

**TOWN WARRANT
TOWN of LEMPSTER
STATE of NEW HAMPSHIRE
2010**

To the voters of the Town of Lempster, in the County of Sullivan, in said State qualified to vote in Town affairs.

You are hereby notified to meet at the Goshen-Lempster school in said Lempster on Tuesday, the 9th day of March, 2010 at two thirty (2:30 P.M.) in the afternoon to open the polls for the voting of candidates, and at seven o'clock (7:00 P.M.) in the evening for the discussion of the articles of the warrant.

ARTICLE 1: To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.

ARTICLE 2: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Eight Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$850,000.00) (Gross Budget) for the construction and original equipping of a fire station at 929 US Route 10, and to authorize the issuance of not more than \$850,000.00 of bonds and notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA Chapter 33) and to authorize the Selectmen to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation. (2/3 ballot vote required).

ARTICLE 3: To receive all reports and act thereon.

ARTICLE 4: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Nine Hundred Nine Thousand Eight Hundred Twenty Seven Dollars (\$909,827.00) for the purpose of General Town Operations. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation. (Majority vote required)

Executive	\$126,470.00
Election and Registration	7,075.00
Financial Administration	2,000.00
Legal Expenses	2,500.00
Employee Benefits	132,310.00
Planning Board	15,000.00
General Government Buildings	15,000.00
Appraisal of Property	26,044.00
Conservation Commission	1,600.00
Cemeteries	6,000.00
Insurance Property & Liability-all Depts	17,500.00

Contingency	5,000.00
Police Budget	56,000.00
Health Officer/ Supplies	1,500.00
Ambulance Service	5,000.00
Fire Department	42,600.00
Rescue Squad	16,960.00
Building Inspection	1,900.00
Emergency Management/Forest Fire	2,400.00
Highway Department	278,950.00
Street Lights	650.00
Solid Waste	90,000.00
Health Agencies	3,400.00
Sullivan Hospice	250.00
Southwest Community Services	900.00
West Central Services	1,100.00
Community Alliance	1,000.00
Newport Food Pantry	1,000.00
Direct Assistance	5,500.00
Sullivan Nutrition	400.00
Parks and Recreation	1,500.00
Library	15,485.00
Patriotic Purposes	500.00
Digital Parcel Mapping	23,333.00
CPA	3,000.00

ARTICLE 5: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Thousand Three Hundred Fifty Dollars (2,350.00) for the purchase of forest fire hose packs, light weight forest fire hose, and light weight nozzles. Lempster Forest Fire has secured a grant for half of this amount One Thousand One Hundred Seventy Five dollars (\$1,175.00) from the Department of Resources and Economic Development's annual forest fire grant program for this purpose and the remaining One Thousand One Hundred Seventy Five Dollars (\$1,175.00) to come from taxation. (Majority vote required)

ARTICLE 6: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) to be added to the Forest Fire Truck Capital Reserve Fund (CIP 005) previously established. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation. (Majority vote required)

ARTICLE 7: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00) to be added to the Emergency Water Supply System Capital Reserve Fund (CIP 006) previously established. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation. (Majority vote required)

ARTICLE 8: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$30,000.00) to be added to the Fire Pumper Capital Reserve (CIP 008) previously established. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation. (Majority vote required)

ARTICLE 9: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000.00) to be added to the Rescue Truck Capital Reserve Fund (CIP 011) previously established. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation. (Majority vote required)

ARTICLE 10: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00) to be added to the Town Building Repair Expendable Trust Fund (CIP 012) previously established. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation. (Majority vote required)

ARTICLE 11: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00) to be added to the Municipal Buildings Complex Capital Reserve Fund (CIP 010) previously established. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation. (Majority vote required)

ARTICLE 12: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Forty Eight Thousand Dollars (\$48,000.00) towards the Town Hall/Meetinghouse Restoration (CIP 030) Phase II which includes restrooms, septic and water. If this article passes, article 13 will be passed over. (Majority vote required)

ARTICLE 13: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00) to be added to the Town Hall/Meetinghouse Restoration Capital Reserve Fund (CIP 030) previously established. If article 12 passes, this article will be passed over. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation. (Majority vote required) Note: This appropriation will not be needed if the previous article passes.

ARTICLE 14: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00) to be added to the Town Office Information Technology System Capital Reserve Fund (CIP 037) previously established. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation. (Majority vote required)

ARTICLE 15: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00) to be added to the Town Bridge Repair and Reconstruction Expendable Trust Fund (CIP 018) previously established. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation. (Majority vote required)

ARTICLE 16: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Three Thousand Dollars (\$3,000.00) to be added to the Highway Roller and Trailer Capital Reserve Fund (CIP 031) previously established. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation. (Majority vote required)

ARTICLE 17: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00) to be added to the Highway Grader Capital Reserve Fund (CIP 029) previously established. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation. (Majority vote required)

ARTICLE 18: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000.00) to be added to the Plow Truck Capital Reserve Fund (CIP 032) previously established. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation. (Majority vote required)

ARTICLE 19: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to enter into a five year lease purchase agreement for up to Eighty Five Thousand Dollars (\$85,000.00) for the purpose of purchasing a backhoe (CIP 043) for the highway department and to raise and appropriate up to the sum of Seventeen Thousand Dollars (\$17,000.00) for the first year's payment This lease purchase contains an escape clause. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation. (Majority vote required)

ARTICLE 20: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Sixty Thousand Dollars (\$60,000.00) for the improvements of approximately one mile of Long Pond Road previously paved of which Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$30,000.00) will come from State Highway Block Grant money and the balance of Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$30,000.00) to be raised from taxation. (Majority vote required)

ARTICLE 21: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) to be added to the Transfer Station Capital Reserve Fund (CIP 021) previously established. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation. (Majority vote required)

ARTICLE 22: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) to be added to the Landfill Closure Capital Reserve Fund (CIP 022) previously established. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation. (Majority vote required)

ARTICLE 23: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) to be added to the New Cemetery Capital Reserve Fund (CIP 023) previously established. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation. (Majority vote required)

ARTICLE 24: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$2,500.00) to be added to the Cemetery Fence Capital Reserve Fund (CIP 024) previously established. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation. (Majority vote required)

ARTICLE 25: To see if the Town will vote to establish a Radio Reprogramming Capital Reserve Fund (CIP 040) under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of reprogramming Emergency Services radios and to raise and appropriate One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) to be placed in this fund. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation. (Majority vote required)

ARTICLE 26: To see if the Town will vote to appoint the Selectmen as agents to expend from the Radio Reprogramming Capital Reserve Fund (CIP 040). (Majority vote required)

ARTICLE 27: To see if the Town will vote to establish a Library Roof Capital Reserve Fund (CIP 041) under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of replacing or repairing the Library Roof and to raise and appropriate One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) to be placed in this fund. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation. (Majority vote required)

ARTICLE 28: To see if the Town will vote to appoint the Library Trustees as agents to expend from the Library Roof Capital Reserve Fund (CIP 041). (Majority vote required)

ARTICLE 29: To see if the Town will vote to change the name and purpose of the Town History Capital Reserve Fund (CIP 013) to the Town Records Preservation Capital Reserve Fund for the purpose of preserving town records. (2/3 vote required)

ARTICLE 30: To see if the Town will vote to appoint the Selectmen as agents to expend from the Town Records Preservation Capital Reserve Fund (CIP 013). (Majority vote required)

ARTICLE 31: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Eight Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$850.00) to be added to the Fire Department Equipment Capital Reserve (CIP 036) previously established and to authorize the use of the December 31 fund balance for this purpose. These funds came from the sale of Fire Department Equipment in 2009. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation. (Majority vote required.)

ARTICLE 32: To see if the Town will vote to adopt a blind exemption in the amount of Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000.00) in accordance with RSA 72:27-a. (Majority vote required.)

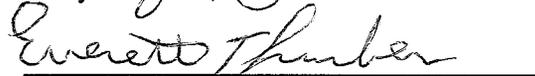
ARTICLE 33: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) to support Old Home Day events. (Majority vote required)

ARTICLE 34: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to allow one percent (1%) discount on property taxes paid in full within ten (10) days of the issue.

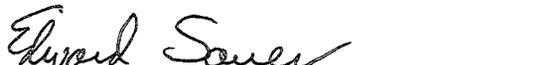
ARTICLE 35: To transact any other business that may legally come before this Town Meeting.



Mary Grenier, Chair



Everett Thurber



Edward Sauer

Lempster Board of Selectmen