

**STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE  
TOWN OF RUMNEY  
WARRANT for  
2016 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 8<sup>th</sup> day of March 2016, 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 10<sup>th</sup> day of March 2016, 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 8th):

Selectman for 3 years	(2) Planning Board Members for 3 years
Selectman for 1 year	Treasurer for 1 year
Library Trustee for 1 year	Trustee of Trust Funds 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
Town Moderator for 2 years	Town Clerk / Tax Collector for 3 years
Supervisor of the Check List for 6 years	

**ARTICLE 2:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$190,000** for the purchase of a Highway dump truck and related accessories and to authorize the issuance of not more than \$190,000 for notes or bonds for the period of not more than 5 years, in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA 33) and to authorize the Selectmen to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes to determine the interest rate thereon. (2/3 ballot vote required) Recommended by the Selectmen

**ARTICLE 3:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$52,058** for the replacement of the Buffalo Road Bridge, #128/073 with \$33,472.50.00 of said sum to come from the FEMA Hazard Mitigation Grant Program, \$14,868 of said sum to come from the NHDOT State-Aid Bridge Program, and the remaining \$3,717.50 of said sum to be withdrawn from the Bridge Repair & Maintenance Capital Reserve Fund (established in 2008). The Selectmen recommend this special article. (Majority vote required)

**ARTICLE 4:** To choose two members for the **Advisory Committee:**

1 for a 3-year term from the Depot  
1 for a 3-year term from Quincy

**ARTICLE 5:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$463,307** to defray the following **General Government Expenses** for the ensuing year. (Majority vote required)

General Government Expenses	
Executive	\$ 63,816
Town Clerk/Tax Collector	\$ 68,770
Supervisors of the Checklist	\$ 5,574
Financial Administration	\$ 36,906
Legal Expenses	\$ 49,200
Health Insurance	\$151,000
Planning Board	\$ 4,996
General Government Buildings	\$ 40,550
Street Lights	\$ 9,000
Insurance-Property/Liability & WC	\$ 31,495
Regional Association Dues	\$ 2,000
<b>Total General Government Expenses</b>	<b>\$463,307</b>

**ARTICLE 6:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$45,650** for **Assessing Services and Tax Map updates** for the ensuing year. (Majority vote required)

**ARTICLE 7:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$3,000** for the purpose of **Code Enforcement** for the ensuing year. (Majority vote required)

**ARTICLE 8:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$29,440** for the operation of the **Cemeteries** for the ensuing year; \$5,000 to come from the Cemetery Trust Fund and \$24,440 to be raised by taxes. The Selectmen recommend this special article. (Majority vote required)

**ARTICLE 9:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$16,000** for the purpose of repairing the stone wall at the Highland North Cemetery and to authorize the withdrawal of \$6,000 from the Cemetery Improvement Fund (established in 2014) and the remaining funds to be raised by taxes. This is a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7 V. The Selectmen recommend this special article. (Majority vote required)

**ARTICLE 10:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$199,993** to defray the cost of running the **Police Department** for the ensuing year. (Majority vote required)

**ARTICLE 11:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$146,500** to be added to the previously established **Capital Reserve Funds**. The Selectmen recommend this special article. (Majority vote required)

Highway Equipment Fund (1960)	40,000
Fire Department Fund (1963)	40,000
Police Department Fund (1986)	14,000
EMS Vehicle (2005)	5,000
EMS Equipment (2012)	3,000
Transfer Station Compactor Fund (2005)	4,000

Transfer Station Equipment Fund (2008)	3,000
Bridge Repair & Maintenance Fund (2008)	20,000
Fire Department Equipment Fund (2009)	8,000
Merrill Library Capital Improvement Fund (1998)	5,000
Town Office Equipment Fund (2015)	2,500
Water Supply-Dry Hydrant (2010)	2,000
<b>TOTAL CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS</b>	<b>\$146,500</b>

**ARTICLE 12:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$29,557** for **Ambulance Service** contracted with the Town of Plymouth for the ensuing year. (Majority vote required)

**ARTICLE 13:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$9,551** 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>\$ 7,851</u>
<b>Total Safety, E-911 &amp; Emg Mgt</b>	<b>\$ 9,551</b>

**ARTICLE 14:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$73,951** to defray the cost of running the **Fire Department** for the ensuing year. (Majority vote required)

**ARTICLE 15:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$9,500** to defray the cost of **purchasing three (3) new sets of protective clothing and five (5) new Self-contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA) bottles** to replace EXPIRED bottles for the Fire Department and to authorize the withdrawal of \$5,000 from the Fire Department Equipment Capital Reserve Fund (established in 2009) with the remaining funds to be raised by taxes. The Selectmen recommend this special article. (Majority vote required)

**ARTICLE 16:** To see if the Town will vote to establish a Non-Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1-c for the purpose of compensating firefighter's involved with fighting forest fires and to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$1,000** to be placed in this fund and to appoint the Selectmen as agents to expend from said fund.

**ARTICLE 17:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$40,000** to pave the parking lots adjacent to Town Facilities and to authorize the withdrawal of \$20,000 from the Town Facilities Fund (established in 1998) with the remaining funds to be raised by taxes. The Selectmen recommend this special article. (Majority vote required)

**ARTICLE 18:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$18,223** to defray the cost of running the **EMS (Emergency Medical Services)** for the ensuing year. (Majority vote required)

**ARTICLE 19:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$240,157** for the maintenance of **Highways and Bridges** for the ensuing year. (Majority vote required)

**ARTICLE 20:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$90,000** for **Road Improvements** for the ensuing year. (Majority vote required)

**ARTICLE 21:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$145,449** to defray the cost of maintaining the **Transfer Station** for the ensuing year. (Majority vote required)

**ARTICLE 22:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$1,320** to defray the cost of the **Pemi-Baker Solid Waste District** (\$1,220) and the annual **Plymouth Water and Sewer District Permit Fee** (\$100) for the ensuing year. (Majority vote required)

**ARTICLE 23:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$3,200** to continue with Phase II of the Landfill Closure process as required by the State of New Hampshire. (Majority vote required)

**ARTICLE 24:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$36,397** for the purposes of **Animal Control, Health and Welfare** for the ensuing year. (Majority vote required)

Animal Control	2,050
Health Officer Stipend, etc.	946
Health Administration	500
Mount Mooselauke Health Center	1,500
Pemi-Baker Community Health	4,500
Voices Against Violence	1,000
Bridge House	2,000
Genesis	300
CASA	400
CADY	600
Transport Central	100
Direct Assistance	11,000
Welfare Administrator Stipend, etc	4,306
Grafton County Seniors	3,300
Tri-County CAP	<u>3,895</u>
<b>Total Animal Control, Health &amp; Welfare</b>	<b>\$ 36,397</b>

**ARTICLE 25:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$9,306** for the purposes of **Culture, Recreation and Conservation** for the ensuing year. (Majority vote required)

Common-Mowing & Maintenance	1,600
Baker Athletic Field	1,200
Jim Darling Natural Area	600
Patriotic Purposes	400
Conservation Commission	1,206
Baker River Watershed Dues	300
Conservation Trust	3,500
Stinson Lake Port-a-toilet	<u>500</u>
<b>Total Culture, Recreation &amp; Conservation</b>	<b>\$9,306</b>

**ARTICLE 26:** 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; \$3,241 will come from the 2015 end-of-year fund balance, with the remaining \$1,259 to be raised by taxes. The Selectmen recommend this special article. (Majority vote required)

**ARTICLE 27:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$39,680** to defray the cost of operating the **Byron G. Merrill Library** for the ensuing year. (Majority vote required)

**ARTICLE 28:** To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$48,024** for payment on the Byron G. Merrill Library Improvement bond. This article does not include appropriations contained in special or individual articles addressed separately. (Majority vote required)

**ARTICLE 29:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$1,500** for the purpose of purchasing security equipment for the Town Office Building and to authorize the withdrawal of \$1,500 from the Town Facilities' Fund (established in 1987). The Selectmen recommend this special article. (Majority vote required)

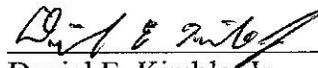
**ARTICLE 30:** To see if the town will vote to adopt RSA 41:14-a, to allow the selectmen to acquire or sell land, buildings or both; provided, however, they shall first submit any such proposed acquisition or sale to the planning board and to the conservation commission for review and recommendation by those bodies. This article will remain in effect until rescinded by majority vote. (Majority vote required)

**ARTICLE 31:** 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 15th day of February, 2016.

Rumney Board of Selectmen

  
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Edward L. Haskell, Jr. Chairman

  
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Daniel E. Kimble, Jr.

  
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Mark H. Andrew