Kingston

The inhabitants of the Town of Kingston in the County of Rockingham in the state of New Hampshire qualified to vote in Town affairs are hereby notified that the two phases of the Annual Town Meeting will be held as follows:

**First Session of Annual Meeting (Deliberative Session):**
Date: **January 30, 2021 - Saturday**
Time: **9:00 AM**
Location: Sanborn Regional High School auditorium, 17 Danville Rd, Kingston NH
Details:

**Second Session of Annual Meeting (Official Ballot Voting):**
Date: **March 9, 2021 - Tuesday**
Time: **8:00 AM - 8:00 PM**
Location: Swasey Gymnasium, 178 Main St, Kingston NH
Details:

**GOVERNING BODY CERTIFICATION**
We certify and attest that on or before <DATE>, a true and attested copy of this document was posted at the place of meeting and at <LOCATION> and that an original was delivered to <OFFICIAL>.

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Article 01  Elect Town Officers
To elect the following Town Officers: two Selectmen for a term of three years; one Town Clerk/Tax Collector for a term of three years; one Supervisor of the Checklist for a term of five years; two Trustees of Trust Funds for a term of three years; one Trustee of the Trust Funds for a term of one year; three Library Trustees for a term of three years; four Budget Committee members for a term of three years; two Planning Board members for a term of three years; and two Zoning Board of Adjustment members for a term of three years.

Article 02  Operating Budget
To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant, or as amended by vote of the first session for the purposes set forth therein, totaling $6,651,370.00. Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be $6,474,403.00, which is the same as last year with certain adjustments required by previous action of the town or by law, or the governing body may hold one special meeting in accordance with RSA 40:13, X and XVI to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only. This operating budget warrant article does not include appropriations contained in any other warrant article.
Estimated tax impact is $4.97/$1,000
RECOMMENDED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN 5-0
RECOMMENDED BY THE BUDGET COMMITTEE 6-3

Article 03  Rescind Ambulance Replacement Fund
Shall the Town rescind the provisions of RSA31:95-c to restrict 100% of the revenues from ambulance billing of non-residents to expenditures for the purpose of replacement of the Kingston Fire Department Ambulance, known as the Ambulance Replacement special revenue fund. Said funds, with accumulated interest to date of withdrawal, are to be transferred to the municipality’s general fund. This article will be contingent upon the passage of article #4. (Majority vote required)
No tax rate impact
RECOMMENDED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN 5-0
RECOMMENDED BY THE BUDGET COMMITTEE 9-0

Article 04  Establish Ambulance Services Revolving Fund
To see if the town will vote to establish an Ambulance Services Revolving fund pursuant to RSA 31:95-h. All revenues received from non-resident ambulance billing will be deposited into the fund, and the money in the fund shall be allowed to accumulate from year to year, and shall not be considered part of the town’s general fund balance. And, further to raise and appropriate the sum of $246,100 to be added to the EMS Services Revolving fund, with this amount to come from the Town’s unassigned fund balance. The town treasurer shall have custody of all moneys in the fund, and shall pay out the same only upon order of the governing body and no further approval is required by the legislative body to expend. Such funds may be expended only for the purpose for which the fund was created. This article will be contingent upon the passage of article #3. (Majority vote required)
No tax rate impact
RECOMMENDED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN 5-0
RECOMMENDED BY THE BUDGET COMMITTEE 9-0
Article 05  LED Street Lights Upgrade
To see if the Town of Kingston will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $75,833 for the purpose of installation of energy saving equipment namely, LED street lights which will provide energy saving benefits to the Town in the future. A rebate incentive from the Town's energy provider estimated to be $16,946 will help to offset the cost if received. (Majority vote required)
Estimated tax impact is $.09/$1,000
RECOMMENDED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN 5-0
RECOMMENDED BY THE BUDGET COMMITTEE 9-0

Article 06  Discount
To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Tax Collector to allow a 1½% deduction from Property Tax when payment is made prior to the due date. It is the responsibility of the taxpayer to take the deduction; deductions not taken by the taxpayer on or before the due date will not be refunded.
(Majority vote required)
RECOMMENDED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN 5-0
RECOMMENDED BY THE BUDGET COMMITTEE 9-0

Article 07  Appropriation to CRF
To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $85,000.00 to be placed in the previously established Fire Apparatus Replacement Capital Reserve Fund. (Majority vote required)
Estimated tax impact is $.10/$1,000
RECOMMENDED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN 5-0
RECOMMENDED BY THE BUDGET COMMITTEE 9-0

Article 08  Appropriation to CRF
To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $80,000.00 to be placed in the previously established Buildings Maintenance Capital Reserve Fund. (Majority vote required)
Estimated tax impact is $.09/$1,000
RECOMMENDED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN 5-0
RECOMMENDED BY THE BUDGET COMMITTEE 9-0

Article 09  Appropriation to CRF
To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $100,000.00 to be placed in the previously established Highway Department Equipment Capital Reserve Fund. (Majority vote required)
Estimated tax impact is $.12/$1,000
RECOMMENDED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN 5-0
RECOMMENDED BY THE BUDGET COMMITTEE 9-0
Article 10  Full-time Highway position
To see if the Town will vote to create a full-time Highway Administrative Secretary position and eliminate the current part-time position. Further, to raise and appropriate the sum of $31,354 for salary and benefits, to be added to the $25,000 currently in the proposed Highway budget. This appropriation will be for salary and benefits for nine months; if approved, this position will become part of the operating budget in ensuing years. (Majority vote required)
Estimated tax impact is $.04/$1,000

RECOMMENDED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN 5-0
RECOMMENDED BY THE BUDGET COMMITTEE 9-0

Article 11  Full-time Code Enforcement position
To see if the Town will vote to create a full-time Code Enforcement Officer position. Further, to raise and appropriate the sum of $65,690 for salary and benefits. This appropriation will be for salary and benefits for nine months; if approved, this position will become part of the operating budget in ensuing years. (Majority vote required)
Estimated tax impact is $.08/$1,000

RECOMMENDED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN 5-0
RECOMMENDED BY THE BUDGET COMMITTEE 9-0

Article 12  Appropriation for SoRock Coalition
On a petition of 25 or more registered voters, shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $6,333 ($1.00 per person) based on town population to support the substance misuse prevention, suicide prevention and community wellness services of the SoRock Coalition for Healthy Youth. SoRock's work promotes wellness and nurtures resiliency for the children, youth and families of Kingston as well as surrounding communities. SoRock works through coordinating community education, programming & resources and collaborating with federal and state agencies to help direct additional resources to the towns they serve.
Estimated tax impact is $.01/$1,000

NOT RECOMMENDED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN 4-1
RECOMMENDED BY THE BUDGET COMMITTEE 8-1

Article 13  Playground upgrade Folly Brook Terrace
On petition of 38 registered voters of the Town of Kingston, to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate $29,000 for upgrading of the 20+ year old playground on Folly Brook Terrace, at Comeau Field. This will include the purchase of some new commercial grade playground equipment, and reusing of some current equipment, as well as ground material, to be installed at the playground on Folly Brook Terrace, at Comeau Field.
Estimated tax impact is $.03/$1,000

RECOMMENDED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN 3-2
RECOMMENDED BY THE BUDGET COMMITTEE 8-1