



TOWN OF NORTH HAMPTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE  
NORTH HAMPTON SELECT BOARD

SELECT BOARD WORKSHOP DRAFT MINUTES

MONDAY, JANUARY 9, 2023  
TOWN OFFICE CONFERENCE ROOM  
237A ATLANTIC AVENUE  
4:00 O'CLOCK PM

1. **Call to Order by the Chair**

Chair Sununu called the meeting to order at 4:22PM. In attendance was Selectman Maggiore, and participating electronically Selectman Pinette.

**Motion by Selectman Maggiore to allow Selectman Pinette to participate in the meeting electronically. Seconded by Chair Sununu. Motion carries 2-0.**

2. **New Business**

2.1 Discussion of Warrant Articles

Town Administrator Tully reviewed the proposed FY2024 warrant articles:

Article One: FY 2024 Operating Budget

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate through taxation 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, Eight Million Nine Hundred Eighty Thousand One Hundred One Dollars (\$8,980,101)? Should this Article be defeated, the default budget shall be Eight Million Six Hundred Eighty Thousand Three Hundred Eighty-six Dollars (\$8,680,386), 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.

Recommended by the Select Board: 3-0

Recommended by the Budget Committee: 9-0

Article Two: Establish Communications Facility Road Access Capital Reserve Fund

43 To see if the Town will vote to establish a Communications Facility Road Access Capital Reserve Fund under the  
44 provisions of RSA 35:1 for the design, permitting and construction of an access road to Town owned land identified  
45 as Map 12, Lot 62, donated to the Town for a wireless telecommunications facility site, and to raise and appropriate  
46 through taxation the sum of Fifty-five Thousand Dollars (\$55,000) for deposit into the Fund, and to name the Select  
47 Board as agents to expend from the Fund?  
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49 **Motion by Selectman Maggiore to recommend Article Two be placed on the warrant. Seconded by Selectman**  
50 **Pinette. Roll call: Sununu, aye; Maggiore, aye; Pinette, aye.**

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52 Article Three: Replace Fire & Rescue Command Vehicle  
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54 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Seventy-five Thousand Dollars (\$75,000) for the  
55 purpose of purchasing and equipping a command vehicle for the Fire & Rescue Department to replace the temporarily  
56 repurposed former police cruiser with said funds to come from the Fire Department Equipment and Apparatus Special  
57 Revenue Fund? This item has been identified in the approved Capital Improvements Plan. Approval of this Article  
58 will have no effect on the tax rate.  
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60 **Motion by Selectman Pinette to recommend Article Three be placed on the warrant. Seconded by Selectman**  
61 **Maggiore. Roll call: Sununu, aye; Maggiore, aye; Pinette, aye.**

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63 Article Four: Purchase of a Police Cruiser  
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65 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate through taxation the sum of Fifty-five Thousand Dollars (\$55,000)  
66 for the purpose of purchasing and equipping a cruiser for the Police Department? This item has been identified in the  
67 approved Capital Improvements Plan.  
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69 **Motion by Selectman Maggiore to recommend Article Four be placed on the warrant. Seconded by Selectman**  
70 **Pinette. Roll call: Sununu, aye; Maggiore, aye; Pinette, aye.**

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72 Article Five : Refurbish Fire & Rescue Engine 1  
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74 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$250,000) for  
75 the purpose of refurbishing and updating outdated equipment on the Fire & Rescue Department's 10-year-old fire  
76 engine with said funds to come from the Fire Department Equipment and Apparatus Special Revenue Fund? This  
77 item has been identified in the approved Capital Improvements Plan. Approval of this Article will have no effect on  
78 the tax rate.

79 **Motion by Selectman Pinette to recommend Article Five be placed on the warrant. Seconded by Selectman**  
80 **Maggiore. Roll call: Sununu, aye; Maggiore, aye; Pinette, aye.**

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82 Article Six: Lease/Purchase of Public Works Medium Duty Dump Truck  
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84 To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Select Board to enter into a five-year lease/purchase agreement in the  
85 amount of One Hundred Seven Thousand Dollars (\$107,000) for the purpose of leasing and equipping a medium duty  
86 dump truck for the Department of Public Works; and to raise and appropriate through taxation the sum of Twenty-one  
87 Thousand Four Hundred Dollars (\$21,400) for the first year's payment on said lease? This lease agreement contains  
88 a fiscal funding (escape) clause. This item has been identified in the approved Capital Improvements Plan.  
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90 **Motion by Selectman Maggiore to amend Article Six to state to raise and appropriate and delete enter into a**  
91 **five-year lease/purchase agreement, and to state for the purpose of purchasing, and to delete leasing. Seconded**  
92 **by Selectman Pinette. Roll call: Sununu, aye; Maggiore, aye; Pinette, aye.**  
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94 Article Seven: Road Resurfacing  
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96 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Eighty-five Thousand Dollars  
97 (\$285,000) for the purpose of resurfacing and reconstructing approximately three miles of road, by withdrawing Thirty

98 Thousand Dollars (\$30,000) from the previously established Municipal Transportation Improvement Capital Reserve  
99 Fund created for this purpose, and raising through taxation the sum of Two Hundred Fifty-five Thousand Dollars  
100 (\$255,000)? This item has been identified in the approved Capital Improvements Plan.

101 **Motion by Selectman Pinette to recommend Article Seven be placed on the warrant. Seconded by Selectman**  
102 **Maggiore. Roll call: Sununu, aye; Maggiore, aye; Pinette, aye.**

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104 Article Eight: Philbrick Pond Marsh Restoration

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106 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate through taxation the sum of Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000)  
107 for the purpose of restoring health to the Philbrick Pond marsh? This item has been identified in the approved Capital  
108 Improvements Plan.

109 **Motion by Selectman Maggiore to recommend Article Eight be placed on the warrant. Seconded by Selectman**  
110 **Pinette. Roll call: Sununu, aye; Maggiore, aye; Pinette, aye.**

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113 Article Nine: Rail Trail Equipment and Capital Improvements

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115 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate through taxation the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000) for  
116 the purpose of purchasing equipment and making capital improvements related to the rail trail? This item has been  
117 identified in the approved Capital Improvements Plan.

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119 **Motion by Selectman Maggiore to recommend Article Nine be placed on the warrant. Seconded by Selectman**  
120 **Pinette. Roll call: Sununu, aye; Maggiore, aye; Pinette, aye.**

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122 Article Ten: Contribution to the Coakley Landfill Capital Reserve Fund

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124 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate through taxation the sum of Seventy-five Thousand Dollars  
125 (\$75,000) for deposit into the Coakley Landfill Capital Reserve Fund? The purpose of this fund is to account for  
126 expenses incurred by the Town under the Superfund Cleanup Program. The balance in the Fund, as of December 31,  
127 2022, is \$264,331.

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129 **Motion by Selectman Pinette to recommend Article Ten be placed on the warrant. Seconded by Selectman**  
130 **Pinette. Roll call: Sununu, aye; Maggiore, aye; Pinette, aye.**

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133 Article Eleven: Contribution to the Earned Time Settlement Capital Reserve Fund

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135 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate through taxation the sum of Seventy-five Thousand Dollars  
136 (\$75,000) for deposit into the Earned Time Settlement Capital Reserve Fund? The purpose of this fund is to buy out  
137 employees earned time during anytime of the life of their career and limit the Town's unfunded accrued leave liability.  
138 The total liability for unfunded accrued leave is estimated to be \$370,762 of which \$143,587 may be payable prior to  
139 July 1, 2024. The balance in the Fund, as of December 31, 2022, is \$63,883.

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141 **Motion by Selectman Maggiore to recommend Article Eleven be placed on the warrant. Seconded by Selectman**  
142 **Pinette. Roll call: Sununu, aye; Maggiore, aye; Pinette, aye.**

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144 Article Twelve: Contribution to the Town Revaluation Capital Reserve Fund

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146 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate through taxation the sum of Fourteen Thousand Dollars (\$14,000)  
147 for deposit into the Town Revaluation Capital Reserve Fund? The purpose of this fund is to allow for funding to  
148 comply with the State of New Hampshire's requirement to perform a property revaluation every five years. The  
149 balance in the Fund, as of December 31, 2022, is \$56,612.

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151 **Motion by Selectman Maggiore to recommend Article Twelve be placed on the warrant. Seconded by**  
152 **Selectman Pinette. Roll call: Sununu, aye; Maggiore, aye; Pinette, aye.**

153 Article Thirteen: Amendment to Authorizing Legislation: Fire Department Equipment and  
154 Apparatus Special Revenue Fund  
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156 To see if the Town will vote to appoint the Select Board as agents to expend from the Fire Department Equipment and  
157 Apparatus Special Revenue Fund? This fund was created in 2013 for the purpose of purchasing Fire Department  
158 equipment and apparatus using revenues from ambulance fees. Approval of this article will have no effect on the tax  
159 rate.

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161 After discussion the board decided to remove this article from the warrant.  
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164 Article Fourteen: Rent or Lease Municipal Property  
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166 To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Select Board to rent or lease municipal property not needed for public  
167 use for a term of up to five (5) years without further vote or ratification of the Town? Once adopted, this authority  
168 shall remain in effect until rescinded by a vote of the legislative body at the annual town meeting.  
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170 **Motion by Selectman Pinette to recommend Article Fourteen be placed on the warrant. Seconded by Selectman**  
171 **Maggiore. Roll call: Sununu, aye; Maggiore, aye; Pinette, aye.**  
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174 Article Fifteen: Readopt All Veterans' Tax Credit  
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176 To see if the Town will vote to readopt the provisions of RSA 72:28-b, All Veterans' Tax Credit? If readopted the  
177 credit will be available to any resident, or the spouse or surviving spouse of such resident, who served not less than  
178 90 days on active service in the armed forces of the United States and continues to serve or was honorably discharged;  
179 or, an officer who continues to serve or was honorably separated from service, provided that training for active duty  
180 or state active duty by a member of the national guard or reserve shall be included as service, and that the person is  
181 not eligible for and is not receiving a credit under RSA 72:28 or RSA 72:35. If readopted the credit granted will be  
182 Five Hundred Dollars (\$500), the same amount as the standard or optional veterans' tax credit voted by the Town  
183 under RSA 72:28.  
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185 **Motion by Selectman Pinette to recommend Article Fifteen be placed on the warrant. Seconded by Selectman**  
186 **Maggiore. Roll call: Sununu, aye; Maggiore, aye; Pinette, aye.**  
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189 Article Sixteen: Any other business.  
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191 To see if the Town will transact any other business that may legally come before the Meeting.  
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194 **3. Any Other Item that may legally come before the Board**

195 The Board reserves the right to take action on any item relative to the prudential administration of the Town's  
196 affairs, which circumstances may require  
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198 **4. Adjournment**

199 The meeting adjourned at 5:20PM.  
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201 Respectfully,  
202 Janet Facella  
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