

Town of Nottingham
State of New Hampshire
2022 Warrant

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

First Session: You are hereby notified to meet at the Nottingham School, located at 245 Stage Road in Nottingham, at 9:00 a.m. on February 5, 2022. This session shall consist of explanation, discussion, and deliberation of the Warrant Articles number Four through Twenty-seven. Warrant Articles may be amended subject to the following limitations: (a) Warrant Articles whose wording is prescribed by law may not be amended; and (b) Warrant Articles that are amended shall be placed on the official ballot for final vote on the main motion as amended.

Second Session: You are hereby notified to meet at the Nottingham School, located at 245 Stage Road in Nottingham, on March 8, 2022, to vote on all warrant articles. The polls will be open from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Article #01: To choose by ballot all necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year.

Article #02: Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 01 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town of Nottingham Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Adopt a new definition and methodology for measuring building height. This zoning amendment includes two additional related definitions.

Recommended by the Nottingham Planning Board (7-0)

Article #03: Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 03 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town of Nottingham Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Adopt new setbacks for driveway and a new definition for driveway and common driveway. A driveway to a single lot shall be setback 10' from any property line.

Recommended by the Nottingham Planning Board (7-0)

Article #04: Shall the Town raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein, totaling \$4,419,877 (Four Million, Four Hundred Nineteen Thousand Eight Hundred and Seventy-Seven Dollars). Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be \$4,214,137 (Four Million Two Hundred Fourteen Thousand, One Hundred and Thirty-Seven Dollars) which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous

Town of Nottingham
State of New Hampshire
2022 Warrant

action of the Town or by law; or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13, X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only. The estimated tax impact is \$2.895 per \$1,000 of property valuation.

The Select Board recommends this appropriation (5-0).

The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation (8-3).

Article #05: Shall the Town vote to add three full-time personnel to the fire department, which calls for salary and benefits for the fiscal year 2023 of \$225,000 (Two Hundred Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars), and further to raise and appropriate \$75,000 (Seventy-Five Thousand Dollars) for the current fiscal year, such sum representing four months of additional costs attributable to the increase in salary and benefits. The estimated tax impact for FY 2022 is \$0.092 per \$1,000 of property valuation. Majority Vote Required.

The Select Board recommends this appropriation (5-0).

The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation (8-3).

Article #06: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$300,000.00 (Three Hundred Thousand Dollars) for highway reconstruction and maintenance work on Case Road, Oak Ridge and Flutter Street, 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 2022, whichever occurs earlier. Majority Vote Required. The estimated tax impact is \$0.370 per \$1,000 of property valuation.

The Select Board recommends this appropriation (5-0).

The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation (7-4).

Article #07: 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 Highway Truck Capital Reserve Fund previously established. Majority vote required. The estimated tax impact is \$0.123 per \$1,000 of property valuation.

The Select Board recommends this appropriation (3-2).

The Budget Committee does not recommend this appropriation (4-7).

Article #08: 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 Vehicle / SCBA Capital Reserve Fund previously established. Majority vote required. The estimated tax impact is \$0.123 per \$1,000 of property valuation.

The Select Board recommends this appropriation (5-0).

The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation (11-0).

Town of Nottingham
State of New Hampshire
2022 Warrant

Article #09: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$37,000.00 (Thirty-Seven Thousand Dollars) for the purchase of dashboard cameras for the Nottingham Police Department cruisers. Majority Vote Required. The estimated tax impact is \$0.046 per \$1,000 of property valuation.

The Select Board recommends this appropriation (5-0).

The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation (11-0).

Article #10: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$37,000.00 (Thirty-Seven Thousand Dollars) for the purchase of a replacement Handicapped Lift for the Nottingham Public Library. Majority Vote Required. The estimated tax impact is \$0.046 per \$1,000 of property valuation.

The Select Board recommends this appropriation (5-0).

The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation (9-2).

Article #11: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$20,000.00 (Twenty Thousand Dollars) to be added to the previously established Revaluation Capital Reserve Fund for the purpose of performing a statutory revaluation of property every five years. Majority Vote Required. The estimated tax impact is \$0.025 per \$1,000 of property valuation.

The Select Board recommends this appropriation (5-0).

The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation (9-2).

Article #12: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000.00 (Ten Thousand Dollars) to be added to the Invasive Species Prevention and Eradication Removal Expendable Trust Fund previously established. Majority Vote Required. The estimated tax impact is \$0.012 per \$1,000 of property valuation.

The Select Board recommends this appropriation (5-0).

The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation (7-4).

Article #13: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$33,000.00 (Thirty-Three Thousand Dollars) for the purpose of purchasing the necessary fuel, supplies, equipment and maintenance to run the ambulance and billing services for 2022; and to authorize the withdrawal of \$33,000.00 (Thirty-Three Thousand 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 Select Board recommends this appropriation (5-0).

The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation (11-0).

Town of Nottingham
State of New Hampshire
2022 Warrant

Article #14: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$300,000 (Three Hundred Thousand Dollars) for the purchase of a new ambulance, and to authorize the withdrawal of \$300,000.00 (Three Hundred Thousand 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 Select Board recommends this appropriation (5-0).

The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation (11-0).

Article #15: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$0 (Zero Dollars) for the purpose of purchasing a new Ford F350 utility truck, and to authorize the withdrawal of \$0 (Zero Dollars) from the Highway Truck Capital Reserve Fund established for this purpose. Majority Vote Required. The estimated tax impact is \$0.00 per \$1,000 of property valuation.

The Select Board recommends this appropriation (4-1).

The Budget Committee does not recommend this appropriation (2-7-2).

Article #16: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$233,750.00 (Two Hundred Thirty-Three Thousand Seven Hundred and Fifty Dollars) to pay off long-term debt acquired to purchase property known as Mulligan Forest in 2007. The sum to come from unassigned fund balance. If Article #23 is adopted, Article #23 shall take precedence over this article. The savings in principal and interest would reduce the tax rate by \$0.052 per \$1000 of property valuation beginning in 2023. Majority Vote Required. The estimated tax rate impact is \$0.00 per \$1,000 of property valuation.

The Select Board recommends this appropriation (5-0).

The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation (11-0).

Article #17: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$136,224 (One Hundred Thirty-Six Thousand Two Hundred and Twenty Four Dollars) to pay off long-term debt acquired to build the new fire station in 2007. The sum to come from unassigned fund balance. The saving of principal and interest would reduce the tax rate impact by \$0.051 per \$1000 of property valuation beginning in 2023. Tax Majority Vote Required. The estimated tax impact is \$0.00 per \$1,000 of property valuation.

The Select Board recommends this appropriation (5-0).

The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation (11-0).

Article #18: Shall the town vote to adopt the provisions of RSA 36-A:4-a, I(b) to authorize the Conservation Commission to expend funds for contributions to 'qualified organizations' for the purchase of property interests, or facilitating transactions related thereto, where the property

Town of Nottingham
State of New Hampshire
2022 Warrant

interest is to be held by the qualified organization and the town will retain no interest in the property. Majority Vote Required.

Article #19: To see if the Town will vote to discontinue and relinquish all public interest in that portion of Cahill Road, beginning at the Northwest corner of Tax Map 68, Lot 51, and extending to its terminus, subject to the condition that the owner of Lot 49-2 conveys an easement for a truck turnaround at a location, and in a form satisfactory to the Board of Selectmen.

Article #20: To see if the town will vote to adopt the provisions of RSA 72:61 through RSA 72:64 inclusively, which provide for an optional property tax exemption from the property's assessed value, for property tax purposes, for persons owning real property, which is equipped with solar energy systems intended for use at the immediate site. Such property tax exemption shall be in the amount equal to 100% of the assessed value of qualifying equipment under these statutes. Majority Vote Required. By citizen petition.

Article #21: To see if the town will vote to accept, in their current condition, as Class V. Town-maintained highways, the following roads identified as Emergency Lanes by the Board of Selectmen: Sherwood Ln.; Langley Ln.; Little John Ln.; Snow Lane; Rogier Place, beginning at its intersection with Water St., bearing Northwest at the fork and ending at Tax Map 1, Lot 124; and Water St.; beginning at its intersection with Cooper Hill Rd. And ending at Tax Map 1, Lot 107. The combined length of these roads is approximately .7 miles (7/10ths of a mile) and have been maintained by the town for several decades. Majority Vote Required. By citizen petition.

Article #22: To see if the town will vote to authorize \$300,000 (Three Hundred Thousand Dollars) of the Land Use Change Tax (LUCT) collected pursuant to RSA 79-A:25 to be deposited into the existing Conservation Fund in accordance with RSA 36-A:5, III, as authorized by RSA 79-A:25, II. LUCT collected in excess of \$300,000 shall be deposited in the General Fund. The \$300,000 shall be a cumulative limit to be held in the Conservation Fund. If adopted this article shall take effect April 1, 2022, and shall remain in effect until altered or rescinded by a future vote of the town meeting. Majority vote required. By citizen petition.

Article #23: To Reduce our property taxes, shall we direct the Board of Selectmen and the Conservation Commission to use the Conservation Fund to pay off the town's remaining long-term debt from the 2007 purchase of the Mulligan Forest Conservation Easement? Majority vote required. By citizen petition.

Article #24: In order to promote transparency and ensure our elected officials represent the interests of Nottingham's taxpayers, shall we direct the School Board to allow public access to

Town of Nottingham
State of New Hampshire
2022 Warrant

all negotiations of union contracts and collective bargaining, by conducting all such negotiations as meetings open to the public, with advance public notice of time and place, minutes recorded and made available, and time allotted for public comment? Majority vote required. By citizen petition.

Article #25: To reduce the amount of waste the town must pay to dispose of, and to enable the reuse of salvageable materials, shall we direct the Board of Selectmen to allow town residents to pick and take reusable materials and objects, at their own risk, from the recycling center dumpsters?" Majority vote required. By citizen petition.

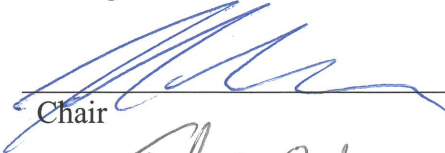
Article #26: Shall we adopt the provisions of RSA 32:5-b, and implement a tax cap whereby the governing body (or budget committee) shall not submit a recommended budget that increases the amount to be raised by local taxes, based on the prior fiscal year's actual amount of local taxes raised, by more than 4%? Majority vote required. By citizen petition.

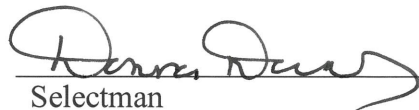
Article #27: To transact any other business, which may legally come before this meeting.


Given under our hands and seal this 7th day of February in the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand and Twenty-Two.

A True Copy Attest:

Nottingham Board of Selectmen


Chair


Selectman


Selectman

Selectman


Selectman