STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
Town of Barnstead
Warrant for 2020 Annual Meeting

THE POLLS WILL BE OPEN FROM 7:00 A.M. TO 7:00 P.M.

To the inhabitants of the Town of Barnstead in the County of Belknap in said state, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Barnstead Town Hall in said Barnstead on Tuesday, the Tenth (10th) day of March, next at 7:00 a.m. of the clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

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

   2 Selectmen  
   1 Selectman  
   1 Library Trustee  
   1 Trustee of Trust Funds  
   1 Supervisor of Checklist  
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   2 Planning Board Members  
   2 Budget Committee Members  
   1 Budget Committee Member  
   1 Overseer of Public Welfare  
   1 Road Agent  
   1 Moderator

   3 year terms  
   2 year term  
   3 year term  
   3 year term  
   6 year term  
   4 year term  
   3 year terms  
   3 year terms  
   2 year term  
   1 year term  
   3 year term  
   2 year term

2. To vote by official ballot on amendments to the Barnstead Zoning Ordinance, as proposed by the Barnstead Planning Board and Zoning Board of Adjustment, as follows:

   1. Are you in favor of the adoption of question #1, amending the Zoning Ordinance, Town of Barnstead, NH as proposed by the Planning Board and Zoning Board of Adjustment, as follows:

      To revise Article 4, Section 2.07 of the Zoning Ordinance – Shoreline Lots, to change “To allow as a matter of right an open deck up to 8 feet wide from all shoreline lots” to: “To allow as a matter of right an open deck up to 10 feet wide from all waterfront lots”.

   2. Are you in favor of the adoption of question #2, amending the Zoning Ordinance, Town of Barnstead, NH as proposed by the Planning Board, as follows:

      To amend Article 4, Section 4.03-1 of the Zoning Ordinance, entitled “Steep Slopes, Sediment and Erosion Control Plan”, so that said Section reads as follows:
A sediment and Erosion Control Plan will be prepared by a New Hampshire licensed professional engineer or Certified Professional Erosion Sediment Control (CPESC) that shows specific methods that will be used to control soil erosion and sedimentation, soil loss, and excessive storm water runoff, both during and after construction. The deed to any lot on which such methods are required by the Sediment and Erosion Control Plan shall provide that the owner shall be obligated to maintain all required sediment and erosion control drainage systems; and that such obligation shall be appurtenant to the lot.

3. Are you in favor of the adoption of question #3, amending the Zoning Ordinance, Town of Barnstead, NH as proposed by the Planning Board, as follows:

To revise Article 2, Definitions, to add “Overlay District” – Overlay zoning is a regulatory tool that creates a special zoning district, placed over an existing base zone(s), which identifies special provisions in addition to those in the underlying base zone. The overlay district can share common boundaries with the base zone or cut across base zone boundaries. Regulations or incentives are attached to the overlay district to protect a specific resource or guide development within a special area.

The second session for the purpose of discussing and voting upon the remaining articles of the Town Warrant shall be held on Saturday, March 14th, 2020, at 9:00 a.m. at the Barnstead Elementary School.

3. To hear the Reports of Agents, Auditors, Committees or Officers chosen and to pass any vote relating thereto.

4. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the amount of Eighty Five Thousand Five Hundred Fifty Dollars ($85,550) for the fourth payment of the 5 year lease purchase agreement as passed at the 2017 Town Meeting for the Fire Pumper. This lease agreement contains an escape clause. This is a special warrant article per RSA 32:3, VI. (Recommended by Selectmen 5-0) (Recommended by Budget Committee 8-0). (Tax rate impact: 14 cents per $1000 of assessed valuation).

5. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the amount of One Hundred Twenty Four Thousand Three Hundred Sixty Four Dollars ($124,364) for the purpose of making improvements to Damsite Road per the Department of Environmental Services orders. One Hundred Twenty Four Thousand Three Hundred Sixty Four Dollars ($124,364) to come from unassigned fund balance. This is a special warrant article per RSA 32:3, VI. (Recommended by Selectmen 5-0.) (Recommended by Budget Committee 8-0). (Tax rate impact: 0 cents).

6. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the amount of Seven Thousand Fifty Two Dollars ($7,052) for the purpose of purchasing a tractor for the Parks & Rec Commission to utilize and to authorize the withdrawal of Seven Thousand Fifty Two Dollars ($7,052) from the Parks & Recreation Facility Capital Reserve Fund created for this purpose (current balance $48,221). This is a special warrant article per RSA 32:3, VI. (Recommended by Selectmen 5-0). (Not Recommended by Budget Committee 4-opposed, 1-for, 3 abstentions). (Tax rate impact: 0 cents).
7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the amount of Fourteen Thousand Dollars ($14,000) for the purpose of repairing the ice rink and maintaining the grounds at the Parks & Rec facility and to authorize the withdrawal of Fourteen Thousand Dollars ($14,000) from the Parks & Recreation Facility Capital Reserve Fund created for this purpose (current balance $48,221). This is a special warrant article per RSA 32:3, VI. (Recommended by Selectmen 5-0). (Recommended by Budget Committee 6-for, 1-opposed, 1-abstention). (Tax rate impact: 0 cents).

8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the amount of Seventy Thousand Dollars ($70,000) to be placed in the Bridge Construction Capital Reserve Fund (current balance $402,888). This is a special warrant article per RSA 32:3, VI. (Recommended by Selectmen 5-0). (Recommended by Budget Committee 8-0). (Tax rate impact: 11 1/2 cents per $1000 of assessed valuation).

9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Three Hundred Thousand Dollars ($300,000) to be placed in the Road Paving and Maintenance Expendable Trust Fund (current balance $25,563). Two Hundred Thousand ($200,000) to be raised by taxation and One Hundred Thousand ($100,000) to come from unassigned fund balance. This is a special warrant article per RSA 32:3, VI. (Recommended by Selectmen 5-0) (Recommended by Budget Committee 7-1). (Tax rate impact: 33 cents per $1000 of assessed valuation).

10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the amount of Thirty Seven Thousand Six Hundred Twenty Five Dollars ($37,625) to be placed in the Highway Department Heavy Equipment Capital Reserve Fund. Said funds to come from unassigned fund balance and is the reimbursement from the State of New Hampshire Clean Diesel DERA Grant for the purchase of the 2019 Highway Truck. This is a special warrant article per RSA 32:3, VI. (Recommended by Selectmen 5-0). (Recommended by Budget Committee 8-0). (Tax rate impact: 0 cents).

11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the amount of Fifty Thousand Dollars ($50,000) to be placed in the Highway Department Heavy Equipment Capital Reserve Fund (current balance $25,473). This is a special warrant article per RSA 32:3, VI. (Recommended by Selectmen 5-0). (Recommended by Budget Committee 7-1). (Tax rate impact: 8 cents per $1000 of assessed valuation).

12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the amount of Fifty Thousand Dollars ($50,000) to be placed in the Fire Rescue Expendable Trust Fund (current balance $124,874). Twenty Five Thousand Dollars ($25,000) to be raised by taxation and Twenty Five Thousand ($25,000) to come from unassigned fund balance. This is a special warrant article per RSA 32:3, VI. (Recommended by Selectmen 5-0) (Recommended by Budget Committee 8-0). (Tax rate impact: 4 cents per $1000 of assessed valuation).

13. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars ($2,500) to be placed in the Barnstead 300 Year Celebration Expendable Trust Fund (current balance $12,983). This is a special warrant article per RSA 32:3, VI. (Recommended by Selectmen 5-0). (Recommended by Budget Committee 8-0). (Tax rate impact: 1/2 cent per $1000 of assessed valuation).
14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Thousand Dollars ($5,000) to be placed in the Parks & Recreation Facility Capital Reserve Fund (current balance $48,221). This is a special warrant article per RSA 32:3, VI. (Recommended by Selectmen 5-0) (Recommended by Budget Committee 8-0). (Tax rate impact: 3/4 cent per $1000 of assessed valuation).

15. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the amount of One Dollar ($1.00) to be placed in the Historical Society Building Capital Reserve Fund (current balance $64,236). This is a special warrant article per RSA 32:3, VI. (Recommended by Selectmen 5-0). (Recommended by Budget Committee 8-0). (Tax rate impact: 0 cents).

16. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Thousand Dollars ($100,000) to be placed in the Public Safety Building Capital Reserve Fund (current balance $100,264). This is a special warrant article per RSA 32:3, VI. (Recommended by Selectmen 5-0). (Recommended by Budget Committee 5-3). (Tax rate impact: 16 cents per $1000 of assessed valuation).

17. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Dollar ($1.00) to be placed in the Emergency Preparedness Expendable Trust Fund (current balance $30,837). This is a special warrant article per RSA 32:3, VI. (Recommended by Selectmen 5-0). (Recommended by Budget Committee 8-0). (Tax rate impact: 0 cents).

18. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the amount of Fifteen Thousand ($15,000) to be placed in the Municipal Computer and Equipment Expendable Trust Fund (current balance $2,733). This is a special warrant article per RSA 32:3, VI. (Recommended by Selectmen 5-0). (Recommended by Budget Committee 6-2). (Tax rate impact: 2 cents per $1000 of assessed valuation).

19. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the amount of Nine Thousand Nine Hundred Five Dollars ($9,905) to be placed in the Milfoil Treatment Expendable Trust Fund. Said funds to come from unassigned fund balance and is the reimbursement from the State of New Hampshire for the Aquatic Plant Control Grant for the treatment of milfoil. This is a special warrant article per RSA 32:3, VI. (Recommended by Selectmen 5-0). (Recommended by Budget Committee 8-0). (Tax rate impact: 0 cents).

20. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the amount of Thirty Six Thousand Dollars ($36,000) to be placed in the Milfoil Treatment Expendable Trust Fund (current balance $913). This is a special warrant article per RSA 32:3, VI. (Recommended by Selectmen 5-0). (Recommended by Budget Committee 8-0). (Tax rate impact: 6 cents per $1000 of assessed valuation).

21. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the amount of Eight Hundred Dollars ($800) to be placed in the Cistern Construction and Maintenance Fund (current balance $34,586). Said funds to come from unassigned fund balance and is a donation from a resident for this purpose. This is a special warrant article per RSA 32:3, VI. (Recommended by Selectmen 5-0). (Recommended by Budget Committee 8-0). (Tax rate impact: 0 cents).
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23. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the amount of Three Thousand Dollars ($3,000) to be placed in the Library Computer Expendable Trust Fund (current balance $109). This is a special warrant article per RSA 32:3, VI. (Recommended by Selectmen 5-0). (Recommended by Budget Committee 8-0). (Tax rate impact: ½ cent per $1000 of assessed valuation).

24. To see if the Town will vote to discontinue that portion of old Route 28 that was reassigned to the Town after the completion of the reconstruction and realignment of Route 28 in 1933 beginning at Map 14, Lot 17 through Map 14, Lot 13 and Map 47, Lot 16 through Map 47, Lot 1. (Recommended by Selectmen 5-0).

25. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to sell the town-owned property at Map 30, Lot 17, Fire Lane #9 and to negotiate the terms and conditions of such sale in the Town’s best interest. (Recommended by Selectmen 4-1).

26. To see if the Town will vote to approve the annual Lease Agreement between the Town and Butler Bus Company for the purpose of leasing the town-owned land on South Barnstead Road to Butler Bus Company to allow the parking of Butler’s school buses. Butler Bus pays property taxes on that portion of the property that is used. (Recommended by Selectmen 5-0).

27. By petition of 25 or more eligible voters of the Town of Barnstead, NH to see if the town will urge that the New Hampshire General Court, which is obligated to redraw the maps of political districts within the state following the 2020 census, will do so in a manner that ensures fair and effective representation of New Hampshire voters; that in order to fulfill this obligation, the New Hampshire General Court shall appoint an independent redistricting commission that draws the new district maps in a way that does not rely on partisan data such as election results or party registration or favor particular political parties or candidates. The record of the vote approving this article shall be transmitted by written notice from the Select Board to the Town of Barnstead’s state legislators and to the Governor of New Hampshire informing them of the instructions from their constituents within 30 days of the vote. (Submitted by Petition).

28. To see if the municipality will vote to raise and appropriate the Budget Committee’s recommended sum is $4,413,172 for general municipal operations. This article does not include appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately.

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

Edward Tasker   Diane Beijer   Richard Duane
Lori Mahar      Paula Penney

SELECTMEN of BARNSTEAD

2/18/2020
We hereby certify that we gave notice to the inhabitants within named, to meet at time and place and for the purpose within mentioned, by posting up an attested copy of the within Warrant at the place of meeting within named, and a like attested copy at Barnstead Parade Post Office, Ctr. Barnstead Post Office, Barnstead Town Hall and Barnstead Elementary School being a public place in said Town, on the 21st, day of February, 2020.

A true copy of Warrant – Attest:

Edward Tasker, Chairman

Diane Beijer, Vice-Chairman

Richard Drane

Lori Mahar

Paula Penney

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BARNSTEAD