

2021 TOWN MEETING WARRANT

To the inhabitants of the Town of Bartlett, New Hampshire in the County of Carroll in said State, qualified to vote in the Town affairs: You are hereby notified to meet in the Glen Fire Station, 90 US Rt. 302, in said Bartlett on Tuesday, May 11, 2021 at eight o'clock in the forenoon to act upon the following subjects hereinafter set forth. The voting on Article 1 will be by official ballot at the Glen Fire Station, 90 US Rt. 302, and the polls shall open for balloting at eight o'clock in the forenoon and shall not close before seven o'clock in the evening. The following articles (Articles 2-29) in the warrant will be acted upon on May 13, 2021 at six thirty o'clock in the evening at the Josiah Bartlett Elementary School, 1313 US. Rt. 302 in Bartlett Village.

ARTICLE 1. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year.

ARTICLE 2. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$700,000.00 for the purpose of purchasing a new Fire Truck for the Fire Department with \$385,000.00 to come from a grant and to authorize the issuance of not more than \$315,000.00 of bonds or notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA 33) and to authorize the Selectmen to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes for up to five years and to determine the rate of interest thereon, with any balance to be raised by taxation. If the Town is not awarded the grant, the Fire Truck will not be purchased and this article will be null and void with no amount from taxation. (3/5 majority vote by ballot required) Selectmen favor.

ARTICLE 3. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,499,860.00 for general municipal operations. This article does not include appropriations contained in special or individual articles addressed separately. Selectmen favor. (Majority vote required)

ARTICLE 4. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$425,000.00 for the purpose of town road improvements. Selectmen favor. (Majority vote required)

ARTICLE 5. To see if the town will vote to authorize the selectmen to enter into a five year lease agreement in the amount of \$145,000.00 for the purpose of leasing a loader for the highway department, and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$29,000.00 for the first year's payment for that purpose. This lease agreement contains an escape clause. Selectmen favor. (Majority vote required)

ARTICLE 6. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$36,000.00 for the purpose of purchasing for the Highway Department a roller (approximately \$29,000) and two plows (approximately \$7,000). Selectmen favor. (Majority vote required)

ARTICLE 7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$49,500.00 for the purpose of purchasing a Fire Command Vehicle plus accessory equipment. Selectmen favor. (Majority vote required)

ARTICLE 8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$29,000.00 for the purpose of purchasing firefighting equipment, more specifically air cylinders (approximately \$16,000), and hose washer, roller and rack (approximately \$13,000). Selectmen favor. (Majority vote required)

ARTICLE 9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$54,000.00 for the purpose of purchasing for the police department a police cruiser including the set up (lights, radio, radar, etc.). Selectmen favor. (Majority vote required)

ARTICLE 10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$19,155.00 for a defibrillator for the Bartlett Jackson Ambulance Service. This is a shared expense with the Town of Jackson (Bartlett 50%/Jackson 50%) with the total cost of the defibrillator being \$38,450.00. Selectmen favor. (Majority vote required)

ARTICLE 11. To see if the Town will authorize the Board of Selectmen to raise and appropriate the sum of \$11,426.00 for the fifth year's payment for the purpose of leasing a backhoe for the Transfer Station in a five year lease agreement for \$54,750.00 (Bartlett's 60% share) approved at the 2017 Town Meeting. This is a shared expense with the Town of Jackson (Bartlett 60%/Jackson 40%) with the total cost of the backhoe being \$91,250.00. This lease agreement contains an escape clause. Selectmen favor. (Majority vote required)

ARTICLE 12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$27,500 for the police department to replace guns including ammunition, tasers, two laptops for the cruisers, radar unit, and radio unit. This amount may be offset by a grant in the amount of \$7,000.00 if approved, however, the purchase will be made with or without the grant. Selectmen favor. (Majority vote required)

ARTICLE 13. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$16,000.00 for the purpose of testing at the former Garland Landfill. Selectmen favor. (Majority vote required)

ARTICLE 14. We, the below registered voters of the Town of Bartlett, NH in an effort to provide for more transparency and accessibility to participate in the Town's governance, do hereby submit this petition to see if the Town will vote to require the selectmen to conduct all public meetings on Zoom in an audio/video format so that all selectmen can be seen and heard. If approved by a simple majority, this policy must be instituted within 30 days from approval. Agreeable to a petition signed by William Ballou and others. Selectmen oppose.

ARTICLE 15. We the below registered voters of the Town of Bartlett, NH in an effort to provide for continuity of Selectmen's Meetings, do hereby submit this petition to see if the Town will vote to adopt the following agenda format for the selectmen's meetings, exclusive of Special Meetings. 1. Call to Order, 2. Approval of minutes of previous meeting, 3. Update on all outstanding issues from previous meetings, 4. New Business, 5. Public comments, 6. Adjournment. If approved by a simple majority, this agenda format must be followed for all future selectmen's meetings, exclusive of special meetings. Agreeable to a petition signed by William Ballou and others. Selectmen oppose.

ARTICLE 16. We, the below registered voters of the Town of Bartlett, NH in an effort to provide for more transparency and accessibility to participate in the Town's governance, do hereby submit this petition to see if the Town will vote to require the selectmen to post all of their public meetings in an audio/video format on the Town's website within 48 hours of the meeting. Said recording shall remain on the website until the next audio/video recording is required to be posted in accordance with this petition. If approved by a simple majority, this policy must be instituted within 30 days from approval. Agreeable to a petition signed by William Ballou and others. Selectmen oppose.

ARTICLE 17. We, the below registered voters of the Town of Bartlett, NH in an effort to provide for more transparency and accessibility to participate in the Town's governance, do hereby submit this petition to see if the Town will vote to require the Zoning Board of Adjustment to conduct all public meetings on Zoom in an audio/video format so that all members can be seen and heard. If approved by a simple majority, this policy must be instituted within 30 days from approval. Agreeable to a petition signed by William Ballou and others. Selectmen oppose.

ARTICLE 18. We, the below registered voters of the Town of Bartlett, NH in an effort to provide for more transparency and accessibility to participate in the Town's governance, do hereby submit this petition to see if the Town will vote to require the Planning Board to conduct all public meetings on Zoom in an audio/video format so that all members can be seen and heard. If approved by a simple majority, this policy must be instituted within 30 days from approval. Agreeable to a petition signed by William Ballou and others. Selectmen oppose.

ARTICLE 19. We, the below registered voters of the Town of Bartlett, NH in an effort to provide for more transparency and accessibility to participate in the Town's governance, do hereby submit this petition to see if the Town will vote to require the Conservation Commission to conduct all public meetings on Zoom in an audio/video format so that all members can be seen and heard. If approved by a simple majority, this policy must be instituted within 30 days from approval. Agreeable to a petition signed by William Ballou and others. Selectmen oppose.

ARTICLE 20. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000.00 for distribution at the Selectmen's discretion to a Public Education and Government TV Station for Valley Vision to provide Channel 3 to Bartlett. Selectmen favor. (Majority vote required)

ARTICLE 21. To raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,000.00 for the Conway Area Humane Society in Conway, NH for the purposes of continuing services for stray, abandoned or animals brought to the shelter. Selectmen placed this article on the warrant. Selectmen favor. (Majority vote required)

ARTICLE 22. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$6,000.00 to support Bartlett home delivered meals (Meals on Wheels), congregate meals, transportation, and program services provided by the Gibson Center for Senior Services, Inc. Agreeable to a petition signed by Paul Caplan and others. Selectmen favor. (Majority vote required)

ARTICLE 23. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,000.00 for the Family Resource Center of Children Unlimited, Inc. Selectmen placed this article on the warrant. Selectmen favor. (Majority vote required)

ARTICLE 24. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,315.00 in support of Starting Point providing advocacy and support to the victims of domestic and sexual violence and their children. Selectmen placed this article on the warrant. Selectmen favor. (Majority vote required)

ARTICLE 25. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,582.00 to assist The Mental Health Center. Selectmen placed this article on the warrant. Selectmen favor. (Majority vote required)

ARTICLE 26. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,000.00 for support of the Tri-County Community Action Program for the purpose of continuing services of the Fuel Assistance Program for the residents of Bartlett. Selectmen placed this article on the warrant. Selectmen favor. (Majority vote required)

ARTICLE 27. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,404.00 for support of the Tri-County CAP's Homeless Intervention and Prevention Program, a community service program provided by Tri-County Community Action Program, Inc. Selectmen placed this article on the warrant. Selectmen favor. (Majority vote required)

ARTICLE 28. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,954.00 to support White Mountain Community Health Center to help meet the healthcare needs of the uninsured and under-insured residents of Bartlett. Selectmen placed this article on the warrant. Selectmen favor. (Majority vote required)

ARTICLE 29. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Given under our hands and seals this 15th day of April in the year 2021.

Board of Selectmen:

Gene G. Chandler

Vicki L. Garland

August D. Vincent

**BUDGET SUMMARY
FOR THE YEAR 2020-2021**

ACCT #	DEPARTMENT	BUDGET		+/-	BUDGET 2021
		2020	ACTUAL 2020		
4130	TOWN OFFICERS SALARIES	61,800	62,301.77	+501.77	63,700.00
4140	ELECTIONS	6,200	13,171.58	+6,971.58	5,600.00
4150	TOWN OFFICE ADMIN.	198,600	211,301.51	+12,701.51	223,000.00
4152	PROPERTY ASSESSMENT	24,500	27,044.07	+2,544.07	28,000.00
4153	LEGEL EXP/DOG DAMAGE	38,000	26,219.53	-11,780.47	32,000.00
4155	EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	385,900	379,009.78	-6,890.22	408,000.00
4191	PLANNING/ZONING	23,600	22,509.74	-1,090.26	24,300.00
4194	GENERAL GOVT. BLDGS.	21,050	16,466.71	-4,583.29	22,740.00
4195	CEMETERIES	5,000	4,300.00	-700.00	5,000.00
4196	INSURANCE	84,000	83,826.36	-173.64	79,000.00
4198	TAX MAP	2,000		-2000.00	2,000.00
4210	POLICE	378,200	387,105.24	+8,905.24	381,900.00
4215	AMBULANCE	21,000	16,486.12	-4,513.88	21,000.00
4220	FIRE	191,435	169,207.88	-22,227.12	208,940.00
4312	HIGHWAY	527,750	472,740.09	-55,009.91	506,970.00
4324	SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL	282,000	277,891.77	-4,108.23	281,000.00
4442	WELFARE	7,000	925.00	-6,075.00	7,000.00
4520	PARKS/RECREATION	59,000	54,806.90	-4,193.10	58,000.00
4550	LIBRARY	44,500	44,500.00	0	46,700.00
4583	PATRIOTIC PURPOSES	2,300	1,700.00	-600.00	2,300.00
4613	CONSERVATION	3,500	2,749.35	-750.65	3,500.00
4711	PRINC/LONG TERM DEBT	47,500	47,500.00	0	47,500.00
4721	INTEREST/LONG TERM	6,000	4,245.57	-1,754.43	1,710.00
4723	INTEREST/SHORT TERM	35,000	0.00	-35,000.00	40,000.00
	COVID EXPENSES/STIPENDS	0	32,657.19		
TOTAL		2,455,835	2,358,666.16	-129,826.03	2,499,860.00

**REVENUES SUMMARY
FOR THE YEAR 2020-2021**

ACCT. NO.	SOURCE OF REVENUE	ESTIMATED 2020	ACTUAL 2020	ESTIMATED 2021
<u>TAXES</u>				
3120	LAND USE CHANGE TAXES	500	0	500.00
3185	YIELD TAXES	13,000	9,479.50	8,000.00
3186	PAYMENT IN LIEU OF TAXES	86,257	86,257.00	86,000.00
3187	EXCAVATION TAX	500	618.12	600.00
3190	INT/PENALTIES ON TAXES	65,000	44,021.22	45,000.00
<u>LICENSES/PERMITS/FEES</u>				
3220	MOTOR VEHICLE PERMIT FEES	780,000	805,991.24	800,000.00
3230	BUILDING PERMITS/PTO'S	2,500	2,698.00	2,500.00
3290	OTHER LICENSES, FEES	4,500	3,522.75	3,500.00
<u>FROM FEDERAL GOVT.</u>				
3311	HOMELAND SECURITY	-0-	-0-	-0-
3312	USDA - NRCS	-0-	346,075.22	40,000.00
<u>FROM STATE</u>				
3351	SHARED REVENUES	33,813	33,812.80	33,000.00
3352	MEALS & ROOMS TAX	143,560	143,559.88	143,000.00
3353	HIGHWAY BLOCK GRANT	105,291	105,279.39	105,000.00
3357	FLOOD CONTROL REIMBURSEMT	-0-	-0-	46,100.00
3359	OTHER (INCL RR TAX /FOR FIRE/GRANTS)	20,267	12,699.13	398,000.00
3379	FROM OTHER GOVTS (Jackson/Hart's Loc)	50,000	55,426.95	55,000.00
	CARES ACT/GOFERR(COVID)	-0-	93,962.97	-0-
<u>CHARGES FOR SERVICES</u>				
3401	INCOME FROM DEPTS.	67,000	96,652.77	65,000.00
3409	OTHER (TAX DEED PRPTY/DETAILS/CONSTR DEB)	20,000	32,206.24	25,000.00
<u>MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES</u>				
3501	SALE OF TOWN PROPERTY	100	150.00	1,000.00
3502	INTEREST ON INVESTMENTS	3,000	2,959.26	3,000.00
3509	OTHER - CATV FRANCHISE FEE	85,000	87,120.34	87,000.00
3912	FROM SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS	-0-	-0-	-0-
3915	TRANSFER CAPITAL RESERVE	-0-	-0-	-0-
3934	PROCEEDS - LONG TERM BONDS	900,000	-0-	315,000.00
SUBTOTAL OF REVENUES		2,380,288	1,962,492.78	2,262,200.00
VOTED FROM FUND BALANCE		-0-	-0-	-0-
TOTAL REVENUES AND CREDITS		2,380,288	1,962,492.78	2,262,200.00
OVERLAY		9,782	9,782	undetermined

SUMMARY OF 2020-2021 WARRANT ARTICLES

2020 APPROPRIATION 2021 REQUEST

PETITIONED WARRANT ARTICLES :

COMMUNITY ACTION PROGRAM- FUEL	4,000	4,000
COMMUNITY ACTION PROGRAM-HOMELESS	1,404	1,404
STARTING POINT	3,315	3,315
CHILDREN UNLIMITED	4,000	4,000
GIBSON CTR FOR SR SERVICES	5,000	6,000
MENTAL HEALTH CTR	3,582	3,582
WHITE MT. HEALTH CTR.	4,954	4,954
CONWAY AREA HUMANE SOCIETY	2,000	2,000
SUBTOTAL	28,255	29,255

OTHER WARRANT ARTICLES:

ROAD IMPROVEMT/CONSTR.	500,000	425,000
HWY LOADER	-0-	29,000
TS BACKHOE	11,426	11,426
LANDFILL TESTING	-0-	16,000
POLICE CRUISER	52,100	54,000
POLICE EQUIPMT	-0-	27,500
HWY EQUIPMT	20,500	36,000
FIRE COMMAND VEHICLE	-0-	49,500
FIRE TRUCK	-0-	700,000
FIRE EQUIPMT	29,000	29,000
VALLEY VISION	5,000	5,000
AMBULANCE DIFIBRILLATOR	-0-	19,155
HWY GAS PUMP KEY SYSTEM	5,000	-0-
HWY ROOF	60,000	-0-
HWY BACKHOE	24,200	-0-
HWY TRUCK	150,000	-0-
FLOOD DAMAGE REPAIRS	600,000	-0-
SPRUCE AVE REPAIR	20,000	-0-
SUBTOTAL	1,477,226	1,401,581

TOTAL OF ALL ARTICLES	1,505,481	1,430,836
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BUDGET	2,455,835	2,499,860
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LESS BONDING	< 900,000>	<315,000>
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LESS GRANTS		<392,000>
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TOTAL OF BUDGET + ARTICLES

THAT WILL AFFECT TAX RATE	3,061,316	3,223,696
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CHANGE = +162,380 (+0.15 cents on the tax rate)

MISCELLANEOUS - (NO APPROPRIATIONS):

ARTICLE 1 - ELECTION OF OFFICERS

ARTICLE - CONDUCT OF SELECTMEN'S MEETINGS

ARTICLE - FORMAT OF SELECTMEN'S MEETINGS

ARTICLE - POSTING OF SELECTMEN'S MEETINGS

ARTICLE - CONDUCT OF ZBA MEETINGS

ARTICLE - CONDUCT OF PB MEETINGS

ARTICLE - CONDUCT OF CONS COMM MEETINGS

ARTICLE - ANY OTHER BUSINESS