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 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 5, 2022**, immediately following the Auburn School District Deliberative Session that begins 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 8**, **2022**, 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
Town Moderator for two years
Library Trustee for three years
Cemetery Trustee for three years
Trustee of 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 approve the cost items related to the first year of a five-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 \$53,022 over FY 2021 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 Fifty-three thousand, twenty-two dollars (\$53,022), to fund those cost items for FY 2022. Cost items for FY 2023, FY 2024, FY 2025 and FY 2026 will be presented to the voters for their approval in March 2023, March 2024, March 2025 and March 2026 in accordance with the terms of the collective bargaining agreement. (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen) (Recommended by the Budget Committee)

Third: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty-five-thousand dollars (\$25,000) to be placed into the Fleet Maintenance and Replacement Expendable Trust Fund previously established. The sum of \$25,000 to come from the unreserved fund balance (surplus) as of December 31, 2021 with no additional amount to come from taxation in 2022. (Majority vote) (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen) (Recommended by the Budget Committee)

Fourth: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty-five-thousand dollars (\$25,000) to be placed into the Accrued Benefits Liability Expendable Trust Fund previously established. The sum of \$25,000 to come from the unreserved fund balance (surplus) as of December 31, 2021 with no additional amount to come from taxation in 2022. (Majority vote) (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 Five-thousand dollars (\$5,000) to be placed into the Cemetery Maintenance Fund previously established. The sum of \$5,000 represents the proceeds from the sale of cemetery plots in 2019 and 2020 and shall come from the unreserved fund balance (surplus) as of December 31, 2021 with no additional amount to come from taxation in 2022. (Majority vote)

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen) (Recommended by the Budget Committee)

Sixth: To see if the town will vote to discontinue electing the Road Agent and give the Selectmen the authority to appoint an Expert Highway Agent in accordance with the provisions of RSA 231:64. (Majority vote)

Seventh: To see if the town will vote to affirm its establishment of a Cemetery Maintenance Fund in 2016 pursuant to RSA 31:19-a and RSA 289:2-a, and further to allow all future proceeds received from the sale of cemetery lots in Auburn cemeteries to be deposited into this fund. The proceeds and any interest gained thereon, may be used for the maintenance of cemeteries; and, further, to name the Board of Selectmen as the agents to expend from this fund. (Majority vote) (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen) (Recommended by the Budget Committee)

Eighth: To see if the town is in favor of increasing the board of selectmen to five (5) members. (Majority vote required) (By petition submitted and signed by at least twenty-five (25) certified petitioners)

Ninth: 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 \$6,035,729? Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be \$5,795,712, 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)

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

Given under our hands and seals this 24th day of January 2022.

Keith N Leclair, Chairman

Todd R Bedard, Selectman

Michael J. Rolfe, Selectman Auburn Board of Selectmen