



TOWN COUNCIL – AGENDA REQUEST FORM

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Please submit Agenda Request Form, including back up information, 8 days prior to the requested meeting date. **Public Hearing requests must be submitted 20 days prior to requested meeting date to meet publication deadlines** (exceptions may be authorized by the Town Manager, Chairman/Vice Chair).

MEETING INFORMATION

Date Submitted: February 4, 2019
Submitted by: Finance Director Paul T. Micali
Department:
Speakers: Finance Director Paul T. Micali

Date of Meeting: February 14, 2019
Time Required: 25 minutes
Background Info. Supplied: Yes: No:

CATEGORY OF BUSINESS (PLEASE PLACE AN "X" IN THE APPROPRIATE BOX)

Appointment:	<input type="checkbox"/>	Recognition/Resignation/Retirement:	<input type="checkbox"/>
Public Hearing:	<input type="checkbox"/>	Old Business:	<input type="checkbox"/>
New Business:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Consent Agenda:	<input type="checkbox"/>
Nonpublic:	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other:	<input type="checkbox"/>

TITLE OF ITEM

Review of the 2019 Town Warrant

DESCRIPTION OF ITEM

The Town Council to review and make recommendations on each article of the 2019 Town Warrant.

REFERENCE (IF KNOWN)

RSA:	Warrant Article:	_____
Charter Article:	Town Meeting:	_____
Other:	N/A	

EQUIPMENT REQUIRED (PLEASE PLACE AN "X" IN THE APPROPRIATE BOX)

Projector:	<input type="checkbox"/>	Grant Requirements:	<input type="checkbox"/>
Easel:	<input type="checkbox"/>	Joint Meeting:	<input type="checkbox"/>
Special Seating:	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other:	<input type="checkbox"/>
Laptop:	<input type="checkbox"/>	None:	<input type="checkbox"/>

CONTACT INFORMATION

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APPROVAL

Town Manager: Yes No: Chair/Vice Chair: Yes No:

Hold for Meeting Date: _____



2019 Town Warrant
Town of Merrimack
6 Baboosic Lake Road, Merrimack, New Hampshire 03054



The State of New Hampshire

To the inhabitants of the Town of Merrimack in the County of Hillsborough in said state, qualified to vote in town affairs:

You are hereby notified that the First Session (*Deliberative*) of the Annual Meeting of the Town of Merrimack will be held at the Mastricola Upper Elementary School's All-Purpose Room on Baboosic Lake Road in said Merrimack on Wednesday, March 13, 2019 (snow date Thursday, March 14, 2019), at 7:00 o'clock in the evening (pm) for explanation, discussion, and debate of each Warrant Article. Warrant Articles may be amended at this session per RSA 40:13, IV.

You are hereby notified that the Second Session (*Ballot Voting*) of the Annual Meeting of the Town of Merrimack will be held on Tuesday, April 9, 2019, at 7:00 o'clock in the forenoon (am) for the choice of town officers elected by official ballot, to vote on questions required by law to be inserted on the Official Ballot, and to vote on all Warrant Articles from the First Session on Official Ballot per RSA 40:13, VII. The polling places for the election of town officers, and other actions required to be inserted on the ballot, will open on said date at 7:00 o'clock in the forenoon (am) and will not close earlier than 7:00 o'clock in the evening (pm).

The three aforementioned polling places will be as follows:

James Mastricola Upper Elementary School All-Purpose Room, 26 Baboosic Lake Road
St. John Neumann Church, 708 Milford Road (Route 101A)
Merrimack Middle School, 31 Madeline Bennett Lane

Article 1

To choose all necessary town officers for the ensuing year.

Two (2) Town Councilors 3-year term
Two (2) Ethics Committee Member for a 3-year term
One (1) Trustee of Trust Funds for a 3-year term
One (1) Library Trustee for a 3-year term

Article 2

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$13,100,000 (gross budget) for Waste Water Treatment upgrades to the Souhegan, Thornton Ferry Pump stations as well as the Main Pump Station and miscellaneous upgrades to the main plant to include installation, and to authorize the issuance of not more than \$13,100,000 of bonds or notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA 33) and to authorize the Town Council to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon; and to further authorize the Town Council to apply for, obtain and accept any federal, state, or other aid, grants or other funds, that may be made available in conjunction with said purpose that may reduce the amount to be financed with bonds and notes, and to participate in the State Revolving Fund (SRF) RSA 486:14 established for this purpose; and to allow the Town Council to take any other action or to pass any other vote relative thereto. (2/3rd ballot vote required for approval) (Recommended by the Town Council X-0-0)

Article 3

Shall the Town 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 \$32,780,643 Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be \$30,517,636, which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Town or by law; or the Town Council may hold one (1) special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13, X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only. (Recommended by the Town Council X-X-0) (Majority vote required.)

Article 4

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,640,000 to be added to the following Capital Reserve Funds previously established for the purposes for which they were created.

CRF	Amount to be Deposited
Ambulance	80,000
Communications Equipment	125,000
Computer Equipment	35,000
Daniel Webster Highway	50,000
Fire Equipment	250,000
Highway Equipment	400,000
Library Building Maintenance Fund	75,000
Property Revaluation	15,000
Solid Waste Disposal	125,000
Traffic Signal Pre-emption	5,000
Property Insurance Deductible Trust Fund	10,000
GIS	20,000
Road Infrastructure CRF	<u>450,000</u>
Total CRF	1,640,000
Milfoil Expendable Trust Fund	<u>10,000</u>
Total General Fund Deposits	1,650,000

These appropriations are **not** included in the total town operating budget warrant article 3.
(Recommended by the Town Council X-X-0) (Majority vote required.)

Article 5

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$350,000 to be added to the Sewer Infrastructure Capital Reserve Fund previously established.

(Recommended by the Town Council X-X-0) (Majority vote required.)

Article 6

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$47,000 for buying Large diameter Hose, Supply hose, and Computer replacement for Fire Truck apparatus and to authorize the withdrawal of \$47,000 from the Fire Equipment Capital Reserve Fund created for that purpose.

(Recommended by the Town Council X-0-0) (Majority vote required)

Article 7

Shall the Town of Merrimack vote to approve the cost items included in a collective bargaining agreement reached between the Merrimack Town Council and the IAFF, Local 2904, which calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits at the current staffing levels:

Fiscal Year	Wage Increase	Wage and Benefit Costs Increase
2019-20	2%	\$ 53,411
2020-21	2%	62,596
2021-22	2%	65,281
2022-23	2%	81,689

and further to raise and appropriate the sum of \$53,411 for the current fiscal year, such sum representing the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits required by the new agreement over those that would be paid at current staffing levels? This collective bargaining agreement covers the Firefighters and Paramedics of the Fire Department. (Recommended by the Town Council X-X-X) (Majority vote required.)

Article 8

Shall the Town of Merrimack vote to approve the cost items included in a collective bargaining agreement reached between the Merrimack Town Council and the New England Police Benevolent Association, Local 112, which calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits at the current staffing levels:

Fiscal Year	Wage Increase	Wage and Benefit Costs Increase
2019-20	2%	\$ 11,184

and further to raise and appropriate the sum of \$11,184 for the current fiscal year, such sum representing the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits required by the new agreement over those that would be paid at current staffing levels? This collective bargaining agreement covers the Dispatchers and Office Staff of the Police Department. (Recommended by the Town Council X-X-X) (Majority vote required.)

Article 9

Shall the Town of Merrimack vote to approve the cost items included in a collective bargaining agreement reached between the Merrimack Town Council and the Teamsters, Local 633, which calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits at the current staffing levels:

Fiscal Year	Wage Increase	Wage and Benefit Costs Increase
2019-20	2%	\$ 18,146
2020-21	2%	18,180
2021-22	2%	16,927

and further to raise and appropriate the sum of \$18,146 for the current fiscal year, such sum representing the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits required by the new agreement over those that would be paid at current staffing levels? This collective bargaining agreement covers supervisory and clerical employees of the Highway, Solid Waste Disposal, Wastewater Treatment, and Equipment Maintenance Divisions of the Public Works Department. (Recommended by the Town Council X-X-X) (Majority vote required.)

Article 10

Shall the Town of Merrimack vote to approve the cost items included in a collective bargaining agreement reached between the Merrimack Town Council and the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees 93, Local 3657, which calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits at the current staffing levels:

Fiscal Year	Wage Increase	Wage and Benefit Costs Increase
2019-20	2%	\$ 68,421
2020-21	2%	34,216
2021-22	2%	34,163
2022-23	2%	33,952

and further to raise and appropriate the sum of \$68,421 for the current fiscal year, such sum representing the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits required by the new agreement over those that would be paid at current staffing levels? This collective bargaining agreement covers the supervisory employees of the Fire and Police Departments. (Recommended by the Town Council X-X-X) (Majority vote required.)

Article 11

Shall the Town of Merrimack vote to approve the cost items included in a collective bargaining agreement reached between the Merrimack Town Council and American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees 93, Local 2986, which calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits at the current staffing levels:

Fiscal Year	Wage Increase	Wage and Benefit Costs Increase
2019-20	2%	\$ 51,542
2020-21	2%	54,246
2021-22	2%	56,640

and further to raise and appropriate the sum of \$51,542 for the current fiscal year, such sum representing the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits required by the new agreement over those that would be paid at current staffing levels? This collective bargaining agreement covers labors of the Highway, Solid Waste Disposal, Wastewater Treatment, and Equipment Maintenance Divisions of the Public Works Department. (Recommended by the Town Council X-X-X) (Majority vote required.)

Article 12

To see if the town will vote to appoint the Town Council as agents to expend from the Fire Equipment Capital Reserve Fund previously established in 1972 Article 8. (Recommended by the Town Council X-0-0) (Majority vote required)

Article 13

Shall the Town vote to allow Keno games to be operated as prescribed by state law within Merrimack (by petition) (Majority vote required.)

Given under our hands and seal this 22nd day of February, in the year of our Lord,
Two Thousand nineteen

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Attest: a true copy of the Warrant

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**Town of Merrimack, New Hampshire
Certificate of Service**

We, the Town Council, certify that we gave notice to the inhabitants within named, to meet at the time and place and for the purpose within mentioned, by posting an attested copy of the within Warrant at the place of meeting within named, and a like attested copy at the Town Hall and Town Library, being public places in said Town on or before the 25th day of February 2019.

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