# **TOWN OF LYME**



# WARRANT FOR MARCH 9, 2010 TOWN MEETING

### WARRANT FOR THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

GRAFTON, SS TOWN OF LYME

To the inhabitants of the Town of Lyme, New Hampshire, who are qualified to vote in Town affairs:

You are hereby notified that the annual Town Meeting of the Town of Lyme, New Hampshire, will be held at the Lyme Community Gymnasium in the Lyme School on Tuesday, March 9, 2010, at 7:00 AM, to act upon the following subjects:

(Polls will open for voting by ballot on Articles 1 & 2 on Tuesday, March 9, 2010, at 7:00 AM and will close at 7:00 PM, unless the Town votes to keep the polls open to a later hour. The business portion of the meeting will convene at 9:00 AM that same day, when all of the other Articles will be considered.

#### **ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

**ARTICLE 1.** To vote by non-partisan ballot for the following Town Officers:

**Budget Committee:** Three members for 3 years Cemetery Commission: One member for 3 years Three Trustees for 3 years Library Trustees: One Moderator for 2 years Town Moderator: Overseer of Public Welfare: One Overseer for 1 year Two members for 3 years Planning Board: One Road Agent for 1 year Road Agent: One Selectman for 3 years Selectman: One Sexton for 1 year Sexton: Supervisor of the Checklist: One Supervisor for 6 years Supervisor of the Checklist: One Supervisor for 2 years One Tax Collector for 3 years Tax Collector: Town Treasurer: One Treasurer for 3 years One Trustee for 1 year Trustee of the Trust Funds: One Trustee for 3 years

**ARTICLE 2.** Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment #1 as proposed by the petitioned warrant article for the Lyme Zoning Ordinance as follows:

# Redraw the lines of the Lyme Common District to include the Lyme Recreation Area on Post Pond.

"Amend Section 3.21 of the Zoning Ordinance to expand the Lyme Common District to incorporate Lyme town owned property and especially recreational fields. The Lyme Common District shall include both the historic district and also the property shown on the attached zoning map and described as follows: all parcels having frontage on Route 10 from the intersection of High Street and Route 10 to Pinnacle Road on the east and North Thetford Road on the west,

except the Lyme Common District shall not extend more than 1500 feet from the center of Route 10".

(Majority non-partisan official ballot required.) (The Planning Board does not recommend this article by a vote of 5-0)

#### PETITIONED WARRANT ARTICLE

**ARTICLE 3.** To see if the Town will vote to direct the Lyme Board of Selectmen to take any and all action necessary to return the exclusive custodial and management care of the Chaffee Wildlife Sanctuary back to the Lyme Board of Selectmen or a designee whose management plan will uphold Article 19 passed by Lyme in 2008 requiring that the water level of Post Pond be maintained at 2' on the water gauge at the boat landing.

This step is intended to facilitate the execution of Article 10 passed at Lyme Town Meeting in 2009 which authorized a conservation easement to permanently protect the Chaffee Wildlife Sanctuary. Said easement is intended to satisfy a wetlands mitigation requirement in the DES permitting process for the maintenance of Chase Beach and John Balch fields at the Town Recreation Facility, while at the same time still complying with Article 19 passed by Lyme in 2008 requiring that the water level of post Pond be maintained at 2' on the water gauge at the boat landing.

(proposed by the petitioned warrant article)

#### TOWN OPERATING BUDGET

**ARTICLE 4.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of two million nine thousand five hundred twenty dollars (\$2,009,520) which represents the operating budget as recommended by the Budget Committee.

Said sum does **not** include appropriations contained in any other warrant articles.

(Majority vote required.) (The Select Board recommended an operating budget of \$2,013,020 by a vote of 3-0) (The Budget Committee recommended an operating budget of \$2,009,520 by a vote of 8-0)

# APPOINT SELECT BOARD AS AGENTS TO EXPEND FROM THE TOWN BUILDINGS MAJOR MAINTENANCE & REPAIR CAPITAL RESERVE FUND (established in 2007) (special warrant article)

**ARTICLE 5.** To see if the Town will vote to appoint the Select Board as agents to expend monies from the Town Building Major Maintenance & Repair Capital Reserve Fund established in March 2007.

(Majority vote required.) (Recommended by the Select Board.)

Note: In an emergency the Select Board is not presently authorized as an agent to expend monies in the Town Building Major Maintenance & Repair Capital Reserve Fund should it become necessary to expend this money before the next town meeting.

#### TO CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS AND TRUST FUNDS

(special warrant article)

**ARTICLE 6.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate three hundred twenty one thousand two hundred fifty dollars (\$321,250) to be added to the following Capital Reserve and Expendable Trust Funds previously established for the purposes for which they were created.

### **Capital Reserve Funds:**

Bridge Capital Reserve Fund	\$1,000
Vehicle Capital Reserve Fund	\$175,000
Heavy Equipment Capital Reserve Fund	\$48,000
Property Reappraisal Capital Reserve Fund	\$5,000
Public Works & Safety Facility Capital Reserve Fund	\$5,000
Emergency Highway Repair Capital Reserve Fund	\$10,000
Computer System Upgrade Capital Reserve Fund	\$7,500
Town Buildings Major Maintenance and Repair Fund	\$20,000
Firefighting Safety Equipment Capital Reserve Fund	\$7,750
Recreation Facilities Capital Reserve Fund	\$11,000

## Capital Reserve Funds Subtotal: \$290,250

# **Expendable Trust Funds:**

Emergency Major Equipment Rebuilding Trust Fund	\$5,000
Town Poor Expendable Trust Fund	\$26,000
Expendable Trust Funds Subtotal:	\$31,000

### Capital Reserve Funds and Expendable Trust Funds Total: \$321,250

(These appropriations are <u>not</u> included in the total town operating budget warrant article as approved by the Budget Committee.)

(Majority vote required.) (Recommended by the Selectmen by a vote of 3-0) (Recommended by the Budget Committee by a vote of 8-0)

# WITHDRAWAL FROM CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS AND EXPENDABLE TRUST FUNDS

(individual warrant articles)

**ARTICLE 7.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate two hundred sixty eight thousand dollars (\$268,000) and to fund this appropriation by authorizing the withdrawal of such funds from the Capital Reserve and Trust Funds for the purposes for which they were created as submitted by the Budget Committee as follows:

### **Machinery, Vehicles & Equipment:**

Firefighter Equipment Trust Fund (Bessie M. Hall Trust) (Firefighting Protective Clothing & Major Equipment)	\$4,500
Firefighting Safety Equipment Capital Reserve Fund	
(Firefighter Protective Clothing)	\$4,000

Vehicle Capital Reserve Fund (Dump Truck, 1 Ton Truck & Police Vehicle) \$252,000

Computer Systems Upgrade Capital Reserve Fund

\$7,500

\$268,000

Machinery, Vehicles & Equipment:

(These appropriations are **not** included in the total town operating budget warrant article as approved by the Budget Committee.)

(Majority vote required.) (Recommended by the Selectmen by a vote of 3-0) (Recommended by the Budget Committee by a vote of 8-0)

# WITHDRAWAL FROM THE CEMETERY MAINTENANCE GIFTS AND DONATIONS FUND

(individual warrant article)

**ARTICLE 8.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of fifteen thousand six hundred thirty three dollars (\$15,633.00) for the completion of the cemetery cremation garden and to authorize funding this appropriation by the withdrawal of such sum from the Cemetery Maintenance Gifts and Donations Fund (established by the Select Board on January 5, 2000).

(These appropriations are **not** included in the total town operating budget warrant article as approved by the Budget Committee.)

(Majority vote required.) (Recommended by the Select Board by a vote of 3-0) (Recommended by the Budget Committee by a vote of 8-0)

Note: In 2006 Margaret Burdette Wise left \$30,000 to the Town of Lyme for cemetery use, the above amount is the balance left to spend.

# TRANSFER FUNDS FROM THE CEMETERY SPECIAL REVENUE FUND INTO THE NEW CEMETERY CAPITAL RESERVE FUND

(special warrant article)

**ARTICLE 9.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of three hundred fifty dollars **(\$350)** to be placed into the New Cemetery Capital Reserve Fund re-established in 2005 under the provisions of RSA 35:1, and to authorize funding this appropriation by the withdrawal of said sum from the Cemetery Special Revenue Fund established in 2005 under the provisions of RSA 31:95-c.

(These appropriations are **not** included in the total town operating budget warrant article as approved by the Budget Committee.)

(Majority vote required.) (Recommended by the Select Board by a vote of 3-0) (Recommended by the Budget Committee by a vote of 8-0)

### INDEPENDENCE DAY CELEBRATION SPECIAL REVENUE FUND

**ARTICLE 10.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of eight thousand four hundred dollars (\$8,400) to sponsor an Independence Day celebration, including but not limited to a parade, a picnic and fireworks and to fund this appropriation by authorizing withdrawal of that sum from the Independence Day Celebration Special Revenue Fund established for this purpose at the 2003 Town Meeting.

(Majority vote required.) (Recommended by the Select Board by a vote of 3-0) (Recommended by the Budget Committee by a vote of 8-0)

# APPROPRIATING MONIES TO PUT INTO BLISTERS FOR BOOKS EXPENDABLE TRUST FUND

### (special warrant article)

**ARTICLE 11.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of five thousand nine hundred eighty five dollars and twenty five cents (\$5,985.25) to put into the "Blisters for Books Expendable Trust Fund" established in 2007 for the purpose of purchasing children's books, audiotapes and other resources. Said funds to come from the 12/31/2009 unreserved fund balance, and represent monies taken into the general fund in 2009.

Note: This amount of money has already been raised from last year's Blisters For Books. The Library Trustees are appointed to expend from this fund.

(These appropriations are **<u>not</u>** included in the total town operating budget warrant as approved by the Budget Committee.)

(Majority vote required.) (Recommended by the Select Board by a vote of 3-0) (Recommended by the Budget Committee by a vote of 8-0)

### REPORTS OF AGENTS, AUDITORS & COMMITTEES

**ARTICLE 12.** To hear reports of Agents, Auditors, or Committees or other officers heretofore chosen, and to pass any vote relating thereto.

(Majority vote required.)

#### **OTHER BUSINESS**

**ARTICLE 13.** To transact any other business that may be legally brought before this Town Meeting.

Given under our hands and seal of the Town of Lyme this 4<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2010.

Town of Lyme

Select Board

Simon L. Carr, Chair

Charles R. Ragan

Richard G. Jones

# Recording of Warrant:

This Warrant and return of Warant has been duly recorded in the Office of the Town Clerk of Lyme, New Hampshire, this 5<sup>th</sup> day of February 2010.

Patricia G. Jenks, Town Clerk

# **NOTES**