

**TOWN OF SUTTON, STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
TOWN WARRANT**

To the inhabitants of the Town of Sutton in the County of Merrimack in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs.

You are hereby notified to meet at Pillsbury Memorial Town Hall in said Sutton on Tuesday, the 12th day of March 2019 next at eight of the clock in the forenoon (Polls to be open from 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.) to act on Article 1. You are further notified to meet at the Kearsarge Regional High School, North Road in said Sutton on Wednesday, the 13th day of March 2019 at seven of the clock (7:00 p.m.) in the evening, to act upon the remaining Articles.

Article 1: To choose all officers for the year ensuing.

Article 2: Are you in favor of Amendment 1 to the Sutton Zoning Ordinance as proposed by the Board of Selectmen? To amend Article XI-STEEP SLOPE OVERLAY DISTRICT to read that: a conditional use permit shall not be required, provided that the current applicable setback requirements are satisfied, for any lot that was:

- a)lawfully laid out by plan or deed duly and recorded in the Merrimack County Registry of Deed on or by March 8, 1966; or
- b)shown on an approved subdivision plan recorded in the Merrimack County Registry of Deed; or
- c)containing a legal, pre-existing driveway that has continually been in use since construction, provided that the lot where the driveway is located conforms to the area and frontage requirements of the zoning ordinance applicable at the time of the driveway's construction, unless the driveway location is proposed to change in which case this subparagraph (c) shall not be applicable." **Recommended by the Planning Board**

Article 3: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the Budget Committee recommended sum of \$2,354,295 for general municipal operations. This article does not include appropriations contained in special or individual articles addressed separately. The Board of Selectmen recommend \$2,356,335 (Majority vote required):

Recommended by:	Budget	
	Committee	Selectmen
Executive Office	\$162,320	162,320
Election and Voter Registration	7,268	7,268
Financial Administration	68,415	70,455
Financial/Executive	24,083	24,083
RP Appraisal Services	14,000	14,000
Judicial & Legal Expenses	15,000	15,000
Personnel Administration	453,180	453,180
Planning & Zoning	46,222	46,222
General Government Building	35,350	35,350
Cemeteries	14,000	14,000
Insurance	65,300	65,300

Ads & Regional Associations	2,136	2,136
Police Department	322,782	322,782
Ambulance	78,404	78,404
Fire Department	56,525	56,525
Building Inspection	8,695	8,695
Emergency Management	2,000	2,000
Dispatching Services	25,422	25,422
Highway Department	626,718	626,718
Bridge Expenses	3,000	3,000
Street Lighting	7,500	7,500
Solid Waste Disposal	170,100	170,100
Health Administration	2,250	2,250
Health Agencies and Hospitals	5,353	5,353
Welfare	26,400	26,400
Culture & Recreation	13,963	13,963
Library	45,446	45,446
Patriotic Purposes	1,000	1,000
Conservation Administration	5,568	5,568
Debt Service	45,895	45,895

Article 4: To see if the town will vote to change the purpose of the Fire Department Addition Capital Reserve Fund established in 2007 for the purpose of erecting an addition to the existing fire station to the Fire Station/Safety Facility Addition, Renovation or Construction Capital Reserve Fund for the purpose of either constructing an addition to the existing fire station or constructing a new or renovated facility for housing the fire department and other safety services, including but not limited to land purchase, building construction, site work, engineering, architectural fees, permitting, inspection, furniture, commissioning and other expenses to occupy the facility. **Recommended by the Budget Committee. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen. (2/3 vote required).**

Article 5: To see if the Town will vote to change the purpose of the Pillsbury Memorial Hall Non-Capital Reserve Fund established in 2011 from the purpose of replacement of the heating system to the Municipal Government Building and related Infrastructure Expendable Non-Capital Reserve Fund and further to name the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend these funds.

Article 6: To see if the Town will vote to change the purpose of the Revaluation Capital Reserve Fund established in 1986 to the Revaluation, Tax Mapping and Overlay Mapping Non-Capital Reserve Fund for the purpose of performing property revaluations and updating tax maps and overlay mapping and further to appoint the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend from this fund. **Recommended by the Budget Committee. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen. (2/3 vote required).**

Article 7: To see if the Town will vote to change the purpose of the Septage Lagoon Decommission Capital Reserve Fund to the Septage Lagoon Maintenance, Repair and Modification Fund for the purpose of maintaining, repairing and modifying/expanding the septage lagoons and further to appoint the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend these funds. **Recommended by the Budget Committee. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen. (2/3 vote required).**

Article 8: To see if the Town will vote to discontinue the Highway Pickup Truck Capital Reserve Fund established in 1998, said funds with accumulated interest to the date of withdrawal are to be transferred to the general fund (approximately \$38,070.70). The replacement for the pickup will be an F550 truck, or equivalent, and will be funded through the Highway Equipment (Plow/Dump) Truck Fund. **Recommended by the Budget Committee. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen.**

Article 9: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$725,750 to be added to various capital reserve funds as follows:

Blacktop Roads	\$120,000
Gravel Roads	30,000
Computers Admin	9,000
Welfare Direct Assistance	5,000
Septage Lagoons	5,000
Library Modifications	10,000
Highway Heavy Equipment	27,000
Police Cruisers	21,000
Police Department Computer Equipment	3,500
Cemetery Fence and Tombstone	5,000
Conservation Land	1,000
Highway Equipment "Plow/Dump Trucks"	120,000
Highway Bridges	50,000
Solid Waste Facility	5,000
Forest Fire Equipment	250
Fire Equipment Replacement	75,000
Property Revaluation	25,000
Cemetery Land	5,000
Pillsbury Memorial Hall Facility	1,000
Fire Department Addition	180,000
Highway Grader	26,000
Records Preservation	2,000

Recommended by the Budget Committee. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 10: To see if the Town will vote to discontinue the following capital reserve funds with said funds with accumulated interest to date of withdrawal, to be transferred to the municipality's general fund:

- Highway Garage established in 1998 (approximately \$762.30)
- Highway Loader established in 2001 (\$0.00)
- Highway Backhoe established in 2011 (approximately \$1,213.65)
- Corporation Hill established in 2015 (approximately \$100.86)

Old Fire House established in 2015 (approximately \$5,154.00)

Recommended by the Budget Committee. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 11: To see if the Town will vote to discontinue the following non-capital reserve and/or expendable trust funds with accumulated interest to date of withdrawal, to be transferred to the municipality's general fund:

Highway Emergency Expendable Non-Capital Reserve Fund established in 2002 (approximately \$20,357.81)

Fire Department Building Expendable Maintenance Non-Capital Reserve Fund established in 2005 (approximately \$2,387.75)

Cemetery Expendable Maintenance Non-Capital Reserve Fund established in 2005 (approximately \$1,193.08.)

Library Building Expendable Maintenance Non-Capital Reserve Fund established in 2005 (approximately \$17,610.83)

Recommended by the Budget Committee. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 12: To see if the town will vote to create a Rescue Squad Equipment Capital Reserve for the purpose of replacement of the Rescue Squad EKG and other necessary rescue squad equipment and to raise and appropriate \$14,000 to be placed in that fund and further to appoint the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend said fund. **Recommended by the Budget Committee. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen.**

Article 13: To see if the town will vote to create a Conservation Commission Special Projects Non-Capital reserve fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1-c for the purpose of special conservation projects such as signage, kiosks, trail bridges, and maps, and to raise and appropriate \$6,000 to be placed in that fund and further to name the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend from this fund. **Recommended by the Budget Committee. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen.**

Article 14: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$45,000 for the purpose of purchasing a fully-equipped Police Cruiser Dodge Charger and to authorize the withdrawal of \$45,000 from the Police Cruiser Capital Reserve Fund established in 2015 for that purpose. No amount to be raised from general taxation. **Recommended by the Budget Committee. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen.**

Article 15: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$188,000 for the purpose of purchasing a Plow/Dump truck and further to authorize the withdrawal of \$188,000 from the Heavy Equipment (Trucks) Capital Reserve Fund established in 1993 for that purpose. No amount to be raised from general taxation. **Recommended by the Budget Committee. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen.**

Article 16: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$70,000 for the purpose of purchasing a rescue vehicle cab and chassis and further to authorize the withdrawal of \$70,000 from the Rescue Vehicle Capital Reserve established in 2011 for that purpose. No amount to be raised from general taxation. **Recommended by the Budget Committee. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen.**

Article 17: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$160,000 to purchase land and buildings at 26 Grist Mill Street, Map 05-936-155, for the purpose of municipal use and further to use \$160,000 from fund balance for this purchase. No amount to be raised from General Taxation. **Recommended by the Budget Committee. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen.** (Majority vote required).

Article 18: To see if the Town will vote to grant a Conservation Easement to the Ausbon Sargent Land Preservation Trust on 94.1 acres, more or less, owned by the Town of Sutton through its Conservation Commission, located at Sutton Tax Map/Lots 03-998-313, 04-110-318, 04-087-102, 04-070-198, off Eaton Grange Road. The purpose of the easement is to ensure that the properties will remain undeveloped and to conserve and protect forestland, wetlands and rare plant and wildlife.

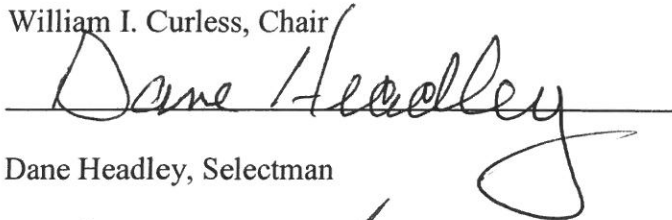
Article 19: We the undersigned, property owners and/or registered voters of the Town of Sutton, New Hampshire, do hereby petition the Town for Winter Maintenance of an additional 1,110.59 feet east on Kings Hill Road for the public good, enjoyment of designated conservation land and most importantly, public safety to keep the road passable for winter travel of the Class V portion of Kings Hill Road. **Not recommended by the Budget Committee. Not recommended by the Board of Selectmen.**

Given under our hands and seal, this 11th day of February in the year of our Lord Two Thousand and Nineteen.

SUTTON BOARD OF SELECTMEN



William I. Curless, Chair



Dane Headley, Selectman


Robert Wright, Jr., Selectman

