

**MINUTES OF THE 2020 ANNUAL MEETING
OF THE TOWN OF PLYMOUTH**

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

You are hereby notified to meet at the Plymouth Elementary School in said Plymouth on Tuesday, the 10th of March, next, polls to be open for voting on Article 1 at 8:00 o'clock in the forenoon, and to close not earlier than 7:00 o'clock in the afternoon, and you are hereby notified to meet at the Plymouth Elementary School in said Plymouth on Wednesday, the 11th of March, next, at 7:00 o'clock in the afternoon for the deliberative session of the Town Meeting at which time action will be taken upon the remaining articles of this warrant.

Article 1: To elect the following town officers which appear on the official town ballot for the ensuing year: (2) Selectmen-3year term, (1) Selectmen-2year term, (1) Supervisor of the Checklist-6year term, (1) Cemetery Trustee-3year term, (2) Library Trustees-3year term, (1) Trustee of Trust Fund-3year term, (1) Trustee of Trust Fund-2year term, (1) Town Clerk-2year term, (1) Town Treasurer-3year term

Selectman for 3 years.....	Maryann Barnsley...362
Selectman for 3 years.....	Zachary Tirrell.....241
Selectman for 2 years.....	Neil McIver.....386
Supervisor of the Checklist for 6 years.....	Mary Nelson.....476
Library Trustee for 3 years.....	Amev Bailey.....415
Library Trustee for 3 years.....	Quentin Blaine.....404
Trustee of Trust Fund for 3 years.....	Mike Currier.....475
Trustee of Trust Fund for 2 years.....	Mark Halloran.....455
Town Clerk for 2 years.....	Josie Girona.....346
Town Treasurer for 3 years.....	Carol Geraghty.....475
Cemetery Trustee for 3 years.....	

Article 2: Do you favor adoption of the town manager plan as provided in chapter 37 of the Revised Statutes Annotated?

YES 240 NO 168

Article 2 passes.

DELIBERATIVE SESSION

The second session of the legal meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of Plymouth, New Hampshire was held in the gymnasium of the Plymouth Elementary School on Friday, March 11th, 2020 at 7:00 o'clock in the afternoon.

Moderator Robert Clay opened the 257st Annual Meeting of the Town of Plymouth a 7:00pm. Moderator Clay led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

There were 131 registered voters in attendance.

Moderator Clay introduced Dr. Joseph Ebner to discuss the Coronavirus pandemic. Dr. Ebner shared that Speare Memorial Hospital is working with the New Hampshire Hospital Association, and the Department of Health and Human Services to monitor the spread of this virus. Hospitals are implementing a high-risk infectious disease protocol and have set-up incident command centers. Speare Memorial Hospital has a team that is working with state officials and is receiving guidance on the best approach to manage the hospital and effectively communicate with the community.

Speare Memorial Hospital is following the recommendations given by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the New Hampshire Hospital Association, and the Department of Health and Human Services. The hospital continues to work with Mid-State Health Center, Plymouth State University, and the Town of Plymouth. Dr. Ebner recommended that citizens see the hospital website for more information.

Selectmen, John Randlett and William Bolton presented awards to Bryan Dutille, Jenny Thibeault, and Mike Ahern for their service on the Board of Selectmen.

Article 3: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,500,000 (gross budget) for the capital improvements, public works projects and equipment purchases outlined in the materials presented by the Selectmen at the public hearing on the bond; and to authorize the issuance of not more than \$2,500,00 of bonds, notes or loans in accordance with the Municipal Finance Act (RSA 33); and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon; and to further raise and appropriate an additional sum of \$145,000 for the first year's payment on the bond or notes.

Mr. John Tucker referred to page 137 of this year's warrant and asked town administration to explain why the previous amount of dollars to be raised by taxes is not shown in the warrant. He also asked why they are asking the Town to raise over \$2,000,000.00 which will be a 44% increase to taxes.

Town Administrator, Ms. Kathryn Lowe explained the new spreadsheet provided by the Department of Revenue does not show the previous year's information. She directed attendees to page 31 of the warrant to compare the amount that department heads will receive with or without the bond. If this article does not pass, the tax rate would increase by \$3.07, whereas, approval of the bond will increase the tax rate by 67 cents. This amount does not include the following tax offsets: Irving Station, Common Man Roadside, and Market Basket.

Ms. Patrice Scott asked why her town officials to explain why they need to borrow money and how this affects the capital improvements plan.

Town Administrator, Ms. Kathryn Lowe explained the bond is necessary in order to provide town departments with funding to fix, purchase equipment and work on deteriorating infrastructure.

Ms. Patrice Scott understands that the capital improvements fund is low because the town has not been able to accrue a savings to work on major projects, such as the purchase of equipment. She appreciates the work done by department heads.

Ms. Bonnie Sears is in favor of this article because it will save taxpayers money.

Ms. Aimee Lee asked what the bond's interest rate will be.

Moderator Clay stated the town will not know the interest rate until the bond is applied.

Finance Director, Ms. Anne Abear explained the rates that have been proposed are 2.49 to 3.39 percent depending on the bank. Rates continue to drop.

Mr. David Kent opposes the article because he does not believe borrowing money is a good practice because it will affect the next generation of residents.

Mr. Todd Lane asked the Highway Manager to explain the projected road improvements that will be completed with this bond.

Highway Manager Mr. Joseph Fagnant explained that his department will use the bond to work on a small portion of the overall infrastructure that is failed, for instance, he plans to work on South Main Street.

Mr. Lane asked Mr. Fagnant to elaborate on the other roads the department intends to fix.

Mr. Fagnant further explained that the department does not have the funding to work on roads that are less frequented. They will use the bond to focus on roads that have more traffic, for example, Russell Street.

Ms. Valerie Scarborough shared her insight as a former Select Board member. Speaking from experience, she affirmed the town's need of infrastructure improvements and the replacement of equipment.

Mr. Samuel Sargent asked for the distribution of the bond to be explained.

Moderator Clay referred to the handout provided at the beginning of the meeting. It lists the projects that each department will use the bond for.

Ms. Bonnie Sears agreed with Mr. Kent's sentiments on borrowing money, but she is concerned about the effects of the tax rate increase and its impact on households.

Mr. John Tucker asked the Town Administrator if the figure to be raised in taxes is correct.

Town Administrator, Ms. Kathryn Lowe said the figure in the warrant article is correct, but the numbers are skewed because the Department of Revenue requires a separate warrant article with the offsets to be inserted.

Finance Director, Ms. Anne Abear directed attendees to “Column E” on page 21. If the bond is not passed, but the other warrant articles are passed, the budget will increase from \$4.9 million to \$6.8 million. If the bond is approved, the amount will increase from \$4.9 million to \$5.7 million.

Mr. Henry Ahern asked what the difference is between the bond and the separate articles.

Moderator Clay stated the difference is reflected in “Column E”.

Moderator Clay explained to the attendees that they must vote on this warrant article by secret ballot. The ballot color is yellow. He declared the ballot box empty and polls opened at 7:35pm.

YES 96 NO 34

Article 3 passed.

Article 4: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate \$481,000 to fund the purchase of the following capital items:

Fire Department – Ambulance purchase	\$250,000
Highway – Dump Truck purchase	\$100,000
Recycling – Skid Steer purchase	\$60,000
Parks & Recreation Fox Park drainage system	\$46,000
Police Department – Police Cruiser purchase	\$25,000

And to offset this appropriation by approving the withdrawal of \$300,004 from Capital Reserves and Special Detail fund indicated below:

Ambulance Capital Reserve Fund	\$140,000
Highway Heavy Equipment CRF	\$100,000
Recycling Equipment/Building-Repair/Replace CRF	\$25,000
Fox Pond Park CRF	\$10,004
Police Detail fund	\$25,000

And with the remaining \$180,996 to come from general taxation. This warrant article is contingent on the passage of warrant article 3. If warrant article 3 fails, this article will be null and void.

Motion to move and seconded.

No discussion.

Article 4 declared as passed by Moderator Clay by unanimous vote.

Article 5: Are you in favor of placing the position of Director of Emergency Services under the authority of the Chief of the Plymouth Fire Department?

Motion to move and seconded.

Ms. Bonnie Sears asked the Fire Chief, Mr. Tom Morrison to share his opinion on this warrant article.

Fire Chief, Mr. Tom Morrison is in favor of the current set-up because he believes it is important to have a different individual, who is not a part of the fire department, focus on the coordination of emergency management services.

Ms. Valerie Scarborough, based on her service on the Emergency Management Team, affirmed Chief Morrison's statement that the Fire Chief should focus on the emergency instead of the coordination services. She believes the Board of Selectmen should appoint an individual based on qualifications and experience.

Ms. Patrice Scott asked the petitioners to explain the purpose of this petition warrant article. She believes that the former Emergency Management Director, Mr. Paul Freitas, performed his duties well and takes offense to any personal remarks regarding this employee. She thanked Mr. Freitas for his service to the town.

Mr. Neil McIver stated that historically the Fire Department handles emergency services. The Office of Emergency Management told him that every emergency in the State of New Hampshire has been a natural related incident. The Fire Department handles fire, health, and weather-related emergencies. It makes sense to him that this team of professionals coordinate all emergency services. He feels that the Selectmen's Office can be very political, which can have adverse effects.

Mr. Brian Murphy explained that the Director of Emergency Management title focuses on the coordination of emergency services rather than the provision of services.

Mr. Samuel Sargent inquired whether the article's intent is to have this position placed under the Fire Department with the Chief has the immediate supervisor.

Mr. John Tucker asked the Fire Chief if he believes assuming this role would be a burden and if the position is separate from the Fire Department, then what will be the salary and benefits.

Fire Chief, Mr. Tom Morrison does not want to assume the responsibilities of this position

on top of his current responsibilities. According to the state records, over 100 towns in New Hampshire have emergency management under the direct supervision of the Fire Department. He does not have the time to apply for grants and coordinate emergency services.

Town Administrator, Ms. Kathryn Lowe explained that the individual will be paid \$25,000 for 16-25 hours per week. It will be a benefited position.

Mr. Michael Weaver noted that last year's budget was less than the current proposed budget, but it is twice the amount in the emergency management line in this year's warrant.

Selectmen, Mr. John Randlett explained that the budget line increased due to health benefits. He stated that the former Emergency Management Director received a lot of funding through grants.

Mr. Michael Weaver asked the Board of Selectmen to explain why a part-time employee is receiving full benefits.

Finance Director, Ms. Anne Abear explained that the former Emergency Management Director has since resigned and explained that the vote on this petitioned warrant article is only advisory.

Moderator Clay explained to the attendees must vote by secret ballot. The ballot color is blue. He declared the ballot box empty and polls opened at 7:56pm.

YES 45 NO 84

Article 5 failed.

Article 6: New Hampshire Resolution to Take Action on Climate Pollution – We the Town of Plymouth, NH, call upon our State and Federal elected representatives to enact carbon-pricing legislation to protect New Hampshire from the costs and environmental risks continued climate inaction. To protect households, we support a Carbon Fee and Dividend approach that charges fossil fuel producers for their carbon pollution and rebates the money collected to all residents on an equal basis. Enacting a Carbon Cash-Back program decreases long-term fossil-fuel dependence, aids in the economic transition for energy consumers and keeps local energy dollars in New Hampshire's economy. Carbon Cash-Back has been championed by US economists (Jan 17, 2019 WSJ) as the most effective and fair way to deliver rapid reductions in harmful carbon emissions at the scale required for our safety.

We expect our representatives to lead in this critical moment for the health and well-being of our citizens and for the protection of New Hampshire's natural resources upon which we all rely.

The record of the vote approving this article shall be transmitted by written notice to Plymouth's State Legislators, to the Governor of New Hampshire, to Plymouth's Congressional Delegation

and to the President of the United States, informing them of the instructions from their constituents, by Plymouth's Select Board within 30 days of this vote.

Motion to move and seconded.

Mr. Richard Hage explained that the proposed warrant article asks our state and local officials to take action on the climate. He shared that the Board of Selectmen passed a Climate Emergency Declaration last year. This passage has no cost to the town. Nine other towns have passed this warrant article and 38 other towns have it on their agendas this year. If this petitioned warrant article is passed, over a 10-year period, a third of carbon will be reduced. It will help the New Hampshire economy grow by creating new jobs and technology and will save 90,000 lives by decreasing pollution. All the proceeds go back into a dividend for citizens.

Mr. David Moorhead knows that we have a climate issue, but he does not believe in this tax because it will increase the taxes of oil and coal producers. Mr. Moorhead is concerned that the price of gasoline and heating oil will raise if this warrant article is approved. He asked that the dividend be further explained.

Mr. Richard Hage thanked Mr. Moorhead for the question and explained that border protection is built into this bill, which means that countries that are not taxed for their carbon use, will be taxed when the affects from pollution cross the border. He states that low income households will have a net-gain in revenue while corporations will be taxed for fossil fuel consumption. This movement will force companies to reinvest in green technologies and incentivize people, for instance, to use solar panels. We must transition from fossil fuel to renewable energy.

State Representative, Ms. Joyce Weston praised the local climate advocates for their commitment to this movement and effort to pass a bill that taxes carbon use. She helped establish a greenhouse gas emission reduction goal, which gives the Department of Environmental Services the authority to develop and implement a climate action plan. It was passed in the House and is being introduced to the Senate. Representative Weston is in favor of this warrant article because this plan has worked in other countries.

Ms. Janet Moorehead is concerned about giving money to people and the use of these funds.

Mr. Mike Ahern appreciates the work done by the committee that advocates for climate action. He is concerned about the environment and considers himself to be environmentally friendly, but Mr. Ahern is opposed to taxing carbon use. He suggests that enacting this plan will cause every business using fossil fuel to be taxed. He would like to serve on an energy committee to find other solutions, for instance, asking local companies that use fossil fuels to donate funds to the municipality. He sees the need to continue burning fossil fuel.

Mr. Samuel Sargent shared that he believes it is too late for government to reverse the

impact of climate change and is in favor of this article.

Former State Representative, Mr. Steve Rand works with a group of citizens, who form the Pemi Climate Emergency Coalition, to take action on climate issues. Mr. Rand shared that he believes that if every state enacted this plan, it would not be enough to reverse the effects of climate change. Citizens benefit from carbon use and will continue to be at risk as long as we demand it. He suggested that taxing fossil fuels will cause consumers and companies to make better decisions. This is an 8-year-old effort and has sixty-eight congressional sponsors of this bill, including Congresswoman Annie Kuster.

Ms. Bonnie Sears is concerned about the impact this warrant article will have on taxpayers, for example, she is concerned this tax will cause heating homes to be more expensive.

Mr. Henry Ahern claimed that the climate has always been changing. He suggested that the warrant article is tax and townspeople will be taxed when they heat their homes and put fuel into their vehicles. Mr. Ahern opposes the bill because he does not believe it will benefit citizens.

Ms. Barbara Spike stated that transporters and manufacturers are not held accountable for the fossil fuel they use and the carbon that is released. The fuel tax is an incentive to be more efficient. To use less fossil fuel will help find better solutions.

Mr. Doug McLane shared his experience from 45 years ago when his family moved to a nearby town and discovered raw sewage flowing into the river, which was normal during that time period. In the past 45 years, laws have been passed to change the treatment of sewage and stop sewage from contaminating the water system. It has since benefited people and the environment. He is in favor of this warrant article because it has a good intent and encourages attendees to vote for it.

Motion to move and seconded.

Moderator Clay explained to the attendees must vote by secret ballot. The ballot color is red. He declared the ballot box empty and polls opened at 8:38pm.

YES 96 NO 35

Article 6 passed.

Selectman Mr. John Randlett made a motion to restrict reconsideration on articles three through five.

Motion to move and seconded.

Motion declared as passed by Moderator Clay by unanimous vote.

Article 7: The application of toxic chemical pesticides/herbicides, including but not limited to Glyphosate 2.4D, Dicamba, Fluroxypyr, and Prodiamine, will be banned for all turf, landscape, and outdoor pest management on Plymouth's public property, common areas, and playing fields. Only pesticides approved for use under the USA's National Organic Program or classified as "minimum risk" by the USEPA will be allowed for use.

Exemptions include the use of these chemicals only for a public health emergency, as determined by the Plymouth Public Health Officer on a case-by-case basis. This usage is restricted to a one-time application to address a localized problem area (no broadcast or repeated applications). All such areas must be posted with warning signs that remain in place for one month after the application. In addition, concentrations of the applied chemicals on ground surfaces must be at 10% or less than acute toxicity levels within one week of application, and all abutters must be notified in writing one week prior to the application.

The ban will go into effect immediately.

Motion to move and seconded.

State Representative Joyce Weston, while on a walk one day, read a sign that was posted on the Plymouth Common which listed all of the chemicals that were used to treat the grass. After researching information about these chemicals, Ms. Weston learned that they pose many health risks, for instance: asthma, breast cancer, neurological disorders, etc. She attended a Select Board meeting, at which time, the Selectmen decided to halt the use of these toxic chemicals. Pesticides are toxic to humans and animals. Ms. Weston suggests that grass can be treated at a minimal cost, for example, the town use aeration or composting systems to do lawn maintenance.

Ms. Gisela Estes is in favor of this warrant article and has met with the Director of Park and Recreation, who also agreed that it would be beneficial for the town to stop using pesticides.

Mr. Henry Ahern inquired whether the the Department of Park and Recreation has a permit to apply pesticides.

Park and Recreation Director, Mr. Larry Gibson stated the town contracted a landscaping agency to apply pesticides.

Mr. Henry Ahern explains that the State of New Hampshire has a committee that issues pesticide application permits and controls the application of chemicals. Mr. Ahern suggests that organic treatments can be more toxic than pesticides. Japanese Knotweed and tick infestations will increase without the use of pesticides. Mr. Ahern does not support this warrant article.

No further discussion.

Motion to move and seconded.

Article 7 declared as passed by Moderator Clay by unanimous vote.

Article 8: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,812,297 for FY 20/21 general governmental expenses, as follows:

Salaries, Fees and Expenses – Selectmen’s Office	\$489,300
Election, Registration, Vital Statistics – Town Clerk’s Office	\$174,195
Financial Administration	\$334,889
Reappraisal of Property	\$ 75,000
Contract Services Legal & Others	\$204,205
Personnel Administration	\$ 1,000
Planning and Zoning	\$105,553
Land Use Enforcement	\$122,811
General Government Buildings	\$ 47,700
Misc. Insurance (workers comp liability & unemployment	\$190,635
Emergency Management	\$ 64,509
Care of Trees	\$ 2,000

Motion to move and seconded.

Ms. Bonnie Sears asked for the “Financial Administration” budget line to be explained.

Finance Director, Ms. Anne Abear explained that the funding associated with this line covers the salaries of the Finance Director, Bookkeeper, and Treasurer; employee benefits; and information technology services.

Ms. Bonnie Sears also asked for the “Salaries, Fees and Expenses” budget line to be explained.

Finance Director, Ms. Abear further explained that this line covers the salaries of the clerical staff, Moderator, and Town Manager.

Motion to move and seconded.

Article 8 declared as passed by Moderator Clay by unanimous vote.

Article 9: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$59,765 for the purpose of cemetery maintenance and perpetual care for FY 20/21 and to offset this appropriation by further authorizing the withdrawal \$59,765 from the cemetery perpetual care trust fund.

Motion to move and seconded.

Mr. Zach Tirrell inquired why the appropriated amount for cemetery maintenance has been increased by seventeen percent since last year.

Finance Director, Ms. Anne Abear explained that the funding will cover the cost of a new computer program.

Motion to move and seconded.

Article 9 declared as passed by Moderator Clay by unanimous vote.

Mr. Dave Moorhead made a motion to restrict reconsideration on articles six through nine.

Motion to move, seconded.

Motion declared as passed by Moderator Clay by unanimous vote.

Article 10: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$97,145 for FY 20/21 Welfare Assistance, as follows:

Welfare Officer	\$27,145
Welfare Vendor Payments	\$70,000

Motion to move and seconded.

No discussion.

Article 10 declared as passed by Moderator Clay by unanimous vote.

Article 11: To see if the Town will vote to approve the cost items included in the collective bargaining agreement reached between the Board of Selectmen and AFSME, Council 93, which calls for the following estimated increases in salaries and benefits at the current staffing level (for police and fire employees)

FISCAL YEAR.	ESTIMATED INCREASE	TOTAL
20/21	Police \$28,153.00 Fire \$12,287.00	\$40,440.00

And further to raise and appropriate the amount of \$40,440.00 for the 2020/2021 fiscal year, such sum representing the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits required by the new agreement over that of the appropriation at the current staffing levels paid in the prior fiscal year.

Motion to move and seconded.

Mr. John Tucker inquired what percentage do the Selectmen use to figure employee raises.

Selectman Mr. Bill Bolton explained that employee salaries are increased by three percent yearly. This was a collective bargaining issue and the Selectmen worked with the employee union to come up with the three percent annual increase.

Motion to move and seconded.

Article 11 declared passed by Moderator Clay by unanimous vote.

Article 12: Shall the Town of Plymouth, if article 11 is defeated, authorize the governing body to call a special meeting, as its option, to address article cost items only?

Motion to move and seconded.

No discussion.

Article 12 declared passed by Moderator Clay by unanimous vote.

Article 13: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,107,202 for FY 20/21 public safety-police and dispatch as follows:

Motion to move and seconded.

No discussion.

Article 13 declared passed by Moderator Clay by unanimous vote.

Article 14: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$178,114 for the purpose of funding the FY 20/21 Parking Department and to offset this appropriation by further authorizing the withdrawal of \$67,000 from parking special revenue fund.

Motion to move and seconded.

No discussion.

Article 14 declared passed by Moderator Clay by unanimous vote.

Article 15: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,475,166 for FY 20/21 public safety – fire and ambulance, as follows:

Motion to move and seconded.

Ms. Aimee Lee inquired whether the amount of \$123,120.00 covers the purchasing of a new ambulance as described in the bond.

Moderator Clay explained this amount is to cover the general expenses of the Fire Department and not the new ambulance.

Mr. John Tucker inquired how much funding the town receives from Plymouth State University (PSU) for code enforcement and emergency services.

Town Administrator, Ms. Kathryn Lowe explained the town receives half a million from PSU for life-safety services.

Motion to move and seconded.

Article 15 declared passed by Moderator Clay by unanimous vote.

Article 16: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$113,021 for the purpose of funding the FY 20/21 Resource Officer to be offset by \$86,881 from the SAU 48 School System. The remainder to be raised through taxation.

Motion to move and seconded.

No discussion.

Article 16 declared passed by Moderator Clay by unanimous vote.

Article 17: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$60,000 for the purpose of Highway Road Construction and further to offset this appropriation by authorizing the withdrawal of \$40,000 (to offset 4312-931-00 Road Construction) from the Motor Vehicle Capital Reserve Fund established for this purpose.

Motion to move and seconded.

No discussion.

Article 17 declared passed by Moderator Clay by unanimous vote.

Mr. Dave Moorhead made a motion to restrict reconsideration of articles ten through seventeen.

Motion to move and seconded.

Motion declared as passed by Moderator Clay by unanimous vote.

Article 18: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,057,216 for FY 20/21 for the Highway Department, as follows:

Highway Department	\$997,216
Street Lighting	\$ 60,000

Motion to move and seconded.

No discussion.

Article 18 declared passed by Moderator Clay by unanimous vote.

Article 19: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$20,000 for FY 20/21 for the purpose of sidewalk repairs

Sidewalk Repairs	\$20,000
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And to offset this appropriation by authorizing the withdrawal of \$15,000 from the Sidewalk Capital Reserve Fund created for this purpose.

Motion to move and seconded.

Ms. Aimee Lee asked the Highway Department to explain which sidewalks will be repaired.

Highway Manager, Mr. Joe Fagnant explained that his department will focus on Broadway Street. If there is more funding after working on Broadway Street, Mr. Fagnant hopes to repair other sidewalks.

Motion to move and seconded.

Article 19 declared passed by Moderator Clay by unanimous vote.

Article 20: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$485,298 for FY 20/21 for sanitation, as follows:

Recycling/Solid Waste Disposal	\$481,567
Pemi-Baker Solid Waste District Dues	\$ 4,031

Motion to move and seconded.

No discussion.

Article 20 declared passed by Moderator Clay by unanimous vote.

Article 21: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,275,670 for FY 20/21 for departmental operations, as follows:

Parks and Recreation	\$766,601
Library	\$474,775
Patriotic Purposes	\$ 4,700
Band Concerts	\$ 8,000
Town Common/Traffic Islands	\$ 4,000
Friends of the Arts	\$ 100
Health Enforcement	\$ 10,000
Airport	\$ 7,494

Motion to move and seconded.

No discussion.

Article 21 declared passed by Moderator Clay by unanimous vote.

Article 22: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,020 for Plymouth Conservation Commission for the FY 20/21.

Motion to move and seconded.

No discussion.

Article 22 declared passed by Moderator Clay by unanimous vote.

Article 23: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000 for the purpose of Plymouth Conservation Commission Capital Projects.

Motion to move and seconded.

No further discussion.

Article 23 declared passed by Moderator Clay by unanimous vote.

Mr. Quentin Blaine made a motion to restrict reconsideration of articles eighteen through twenty-three.

Motion to move and seconded.

Motion declared as passed by Moderator Clay by unanimous vote.

Article 24: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$8,400 for the purpose of Landfill Closure Monitoring.

Motion to move and seconded.

No discussion.

Article 24 declared passed by Moderator Clay by unanimous vote.

Article 25: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$619,500 to fund the following Capital item:

Improve Road Construction	\$605,500
Crushed Gravel	\$ 14,500

Motion to move and seconded.

No discussion.

Article 25 declared passed by Moderator Clay by unanimous vote.

Article 26: To see if the Municipality will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$37,192 for payment #2 of a 5-year lease/purchase agreement for a 2017 Prinoth SW4S Sidewalk Plow for the Highway Department. This lease agreement contains a non-appropriation clause.

Sidewalk Tractor	\$37,192
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Motion to move and seconded.

No discussion.

Article 26 declared passed by Moderator Clay by unanimous vote.

Article 27: To see if the Municipality will vote to authorize the selectmen to enter into a long-term lease/purchase agreement in the amount of One Hundred Ninety-Five Thousand Dollars (\$195,000) payable over a term of 5 (five) years for a new Bucket Loader for the Highway Department and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$39,000 to fund payment 1 of 5. This lease agreement contains a non-appropriation clause. (Majority vote required).

Bucket Loader	\$39,000
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Motion to move and seconded.

No discussion.

Article 27 declared passed by Moderator Clay by unanimous vote.

Article 28: To see if the Municipality will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$55,000 to fund the following capital item:

Woodchipper	\$55,000
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Motion to move and seconded.

No discussion.

Article 28 declared passed by Moderator Clay by unanimous vote.

Article 29: To see if the Municipality will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$100,000 to fund the following capital item:

Dump Truck with Plow Package	\$100,000
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And further to offset this appropriation by authorizing the withdrawal of \$100,000 from the Highway Heavy Equipment Capital Reserve Fund.

Motion to move and seconded.

No discussion.

Article 29 declared passed by Moderator Clay by unanimous vote.

Article 30: To see if the Municipality will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000 to fund the following capital item:

Thermal Imaging Camera	\$10,000
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Motion to move and seconded.

No discussion.

Article 30 declared passed by Moderator Clay by unanimous vote.

Article 31: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$20,000 to fund the following capital item:

Highway Equipment Repairs	\$20,000
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Motion to move and seconded.

No discussion.

Article 31 declared passed by Moderator Clay by unanimous vote.

Article 32: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,000 to fund the following capital item:

Airport Improvements	\$3,000
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Mr. Zach Tirrell inquired whether this appropriated sum is covered under the bond, which was voted for and passed by majority vote.

Airport Manager, Mr. Colin McIver said airport expenses are not covered by the bond. Mr. McIver is actively applying for grants to match the State's new airport improvement

program.

Moderator Clay clarified that the “Airport Improvements” budget line is covered under the bond.

No further discussion.

Motion to move and seconded.

Article 32 declared passed by Moderator Clay by unanimous vote.

Selectwoman Ms. Jenny Thibeault made a motion to restrict reconsideration of articles twenty-four through thirty-one.

Motion to move, seconded.

Motion declared as passed by Moderator Clay by unanimous vote.

Article 33: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$250,000 to fund the following capital item:

Ambulance Replacement	\$250,000
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And further to offset this appropriation by authorizing the withdrawal of \$140,000 from the Ambulance Capital Reserve Fund established for this purpose.

Motion to move and seconded.

No discussion.

Article 33 declared passed by Moderator Clay by unanimous vote.

Article 34: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$232,144 for payment #5 of the \$2M infrastructure bond approved in 2016.

Motion to move and seconded.

No discussion.

Article 34 declared passed by Moderator Clay by unanimous vote.

Article 35: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$136,971 for payment #10 of the Library expansion project bond.

Motion to move and seconded.

No discussion.

Article 35 declared passed by Moderator Clay by unanimous vote.

Article 36: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$95,702 for the below listed agencies:

Animal Control Agreement with Humane Society	\$ 6,500
Regional Planning Commission	\$ 5,315
Baker River Watershed	\$ 300
Pemi River Local Advisory Committees	\$ 300
Pemi-Baker Community Health Agency	\$15,000
Grafton County Senior Citizens	\$15,000
Tri-County Community Action Program	\$ 7,646
Voices Against Violence	\$ 4,000
Red Cross	\$ 3,141
Pemi Youth Center	\$ 8,000
Genesis-Lakes Region Mental Health	\$ 7,000
CADY	\$ 8,000
CASA-Court Appointed Child Advocates	\$ 1,000
Bridge House	\$13,000
Plymouth Historical Society	\$ 500
Transport Central	\$ 1,000

Motion to move and seconded.

No discussion.

Article 36 declared passed by Moderator Clay by unanimous vote.

Article 37: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the following Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the following purpose and to raise and appropriate the respective sum of \$5,000 to be placed in said fund designate the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend from this fund.

Library Bldg Maint/Repair/Repl CRF	\$5,000
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Motion to move and seconded.

No discussion.

Article 37 declared passed by Moderator Clay by unanimous vote.

Selectman Mr. John Randlett made a motion to restrict reconsideration of articles thirty-four through thirty-seven.

Motion to move and seconded.

Motion declared as passed by Moderator Clay by unanimous vote.

Article 38: To see if the Town will vote to establish the following Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 351 for the following purpose and to raise and appropriate the respective sum of \$100,000 to be placed in said fund and to further designate the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend from this fund:

Highland St/S. Main St. Reserve	\$100,000
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Motion to move and seconded.

No discussion.

Article 38 declared passed by Moderator Clay by unanimous vote.

Article 39: To see if the Town will vote to add to existing Capital Reserve Funds under the provision of RSA 35:1 for the following purposes and raise and appropriate the respective sums (totaling \$291,289) to be placed in said funds:

Recycling – Equipment/Grounds/Bldg Maint	\$ 20,000
Fire Tower Trust Replacement Cr	\$41,4666
Fire Engine 4 Replacement CR	\$ 10,384
Fire Engine 3 Replacement CR	\$ 39,239
Fox Pond Park Maint/Repair/Replace/Rebuild	\$ 5,000
Police – Dispatch Equipment Reserve	\$ 10,000
Conservation Commission CRF	\$ 5,000
Highway Heavy Equipment	\$ 60,000
Building Fire Maint/Repair/Repl	\$ 25,000
Building Police Maint/Repair/Repl	\$ 25,000
Highway Material Handling Equipment	\$ 50,000

Motion to move and seconded.

Ms. Marcia Schmidt-Blaine inquired how the town will make up the \$110,000.00 difference.

Finance Director, Ms. Anne Abear explained that passing the bond has offset some of the individual lines in this warrant article, which she read through.

Motion to move and seconded.

Article 39 declared passed by Moderator Clay by unanimous vote.

Motion to move and seconded.

No discussion.

Motion to adjourn.

Moved and seconded.

The meeting dissolved at 9:29PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jaseya Girona". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the printed name and title.

**Jaseya Girona
Town Clerk**

