WARRANT FOR TOWN MEETING TOWN OF MADBURY, NEW HAMPSHIRE MARCH 14, 2023

To the inhabitants of the Town of Madbury, County of Strafford, and the State of New Hampshire qualified to vote in Town affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall, 13 Town Hall Rd., in said Madbury on Tuesday, the fourteenth day of March, 2023 at 11:00 a.m. o'clock in the morning for the purpose of voting on Articles 1 and 2, and at the Madbury Town Hall, 13 Town Hall Rd., at 7:00 p.m. o'clock in the evening for action on Articles 3 through 23.

The polls, which open at the Town Hall at 11:00 a.m. for the purpose of voting on Articles 1 and 2, will close at 7:00 p.m.

Article 1: To choose the following Town Officers: (Majority vote required)

A Selectman for the ensuing three years

A Treasurer for the ensuing year

An Auditor for the ensuing two years

A Trustee of the Trust Funds for the ensuing three years

A Cemetery Trustee for the ensuing three years

A Library Trustee for the ensuing three years

Article 2: To vote to amend Town Zoning Ordinances as recommended by the Planning Board (Majority vote required)

Are you in favor of the adoption of the amendment to the existing town Zoning Ordinance, as proposed by the Planning Board, to update Madbury Zoning Ordinances Article XXI, Flood Hazard Area Overlay District?

Article 3: To choose all other Town Officers. (Majority vote required)

Article 4: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Million One Hundred Thirty Thousand Seven Hundred Twenty-three Dollars (\$2,130,723) for general municipal operations. This operating budget warrant article does NOT include appropriations contained in any other warrant articles. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen. (Majority vote required)

Article 5: Shall the town readopt the Optional Veterans Tax Credit in accordance with RSA 72:28, II, for an annual tax credit on residential property of \$500? Recommended by the Board of Selectmen. (Majority vote required)

- Article 6: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Five Thousand Six Hundred (\$105,600) for the purpose of hiring a consultant to complete a Fire Department needs assessment, develop a plan, and assist in negotiating any agreement for future fire protection. This special warrant article will be a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7, VI and will not lapse until the plan is completed or by December 31, 2024, whichever is sooner. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen. (Majority vote required)
- Article 7: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Eighty Thousand Dollars (\$80,000) to add to the existing Bridge Repair and Maintenance Capital Reserve Fund established in Article 5 at the 2013 Town Meeting for the purpose of repairing and maintaining town bridges. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen. (Majority vote required)
- **Article 8**: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Eighty Thousand Dollars (\$80,000) to add to the existing Public Works Development Capital Reserve Fund established in Article 9 at the 2020 Town Meeting for the purpose of building a facility and initiating equipment purchases. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen. (Majority vote required)
- Article 9: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirty-five Thousand Dollars (\$35,000) to add to the existing Government Buildings Repair Capital Reserve Fund established in Article 5 at the 2012 Town Meeting for the purpose of major repairs to town government buildings. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen. (Majority vote required)
- **Article 10**: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000) to add to the existing Grounds Maintenance Equipment Capital Reserve Fund established in Article 4 at the 2012 Town Meeting for the purpose of purchasing grounds maintenance equipment. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen. (Majority vote required)
- Article 11: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000) to add to the existing Fire Equipment Capital Reserve Fund established in Article 8 at the 1994 Town Meeting, and repurposed in Article 14 at the 2013 Town Meeting for the purpose of the purchase of fire equipment. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen. (Majority vote required)
- **Article 12**: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000) to add to the existing Police Equipment Capital Reserve Fund established in Article 6 at the 2010 Town Meeting for the purpose of purchasing police equipment. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen. (Majority vote required)
- Article 13: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000) to add to the existing Recreational Facilities Capital Reserve Fund established in Article 5 at the 2010 Town Meeting for the purpose of planning and development of recreational facilities within the town. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen. (Majority vote required)

- **Article 14**: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Six Thousand Dollars (\$6,000) to add to the Property Revaluation Capital Reserve Fund established in Article 6 at the 2009 Town Meeting for the purpose of the revaluation of town properties. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen. (Majority vote required)
- Article 15: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000) to add to the Purchase of Property and/or Easements Capital Reserve Fund established in Article 7 at the 2018 Town Meeting for the purpose of purchase of property and/or easements. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen. (Majority vote required)
- **Article 16**: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000) to add to the existing Iafolla Reclamation Capital Reserve Fund established in Article 4 at the 2010 Town Meeting for the purpose of reclamation of land purchased by the Town from the Estate of Michael Iafolla. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen. (Majority vote required)
- Article 17: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$2,500) to add to the existing Information Technology Capital Reserve Fund established in Article 17 at the 2022 Town Meeting for the purpose of purchasing computer hardware, software, and related services to meet the technology requirements of the Town. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen. (Majority vote required)
- Article 18: To see if the town will vote to establish a Master Plan Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of covering consulting and other costs associated with the review, revision, updating, and amending of the Town's Master Plan and to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000) to add to this fund; and further, to name the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend from said fund. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen. (Majority vote required)
- Article 19: To see if the town will vote to establish a Conservation Donor Trust as an Expendable Trust Fund per RSA 31:19-a for the purpose of depositing private donations accepted by the Board of Selectmen to be used for the proper utilization and protection of the natural resources and for the protection of watershed resources, such as the stewardship of wildlife habitats, forests and waterways, the development of interpretive information, and trail enhancement; and further, to name the Madbury Conservation Committee as agents to expend from said fund. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen. (Majority vote required)
- Article 20: To see if the town will vote to establish a Contingency Fund in accordance with RSA 31:98-a for the current year of 2023 for unanticipated expenses that may arise and further to raise and appropriate Nineteen Thousand Dollars (\$19,000) to put in the fund. This sum to come from General Fund Unassigned Fund Balance; there is no impact on taxes. Any appropriation left in the fund at the end of the year will lapse to the general fund. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen. (Majority vote required).

Article 21: To see if the town will vote to authorize the Conservation Commission to retain the unexpended portion of its 2023 appropriation as authorized by RSA 36-A:5, said funds to be placed in a conservation fund account held by the municipal treasurer (RSA 41:29). Recommended by the Board of Selectmen. (Majority vote required)

Article 22: To hear the reports of any Town Committees, Boards, and/or Commissions, and act on any motion thereto.

Article 23: To transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

Given under our hands and seal the <u>/7</u>th day of February in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty-three.

Frederick W. Green

Mark Avery

Janet G. Wal

Board of Selectmen

Strafford County, SS Town of Madbury and the State of New Hampshire. personally appeared before me, the above mentioned Selectmen, and took oath to the above statement.

Lisa Amarosa, Town Clerk/Tax Collector

We certify that on the <u>27</u> th day of February, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty-three, we posted a copy of the warrant at the Town Hall, Library, and the Town Clerk's Office being three public places in the Town of Madbury, as required by law.

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