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2019 Thornton Town Warrant THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

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

You are hereby notified to meet at the Thornton Municipal Building in said Thornton on Tuesday, the 12th of March 2019 at 8:00 AM to act upon the following subjects:

The polls not to close earlier than 7:00 PM. Absentee ballots to be cast at 1:00 PM.

Article 1: To choose all necessary officers for the terms stated:
The following elected positions are available for the **March 12, 2018** Town Elections.

Select Board Member	Three Year Term	One Position
Town Clerk	One Year Term	One Position
Cemetery Trustee	Three Year Term	One Position
Library Trustee	Three Year Term	One Position
Overseer of Public Welfare	One Year Term	One Position
Planning Board Member	Three Year Term	Two Positions
Supervisor of the Checklist	Six Year Term	One Position
Trustee of the Trust Funds	Two Year Term	One Position
Trustee of the Trust Funds	Three Year Term	One Position

Article 2: Zoning Amendments



Zoning Amendment #1

“Are you in favor of the adoption of **Amendment No. 1** as proposed by the Thornton Planning Board for the Thornton Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Article XV Flood Plain – SECTION IV: CONSTRUCTION REQUIREMENTS

Article XV Flood Plain – SECTION VII: OTHER PERMITS

Article XV Flood Plain – SECTION IX: DEFINITIONS

Use of term:

Change “**Building Permit**” to “**Zoning Compliance Application**”

Recommended by the Planning Board.

YES _____

NO _____

Zoning Amendment #2

“Are you in favor of the adoption of **Amendment No. 2** as proposed by the Thornton Planning Board for the Thornton Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Revise Article II: DEFINITIONS (A) Accessory Apartment - rename to be Accessory Dwelling Unit (ADU)

Revise Article VIII GENERAL PROVISIONS (A) Accessory Apartments - to rename Accessory Apartment to Accessory Dwelling Units (“ADU”), add statutory references, clarify the purposes of the provision, define ADUs, and allow ADUs that are not only within a single-family home, but also those that are attached to a single-family home, provided there is an interior door connecting the ADU and the single-family home.

Recommended by the Planning Board.

YES _____

NO _____

The following articles will be taken up during the business meeting beginning at 10:00 AM on Saturday the 16th day of March 2019 at the Thornton Central School.

Article #3: Shall the town Modify the provisions of RSA 72:35 for an optional tax credit of \$2,800 for a Service-Connected Total Disability on residential property? The Board of Selectmen recommends this article. (Majority vote required)

Article #4: To see if the Town will vote to modify the current Part Time Highway Department Position (32 hours) to a Full Time Highway Department Position (40 hours) with benefits and to furthermore see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **twenty thousand six hundred and seventy four dollars (\$20,674)** to compensate for the additional wages and benefits for this position becoming full time on or after May 1, 2019. This position will be incorporated into the Highway Department annual operating budget starting in 2020. The Board of Selectmen recommends this article. (Majority vote required).

Article #5: To see if the Town will vote to change the purpose of the existing Road Paving, Construction and Repairs Capital Reserve Fund to **Emergency Road Paving, Construction and Repairs Capital Reserve Fund** and to further clarify the purpose of this fund is for paving, construction and repairs due to emergency or unforeseen events. To further designate the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend these funds. The Board of Selectmen recommends this article. (2/3 vote required)

Article #6: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000)** to be added to the existing Assessing Capital Reserve Fund. The Board of Selectmen recommends this article. (Majority vote required).

Article #7: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **forty-five thousand dollars (\$45,000)** to be added to the existing Fire Truck/Rescue Vehicle/Equipment and Major Maintenance Capital Reserve Fund. The Board of Selectmen recommends this article. (Majority vote required).

Article #8: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000)** to be added to the existing Police Cruiser and Cruiser Equipment Capital Reserve Fund. The Board of Selectmen recommends this article. (Majority vote required).

Article #9: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **one hundred and sixty thousand dollars (\$160,000)** to be added to the existing Highway Vehicle Equipment and Major Maintenance Capital Reserve Fund. The Board of Selectmen recommends this article. (Majority vote required).

Article #10: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **two million nine hundred and fifty-seven thousand, four hundred and seventeen dollars (\$2,957,417.00)** to support town operations for the 2019 year. Said sum does not include special or individual articles. (Majority vote required)

To transact any other business, which may legally come before this meeting. Given under our hands and seal this ____ day of _____, 2019.

Roy Sabourn, Chairman

John Paul-Hilliard, Vice Chairman

Marianne Peabody

Brad R. Benton

John Gaites
Thornton Board of Selectmen

We hereby 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 above Warrant at the place of meeting and at the office of the Town Clerk at Town Hall on the _____ day of February, 2019

Selectmen of Thornton