Town of Sanbornton New Hampshire Warrant and Budget 2019

The polls will be open from 7:00 AM to 7:00 PM

To the inhabitants of the Town of Sanbornton in the County of Belknap in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said Sanbornton on Tuesday, the Twelfth day of March, in the year Two Thousand Nineteen, to act on the following subjects:

To choose all necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year.

To vote on the following Question by Official Ballot:

Ballot Question 1: Petitioned Article to Adopt the Provisions of RSA 40:13 (SB 2)

Shall we adopt the provisions of RSA 40:13 (known as SB 2) to allow official ballot voting on all issues before the Town of Sanbornton on the second Tuesday of March?

(by Petition)

(3/5 Majority vote required)

To vote on the following amendments to the Town Zoning Ordinance:

Amendment #1

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment #1 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town of Sanbornton as follows:

Amend Article 4.Z, Solar Energy Systems

Replace existing Article 4.Z in its entirety to: define Solar Energy Systems by system size and land area; define level of Planning Board review, application requirements and applicable project standards based on residential or non-residential use, system size, and zoning district; and establish structure setbacks and buffer requirements. (An official copy of the entire proposed amendment is on file and available to the public in the Town Offices.)

To the inhabitants of the Town of Sanbornton in the County of Belknap in the State of New Hampshire qualified to vote in Town Affairs are hereby notified and warned the Annual Town Meeting will be held as follows:

Date: 3/13/2019 Time: 7:00 PM

Location: Sanbornton Central School

Article 01: Bond for Construction of New Town Office Building and Renovations to the Old Town Hall, Life Safety Building & Current Town Office Building

Passage of this article shall override the 10 percent limitation imposed on this appropriation due to the non-recommendation of the budget committee.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,998,120 (gross budget) for the construction of a new town office building connected to the old Town Hall, renovations to the old Town Hall and site, the conversion of the current Town Office building to a Police Station and the conversion of the current Life Safety Building to a Fire Station, with \$4,998,120 of such sum to be raised through the issuance of bonds or notes under and in compliance with the Municipal Finance Act (RSA 33); to authorize the Selectmen to apply for, obtain and accept federal, state or other aid, if any, which may be available for said project and to comply with all laws applicable to said project; to authorize the Selectmen to issue, negotiate, sell and deliver such bonds or notes and to determine the date, rate of interest, maturity, denominations, place of payment, and other details, as the Selectmen determine to be in the Town's interest; to further raise and appropriate the additional sum of \$124,953 for the first year payment on the bond; and to authorize the Selectmen to take any other action necessary to carry out this vote or to pass any other vote relative thereto.

(2/3 Ballot Vote Required)

This Warrant Article is designated as a Special Warrant Article.

Recommended by the Selectmen – Not Recommended by the Budget Committee

Article 02: Operating Budget - Town

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Four Million One Hundred Sixty Three Thousand Five Hundred Sixteen dollars (\$4,163,516) for general municipal operations as recommended by the Budget Committee. The Selectmen recommend \$4,219,744. This article does not include appropriations contained in special or individual articles addressed separately.

(Majority vote required)

| DRA Acct. #s | DRA Account Name | Budget Committee Recommendation | Selectmen's Recommendation |
|--------------|-----------------------|------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| 4130-4199 | General Government | 1,393,648 | 1,432,376 |
| 4210 | Police | 483,360 | 483,360 |
| 4220-4299 | Fire & Emergency Mgt. | 488,957 | 488,957 |
| 4311-4319 | Highways & Streets | 918,036 | 933,536 |
| 4321-4329 | Sanitation | 262,644 | 264,644 |

| Total → | | 4,163,516 | 4,219,744 |
|-----------|------------------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| 4711-4799 | Debt Service | 239,864 | 239,864 |
| 4611-4659 | Patriotic Purposes Conservation | 1,875 | 1,875 |
| 4583-4589 | Other Culture and | 3,251 | 3,251 |
| 4550 | Library | 149,823 | 149,823 |
| 4520 | Recreation | 114,972 | 114,972 |
| 4411-4449 | Health & Welfare | 107,086 | 107,086 |

Article 03: Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA) Lease/Purchase

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into a five (5) year lease/purchase agreement for Two Hundred Sixty Thousand dollars (\$260,000) for the purpose of replacing the Fire Department's 22 Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA), 3 Rapid Intervention Packs and 22 spare SCBA cylinders; and to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifty Two Thousand Dollars (\$52,000) for the first year's payment for that purpose.

This agreement contains a non-appropriation (escape) clause.

(Majority Vote Required)

Recommended by the Selectmen - Recommended by the Budget Committee

Article 04: Capital Outlay

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Six Hundred Seventy Thousand Nine Hundred Fifty Three dollars (\$670,953) for the following Capital Outlay purposes:

| DRA Acct. #s | DRA Account Name | Budget Committee Recommendation | Selectmen's Recommendation |
|--|--|---------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| 4902 N | Machinery, Vehicles & Equip: -DPW-Truck 5 | 21,051 | 21,051 |
| | Lease Payment -DPW-Truck 3 | 33,726 | 33,726 |
| | Lease Payment -DPW-Truck 4 Lease Payment | 16,176 | 16,176 |
| Sub-Total → | | 70,953 | 70,953 |
| 4909 | Improvements Other Than Buildings -Town Roads | 600,000 | 600,000 |
| Total for All Capital Outlays → (Majority Vote Required) | | 670,953 | 670,953 |

Recommended by the Selectmen - Recommended by the Budget Committee

Article 05: Police Cruiser

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirty Five Thousand dollars (\$35,000) for the purchase and set up of a Police Cruiser. This cost includes: updating any equipment needed, installation of existing equipment, decommissioning a cruiser in order to send it to auction or for trade with the funds received to be used to offset the costs of the vehicle.

(Majority vote required)

Recommended by the Selectmen - Recommended by the Budget Committee

Article 06: Transfers to Capital Reserve Funds

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Eighty Five Thousand dollars (\$285,000) for the payment to the Capital Reserve Funds as follows:

| DRA Account Name | Budget Committee | Selectmen's |
|---|------------------|----------------|
| To Capital Reserve Funds | Recommendation | Recommendation |
| Fire Truck | 80,000 | 80,000 |
| Fire Truck Repair & Refurbish | 10,000 | 10,000 |
| Road/Bridge Construction | 100,000 | 100,000 |
| Milfoil, Phosphorus Reduction | 5,000 | 5,000 |
| Town Building Improvements | 25,000 | 25,000 |
| Facilities Repair & Refurbish | 65,000 | 65,000 |
| | | |
| Total Operating Transfer (Majority vote required) | 285,000 | 285,000 |

(Majority vote required)

This Warrant Article is designated as a Special Warrant Article.

Recommended by the Selectmen - Recommended by the Budget Committee

Article 07: Highway Truck Lease/Purchase

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into a five (5) year lease/purchase agreement for One Hundred Seventy Five Thousand dollars (\$175,000) for the purpose of replacing Truck 1 for the Highway Department, and to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirty Eight Thousand Seven Hundred Two Dollars (\$38,702) for the first year's payment for

that purpose. The vehicle being replaced shall be sent to auction with the funds received to go to the general fund.

This agreement contains a non-appropriation (escape) clause.

(Majority Vote Required)

Recommended by the Selectmen - Recommended by the Budget Committee

Article 08: Amend Solar Energy Property Tax Exemption

To see if the Town will vote to amend the exemption adopted pursuant to RSA 72:62 via Ballot Question #1 at the March 1983 Town Meeting to read: "The Town votes to adopt the provisions of RSA 72:61-64 inclusively, which provide for an optional property tax exemption from the property's assessed value, for property tax purposes, for persons owning real property, which is equipped with solar energy systems intended for use at the immediate site. Such property tax exemption shall be in the amount equal to 100% of the assessed value up to \$10,000 of qualifying solar energy system equipment under these statutes." This amended exemption shall take effect beginning April 1, 2019.

(Majority vote required)

Recommended by the Selectmen

Article 09: Amend Wood Heating System Property Tax Exemption

To see if the Town will vote to amend the exemption adopted pursuant to RSA 72:70 via Ballot Question #3 at the March 1983 Town Meeting to read: "The Town votes to adopt the provisions of RSA 72:69-72 inclusively, which provide for an optional property tax exemption from the property's assessed value, for property tax purposes, for persons owning real property, which is equipped with woodheating energy systems intended for use at the immediate site. Such property tax exemption shall be in the amount equal to 100% of the assessed value up to \$10,000 of qualifying woodheating energy system equipment under these statutes." This amended exemption shall take effect beginning April 1, 2019.

(Majority vote required)

Recommended by the Selectmen

Article 10: Petitioned Article for Sanbornton, NH's "Call to Prevent Nuclear War" Proclamation/Resolution

Whereas nine nations collectively have approximately 15,000 nuclear weapons in their arsenals, most of which are far more destructive than those that killed hundreds of thousands of people in Hiroshima and Nagasaki, Japan, in 1945; Whereas the detonation of even a small number of these weapons could have catastrophic human and environmental consequences that could affect all life on the planet, including in Sanbornton; Whereas the United States maintains several hundred nuclear missiles in underground silos on hair-trigger alert, capable of being

launched within minutes after a presidential order, which greatly increases the risk of an accident, mistaken or unauthorized launch; Whereas the United States continues to reserve the right to use nuclear weapons first, which reduces the threshold for nuclear use and makes a nuclear war more likely; Whereas the U.S. president has the sole and unchecked authority to order the use of nuclear weapons; Whereas over the next 30 years, the United States plans to spend an estimated \$1.7 trillion to replace its entire nuclear arsenal and the bombers, missiles and submarines that deliver them with more capable, more usable versions; Whereas taxpayers spend over \$2 million every hour of every day to maintain the U.S. nuclear arsenal; Whereas the United States, as well as Britain, China, France and Russia, are obligated under the Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty (NPT) to take concrete steps toward eliminating their nuclear arsenals; Whereas in July 2017, 122 nations approved the Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons which makes it illegal under international law to develop, test, produce, manufacture, or otherwise acquire, possess or stockpile nuclear weapons or other nuclear explosive devices; Therefore, we call on the United States to lead a global effort to prevent nuclear war by: renouncing the option of using nuclear weapons first; ending the sole, unchecked authority of any president to launch a nuclear attack; taking U.S. nuclear weapons off hair-trigger alert; cancelling the plan to replace its entire arsenal with enhanced weapons; and actively pursuing a verifiable agreement among nuclear-armed states to eliminate their nuclear arsenals. And we call on our Sanbornton Selectmen, under direction of Town Meeting, to notify our U.S. Senators and our President, within one month's time, of our fervent support of this Resolution.

(by Petition)

(Majority vote required)

Article 11: Other Business

To transact such other business that may legally come before the Town Meeting.

We certify and attest that on or before February 25, 2019 we posted a true and attested copy of the within Warrant at the place of meeting, and like copies at the Town Office, Post Office, on the Town's website and delivered the original to the Town Clerk/Tax Collector

Katy (Wells) North, Chairman, Board of Selectmen

John Olmstead, Selectman

Tom Salatiello, Selectman