

TOWN OF AUBURN DELIBERATIVE SESSION OF 2018 TOWN MEETING

AUBURN VILLAGE SCHOOL Saturday February 3, 2018 9:00 A.M. Snow Date: Saturday February 10, 2018



TOWN OF AUBURN

Dear Fellow Residents of Auburn:

As we head towards the Town of Auburn's seventh experience with the Official Ballot Voting process that is commonly known as SB2, we are providing this advance copy of the meeting warrant and budget overview.

The Deliberative Session of the annual Town Meeting will be held on Saturday, February 3rd beginning at 9:00 A.M. at the Auburn Village School.

At the deliberative session the voters in attendance will be presented with the 10 articles appearing on the enclosed warrant. Articles #3 through #10 will be reviewed, discussed and possibly amended at this meeting. Once completed, the warrant with any changes approved by the Deliberative Session, will then be included on the ballot for the voters' consideration at the second portion of Town Meeting to be held on the second Tuesday in March.

Articles #1 and #2 are the only articles that will not be discussed at the Deliberative Session. The proposed zoning amendments are subject to a public hearing held by the Planning Board on January 17th. State statutes require these proposals, after the Planning Board's public hearing, go directly onto the ballot for the voters decision in March.

The enclosed Town Meeting warrant and the proposed budget for Auburn for 2018 will be the topics to be discussed at the Deliberative Session of Town Meeting on February 3rd, and we encourage you to spend a few minutes reading this material. Should you have any questions regarding your town government after reviewing this information that can be answered in advance, we urge you to contact any one of us or Town Administrator Bill Herman (483-5052, ext. 111).

Please bring this material with you to the Deliberative Session.

Important decisions regarding the level or type of service your town government delivers to you will be made through this process. We encourage residents to take an active interest in their town by attending the Deliberative Session of Town Meeting on February 4th and help to make these important decisions.

We look forward to seeing you at the Deliberative Session of our Annual Town Meeting on Saturday, February 3rd at 9:00 A.M. at the Auburn Village School.

Please take part in this important part of the process. Every opinion and every vote counts!

Sincerely,

James F. Headd, Chairman Richard W. Eaton, Vice Chairman Dale W. Phillips, Selectman AUBURN BOARD OF SELECTMEN

PO Box 309 • Auburn, NH 03032-0309 SELECTMAN: (603) 483-5052 • TOWN CLERK /TAX COLLECTOR: (603) 483-2281 BUILDING/ZONING: (603) 483-0516 • PLANNING: (603) 483-0799 • FAX: (603) 483-0518 The Town Warrant published in this publication is as of January 12, 2018. It does not reflect recommendations to be made by the Planning Board following their January 17, 2018 Public Hearing on zoning amendments or possible final actions by the Board of Selectmen at their January 22, 2018 meeting.

TOWN WARRANT STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the inhabitants of the Town of Auburn, in the County of Rockingham in said State, qualified to vote in Town affairs:

You are hereby notified that the **First Session** of the annual Town Meeting will be held in the gymnasium of the Auburn Village School in Auburn, New Hampshire, on **Saturday, February 3, 2018**, at **9:00 a.m.**, for the explanation, discussion and debate of each Warrant Article, and to transact all business other than voting by official ballot. Warrant articles may be amended at this session per RSA 40:13, IV, subject to the following limitations:

- a) Warrant Articles whose wording is prescribed by law shall not be amended.
- b) Warrant Articles that are amended shall be placed on the official ballot for final vote on the main motion as amended.
- c) No warrant article shall be amended to eliminate the subject matter of the article. An amendment that changes the dollar amount of an appropriation in a warrant article shall not be deemed to violate this subparagraph.

You are hereby notified that the **Second Session** of the annual Town Meeting will be held in the gymnasium of the Auburn Village School in Auburn, New Hampshire, on **Tuesday, March 13, 2018**, beginning at **7:00 a.m.** and ending at **7:00 p.m.** to elect officers of the Town by official ballot, to vote on questions required by law to be inserted on said official ballot and to vote on all Warrant Articles as accepted or amended by the First Session.

First: To bring your ballots for:

Selectman for three years Moderator for two years Highway Agent for three years Library Trustee for three years Cemetery Trustee for three years Cemetery Trustee for two years Trustee of the Trust Funds for three years Supervisor of the Checklist for six years Police Commission for three years Planning Board for three years

Second: To see if the Town will vote to adopt the following amendments to the existing Town Zoning Ordinance as proposed and recommended by the Auburn Planning Board, in conformance with NH RSA 675:1, et seq., and include the following: (The full text of the proposed regulations is posted and available for inspection at the Town Hall and on the Town of Auburn web site – <u>www.auburnnh.us</u>)

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No 1 as proposed by the Auburn Planning Board for the Town of Auburn Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Amend Article 4.04(4) to permit certain structures, with an area of two hundred (200) square feet or less, within side and backyard setbacks, but no closer than fifteen (15) feet to any property line.

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No 2 as proposed by the Auburn Planning Board for the Town of Auburn Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Amend Article 3.13(1) to require multi-unit dwellings to have minimum lot sizes no less than the acreage requirement per dwelling unit for the zoning district in which the dwelling is to be located.

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No 3 as proposed by citizen petition for the Town of Auburn Zoning Ordinance as follows:

To amend the Auburn Zoning Ordinance to re-zone Tax Map #10, Lots #19 and #20 from current Residential Two District (R-2) to Commercial Two District (C-2) to be consistent with other immediate properties on both sides of Hooksett Road adjacent to Exit 2 of NH Route 101.

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No 4 as proposed by citizen petition for the Town of Auburn Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Amend Article 2.02(28) "Dwelling Unit, Accessory" to permit detached Accessory Dwelling Units.

Third: To see if the Town will vote to approve the cost items for year three of a three-year collective bargaining agreement which resulted from negotiations between the Auburn Board of Selectmen, the Auburn Police Commission and the Auburn Police Union, Local 216 and which represents an estimated increase of \$13,865 over FY 2017 salaries, fringe benefits and other cost items at the current staffing level for the ensuing year; and further to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirteen thousand eight hundred and sixty-five dollars (**\$13,865**), such sum representing the negotiated increase over 2017 salaries, fringe benefits and other cost items at the current staffing level for the negotiated increase over 2017 salaries, fringe benefits and other cost items at the current staffing levels. (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen) (Recommended by the Budget Committee)

Fourth: To see if the town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into a five year lease agreement in the amount of Two hundred-fifteen thousand dollars (\$215,000.00) for the purpose of leasing a new Rosenbauer Smartcab FX Medium Rescue Vehicle for the Auburn Fire Department, and to raise and appropriate the sum of One hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000.00) for the down payment for the cab and chassis for that purpose, with this amount to come from the unexpended fund balance as of December 31, 2017; This lease agreement contains a non-appropriation (escape) clause. (Majority vote required) **(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen) (Recommended by the Budget Committee)**

Fifth: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two-hundred thousand dollars (**\$200,000**) to purchase the 1.9-acre parcel of land (Tax Map #26, Lot #10) on Hooksett Road adjacent to existing Town property occupied by the Griffin Free Public Library. This sum to come from the unreserved fund balance (surplus) as of December 31, 2017 with no additional amount to be raised by taxation in 2018. **(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen) (Recommended by the Budget Committee)**

Sixth: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Three-hundred thousand dollars (\$300,000) to construct a single story 36' x 72' garage / storage building on the site of the Auburn Safety Complex at 55 Eaton Hill Road for use by multiple Town departments. This sum to come from the unreserved fund balance (surplus) as of December 31, 2017 with no additional amount to be raised by taxation in 2018. (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen) (Not Recommended by the Budget Committee)

Seventh: To see if the Town will vote to establish a Recreation Revolving Fund pursuant to RSA 35-B: 2, II. The money received from fees and charges for recreation programs and donations shall be allowed to accumulate from year to year, and shall not be considered to be part of the Town's general fund. The Town Treasurer shall have custody of all monies in the fund, and shall pay out the same upon order of the Board of Selectmen. These funds may be expended only for recreation purposes as stated in RSA 35-B and subject to a policy to be developed by the Board of Selectmen. No expenditure from this fund shall be made in such a way as to require the expenditure of other town funds that have not been appropriated for that purpose.

Eighth: To see if the Town will vote to permit the public library to retain all money it receives from its incomegenerating equipment to be used for general repairs and upgrading and for the purchase of books, supplies and income-generating equipment in accordance with RSA 202-A:11-b. If approved, this authorization shall remain in effect until specifically rescinded by a future Town Meeting vote.

Ninth: To see if the Town will vote to allow the operation of keno games within the Town of Auburn?

Tenth: To see if the Town will 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 therein, totaling **\$5,329,161**? Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be **\$5,346,125**, which is the same as last year with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Town of Auburn 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. NOTE: This operating budget warrant article does not include appropriations contained in any other warrant article. (**Recommended by the Board of Selectmen**) (**Recommended by the Budget Committee**)

Eleventh: To transact any other business that may legally come before the Town Meeting.

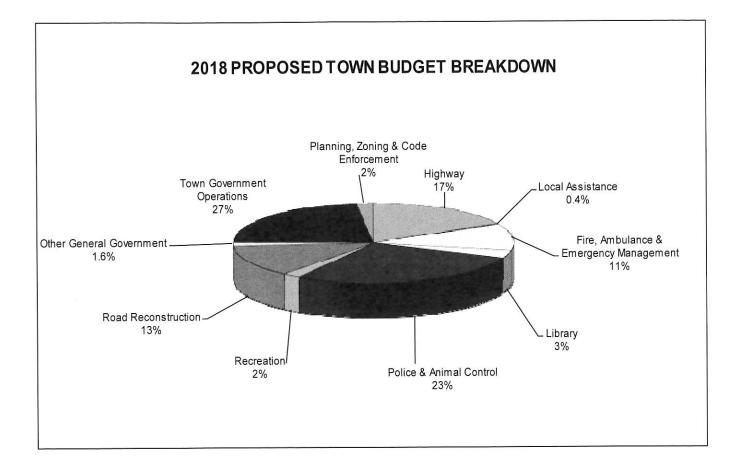
Given under our hands and seals this 22nd day of January 2018.

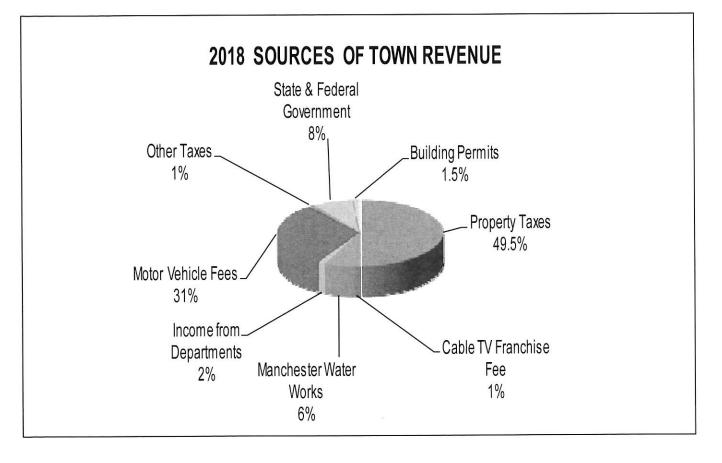
James F. Headd, Chairman Richard W. Eaton, Selectman Dale W. Phillips, Selectman **Auburn Board of Selectmen**

TOWN OF AUBURN 2018 PROPOSED BUDGET and 2018 DEFAULT BUDGET

Department	Budgeted 2017	Expended 2017**	Proposed 2018	Default Budget
Executive	259,727.00	243,302.00	268,767.00	262,786.00
Election, Registration & Vital Statistics	81,978.00	82,423.00	95,810.00	93,780.00
Financial Administration	97,767.00	89,548.00	160,833.00	158,850.00
Legal Expenditures	57,000.00	36,109.00	42,000.00	57,000.00
Personnel Administration	394,311.00	383,029.00	433,853.00	431,616.00
Planning & Zoning	33,751.00	41,563.00	37,651.00	33,751.00
General Government Buildings	134,786.00	102,899.00	127,443.00	127,377.00
Cemeteries	36,323.00	27,036.00	25,280.00	26,050.00
Insurance	109,571.00	109,172.00	115,065.00	115,065.00
Advertising & Regional Associations	8,583.00	8,584.00	8,829.00	8,829.00
Other General Government	120,514.00	113,086.00	113,213.00	114,832.00
Police	1,161,580.00	1,036,592.00	1,209,875.00	1,204,439.00
Ambulance	80,083.00	80,083.00	83,896.00	83,896.00
Fire	416,239.00	353,388.00	416,944.00	407,316.00
Building Inspection	66,057.00	60,869.00	69,864.00	66,648.00
Emergency Management	701.00	126.00	8,427.00	701.00
Other Public Safety - Town Details	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
Highways & Streets	943,006.00	966,282.00	942,865.00	943,006.00
Street Lighting	13,500.00	12,092.00	13,500.00	13,500.00
Solid Waste Disposal	11,500.00	19,367.00	18,800.00	16,800.00
Health Administration	2,597.00	1,336.00	2,565.00	2,596.00
Animal & Pest Control	19,830.00	18,697.00	20,471.00	20,052.00
Health Agencies & Hospitals	5,800.00	5,800.00	5,875.00	5,875.00
Direct Assistance	16,969.00	17,249.00	19,521.00	16,969.00
Intergovernmental Welfare Payments	4,471.00	4,471.00	4,471.00	4,471.00
Parks & Recreation	89,438.00	79,684.00	111,171.00	87,743.00
Library	156,544.00	144,701.00	169,272.00	159,477.00
Patriotic Purposes	6,650.00	6,484.00	6,850.00	6,650.00
Conservation Commission	2,767.00	904.00	2,351.00	2,351.00
Principle - Bonds & Notes	1.00	0.00	1.00	1.00
Interest - Bonds & Notes	1.00	0.00	1.00	1.00
Tax Anticipation Note Interest	1.00	0.00	1.00	1.00
Machinery, Vehicles & Equipment	72,696.00	72,696.00	72,696.00	72,696.00
Road Reconstruction	800,000.00	752,627.00	700,000.00	800,000.00
Recreation Improvements	23,000.00	23,923.00	20,000.00	0.00
TOTAL OPERATING BUDGET	\$5,228,742.00	\$4,894,122.00	\$5,329,161.00	\$5,346,125.00

** Expended 2017 Column is as of January 2, 2018 and does not reflect final December postings, year-end adjustments or accrued expenses.





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