

**TOWN WARRANT**  
For the Town of Weare  
The State of New Hampshire



FIRST SESSION OF THE ANNUAL MEETING  
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2018  
9:00 A.M.  
WEARE MIDDLE SCHOOL

TO THE INHABITANTS OF THE TOWN OF WEARE, IN THE COUNTY OF  
HILLSBOROUGH, IN SAID STATE, QUALIFIED TO VOTE IN TOWN AFFAIRS:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Weare Middle School in said Weare on Saturday, February 10, 2018, at nine o'clock in the morning, for the explanation, discussion, debate and possible amendment of each Warrant Article, and to transact all business other than voting by official ballot.

SECOND SESSION OF THE ANNUAL MEETING  
TUESDAY, MARCH 13, 2018  
7:00 A.M. To 7:00 P.M.  
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You are hereby notified to vote at the Weare Middle School in said Weare on Tuesday, March 13, 2018 beginning at seven o'clock in the morning, and ending at seven o'clock in the evening 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.

**ARTICLE 1**

To choose all necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year. (By official ballot)

## ARTICLE 2

Shall the Town 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 Six Million Seventy Four Thousand Six Hundred Sixty Dollars (\$6,074,660)? Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be Five Million Nine Hundred Ninety Seven Thousand Seven Hundred Forty Nine Dollars (\$5,997,749), which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Town 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.

	<b>Department</b>	<b>Proposed</b>	<b>Default</b>
A	TOWN OFFICERS' SALARIES	\$ 21,894	\$ 21,894
B	TOWN OFFICERS' EXPENSES	\$ 38,336	\$ 37,936
C	ELECTIONS	\$ 15,075	\$ 13,975
D	TAX COLLECTOR	\$ 78,450	\$ 78,350
E	ASSESSING OFFICE	\$ 123,794	\$ 123,794
F	LEGAL FEES	\$ 72,000	\$ 62,000
G	FINANCE ADMINISTRATOR	\$ 86,987	\$ 86,977
H	TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE	\$ 129,716	\$ 130,216
I	SELECTMEN'S OFFICE	\$ 204,391	\$ 193,359
J	CABLE COMMITTEE	\$ 1,100	\$ 1,100
K	TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS	\$ 15	\$ 15
L	LAND USE	\$ 28,823	\$ 28,387
M	GENERAL GOVERNMENT BUILDINGS	\$ 141,413	\$ 135,057
M	CEMETERIES	\$ 32,500	\$ 32,500
O	INSURANCE	\$ 521,545	\$ 521,545
P	ADVERTISEMENTS AND DUES	\$ 8,006	\$ 8,006
Q	POLICE DEPARTMENT	\$ 1,518,416	\$ 1,510,966
R	EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT	\$ 4,411	\$ 4,411
S	FIRE DEPARTMENT	\$ 546,244	\$ 538,439
T	BLDG DEPT/ CODE ENFORCEMENT	\$ 109,505	\$ 108,327
U	FOREST FIRES	\$ 4,852	\$ 4,852
V	HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT	\$ 1,356,282	\$ 1,342,187
W	STREET LIGHTING	\$ 4,700	\$ 4,700
X	TRANSFER STATION	\$ 379,789	\$ 375,621
Y	SEWER DEPARTMENT	\$ 15,709	\$ 15,457
Z	WATER DEPARTMENT	\$ 2,600	\$ 2,692
AA	ANIMAL CONTROL	\$ 24,192	\$ 14,200
BB	HEALTH OFFICER	\$ 4,991	\$ 5,231
CC	WELFARE	\$ 25,626	\$ 26,006
DD	PARKS AND RECREATION	\$ 57,522	\$ 52,049
EE	LIBRARY	\$ 205,164	\$ 207,697
FF	PATRIOTIC PURPOSE	\$ 500	\$ 500
GG	CONSERVATION COMMISSION	\$ 1,814	\$ 1,805
HH	ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT	\$ 50	\$ 50
II	AMBULANCE BILLING SERVICE FEES	\$ 8,000	\$ 7,200

JJ	DEBT SERVICE	\$	158,630	\$	158,630
KK	CAPITAL OUTLAY LEASE PAYMENTS	\$	141,618	\$	141,618
	TOTAL EXPENDITURE	\$	6,074,660	\$	5,997,749
	LESS ANTICIPATED REVENUE	\$	3,283,909	\$	3,283,909
	TOTAL TO BE RAISED BY TAXES	\$	2,790,751	\$	2,713,840
	DIVIDED BY VALUATION/1000	\$	861,441	\$	861,441
	ESTIMATED TAX IMPACT	\$	3.24	\$	3.15

(Recommended by Board of Selectmen)

### ARTICLE 3

Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty Six Thousand Eight Hundred Fifty Five Dollars (\$26,855) to be used for raises for non-union Town and Library personnel? If approved, this addition would become part of the annual budget. (Recommended by Board of Selectmen)  
Estimated tax impact = \$0.03

### ARTICLE 4

Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000) to be added to the previously established Government Building and Maintenance Capital Reserve Fund for the purpose of maintenance and repairs to the various Town Buildings? (Recommended by Board of Selectmen) Estimated tax impact= \$0.02

### ARTICLE 5

Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of Forty Four Thousand Five Hundred Seventy One Dollars (\$44,571) for the purchase of one (1) fully equipped marked police cruiser; and to authorize Forty Four Thousand Five Hundred Seventy One Dollars (\$44,571) to be withdrawn from the unreserved fund balance for this purpose? This will replace an existing cruiser. (Recommended by Board of Selectmen)  
Estimated tax impact= \$0.00

### ARTICLE 6

Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of Forty One Thousand Five Hundred Forty Four Dollars (\$41,544) representing the cost of adding one (1) additional full time Police Officer to the existing Police Department? This represents the wages and benefits for six (6) months. If this article is approved, this would become part of the annual operating budget. (Recommended by Board of Selectmen)  
Estimated tax impact= \$0.05

### ARTICLE 7

Shall the Town change the name and purpose of the Weare Fire Department Replacement Vehicle Special Revenue Fund (established by Warrant Article 41 of the 1999 Town Meeting), to allow for the purchase of equipment in addition to the existing purpose of purchasing vehicles. The new name of the fund will be the Fire Department Equipment and Vehicle Special Revenue Fund? (2/3 Vote Required) (Recommended by Board of Selectmen)  
Estimated tax impact= \$0.00

#### ARTICLE 8

Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Eighty Five Thousand Dollars (\$185,000) to be added to the previously established Highway Truck and Equipment Capital Reserve Fund? It is anticipated that these funds will be utilized for the purpose of replacing an existing plow truck with a new fully equipped 10-wheel plow truck. (**Recommended** by Board of Selectmen)

Estimated tax impact= \$0.21

#### ARTICLE 9

Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of Ninety Five Thousand Three Hundred Twenty Dollars (\$95,320) to be added to the previously established Highway Truck and Equipment Capital Reserve Fund? It is anticipated that these funds will be utilized for the purpose of purchasing the backhoe that is currently being rented by the Public Works Department. (**Recommended** by Board of Selectmen)

Estimated tax impact= \$0.11

#### ARTICLE 10

Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of Four Hundred Eighty Thousand Dollars (\$480,000) for the reconstruction and resurfacing of roads with up to Two Hundred Seventy Eight Thousand Three Hundred Twenty Dollars (\$278,320) anticipated to be received from the State of New Hampshire Highway Block Grant(pursuant to RSA 235) and the remaining balance to be raised by taxation? (**Recommended** by Board of Selectmen)

Estimated tax impact= \$0.23

#### ARTICLE 11

Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of Six Thousand Three Hundred Dollars (\$6,300) representing the cost of recruiting and hiring a part time truck driver for the Public Works Department? This represents the wages for 9 months (390 hours). If approved, this addition would become part of the annual budget. (**Recommended** by Board of Selectmen)

Estimated tax impact= \$0.01

#### ARTICLE 12

Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Five Thousand Dollars (\$105,000) to be added to the previously established Bridge Reconstruction Capital Reserve Fund for the purpose of erecting, repairing and/or replacing bridges? (**Recommended** by Board of Selectmen)

Estimated tax impact= \$0.12

#### ARTICLE 13

Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of Sixty Thousand Dollars (\$60,000) for the purpose of constructing two (2) pavilions at the Francis Arthur Bolton Sr. Memorial Park? (**Recommended** by Board of Selectmen)

Estimated tax impact= \$0.07

#### ARTICLE 14

Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of Forty Nine Thousand Six Hundred Sixty Dollars (\$49,660) to be added to the previously established Government Building & Maintenance Capital Reserve Fund for the purpose of performing the necessary repairs to the Bell Tower at the Town Hall? (**Recommended** by Board of Selectmen)

Estimated tax impact= \$0.06

#### ARTICLE 15

Shall the Town establish a Library Space Planning/Engineering Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of funding the planning and engineering needs and to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000) to be placed in this fund? Further, to name the Library Trustees as agents to expend from said fund. (**Recommended** by Board of Selectmen)

Estimated tax impact= \$0.03

#### ARTICLE 16

Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000) to be added to the previously established Cemetery Construction Capital Reserve Fund for the purpose of continuing to repair the stone walls and fences around the cemeteries? (**Recommended** by Board of Selectmen)

Estimated tax impact= \$0.01

#### ARTICLE 17

Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000) for cemetery improvements and fund this appropriation by authorizing the withdrawal of said sum from Cemetery Trust Funds Cy Pres Account? (**Recommended** by Board of Selectmen)

Estimated tax impact = \$ 0.00

#### ARTICLE 18

Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of Six Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$6,500) for the purpose of purchasing fireworks for the 2018 Weare Patriotic Celebration? (**Recommended** by Board of Selectmen)

Estimated tax impact = \$0.01

#### ARTICLE 19

Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$30,000) to allow the Conservation Commission to secure contracted services with the Town's Licensed Forester to prepare forest management plans; secure contracted services for the Town Forest maintenance, and fund this appropriation by authorizing the withdrawal of that sum from the Town Forest Account? (**Recommended** by Board of Selectmen)

Estimated tax impact = \$ 0.00

#### ARTICLE 20

Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$150,000) for Conservation Commission expenditure toward the purchase of new town forest land, and fund this appropriation by authorizing the withdrawal of that sum from the Town Forest Account? (**Recommended** by Board of Selectmen)

Estimated tax impact = \$ 0.00

#### ARTICLE 21

Shall the Town vote to discontinue a 50' x 50' portion of Pine Hill Road abutting the property located at 253 Pine Hill Road (Tax Map 402, Lot 31), and to convey that property to the owner of 253 Pine Hill Road (presently TKG Properties, Inc.)? The portion of the road that is to be discontinued was designed as a turnaround for one of the phases of the Pine Hill Road development and is no longer necessary. (**Recommended** by Board of Selectmen)

**ARTICLE 22**

Shall the Town allow the operation of KENO games within the town pursuant to NH RSA 284:41 through 51?

**ARTICLE 23**

Shall the Town vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to dispose of all tax deeded property by public auction or sealed bid, regardless of its size? The authority granted in 1994 limited the selectmen's authority to sell tax deeded property to properties of less than 5 acres (land only) or 10 acres (if developed with a residence). (**Recommended** by Board of Selectmen)

**ARTICLE 24**

Shall the Town vote to amend the Finance Committee Ordinance to require that committee to televise its meetings live from the town conference room? (**Recommended** by Board of Selectmen)

**ARTICLE 25**

Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000) for the purchase of fitness equipment for the Fire Department and fund this appropriation by authorizing the withdrawal of said sum from the Buxton Bequest Fire Rescue Trust Fund? (**Recommended** by Board of Selectmen)

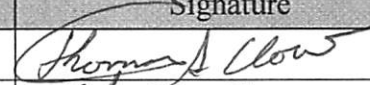
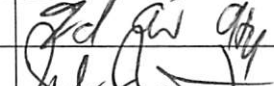
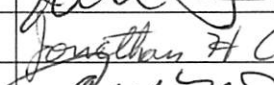
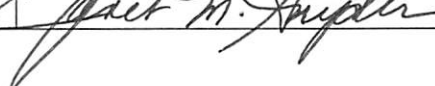
Estimated tax impact = \$0.00

**ARTICLE 26**

To see if the Town will vote to remove the hammerhead from property address 253 Pine Hill Road Map 402, Lot 31, owned by TKG Properties, Inc.? (By Petition)

**ARTICLE 27**

To transact any other business which may legally come before this meeting?

<b>Given under our hands, January 29, 2018</b>		
We certify and attest that on January 29, 2018, we posted a true and attested copy of the within Warrant at the place of meeting, and like copies at 15 Flanders Memorial Road, and delivered the original to the Town Clerk.		
Printed Name	Position	Signature
Thomas S. Clow	Chairman	
Frederick W. Hippler	Vice Chairman	
John (Jack) Meaney	Selectman	
Jonathan H. Osborne	Selectman	
Janet M. Snyder	Selectman	