

TOWN OF WALPOLE, NEW HAMPSHIRE  
Town Meeting – March 14, 2009

The annual meeting of the Town of Walpole was called to order at 8:00 a.m. by the Moderator, Ernest Vose and the polls were open. The acting moderator Herbert Werden, opened polls in North Walpole at 8:00 a.m.

Article 1 was a ballot question and voted on March 14, 2009.

**ARTICLE 1:** To elect the necessary Town officers for their respective terms.

\*DECLARED ELECTED

<p><i>Selectman for Three Years</i> Vote for One <b>Sheldon S. Sawyer</b>                    <b>441*</b></p>	<p><i>Zoning Board of Adjustment For Three Years</i> Vote for Two <b>Peggy Pschirrer</b>                    <b>367*</b> <b>Mary Therese Lester</b>            <b>302*</b> <b>Minna Good</b>                        <b>212*</b></p>
<p><i>Town Clerk / Tax Collector For Three Years</i> Vote for One <b>Sandra J. Smith</b>                    <b>532*</b></p>	<p><i>Planning Board for Three Years</i> Vote for Two <b>Jeffrey Miller</b>                      <b>459*</b> <b>Bennett Daviss</b>                    <b>418*</b></p>
<p><i>Treasurer for One Year</i> Vote for One <b>Myra Mansouri</b>                    <b>490*</b></p>	<p><i>Library Trustee for Three Years</i> Vote for Three <b>Barbara Lounsbury</b>            <b>460*</b> <b>Jeanne Ramey</b>                      <b>454*</b> <b>Cheryl A. Gay-Sherwin</b>        <b>450*</b></p>
<p><i>Tax Collector – N. Walpole For One Year</i> Vote for One <b>Teresa Kissell</b>                      <b>467*</b></p>	
<p><i>Trustee of Trust Funds For Three Years</i> Vote for One <b>Jerome S. Galloway</b>            <b>508*</b></p>	
<p><i>Cemetery Trustee For Three Years</i> <b>Pamela Howard</b>                    <b>501*</b></p>	

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After the ballots were counted, our Moderator, Ernest Vose adjourned the meeting until Saturday, March 14<sup>th</sup> at 1p.m. at the Walpole Middle School.

The meeting was called to order on Saturday, March 14<sup>th</sup> at 1:04 p.m. at the Walpole Middle School, Hubbard Gymnasium, by our Moderator, Ernest Vose.

The Fall Mountain Regional High School Jr. ROTC presented the colors and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mariah Kranowski, a senior at Fall Mountain Regional High School, sang the Star Spangled Banner.

We had a moment of silence for our 19 deceased citizens.

Congratulations were offered to the parents of our new 29 citizens of Walpole.

Our Moderator then swore in our newly elected town officials that were present and oaths were signed.

The head table was introduced.

Barbara O'Brien and Cheryl Mayberry, our North Walpole Commissioners were introduced.

Tara Sad and Lucy Weber, our State Representatives were also introduced.

Jack Pratt, our County Commissioner, was introduced and then Ernest Vose went over the rules of the meeting.

**ARTICLE 2:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Three Million Two Hundred Sixty Seven Thousand Six Hundred Fifty Six Dollars (\$3,267,656), which represents the operating budget for the general government of the Town. Such sum does not include special or individual articles addressed. (Majority vote required.)

**Article 2 passed with a voice vote.**

**A vote to restrict reconsideration passed with a voice vote.**

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**ARTICLE 3:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000) for the purchase of a 2008 S185 Bobcat Skid –Steer Loader with a 61 HP Turbo interim Tier IV diesel engine, and H51 Option Package to be used by the Recycle/Transfer Center, and to fund this appropriation by trading the 1997 Bobcat Skid-Steer (trade-in value of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000), Twenty-Five Hundred Dollars (\$2,500) from a NH the Beautiful Grant, and the balance of Seventeen Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$17,500) to be raised by taxes. (Non-lapsing for Two years) (The Selectboard Recommends This Article)

The Selectboard had an amendment to Article 3. Therefore a motion was made and seconded to pass over this article and come back to it after they had finished writing their amendment. With a voice vote it was voted to come back to this article.

**The Selectboard presented an amendment to Article 3.**

**To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000) for the purchase of a Skid –Steer Loader to be used by the Recycle/Transfer Center, and to fund this appropriation by trading the current 1997 Bobcat Skid-Steer (trade-in value of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000), securing Twenty-Five Hundred Dollars (\$2,500) from a NH the Beautiful Grant, and the balance of Seventeen Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$17,500) to be raised by taxes. (Non-lapsing for Two years) (The Select Board Recommends This Article)**

**The amended article passed with a voice vote.**

**A vote to restrict reconsideration passed with a voice vote.**

**ARTICLE 4.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty-Five Hundred Dollars (\$2,500) for the construction of a roof for the 10' x 12' shed used for the storage and handling of used oil. This article is contingent upon receipt of a grant in the same amount from the State of New Hampshire Oil Grant fund.

**Article 4 passed with a voice vote.**

**A vote to restrict reconsideration passed with a voice vote.**

**ARTICLE 5:** To see if the Town will vote to approve the second payment of a three-year lease on the F-450 Highway truck, and to raise and appropriate the second-year lease payment in the amount of Fourteen Thousand Five Hundred Seventy Nine Dollars (\$14,579). The third year lease payment of Fourteen Thousand Five Hundred Seventy (\$14,579) will be placed in the operating budget for 2010.

**Article 5 passed with a voice vote.**

**A vote to restrict reconsideration passed with a voice vote.**

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**ARTICLE 6:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Ten Thousand Dollars (\$110,000) for repairs to March Hill Road. Damage was caused by a Headwall collapse.

**Article 6 passed with a voice vote.**  
**A vote to restrict reconsideration passed with a voice vote.**

**ARTICLE 7.** To see if the Town will rescind the following article voted on at the Town Meeting of March 13, 2001. (To see if the Town will vote to deposit directly into the Conservation Fund at the time of collection and all future receipts from the Land Use Change Tax imposed when land is removed from “Current Use”, thereby losing its conservation status. The total amount deposited in any one year shall be limited to twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000).  
(The Selectboard Approves This Article)

**Article 7 failed with a ballot vote**                      **YES 37**                      **NO 116**  
**A vote to restrict reconsideration passed with a voice vote.**

**ARTICLE 8:** To see if the Town will vote to create an Unanticipated Town Trust Fund to be funded each year by including all Current Use Change Tax Collected for that year. The Board of Selectmen will serve as agents for this fund. This fund would be used to fund unanticipated emergency expenses as well as expenses that the Conservation Fund can be used for. A Public Hearing must be held before any money will be expended from this fund.  
(The Selectboard Approves This Article)

**A motion was made and seconded to pass over Article 8.**  
**Article 8 was passed over with a voice vote.**  
**A vote to restrict reconsideration passed with a voice vote.**

**ARTICLE 9:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000) to be deposited in the Capital Reserve Fund-Police Vehicle, previously established for the purchase of a police vehicle.  
(The Selectboard Approves This Article)

**Article 9 passed with a voice vote.**  
**A vote to restrict reconsideration passed with a voice vote.**

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**ARTICLE 10:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifteen Hundred Dollars (\$1,500) to be placed in the Walpole Old Home Day Expendable Trust Fund.  
(The Selectboard Approves This Article)

**Article 10 passed with a voice vote.**

**A vote to restrict reconsideration passed with a voice vote.**

**ARTICLE 11:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$5,500) for payment to Southwest Regional Planning Commission for 2009. Four Thousand (\$4,000) is for an annual fee for 2009 and Fifteen Hundred (\$1,500) is payment for updating of the Town Master Plan.

**Article 11 passed with a voice vote.**

**A vote to restrict reconsideration passed with a voice vote.**

**ARTICLE 12:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Thousand Five Hundred and Fifty Dollars (\$2,550) to pay the town's portion of the American Red Cross Rural Ride Program expansion to Walpole for 2009-2010. Total cost of the program is Five Thousand Six Hundred Seventy Dollars (\$5,670), less United Way contributions and donations of Three Thousand One Hundred Twenty Dollars (\$3,120).

**(PETITION ARTICLE)**

The Select Board would like the Voters to decide on this Article. If the Select Board needs to make a decision, the Board does not Recommend this Article.

**Article 12 passed with a voice vote**

The Moderator asked if there was any other business. Sheldon Sawyer thanked the Players Association for donating \$5,000.00 for maintenance of the town hall.

Kathy Yardley, President of the Walpole Grange, presented Carol Christian with a plaque recognizing her as the Grange's Community Citizen of the Year.

Cindy Westover asked for a hand vote to see if we preferred meeting at the town hall or the school. The town hall had the majority.

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The Fire District meeting will be held Thursday at 7:00 p.m.

A motion to dissolve the meeting was made and seconded.  
There was a voice vote and all were in favor.

Ernest Vose, our Moderator, dissolved the meeting at 3:30 p.m.  
Respectfully Submitted,

Sandra J. Smith  
Town Clerk / Tax Collector

TOWN OF WALPOLE					
2009 WARRANT ARTICLE SUMMARY					
<u>2009 ARTICLES</u> (If Voted)	<u>Total Amount</u>	<u>Funded by</u> <u>2009 Taxes</u>	<u>Funded</u> <u>by Other</u> <u>Sources</u>		
Article 3 Recycle - 2008 Bobcat Skid-Steer	25,000	17,500	7,500		
Article 4 Recycle - Roof on Oil Shed	2,500	0	2,500		
Article 5 F-450 Highway Truck-2nd Year of Lease	14,580	14,580	0		
Article 6 Repairs to March Hill Road	110,000	110,000	0		
Article 7 Capital Reserve Fund-Police Vehicle	10,000	10,000	0		
Article 8 Old Home Days 2011	1,500	1,500	0		
Article 11 Southwest Regional Planning Fees	5,500	5,500	0		
Article 12 Red Cross Rural Ride Program (NOT RECOMMENDED)	2,550	2,550	0		
			0		
<b>Total Warrant Articles:</b>	<b>171,630</b>	<b>161,630</b>	<b>10,000</b>		