State of New Hampshire  
Town of Wentworth  

Warrant for year 2015 Town Meeting  

To the inhabitants of the Town of Wentworth, in Grafton County, in the State of New Hampshire, qualified to vote in Town affairs:  

You are hereby notified that the Annual Town Meeting of the Town of Wentworth, New Hampshire will be held at the Wentworth Elementary School, 1247 Mt Moosilauke Hwy, Route 25, Wentworth NH on March 1, 2015.  

The polls will open at 11 am and close at 7 pm to bring in your votes for Executive Councilor and vote on Article 1 (the election of Town Officers). All other articles will be presented, discussed and acted upon beginning at 7 pm.  

1. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year. (By Official Ballot)  

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<th>Position</th>
<th>Term</th>
<th>Name</th>
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<tr>
<td>Selectman</td>
<td>3 years</td>
<td>Chris Basingthwaite</td>
<td>129</td>
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<td>Selectman</td>
<td>1 year</td>
<td>Stephen G. Davis</td>
<td>127</td>
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<td>Town Clerk / Tax Collector</td>
<td>3 years</td>
<td>Donna J. King</td>
<td>124</td>
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<td>Town Auditor</td>
<td>1 year</td>
<td>Daniel Stover</td>
<td>162</td>
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<td>Library Trustee</td>
<td>3 years</td>
<td>Angela Kennison-Comeau</td>
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<td>Town Trustee</td>
<td>3 years</td>
<td>Kathleen Springham-Mack</td>
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<td>Cemetery Trustee</td>
<td>3 years</td>
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<td>Planning Board</td>
<td>3 years</td>
<td>Eugene Page</td>
<td>139</td>
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<td>3 years</td>
<td>Francis Muzzey</td>
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<td>2 years</td>
<td>Quentin Mack</td>
<td>25</td>
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<td>George Morrill</td>
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<td>Martha Morrill</td>
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<td>Jeffry Ames</td>
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<td>Brian Dubois</td>
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Ballot Question:  
Do you approve of having 2 sessions for the annual town meeting in this town, the first session for choice of town officers elected by an official ballot and other action required to be inserted on said official ballot and the second session, on a date set by the selectmen, for transaction of other business?  

YES - 81 NO - 75
2. To receive reports from the Selectmen, Town Clerk/Tax Collector, Treasurer, Auditors, and other Town Officers; and to vote on any motion relating to these reports.
   Correction – amend Town Report to strike page 46
   
   Motion to accept as read - Steve Davis
   2nd Dave McMullen
   
   Passed – Voice Vote

3. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $265,645 for General Municipal Operations for the purposes detailed in the operating budget posted with the warrant, to come from 2015 general taxation. This article does not include any amounts contained in any other article. (Majority vote required).
   
   Motion to accept as read - Steve Davis
   2nd Dave McMullen
   
   Passed – Voice Vote

4. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $20,000 for the purpose of paving the Town Offices Parking Lot, of which $20,000 to come from the Paving Capital Reserve. No money to be raised from taxation.
   
   Motion to accept as read - Dave McMullen
   2nd Pete Santom
   
   Failed – Voice Vote

5. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $4,100 to be expended by the Planning Board in connection with its activities for such purposes and such uses as deemed necessary by the Planning Board.
   
   Motion to accept as read – Paul Davis Sr
   2nd – Paul Davis Jr
   
   Passed – Voice Vote
6. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $20,272.00 for the following Health Agencies and Organizations:

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<td>American Red Cross (provides emergency &amp; disaster relief)</td>
<td>$700.00</td>
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<tr>
<td>Bridge House (provides shelter for homeless)</td>
<td>$2,000.00</td>
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<td>CACY (Communities for Alcohol and Drug free Youth)</td>
<td>$1,000.00</td>
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<tr>
<td>CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocates for children)</td>
<td>$500.00</td>
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<tr>
<td>Genesis (mental health care)</td>
<td>$1,750.00</td>
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<tr>
<td>Grafton County Senior Citizens (meals, transportation, day service)</td>
<td>$1,200.00</td>
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<td>Mid-State Health Center</td>
<td>$1,216.00</td>
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<td>Mt. Moosilauke Health Center (healthcare &amp; counseling)</td>
<td>$2,500.00</td>
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<tr>
<td>Pemi-Baker Community Health (homecare, hospice &amp; family health)</td>
<td>$4,173.00</td>
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<td>Tri-CAP (fuel assistance, food, electrical &amp; referral assistance)</td>
<td>$2,000.00</td>
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<td>Visiting Nurse &amp; Hospice of NH/VT (homecare, hospice, family health)</td>
<td>$1,733.00</td>
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<td>Voices Against Violence (service educ for domestic sexual violence)</td>
<td>$1,500.00</td>
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Motion to accept as read – Arlene Patten
2nd Tim Minear
Passed – Voice Vote

7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $30,770 for the maintenance of the Fire Department for the ensuing year, of that amount $2,436 to come from the Unreserved Fund Balance and $28,334 to come from 2015 general taxation.

Motion to accept as read – Jeffry Ames
2nd – Pete Chierichetti
Passed - Voice Vote

8. To see if the Town will vote to accept the donation of a parcel of land, located on Beech Hill Road for the relocation and use of the Fire Department’s New Building Site for public purposes. The donation is a gift, no money to be raised from taxation.

Motion to accept as read - Ashley Hartson
2nd – Paul Davis Sr.
Passed - Voice Vote

9. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $382,000 for the Highway Department for the ensuing year, of which $68,332 to come from the Unreserved Fund Balance, up to $22,709 to come from the State Highway Block Grant Aid and the remainder to come from 2015 general taxation.

Motion to accept as read – Dave McMullen
2nd – Pete Santom
Passed – Voice Vote
10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $70,000 for improvements on **Beech Hill Road**, of which $30,000 to come from the Paving Capital Reserve, $20,000 to come from the Unreserved Fund Balance and the remaining $20,000 to come from 2015 general taxation.

Motion to accept as read – Pete Santom
2\(^{nd}\) – Steve Davis

Show of Hands - YES 44   NO 2   Passed

11. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to continue the 5 year lease agreement, in the amount of $154,796 for the purpose of continued leasing of a **2012 International Plow Truck** for the **Highway Department**, and to raise and appropriate the sum of $33,345 for the fourth year’s payment for that purpose. This lease agreement contains an escape clause. (Majority vote required)

Motion to accept as read – Steve Davis
2\(^{nd}\) – Dave McMullen

Show of Hands – YES 36   NO 9   Passed

12. To see if the town will vote to authorize the selectmen to enter into a 7 year lease agreement in the amount of $152,139 for the purpose of leasing a **2014 Freightliner Dump/Plow Truck** for the **Highway Department**, and to raise and appropriate the sum of $24,679 for the first year’s payment for that purpose. This lease agreement contains an escape clause. (Majority vote required)

Motion to accept as read – Steve Davis
2\(^{nd}\) – Pete Santom

Show of Hands – YES 38   NO 5   Passed

13. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $400 to be expended by the **Trustees of the Trust** Fund for expenses related to attending conferences and training as deemed necessary by the Trustees. (Majority vote required)

Motion to accept as read- Eleanor Murray
2\(^{nd}\) – Paul Davis Jr

Passed – Voice Vote
14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $250 to be used for participation in pbCAM (Pemi-Baker Public Access Media) for the purpose of making video recorded meetings (school board, selectmen, etc) available for cable television viewers. This amount to be expended from unexpended fund balance from revenue received from the Time Warner franchise fees. No money to be raised from taxation.

Motion to accept as read – Martha Morrill
2nd – Carol Freidrich

Motion to Table – Penni Davis
2nd - Tim Minear

    Show of Hands – YES 16 NO 31 Failed

Amendment; Francis Muzzey
2nd - Martha Morrill
    Further instruct the Selectmen to pay the amount if and when the number of meetings meets their expectations.

    Voice Vote - Amendment Failed

Original Article
    Passed – Voice Vote

15. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate $700 to be expended by the Conservation Commission in connection with its activities for such conservation purposes as set forth in RSA 36-A, at the discretion of the Conservation Commission.

Motion to accept as read – Elleanor Murray
2nd – Doug Campbell

    Passed – Voice Vote
16. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $114,630 to be placed into the following **Expendable Trust Funds and Capital Reserve Funds**, of this amount $38,830 to come from the Unreserved Fund Balance and $75,800 to come from 2015 general taxation. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

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<td>a. Fire Truck (est. 1984)</td>
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<td>b. Hwy Equipment &amp; Vehicle (est. 1973)</td>
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<td>c. Police Cruiser (est. 1993)</td>
<td>$5,800</td>
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<td>d. Property Revaluation</td>
<td>$5,000</td>
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<td>e. Town Bridges Fund</td>
<td>$38,830</td>
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<td>f. Road Paving (est. 2002)</td>
<td>$20,000</td>
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<td>g. Fire Dept Site (est. 2004)</td>
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Motion to accept as read – Jeffry Ames  
2\(^{nd}\) – Kevin Kay  
Passed – Voice Vote

17. To see if the Town will vote to appoint the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend from the **Fire Department Capital Reserve previously established in WA 8 of 2004**. The Selectmen recommend this article. (Majority vote required)

Motion to accept as read – Jeffry Ames  
2\(^{nd}\) – Kevin Kay  
Passed – Voice Vote

18. To see if the Town will vote to establish a **Webster Memorial Library Expendable Trust Fund** per RSA 31:19-a, for the purposes of repairs and maintenance to the Library, and to raise and appropriate $15,000 to put in the fund, with this amount to come from 2015 general taxation and further to name the Library Trustees as agents to expend from said fund. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation. (Majority vote required)

Motion to accept as read – Paul Davis Jr.  
2\(^{nd}\) – Doug Campbell  
Passed – Voice Vote

19. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $75,050 for the purpose of disposal and hauling of solid waste and associated costs of maintenance for the Town **Transfer Station**, to come from 2015 general taxation. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

Motion to accept as read – Pete Santom  
2\(^{nd}\) – Dave McMullen  
Passed – Voice Vote
20. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $74,185 for the maintenance of the Police Department for the ensuing year, of which $10,300 to come from the Unreserved Fund Balance, and the remainder of $63,885 to come from 2015 general taxation.

Motion to accept as read – Kevin Kay
2nd – Pete Chierichetti

Amendment: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $54,185 for the maintenance of the Police Department for the ensuing year, of which $10,300 to come from the Unreserved Fund Balance, and the remainder of $43,885 to come from 2015 general taxation.

Motion to accept – Francis Muzzey
2nd – Janice Thompson
Request for Paper Ballot YES 9 NO 42 Failed

Move to Vote – Kevin Kay
2nd – Penni Davis
Withdraw Request Paper Ballot Request for Original Article

Passed – Voice Vote

21. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $39,000 for the purchase of a new Police Cruiser, of which $39,000 to come from the Police Cruiser Capital Reserve. No money to be raised from taxation. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

Motion to accept as read – Pete Chierichetti
2nd – Paul Davis Sr.

Passed – Voice Vote

22. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $800 for costs and expenses associated with Animal and Pest Control.

Motion to accept as read – Dave McMullen
2nd – Doug Campbell

Passed – Voice Vote

23. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $19,500 for operating expenses for Ambulance Services.

Motion to accept as read – Paul Davis Sr.
2nd – Paul Davis Jr.

Passed – Voice Vote
24. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **$5,060** for the Parks and Recreation for the general maintenance of parks, including the Common, Library, Riverside Park, and Hamilton Memorial Field, of which $1,700 to come from the Unreserved Fund Balance and the remaining sum of $3,360 to come from 2015 general taxation.

Motion to accept as read – Eleanor Murray  
2nd – Paul Davis Sr.

25. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **$39,416** for the Webster Memorial Library expenses; $2,466 to come from Library income, $891 to come from the Unreserved Fund Balance and the remaining sum of $36,059 to come from 2015 general taxation.

Motion to accept as read – Nancy Masterson  
2nd – Donna King

Passed – Voice Vote

26. (By Petition) Do you approve of having 2 sessions for the annual town meeting in this town, the first session for choice of town officers elected by an official ballot and the other action required to be inserted on said official ballot and the second session, on a date set by the selectmen, for the transaction of other business?

Passed Over – item appeared on Official Ballot

27. To transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

Steve Davis presented ideas for the replacement of the Town steel bridge connecting the common to East Side Road (the bridge is currently owned by the State of New Hampshire).

With a small number of voters present, it was decided to postpone the discussion until a later date. The date to be determined by the Select Board.

Motion to adjourn the Town Meeting – Paul Davis Sr.  
2nd – Kevin Kay

All were in favor, Meeting adjourned by Moderator Steve Welch at 10:35 PM

Respectfully Submitted by:

George Morrill  
Town Clerk/Tax Collector