Town Clerk

Printed Name	Position	Signature
NEIK JOHNSON	SELECTMAN	
PAULA PROULX	Selectman	
J. F. Horgan	Selectman	
CHARLES RUIZ	SELECTMAN	