2015 TOWN OF FARMINGTON WARRANT

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Farmington in the County of Strafford qualified to vote in Town affairs. You are hereby notified to meet at Town Hall in said Town of Farmington on Tuesday, the tenth day of March 2015 (03/10/2015), at eight o'clock in the forenoon (8:00AM) to cast your ballot for Town Officers and for questions required by law to be on the ballot. Polls will close no earlier than seven o'clock in the evening (7:00PM). The remainder of the Warrant will be acted upon beginning at seven o'clock in the evening (7:00PM), Wednesday, the eleventh day of March 2015 (3/11/2015).

Article 1. Election of Officers
To choose two Selectmen for three years, one Selectmen for one year, three Budget Committee members for three years, one Budget Committee member for two years, one Treasurer for one year, one Trustee of the Trust Funds for three years, one Trustee of the Trust Funds for one year and one Moderator for one year. **(Official Ballot)**

Article 2. Zoning Amendments (Official Ballot)
Amendment #1 Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 1 as proposed by the planning board for the Farmington Zoning Ordinance as follows: To amend *Paragraph D. – Site Plan Review Authority of Section 1.02-Authority* to add *"the Fire Chief or his/her designee"* as a member of the Site Plan Review Committee?

Amendment #2 Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 2 as proposed by the planning board for the Farmington Zoning Ordinance as follows: To delete *Child Care Operation of 3 children or* less for Section 5.01 – Home Occupation, Paragraph 8? *(The reason for this Amendment is that Section 5.01 Paragraph 8 as written conflicts with the Farmington Zoning Ordinance Table of Permitted Uses.)*

Amendment #3 Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 3 as proposed by the planning board for the Farmington Zoning Ordinance as follows: To delete *Child Care Operations of 5 children or less* from Section 5.02-Home Occupation, Paragraph 3? *(The reason for this amendment is that section 5.02 Paragraph 3 as written conflicts with the Farmington Zoning Ordinance Table of Permitted Uses.)*

Article 3. Operating Budget To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **$6,303,357** for General Municipal Operations. This article does not include special or individual articles addressed separately. **This Article is recommended by the Budget Committee. This Article is not recommended by the Board of Selectmen**

Article 4. Collective Bargaining Agreement- Police Department
To see if the Town will vote to approve the cost items included in the two year collective bargaining agreement reached between the Board of Selectmen and the NEPBA Local #212 which calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits at the current staffing level.
Fiscal Year 2015 $8,697
Fiscal Year 2016 $26,770

And further to raise and appropriate the sum of $8,697 for the current fiscal year, such sum representing the additional costs attributed to the increase in salaries and benefits required by the new agreement over those that would be paid at current staffing levels. **This article recommended by the Budget Committee and Board of Selectmen.**

Article 5. Reconsideration
Shall the Town of Farmington, if Article 4 is defeated, authorize the governing body to call one special meeting, at its option, to address article 4 cost items only?

Article 6. Collective Bargaining Agreement-Public Works
To see if the Town will vote to approve the cost items included in the collective bargaining agreement between the Board of Selectmen and the Teamsters Local #633 which calls for the following increases and decreases in salaries and benefits at the current staffing levels.

Year	Increase/Decrease
2015	(-$8,341)
2016	$16,652
2017	$14,977

Such sums represent the costs attributed to the new agreement in Salaries and Benefits over those that would be paid at current staffing levels. **This Article Recommended by the Budget Committee and Board of Selectmen.**

Article 7. Reconsideration
Shall the Town of Farmington, if Article 6 is defeated, authorize the governing body to call one special meeting, at its option, to address article 6 cost items only"? (Majority Vote)

Article 8. Town Employee Financial Obligation CRF
To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **$5,000** to be added to the Town Employee Financial Obligation CRF, previously established. This is to assist the town to pay out accrued leave time for employees who resign or retire. **This Article is recommended by the Budget Committee and Board of Selectmen.**

Article 9. Withdrawal from Special Revenue Fund/FCTV
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. **This Article is recommended by the Budget Committee and Board of Selectmen.**

Article 10. Withdrawal from Special Revenue Fund/ Police Outside Detail
To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **$80,000** for the purpose of Police Outside Details with said funds to come from Police Department Outside Detail Special Revenue Fund. No amount to be raised from taxation. **This Article is recommended by the Budget Committee and Board of Selectmen.**

Article 11. Withdrawal from Special Revenue Fund/Main Street School Operations and Maintenance Fund
To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **$33,907** for the purpose of maintaining the Main Street School Facility with said funds to come from the Special Reserve Fund created for that purpose. No amount to be raised by taxation. **This Article recommended by the Budget Committee and Board of Selectmen.**

Article 12. Power Cot
To see if the Town will to raise and appropriate the sum of **$19,470** for the purchase of a Power Cot and authorize the withdrawal of $16,000 from the Fire Vehicles and Equipment Fund a Capital Reserve Fund with the balance of $3,470 is to come from general taxation. **This Article recommended by the Budget Committee and Board of Selectmen.**

Article 13. Police Cruisers
To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **$38,000** for the purchase of one police cruiser with said funds to come from the Police Outside Details Special Revenue Fund for the purchase. No amount to be raised by taxation. **This Article recommended by the Budget Committee and Board of Selectmen.**

Article 14. Withdrawal from Landfill Closure/Transfer Station Special Revenue Fund
To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate **$31,429** 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. **This Article is recommended by the Budget Committee and Board of Selectmen.**

Article 15. Landfill Closure Fund Capital Reserve 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. **This Article recommended by the Budget Committee and Board of Selectmen.**

Article 16. Purchase of Poles for Hanging Holiday Decorations (BY PETITION)
To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate $23,000 for the purchase and installation of a total of 26 new 30' telephone poles for the purpose of hanging the town's holiday decorations. **This Article is not recommended by the Budget Committee and Board of Selectmen.**