To the inhabitants of the Town of Nottingham in the County of Rockingham in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED TO MEET AT THE NOTTINGHAM COMMUNITY CENTER IN SAID NOTTINGHAM ON TUESDAY THE 8TH DAY OF MARCH 2016 NEXT AT 8:00 O'CLOCK IN THE FORENOON TO ACT UPON THE FOLLOWING SUBJECTS:

ARTICLE #1 through ARTICLE #5 will be acted upon on Tuesday, March 8, 2016 at the Nottingham Community Center from 8:00 am to 7:00 pm.

ARTICLE #6 through ARTICLE #20 will be acted upon on Saturday, March 12, 2016 at the Nottingham Elementary School at 9:00 am.

ARTICLE #1: To choose by ballot all necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year.

ARTICLE #2: Are you in favor of omitting the following definitions in the Nottingham Zoning Ordinances which currently read as follows:

<u>ANIMAL FEED LOT</u> – an agricultural establishment consisting of confined feeding areas and related structures used for the raising of livestock. An animal feedlot shall be considered one on which more than five (5) adult animals are raised simultaneously.

<u>CAMPGROUND</u> – any area of land on which are located two or more cabins, tents, trailers, shelters or other accommodations of a design or character suitable for seasonal, temporary living purposes, regardless of whether such structures or other accommodations actually are occupied or other.

Recommended by the Nottingham Planning Board (7-0).

ARTICLE #3: Are you in favor of amending the following definitions in the Nottingham Zoning Ordinance?

Current:

<u>BUILDING INSPECTOR</u> – refers to the Board of Selectmen whenever no active Building Inspector is available in Town.

SOIL SCIENTIST – a person qualified in soils classification and licensed by the State of New Hampshire.

<u>SURVEYING</u> – means any service or work, the adequate performance of which involves the art of locating and measuring lines, angles, features for the purpose of determining areas for the

monumenting of property and for the platting and layout of lands and for the preparation and perpetuation of plats that represent these surveys.

To be changed to:

<u>BUILDING INSPECTOR</u> – The officer or other designated authority charged with the administration and enforcement of the Town Regulations, Zoning Ordinance, and Building Code. Whenever no active Building Inspector is available in Town, this refers to the Board of Selectmen.

SOIL SCIENTIST – See Certified Soil Scientist.

<u>SURVEYING</u> – Any service or work, the adequate performance of which involves the art of locating and measuring lines, angles, features for the purpose of determining areas for the monumenting of property and for the platting and layout of lands and for the preparation and perpetuation of plats that represent these surveys. Land surveyors are required to hold a license from the State of New Hampshire.

Recommended by the Nottingham Planning Board (7-0).

ARTICLE #4: Are you in favor of adding the following definitions to the Nottingham Zoning Ordinance?

ABUTTER – As defined under RSA 672:3 and 676:4 I, any person whose property is located in New Hampshire and adjoins or is directly across the street or stream from the land under consideration by the local land use board. For purposes of receiving testimony only, and not for purposes of notification, the term "abutter" shall include any person who is able to demonstrate the land will be directly affected by the proposal under consideration. For purposes of receipt of notification by a municipality of a local land use board hearing, in the case of an abutting property being under a condominium or other collective form of ownership, the term abutter means the officers of the collective or association, as defined in RSA 356-B:3, XXIII. For purposes of receipt of notification by a municipality of a local land use board hearing, in the case of an abutting property being under a manufactured housing park form of ownership as defined in RSA 205-A:1, II, the term "abutter" includes the manufactured housing park owner and the tenants who own manufactured housing which adjoins or is directly across the street or stream from the land under consideration by the local land use board.

<u>CERTIFIED SOIL SCIENTIST</u> – A person who, by reason of his or her special knowledge of soil classification and mapping as acquired by course work and experience, as specified by RSA 310-A:84, I and II and who is certified by the State of New Hampshire Board of Natural Scientists.

<u>COMPLETENESS REVIEW</u> – The process used by the Planning Board and/or their designated agent to ensure that all necessary applications/permits/plans/various paperwork required from the applicant have been submitted with the application for Subdivision to be considered for approval by the Planning Board.

<u>PUBLIC HEARING</u> – A publicly advertised item on the Planning Board agenda at which public comment on a specific application is heard, as specified under RSA 675:7.

<u>TOWN</u> – Town of Nottingham officials and/or employees, or its designated agents.

<u>4K AREA</u> – A reserved 4,000 sq. ft. area of land reserved for sewage disposal.

<u>STREAM</u> – Surface water that flows for sufficient times of the year to develop and maintain defined channels but may not flow during dry portions of the year. Includes, but is not limited to, all perennial and intermittent streams located on U.S. Geological Survey Maps.

Recommended by the Nottingham Planning Board (7-0).

ARTICLE #5: Are you in favor of increasing the Board of Selectmen to 5 members?

ARTICLE #6: To see if the municipality will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$750,000.00 (Seven Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars) for the purchase and equipping of a new "quint" fire truck, and to authorize the issuance of not more than \$425,000.00 (Four Hundred Twenty Five Thousand Dollars) of bonds or notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA 33) and to authorize the municipal officials to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon. Furthermore, to authorize the withdrawal of \$325,000.00 (Three Hundred Twenty Five Thousand Dollars) from the Fire and Rescue Vehicle Capital Reserve Fund created for this purpose. Two thirds (2/3) Ballot Vote Required. The estimated tax impact is \$0.143 per \$1,000 of property valuation, starting in 2017.

The Board of Selectmen recommends this appropriation (3 - 0). The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation (8 - 3).

ARTICLE #7: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,618,862.00 (Three Million Six Hundred Eighteen Thousand Eight Hundred Sixty Two Dollars) for the 2016 Operating Budget. This article does not include appropriations voted in other special or individual warrant articles addressed in this warrant. **Majority Vote Required.** The estimated tax impact is \$3.574 per \$1,000 of property valuation.

The Board of Selectmen recommends this appropriation (3 - 0). The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation (10 - 1).

ARTICLE #8: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$100,000.00 (one hundred thousand dollars) for the purpose of developing recreational facilities, including but not limited to ballfields and trails at the Marston Farm, said funds to be withdrawn from the existing Recreation Revolving Fund; and, to authorize the Board of Selectmen to apply for and accept gifts, grants, and donations for that purpose, which shall be accounted for separately, as required by law. This will be a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7, VI and will not lapse until the project is completed or by December 31, 2020, whichever is sooner. **Majority vote required.** There is no tax impact for this appropriation.

The Board of Selectmen recommends this appropriation (3 - 0). The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation (11 - 0).

ARTICLE #9: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$100,000.00 (one hundred thousand dollars) for the purpose of developing recreational facilities, including but not limited to ballfields and trails at the Marston Farm, said funds to be raised through taxation. This will be a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7, VI and will not lapse until the project is completed or by December 31, 2020, whichever is sooner. The estimated tax impact is \$0.16 per \$1,000 of property valuation.

The Board of Selectmen recommends this appropriation (2-1). The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation (10-1).

ARTICLE #10: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$100,000.00 (One Hundred Thousand Dollars) to be added to the Fire Department Vehicle Capital Reserve Fund for the purpose of purchasing Fire/Rescue vehicles. **Majority vote required.** The estimated tax impact is \$0.16 per \$1,000 of property valuation.

The Board of Selectmen recommends this appropriation (3 - 0). The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation (11 - 0).

ARTICLE #11: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$200,000.00 (Two Hundred Thousand Dollars) for engineering, design and highway construction and reconstruction on Gebig Road, Ledge Farm Road, Deerfield Road or other roads in Nottingham if a priority arises. This is a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7 VI and will not lapse until the work is complete or not later than one year after the end of fiscal year 2016, whichever occurs earlier. **Majority Vote Required.** The estimated tax impact is \$0.336 per \$1,000 of property valuation.

The Board of Selectmen recommends this appropriation (3 - 0). The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation (11 - 0).

ARTICLE #12: To see if the town will vote to establish a contingency fund for the current year for unanticipated expenses, pursuant to RSA 31:98-a, and related to employee retirements and

terminations that may arise, and further to raise and appropriate \$20,000.00 (Twenty Thousand Dollars) to go into the fund. This sum to come from fund balance and no amount to be raised from taxation. Any appropriation left in the fund at the end of the year will lapse to the general fund. **Majority Vote Required.** The estimated tax impact is \$0.000 per \$1,000 of property valuation.

The Board of Selectmen recommends this appropriation (3 - 0). The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation (11 - 0).

ARTICLE #13: To see if the Town will vote to establish an expendable trust fund under the provisions of RSA 31:19-a to be known as the Invasive Species Prevention and Eradication Removal Fund for the purpose of protecting Nottingham lakes and ponds. Furthermore, to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000.00 (ten thousand dollars) to be placed in this fund, with this amount to come from taxation; further to name the Selectmen as agents to expend from the fund. **Majority vote required.** The estimated tax impact is \$0.016 per \$1,000 of property valuation.

The Board of Selectmen recommends this appropriation (2-0). The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation (11-0).

ARTICLE #14: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$75,000.00 (Seventy Five Thousand Dollars) to be added to the Highway Truck Capital Reserve Fund previously established for the purpose of purchasing trucks for the Highway Department. **Majority Vote Required.** The estimated tax impact is \$0.126 per \$1,000 of property valuation.

The Board of Selectmen recommends this appropriation (3 - 0). The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation (11 - 0).

ARTICLE #15: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum \$25,000.00 (Twenty Five Thousand Dollars) to be added to the previously established Capital Reserve Fund for the purpose of performing a statutory revaluation of property every five years. The next revaluation will take place in 2020. **Majority vote required.** The estimated tax impact is \$0.042 per \$1,000 of property valuation.

The Board of Selectmen recommends this appropriation (3 - 0). The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation (11 - 0).

ARTICLE #16: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$22,100.00 (Twenty Two Thousand One Hundred Dollars) for the purpose of purchasing the necessary fuel, supplies, equipment, and maintenance to run the ambulance and billing services for 2016; and to authorize the withdrawal of \$22,100.00 (Twenty Two Thousand One Hundred Dollars) from the

Ambulance and Equipment Replacement Special Revenue Fund created for this purpose. **Majority vote required.** The estimated tax impact is \$0.00 per \$1,000 of property valuation.

The Board of Selectmen recommends this appropriation (3 - 0). The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation (11 - 0).

ARTICLE #17: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000.00 (Five Thousand Dollars) to be added to the Non-Capital Reserve Fund previously established for the purpose of funding the Tri-Centennial Fund for the celebration of the Town of Nottingham's 300th Birthday to take place in the year 2022. **Majority vote required.** The estimated tax impact is \$0.008 per \$1,000 of property valuation.

The Board of Selectmen recommends this appropriation (3 - 0). The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation (11 - 0).

ARTICLE #18: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000.00 (Five Thousand Dollars) to be added to the Expendable Trust Fund previously established for the purpose of maintenance, repair or replacement of Heating, Ventilation & Air Conditioning (HVAC), Electrical, Plumbing or other major systems in Town buildings or facilities and appoint the Selectmen as agents to expend from the fund. **Majority vote required.** The estimated tax impact is \$0.008 per \$1,000 of property valuation.

The Board of Selectmen recommends this appropriation (3 - 0). The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation (11 - 0).

ARTICLE #19: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$26,575.00 (Twenty Six Thousand Five Hundred Seventy Five Dollars) in support of the following Social Service Agencies:

AGENCY	AMOUNT
AIDS Response Seacoast	\$575.00
American Red Cross Great Bay Chapter	\$500.00
Area HomeCare & Family Services, Inc.	\$1,100.00
CASA - Court Appointed Special Advocates	\$500.00
Child Advocacy Center	\$1,750.00
Child and Family Services	\$1,000.00
Cornerstone VNA	\$2,400.00
Friends Program RSVP	\$100.00
Haven (A Safe Place & merge w/ SASS)	\$1,450.00
Lamprey Health Care	\$4,500.00

Ready Rides	\$1,500.00
Richie McFarland Children's Center	\$2,700.00
Rockingham County Community Action Program	\$5,500.00
Rockingham Nutrition & Meals on Wheels	\$1,400.00
Seacoast Family Promise	\$100.00
Seacoast Mental Health	\$1,000.00
Victims Inc.	\$500.00
GRAND TOTAL	\$26,575.00

Majority vote required. The estimated tax impact is \$.045 per \$1,000 of property valuation.

The Board of Selectmen recommends this appropriation (3 - 0). The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation (11 - 0).

ARTICLE #20: To transact any other business, which may legally come before this meeting.

Donna Danis, Selectman

Mark A. Carpenter, Selectman

Given under our hands and seal this 1^{st} day of February in the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand and Sixteen.

A True Copy Attest:

Nottingham Board of Selectmen

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