Plymouth

The inhabitants of the Town of Plymouth in the County of Grafton in the state of New Hampshire qualified to vote in Town affairs are hereby notified that the Annual Town Meeting will be held as follows:

First Session of Annual Meeting (Official Ballot Voting)
Date: Tuesday, March 12, 2024
Time: 8:00 am – 7:00 pm
Location: Plymouth Elementary School
Details: Old Ward Bridge Road, Plymouth, NH

Second Session of Annual Meeting (Transaction of All Other Business)
Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2024
Time: 7:00 pm
Location: Plymouth Elementary School
Details: Old Ward Bridge Road, Plymouth, NH

GOVERNNG BODY CERTIFICATION
We certify and attest that on or before February 9, 2024 a true and attested copy of this document was posted at the place of meeting and at Town Hall and that an original was delivered to Town Clerk.

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Article 01  Election of Officers
To elect the following Town officers which appear on the official Town ballot for the ensuing year:

Select Board: 1 Position - 3 Year Term
Town Clerk: 1 Position - 1 Year Term
Library Trustees: 2 Positions - 3 Year Terms
Cemetery Trustee: 1 position - 3 Year Term

Article 02  Zoning Amendment 1 - Definitions
Are you in favor of zoning amendment number one as proposed by the Planning Board, to amend the Plymouth Zoning Ordinance as follows: amend Article II, Definitions, to create a new definition for “dwelling, attached single-family”; amend the definition of “dwelling, multiple unit” to “dwelling, multifamily,” describing a building to be occupied by between three and six units, and create a new definition for the term “open-space residential development.”

Article 03  Zoning Amendment 2 - Use Table
Are you in favor of zoning amendment number two as proposed by the Planning Board, to amend the Plymouth Zoning Ordinance as follows: amend Article III, Section 304 to change the table of uses by updating names of certain uses for clarity; change multifamily dwellings not exceeding 6 units from a special exception to a permitted use within the multifamily residential zoning district; allow single-family attached dwellings, up to four units, as a permitted use in MFR, A, CI, and VC and by special exception in HC and ICD districts; and amend the provisions referencing parking for more than, less than, or equal to 125% of the minimum parking requirement to eliminate the internal conflict; accessory dwelling units will be by special exception in the SFR zone and permitted in all other zones; remove Cluster Residential Development and replace with Open Space Residential Development; and add a footnote to the Table of Uses to refer to the Plymouth Subdivision Regulations for regulations that apply in Open Space Residential Developments.

Article 04  Zoning Amendment 3 - Dimensional Requirements
Are you in favor of zoning amendment number three as proposed by the Planning Board, to amend the Plymouth Zoning Ordinance as follows: amend Article III Section 304, to change the dimensional standard to reduce the minimum required road frontage for a lot in SFR and MFR where off-site sewer is present from 100' to 75' and reduce minimum setbacks in those zones, which would also allow the option of using front setbacks based on the average of surrounding residential lots within 300', but not less than 5' or 10', respectively; add a separate setback table for uncovered parking spaces, and reduce the minimum parking setbacks in some districts and allow parking as close as 5' by special exception; change minimum lot sizes to a consistent unit of measure and replace the lot area per multi-unit building table with a consistent requirement for additional square footage per unit over one, differentiated by district; where off-site water and sewer is available reduce minimum lot size in SFR to 10,000 square feet and MFR to 7,500 square feet; remove dimensional reference to Cluster Residential Development and add footnote to refer to the Plymouth Subdivision Regulations; and simplify lot size requirements by replacing one acre with 40,000 square feet, and half an acre with 20,000 square feet in all cases aside from lots served by on-site well and septic systems.

Article 05  Zoning Amendment 4 - Off-Street Parking
Are you in favor of zoning amendment number four as proposed by the Planning Board, to amend the Plymouth Zoning Ordinance as follows: amend Article VI Section 411 to change the parking requirement table to eliminate unused uses; amend the multifamily dwelling and accessory dwelling unit parking requirements; adjust the setback requirements between parking facilities and property lines; update qualitative requirements including requiring a buffer provision for most new parking in the side yard; delete ambiguous wording in Section 411.4(C) and clarify throughout; and amend Section 411.4(D) to apply to nonresidential uses only.
Article 06  Zoning Amendment 5 - Multi Buildings - Single Lot

Are you in favor of zoning amendment number five as proposed by the Planning Board, to amend the Plymouth Zoning Ordinance as follows: to change Article III, Section 304.2 and Article IV, Section 401.1 to consolidate the commercial co-location section and multiple buildings on a single lot section into a new Section 401.1 which would allow more than one principal structure on a lot subject to Site Plan Review where applicable; and provided relevant life safety, fire, and other requirements are met. Multiple single-family or two-family dwellings on a lot would be allowed by conditional use permit. More than one main structure would also be removed from Section 304, Table of Uses, and Section 304.2 of Article III will be deleted once this amendment to Article IV, Section 401.1 is inserted.

Article 07  Zoning Amendment 6 - Open-Space Residential Dev

Are you in favor of zoning amendment number six as proposed by the Planning Board, to amend the Plymouth Zoning Ordinance as follows: amend Article III, Section 304 and Article V to remove the current Open-Space Residential District requirements and replace with a reference to a new set of open-space residential district standards that will be housed in the Plymouth Subdivision Regulations. In section 304 remove the reference to Cluster Residential Development, add footnotes to the Tables of Uses and Area Dimensions to refer to the Plymouth Subdivision Regulations, and create a new definition for Open Space Residential District accordingly in Article II.

Article 08  Zoning Amendment 7 - Accessory Dwelling Units Req.

Are you in favor of zoning amendment number seven as proposed by the Planning Board, to amend the Plymouth Zoning Ordinance as follows: amend Article IV Section 416 to change the accessory dwelling unit requirements by removing reference to a requirement for a conditional use permit, and removing the statement about where they are permitted, to eliminate redundancy with the other provisions for permitted uses in Article III. This would also remove inaccurate language referencing State statutes; simplify the purpose statement section; and change the required parking spaces to a minimum of one for an accessory dwelling unit, in addition to the spaces required for a single-family home.

Article 09  PETITIONED WARRANT ARTICLE - Increase Veteran's Cr

Shall the town vote to approve the increase of the Optional Veterans Tax Credits and the All Veterans Tax Credit (per RSA 72:28 and 72:28-b) to allow for the increase of the Veterans Tax Credit, if approved, would increase from the current $500 to $750 annual tax credit on residential property to all honorably discharged Veterans that qualify under the current requirements, as of April 1, 2024.

The Selectboard recommend this warrant article. (Majority vote required)

Article 10  PETITIONED WARRANT ARTICLE - Ballot Count Method

Shall the following provisions pertaining to elections be adopted? All voting shall be by paper ballot and all ballots shall be hand counted only, rather than by use of optical scanning or any other types of programmable electronic counting devices. This shall constitute a return to hand counting ballots and the immediate discontinuance of all electronic voting machines and electronic devices authorized for use by trial in RSA 656:40. Shall this article be passed it shall be enacted by the town of Plymouth immediately.

The Selectboard do not recommend this warrant article. (Majority vote required)
Article 11  General Governmental & Department Expenses

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $9,795,601 for FY 24/25 general governmental and departmental expenses, as follows:

Salaries, Fees and Expenses - Selectmen’s Office $296,593
Pemi Baker TV $98,906
Election, Registration, Vital Statistics - Town Clerk’s Office $171,578
Financial Administration $336,234
Reappraisal of Property $77,000
Contract Services Legal & others $192,539
Personnel Administration (Health, Dental & FSA Fees) $1,085,286
Planning and Zoning $173,717
Land Use Enforcement $45,986
General Government Buildings $79,000
Cemeteries $79,333
Misc. Insurance (workers comp, liability & unemployment) $243,510
Advertising & Regional Association $7,308
Police Department $1,625,145
Police Dispatch $528,070
Ambulance $1,360,178
Fire Department $506,858
Emergency Management $7,100
Street Lighting $65,000
Recycling Department/Solid Waste $597,426
Pemi Baker Solid District Dues $5,000
Health Office $10,000
NH Humane Society $7,725
Welfare Officer $16,075
Welfare Vendor Payments $50,000
Recreation Programs $395,413
Parks & Grounds $256,885
Library $469,991
Patriotic Purposes $6,200
Other Culture & Recreation $13,100
Conservation Commission $7,000
Care of Trees $10,000
Infrastructure Bond Payment #9 Approved 2016 $207,882
Infrastructure Bond Payment #4 Approved 2020 $280,625
Library Expansion Project Bond Payment #14 $136,982
2023 South Main Street Construction Bond Payment #1 $265,735
2023 Solar Array Bond Payment #1 $80,421

The Selectboard recommend this warrant article. (Majority vote required)

Estimated tax impact for this warrant article - $6.40/$1,000 in property valuation

Article 12  Full Time Fire/EMS Personnel

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $118,743 for the purpose of funding one additional Fire/EMS employee. This cost includes pay and benefits for one position.

The Selectboard recommend this article. (Majority vote required)

Estimated tax impact for this warrant article - $0.15/$1,000 in property valuation
Article 13  Police Parking
To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $79,525 for the purpose of funding the FY 24/25 Police Parking Department and to further authorize the withdrawal of $30,000 from the parking special revenue fund to offset this appropriation. The balance of $49,525 will come from taxation. The Selectboard recommend this article. (Majority vote required)

Estimated tax impact for this warrant article - $0.06/$1,000 in property valuation.

Article 14  Police School Resource Officer
To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $148,825 for the purpose of funding the FY 24/25 Police School Resource Officer. This appropriation to be offset by $111,619 from the SAU #48 School System. The balance of $37,206 to be raised through taxation. The Selectboard recommend this article. (Majority vote required)

Estimated tax impact for this warrant article - $0.05/$1,000 in property valuation

Article 15  Highway Department
To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $1,267,568 for Highway Department and authorize the withdrawal of $25,000 from the Muni Transportation Enhancement Capital Reserve Account created for that purpose. The balance of $1,242,568 is to come from general taxation.

The Selectboard recommend this warrant article. (Majority vote required)

Estimated tax impact for this warrant article is $1.55/$1,000 in valuation.

Article 16  Plymouth Municipal Airport
To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $13,933 for the purpose of funding the Plymouth Municipal Airport with said funds in the amount of $7,000 to come from the Plymouth Municipal Airport Special Revenue Fund. The balance of $6,933 to be raised through taxation.

The Selectboard recommend this warrant article. (Majority vote required)

Estimated tax impact for this article is $0.01/$1,000 in valuation.

Article 17  Police Cruiser Purchase
To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $65,000 for the purpose of purchasing and outfitting a police cruiser and to further authorize the withdrawal of $32,500 from the police detail special revenue fund. The balance of $32,500 to come from taxation for the purchase of this vehicle.

The Selectboard recommend this article. (Majority vote required)

Estimated tax impact for this warrant article - $0.04/$1,000 in property valuation.
Article 18  Capital Projects
To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $775,000 for the purpose of funding the following capital projects for FY 24/25:

- Landfill Monitoring $10,000
- Improve Road Construction Projects $225,000
- South Main Street Project $500,000
- Highland Street Improvement Project $40,000

The Selectboard recommend this article. (Majority vote required)

Estimated net tax impact for this warrant article - $0.97/$1,000 in property valuation.

Article 19  Fire Engine Lease
To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $161,945 for the purpose of funding payment 2 of a 5 year lease payment for a fire engine as approved at the 2022 Town Meeting.

The Selectboard recommend this warrant article. (Majority vote required)

Estimated tax impact for this warrant article is $0.20/$1,000 in valuation.

Article 20  Ambulance Lucas CPR Device
To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $22,078 for the purpose of purchasing a Lucas CPR Device for the fire and ambulance departments.

The Selectboard recommend this warrant article. (Majority vote required)

Estimated tax impact for this warrant article is $0.03/$1,000 in valuation.

Article 21  Highway Plow Truck Purchase
To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $140,000 for the purpose of purchasing a new plow truck for the highway department.

The Selectboard recommend this warrant article. (Majority vote required)

Estimated tax impact for this warrant article is $0.18/$1,000 in valuation.

Article 22  Building Needs Assessment - Fire & Police
To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $35,000 for the purpose of allowing the Selectboard to conduct a building needs assessment for the Fire and Police Departments.

The Selectboard recommend this warrant article. (Majority vote required)

Estimated tax impact for this warrant article is $0.04/$1,000 in valuation.
Article 23  Police Tasers Equipment Lease
To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectboard to enter into a long-term lease/purchase agreement containing an escape clause, in the amount of $56,185.00 payable over a term of 5 years for the purpose of purchasing 16 tasers, and to raise and appropriate the sum of $11,237 for the first year's payment for that purpose.

The Selectboard recommend this warrant article.  (Majority vote required)

Estimated tax impact for this warrant article is $0.01/$1,000 in valuation

Article 24  Police Body Cameras Lease
To see if the town will vote to authorize the Selectboard to enter into a long-term lease/purchase agreement with an escape clause for the amount of $37,000 payable over a term of 3 years for Police Body Cameras and to raise and appropriate the sum of $3,800 for the first year's payment for that purpose.

The Selectboard recommend this warrant article.  (Majority vote required)

Estimated tax impact for this warrant article is $0.00/$1,000 in valuation.

Article 25  Capital Reserve Deposits
To see if the Town will vote to add to the existing Capital Reserve Funds under the provision of RSA 35:1 for the following purpose and raise and appropriate the respective sum totaling $42,500 to be placed in said funds:

Conservation Commission Capital Reserve $5,000
Town Revaluation $20,000
PBTV $17,500

The Selectboard recommend this article.  (Majority vote required)

Estimated net tax impact for this warrant article - $0.05/$1,000 in property valuation.

Article 26  Non-Profit & Health Agencies
To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $77,400 for the purpose of funding the following non-profit/health agencies for the 24/25 fiscal year:

Pemi Baker Home Health & Hospice $20,000
Genesis-Lakes Region Mental Health Agency $5,000
Transport Central $2,000
Grafton County Senior Citizens $17,000
Tri-County Community Action $5,400
Voices Against Violence $2,000
American Red Cross $2,000
Pemi Youth Center $8,000
CADY - Communities for Alcohol and Drug-Free Youth $5,000
CASA - Court App't Child Advocates $1,000
Pemi Bridge House $10,000

The Selectboard recommend this article.  (Majority vote required)

Estimated net tax impact for this warrant article - $0.10/$1,000 in property valuation
Article 27  Other Business
To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.