

Town of Plymouth Warrant Articles Plymouth Town Hall Plymouth, NH 03264 March 14, 2024

Article 9 – Petitioned Warrant Article – Increase in Veteran's Tax Cr

Shall the town vote to approve the increase of the Optional Veterans Tax Credits and the All-Veterans Tax Credit (per RSA 72:28 and 72:28-b) to allow for the increase of the Veterans Tax Credit, if approved, would increase from the current \$500 to \$750 annual tax credit on residential property to all honorably discharged Veterans that qualify under the current requirements, as of April 1, 2024.

The Selectboard recommend this warrant article. (Majority vote required) **Passed**

Article 10 - PETITIONED WARRANT ARTICLE - Ballot Count Method

Shall the following provisions pertaining to elections be adopted? All voting shall be by paper ballot and all ballots shall be hand counted only, rather than by use of optical scanning or any other types of programmable electronic counting devices. This shall constitute a return to hand counting ballots and the immediate discontinuance of all electronic voting machines and electronic devices authorized for use by trial in RSA 656:40. Shall this article be passed it shall be enacted by the town of Plymouth immediately.

The Selectboard do not recommend this warrant article. (Majority vote required) - Failed

Article 11 – General Governmental & Department Expenses

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 9,795,601 for FY 24/25 general governmental and departmental expenses, as follows:

Salaries, Fees and Expenses - Selectmen's Office \$296,593
Pemi Baker TV \$98,906
Election, Registration, Vital Statistics - Town Clerk's Office \$171,578
Financial Administration \$336,234
Reappraisal of Property \$77,000
Contract Services Legal & others \$192,539
Personnel Administration (Health, Dental & FSA Fees) \$1,085,286
Planning and Zoning \$173,717
Land Use Enforcement \$45,986
General Government Buildings \$79,000
Cemeteries \$79,333
Misc. Insurance (workers comp, liability & unemployment) \$243,510
Advertising & Regional Association \$7,308
Police Department \$1,625,145

Police Dispatch \$528,070

Ambulance \$1,360,178 Fire Department \$506,658 Emergency Management \$7,100 Street Lighting \$65,000 Recycling Department/Solid Waste \$597,426 Pemi Baker Solid District Dues \$5,000 Health Office \$10,000 NH Humane Society \$7,725 Welfare Officer \$16,075 Welfare Vendor Payments \$50,000 Recreation Programs \$395,413 Parks & Grounds \$256,885 Library \$469,991 Patriotic Purposes \$6,200 Other Culture & Recreation \$13,100 Conservation Commission \$7,000

Care of Trees \$10,000
Infrastructure Bond Payment #9 Approved 2016 \$207,882
Infrastructure Bond Payment #4 Approved 2020 \$280,625
Library Expansion Project Bond Payment #14 \$136,982
2023 South Main Street Construction Bond Payment #1 \$265,735
2023 Solar Array Bond Payment #1 \$80,421

The Selectboard recommend this warrant article. (Majority vote required)

Estimated tax impact for this warrant article - \$6.40/\$1,000 in property valuation

Proposed Amendment to reduce **General Governmental & Department Expenses** by 4% but it was turned down by majority - **Failed**

General Governmental & Department Expenses as is - Passed

Article 12 - Full Time Fire/EMS Personnel

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$118,743 for the purpose of funding one additional Fire/EMS employee. This cost includes pay and benefits for one position.

The Selectboard recommend this warrant article. (Majority vote required)

Estimated tax impact for this warrant article - \$0.15/\$1,000 in property valuation. **Passed**

Restrict Reconsideration Article 9-12 - Passed

Article 13 – Police Parking

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$79,525 for the purpose of funding the FY 24/25 Police Parking Department and to further authorize the withdrawal of \$30,000 from the

parking special revenue fund to offset this appropriation. The balance of \$49,525 will come from taxation.

The Selectboard recommend this warrant article. (Majority vote required)

Estimated tax impact for this warrant article - \$0.06/\$1,000 in property valuation. **Passed**

Article 14 - Police School Resource Officer

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$148,825 for the purpose of funding the FY 24/25 Police School Resource Officer. This appropriation to be offset by \$111,619 from the SAU #48 School System. The balance of \$37,206 to be raised through taxation.

The Selectboard recommend this warrant article. (Majority vote required)

Estimated tax impact for this warrant article - \$0.05/\$1,000 in property valuation - Passed

Article 15 – Highway Department

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,267,568 for Highway Department and authorize the withdrawal of \$25,000 from the Muni Transportation Enhancement Capital Reserve Account created for that purpose. The balance of \$1,242,568 is to come from general taxation.

The Selectboard recommend this warrant article. (Majority vote required)

Estimated tax impact for this warrant article is \$1.55/\$1,000 in valuation. - Passed

Article 16 - Plymouth Municipal Airport

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$13,933 for the purpose of funding the Plymouth Municipal Airport with said funds in the amount of \$7,000 to come from the Plymouth Municipal Airport Special Revenue Fund. The balance of \$6,933 to be raised through taxation.

The Selectboard recommend this warrant article. (Majority vote required)

Estimated tax impact for this article is \$0.01/\$1,000 in valuation. - **Passed**

Article 17 - Police Cruiser Purchase

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$65,000 for the purpose of purchasing and outfitting a police cruiser and to further authorize the withdrawal of \$32,500 from the police detail special revenue fund. The balance of \$32,500 to come from taxation for the purchase of this vehicle.

The Selectboard recommend this warrant article. (Majority vote required))

Estimated tax impact for this warrant article - \$0.04/\$1,000 in property valuation - **Passed**

Restrict Reconsideration Article 13-17 - Passed

Article 18 - Capital Projects

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$775,000 for the purpose of funding the following capital projects for FY 24/25:

Landfill Monitoring \$10,000 Improve Road Construction Projects \$225,000 South Main Street Project \$500,000 Highland Street Improvement Project \$40,000

The Selectboard recommend this warrant article. (Majority vote required)

Estimated net tax impact for this warrant article - \$0.97/\$1,000 in property valuation. - Passed

Article 19 – Fire Engine Lease

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$161,945 for the purpose of funding payment 2 of a 5-year lease payment for a fire engine as approved at the 2022 Town Meeting.

The Selectboard recommend this warrant article. (Majority vote required)

Estimated tax impact for this warrant article is \$0.20/\$1,000 in valuation. - Passed

Article 20 - Ambulance Lucas CPR Device

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$22,078 for the purpose of purchasing a Lucas CPR Device for the fire and ambulance departments.

The Selectboard recommend this warrant article. (Majority vote required)

Estimated tax impact for this warrant article is \$0.03/\$1,000 in valuation.

Proposed Amendment to increase to \$44,156 to purchase 2 Lucas CPR Devices- Passed

Article 20 including the proposed amendment - Passed

Article 21 – Highway Plow Truck Purchase

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$140,000 for the purpose of purchasing a new plow truck for the highway department.

The Selectboard recommend this warrant article. (Majority vote required)

Estimated tax impact for this warrant article is \$0.18/\$1,000 in valuation. - Passed

Article 22 – Building Needs Assessment – Fire & Police

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$35,000 for the purpose of allowing the Selectboard to conduct a building needs assessment for the Fire and Police Departments.

The Selectboard recommend this warrant article. (Majority vote required)

Estimated tax impact for this warrant article is \$0.04/\$1,000 in valuation. Passed

Restrict Reconsideration Article 18-22 - Passed

Article 23 – Police Taser Equipment Lease

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectboard to enter into a long-term lease/purchase agreement containing an escape clause, in the amount of \$56,185.00 payable over a term of 5 years for the purpose of purchasing 16 tasers, and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$11,237 for the first year's payment for that purpose.

The Selectboard recommend this warrant article. (Majority vote required)

Estimated tax impact for this warrant article is \$0.01/\$1,000 in valuation. - Passed

Article 24 – Police Body Cameras Lease

To see if the town will vote to authorize the Selectboard to enter into a long-term lease/purchase agreement with an escape clause for the amount of \$37,000 payable over a term of 3 years for Police Body Cameras and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,800 for the first year's payment for that purpose.

The Selectboard recommend this warrant article. (Majority vote required)

Estimated tax impact for this warrant article is \$0.00/\$1,000 in valuation. - Passed

Article 25 – Capital Reserve Deposits

To see if the Town will vote to add to the existing Capital Reserve Funds under the provision of RSA 35:1 for the following purpose and raise and appropriate the respective sum totaling \$42,500 to be placed in said funds.

Conservation Commission Capital Reserve \$5,000 Town Revaluation \$20,000 PBTV \$17,500

The Selectboard recommend this warrant article. (Majority vote required)

Estimated net tax impact for this warrant article - \$0.05/\$1,000 in property valuation. Passed

Article 26 – Non-Profit & Health Agencies

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$77,400 for the purpose of funding the following non-profit/health agencies for the 24/25 fiscal year:

Pemi Baker Home Health & Hospice \$20,000

Genesis-Lakes Region Mental Health Agency \$5,000
Transport Central \$2,000
Grafton County Senior Citizens \$17,000
Tri-County Community Action \$5,400
Voices Against Violence \$2,000
American Red Cross \$2,000
Pemi Youth Center \$8,000
CADY - Communities for Alcohol and Drug-Free Youth \$5,000
CASA - Court Appt Child Advocates \$1,000
Pemi Bridge House \$10,000

The Selectboard recommend this warrant article. (Majority vote required)

Estimated net tax impact for this warrant article - \$0.10/\$1,000 in property valuation. Passed

Restrict Reconsideration Article 22-26 - Passed