

**2014 TOWN WARRANT
TOWN of LEMPSTER
STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE**

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 11th day of March, 2014 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 up to Three Hundred Ninety Five Thousand Dollars (\$395,000.00) (Gross Budget) for the purchase of a new Rescue-Pumper Truck (CIP 050) and to authorize the issuance of not more than One Hundred Ninety Thousand Dollars (\$190,000.00) of bonds and notes in accordance with the provision 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 balance of up to \$205,000.00 will come from the Fire Pumper Capital Reserve (CIP 008) and the Rescue Truck Capital Reserve (CIP 011). 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 One Million Forty Six Thousand Nine Hundred Sixty Seven Dollars (\$1,046,967.00) for the purpose of General Town Operations. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation. (Majority vote required)

Executive	\$ 74,450.00
Election and Registration	69,060.00
Financial Administration	13,925.00
Legal Expenses	3,500.00
Employee Benefits	175,700.00
Planning Board	15,000.00
General Government Buildings	15,100.00
Appraisal of Property	26,000.00
Conservation Commission	5,100.00
Cemeteries	5,000.00
Insurance Property & Liability-all Depts.	17,000.00
Contingency	13,455.00
Police Budget	55,000.00
Health Officer/ Supplies	1,700.00
Animal Control	3,000.00
Ambulance Service	2,000.00
Fire Department	48,700.00
Rescue Squad	15,408.00

Building Inspection	1,900.00
Emergency Management/Forest Fire	5,300.00
Highway Department	332,750.00
Street Lights	800.00
Solid Waste	74,675.00
Visiting Nurse	3,194.00
Connecticut Valley Home Care	250.00
Southwest Community Services	1,076.00
West Central Services	1,100.00
Community Alliance	1,500.00
Newport Food Pantry	1,000.00
Sullivan Nutrition	710.00
Direct Assistance	6,500.00
Parks and Recreation	2,500.00
Library	18,800.00
Patriotic Purposes	500.00
Bonds and Notes Principal	27,667.00
Bonds and Notes Interest	7,647.00

ARTICLE 5: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate Sixteen Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$16,500.00) to be added to the following Capital Reserve and Expendable Trust Funds previously established:

Town Office Info. Technology (CIP 037)	5,000.00
Transfer Station (CIP 021)	1,000.00
Landfill Closure (CIP 022)	1,000.00
New Cemetery (CIP 023)	1,000.00
250 th Anniversary (CIP 045)	1,000.00
Cemetery Tree Management (CIP 047)	2,000.00
Forest Fire Truck (CIP 005)	5,500.00

The Selectmen recommend this appropriation. (Majority vote required)

ARTICLE 6: 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 Town Bridge Repair and Reconstruction Expendable Trust (CIP 018) 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 Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000.00) to be added to the Road Reconstruction and Paving Capital Reserve (CIP 048) 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 Twenty Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000.00) to be added to the Town Building Repair Expendable Trust (CIP 012) 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 Municipal Buildings Complex Capital Reserve (CIP 010) 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 Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00) to be added to the Town Hall/Meetinghouse Restoration Capital Reserve (CIP 030) previously established and to authorize the use of the December 31 fund balance for this purpose. These funds came from the LCHIP Monitoring Report check received in 2013. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation. (Majority vote required)

ARTICLE 11: 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 Town Hall/Meetinghouse Restoration Capital Reserve (CIP 030) 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 Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$2,500.00) to be added to the Emergency Water Supply System Capital Reserve (CIP 006) previously established. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation. (Majority vote required)

ARTICLE 13: 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 Conservation Easement Capital Reserve (CIP 046) previously established. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation. (Majority vote required)

ARTICLE 14: To see if the Town will vote to discontinue the Fire Station Capital Reserve (CIP 042). Said funds, with accumulated interest to date of withdrawal, are to be transferred to the town's general fund. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation. (Majority vote required)

ARTICLE 15: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Ten Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$10,500.00) to be added to the Highway Department Equipment Capital Reserve (CIP 026) previously established and to authorize the use of the December 31 fund balance for this purpose. These funds came from the sale of a Highway Truck in 2013. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation. (Majority vote required)

ARTICLE 16: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000.00) to be added to the Town Highway Equipment Capital Reserve (CIP 026) 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 Fourteen Thousand Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$14,250.00) for the second payment of the lease-purchase of the Highway Department Backhoe (CIP 049). The Selectmen recommend this appropriation. (Majority vote required)

ARTICLE 18: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate One Hundred Two Thousand Eight Hundred Ninety Two Dollars (\$102,892.00) for the purpose of New Self Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA) Equipment for the Fire Department, with said funds to come from an Assistance to Firefighters Grant. This article is contingent on receipt of the grant. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation. (Majority vote required)

ARTICLE 19: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate up to Two Hundred Twelve Thousand Dollars (\$212,000.00) for work on the Town Hall/Meetinghouse, with up to One Hundred Six Thousand Dollars (\$106,000.00) to come from an LCHIP grant, up to Fifty Three Thousand Three Hundred Twenty Three Dollars (\$53,323.00) from the Friends of Lempster Meetinghouse, and up to Fifty Two Thousand Six Hundred Seventy Seven Dollars (\$52,677.00) from the Town Hall/Meetinghouse Capital Reserve (CIP 030). The Selectmen recommend this appropriation. (Majority vote required).

ARTICLE 20: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate Fifty Three Thousand Three Hundred Twenty Three Dollars (\$53,323.00) to be added to the Town Hall/Meetinghouse Capital Reserve (CIP 030) previously established. These funds to come from the general fund balance. Selectmen recommend this appropriation. (Majority vote required)

ARTICLE 21: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate up to Ninety Thousand Dollars (\$90,000.00) for the equipping of the Emergency Operations Center, with said funds to come from an EMPG Grant. This article is contingent on receipt of the grant. 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 support Old Home Day events. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation. (Majority vote required)

ARTICLE 23: 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 Fire Pumper Capital Reserve Fund (CIP 008) previously established. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation. (Majority vote required) This article will be passed over if Article 2 passes.

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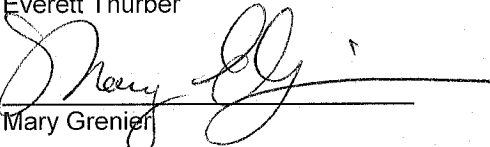
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