

**STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
TOWN WARRANT
LYNDEBOROUGH, NEW HAMPSHIRE**

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Lyndeborough, in the County of Hillsborough in said state qualified to vote in Town affairs; You are hereby notified to meet at Citizens' Hall, 9 Citizens' Hall Road in said Lyndeborough on Tuesday, the eighth (8th) day of March 2016 at ten o'clock in the morning until seven o'clock in the evening, for ballot Voting of Town Officers and all other matters requiring ballot vote; and, to meet at Citizens' Hall, 9 Citizens' Hall Road in said Lyndeborough, on Saturday, the twelfth (12th) day of March 2016 at ten o'clock in the morning, to act upon Articles 2 through Article 27:

Article 1: Selection of Officers

To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.

Article 2: Mountain Road Bond

To see if the Town of Lyndeborough will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **One Million Six Hundred and Sixty Seven Thousand Three Hundred and Fifty Five Dollars (\$1,667,355)** for the purpose of reconstructing Mountain Rd. in a manner and extent to be determined by the Board of Selectmen, **One Million Six Hundred and Sixty Seven Thousand Three Hundred and Fifty Five Dollars (\$1,667,355)** of such sum to be raised through the issuance of bonds or notes under and in compliance with the New Hampshire Municipal Finance Act, RSA 33; to authorize the Board of Selectmen to apply for, obtain and accept federal, state or other aid, if any, which may be available for said project and to comply with all laws applicable to said project; to authorize the Board of Selectmen to issue, negotiate, sell, and deliver said bonds and notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon and the maturity and other terms thereof; and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to take any other action or other vote relative thereto.

The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee Recommend this Article. (2/3 Majority Ballot Vote Required)

Article 3: Town Operating Budget

To see if the Town of Lyndeborough will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **One Million Seven Hundred Ninety Three Thousand One Hundred Forty Three Dollars, (\$1,793,143)**, representing the Operating Budget for fiscal year 2016 as prepared by the Budget Committee. Said sum is exclusive of all special or individual articles addressed; or take any other action relative thereto.

The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee Recommend this Article. (Majority Vote Required)

Article 4: War Veterans Tax Credit Modification

Shall the Town of Lyndeborough vote to modify the Veterans Tax Credit in accordance with RSA 72:28:(II) from its current credit of **Three Hundred Dollars (\$300) per year to Five Hundred Dollars (\$500)**, to take effect April 1, 2016; or take any other action relative thereto.

The Board of Selectmen Recommend this Article. (Majority Vote Required)

NB: This article is not an appropriation article. Copies of the RSA governing this article are available from the Town Clerk or on the table located at the rear of Town Meeting.

Article 5: Exemption for the Elderly Modification

Shall the Town vote to **modify** the Exemption for the Elderly under the provisions of RSA 72:39-(a) & (b), from property tax in the Town of Lyndeborough based on assessed value, for qualified taxpayers, to be as follows:

- a. for a person 65 years of age up to 74 years of age **\$35,000 Dollars, (currently \$20,000 Dollars) ;**
- b. for a person 75 years of age up to 79 years of age **\$50,000 Dollars (currently \$30,000 Dollars);** and
- c. for a person 80 years of age or older **\$70,000 Dollars (currently \$60,000 Dollars).**

In addition, to **modify** the parameters of the qualifying amounts as follows:

To qualify, the person must have been:

- a. a New Hampshire resident for at least 3 consecutive years, own the real estate individually or jointly, or if the real estate is owned by such person's spouse, they must have been married to each other for at least 5 consecutive years; and,
- b. in addition, the taxpayer must have a net income in each applicable age group of not more than **\$30,000 (currently \$25,000)** or, if married, a combined net income of not more than **\$40,000, (currently \$35,000) ;** and,
- c. own net assets not in excess of a dollar amount determined by the town or city of **\$70,000 (currently \$60,000)**, excluding the value of the person's residence, to take effect April 1, 2016; or take any action relative thereto.

The Board of Selectmen Recommend this Article. (Majority Vote Required)

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Article 6: Police Vehicle

To see if the Town of Lyndeborough will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000)** to go toward the Replacement of the 2014 AWD Ford Police Vehicle. This will be a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7 VI and will not lapse until the vehicle is replaced or December 31, 2018, whichever is sooner; or take any other action relative thereto.

The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee Recommend this Article. (Majority Vote Required)

Article 7: Lyndeborough Fire Department Organizational Governance

To see if the Town of Lyndeborough will vote to change the form of governance that the Lyndeborough Fire Department currently operates under (RSA 154: 1 III), *(A municipality may choose a form of fire department organization different from those set forth in paragraph I, including the election of fire chief, fire officers or firefighters, or all such persons, by the firefighters.)* to RSA 154:1: b. *(A fire chief appointed by the local governing body, or by the town or city manager, if any, with firefighters appointed by the local governing body or manager, upon recommendation of the fire chief)* ; or take any other action relative thereto.

The Fire Chief and Board of Selectmen Recommend this Article. (Majority Vote Required)

Article 8: 1994 Fire Department Pumper Capital Reserve Fund

To see if the Town of Lyndeborough will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **Twenty Four Thousand Dollars (\$24,000)** to be added to the Repair and Replacement of the 1994 Fire Department Pumper Capital Reserve Fund previously established for that purpose; or take any other action relative thereto.

The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee Recommend this Article. (Majority Vote Required)

Article 9: 2005 Fire Department Pumper Capital Reserve Fund

To see if the Town of Lyndeborough will vote to raise and appropriate **Twenty Four Thousand Dollars (\$24,000)** to be added to the Repair and Replacement of the 2005 Fire Department Pumper Capital Reserve Fund previously established for that purpose; or take any other action relative thereto.

The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee Recommend this Article. (Majority Vote Required.)

Article 10: 1984 Fire Department Tanker Capital Reserve Fund

To see if the Town of Lyndeborough will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **Forty Thousand Dollars (\$40,000)** to be added to the Repair and Replacement of the 1984 Tanker Capital Reserve Fund previously established for that purpose; or take any other action relative thereto.

The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee Recommend this Article. (Majority Vote Required)

Article 11: 2002 Fire Department Rescue Vehicle Capital Reserve Fund

To see if the Town of Lyndeborough will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **Thirteen Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$13,500)** to be added to the Repair and Replacement of the 2002 Rescue Vehicle Capital Reserve Fund previously established for that purpose; or take any other action relative thereto.

The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee Recommend this Article. (Majority Vote Required).

Article 12: 2002 Highway Department Mack Truck Capital Reserve Fund

To see if the Town of Lyndeborough will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **Thirty Three Thousand Dollars (\$33,000)** to be added to the Repair and Replacement of the 2002 Mack Truck Capital Reserve Fund previously established for that purpose; or take any other action relative thereto.

The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee Recommend this Article. (Majority Vote Required)

Article 13: 2007 Backhoe/Loader Capital Reserve Fund

To see if the Town of Lyndeborough will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000)** to be added to the Repair and Replacement of the 2007 Backhoe/Loader Capital Reserve Fund previously established for that purpose; or take any other action relative thereto.

The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee Recommend this Article. (Majority Vote Required.)

Article 14: 2008 Volvo Dump Truck Capital Reserve Fund

To see if the Town of Lyndeborough will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **Thirty Four Thousand Dollars (\$34,000)** to be added to the Repair and Replacement of the 2008 Volvo Dump Truck Capital Reserve Fund previously established for that purpose; or take any other action relative thereto.

The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee Recommend this Article. (Majority Vote Required.)

Article 15: 2008 Backhoe Capital Reserve Fund

To see if the Town of Lyndeborough will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **Eighteen Thousand Dollars (\$18,000)** to be added to the Repair and Replacement of the 2008 Backhoe Capital Reserve Fund previously established for that purpose; or take any other action relative thereto.

The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee Recommend this Article. (Majority Vote Required.)

Article 16: 2002 John Deere Grader Capital Reserve Fund

To see if the Town of Lyndeborough will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **Twenty Nine Thousand Dollars (\$29,000)** to be added to the Repair and Replacement of the 2002 John Deere Grader Capital Reserve Fund previously established for that purpose; or take any other action relative thereto.

The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee Recommend this Article. (Majority Vote Required.)

Article 17: Bridge Build/Repair/Replacement Capital Reserve Fund

To see if the Town of Lyndeborough will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **Twenty Two Thousand Dollars (\$22,000)** to be added to the Bridge Build/Repair/Replacement Capital Reserve Fund previously established for that purpose; or take any other action relative thereto.

The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee Recommend this Article. (Majority Vote Required.)

Article 18: Purchase a Highway Department One-Ton Dump Truck

To see if the Town of Lyndeborough will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **Eighty Seven Thousand Dollars (\$87,000)** to purchase a Highway Department one-ton dump truck, sanding unit, plow set up, other associated equipment including but not limited to set up costs. Further, to authorize the withdrawal of up to **Eighty Seven Thousand Dollars (\$87,000)** from the Repair and Replacement of the 2007 One-Ton Truck Capital Reserve Fund, previously set up for this purpose and, to further authorize the Board of Selectmen to take any steps to facilitate said sale including, but not limited to, the right to convey title of any vehicle(s) being provided in sale or trade. This will be a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7 VI and will not lapse until the vehicle is purchased or December 31, 2017, whichever is sooner; or take any other action relative thereto.

The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee Recommend this Article. (Majority Vote Required.)

Article 19: Capital Reserve Fund Change of Purpose

To see if the Town of Lyndeborough will vote, pursuant RSA 35:16, to change the purpose of the existing Repair and Replacement of the 2007 One-Ton Truck Capital Reserve Fund to Repair and Replacement of the 2016 One-Ton Truck Capital Reserve Fund; or take any other action relative thereto.

The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee Recommend this Article. (2/3 Vote Required.)

Article 20: 2016 Highway Department One-Ton Truck Capital Reserve Fund

To see if the Town of Lyndeborough will vote, providing article 19 is adopted, to raise and appropriate the sum of **Twelve Thousand Dollars (\$12,000)** to be added to the Repair and Replacement of the 2016 Highway Department One-Ton Truck Capital Reserve Fund previously established for that purpose; or take any other action relative thereto.

The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee Recommend this Article. (Majority Vote Required)

Article 21: Lease / Purchase of a Highway Department Dump Truck

To see if the Town of Lyndeborough will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into a six year lease / purchase agreement in the amount of **One Hundred and Eighty Five Thousand Dollars (\$185,000)** for the purpose of lease / purchase of a mid-size dump truck , sanding unit, plow set up, other associated equipment, including but not limited to set up costs for the Highway Department, and to raise and appropriate the sum of **Thirty-five Thousand Dollars (\$35,000)** for the first year's payment for that purpose. This lease / purchase agreement contains an escape clause. The **Thirty Five Thousand Dollars (\$35,000)** will be offset by New Hampshire Highway Block Grant, with no amount coming from local taxation. At the conclusion of the lease the vehicle will be purchased for one dollar (\$1); or take any other action relative thereto.

The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee Recommend this Article. (Majority Vote Required).

Article 22: Capital Reserve Fund Change of Purpose

To see if the Town of Lyndeborough will vote, pursuant RSA 35:16, to change the purpose of the existing Repair and Replacement of the 2009 One-Ton Truck Capital Reserve Fund to Repair and Replacement of the 2016 Mid-Size Dump Truck Capital Reserve Fund; or take any other action relative thereto.

The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee Recommend this Article. (2/3 Vote Required)

Article 23: 2016 Mid-Size Dump Truck Capital Reserve Fund

To see if the Town of Lyndeborough will vote, providing article 22 is adopted, to raise and appropriate the sum of **Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000)** to be added to the Repair and Replacement of the 2016 Mid-Size Dump Truck Capital Reserve Fund previously established for that purpose; or take any other action relative thereto.

The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee Recommend this Article. (Majority Vote Required.)

Article 24: Town Forest Designation

To see if the Town of Lyndeborough will vote to establish as a Town Forest under RSA 31:110 for the following parcel of land: Tax Map 216, Lot 4, (17 Acres) located off Scout Road, and to authorize the Conservation Commission to manage this Town Forest under the provision of RSA 31:112, II; or take any other action related thereto.

(By the Request of the Conservation Commission) (Majority Vote Required)

The Board of Selectmen and Conservation Commission Recommend this Article.

Article 25: Town Emergency Siren

To see if the Town will vote to re-activate the Town Emergency Siren.

(By Petition)

Article 26: Acceptance of Reports

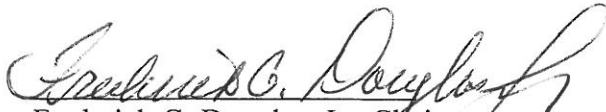
To see if the Town of Lyndeborough will vote to authorize the Selectmen to accept the reports of auditors and committees as printed in the Town Report; or take any other action relative thereto; *(Majority Vote Required).*

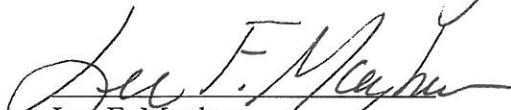
Article 27: Other Business

To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting;

Given unto our hands and seal, this 22th day of February, 2016.

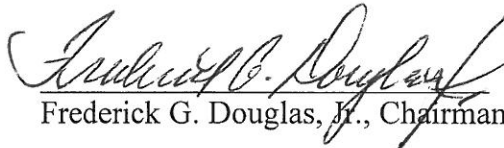
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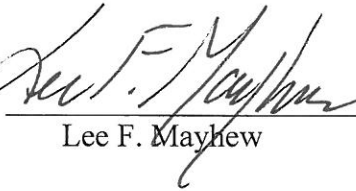

Frederick G. Douglas, Jr., Chairman

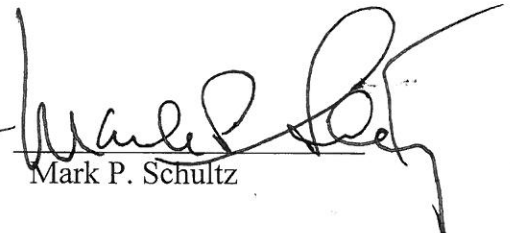

Lee F. Mayhew


Mark P. Schultz

A True Copy of Warrant – Attest:


Frederick G. Douglas, Jr., Chairman


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