Wentworth

The inhabitants of the Town of Wentworth in the County of Grafton in the state of New Hampshire qualified to vote in Town affairs are hereby notified that the Annual Town Meeting will be held as follows:

Date: Saturday, March 16th, 2019
Time: 1:00 PM
Location: Wentworth Elementary School

GOVERNING BODY CERTIFICATION

We certify and attest that on or before February 25, 2019, a true and attested copy of this document was posted at the place of meeting and at The Wentworth Town Office and that an original was delivered to the Moderator.

Name  Position  Signature

Stephen G. Davis  Selectman
Morgan P. Currier  Selectman
Raymond R. Youngs  Selectman
Article 01  Election of officers
To choose all necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year. (By Official Ballot)

Article 02  Receive reports
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.

Article 03  General, transfer station, welfare, par
To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $319,072 for General Municipal Operations for the purposes detailed in the operating budget posted with the warrant. This article does not include any amounts contained in any other article. (Majority vote required).

Article 04  Highway & Streets
To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $322,100 for the Highway & Streets for the purposes detailed in the operating budget posted with the warrant.

Article 05  Planning board
To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate $3,000 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.

Article 06  Fire department
To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $41,250 for the maintenance of the Fire Department for the purposes detailed in the operating budget posted with the warrant.

Article 07  Freightliner lease
To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to continue the fifth year of the 7 year lease agreement, 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 fifth year's payment for that purpose. This lease agreement contains an escape clause. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation. (Yes 3, No 0)
Article 08  Conservation & town forest

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate $4,600 to be expended on behalf of the Conservation Commission and Town Forest in connection with activities for such conservation purposes as set forth in RSA 36-A and expenses related to the forester.

Article 09  ETF & CRF

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $164,100 to be placed into the following Expendable Trust Funds and Capital Reserve Funds, to come from 2019 general taxation. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation. (Yes 3, No 0)

- Fire Truck (est. 1984) $15,000
- Hwy Equipment & Vehicle (est. 1973) $25,000
- Police Cruiser (est. 1993) $9,000
- Property Revaluation (est. 1995) $10,000
- Town Bridges ETF (est. 2006) $10,000
- Road Paving (est. 2002) $50,000
- Fire Dept Site (est. 2004) $15,000
- Webster Library ETF (est. 2015) $15,000
- Town Office Expansion ETF (est. 2017) $15,000
- Celebration ETF (est. 2018) $100

Article 10  Transfer station

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $67,202 for the purpose of disposal and hauling of solid waste associated and costs of maintenance for the Town Transfer Station, to come from 2019 general taxation.

Article 11  Police department

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $89,954 for the maintenance of the Police Department for the ensuing year for the purposes detailed in the operating budget posted with the warrant; $2300 to come from unassigned fund balance, and the remainder $87,654 to come from 2019 general taxation. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation. (Yes 3, No 0)

Article 12  Animal and pest control

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $3,000 for the costs and expenses associated with Animal and Pest Control.
Article 13  Ambulance services
To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $36,100 for operating expenses for Ambulance Services.

Article 14  Parks & recreation
To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $5,300 for the Parks and Recreation for the general maintenance of parks, including the Common, Library, Riverside Park, and Hamilton Memorial Field to come from 2019 general taxation.

Article 15  Webster Memorial Library
To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $41,424 for the Webster Memorial Library expenses; $1,400 to come from Library Income, $2,763 to come from the Unassigned Fund Balance, and the remaining sum of $37,261 to come from 2019 general taxation.

Article 16  To further define the purpose of the Webster Memorial ETF
To see if the town will vote to change the language of the existing Webster Memorial Library Trust Fund to include "capital improvements and equipment" as a part of the previously established Webster Memorial Library Trust Fund's purpose and further more name the Library Trustees as agents to expend from said fund. (2/3 vote required).

Article 17  Other business
Transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting.