

**STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
TOWN OF WILTON WARRANT**

To the inhabitants of the Town of Wilton in the County of Hillsborough and the State of New Hampshire qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to appear at the Wilton Lyndeborough Cooperative High School (57 School Road) in said Wilton on **Tuesday, March 8, 2022, at 8:00 A.M.** to ballot for necessary Town Officers and other action required to be inserted on said official ballots.

(POLLS ARE TO REMAIN OPEN UNTIL 7:00 P.M.)

1. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing. (**By ballot.**)
2. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 1 to the Town of Wilton Land Use Laws and Regulations, Zoning Ordinance, as proposed by the Planning Board, which would update certain Sections of Chapter 4 of the Ordinance, to clarify and/or correct existing requirements and provide further guidance, as follows:
 - a. AMEND Section 4.2b to eliminate the phrase “, open water bodies and perennial streams,” and insert the word “and” before the first reference to “water bodies,” to reflect the fact that the defined term “water bodies” includes both open water bodies and perennial streams;
 - b. AMEND Section 4.7 to delete the “,” after the word “vegetation” in line 3 thereof;
 - c. AMEND existing provisions of Section 4.10, as follows:
 - (i.) Add “(available, along with directions on its use, in Information Circular 8333, or updates thereof, issued by the US Bureau of Mines)” after the reference to the Ringelmann chart in line 4 of Section 4.10.4;
 - (ii.) Delete the phrase “and shall not, any event, cast or reflect glare or light beyond the property line” from Section 4.10.6 and replace it with the phrase “and new or replacement residential lighting, including bulbs, shall be cut off so as not to cast direct light across property lines.”;
 - (iii.) Delete the reference to “this Ordinance” in Section 4.10.10 and replace it with “the Wilton Land Use Laws and Regulations”; and
 - d. AMEND Section 4.11 to break out the phrase “documentation of the performance of similar facilities or processes on other sites with sufficiently similar conditions;” at the end of the second paragraph thereof as subsection a. thereof, and renumber the remaining subsections thereof as b. through d.

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3. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 2 to the Town of Wilton Land Use Laws and Regulations, Zoning Ordinance, as proposed by the Planning Board, which would correct existing cross-references to prior Section 4 or subsections thereof throughout the Zoning Ordinance, as necessary to reflect the 2021 amendments to existing Section 4, as follows:
 - a. REPLACE references to "Section 4.4" in Sections 5.3, 5.5.5, 8.6, 11.4, 13.2, 14.7, 15A.3 and 17.3 of the Zoning Ordinance with "Section 4.12";
 - b. REPLACE references to "Section 4.6" in Sections 6.6.1, 9A.7.1, and 14.7.1 of the Zoning Ordinance with "Section 4.10";
 - c. REPLACE the reference to "Section 4.6.2" in Section 15.4.11 of the Zoning Ordinance with "Section 4.10.2" and
 - d. REPLACE the reference to "Section 4.7" in Section 5.4 of the Zoning Ordinance with "Section 4.4."

You are further notified to appear at the Wilton Lyndeborough Cooperative High School (57 School Road) in said Wilton, Thursday March 10, 2022, at 6:30 P.M. (Snow Date March 11, 2022, at 6:30 P.M.) to act upon the following:

4. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the Budget Committee's recommended sum of Five Million Eight Hundred Sixty-Nine Thousand Five Hundred Fifty-Nine Dollars (\$ 5,869,559) for general municipal operation for the year 2022. Said sum does not include any of the appropriations contained in special or individual Articles addressed separately. (Majority vote required.)

(Budget Committee recommends this Article 7-0-1)
(Select Board recommends this Article 3-0-0)

5. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Select Board to enter into a 5-year lease agreement in the amount of up to Seventy-Five Thousand Dollars (\$75,000) for the purpose of a lease/purchase of a Highway Department Pickup Truck, and to outfit said pickup truck, and to raise and appropriate the sum of Seventeen Thousand Dollars (\$17,000) for the first year's payment for that purpose. This lease agreement contains a non-appropriation clause. With monies to come from general taxation. (Majority vote required.)

(Select Board recommends this Article 3-0-0)
(Budget Committee recommends this Article 6-1-1)

6. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Sixty-Two Thousand Five Hundred Thirty-One Dollars (\$62,531) for the purpose of paying for the second-year lease payment (of the ten-year lease approved by warrant Article #9 of the 2021 Town meeting) on Fire Engine 1. Monies to come from general taxation. (Majority vote required.)

(Select Board recommends this Article 3-0-0)
(Budget Committee recommends this Article 7-0-1)

7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty-Nine Thousand Dollars (\$29,000) for the purpose of making the fifth-year lease payment (of the seven-year lease approved by warrant Article #14 at the 2018 Town Meeting) on the Highway Department's 2019 International 10-Wheel Dump Truck. Monies to come from general taxation. (Majority vote required.)

(Select Board recommends this Article 3-0-0)
(Budget Committee recommends this article 6-0-2)

8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twelve Thousand Dollars (\$12,000) for the purpose of purchasing a lawnmower for the Cemetery and Parks and Recreation Department. Monies to come from general taxation. (Majority Vote Required.)

(Select Board recommends this article 3-0-0)
(Budget Committee recommends this article 7-0-1)

9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate Forty-Nine Thousand Dollars (\$49,000) to purchase a Police Cruiser and associated equipment, and to outfit that Police Cruiser to make it ready for operation. Thirty-Nine Thousand Dollars (\$39,000) are to come from general taxation, and Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000) are to come from the Cruiser Replacement Capital Reserve Fund. (Majority vote required.)

(Select Board recommends this article 3-0-0)
(Budget Committee recommends this article 7-0-1)

10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$150,000) to be placed in the New Reservoir Dam Repair and Maintenance Expendable Trust Fund previously established. (Established by Article #8 of the 2018 Town Meeting.) Monies to come from general taxation. (Majority vote required.)

(Select Board recommends this article 3-0-0)
(Budget Committee recommends this article 3-2-3)

11. To see if the Town will vote to change the purpose of the New Reservoir Dam Repair and Maintenance Expendable Trust Fund to the Dam Repair and Maintenance Expendable Trust Fund pursuant to RSA 31:19-a (established by Article #8 of the 2018 Town Meeting) for the repair, maintenance, demolition and/or decommissioning of any dam in the Town, including, but not limited to, the dams at the New Reservoir and Frog Pond. And, furthermore, to name the Selectmen as agents to expend from said fund. (2/3 Majority Vote Required.)

(Select Board recommends this article 3-0)

(Budget Committee recommends this article 6-1-1)

12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000) to cover costs associated with procuring and installing new repeater communications equipment at the Dram Cup Hill/Crown Castle tower site, to purchase a new radio system for the Highway and Emergency Management Departments, to obtain necessary FCC licenses and authorizations to operate said equipment, to replace outdated dispatch console equipment at MACC Base, and to reprogram existing Fire and Police radio systems to utilize the newly acquired radio frequencies. Monies are to come from the unassigned fund balance. (Majority vote required.)

(Select Board recommends this article 3-0-0)

(Budget Committee recommends this article 7-0-1)

13. To see if the town will vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of the Town of Wilton's matching share of grant money received for the designing, constructing, maintaining, and repairing of Town-owned infrastructure, including, but not limited to, roads, sidewalks, drainage systems, stormwater systems, parking lots, buildings and building systems, and other Town infrastructure, and to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000) to be placed in this fund, and further to name the Select Board as agents to expend from said fund. Monies to come from the unassigned fund balance. (Majority vote required.)

(Select Board recommends this Article 3-0-0)

(Budget Committee recommends this Article 6-0-2)

14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirty-Four Thousand Dollars (\$34,000) to be added to the Town Hall Fire Protection Capital Reserve Fund (established by Article #30 of the 2018 Town Meeting). Monies to come from general taxation. (Majority vote required.)

(Select Board recommends this article 3-0-0)

(Budget Committee recommends this article 7-0-1)

15. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Eighty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$85,000) to be added to the Town Hall Repair Project Capital Reserve Fund (previously established by Article #8 in 1994). Monies to come from general taxation. (Majority vote required.)

(Select Board recommends this article 3-0-0)

(Budget Committee recommends this article 6-1-1)

16. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Seventy-Five Thousand Dollars (\$75,000) to be placed in the Public Works Garage Building Capital Reserve Fund (established by Article #14 of the 2017 Town Meeting). Monies to come from general taxation. (Majority vote required.)

(Select Board recommends this article 3-0-0)

(Budget Committee recommends this article 7-0-1)

17. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifty-Thousand Dollars (\$50,000) to be placed in the Bridges Capital Reserve Fund (established by Article #12 in 1984). Monies to come from general taxation. (Majority vote required.)

(Select Board recommends this article 3-0-0)

(Budget Committee recommends this article 6-1-1)

18. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000) for the purpose of continuing repair of the current out-of-service water hole (fire pond) list, as prepared, maintained, and updated by the Fire Department. Monies to come from general taxation. This will be a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7, VI and shall not lapse until the project is completed or by December 31, 2023, whichever occurs first. (Majority vote required.)

(Select Board recommends this article 3-0-0)

(Budget Committee recommends this article 7-0-1)

19. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Sixteen Thousand Four Hundred Forty-Three Dollars (\$16,443) to cover the expense of continuing the Community Space Pilot Project from August through December of 2022. Monies to come from general taxation. (Majority vote required.)

(Select Board recommends this article 3-0-0)

(Budget Committee recommends this article 6-0-2)

20. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Four Thousand Six Hundred Ninety-Nine Dollars (\$4,699) for the purpose of increasing the cumulative total yearly compensation or stipends of all elected or appointed town officials to \$98,674 per year from \$93,975, and to cover the associated payroll taxes, Medicare, and 457b retirement (\$4,140 for stipends/compensation, \$257 for social security, \$57 for Medicare, and \$246 for the town's retirement plan). The monies to come from general taxation. (Majority vote required.)

(Select Board recommends this article 3-0-0)

(Budget Committee recommends this article 5-0-3)

21. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate Ten Thousand dollars (\$10,000) to be added to the Revaluation Capital Reserve Fund (established in 1994 by Article #14). The monies to come from general taxation. (Majority vote required.)

(Select Board recommends this Article 3-0-0)

(Budget Committee recommends this Article 6-1-1)

22. To see if the Town will vote to adopt the Wilton Community Power Electric Aggregation Plan, finalized on January 17, 2022, by the Wilton Community Power Aggregation Committee, and to further authorize the Select Board to develop and implement Wilton Community Power, and to take all action in furtherance of the Wilton Community Power Electric Aggregation Plan, pursuant to RSA 53-E. Said Community Power Electric Aggregation Plan has an "opt-out" clause and, if approved, default electricity shall be provided through Wilton Community Power, unless the customer opts out.

(Select Board recommends this Article 2-0-1)

23. Shall the town adopt the provisions of RSA 40:13 (known as SB2) to allow official ballot voting on all issues before the town on the second Tuesday of March? (3/5-majority ballot vote required.)

24. Shall the town modify the Veteran's Tax Credit in accordance with RSA 72:28, II from its current tax credit of Three Hundred Fifty dollars (\$350) per year to Five Hundred dollars (\$500) per year? (Majority vote required.)

(Select Board recommends this article 3-0-0)

(Budget Committee recommends this article 7-0-1)

25. Shall the Town adopt the provisions of RSA 72:37-b, Exemption for the Disabled from property tax, to be applied to the assessed value of a qualified, disabled taxpayer's principal place of abode, in an amount of Thirty-Thousand Dollars (\$30,000)? To qualify, the person must have been a New Hampshire resident for at least 5 years, own the real estate individually or jointly, or if the real estate is owned by such person's spouse, they must have been married for at least 5 consecutive years. In addition, the taxpayer must have a net income of not more than Thirty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$35,000) or if married, a combined net income of not more than Forty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$45,000), and own net assets not in excess of Seventy-Thousand Dollars (\$70,000) for married persons, excluding the value of the person's residence. (Majority vote required.)

(Select Board recommends this article 3-0-0)

(Budget Committee recommends this article 7-0-1)

26. To see if the town will vote to authorize Fifty Percent (50%) up to Sixty-Thousand Dollars (\$60,000) of the Land Use Change Tax collected pursuant to RSA 79-A:25 to be deposited into the existing Conservation Fund in accordance with RSA 36-A:5, III, as authorized by RSA 79-A:25, II. If adopted, this Article shall take effect April 1st, 2022, and shall remain in effect until altered or rescinded by a future vote of the town meeting. (Majority vote required.)

(Select Board recommends this Article 3-0-0)

(Budget Committee does not recommend this Article (2-4-2)

27. To accept the report of Agents, Auditors and Committees or Officers heretofore chosen to pass any vote relating thereto.

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

Given under our hands this 18th day of February, 2022.

Kellie-Sue Boissonnault

Kermit R. Williams

Mathew S. Fish

Select Board of Wilton, New Hampshire

A true copy of Warrant attest:

We hereby certify that we gave notice to the inhabitants within named to meet at the time and place for the purpose within named, by posting an attested copy of the within warrant at the place of meeting within named, at the Wilton Town Office, and a like copy of the within warrant attested at the Wilton Post Office, being public places; in said town, on the 21 day of February, 2022.


Kellie-Sue Boissonnault


Kermit R. Williams


Matthew S. Fish
Select Board of Wilton, New Hampshire

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