



TOWN OF LANCASTER
New Hampshire

<p>2022 WARRANT</p>

Lancaster

The inhabitants of the Town of Lancaster in the County of Coos 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 8, 2022
Time: 08:00 a.m. to 07:00 p.m.
Location: Town Hall Auditorium, 25 Main Street, Lancaster, NH 03584
Details: To act upon Article 1 by written ballot

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

Date: March 8, 2022
Time: 07:30 p.m.
Location: Town Hall Auditorium, 25 Main Street, Lancaster, NH 03584
Details: To act upon the remaining articles

GOVERNING BODY CERTIFICATION

We certify and attest that on or before February 21, 2022, a true and attested copy of this document was posted at the place of meeting and at Weeks Library, 128 Main Street, Lancaster, New Hampshire, and that an original was delivered to the Town Clerk.

Name	Position	Signature



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Article 01 Election of Town Officers

To choose One (1) Selectman for Three (3) years; One (1) Moderator for Two (2) years; One (1) Trustee of Trust Funds for Three (3) years; One (1) Trustee of Trust Funds for Two (2) years; One (1) Supervisor of the Checklist for Six (6) years; One (1) Library Trustee for Three (3) years; One (1) Cemetery Trustee for Three (3) years; One (1) Emmons Smith Fund Committee member for Three (3) years; Three (3) Budget Committee members for Three (3) years; One (1) Budget Committee members for Two (2) years; One (1) Budget Committee member for One (1) year; Three (3) Colonel Town Spending Committee members for Three (3) years; One (1) Colonel Town Spending Committee member for One (1) year.

Article 02 Operating Budget

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Seven Million Two Hundred Sixty-Eight Thousand Twenty Dollars (\$7,268,020.00) which represents the operating budget. Said sum does not include any other Warrant Articles.

Article 03 Appropriate to Capital Reserve Funds

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Sixty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$165,000.00) to be added to the following Capital Reserve Fund accounts previously established for the purpose and in the amounts indicated:

Highway	\$55,000
Fire Department	\$50,000
Police	\$10,000
Library	\$10,000
Cemetery	\$10,000
Town Hall	\$10,000
Transfer Station	\$10,000
Colonel Town	\$10,000
Total	\$165,000

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee)

Article 04 Reimburse Industrial Development Fund

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Forty-One Thousand One Hundred Fifty-Five Dollars (\$41,155.00) to be added to the Industrial Development Capital Reserve Fund previously established with said funds to come from the unassigned fund balance. (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen and the Budget Committee)

Article 05 Money received from fundraising & donations

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Sixty Dollars (\$260.00) to be added to the Colonel Town Capital Reserve Fund previously established with said funds to come from the unassigned fund balance. The amount represents monies from donations to Colonel Town Recreation. (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen and the Budget Committee)

Article 06 Purchase New 10-wheel dump truck w/Body & Plow

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Thirty-Nine Thousand Dollars (\$239,000.00) for the purpose of purchasing a new 10-wheel dump truck w/body and plow for the Highway Department with said funds to come from the unassigned fund balance.



Article 07 Lease/Purchase Sidewalk Plow - 3rd payment

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Sixty-Nine Thousand One Hundred Twenty-Nine Dollars (\$69,129.00) for the third payment on the three year lease/purchase agreement entered into in 2020 for a sidewalk plow for the Highway Department and to authorize the withdrawal and expenditure of said sum from the Highway capital reserve fund. This lease agreement contains an escape clause. (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen and the Budget Committee)

Article 08 Lease/Purchase Cardiac Monitors - 3rd payment

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$35,000.00) for the third payment on the three year lease/purchase agreement entered into in 2020 for 3 cardiac monitors for the Fire Department and to authorize the withdrawal and expenditure of said sum from the Fire Department capital reserve fund. This lease agreement contains an escape clause. (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen and the Budget Committee)

Article 09 Purchase New Ambulances

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Forty-Two Thousand Dollars (\$242,000.00) for the purchase of two (2) new ambulances with One Hundred Ninety-Two Thousand Dollars (\$192,000.00) to come from unassigned fund balance and the remaining Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000.00) to come from grant funding. If the grant funding is not awarded, one ambulance will be purchased using unassigned fund balance with no amount to be raised by taxation.

Article 10 Purchase new Demo Pre-Crusher

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Sixty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$65,000.00) for the purchase of a new Demo Pre-Crusher and to refurbish the old auger cans to fit the new machine and add supports to said containers and to authorize the withdrawal and expenditure of said sum from the Transfer Station capital reserve fund. (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen and the Budget Committee)

Article 11 Rehabilitate Sewer Line

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$225,000.00) for the purpose of rehabilitating the main sewer line on Main Street from Grandview Drive to Canal Street with said funds to come from the Sewer Enterprise Fund unassigned fund balance.

Article 12 Purchase New Pickup Truck

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000.00) for the purpose of purchasing a new pickup truck for the Water & Sewer departments with Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000.00) to come from the Water Enterprise Fund unassigned fund balance and Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000.00) to come from the Sewer Enterprise Fund unassigned fund balance.

Article 13 Preliminary designs for new Highway garage & permitting for underground fuel storage tanks

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000.00) for the purpose of preliminary designs of a new Highway garage and permitting for the replacement of the town's underground fuel storage tanks with said funds to come from the unassigned fund balance.

Article 14 Replace boards at skating rink

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$55,000.00) for the purpose of replacing the boards at the skating rink with said funds to come from the unassigned fund balance.



Article 15 Replace Lighting

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000.00) for the purpose of replacing the Library's lights with LED lights with said funds to come from the Library capital reserve fund. This special warrant article will be a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7, VI and will not lapse until the lights are replaced or by March 8, 2027, whichever is sooner. (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen and the Budget Committee)

Article 16 Rescind 2021 Article 20 - Water storage tank

To see if the Town will vote to terminate the non-lapsing appropriation adopted by the 2021 Town Meeting with respect to adding a water storage tank at the water plant. Anticipated grant funds in the amount of Seven Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$750,000.00) are not expected to be received. Passage of this article will restore Two Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$250,000.00) to the General Fund.

Article 17 Support Lancaster Historical Society

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00) to assist with the operating budget of the Lancaster Historical Society with said funds to come from the unassigned fund balance.

Article 18 Northern Human Services/White Mountain Mental Health

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Thousand Nine Hundred Twenty-One Dollars (\$5,921.00) for the support of Northern Human Services/White Mountain Mental Health.

Article 19 Northern Gateway Chamber of Commerce

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Thousand Six Hundred Forty Dollars (\$1,640.00) for the support of the Northern Gateway Regional Chamber of Commerce.

Article 20 Caleb Caregivers

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Six Thousand Dollars (\$6,000.00) for the support of the Caleb Caregivers who serves the needs of senior citizens in the community.

Article 21 CASA

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) for the support of CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocates) of New Hampshire.

Article 22 American Red Cross

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Thousand Six Hundred Dollars (1,600.00) for the support of the American Red Cross.

Article 23 Tri County Community Action Program

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Eight Thousand One Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$8,150.00) for the support of the Tri-County Community Action programs to include Fuel & Electrical Assistance, Weatherization, Transportation, Homeless Intervention and Prevention, Guardianship, RSVP, and Workforce programs.

Article 24 Center for New Beginnings

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) to help support the Center for New Beginnings in Littleton, which provides counseling and mental health services to individuals throughout the North Country.



Article 25 North Country Home Health & Hospice

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Seventeen Thousand Nine Hundred Ninety-One Dollars (\$17,991.00) for the support of North Country Home Health & Hospice Agency.

Article 26 Androscoggin Valley Home Care

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Eight Thousand Dollars (\$8,000.00) for the purpose of supporting the clients of Androscoggin Valley Home Care who live in Lancaster.

Article 27 Backpack Program

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000.00) to assist with the cost of the North Country Weekend Backpack program.

Article 28 Video Recording of meetings

To see if the Town would like to continue video recording the bi-monthly Board of Selectmen's meetings and making the recordings available for viewing on the internet.

Article 29 Transact Other Business

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