

2011 Town Warrant

To the inhabitants of the Town of Harrisville in the County of Cheshire and State of New Hampshire qualified to vote in Town affairs: You are hereby notified to meet at Wells Memorial School in said Harrisville on Tuesday, the eighth day of March, two thousand and eleven, at seven PM to act upon the following Articles.

The polls will be open from eleven AM to eight PM.

Article 1

To choose all necessary town officers for the year ensuing. (By Official Ballot)

Article 2

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$164,001 to fund the Capital Reserve Funds, and to be allocated as follows:

Road Equipment - \$40,000; Fire Equipment-\$30,000, Town Buildings-\$50,000, Police Cruiser-\$4,000, Road Infrastructure-\$40,000, Land Conservation-\$1 (one dollar).

Article 3

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$50,000, for the purpose of crushing and screening gravel in the Town's pit. The gravel to be used in the reconstruction and maintenance of town roads.

This will be a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7, VI and will not lapse until the project is complete or December 31, 2012 whichever is sooner.

Article 4

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$70,000 for the purpose of reconstructing one-half mile of Mason Road and further to authorize the selectmen to withdraw \$70,000 from the Roads Capital Reserve Fund.. Reconstruction to include culverts as needed, grinding of existing asphalt, addition of 12-inches of crushed stone, grading and compaction. Asphalt surfacing will be not be included in this warrant article and will be addressed in a future year.

Article 5

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$20,000 for the purpose of repairs of the Busybrook Bridge (bridge number 174/071 over Nubanusit Brook on the Hancock Road) and further to authorize the selectmen to withdraw \$20,000 from the Bridges Capital Reserve Fund. This will be a non-lapsing fund appropriation per RSA 32:7, VI and will not lapse until the project is completed or December 31, 2012 whichever is sooner.

Article 6

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$20,000 for the purpose of site evaluation, and initial engineering and preparatory site work for a salt/sand shed and highway barn, and further to authorize the selectmen to withdraw \$20,000 from the Town Buildings Capital Reserve Fund. This will be a non-lapsing fund

appropriation per RSA 32:7, VI and will not lapse until the project is completed or December 31, 2013 whichever is sooner.

Article 7

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$6,000 as Harrisville's share to contract with a consulting firm to assess municipal services within and abutting Towns of Dublin and Nelson. The intention of said study is to identify opportunities where shared facilities, equipment, personnel or services might lead to cost reductions, improved service quality, or further cost-avoidance for any or all of the three communities.

Article 8

To see if the Town will vote to establish an Agricultural Commission pursuant to RSA 674:44 e through g; and that the Selectboard shall appoint from three to seven regular members and up to five alternate members. This commission shall be advisory only and shall not serve as a regulatory body.

Article 9

To see if the Town will vote to adopt the provisions of NH RSA 72:37 to provide for a \$15,000 exemption on the assessed property value for the Blind.

NH RSA 72:37 Exemption for the Blind. – Every inhabitant who is legally blind as determined by the blind services program, bureau of vocational rehabilitation, department of education shall be exempt each year on the assessed value, for property tax purposes, of his or her residential real estate to the value of \$15,000, and a city or town may exempt any amount it may determine is appropriate to address significant increases in property values in accordance with the procedures in RSA 72:27-a. The term "residential real estate" as used in this section shall mean the same as defined in RSA 72:29. All applications made under this section shall be subject to the provisions of RSA 72:33 and RSA 72:34.

Article 10

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$982,443 which represents the operating budget. Said sum does not include special or individual articles addressed.

Article 11

To hear reports of agents, committees and offices chosen and pass any vote related thereto.

Article 12

To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting. Given under our hand and seal this 21st day of February in the year 2011.

Harrisville Board of Selectmen

Jay Jacobs
Charles Michal
Seth Kallman