

**STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
TOWN OF RUMNEY
WARRANT for
2013 ANNUAL TOWN MEETING**

To the inhabitants of the Town of Rumney in the County of Grafton and State of New Hampshire qualified to vote in town affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Russell Elementary School Gymnasium on School Street in said Rumney on Tuesday, the 12th day of March 2013, next, at 8:00 o'clock in the morning at which time the polls shall be opened for balloting on Article 1 and shall close not earlier than 7:00 o'clock in the evening, and you are hereby notified to meet at the Russell Elementary School Gymnasium in said Rumney on Thursday, the 14th day of March 2013, next, at 7:00 o'clock in the evening for the second session of the Town Meeting at which time action will be taken upon the remaining articles in this warrant.

ARTICLE 1: To choose all necessary town officers for the ensuing year (by official ballot on March 12th):

Selectman for 3 years	Treasurer for 1 year
Library Trustee for 3 years	Trustee of Trust Funds for 3 years
Cemetery Trustee for 3 years	Fire Commissioner for 3 years
(2) Planning Board Members for 3 years	(1) Planning Board Member for 1 year
Town Clerk/Tax Collector for 3 years	

ARTICLE 2: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$125,000** to purchase a backhoe and to authorize the issuance of \$125,000 in bonds or notes, in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA Ch. 33) and to authorize the Selectmen to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon. The Selectmen recommend this special warrant article. (2/3 ballot vote required)

ARTICLE 3: To choose two members for the **Advisory Committee** for three-year terms to represent the Depot and Quincy areas.

ARTICLE 4: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$281,238** to defray the following **General Government Expenses** for the ensuing year. (Majority vote required)

Executive	\$ 67,087
Town Clerk/Tax Collector	\$ 71,083
Supervisors of the Checklist	\$ 2,500
Financial Administration	\$ 37,375
Legal Expense	\$ 35,000
Planning Board	\$ 3,631
General Government Buildings	\$ 29,200
Street Lights	\$ 7,500
Insurance-Property/Liability & WC	\$ 24,162
Regional Association Dues	<u>\$ 3,700</u>
Total General Government Expenses	\$281,238

ARTICLE 5: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$40,900** for **Assessing Services** and **Tax Maps updates** for the ensuing year; and further to withdraw \$23, 500 from the Town Revaluation Capital Reserve Fund (created in 1984) and \$17,400 to be raised by taxes. The Selectmen recommend this special article. (Majority vote required)

ARTICLE 6: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$5,000** for the purpose of **Code Enforcement** for the ensuing year. (Majority vote required)

ARTICLE 7: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$35,000** for the operation of the **Cemeteries** for the ensuing year; \$15,000 to come from Cemetery Trust Funds and \$20,000 to be raised by taxes. The Selectmen recommend this special article. (Majority vote required)

ARTICLE 8: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$240,599** to defray the cost of running the **Police Department** for the ensuing year. (Majority vote required)

ARTICLE 9: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$25,000** for **Ambulance Service** contracted with the **Warren/Wentworth Ambulance Service** for the ensuing year. (Majority vote required)

ARTICLE 10: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$7,573** to defray the cost of the **Safety Committee, E-911 and Emergency Management** services for the ensuing year. (Majority vote required)

Safety Committee	\$ 1,500
E-911	\$ 200
Emergency Management	<u>\$ 5,873</u>
Total Safety, E-911 & Emg Mgt	\$ 7,573

ARTICLE 11: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$56,937** to defray the cost of running the **Fire Department** for the ensuing year. (Majority vote required)

ARTICLE 12: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$20,311** to defray the cost of running the **EMS (Emergency Medical Services)** for the ensuing year. (Majority vote required)

ARTICLE 13: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$295,744** for the maintenance of **Highways and Bridges** for the ensuing year. (Majority vote required)

ARTICLE 14: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$2,560** for **Road Improvements** for the ensuing year. The \$2,560 will come from fund balance with no amount to be raised by taxes. The Selectmen recommend this special article. (Majority vote required)

ARTICLE 15: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$142,201** to defray the cost of maintaining the **Transfer Station** for the ensuing year. (Majority vote required)

ARTICLE 16: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$1,340** to defray the Town's share of the cost of the **Pemi-Baker Solid Waste District** (\$1,240) and the annual **Plymouth Water and Sewer District Permit Fee** (\$100) for the ensuing year. (Majority vote required)

ARTICLE 17: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$5,400** to defray the cost of services, labor and/or equipment needed at the Transfer Station for part of Phase II of the **Landfill Closure** process for the ensuing year as required by the State of New Hampshire. (Majority vote required)

ARTICLE 18: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$36,298** for the purposes of **Animal Control, Health and Welfare** for the ensuing year. (Majority vote required)

Animal Control	1,550
Health Officer Stipend, etc	1,106
Health Officer-Payroll Taxes	50
Health Administration	500
Mount Mooselauke Health Center	1,250
Pemi-Baker Community Health	5,000
Voices Against Violence	850
Bridge House	1,000
Genesis	300
CASA	300
CADY	300
Direct Assistance	12,500
Welfare Administrator Stipend, etc	4,697
Grafton County Seniors	3,000
Tri-County CAP	<u>3,895</u>
Total Animal Control, Health & Welfare	\$ 36,298

ARTICLE 19: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$9,800** for the purposes of **Culture, Recreation and Conservation** for the ensuing year. (Majority vote required)

Common-Mowing & Maintenance	1,500
Baker Athletic Field	3,000
Jim Darling Natural Area	500
Patriotic Purposes	350
Conservation Commission	750
Baker River Watershed Dues	200
Conservation Trust	<u>3,500</u>
Total Culture, Recreation & Conservation	\$ 9,800

ARTICLE 20: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$4,500** for the purpose of an Old Home Day celebration for the ensuing year; \$1,241 will come from fund balance and \$3,259 to be raised by taxes. (Majority vote required)

ARTICLE 21: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$37,730** to operate the **Byron G. Merrill Library** for the ensuing year. (Majority vote required)

ARTICLE 22: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$3,500** to defray

the cost of **interest expenses** on loans in **anticipation of taxes** and other temporary loans for the ensuing year. (Majority vote required)

ARTICLE 23: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$158,500** to be added to the previously established **Capital Reserve Funds**. The Selectmen recommend this special article. (Majority vote required)

Highway Equipment Fund (1960)	30,000
Fire Department Fund (1963)	30,000
Town Revaluation Fund (1984)	10,000
Police Department Fund (1986)	8,000
Town Facilities' Fund (1987)	20,000
EMS Vehicle Fund (2005)	10,000
Transfer Station Equipment Fund (2008)	8,000
Bridge Repair & Maintenance Fund (2008)	30,000
Fire Department Equipment Fund (2009)	4,000
Merrill Library Capital Improvement Fund (1998)	5,000
EMS Major Equipment Fund (2012)	<u>3,500</u>
Total Capital Reserve Funds	\$ 158,500

ARTICLE 24: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$189,000** for the purchase of a piece of property in Rumney, Tax Map #12-15-03, 13 Heal Drive for the purpose of using it for the Highway Garage, as well as for improvements to the existing building located thereon; and further, to authorize the withdrawal of \$100,000 from the Town Facilities' Fund (established 1987), with the remaining \$89,000 to come from taxation. The Selectmen recommend this special article. (Majority vote required)

ARTICLE 25: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$28,000** for the purpose of purchasing a **generator** set-up to power the Town Office building and the Depot Street Fire Station. The Town will apply for an EMPG Grant through NH HSEM (50/50 split); the Town's match would be \$14,000. Of that approximately \$4,000 could be met by in-kind costs, and the remaining \$10,000 would come from the Town Facilities' Fund (created in 1987). If the grant is not funded the generator will not be purchased. This is a non-lapsing article for up to 3 years. The Selectmen recommend this special article. (Majority vote required)

ARTICLE 26: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$600** for the purpose of authorizing the Selectmen to negotiate and complete a **lot line adjustment** for acquisition of a portion of land from the Rumney Baptist Church to insure that the Library's existing septic system is located on Town property and allow for a proposed expansion of the Library. (Majority vote required)

ARTICLE 27: To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of **\$40,000** for architectural design services and related expenses for the development of a single design to make the existing Byron G. Merrill Library building accessible to the disabled in a manner that preserves its historic character, with the entire amount of this appropriation to come from the "Mitigation Funds" available to the Town as a result of the permit granted for the Groton Wind Project as administered by the State of New Hampshire Land and Community Heritage Program (LCHIP) office, with no amount to be raised by taxation. The Library Trustees are hereby authorized to apply for said funds and take any other necessary actions relating thereto. (Majority vote required)

ARTICLE 28: To hear reports of agents, auditors, and committees heretofore chosen, to pass any vote relating thereto, and to transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Given our hands this 11th day of February, 2013.

Rumney Board of Selectmen

Mark H. Andrew, Chairman

Cheryl L Lewis

Edward L. Haskell, Jr.