

TOWN MEETING 2012

MARCH 17th

MEETING SCRIPT

- I. Call to order
 1. Pledge of Allegiance led by the Girl Scouts
 2. Introduction of Moderator
 3. Introduction of Head Table
 - a. Arnold Byam, Chairman Board of Selectmen
 - b. Donnie Sawin, Selectman
 - c. Kevin Boette, Selectman
 - d. Burton Reynolds, Town Administrator and today's Budget overview Presenter - (in audience)
 - e. Kate Thorndike, Administrative Assistant – (in audience)
 - f. Patricia Schultz, Town Clerk/Tax Collector and Clerk for this meeting
 4. Introductions of Department Heads
 - a. Fire Chief, Rick McQuade
 - b. Officer in Charge, Capt. Thomas F. Burke
 - c. Road Agent, Kent Perry
 - d. Librarian, Brenda Cassidy
 - e. Ambulance Chief, Gary Zirpolo
 5. These proceedings are being taped
 6. Other Items
 - a. The Bathrooms are located down stairs
 - b. Announce that food is being sold in the back of the hall by the Fire Department Auxiliary and the Girl Scouts are selling their famous cookies downstairs as well.
 - c. Anyone who has not registered with the Supervisors of the Checklist should do so. You must have a YELLOW Voting Card to vote. You will also receive your paper ballots.

- d.
 - i. Introduce Supervisors:
 - 1. Jessie Salisbury
 - 2. Stephanie Roper
 - 3. Sally Curran

7. Proposed rules of the meeting

- a. NH law gives lots of latitude to the moderator, but the ultimate power lies with the meeting body.
- b. I will dispense with reading the entire warrant initially: I will read each article when we come to it and once again in its amended form before we vote on it.
- c. We will follow simple parliamentary rules as we have in the past.
- d. This Town Meeting is a forum in which to ask questions, but more importantly, it is a place for debate. Proper respect and decorum will be expected at all times. Respect each other's views and opinions.
- e. I will recognize the sponsor of an article first to speak to the motion.
- f. If you wish to speak, raise your hand and wait to be recognized. Please state your name before speaking to assist the minute taker. Use either the microphone in the center aisle or the portable microphone.
- g. Do not speak unless recognized by the moderator.
- h. All questions and comments should be addressed to the moderator. There should be no banter between members of the body.
- i. Once a warrant article has been completed and we have moved to the next article, we will not go back to any previous articles.
- j. If you wish to make a motion, it should be in writing. The people at the front table can help you word your amendment in order to obtain your desired outcome
- k. Votes will be taken by asking for a voice vote. If I cannot determine a clear vote, you will be asked to raise your voting card.

- l. Any five voters may request that the vote on any Article be by secret Ballot. To do so, all five voters must be present, identified and sign the request form. This request must be presented to me during or at the end of debate on the Article.
- m. When there is a ballot vote you will be instructed as to the color ballot to use. Mark either YES or NO and place the whole ballot in the Ballot Box.
- n. Any qualified voter may appeal to overrule a decision or ruling of mine. If this happens, I will poll the meeting to see whether or not my ruling is sustained.
- o. We will grant “voice without vote” to Officer in Charge, Capt. Tom Burke, Assessor Todd Haywood and Ambulance Chief Gary Zirpolo.
- p. If there is no objection, I declare these the rules of this meeting.

**STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
TOWN WARRANT
LYNDEBOROUGH, NEW HAMPSHIRE**

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Lyndeborough, in the County of Hillsborough in said state qualified to vote in Town affairs; You are hereby notified to meet at Center Hall, 1131 Center Road in said Lyndeborough on Tuesday, the Thirteenth (13th) day of March 2012 at ten of the clock in the forenoon until seven of the clock in the evening, for ballot Voting of Town Officers and all other matters requiring ballot vote; and, to meet at said Citizens' Hall, 9 Citizens' Hall Road in said Lyndeborough, on Saturday, the seventeenth (17th) day of March 2012 at ten of the clock in the forenoon, to act upon Articles 3 through 23:

1. To choose all necessary Town officers for the year ensuing.

*-Indicates elected

RESULTS:

Selectman (3 years)	*Arnold Byam, III (Write-in) -142 Scott Roper- 24
Moderator (2 years)	*Walter M. Holland - 242
Town Clerk/Tax Collector (3 years)	*Patricia "Trish" Schultz -242
Supervisors of Checklist (6 years)	*Stephanie Roper -232
Budget Committee (3 years)	*James W. Button -179 *Sandra Schoen-164 *Donald Guertin-193 Corey B. Cheever-98
Budget Committee (2 years)	*Jeffrey Shinn -205
Cemetery Trustee (3 years)	*Lawrence S. Cassidy -226
Library Trustee (3 years)	*V. Lucille Watt -190 *Nadine Preftakes -230
Trustee of the Trust Fund (3 years)	* Stanley Greene - 212
Zoning Board of Adjustment (3 years)	*Lee F. Mayhew -196 *Karen Grybko -195

Moderator: ALL THOSE ELECTED WILL BE SWORN IN AS THE LAST ORDER OF BUSINESS TODAY.

Article 2

Are you in favor of the adoption of an amendment to Section 1200, “Home Businesses” of the Town Zoning Ordinance? This amendment will replace the entire section 1200, as proposed by the Planning Board. (This amendment is recommended by the Planning Board and clearly sets guidelines for “Home Businesses” and does **not** require site plan review. (Majority vote required).

RESULTS: **YES-**
 NO-

Article 3

Shall the Town vote to modify an Exemption for the Elderly under the provisions of RSA 72:39-a from property tax in the Town of Lyndeborough, based on assessed value, for qualified taxpayers, to be as follows: for a person 65 years of age up to 75 years, (\$20,000); for a person 75 years of age up to 80 years (\$30,000); for a person 80 years of age or older (\$60,000). To qualify, the person must have been a New Hampshire resident for at least three consecutive years, own the real estate individually or jointly, or if the real estate is owned by such person’s spouse, they must have been married for at least five consecutive years. In addition, the taxpayer must have a net income of not more than (\$25,000) or, if married, a combined net income of less than (\$35,000); and own assets not in excess of (\$60,000), excluding the value of the person’s residence?

MOTION TO BE MADE BY: Arnold Byam
SECOND: Kevin J. Boette
SPEAKER:

MOTION: Mr. Moderator, I move that the town vote to accept Article 3 as read.

Article 4

Shall the Town vote to modify an Exemption for the Disabled under the provisions of RSA 72:37-b as follows: the exemption from assessed value for qualified taxpayers shall be (\$30,000)? To qualify, the person must be eligible under Title II or Title XV of the Federal Social Security Act, must have been a New Hampshire resident for at least five years, must occupy the property as his principal place of abode, must own the property individually or jointly, or if owned by a spouse, they must have been married for at least five consecutive years, had in the calendar year preceding April 1 a net income from all sources; of not more than (\$25,000) if single and (\$35,000) if married,

and own net assets not in excess of (\$60,000), excluding the value of the actual residence and up to 2 acres or the minimum single-family residential lot size specified in the local Zoning ordinance?

MOTION TO BE MADE BY: **Donald Sawin**
SECOND: **Arnold Byam**
SPEAKER:

MOTION: Mr. Moderator, I move that the town vote to accept Article 4 as read.

Article 5

To see if the Town will vote to change the purpose of the existing Gulf Road Bridge Capital Reserve Fund to the “Bridge Repair/Replacement” Capital Reserve Fund.

(a 2/3 vote required)

AMENDMENT MOTION TO BE MADE BY: **Donnie Sawin**
SECOND: **Arnold Byam**
MOTION TO BE MADE BY: **Kevin Boette**
SECOND: **Donnie Sawin**
SPEAKER:

Amendment to Article 5: Mr. Moderator, I move that the wording of this article be changed to read: To see if the Town will vote to change the purpose of the existing Gulf Road Bridge Capital Reserve Fund to the “Bridge Build/Repair/Replacement” Capital Reserve Fund.

MOTION: Mr. Moderator, I move that the town vote to accept Article 5 as amended.

Article 6

To see if the Town of Lyndeborough will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one million five hundred sixty-five thousand five hundred seven dollars (\$1,565,507), representing the operating budget for fiscal year 2012 as prepared by the Budget Committee. Said sum is exclusive of all special or individual articles addressed; or take any other action relating thereto. *The Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation (Majority vote required.)*

MOTION TO BE MADE BY: **Kevin Boette**
SECOND: **Donald Sawin**
SPEAKER:

MOTION: Mr. Moderator, I move that the town vote to accept Article 6 as read.

Article 7

To see if the Town of Lyndeborough will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) to purchase a gravel pit (Map 206-014-000) from the Society For the Protection of New Hampshire Forests. *The Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation (Majority vote required.)*

MOTION TO BE MADE BY: **Arnold Byam**
SECOND: **Kevin Boette**
SPEAKER:

MOTION: Mr. Moderator, I move that the town vote to accept Article 7 as read.

Article 8

To see if the Town of Lyndeborough will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000) to rebuild the pump on Engine 5; or take any other action relating thereto. *The Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation (Majority vote required.)*

MOTION TO BE MADE BY: **Arnold Byam**
SECOND: **Kevin Boette**
SPEAKER:

MOTION: Mr. Moderator, I move that the town vote to accept Article 8 as read.

Article 9

To see if the Town of Lyndeborough will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) to install supplemental roof supports for Center Hall; or take any other action relating thereto *The Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation (Majority vote required.)*

MOTION TO BE MADE BY: **Kevin Boette**
SECOND: **Donald Sawin**
SPEAKER:

MOTION: Mr. Moderator, I move that the town vote to accept Article 9 as read.

Article 10

To see if the Town of Lyndeborough will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of six thousand dollars (\$6,000) for repairs to a garage on the right-hand side as you start up Center Road from Route 31 (Map 232 Lot 019), a property taken by tax deed by the Town for use as a storage facility for various emergency services. Three thousand dollars (\$3,000) will come from the general fund and three thousand dollars (\$3,000) is to be raised by taxation; or take any action relating thereto. *The Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation (Majority vote required.)*

MOTION MADE BY: **Donald Sawin**
SECOND: **Arnold Byam**
SPEAKER:

MOTION: Mr. Moderator, I move that the town vote to accept Article 10 as read.

Article 11

To see if the Town of Lyndeborough will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000) to be added to the 1984 Fire Department Tanker Capital Reserve Fund previously established; or take any action relating thereto. *The Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation (Majority vote required.)*

MOTION TO BE MADE BY: **Arnold Byam**
SECOND: **Kevin Boette**
SPEAKER:

MOTION: Mr. Moderator, I move that the town vote to accept Article 11 as read.

Article 12

To see if the Town of Lyndeborough will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of eight thousand dollars (\$8,000) to be added to the 1994 Fire Department Pumper Capital Reserve Fund previously established; or take any action relating thereto. *The Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation (Majority vote required.)*

MOTION TO BE MADE BY: **Kevin Boette**
SECOND: **Donald Sawin**
SPEAKER:

MOTION: Mr. Moderator, I move that the town vote to accept Article 12 as read.

Article 13

To see if the Town of Lyndeborough will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of thirteen thousand dollars (\$13,000) to be added to the 2002 Fire Department Rescue Truck Capital Reserve Fund previously established; or take any action relating thereto. *The Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation (Majority vote required.)*

MOTION TO BE MADE BY: **Donald Sawin**
SECOND: **Arnold Byam**
SPEAKER:

MOTION: Mr. Moderator, I move that the town vote to accept Article 13 as read.

Article 14

To see if the Town of Lyndeborough will vote to authorize the Selectmen to enter into a five-year lease agreement for eighty-four thousand four hundred twenty dollars (\$84,420) to purchase fourteen air pack units for the Fire Department and to raise and appropriate the initial payment of eighteen thousand seven hundred and thirty dollars (\$18,730) from the general fund. This lease agreement contains an escape clause. *The Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation (Majority vote required.)*

MOTION TO BE MADE BY: **Arnold Byam**
SECOND: **Kevin Boette**
SPEAKER:

MOTION: Mr. Moderator, I move that the town vote to accept Article 14 as read.

Article 15

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of fourteen thousand dollars (\$14,000) to go toward the replacement of the 2009 4WD Police vehicle. This will be a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7 VI and will not lapse until the vehicle is replaced or 2014, whichever is sooner. *The Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation (Majority vote required.)*

MOTION TO BE MADE BY: **Kevin Boette**

SECOND: **Donald Sawin**
SPEAKER:

MOTION: Mr. Moderator, I move that the town vote to accept Article 15 as read.

Article 16

To see if the Town of Lyndeborough will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty-three thousand dollars (\$23,000) to be added to the 2002 Mack Dump Truck Capital Reserve Fund previously established; or take any action relating thereto. *The Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation (Majority vote required.)*

MOTION TO BE MADE BY: **Donald Sawin**
SECOND: **Arnold Byam**
SPEAKER:

MOTION: Mr. Moderator, I move that the town vote to accept Article 16 as read.

Article 17

To see if the Town of Lyndeborough will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000) to be added to the 2002 Grader Capital Reserve Fund previously established; or take any action relating thereto. *The Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation (Majority vote required.)*

MOTION TO BE MADE BY: **Arnold Byam**
SECOND: **Kevin Boette**
SPEAKER:

MOTION: Mr. Moderator, I move that the town vote to accept Article 17 as read.

Article 18

To see if the Town of Lyndeborough will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of thirteen thousand five hundred dollars (\$13,500) to be added to the 2007 One-ton Dump Truck Capital Reserve Fund previously established; or take any action relating thereto. *The Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation (Majority vote required.)*

MOTION TO BE MADE BY: **Kevin Boette**
SECOND: **Donald Sawin**
SPEAKER:

MOTION: Mr. Moderator, I move that the town vote to accept Article 18 as read.

Article 19

To see if the town will vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA Ch. 35:1 to repair and replace the 2009 one-ton dump truck and to raise and appropriate twelve thousand (\$12,000) to be placed in this fund; or take any other action relating thereto. *The Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation (Majority vote required.)*

MOTION TO BE MADE BY: **Donald Sawin**
SECOND: **Arnold Byam**
SPEAKER:

MOTION: Mr. Moderator, I move that the town vote to accept Article 19 as read.

Article 20

To see if the Town of Lyndeborough will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty thousand five hundred dollars (\$20,500) to be added to the 2007 Backhoe/Loader Capital Reserve Fund previously established; or take any action relating thereto. *The Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation (Majority vote required.)*

MOTION TO BE MADE BY: **Arnold Byam**
SECOND: **Kevin Boette**
SPEAKER:

MOTION: Mr. Moderator, I move that the town vote to accept Article 20 as read.

Article 21

To see if the Town of Lyndeborough will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) to be added to the Bridge Repair/Replacement Capital Reserve Fund previously established; or take any action relating thereto. *The Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation (Majority vote required.)*

AMENDMENT MOTION TO BE MADE BY: **Kevin Boette**
SECOND: **Donald Sawin**
MOTION TO BE MADE BY: **Arnold Byam**
SECOND: **Kevin Boette**
SPEAKER:

Amendment to Article 5: Mr. Moderator, I move that the wording of this article be changed to read: To see if the Town of Lyndeborough will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) to be added to the Bridge Build/Repair/Replacement Capital Reserve Fund previously established; or take any action relating thereto.

MOTION: Mr. Moderator, I move that the town vote to accept Article 21 as amended.

Article 22

To see if the Town of Lyndeborough will vote to discontinue the Police Vehicles Replacement Fund. Said funds, with accumulated interest to date of withdrawal, are to be transferred to the Town of Lyndeborough's General Fund. *The Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this action (Majority vote required.)*

MOTION TO BE MADE BY: **Donald Sawin**
SECOND: **Arnold Byam**
SPEAKER:

MOTION: Mr. Moderator, I move that the town vote to accept Article 22 as read.

Article 23

To see if the Town of Lyndeborough will vote to authorize the Selectmen to accept the reports of auditors and committees as printed in the 2011 Town Report; or to take any other action relating thereto *(Majority vote required.)*

MOTION TO BE MADE BY: **Arnold Byam**
SECOND: **Kevin Boette**
SPEAKER:

MOTION: Mr. Moderator, I move that the town vote to accept Article 23 as read.

Article 24

To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Presentation by the Chair of the Board of Selectmen, Arnold Byam

THANK YOUs

- a. The office staff for coordinating this meeting and for helping to set up this room.
- b. The fire department auxiliary for selling food
- c. The babysitters and the babysitter supervisors

MOTION TO BE MADE BY: **Arnold Byam**

SECOND: **Kevin Boette**

SPEAKER:

MOTION: - MR MODERATOR, I MOVE:
THAT THIS MEETING BE ADJOURNED AT THE CONCLUSION OF THE SWEARING-IN
OF NEWLY ELECTED OFFICIALS.