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TOWN WARRANT

2009

To the inhabitants of the Town of Washington qualified to vote in Town affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at Camp Morgan Lodge in said Washington on Tuesday, the tenth of March at nine o'clock in the forenoon. The polls will open at 10:00 a.m. and not close before 7:00 p.m. to elect Town Officers. The following articles will be acted upon:

ARTICLE 1. To elect by non partisan ballot a Town Treasurer and a Fire Chief for a term of one year, an Assessor, a Selectman, a Library Trustee, a Cemetery Trustee, a Trustee of the Trust Funds and a member of the Planning Board for a term of three years.

ARTICLE 2. To hear reports of any and all officers, committees and agents of the Town and take any action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 3. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Eighty Four Thousand Two Hundred Dollars (\$84,200.00) for Final Engineering and Construction Plans for Town Hall. This will be a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7,VI and will not lapse until the plans are completed or December 31, 2012 whichever is sooner. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

[This article is estimated to add \$0.20 to the tax rate in 2009]

ARTICLE 4. To see if the Town will raises and appropriate the sum of Seven Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$7,500.00) for the planning and preparation of Old Home Days in 2009. The Selectmen recommend this Appropriation.

[This article is estimated to add \$0.02 to the tax rate in 2009]

ARTICLE 5. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Three Hundred Ninety Seven Thousand One Hundred Eleven Dollars (\$397,111.00) to defray the costs of General Government for the ensuing year. This article is exclusive of all other warrant articles.

Executive	\$86,861.00
Election, Registration and Vital Statistics	21,658.00
Financial Administration	100,666.00
General Government Buildings	33,420.00
Cemeteries	\$20,000.00
Legal	10,000.00
Planning & Zoning	7,463.00
Insurance	54,043.00
Motor Fuel	63,000.00

[This article is estimated to add \$0.95 to the tax rate in 2009.]

ARTICLE 6. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Eighty Seven Thousand Two Hundred Forty Six Dollars (\$87,246.00) for the operation of the Rescue Squad and Fire Department for the ensuing year.

Rescue Squad	
Payroll	\$24,500.00
FICA	1,503.00
Medicare	353.00
Telephone Expense	1,500.00
Supplies	2,050.00
Vehicle Repairs	2,000.00
Oxygen	1,200.00
Miscellaneous	200.00
Equipment Repairs	2,000.00
Training	<u>500.00</u>
Total Rescue Squad	\$35,806.00
Fire Department	
Supplies	1,500.00
Air Bottles & Compressor	800.00
Equipment	7,000.00
Extinguishers	600.00
Prevention	400.00
Fire Pond Maintenance	1,500.00
Payroll	11,500.00
Training Payroll	6,000.00
FICA	1,085.00
Medicare	254.00
Training	2,500.00
Vehicle Repairs Payroll	1,200.00
Vehicle Repairs FICA	74.00
Vehicle Repairs Medicare	17.00
Vehicle Repairs Retirement	109.00
Vehicle Repairs	3,500.00
Ladder Test	1,500.00
Pump Tests	1,000.00
Telephone	1,500.00
Electricity	2,400.00
Heat	5,000.00
Alarm Maintenance	500.00
Building Maintenance	<u>1,500.00</u>
Total Fire Department	\$51,440.00

[This article is estimated to add \$0.21 to the tax rate in 2009.]

ARTICLE 7 . To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$30,000.00) to be added to the Fire-Apparatus Replacement Fund previously established. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

[This Article is estimated to add \$0.07 to the tax rate in 2009.]

ARTICLE 8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00) to be added to the Rescue Squad Intercept Capital Reserve Fund previously established. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

[This article is estimated to add \$0.01 to the tax rate in 2009.]

ARTICLE 9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000.00) to be added to the Rescue Squad Equipment Capital Reserve Fund previously established. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

[This article is estimated to add \$0.04 to the tax rate in 2009]

ARTICLE 10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Thousand Seven Hundred Dollars (\$1,700.00) for Forest Fire Control for the ensuing year.

[This article is estimated to add \$0.006 to the tax rate in 2009.]

ARTICLE 11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirty Thousand Nine Hundred Seventeen Dollars (\$30,917.00) of for Emergency Communications for the ensuing year.

Telephone Lines	\$1,700.00
Dispatch	17,517.00
Radio Tower Electricity	150.00
Radio and Pager Repairs	2,000.00
Improve or Replace Equipment	8,500.00
Dues	1,050.00

[This article is estimated to add \$0.07 to the tax rate in 2009.]

ARTICLE 12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Three Hundred Seventy Seven Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$377,500.00) for operation of the Highway Department for the ensuing year.

Highway Agent, Payroll	\$41,117.00
Highway Agent, Overtime Payroll	4,000.00
Highway Agent, Other, Vacation, Sick, Holiday	6,070.00
Payroll Expense	91,913.00
Part Time Payroll Expense	5,200.00
Overtime, Payroll	9,500.00
Other, Vacation, Sick, Holiday, Payroll	12,000.00
Health Insurance	55,000.00

FICA	10,700.00
Medicare	2,500.00
Retirement	15,700.00
Telephone	2,000.00
Drug and Alcohol Testing	500.00
Electricity	3,500.00
Heat and Oil	11,000.00
Alarm Maintenance	450.00
Fire Extinguisher Service	150.00
Rentals and Leases	5,000.00
Safety	1,000.00
Dues	200.00
Parts, Supplies and Equipment	30,000.00
Vehicle Maintenance	5,000.00
Road Maintenance Materials	45,000.00
Miscellaneous	500.00
Training	400.00
Uniforms	2,000.00
General Road Improvements	10,000.00
Emergency Supplies & Trucking	5,000.00
Street Lighting	2,100.00

[This article is estimated to add \$0.90 to the tax rate in 2009.]

ARTICLE 13. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$30,000.00) and to accept and appropriate the sum of Three Hundred and Ninety Five Thousand Dollars (\$395,000.00) from the State of New Hampshire Municipal Bridge Aide Program for the reconstruction of the Halfmoon Pond Rd. Bridge. This will be a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7 VI and will not lapse until the bridge is completed or by December 31, 2011, which ever is sooner. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

[This article is estimated to add \$0.07 to the tax rate in 2009.]

ARTICLE 14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirty Seven Thousand Dollars (\$37,000.00) for the purpose of rehabilitation of the Washington Drive Culvert. This will be a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7 VI and will not lapse until the bridge is completed or by December 31, 2011, which ever is sooner. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

[This article is estimated to add \$0.09 to the tax rate in 2009.]

ARTICLE 15. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirty Five Thousand Dollars (\$35,000.00) for construction or sealing projects on Washington Drive and East Washington Rd. in addition to the regular maintenance budget. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

[This article is estimated to add \$0.08 to the tax rate in 2009.]

ARTICLE 16. To see if the Town will vote to authorize and appropriate the sum of Nine Thousand Dollars (\$9,000.00) from the Recycling Equipment Fund for the purpose of purchasing a 35 yard enclosed recycling container for use at the Transfer Station. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

[This article is estimated to add \$0.00 to the tax rate in 2009.]

ARTICLE 17. To see if the Town will vote to accept and appropriate the Highway Block Grant Funds estimated to be Fifty Three Thousand Three Hundred Sixty Four Dollars (\$53,364.00) anticipated during 2009 for the use of the Highway Department for construction or reconstruction projects in addition to the regular maintenance budget. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

[Accepting the Block Grant Funds, using them to pay for regular road maintenance, and not expending them in addition to the regular highway budget, would reduce the tax rate in 2009 by an estimated \$0.13]

ARTICLE 18. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Seventy Five Thousand Dollars (\$75,000.00) for the resurfacing of approximately 2 miles of the East Washington Rd. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

[This article is estimated to add \$0.18 to the tax rate in 2009.]

ARTICLE 19. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00) to be added to the Highway Equipment Capital Reserve Funds previously established. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

[This article is estimated to add \$0.02 to the tax rate in 2009.]

ARTICLE 20. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Twenty Two Thousand Seven Hundred Forty Dollars (\$122,740.00) for the operation of the Solid Waste Recycling Center and for the Landfill Closure for the ensuing year.

Payroll Expense	\$29,600.00
Part Time Payroll Expense	9,500.00
Overtime Payroll Expense	0.00
Other, Sick, Holidays, Vacation	2,350.00
Health Insurance	13,500.00
FICA	2,600.00
Medicare	620.00
Retirement	3,320.00
Telephone	400.00
Electricity	700.00
Heat & Propane	700.00
Fire Extinguisher Service	100.00
Safety	300.00
Dues	50.00
Vehicle Maintenance	1,500.00
Miscellaneous	1,000.00
Training Expense	1,000.00
Uniforms	500.00
Transportation & Removal	36,000.00
Marlow Side Trash Removal	9,000.00
Landfill Closure	
Household Hazardous Waste Collection	\$7,000.00
Water Tests	3,000.00

[This article is estimated to add \$0.29 to the tax rate for 2009.]

ARTICLE 21. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Thousand Seven Hundred Fifty One Dollars (\$5,751.00) to be added to the Health Insurance Reimbursable Account previously established. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

[This article is estimated to add \$0.01 to the tax rate in 2009.]

ARTICLE 22. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Eight Hundred Dollars (\$800.00) for Emergency Management for the ensuing year.

Emergency Management	\$100.00
E911 Numbering	700.00

[This article is estimated to add \$0.003 to the tax rate in 2009.]

ARTICLE 23. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Eleven Thousand Seven Hundred Forty Dollars (\$111,740.00) for the operation of the Police Department for the ensuing year.

Chief's Salary	\$46,743.00
Officers Payroll	17,000.00
PT Officer's Overtime Payroll	5,753.00
Training Payroll Expense	1,000.00
Health Insurance	13,312.00
FICA	1,928.00
Medicare	1,008.00
Retirement	5,731.00
Telephone	2,800.00
Computer Expense	1,500.00
Animal Control	250.00
Dues	150.00
Clerical Supplies	1,400.00
Cruiser Maintenance	2,000.00
OHRV Expenses	200.00
Equipment	3,500.00
School /Training	500.00
Uniforms	1,500.00
Electricity	1,450.00

Heat	2,750.00
Repairs & Maintenance	600.00
Alarm Maintenance	550.00
Extinguisher Service	30.00

[This article is estimated to add \$0.27 to the tax rate in 2009.]

ARTICLE 24. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Eight Thousand Dollars (\$8,000.00) to be added to the Police Cruiser Replacement Capital Reserve Fund previously established. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

[This article is estimated to add \$0.02 to the tax rate in 2009.]

ARTICLE 25. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Nine Thousand Three Hundred Sixty Six Dollars (\$9,366.00) to be placed in the existing Capital Reserve Fund for the Revaluation of the Town. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

[This article is estimated to add \$0.02 to the tax rate in 2009.]

ARTICLE 26. To see if the Town will vote to adopt the provisions of RSA 79-F:4 to authorize the Board of Assessors to appraise qualifying farm structures and the land under them as follows: (a) Qualifying farm structures for no more than their replacement costs less depreciation; and (b) The land under the qualifying farm structures at no more than 10 percent of its market value. The land under the qualifying farm structures shall be contiguous to a minimum of 10 acres of open space land.

ARTICLE 27. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirty Eight Thousand Eight Hundred Sixty Dollars (\$38,860.00) for the operation of the Shedd Free Library for the ensuing year.

[This article is estimated to add \$0.09 to the tax rate in 2009.]

ARTICLE 28. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Forty Six Thousand Five Hundred Eighty Five Dollars (\$46,585.00) for Health and Welfare for the ensuing year.

Community Services:

- Acorn	\$200.00
- American Red Cross	437.00
- Casa	500.00
- Community Alliance	500.00
- Lake Sunapee Home Health Care	2,705.00
- Marlow Rescue Squad	100.00

- Office of Youth Services	250.00
- Project LIFT	500.00
- Southwestern Community Services	700.00
- Sullivan County Hospice	250.00
- Sullivan County Nutrition Services	400.00
- West Central Behavioral Health	892.00
- Old Age Assistance	0.00
- Newport Food Pantry	1,000.00

Health:

- Administration	\$2,750.00
- FICA	171.00
- Medicare	40.00
- Dues	25.00
- Department Expenses	150.00
- Conferences & Training	60.00
- Mileage	750.00

Welfare:

- General Welfare	\$30,000.00
- Administration	3,000.00
- FICA	125.00
- Medicare	29.00
- Dues	75.00
- Conference and Training	200.00
- Welfare Department Expenses	700.00

[This article is estimated to add \$0.11 to the tax rate in 2009.]

ARTICLE 29. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Forty Five Thousand Eight Hundred Twenty Dollars (\$45,820.00) for Debt Service for the ensuing year. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

Interest - Tax Anticipation	\$1,000.00
Interest - Long Term Notes	8,220.00
Principal - Long Term Notes	36,600.00

[This article is estimated to add \$0.11 to the tax rate in 2009.]

ARTICLE 30. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Forty Nine Thousand Eight Hundred Fifty Seven Dollars (\$49,857.00) for the operation of the Parks and Recreation Commission and for Patriotic Purposes for the ensuing year.

- Caretaker Payroll	\$1,300.00
- FICA	80.00
- Medicare	19.00

Regular Maintenance:

- Band Stand Electricity	\$150.00
- Water Tests	820.00
- Band Stand Maintenance	200.00
- Miscellaneous	1,200.00
- Lawn Care	11,500.00
- Grade & Seed Field	500.00
- Wayside Park	500.00
- Advertisements	150.00
- Dock Contract	1,400.00
- Dock Repairs	2,800.00

Summer Program

- Payroll Expense	\$17,500.00
- FICA	1,085.00
- Medicare	253.00

- Telephone	100.00
- Materials	3,000.00
- Recreation Equipment	500.00
- Training	1,100.00
- Special Events	3,500.00
- Band Concerts	1,000.00
- Senior Trips	1,200.00

Patriotic Purposes:

- Flags	\$500.00
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TOTAL FOR PARKS & RECREATION \$49857.00

[This article is estimated to add \$0.12 to the tax rate in 2009.]

ARTICLE 31. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$1,500.00) to support the Town's lake host program. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

[This article is estimated to add \$0.006 to the tax rate in 2009]

ARTICLE 32. To see if the Town will authorize the establishment of a Capital Reserve Fund under the provision of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of a Town Planning and Building Fund for all Town buildings and to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000.00) towards this purpose, and appoint the selectmen as agents to expend from the fund. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

[This article is estimated to add \$0.05 to the tax rate in 2009]

ARTICLE 33. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Thousand Four Hundred Fifty Four Dollars (\$5,454.00) for a construction project to address security and privacy needs in the Town Hall. This will be a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7, VI and will not lapse until the construction is complete or December 31, 2012 whichever is sooner. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

[This article is estimated to add \$0.01 to the tax rate in 2009]

ARTICLE 34. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Eighteen Thousand Dollars (\$18,000.00) for the renovation of Camp Morgan Lodge basement. This will be a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7, VI and will not lapse until the renovation is complete or December 31, 2012 whichever is sooner. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

[This article is estimated to add \$0.04 to the tax rate in 2009]

ARTICLE 35. To see if the Town will vote to discontinue the following Capital Reserve Fund and Expendable Trust Fund with said funds with accumulated interest to date of withdrawal, to be transferred to the municipality's general fund:

Loader Fund – CRF \$5,930.08 and Landfill Closure Fund – ETF \$2,192.26.

The Selectmen recommend this article.

ARTICLE 36. To see if the Town will vote to adopt the provisions of RSA 36-A:4-a, I(b) to authorize the conservation commission to expend funds for contributions to “qualified organizations” for the purchase of property interest, or facilitating transactions relate thereto, where the property interest is to be held by the qualified organization and the town will retain no interest in the property.

ARTICLE 37. To see if the Town will vote to adopt the provisions of RSA 36-A:4-a I(a) to authorize the conservation commission to expend funds to purchase interests in land outside the boundaries of our municipality, subject to the approval of the local governing body.

ARTICLE 38. To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

Given under our hands and seals this 12th day of February, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Nine.

Guy L. Eaton

Richard E. Cook

Kenneth D. Eastman

Selectmen, Washington, NH

A True Copy - Attest:

Guy L. Eaton

Richard E. Cook

Kenneth D. Eastman

Selectmen, Washington, NH

I, Guy Eaton, hereby certify that true attested copies of this Warrant and the Budget were posted as follows:

On the Camp Morgan Lodge on February 13, 2009 being the place of meeting,

On the Washington Town Hall on February 13, 2009 being a place of Public Notice; and

On the East Washington Bulletin Board on February 13, 2009 being a place of Public Notice; and

On the Bulletin Board at the Transfer station on February 13, 2009 being a place of Public Notice.

Guy Eaton, Selectman

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

Sullivan, ss

The above named Selectmen, known to me, acknowledged and signed the above certification in my presence.

Michelle Dagesse

Notary Public

February 12, 2009