



2023
WARRANT

Piermont

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

First Session of Annual Meeting (Official Ballot Voting)

Date: March 14, 2023
Time: 10:00AM - 7:00PM
Location: Old Church Building
Details: 131 Route 10 Piermont NH 03779

Second Session of Annual Meeting (Transaction of All Other Business)

Date: March 18, 2023
Time: 10:00AM
Location: Piermont Village School
Details: 131 Route 10 Piermont NH 03779

GOVERNING BODY CERTIFICATION

We certify and attest that on or before February 22, 2022 a true and attested copy of this document was posted at the place of meeting and at the Selectboard Office and that an original was delivered to the Piermont Town Clerk..

Name	Position	Signature
Wayne Godfrey	Selectman, Chair	
Colin Stubbings	Selectman	
Randy Subject	Selectman	



Article 01 To Elect Officers

To choose by non-partisan ballot a Selectman for a term of three (3) years; a Road Agent for a term of three (3) years; a Moderator for a term of two (2) years; a Treasurer for a term of one (1) year; a Trustee of Trust Funds for a term of three (3) years; two (2) Library Trustees for a term of three (3) years each.

Article 02 Operating Budget of the Town

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one million one hundred fifty two thousand one hundred and thirty seven dollars (\$1,152,137) for general municipal operations. This article does not include appropriations contained in special or individual articles addressed separately.

This article is RECOMMENDED by the Selectmen 3-0.

Article 03 Sewer District Budget

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of thirty six thousand three hundred dollars (\$36,300) with six thousand five hundred ninety dollars (\$6,590) to come from the State of NH DES Waste Water Grant and the remainder to come from sewer user fees, with no amount to be raised by taxes.

This article is RECOMMENDED by the Selectmen 3-0.

Article 04 Purchase Highway Department Backhoe

To see if the Town will vote to approve the purchase of a new backhoe for use by the Highway Department, at a cost not to exceed one hundred and fifteen thousand five hundred dollars (\$115,500). Thirty one thousand two hundred and fifty six dollars (\$31,256) to come from general fund for funds received in 2022 from SB401 (One-Time Highway Bridge Payment), thirty one thousand nine hundred ninety four dollars (\$31,994) to come from the Town Vehicle Equipment Capital Reserve Fund. Further to authorize the issuance of not more than fifty two thousand two hundred and fifty dollars (\$52,250) of bonds or notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA 33) and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon. In each of the following years, beginning 2024, the appropriation for loan payment will be contained in the operating budget. (There is no Tax impact for the year of 2023)

This article is RECOMMENDED by the Selectmen 3-0. (3/5 ballot vote)

Article 05 Add to existing Fire and Emergency Vehicle CRF

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000) to be added to the Fire and Emergency Vehicle Capital Reserve Fund previously established. (The Tax impact of this warrant article is \$0.15)

This article is RECOMMENDED by the Selectmen 3-0.

Article 06 Add to existing Revaluation CRF

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of nine thousand dollars (\$9,000) to be added to the Revaluation Capital Reserve Fund previously established. (The Tax impact of this warrant article is \$0.07)

This article is RECOMMENDED by the Selectmen 3-0.



Article 07 Add to existing New Building CRF

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) to be added to the New Building Capital Reserve Fund previously established. (The Tax impact of this warrant article is \$0.08)

This article is RECOMMENDED by the Selectmen 3-0.

Article 08 Add to existing Town Equipment CRF

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000) to be added to the Town Equipment Capital Reserve Fund previously established. (The Tax impact of this warrant article is \$0.15)

This article is RECOMMENDED by the Selectmen 3-0.

Article 09 Add to existing Recycling/ Transfer Station ETF

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of two thousand five hundred dollars (\$2,500) to be added to the Recycling/ Transfer Station Expendable Trust Fund previously established. (The Tax impact of this warrant article is \$0.02)

This article is RECOMMENDED by the Selectmen 3-0.

Article 10 Add to existing Town Bridge ETF

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one thousand dollars (\$1,000) to be added to the Town Bridge Expendable Trust Fund previously established. (The Tax impact of this warrant article is \$0.01)

This article is RECOMMENDED by the Selectmen 3-0.

Article 11 To Dissolve Highway Department ETF

To see if the Town will vote to discontinue the Highway Department ETF created in 2019. Said funds, with accumulated interest to date of withdrawal, are to be transferred to the municipality's general fund.

This article is RECOMMENDED by the Selectmen 3-0.

Article 12 To Establish Highway Emergency Vehicle/Equipment ETF

To see if the Town will vote to establish a Highway Emergency Vehicle Equipment Expendable Trust Fund per RSA 31:19-a, for the purpose of funding Highway Department unexpected major repairs to equipment and to raise and appropriate eight thousand dollars (\$8,000) to put in the fund, with this amount to come from the Town General Fund; further to name the Town of Piermont Selectboard as agents to expend from said fund. This article is contingent on the approval of Article 11 (To Dissolve the Highway ETF).

This article is RECOMMENDED by the Selectmen 3-0.

Article 13 To Establish Highway Improvement CRF

To see if the Town will vote to establish a Highway Improvement Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of funding improvement and repairs of the Town of Piermont Highways and to raise and appropriate the sum of fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) to be placed in this fund, with this amount to come from the Town General Fund. Further, to name the Town of Piermont Selectboard as agents to expend from said fund. This article is contingent on the approval of Article 11 (To Dissolve the Highway ETF).

This article is RECOMMENDED by the Selectmen 3-0.



Article 14 Non-Profit Donations

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of fourteen thousand seven hundred and fifteen dollars (\$14,715) for the following charitable organizations. (The Tax impact of this warrant article is \$0.11)

This article is RECOMMENDED by the Selectmen 2-1.

- \$800 American Red Cross
- \$335 Ammonoosuc Community Health
- \$2,000 Bridge House
- \$500 CASA
- \$769 The Good Shepherd Ecumenical Food Pantry
- \$3,250 Grafton County Senior Citizens Council
- \$500 North Country Home Health & Hospice Agency
- \$896 Northern Human Services
- \$577 Public Health Council of the Upper Valley
- \$1,538 Tri-County Community Action Program
- \$3,250 Visiting Nurse Association & Hospice
- \$300 WISE

\$14,715

Article 15 Readopt Optional Veterans' Tax Credit

To see if the Town will vote to readopt the OPTIONAL VETERANS' TAX CREDIT in accordance with RSA 72:28, II for an annual tax credit on residential property in the amount of five hundred dollars (\$500).

This article is RECOMMENDED by the Selectmen 3-0.

Article 16 All other business

To transact any other business that may legally come before the Meeting.