

**Town of Newington
State of New Hampshire**

TOWN WARRANT

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Newington in the County of Rockingham and said State Qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Newington Town Hall on Tuesday, March 8, 2005 to act on Articles 1 and 3. The Polls will open at 11:00 a.m. and close at 7:00 p.m.

The Business portion of the Meeting to act on Articles 4 through 24 will resume on Saturday, March 12, 2005 at 1:30 p.m.

ARTICLE 1. To choose in the manner provided by law; one (1) **Selectman** for 3 years; one (1) **Treasurer** for 1 year; one (1) **Board of Fire Engineers** member for 3 years; one (1) **Police Commissioner** for 3 years; one (1) **Library Trustee** for 3 years; one (1) **Cemetery Committee** member for 3 years; one (1) **Sewer Commissioner** for 3 years; three (3) **Budget Committee** members for three years; two (2) **Planning Board** members for 3 years; one (1) **Trustee of Trust Funds** for 3 years; one (1) **Trustee of Trust Funds** for 2 years; one (1) **Trustee of Trust Funds** for 1 year; one (1) **Supervisor of the Checklist** for 1 year.

ARTICLE 2. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Article V Section 2 of the Newington Zoning Ordinance, as proposed by the Planning Board, by listing “hotels of 3 stories or higher” and “conference centers” as permitted uses in the Office Zone rather than as accessory uses.

Yes: 145 No: 101

ARTICLE 3. To see if the Town will adopt the eighteen Prime Wetlands nominated by the Newington Conservation Commission. The eighteen wetlands are depicted on an assessors’ map in the lobby of the Town Hall, and are located on the following parcels:

<u>Owner</u>	<u>Map & Lot</u>	<u>Owner</u>	<u>Map & Lot</u>
Ben Blevins	04-03	Mark Phillips	51-23
Gary Kiedaisch	04-02	Blake Staude	51-24
Jeff Colnes	04-07	Larry Upson	51-02
Alan Thompson	10-06	Timothy Field	51-01
Ken Pickering	05-01	Alfred Smith	51-02-A
Randal Watson	06-01	Wayne Wood	52-07
Russel Bernard	07-02	Patricia Mitchell	51-16
Lyoudmila Dimitrova	10-21	Cynthia Dugas	52-05
Richard Spinney	10-18	Michael Berounsky	53-09-A
Edward Saba	10-14	Nancy Anderson	53-15
Douglas Reed	10-02	B & M Railroad	08-02-A
Gene Minicucci	10-04	Barbara Baird	53-05
James St. Armand	10-06-A	James Carroll	54-07
Matthew Morton	10-07	Joseph Graciano	53-14

Robert Young	12-04, 12-06	Paul Clark	54-06
Keith Frizzell	12-12	Paul Harvey	53-02
Public Service of NH	28-04, 13-5, 6 & 7	Barbara Hehir	54-04
David & Margaret Hislop	16-08	James Savageau	54-03
Lulu Pickering & Wil Gilbert	23-06	Alexander Jack & Elaine D'orto-Jack	54-05
John Ripley	17-15	N.H. Fish & Game	06-02
Jeff Boynton	17-15-A	Pamela Ziadeh	55-02
Tyco Integrated Cable Systems	27-01, 21-02	Pease Development Authority	
Gurubhai Khalsa	23-08	Walter Bell, Jr.	10-03
Lynda Bullock Trustee	51-04	Dorothy Watson	06-01
John Lamson	10-22, 10-20	Ann Lamson	10-20-A
Mike Mazeau	12-08	John Frink	17-08
Christine Beals	52-06	Leonard Thomas	53-08
U.S. Fish & Wildlife	50-01-A	Barbara Scarponi	10-01
Sandy & Jane Hislop	16-08-A	Edna Mosher	12-10
Nature Conservancy	53-06-02	Westinghouse	20-07-A

Yes: 143 No: 106

ARTICLE 4. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate up to the sum of Eight Hundred, Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$850,000) for the restoration and renovation of the Old Stone School, of such sum to be raised through the issuance of Bonds and/or Notes under and in compliance with the Municipal Finance Act, RSA 33:1et seq., and to accept federal, state, or other aid, if any, made available therefore, and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to issue, negotiate, and regulate such Bonds and/or Notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon, and the maturity and other terms thereof, and pass any vote relating thereto. (2/3 Vote Required)

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Yes: 70 No: 48

This article did not pass because the bond required a two-thirds majority.

ARTICLE 5. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate up to the sum of Eight Hundred, Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$850,000) for the restoration and renovation of the Old Town Hall, of such sum to be raised through the issuance of Bonds and/or Notes under and in compliance with the Municipal Finance Act, RSA 33:1et seq., and to accept federal, state, or other aid, if any, made available therefore, and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to issue, negotiate, and regulate such Bonds and/or Notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon, and the maturity and other terms thereof, and pass any vote relating thereto. (2/3 Vote Required)

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Yes: 82 No: 36

ARTICLE 6. Shall the Town of Newington adopt the provisions of RSA 72:1-c which authorizes any town or city to elect not to assess, levy and collect a resident tax?

Adopted by Voice Vote

ARTICLE 7. Shall the Town of Newington modify the elderly exemptions from property tax in the Town of Newington, based on assessed value, for qualified taxpayers, to be as follows: for a person 65 years of age up to 75 years, \$200,000; for a person 75 years of age up to 80 years, \$300,000; for a person 80 years of age or older, exempt. To qualify, the person must have been a New Hampshire resident for at least 5 years, own the real estate individually or jointly, or if the real estate is owned by such person's spouse, they must have been married for at least 5 years. In addition, the taxpayer must have a net income of not more than \$40,000 or, if married, a combined net income of less than \$60,000; and own net assets not in excess of \$500,000 excluding the value of the person's residence.

Article was amended to grant residents aged 80+ years an exemption of \$300,000.

The article was then adopted by a voice vote

ARTICLE 8. Shall the Town appropriate \$64,665 to fund First Responder's Safety and Response Enhancement? The Federal Emergency Management Agency will contribute \$64,665 from a 2004 Homeland Competitive Grant Award. This appropriation is in addition to the operating budget. (Majority vote required.)

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Adopted by Voice Vote

ARTICLE 9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000) to be placed in the existing Conservation Fund established in accordance with RSA 36-A:5 to be used for expenses associated with the purchase of conservation land and open space, easements, wetlands, and other land management acquisitions.

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Adopted by Voice Vote

ARTICLE 10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000) to be placed in the existing Capital Reserve Fund for the purpose of major Municipal Building Emergency Repairs.

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Adopted by Voice Vote

ARTICLE 11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000) to be placed in the existing Capital Reserve Fund for the replacement and/or repair of vehicles operated by the Fire Department.

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Adopted by Voice Vote

ARTICLE 12. To see if the Town of Newington will vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of replacement and/or major repairs of vehicles and equipment operated by the Highway Department and to raise and appropriate the amount of Forty Thousand Dollars (\$40,000) to be placed in this fund and to appoint the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend from this fund.

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Adopted by Voice Vote

ARTICLE 13. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000) to be placed in the existing Capital Reserve Fund for the Fox Point Pavilion.

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Adopted by Voice Vote

ARTICLE 14. To see if the Town of Newington will vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of maintenance, repair and improvements of Town Recreational Facilities and Equipment and to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000) to be placed in this fund and to appoint the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend from this fund.

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Adopted by Voice Vote

ARTICLE 15. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000) to be placed in the existing Capital Reserve Fund for the purpose of payments of Severance to Town Employees in accordance with the Town's Personnel Policy.

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Adopted by Voice Vote

ARTICLE 16. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000) to be placed in the existing Capital Reserve Fund for the replacement of the Town Ambulance and any major medical equipment.

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Adopted by Voice Vote

ARTICLE 17. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000) to be placed in the existing Capital Reserve Fund for Fire Department Communications.

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Adopted by Voice Vote

ARTICLE 18. To see if the Town of Newington will vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of funding capital improvements to the Town Cemeteries and to raise and appropriate the amount of Four Thousand Dollars (\$4,000) to be placed in this fund and to appoint the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend from this fund.

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Adopted by Voice Vote

ARTICLE 19. Shall the Town of Newington vote to raise and appropriate Seventy Five Thousand Dollars (\$75,000) for the purpose of removal and replacement of the Town's tennis courts and fencing located on Fox Point Road. This appropriation is in addition to the operating budget. (Majority vote required.)

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Adopted by Voice Vote

ARTICLE 20. To see if the Town will vote to add one additional permanent full time police officer and to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate Forty Five Thousand, Seven Hundred Sixty One Dollars (\$45,761) to fund the position for the last nine months of the calendar year 2005. This article will re-establish an existing full time position that has not been filled in the last ten to fifteen years. This appropriation is in addition to the operating budget. (Majority vote required.)

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Adopted by Voice Vote

ARTICLE 21. Shall the Town of Newington vote to raise and appropriate Forty Four Thousand Dollars (\$44,000) for the purpose of purchasing and installing new playground equipment to replace the existing playground equipment behind the elementary school. This appropriation is in addition to the operating budget. (Majority vote required.)

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Adopted by Voice Vote

ARTICLE 22. Shall the Town of Newington vote to raise and appropriate Twenty Seven Thousand Dollars (\$27,000) for the purpose of replacing the town boat ramp at Fox Point. This appropriation is in addition to the operating budget. (Majority vote required.)

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Article was not approved

ARTICLE 23. To see what sum the municipality will vote to raise and appropriate for the operating budget. The Budget Committee recommends \$4,173,145.; the Board of Selectmen recommends \$4,208,612. This article does not include appropriations voted in other warrant articles.

Article was amended to reduce the part-time police line item by \$11,325. A second amendment increased the budget for road salt & sand by \$5,000. The amended article was then passed by a voice vote.

ARTICLE 24. To hear the report of the Moderator on the election of officers.

Given under our hands and seal this 15th day of February 2005.

We certify and attest that on the 15th day of February 2005, we posted a true and attested copy of the within Warrant at the place of Meeting, and like copies at the South Newington Bulletin Board and the Meeting House, and delivered the original to the Town Clerk.

Town of Newington Board of Selectmen

Janice Stuart, Chairman

Cosmas Iocovozzi

John O'Reilly

A True copy of Warrant: Attest

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