

2019 TOWN WARRANT
For the TOWN OF LEE, NEW HAMPSHIRE

FIRST SESSION: To the inhabitants of the Town of Lee, County of Strafford, State of New Hampshire, qualified to vote in Town Affairs, you are hereby notified to meet at the Mast Way School located on Mast Road, Lee at 9:00 a.m. on February 2, 2019. This session shall consist of explanation, discussion and deliberation of the Warrant Articles numbered 1 through 18. Warrant Articles may be amended subject to the following limitations: (a) Warrant Articles whose wording is prescribed by law shall not be amended, and (b) Warrant Articles that are amended shall be placed on the official ballot for a final vote on the main motion as amended.

SECOND SESSION: To the inhabitants of the Town of Lee, County of Strafford, State of New Hampshire, qualified to vote in Town Affairs, you are hereby notified to meet at the Public Safety Complex, 20 George Bennett Road, Lee on March 12, 2019. The Polls will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

ARTICLE 1

To choose all necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year:
(To be considered at the March 12, 2019 Ballot Voting)

ARTICLE 2 –

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No.1-2019 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows?

- a. Extend the existing commercial zone along the southerly side of Rt. 4 (Concord Rd) from 60 Concord Rd (Dollar General) to the intersection of Rt. 4 & Sheep Rd, with a depth of 500 feet. On the northern side of Rt. 4, extend the existing commercial zone an additional 2,400 feet with a depth of 500 feet. (Majority vote required.)
- b. Clarify the frontage requirement in all sections of the ordinance to include the word “contiguous” in order to be consistent with the definition of frontage. (Majority vote required.)
- c. Include Bed and Breakfast in the definitions: An owner occupied dwelling providing sleeping accommodations for no more than 10 people, with each person staying no more than 10 consecutive days, which may also offer a morning meal. The term Bed and Breakfast shall include all such accommodations regardless of the manner or form such accommodations are being offered to the public. (Majority vote required.)
- d. Delete the current definitions of Agriculture, Farm, Farming, Farm Market, Roadside Farm Stand & Ag Tourism and simply reference NH RSA 21:34a, as amended in our Zoning Ordinance. (Majority vote required.)
- e. Amend the terms in the Agriculture Signage section to be consistent with Article II (Definitions) and Article III (Purpose) in the zoning ordinance. (Majority vote required.)
- f. In Article III, General Provision delete the current Section E Agriculture, Farm Market, Roadside Farm Stand, Agriculture Tourism, and replace with:

AGRICULTURE: (Agriculture, Farm, Farming, as defined by RSA 21:34a) Agricultural activities shall be permitted in all zones subject to the following regulations:

1. Farm stands which include any permanent structures/buildings shall be subject to the current Zoning Regulations and to site review by the Town of Lee.
2. All temporary and permanent Farm Stands are required to be registered with the Town of Lee Code Enforcement Office. Any temporary buildings/structures are exempt from the definition of building/structures as defined in Article V, (Residential Zone) of the Town of Lee Zoning Ordinance as amended, and Article XV (Wet soils Conservation Zone) and are exempt from the Setback provisions from Article V, (Residential Zone) and Article XV, (Wet Soils Conservation Zone) however they must be removed upon the conclusion of the seasonal activities.
3. Farm roadside stands which do not comply with NH RSA 21:34-a, III are not permitted.
4. All temporary seasonal roadside farms stands shall be placed and operated in such a manner that does not create health or safety risks and may be subject to site review.

AG TOURISM: In order to be a permitted use, the farm must be actively producing agricultural products for sale. Farms where the seller is not actively producing agricultural products for sale shall require a special exception. (Majority vote required.)

ARTICLE 3

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,060,000 (gross budget) for the purpose of adding onto the Lee Public Library, building a new Municipal Office Building, relocating the Train Depot (aka Lee Historical Museum) and repurposing the Town Annex, and to authorize the issuance of not more than \$3,495,000 of bonds or notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act RSA 33:1 et seq., as amended; and to authorize the Select Board to apply for, obtain and accept federal, state or other aid, if any, which may be available for said project and to comply with all laws applicable to said project; to authorize the Select Board to issue, negotiate, sell and deliver said bonds and notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon and the maturity and other terms thereof; and to authorize the Select Board to take any other action or to pass any other vote relative thereto, including, but not limited to, withdrawing \$375,278 from the Lee Library Building Capital Reserve Fund created for this purpose, withdrawing \$60,000 from the Library Capital Reserve Fund; and withdrawing \$129,722 from the Town Building Capital Reserve Fund. All of the said funds, including bond proceeds, to be used for designing, engineering, building, and equipping said buildings. And further, to raise and appropriate an additional sum of \$73,056 for the first year's interest payment on the bond. The Select Board recommends this article.

Requires 3/5 ballot vote to pass.

ARTICLE 4

To see if the town will vote to establish a Renovating Town Hall Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35.1 for Renovating Town Hall and to raise and appropriate Fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) to be placed in this fund. Further, to name the Select Board as agents to expend from said fund. The Select Board recommends this article. Majority vote required.

ARTICLE 5

Shall the Town of Lee 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 **\$4,117,240**. Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be **\$4,065,766**, which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Select Board 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 Select Board recommends this article. Majority vote required.

ARTICLE 6

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum not to exceed One Hundred Forty-nine Thousand Dollars (\$149,000) for the purchase of 20 Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA) meeting the current NFPA 1981-Standard on Open-Circuit Self –Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA) for Emergency Services, 2019 edition and NFPA 1982-Standard on Personal Alert Safety Systems (PASS), 2018 edition and to authorize the withdrawal of this amount from the Fire Equipment Capital Reserve Fund for this acquisition. The Select Board recommends this article. Majority vote required.

ARTICLE 7

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum not to exceed Eleven Thousand Dollars (\$11,000) for the purchase of a Thermal Imager Camera meeting current NFPA 1801 Standard on Thermal Imagers for the Fire Service and to authorize the withdrawal of this amount from the Fire Equipment Capital Reserve Fund for this acquisition. The Select Board recommends this article. Majority vote required.

ARTICLE 8

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Seventy-Five Thousand dollars (\$175,000) to be deposited into the Fire Equipment Capital Reserve Fund. The Select Board recommends this article. 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 be deposited into the Town Buildings Capital Reserve Fund. The Select Board recommends this article. Majority vote required.

ARTICLE 10

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifty Thousand dollars (\$50,000) to be deposited into the Highway Dept. Road and Bridge Improvement Plan Capital Reserve Fund. The Select Board recommends this article. Majority vote required.

ARTICLE 11

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifty-Five Thousand dollars (\$55,000) to be deposited into the Highway Equipment Capital Reserve Fund. The Select Board recommends this article. Majority vote required.

ARTICLE 12

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty Thousand dollars (\$20,000) to be deposited into the Transfer Station Equipment Capital Reserve Fund. The Select Board recommends this article. Majority vote required.

ARTICLE 13

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty Thousand dollars (\$20,000) to be deposited into the Fire Ponds and Cisterns Capital Reserve Fund. The Select Board recommends this article. Majority vote required.

ARTICLE 14

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifteen Thousand dollars (\$15,000) to be deposited into the Revaluation Capital Reserve Fund. The Select Board recommends this article. Majority vote required.

ARTICLE 15

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifteen Thousand dollars (\$15,000) to be deposited into the Internal Service Expendable Trust Fund for Accrued Benefits. The Select Board recommends this article. Majority vote required.

ARTICLE 16

Shall the town suspend efforts to remove or demolish the Lee Parish House until July 1, 2020 to allow the Lee Heritage Commission sufficient time to explore options for its preservation and future use and to submit a proposal for the March 2020 ballot? The Select Board recommends this article. Majority vote required.

ARTICLE 17

To see if the Town will vote to establish a contingency fund for Fiscal Year 2018 for unanticipated expenses that may arise and further to raise and appropriate Twenty Thousand dollars (\$20,000) to go into the fund. This sum to come from the Unassigned Fund Balance and no amount to be raised from general taxation. Any appropriation left in the fund at the end of the year will lapse to the general fund. The governing body shall annually publish a detailed report of all expenditures from the fund. The Select Board recommends this article. Majority vote required.

ARTICLE 18 - Submitted via petition

Do you support the following resolution and request the Select Board to forward it to our US Senators and House Representatives?

WHEREAS nuclear war is not healthy for children or any other living thing;

WHEREAS the detonation of even a small number of nuclear weapons could have catastrophic human and environmental consequences that could affect everyone on the planet;

WHEREAS the United States continues to reserve the right to use nuclear weapons first, which reduces the threshold for nuclear use and makes a nuclear war more likely;

WHEREAS the United States president has the sole and unchecked authority to order the use of nuclear weapons;

WHEREAS the United States, as well as Britain, China, France and Russia, are obligated under the Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty (NPT) to take concrete steps toward eliminating their nuclear arsenals;

WHEREAS in July 2017, 122 nations approved the Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons which makes it illegal under international law to develop, test, produce, manufacture or otherwise acquire, possess or stockpile nuclear weapons or other nuclear explosive devices;


THEREFORE, we call on the United States to lead a global effort to prevent nuclear war by:

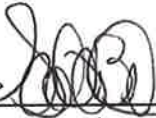
- Renouncing the option of using nuclear weapons first
- Ending the sole, unchecked authority of any president to launch a nuclear attack
- Taking United States nuclear weapons off hair-trigger alert
- Cancelling the plan to replace its entire arsenal with enhanced weapons
- Actively pursuing a verifiable agreement among nuclear-armed nations to eliminate their nuclear arsenals

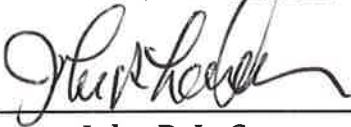
To transact any other business which may legally come before this meeting.

GIVEN UNDER OUR HANDS THIS 25th DAY OF JANUARY 2019

We certify and attest that on or before January 28, 2019, we posted a true and attested copy of the within Warrant at the place of meeting, and like copies at Town Hall, and delivered the original to the Town Clerk.


Cary Brown, Chairman

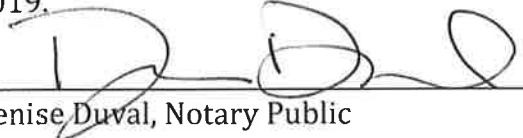

Scott Bugbee


John R. LaCourse

Select Board for the Town of Lee

State of New Hampshire, County of Strafford, Town of Lee

Personally appeared, Cary Brown, Scott Bugbee, and John R. LaCourse who subscribed to the foregoing instrument before me, Denise Duval, Notary Public, this 25 day of January 2019.


Denise Duval, Notary Public

DENISE A. DUVAL, Notary Public
State of New Hampshire
My Commission Expires September 5, 2023