

**TOWN WARRANT
STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE**

To the inhabitants of the Town of Francestown, in said County of Hillsborough, in said State, qualified to vote in Town affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the “Red School” in said Francestown on Tuesday, the Ninth day of March next, at 10:00 o’clock in the forenoon to act upon the subjects hereinafter set forth. The voting of Article 1 will be by official ballot, and the polls shall be open for balloting on said date at 10:00 o’clock in the forenoon and shall not close before 7:00 o’clock in the evening.

ARTICLE 1:

To choose all necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year.
(By Official Ballot)

Pursuant to RSA 39:2a and the vote of the Annual Town Meeting in 1979, you are hereby notified the second session of the annual meeting of the Town of Francestown will be held at the Town Hall on Saturday, the Thirteenth day of March next, at 10:00 o’clock in the forenoon, at which time the Town will act on the following subjects:

ARTICLE 2:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of ONE MILLION THREE HUNDRED EIGHTY-SIX THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED EIGHTEEN (\$1,386,718) DOLLARS to pay the normal operating costs of the Town, such sum to be raised by taxation, or take any other action related thereto. **The Selectmen and a majority of the Budget Advisory Committee recommend this appropriation.**

ARTICLE 3:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of FIVE HUNDRED FIVE THOUSAND (\$505,000) DOLLARS to be added to the Capital Reserve Funds in the following manner:

- \$ 40,000 Future Replacement of Fire Trucks
- \$ 5,000 Future Replacement of Fire Equipment
- \$ 60,000 Future Replacement or Purchase of Highway Equipment
- \$ 100,000 Future Town Road Improvements
- \$ 280,000 Future Repair and Replacement of Bridges
- \$ 10,000 Future Replacement of Police Vehicles
- \$ 10,000 Future Appraisal of Real Estate

Such sums to be raised by withdraw of TWO HUNDRED FORTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$240,000) from Undesignated Fund Surplus and TWO HUNDRED SIXTY-FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$265,000) to be raised by taxation, or take any other action relating thereto. **The Selectmen and the Budget Advisory Committee recommend this appropriation.**

ARTICLE 4:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of THIRTY THOUSAND (\$30,000) DOLLARS to be placed in the Conservation Fund as authorized by RSA 36A:5 and for the purposes of same, such sum to be raised by taxation, or take any other action related thereto. **The Selectmen and a majority of the Budget Advisory Committee recommend this appropriation.**

ARTICLE 5:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND (\$100,000) DOLLARS to continue reconstruction of Pleasant Pond Road between Route 47 and Old County Road North, such sum to be raised by the withdrawal of ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND (\$100,000) DOLLARS from the Capital Reserve account entitled "Future Town Road Improvements", or take any other action related thereto. **The Selectmen and the Budget Advisory Committee recommend this appropriation.**

ARTICLE 6:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of TWO HUNDRED SIXTY-TWO THOUSAND (\$262,000) DOLLARS to purchase and re-chassis a new tanker, such sum to be raised by the withdrawal of TWO HUNDRED FORTY-TWO THOUSAND (\$242,000) DOLLARS from Capital Reserve account entitled "Future Replacement of Fire Trucks" and TWENTY THOUSAND (\$20,000) DOLLARS to be accepted from Mt. Crotched Fire Fighters Association or take any other action related thereto. **The Selectmen and the Budget Advisory Committee recommend this appropriation.**

ARTICLE 7:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of NINE THOUSAND (\$9,000) DOLLARS for the treatment of invasive milfoil in Scoby Pond (aka Haunted Lake), FORTY-FIVE HUNDRED (\$4,500) DOLLARS to be raised by taxation and FORTY-FIVE HUNDRED (\$4,500) to be raised by the acceptance of a grant and / or donations. Such action to take place only if Town receives grant funds, or take any other action related thereto. **The Selectmen and a majority of the Budget Advisory Committee recommend this appropriation.**

ARTICLE 8:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum not to exceed ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND (\$100,000) DOLLARS to continue reconstruction of Pleasant Pond Road beyond Old County Road North, such sum to be raised by taxation or take any other action related thereto. **The Selectmen and the Budget Advisory Committee recommend this appropriation.**

ARTICLE 9:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum not to exceed THIRTY-TWO THOUSAND (\$32,000) DOLLARS for the Heritage Commission to undertake planning studies related to the rehabilitation and restoration, including handicapped accessibility, of the Town Hall and accept donations in accordance with RSA 674:44-b; such sums to be raised by accepting SIXTEEN THOUSAND (\$16,000) DOLLARS from an LCHIP grant and SIXTEEN THOUSAND (\$16,000) DOLLARS from donations and / or other grants. Such funds to be deposited into a fund herewith established in accordance with RSA 674:44-d. This shall be a special warrant article pursuant to RSA 32:3,VI (d), as a non lapsing, non transferable appropriation for a period of five years, pursuant to RSA 32:7,VI. **The Selectmen and the Budget Advisory Committee recommend this appropriation.**

ARTICLE 10:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of TWENTY-FOUR HUNDRED (\$2,400) DOLLARS, such sum to be withdrawn from Undesignated Fund Surplus and deposited into the General Cemetery Maintenance Trust, said amount representing revenue received from the sale of cemetery lots in the year 2009, or take any other action related thereto. **The Selectmen and the Budget Advisory Committee recommend this appropriation.**

ARTICLE 11:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of SIX THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED NINETY (\$6,590) DOLLARS for the construction of gates at the North and South entrances of Cemetery #3 located on the Francestown Turnpike, in accordance with RSA 289:4, such sum to be withdrawn from the Capital Reserve Account entitled "Improvement of Cemeteries", or take any other action related thereto. **The Selectmen and the Budget Advisory committee do not recommend this appropriation.**

ARTICLE 12:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of 4500 dollars to restore the street lights in the Village that were removed in 2009, and to have the Moderator appoint a committee of 5, representing the organizations and residents of the main Street in determining the lighting plan to be operational within 6 months of Town Meeting, the cost of said street lighting to be included in the operating budget in future years. Such sums to be raised by taxation or take any action related thereto. **The Selectmen and the Budget Advisory committee do not recommend this appropriation.**

(By Petition)

ARTICLE 13:

To see if the Town will vote to approve the following resolution to be forwarded to our State Representative (s), our State Senator, the Speaker of the House, and the Senate President.

Resolved: The citizens of New Hampshire should be allowed to vote on an amendment to the New Hampshire Constitution that defines “marriage”.

(By Petition)

ARTICLE 14:

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

Given under our hands and seal this 10th day of February, in the year of our Lord, two thousand ten.

Thomas P. Anderson, Jr.

William F. McAuley

Betsy Hardwick

A true copy of Warrant-Attest:

Thomas P. Anderson, Jr.

William F. McAuley

Betsy Hardwick

Francestown Board of Selectmen