

**APPROVED**  
**MINUTES OF THE BUDGET & BOND PUBLIC HEARING**  
13 January 2014

**PRESENT:** Gary L. Daniels, Chairman  
Mark Fougere Vice Chairman  
Mike Putnam, Member  
Kathy Bauer, Member  
Kevin Federico, Member  
Guy Scaife, Town Administrator  
Darlene J. Bouffard, Recording Secretary

Department Heads & Senior Staff: Dave Boucher, Water Utilities Superintendent  
Tina Philbrick, Executive Assistant  
Bill Parker, Community Development Director  
Ricky Riendeau, DPW Director  
Michelle Sampson, Library Director  
Jack Sheehy, Finance Director  
Michael Viola, Police Chief

Video Staff: Mike McInerney, Community Media Director  
Niko Giokas

Members of the Public

**BUDGET ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Bert Becker  
Rose Evans, Vice Chairman  
Matt Lydon-Chairman  
Karen Mitchell  
Chris Pank  
Jim Roccio  
Peggy Seward  
Jolie Whitten

**WATER COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:**

Bob Courage (Chairman)  
Mike Putnam (Selectman)  
Dale White (Vice Chairman)

**CALL TO ORDER:** Chairman Daniels opened the public hearing at 6:30 p.m. thanking everyone that came to attend this hearing. All in attendance were invited to join in the Pledge of Allegiance. Chairman Daniels introduced members of the Board of Selectmen. Chairman Daniels then introduced, Bob Courage – Water Commissioner who then introduced Dale White – Water Commissioner and introduced Mike Putnam, Water Commissioner, and the Superintendent of the Water Department, Dave Boucher.

Chairman Daniels indicated that tonight's hearing is for the Town Budget and Bond Hearing, but the warrant articles will also be reviewed in order for the public to voice their opinion on all items. Chairman Daniels explained if any members of the public wish to comment or have questions, they should please use a microphone in order to be heard on the PEG Access Live broadcast.

The Bond Hearing was opened at 6:32 p.m.

## ***Bond Hearing***

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Chairman Daniels read the bond wording as follows:

### **ARTICLE 3 – DRAM CUP WATER STORAGE TANK RENOVATION - \$330,000**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Three Hundred Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$330,000) for the design, engineering, construction, and all other related costs for the Dram Cup Water Storage Tank Renovation, and to authorize the Town to enter into an agreement with the State of New Hampshire NHDES to borrow funds from the State Revolving Fund 3/5 majority, ballot vote required. This is a Special Warrant Article in accordance with RSA 32 and is paid for by the water user fees.

Dave Boucher, Water Utilities Superintendent, explained this is for renovations of one of the four water tanks in town. This water tank was built in 1960 and last year the tank was cleaned and inspected and as a result, we found concrete spalling on the roof. The spalling led to exposure of the mesh wire screen, the exterior of the tank roof was repaired and a seal coat was applied to the roof section on the outside, but on the inside we have mesh areas exposed to moisture. In October, we received an approval letter from the State advising that a ten-year loan at a low interest rate is available to do the inside of the tank. In the spring the inside of the tank would be recoated with a polyester material. The tank must be taken off line for this work to be done. Mr. Boucher asked for any questions or comments.

Chairman Daniels asked if the only thing the State will do is provide a low interest rate loan? Mr. Boucher responded that is correct.

## **TOWN AND WATER UTILITIES BUDGET** **HEARINGS**

Chairman Daniels turned the budget hearing over to Town Administrator Guy Scaife who read the article as follows:

### **ARTICLE 4 - TOWN OPERATING BUDGET - \$13,151,231**

To see if the Town will 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 in an amount totaling Thirteen Million, One Hundred Fifty-one Thousand, Two Hundred, and Thirty-one (\$13,151,231) Dollars. Should this Article be defeated, the operating budget shall be Twelve Million, Four Hundred Eighty-Eight Thousand, Six Hundred and Thirty-Three (\$12,488,633) Dollars which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous actions of the Town, or by law, or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13 X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only. This is a Special Warrant Article in accordance with RSA 32.

Town Administrator Guy Scaife indicated he will not go over the revenue budget but the expense budget will be reviewed. At deliberative session he will go into more detail than tonight. On the website the information is available for the warrant articles and the presentation that the Town Administrator gave as well as what the Financial Director provided. The Default Budget for 2014 is the same as the 2013 budget. Currently the town is watching the urgent care aspect of the Milford Medical Center and the number of transports, so far those numbers look solid but it is too

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1 early to tell. Mr. Scaife explained that the increase in the Human Resources budget is to train a new employee the  
2 functions of Human Resources and employee benefits for when Ruth Bolduc retires later in 2014. The replacement  
3 for that position needs to understand the systems and know how to update the records. Selectman Bauer asked if that  
4 will continue to be a part time position or become full time? Guy Scaife reserved comment on that, most communi-  
5 ties have a benefits coordinator and a human resources coordinator, so it is handled by more than one person. Mr.  
6 Scaife continued to review the operating budget by explaining that the Library fountain repair will be in the 2014  
7 budget as well. A School Resource Officer is being added which will be supported by the Town Budget for three  
8 months and for nine months will be supported by the School Budget. Chairman Daniels asked if there were any  
9 questions.

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11 Bob Willette, Ball Hill Road asked if there is a policy for coming up with the default budget. Mr. Willette continued  
12 by stating there are things in the default budget such as merit raises. Guy Scaife said the Default Budget is regulated  
13 by statute, merit increases are not in the default budget. Bob Willette knows the law and it says that anything in last  
14 year's budget can be put on the Default Budget. Jack Sheehy, Financial Director, indicated the raises are not in the  
15 budget, new employees are not in it, only contracted items are included. Gil Archambault, Savage Road, asked  
16 about the increase to the ambulance department, does that include both ambulances? Guy Scaife responded that is in  
17 the Operating Budget. Gil Archambault commented that the debt level increase of 28% is too much, asking how  
18 much money that is. Jack Sheehy said the amount of town debt is very small in comparison to the State guidelines;  
19 we can get those figures for you.

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21 Jim Rumson asked how much money is in the budget for re-paving for town roads. A lot of roads are a mess, the  
22 man holes are coming up, how much is in the budget to fix roads? Ricky Riendeau, DPW Director, indicated there is  
23 \$300,000 in the budget for roads repair. Selectman Putnam asked how much more than normal is the \$300,000 for  
24 roads. Ricky Riendeau responded it is about the same. Selectman Bauer asked what is the top priority to do with  
25 that \$300,000. What will it be used for? Ricky Riendeau responded it changes each year, but this year the roads are  
26 coming apart worse than last year, there is a plan but sometimes that plan changes. It is too early to forecast, some  
27 roads in town and some roads on the outskirts will be done.

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29 Chairman Daniels read about a court decision about LGC returning money to the towns and have we heard anything?  
30 Guy Scaife indicated that the lawsuit pertained to a time when we were not a user of their health care coverage.  
31 Healthtrust is where Milford gets its insurance which is one of the new organizations out of LGC. Our previous car-  
32 rier was Primex. Because they are non-profit, if there is money left at the end of the year, it must be returned.

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34 There were no further questions.

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36 Chairman Daniels closed the budget public hearing.

37 **ARTICLE 5 - WASTEWATER TREATMENT OPERATING BUDGET - \$1,809,111**

38 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Million, Eight Hundred Nine Thou-  
39 sand, One Hundred and Eleven (\$1,809,111) Dollars to operate and maintain the Wastewater Treatment  
40 Facility and the Sanitary Sewer Collection System, said appropriation to be offset by income received from  
41 wastewater user charges, or take any other action relative thereto. Should this Article be defeated, the  
42 operating budget shall be One Million, Seven Hundred Ninety- seven Thousand, Seven Hundred and  
43 Ninety-three (\$1,797,793) Dollars which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by  
44 previous actions of the Town, or by law, or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accord-  
45 ance with RSA 40:13 X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only. This is a Special  
46 Warrant Article in accordance with RSA 32 and is paid for by the wastewater user fees.

47 Dave Boucher, Water Utilities Superintendent, explained this budget includes two pump stations in town and a pre-  
48 treatment program. The increase of \$9,000 has to do with the Master Plan being done by an engineering service, to  
49 identify what we have to do next. Two motors will be sent in for reconditioning. Paving at the WWTF around the  
50 parking area will be done. The compost process at the facility is to be retired, this will reduce plant odors. Cost is  
51 included to ship the sludge to an another outside compost facility. Mr. Boucher asked for questions or comments.

1 Gil Archambault asked when the last time rates were increased. Mr. Boucher indicated the last increase was in 2010.  
2 Chairman Daniels asked what is the maximum capacity. Mr. Boucher said the capacity is 2.15 million gallons and  
3 we are at about 1.2 million gallons. We still have a little room. Vice Chairman Fougere asked if the composting will  
4 be removed from town? Mr. Boucher said it will be de-watered (dry) compost.

5 **ARTICLE 6 - WATER DEPARTMENT OPERATING BUDGET- \$1,369,255**

6 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Million, Three Hundred Sixty-nine  
7 Thousand, Two Hundred and Fifty-five (\$1,369,255) Dollars to operate and maintain the Water Depart-  
8 ment, said appropriation to be offset by income received from the water user charges, or take any other  
9 action relative thereto. Should this Article be defeated, the operating budget shall be One Million, Three  
10 Hundred Sixty-three Thousand, One Hundred and Forty-two (\$1,363,142) Dollars which is the same as  
11 last year, with certain adjustments required by previous actions of the Town, or by law, or the governing  
12 body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13 X and XVI, to take up the issue of a  
13 revised operating budget only. This is a Special Warrant Article in accordance with RSA 32 and is paid  
14 for by the water user fees.

15 Dave Boucher explained the Beech and Smith streets water pipes were replaced last year and this year the finish covers of  
16 paving will be applied. There were no questions or comments.

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18 Chairman Daniels opened the appropriation warrant articles portion of the hearing.  
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20 **Appropriation Warrant Articles**

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22 **ARTICLE 7 – SOUTH STREET RAILROAD CROSSING - \$200,000**

23 Chairman Daniels read the Warrant Article as follows:  
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25 To see if the town will vote to rescind the appropriation of \$200,000 (with \$40,000 having been  
26 raised by taxation) made by the passage of Article 17 at the 2009 annual Town Meeting which will  
27 lapse on December 31, 2014, and, in place of said appropriation, to raise and appropriate the sum  
28 of Two Hundred Thousand (\$200,000) Dollars for the purpose of replacing the South Street rail-  
29 road crossing, including drainage, road, sidewalk, and curbing improvements to South Street, and  
30 furthermore, to accept Federal and/or State funding of One Hundred Sixty Thousand (\$160,000)  
31 Dollars with the balance of Forty Thousand (\$40,000) Dollars raised from fund balance, or take  
32 any other action relative thereto. This is a Special Warrant Article in accordance with RSA 32.  
33 This will be a non-lapsing appropriation in accordance with RSA 32:7, VI it being understood that  
34 such appropriation shall not lapse at the end of the fiscal year 2014, but shall lapse when said im-  
35 provements are completed or 12/31/2019, whichever is sooner. This Article contains no tax im-  
36 pact.

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38 Guy Scaife indicated this article is to renew existing money set aside years ago, it is unclear when the State will  
39 move on it. The money is set aside and if we renew the Warrant Article, we will not lose out if the State moves for-  
40 ward. Peter Basiliere, Spaulding Street, asked why does it show up with \$200,000 if it is already set aside? If there  
41 is no tax impact, it should not list any funding. Guy Scaife said he would check on that. Steve Sareault, Clark Road  
42 asked about Fund Balance. Jack Sheehy, Finance Director said it comes out of Fund Balance, it is sitting there, it  
43 was raised almost ten years ago, we are just re-upping it. Bob Courage asked if this is tied into the South Street pro-  
44 ject. Guy Scaife said it is not. Bob Courage asked if we could possibly do one project and then this project at a later  
45 date. Guy Scaife said the South Street projects stops prior to where this is, we do not want to tie those two projects  
46 together, they are separate. The State is not committed to move on this right now, but we do not want to lose the

1 grant money. Bob Courage responded some of that drainage work was going to occur on the north side of the tracks,  
2 if we are moving forward on South Street and the drainage work can go under the track, he wants to be sure it  
3 doesn't have to be dug up again. Ricky Riendeau said it has been going on for ten years, the railroad is the big hang  
4 up, it is an independent company, we started again last year and it has gone nowhere. He thought this might help get  
5 it going by increasing the size of the pipe under the tracks.  
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8 There were no further questions.  
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10 **ARTICLE 8 - OSGOOD POND DREDGING - \$183,000**  
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12 Chairman Daniels read the Warrant Article as follows:  
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14 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Eighty Three Thou-  
15 sand (\$183,000) Dollars to be added to the Osgood Pond Capital Reserve Fund of Sixty Seven  
16 Thousand (\$67,000) Dollars under the provisions of RSA 35:1 to dredge and reclaim a phase of  
17 Osgood Pond for the purpose of restoring a portion of the degraded pond for fish and wildlife habi-  
18 tat and recreational activity.

19 **NOTE:** This Appropriation, if added to the existing capital reserve, will fund approximately 37% of the total  
20 project if all 11.5 acres are dredged at an estimated total cost of \$680,000.  
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23 Chairman Daniels indicated this article is for a permit for 11+ acres to be dredged, which is the maximum. We are  
24 proposing to do it in phases. This is the additional cost that would be added to the \$67,000 that is already in a Capi-  
25 tal Reserve Fund to dredge Phase I and part of Phase II. The total for all three phases is \$680,000.  
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27 Seeing no further questions, Chairman Daniels moved to the next article.  
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30 **ARTICLE 9 — BRIDGE REPLACEMENT CAP. RESERVE — \$125,000**  
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32 Chairman Daniels read the Warrant Article as follows:  
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34 To see if the Town will vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for  
35 the purpose of Highway Road Bridge Repair and Replacement and to raise and appropriate the sum of  
36 one hundred twenty five thousand dollars (\$125,000) to be placed in this fund, and to furthermore ap-  
37 point the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend from this fund.

38 Chairman Daniels felt that looking at bridges is a priority, we do not want bridges to be falling apart. Matt Lydon,  
39 High Street, asked how many assessments are expected to be covered with this amount of money. Guy Scaife indi-  
40 cated the assessments could be \$35,000 to \$50,000 each, it depends on which bridge is selected. Ricky Riendeau has  
41 an engineer looking at all of the bridges at a high level so that we can start that assessment project. Matt Lydon  
42 asked if it could cover only one assessment. Guy Scaife said that is a possibility. We have two years to save up for  
43 Jennison Road, the warrant article as written does allow some flexibility with the bridges. The engineering company  
44 will be looking at 17 bridges and from that they will look at the State data and sit down and make a priority list. It  
45 will show how much each bridge will cost. Bob Courage indicated the Warrant Article reads that it is a capital re-  
46 serve fund, dose the town have to vote to remove money from that fund? The Board of Commissioners put money in  
47 a capital reserve fund and they can withdraw the money as needed. Jack Sheehy indicated the Board of Selectmen  
48 will be appointed in the warrant article to spend the funds. The voters approve putting funds into the fund, but the  
49 Board of Selectmen will be appointed to expend funds from it.  
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51 Seeing no further questions, Chairman Daniels moved to the next article.  
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**ARTICLE 10 – FIRE LADDER TRUCK #1 REPLACEMENT - 7-YEAR LEASE/PURCHASE - 117,500 ( Annual Payment \$117,500/Total Purchase Price \$770,000)**

Shall the Town vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into a 7 year lease/purchase agreement, subject to a fiscal funding clause which will protect the Town in the event of non-appropriation, for the purpose of lease-purchasing a fire ladder truck with the appropriate equipment for Fire Department operation (it will replace the current 1991 Pierce Ladder Truck) and to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Seventeen Thousand, Five Hundred (\$117,500) Dollars for the first year's payment for this purpose. The total purchase price of this vehicle is Seven Hundred Seventy Thousand (\$770,000) Dollars. If this article passes, future payments will be included in the operating budget. This is a Special Warrant Article in accordance with RSA 32.

Seeing no questions, Chairman Daniels moved to the next article.

**ARTICLE 11 DUMP TRUCK (6 CUBIC YARD) – 5-YEAR LEASE/PURCHASE – \$30,000 (Annual Payment \$30,000/Total Purchase Price \$144,000)**

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into a 5-year lease/purchase agreement, subject to a fiscal funding clause which will protect the Town in the event of non-appropriation, for the purpose of lease/purchasing a Dump Truck (6 cubic yard), with the appropriate equipment for Highway Department operation (it will replace the 1995 International Dump Truck that is no longer in service with the Highway Department) and to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirty Thousand (\$30,000) Dollars for the first year's payment for this purpose. The total purchase price of this vehicle is One Hundred and Forty Four Thousand (\$144,000) Dollars. If this article passes, future years' payments will be included in the operating budget. This is a Special Warrant Article in accordance with RSA 32.

Seeing no questions, Chairman Daniels moved to the next article.

**ARTICLE 12 — TRANSFER STATION SCALE HOUSE/OFFICE REPLACEMENT - \$73,551**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$73,551.00 (seventy-three thousand five-hundred and fifty-one dollars) for the construction of a 64' x 14' single wide modular office trailer to replace the current 1980 scale house and the trailer which currently houses the employee lunch and locker rooms. This new facility will contain the scale house, lunch room, locker area, changing area and storage. The project will include demo/removal of the existing structures, installation of a new concrete pad and scale work.

Gil Archambault, Savage Road, asked if the money will be in the budget for this item. Chairman Daniels said no, this is a warrant article, it is not a bond, it is a one time cost. Selectman Bauer said the building at the Transfer Station employees work out of is in disrepair, this article is past due.

Seeing no further questions, Chairman Daniels moved to the next article.

**ARTICLE 13 — AFSCME CONTRACT — \$17,600**

To see if the Town vote to approve the cost items included in the Police Officers' Collective Bargaining Agreement (CBA) reached between the Board of Selectmen and Local 3657 of the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees (AFSCME) for contract year 2014, which calls for the following increases in salaries, benefits, new cost items and other costs attributable to this Agreement, and to further raise and appropriate the sum of Seventeen Thousand Six Hundred (\$17,600) Dollars for fiscal year 2014. Said sum represents the additional costs over those of the current appropriation at current staffing levels paid in the expiring Agreement. Upon approval of this Article, said cost allocation is to be trans-

ferred to the General Operating Budget or take any other action relative thereto. This is a Special Warrant Article in accordance with RSA 32.

Chairman Daniels explained this is a contract for ratification to guarantee those employees under the contract a minimum 2% increase. Seeing no questions, Chairman Daniels moved to the next article.

**ARTICLE 14 — SOCIAL SERVICES — \$35,000**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirty-five Thousand (\$35,000) Dollars for the purpose of providing funding to Social Service agencies for Milford residents or take any other action relative thereto. This is a Special Article in accordance with RSA 32.

Seeing no questions, Chairman Daniels moved to the next article.

**ARTICLE 15 — NON-EMERGENCY COMMUNITY TRANSPORTATION BUS SERVICE — \$28,950**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty-eight Thousand, Nine Hundred and Fifty (\$28,950) Dollars for the purpose of providing the Town's share of funding to the Souhegan Valley Transportation Collaborative (SVTC) in order to continue operating a regional, non-emergency, wheelchair-accessible transportation service providing rides within the designated service area to seniors, people with disabilities, and the general public, or take any other action relative thereto. This is a Special Article in accordance with RSA 32.

Selectman Bauer feels this is a wonderful service. Seeing no questions, Chairman Daniels moved to the next article.

**ARTICLE 16 — CONSERVATION LANDS FUND — \$10,000**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Ten Thousand (\$10,000) Dollars for the purpose of adding it to the Conservation Land Fund created in accordance with RSA 36-A, said land fund being allowed to accumulate from year to year and to be available for the acquisition of property, conservation easements and other RSA 36-A allowable purposes, or take any other action relative thereto. This is a Special Warrant Article in accordance with RSA 32.

This article is being removed from the warrant based on previous vote.

**ARTICLE 17 – MILESLIP TOWN FOREST - \$12,000**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twelve Thousand (\$12,000) Dollars for the purpose of placing an easement on MileSlip Town Forest. A conservation easement is a permanent, legally binding agreement that ensures that certain uses will never be allowed on the protected property. Public access for low-impact recreational and education uses will be preserved and enhanced. Water quality and wildlife habitat will be protected. This is a Special Warrant Article in accordance with RSA 32.

Audrey Fraizer, Conservation Commission Chair, indicated Articles 16 & 17 are important to the Conservation Commission because the voters voted to purchase the property to put the land into conservation. Gil Archambault asked what the \$12,000 would be for? Ms. Fraizer explained that funds must be raised for the easement that helps the organization to watch over the land and if something came up, the town is doing the right thing. Chairman Daniels asked if the money can be used for anything other than this transaction? Ms. Fraizer said no. Selectman Bauer asked if there are any current plans for the coming year for acquisition of land? Ms. Fraizer said there are two potential parcels where the land owner has approached the conservation commission. Peg Seward, BAC, asked why the Conservation Commission is asking for \$12,000 for an easement on Mile Slip Road, when Article 16 is to be used for the same thing? Ms. Seward said the wording might need to be changed.

This article is being removed from the warrant based on previous vote. Ms. Fraizer indicated the Conservation Commission will come forward with petition warrant articles for articles 16 and 17.



1 mined by the Board of Selectmen, or take any other action relative thereto. This is a Special Article in ac-  
2 cordance with RSA 32.

3 Chairman Daniels asked for questions or comments. Brendan Philbrick indicated in the past the town has done with-  
4 out fireworks, and he feels the money could be used on the Labor Day Parade instead; surrounding towns like New  
5 Boston or Amherst have fireworks, we have 1500-2000 people in town that watch them. He would rather see the  
6 money used for something else. Selectman Bauer said the Board of Selectmen felt we should let the voters decide, if  
7 they do not want fireworks, they can vote it down.

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9 Seeing no further questions, Chairman Daniels moved to the next article.

10 **ARTICLE 22 — MEMORIAL, VETERANS & LABOR DAY PARADE TOWN**  
11 **SUPPORT — \$8,000**

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13 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Eight Thousand (\$8,000) Dollars for the  
14 purpose of providing Town support to the Memorial, Veterans and Labor Day Parades by Public Works,  
15 Police Department and other Town departments. Departmental support costs and materials associated  
16 with the provision of these services will be charged against this appropriation. This is a Special Article in  
17 accordance with RSA 32.

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19 Brendan Philbrick said honoring our veterans is important. He would like to see this funding for the Labor Day Pa-  
20 rade. Seeing no further questions, Chairman Daniels moved to the next article.

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22 **ARTICLE 23 - SALE OR OTHER DISPOSITION OF RESOURCES - \$0**

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24 To see if the Town will vote, pursuant to the authority of RSA 41:14-c & RSA 41:14-a, to authorize the  
25 Board of Selectmen to sell or otherwise dispose of any existing mineral interests, earth materials or other  
26 natural resources located on that portion of the Town owned property that is commonly known as the  
27 BROX property, that is currently zoned Residential "R", (said property currently zoned as Residential "R"  
28 being known as Tax Map 38, Lot 58 and Tax Map 38, Lot 17), on such terms and conditions, as the Se-  
29 lectmen deem appropriate for such sale or other disposition; provided nevertheless that this authorization  
30 is subject to the following conditions:

31 a.This authorization shall NOT extend to any portion of the BROX property not included in the map and lot  
32 number tracts identified above; and,

33 b.This authorization shall only extend to the mineral or other interest identified above and shall NOT permit  
34 the Selectmen, without further authorization of the town meeting, to dispose of the underlying fee of any  
35 such land; and,

36 c.This authorization shall NOT permit any such sale or other disposition to allow for the transfer of an in-  
37 terest in such materials unless the same is, by its terms, limited to a period of not more than six (6) years  
38 in duration so that any and all right that any transferee has to enter on the property for the purpose of im-  
39 plementing said sale or other disposition shall terminate no later than the expiration of six (6) years from  
40 the date of such transfer; and,

41 d. This authorization shall have no expiration date.

42 e.No sale or other disposition shall take place unless and until the Board of Selectmen have complied with  
43 all public notice and hearing requirements set forth in RSA 41:14-a, (I), and any other applicable provi-  
44 sions contained in said stature.

45 f.Any agreement entered into by the Selectmen relative to the sale or other disposition of said materials  
46 shall contain language which shall require the compliance with any statutes, land use codes or their regu-  
47 lations which govern such activity.

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49 Chairman Daniels explained this warrant article is because the original warrant article expired in 2012 and allows the  
50 Board of Selectmen to sell gravel resources at Brox, since that expired, we are asking for it to be renewed. This is  
51 just to renew the warrant article. Matt Lydon asked if there is a plan in place for this activity. Vice Chairman Foug-  
52 ere said no. Guy Scaife explained there is an asset out there and it is far more than what could be used for the town.  
53 This will just enable the Board to develop a plan. It is a complicated process and we would have to partner with a  
54 third party for a mining operation to make it profitable. Bert Becker asked if the town has had any contact with a  
55 third party that has been involved in this type of business. Vice Chairman Fougere said we have not, we would need

1 to send out an RFP to engineering firms, but the first step is getting the authorization to start that process. Guy Scaife indicated this was originally approved six years ago and it expired and this is just to get it renewed.

3 Seeing no further questions, Chairman Daniels moved to the next article.

4 **ARTICLE 24 - BROX COMMUNITY LAND INFRASTRUCTURE CAPITAL RESERVE - \$0**

6 To see if the Town of Milford will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$500,000) to be placed in the BROX Community Land Infrastructure Capital Reserve Fund established by the passage of Article #11 in 2007. This sum to come from the anticipated revenues of Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$500,000) that will be generated by the sale or other disposition of resources by the Selectmen pursuant to the authority granted by the passage of Article #XXXX above, and no amount to be raised by taxation. This is a Special Warrant Article in accordance with RSA 32 and is intended to be a non-lapsing appropriation which authorization shall remain in effect so long as the authorization for the sale or other disposition of resources by the Selectmen pursuant to the authority granted by the passage of Article #11 in 2007 is in effect. The passage of this article is conditioned on the passage of the preceding Article #XXXX

17 Chairman Daniels explained this article would allow the Board of Selectmen to put up to \$500,000 into the capital reserve fund established for Article 23. Peg Seward stated nothing in the article states when any money will go into the fund. Matt Lydon, BAC, suggested that proceeds of the assets might go into the General Fund.

21 Seeing no further questions, Chairman Daniels moved to the next article.

22 **ARTICLE 25 - VETERAN’S EXEMPTION WARRANT ARTICLE – INCREASE \$100 per Veteran By Petition**

25 To see if the Town will vote to modify the Veterans Tax Exemption from Three Hundred Dollars (\$300) to Four Hundred Dollars (\$400), pursuant to RSA 72-28. The last increase was in 2006.

27 **Note:** (The current tax impact in Veterans credits are \$167,800, raising the exemption \$100 will increase the tax credit by approximately \$53,000 for a total impact of \$220,750 thereby shifting that amount to other tax payers).

31 Seeing no questions, Chairman Daniels moved to the next article.

32 **ARTICLE 26 – FUNDING OF THE ANNUAL LABOR DAY PARADE – By Petition**

34 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000), the purpose of this appropriation is to fund bands, musicians and other allied expenses directly attributed to the annual Labor Day Parade. This is a Special Article IAW NH RSA 32.

37 **Note:** (The town already is in support of funding the Memorial, Veterans and Labor Day Parades at a cost of \$8,000 for all three parades combined; this Warrant is requesting \$10,000 to fund just one parade).

40 Chairman Daniels asked for questions or comments. John Raymond, King Street, explained this is to pay for the Labor Day parade in Milford. The VFW has paid for the parades for many years. The fundraising is just not there anymore. We are asking the town for \$10,000 for the Annual Labor Day Parade that has been going on for 67 years. The \$8,000 funded by the town for parades covers just the police. The VFW cannot afford it anymore and the American Legion cannot afford it. Last year we only raised about \$300 for the parade. We have to take care of the veterans through New Hampshire. We cannot fund the parade anymore, we are asking for \$10,000 to pay for this parade. Peg Seward asked who put the note on the bottom of the warrant. Guy Scaife said that is a note of explanation. Peg Seward does not think the note should be on the warrant. Jolie Whitten, BAC, asked if the VFW ever approached MIT for help with the parade. John Raymond said they have not, a few years ago Brendon Philbrick reached out to businesses in town asking for help and was not successful. Ms. Whitten suggested that the VFW go to MIT to ask for assistance.

51 Brendon Philbrick explained when he read the article in the Cabinet about the Pumpkin Festival making \$75,000, he read the sponsors and those are the same people that used to donate to him for the parade, they are getting the donations be-

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1 cause they get better exposure with the festival than in a three-hour parade. He loves this town and would like to see the  
2 parade continue, we will try to get more participants and floats. Gil Archambault noted that the VFW is down to the bot-  
3 tom. Brendon Philbrick did ask DO-IT two years in a row and they did not give him a nickel.

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5 Peter Basiliere, Spruce Street, believes this should be in the operating budget. Why are we doing it every year as a warrant  
6 article? Gil Archambault stated in Nashua and Hudson, the parade committee receives funding through their budgets.

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8 Chairman Daniels indicated the public hearing for the 2014 Bond & Budget is complete. Selectman Putnam moved  
9 to adjourn at 8:40 p.m. Selectman Federico seconded.

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