THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

TOWN OF ALLENSTOWN

WARRANT FOR THE YEAR 2018

TO THE INHABITANTS OF THE TOWN OF ALLENSTOWN, IN THE COUNTY OF MERRIMACK, STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE, QUALIFIED TO VOTE IN TOWN AFFAIRS:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Armand Dupont School, 10.5 School St., Allenstown, N.H. on Saturday, February 3, 2018 at 9:00 a.m. (or, in the event of inclement weather, on Wednesday, February 7, 2018 at 6 p.m.) for the purpose of transacting all business other than voting by official ballot and thereafter to meet on Tuesday, March 13, 2018 between 8:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. at the St. John the Baptist Parish Hall, located at 10 School Street in Allenstown N.H., to elect officers, vote on zoning articles and to vote on all warrant articles from the first session by official ballot.

ARTICLE 1

To choose all necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year as follows:

| Town Treasurer | 1 for 1 year |
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| Selectman | 1 for 3 years |
| Sewer Commissioner | 1 for 3 years |
| Trustee of Trust funds | 1 for 3 years |
| Trustee of Cemeteries | 1 for 3 years |
| Budget Committee | 4 for 3 years |
| Library Trustee | 1 for 3 years |
| Supervisor of the Checklist | 1 for 6 years |
| Moderator | 1 for 2 years |

ARTICLE 2

Zoning Ordinance Amendment - Not adopted

This warrant article was not adopted the Planning Board.

ARTICLE 3 Town Operating Budget

Shall the Town of Allenstown 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 \$4,003,181. Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be \$3,962,560, which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Town of Allenstown 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. Estimated tax impact is approximately \$0.24 cents per thousand dollars of assessed value. (Majority vote required)

NOTE: This warrant article (operating budget) does not include appropriations in ANY other warrant article.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen Recommended by the Budget Committee

ARTICLE 4 Sewer Operating Budget

(THIS ARTICLE DOES NOT IMPACT THE TAX RATE) Shall the Town of Allenstown raise and appropriate as an operating budget for the Allenstown Sewer Commission, 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 \$2,246,561. Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be \$2,264,043, which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Town of Allenstown 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. (Majority vote required)

NOTE: This warrant article (operating budget) does not include appropriations in ANY other warrant article.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen Recommended by the Budget Committee

ARTICLE 5

Fire Safety Equipment Capital Reserve Fund

(THIS ARTICLE DOES NOT IMPACT THE TAX RATE) To see if the Town of Allenstown will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000 to be added to the Fire Safety Equipment Capital Reserve Fund previously established. This sum to come from the unassigned fund balance. (Majority vote required)

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen Recommended by the Budget Committee

ARTICLE 6

Library Capital Reserve Fund

(THIS ARTICLE DOES NOT IMPACT THE TAX RATE) To see if the Town of Allenstown will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$6,817 to be added to the Library Capital Reserve Fund previously established. This sum to come from the unassigned fund balance. (Majority Vote Required)

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen Recommended by the Budget Committee

ARTICLE 7

Public Safety Facilities Capital Reserve Fund

(THIS ARTICLE DOES NOT IMPACT THE TAX RATE) To see if the Town of Allenstown will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$50,000 to be added to the Public Safety Facilities Capital Reserve Fund previously established. This sum to come from unassigned fund balance. (Majority vote required)

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen Recommended by the Budget Committee

ARTICLE 8

Streetlight Capital Reserve Fund

(THIS ARTICLE DOES NOT IMPACT THE TAX RATE) (Majority vote required) To see if the Town of Allenstown will vote to establish a Streetlight Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for replacement and repairs of the existing streetlights and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$6,500 to be placed in this fund. This sum to come from the unassigned fund balance. Further, to name the Board of Selectmen as agents to carry out the objects for which this fund was established and expend from such fund. (Majority Vote Required)

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen Recommended by the Budget Committee

ARTICLE 9 Landfill Capital Reserve Fund

(THIS ARTICLE DOES NOT IMPACT THE TAX RATE) To see if the Town of Allenstown will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$6,750 to be added to the Landfill Capital Reserve Fund previously established. This sum to come from unreserved fund balance. (Majority vote required)

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen Recommended by the Budget Committee

ARTICLE 10 Recycling Capital Reserve Fund-Discontinuance

To see if the Town of Allenstown will vote to discontinue the Recycling Capital Reserve Fund with said funds plus accumulated interest to be transferred to the Town's General Fund. (Majority vote required)

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen

ARTICLE 11 Highway Equipment Capital Reserve Fund

(THIS ARTICLE DOES NOT IMPACT THE TAX RATE) To see if the Town of Allenstown will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$21,500 to be placed in the Highway Equipment Capital Reserve Fund previously established. This sum to come from the unassigned fund balance (this represents the funds from the dissolution of the Recycling Capital Reserve Fund. This article is contingent on the passage of Article 10. (Majority vote required)

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen Recommended by the Budget Committee

ARTICLE 12 Recycling Revolving Fund-Discontinuance

To see if the Town of Allenstown will vote to discontinue the Recycling Revolving Fund with said funds plus accumulated interest to be transferred to the Town's General Fund. (Majority vote required)

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen

ARTICLE 13 Highway Equipment Capital Reserve Fund

(THIS ARTICLE DOES NOT IMPACT THE TAX RATE) To see if the Town of Allenstown will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$22,000 to be placed in the Highway Equipment Capital Reserve Fund previously established. This sum to come from the unassigned fund balance (this represents the funds from the dissolution of the Recycling Revolving Fund). This article is contingent on the passage of Article 12. (Majority vote required)

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen Recommended by the Budget Committee

ARTICLE 14 Economic Development Tax Exemptions

Shall the Town of Allenstown will vote to adopt the provisions of RSA 72:81 and enable the town to grant tax exemptions for new construction performed on commercial or industrial uses. The intent of the exemption authority is to provide incentives to businesses to build, rebuild, modernize, or enlarge within the municipality. The exemption shall apply only for municipal and local school property taxes assessed by the municipality. The exemption will not apply to the entirety of the property value, but only to any increase in assessment which results from the new construction. The period of time for which the property is eligible for exemption is ten years.

The percentage of authorized exemption is as follows:

Year 1 and Year 2, 50% of the increased assessment value as described above;

Year 3 and Year 4, 40% of the increased assessment value as described above;

Year 5 and Year 6, 30% of the increased assessment value as described above;

Year 7 and Year 8, 20% of the increased assessment value as described above;

Year 9 and Year 10, 10% of the increased assessment value as described above.

For purposes of this exemption, the term "new construction" shall mean new structures, or additions, renovations, or improvements to existing structures.

For purposes of this exemption, the term "commercial" shall include retail, wholesale, service and similar uses and the term "industrial" shall mean manufacturing and heavy manufacturing, consumable manufactured goods, lumberyard, timber activities, recycling facility (household wastes), veterinary and large veterinary hospital, and warehouse, all as defined in the Allenstown Zoning Ordinance, as it may be amended from time to time. If adopted, this Warrant Article will become effective April 1, 2018 and will remain in effect for five (5) years.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen

GIVEN UNDER OUR HANDS AND SEALS, on this 25th day of January in the Year 2018.

TOWN OF ALLENSTOWN SELECT BOARD

JASON TARDIFF, Chairman

DAVID EATON Selectmen

RYAN CARTER, Selectmen

ATTEST:

KATHLEEN PELISSIER, Town Clerk

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

WE HEREBY CERTIFY that on the 26th day of January in the Year 2018, we caused a true copy of the within Warrant to be posted at the Allenstown Town Hall located at 16 School Street, the Allenstown Police Department, located at 40 Allenstown Road, and the Town of Allenstown website www.allenstownnh.gov, Merrimack County, New Hampshire.

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