

**TOWN OF PLAISTOW
NEW HAMPSHIRE
2019 TOWN MEETING WARRANT
AND BUDGET
Town Meeting (Senate Bill 2)**



- **Deliberative Session - Saturday, February 2, 2019**
Plaistow Town Hall, 145 Main Street
Great Hall (2nd Floor)
9:00 A.M.
 - **Deliberative Session Snow Date will be held within 72 hours**
as determined by the Moderator
Plaistow Town Hall, 145 Main Street
Great Hall (2nd Floor)
 - **Ballot Voting - Tuesday, March 12, 2019**
Pollard School, 120 Main Street
Polls open from 7:00 A.M. to 8:00 P.M.
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2019 Plaistow Town Warrant State of New Hampshire

To the inhabitants of the Town of Plaistow, New Hampshire, in the County of Rockingham in said state, qualified to vote in Town affairs.

You are hereby notified to meet for the first session of the annual town meeting at the Plaistow Town Hall, 145 Main Street in said Plaistow on Saturday, February 2, 2019 at 9:00 AM in the forenoon to explain, discuss and amend each article and to determine the form for the questions on the ballot, except those Warrant Articles where wording is prescribed by law. If necessary, the snow date will be held within 72 hours, as determined by the Moderator.

The final voting on all Warrant Articles will take place by official ballot at the second session. Therefore, you are hereby notified to meet for this second session of the annual town meeting at Pollard School, 120 Main Street, in said Plaistow on Tuesday, March 12, 2019 from 7:00 AM in the forenoon until 8:00 PM in the afternoon to elect officers and to act on the following Articles by official ballot voting.

The articles begin with "P" to differentiate the Town articles from the School District articles and from the Town Zoning Articles that begin with "Z".

<u>SELECTMAN</u> <u>VOTE FOR NOT</u> <u>THREE YEAR TERM</u> <u>MORE THAN TWO</u>	<u>TOWN CLERK</u> <u>VOTE FOR NOT</u> <u>THREE YEAR TERM</u> <u>MORE THAN ONE</u>
<u>BUDGET COMMITTEE</u> <u>VOTE FOR NOT</u> <u>THREE YEAR TERM</u> <u>MORE THAN THREE</u>	<u>TREASURER</u> <u>VOTE FOR NOT</u> <u>THREE YEAR TERM</u> <u>MORE THAN ONE</u>
<u>PLANNING BOARD</u> <u>VOTE FOR NOT</u> <u>THREE YEAR TERM</u> <u>MORE THAN ONE</u>	<u>SUPERVISOR OF THE</u> <u>VOTER CHECKLIST</u> <u>VOTE FOR NOT</u> <u>SIX YEAR TERM</u> <u>MORE THAN ONE</u>
<u>LIBRARY TRUSTEE</u> <u>VOTE FOR NOT</u> <u>THREE YEAR TERM</u> <u>MORE THAN TWO</u>	<u>AUDITOR</u> <u>VOTE FOR NOT</u> <u>ONE YEAR TERM</u> <u>MORE THAN TWO</u>
<u>CONFLICT OF INTEREST</u> <u>VOTE FOR NOT</u> <u>THREE YEAR TERM</u> <u>MORE THAN TWO</u>	
<u>TRUSTEE OF THE</u> <u>TRUST FUNDS</u> <u>VOTE FOR NOT</u> <u>THREE YEAR TERM</u> <u>MORE THAN ONE</u>	

Operating Budget – General Fund

Article P-19-02: Shall the Town raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant article 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 \$9,932,197? Should this article be defeated, the operating budget shall be \$9,952,222 with certain adjustments required by previous action 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.
(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen (5-0-0) and Budget Committee (9-0-0)).

Operating Budget – Water Department

Article P-19-03: Shall the Town raise and appropriate as an operating budget for the water department, not including appropriations by special warrant article 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 \$78,910? Should this article be defeated, the operating budget for the water department shall be \$78,910 with certain adjustments required by previous action 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.
(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen (5-0-0) and Budget Committee (9-0-0)).

Long-term Borrowing – Asset Management Study

Article P-19-04: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$30,000 for the development of a Drainage Asset Management Plan and mapping effort, and to authorize the issuance of not more than \$30,000 of bonds or notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA 33) and to authorize the municipal officials to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon.
(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen (4-0-1) and Budget Committee (7-0-2)).
(3/5 ballot vote required)
This is part of the State’s Clean Water State Revolving Fund, and acceptance of this warrant article, would qualify the Town, for 100% of principal forgiveness on this loan.

Collective Bargaining Agreement (CBA) - Police Union

Article P-19-05: To see if the Town of Plaistow will vote to approve the cost items included in the collective bargaining agreement (CBA) reached between the Town of Plaistow and the Plaistow Police Union, Teamsters Local 633, which calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits at the current staffing level:

<u>Fiscal Year</u>	<u>Estimated Increase</u>
2019/2020	\$51,184
2020/2021	\$45,320
2021/2022	\$46,680

And further to raise and appropriate the sum of \$38,388 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. (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen (5-0-0) and Budget Committee (9-0-0)). (Majority vote required)

Special Meeting for Defeated Collective Bargaining Agreement (CBA)

Article P-19-06: Shall the Town, if warrant article P-19-05 is defeated, authorize the Board of Selectmen to call one special meeting, at its option, to address warrant article P-19-05 cost items only?

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen (5-0-0).
(Majority vote required)

Collective Bargaining Agreement (CBA) – Town Unit

Article P-19-07: To see if the Town of Plaistow will vote to approve the cost items included in the collective bargaining agreement (CBA) reached between the Town of Plaistow and the Plaistow Town Unit, Teamsters Local 633, which calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits at the current staffing level:

<u>Fiscal Year</u>	<u>Estimated Increase</u>
2019/2020	\$29,668
2020/2021	\$23,492
2021/2022	\$24,075
2022/2023	\$24,686
2023/2024	\$25,316

And further to raise and appropriate the sum of \$21,215 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.

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen (4-1-0) and Budget Committee (7-2-0)).
(Majority vote required)

Special Meeting for Defeated Collective Bargaining Agreement CBA)

Article P-19-08: Shall the Town, if warrant article P-19-07 is defeated, authorize the Board of Selectmen to call one special meeting, at its option, to address warrant article P-19-07 cost items only?

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen (5-0-0).
(Majority vote required)

Public Works Facility Garage – Phase 2

Article P-19-09: Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate \$350,000 as a non-lapsing appropriation, per RSA 32:7 VI, that will be used to continue construction of the Public

Works Facility Garage that would include utilities installations and office space fit-up for the Highway and Water Departments, which is located at the former Penn Box site, Map 41 Lot 11, 144 Main Street? This is the second phase of a 3-phase project.

	Total Appropriation:	\$350,000
Withdrawal from the General Fund, Unassigned Fund Balance:		-\$350,000

No amount to be raised by new taxation:	\$0
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(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen (5-0-0) and the Budget Committee (9-0-0)).
(Majority vote required)

Contingency - RSA 31:98-a

Article P-19-10: Shall the Town vote to establish a Contingency Fund for the current year for unanticipated expenses that may arise and further to raise and appropriate \$85,000 to go into the fund? This sum is to come from the General Fund, Unassigned Fund Balance with no amount to be raised from new taxation. Any appropriation left in the Contingency Fund at the end of the year will lapse to the General Fund, Unassigned Fund Balance. Use of these funds will be pursuant to RSA 31:98-a and RSA 32:11.

	Total Appropriation:	\$85,000
Withdrawal from the General Fund, Unassigned Fund Balance:		-\$85,000

No amount to be raised by new taxation:	\$0
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(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen (4-1-0) and Budget Committee (9-0-0)).
(Majority vote required)

Westville Road Bridge Replacement

Article P-19-11: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$250,000 for the engineering and construction phase of the replacement of the Westville Road Bridge? Furthermore, to accept the reimbursement of \$200,000 from the State Bridge Aid Program (80% of \$250,000) and to withdraw the balance of \$50,000 from the General Fund, Unassigned Fund Balance.

	Total Appropriation:	\$250,000
	State Bridge Aid Program Grant:	-\$200,000
Withdrawal from the General Fund, Unassigned Fund Balance:		-\$50,000

No amount to be raised by new taxation:	\$0
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(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen (5-0-0) and Budget Committee (9-0-0)).
(Majority vote required)

Conversion to LED Street Lights

Article P-19-12: Shall the Town vote to authorize the Board to enter into an up to 5-year, tax neutral agreement for the installation of up to \$205,000 of energy saving equipment namely, LED street lights, with annual payments of approximately \$24,000. Such payments to be funded from annual energy savings in the operating budget. The balance of the cost to be funded by a rebate incentive from the Town’s energy provider.

No amount to be raised by new taxation.

Water Department Truck

Article P-19-13: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$12,500 to pay the water user fee fund, so that a 2015 F-350 purchased by the Water Department for \$50,000 in 2014, with a current value of \$25,000 be shared 50/50 by the Highway and Water Departments, and to withdraw \$12,500 from the Highway Department Equipment Expendable Trust Fund.

	Total Appropriation:	\$12,500
Withdrawal from the Highway Department Equipment Expendable Trust Fund:		-\$12,500
		\$0
No amount to be raised by new taxation:		\$0

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen (5-0-0) and Budget Committee (9-0-0)).
(Majority vote required)

Pollard Park – Paving and Sidewalk Repairs

Article P-19-14: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$40,000 for the purpose of paving and repairing the sidewalks in and around Pollard Park. This special warrant article will be a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7, VI and will not lapse until the project is completed or by December 31, 2020, whichever is sooner.

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen (4-1-0) and Budget Committee (9-0-0)).
(Majority vote required)

Create/Transfer to Fire Department Radio Capital Reserve Fund

Article P-19-15: To see if the Town will vote to establish a Fire Department Radio Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of replacement of mobile and portable radios as needed in the future and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$15,000 to be placed in this fund. Further, to name the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend from said fund.

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen (4-1-0) and Budget Committee (8-0-1)).
(Majority vote required)

Capital Reserve Fund Deposit – Fire Department Apparatus

Article P-19-16: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$100,000 to be added to the Fire Department Apparatus Capital Reserve Fund previously established.

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen (4-1-0) and Budget Committee (9-0-0)).

(Majority vote required)

Expendable Trust Fund Deposit – Highway Department Equipment

Article P-19-17: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$50,000 to be added to the Highway Department Equipment Expendable Trust Fund previously established. Budget Committee recommended \$70,000.

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen (4-1-0) and Budget Committee (7-2-0)).

(Majority vote required)

Capital Reserve Fund Deposit – Self Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA)

Article P-19-18: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$42,400 to be added to the Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA) Capital Reserve Fund previously established.

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen (5-0-0) and Budget Committee (9-0-0)).

(Majority vote required)

Capital Reserve Fund Deposit – Library

Article P-19-19: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$40,000 to be added to the Library Capital Reserve Fund previously established.

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen (4-1-0) and Budget Committee (9-0-0)).

(Majority vote required)

Capital Reserve Fund Deposit – Police Department Management Information Computer System (MICS)

Article P-19-20: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$25,000 to be added to the Police Department Management Information Computer System Capital Reserve Fund previously established.

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen (5-0-0) and Budget Committee (9-0-0)).

(Majority vote required)

Capital Reserve Fund Deposit – Energy

Article P-19-21: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$25,000 to be added to the Energy Capital Reserve Fund previously established.

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen (4-1-0) and Budget Committee (9-0-0)).

(Majority vote required)

Capital Reserve Fund Deposit – Recreation

Article P-19-22: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$25,000 to be added to the Recreation Capital Reserve Fund previously established. (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen (3-1-1) and Budget Committee (3-6-0)). (Majority vote required)

Capital Reserve Fund Deposit – Transportation Infrastructure

Article P-19-23: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$25,000 to be added to the Transportation Infrastructure Capital Reserve Fund previously established. (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen (5-0-0) and Budget Committee (9-0-0)). (Majority vote required)

Expendable Trust Fund Deposit – Accrued Leave Time

Article P-19-24: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$25,000 to be added to the Accrued Leave Time Expendable Trust Fund previously established. (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen (5-0-0) and Budget Committee (9-0-0)). (Majority vote required)

Expendable Trust Fund Deposit – Snow Removal

Article P-19-25: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$15,000 to be added to the Snow Removal Expendable Trust Fund previously established. (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen (4-1-0) and Budget Committee (9-0-0)). (Majority vote required)

Capital Reserve Fund Deposit – Buildings/Building Systems

Article P-19-26: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000 to be added to the Buildings/Building Systems Capital Reserve Fund previously established. (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen (5-0-0) and Budget Committee (9-0-0)). (Majority vote required)

Expendable Trust Fund Deposit – Mosquito Control

Article P-19-27: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,375 to be added to the Mosquito Control Expendable Trust Fund previously established. (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen (5-0-0) and Budget Committee (9-0-0)). (Majority vote required)

Discontinue Rescue Vehicle and Emergency Medical Equipment Revolving Fund

Article P-19-28: To see if the Town will vote to discontinue the Rescue Vehicle and Emergency Medical Equipment Revolving Fund that was established in accordance with RSA 31:95-h. Any remaining amounts in the fund will become part of the general fund.

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen (5-0-0).
(Majority vote required)

Elderly and Disabled Asset Limit

Article P-19-29: Pursuant to RSA 72:39-b and RSA 72:37-b, shall we modify the elderly and disabled exemptions to increase the Asset Limits from \$80,000 to \$110,000?
(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen (5-0-0) and Budget Committee (8-0-1)).

END OF TOWN WARRANT ARTICLES

Article Z-19-1. Are you in favor of Amendment #1, as proposed by the Plaistow Planning Board, to the Plaistow Zoning Ordinance, Article III, General Provisions, by adding a new section 220-2.1 as follows?

” §220-2.1. No Existing Site Plan

A. Any application for physical changes or changes of use to a lot that does not have an existing Site Plan of record, that is on file with the Town of Plaistow and the Rockingham County Registry of Deeds, must include a Site Plan in the application that conforms to the Plaistow Zoning Ordinance and all Site Plan Review and Subdivision Regulations.”

Amendment #1 was recommended by the Planning Board by a 5-0-0 vote.

Article Z-19-2. Are you in favor of Amendment #2, as proposed by the Plaistow Planning Board, to the Plaistow Zoning Ordinance, Article III, General Provisions, by adding a new section 220-2.2 as follows?

” §220-2.2. Septic System Designs

A. All septic system designs shall be reviewed by the Zoning Official, or designee, prior to the issuance of a septic installation/repair permit.

B. All septic system design plans shall be submitted both by paper and electronic copy.”

Amendment #2 was recommended by the Planning Board by a 5-0-0 vote.

Article Z-19-3. Are you in favor of Amendment #3, as proposed by the Plaistow Planning Board, to the Plaistow Zoning Ordinance, Article III, General Provisions, Section 220-15, Construction prior to plan approval, by lettering the existing paragraph as “A” and by adding a new paragraph “B” as follows?

“B. No use may occur on a site without site plan approval unless the Planning Board has granted temporary permission for such use and the use is permitted in the district.”

Amendment #3 was recommended by the Planning Board by a 5-0-0 vote.

Article Z-19-4. Are you in favor of Amendment #4, as proposed by the Plaistow Planning Board, to create a new Plaistow Zoning Ordinance, Article XXIV, with sections to include Purpose; Definitions; Guidelines for determining sound levels; Prohibited noise emissions and conditions; Exclusions and exemptions; Inspections; Violations and penalties; Conflicts with other laws; and Severability.

Amendment #4 was recommended by the Planning Board by a 5-0-0 vote.

The full text of the ordinance is available in the Planning Department, on the Town’s Website and at the Polls.

Article Z-19-5. Are you in favor of Amendment #5, as proposed by the Plaistow Planning Board, to the Plaistow Zoning Ordinance, Article V, Establishment of Districts and District Regulations, § 220-32, District objectives and Land use control, by adding “Solar Collection Systems” as a permitted use in all zoning districts and a new paragraph in Article VI, Planned Residential Development (PRD) to allow such systems in a PRD development and furthermore to add a new Article XVA, Solar Collection Systems that places restrictions on the size (capacity and area) of each system?

Amendment #5 was recommended by the Planning Board by a 5-0-0 vote.

Given under our hands and seal this Twenty-Fifth day of January in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Nineteen.

Julian Kiszka, Chairman

Peter Bracci, Vice Chairman

John Sherman

Steven Ranlett

Francine Hart

**Plaistow, New Hampshire
January 25, 2019**

We certify that we gave notice to the inhabitants within named Town to meet at the time and place for this purpose, within mentioned, by causing to be posted an attached copy at the Plaistow Public Library, the Pollard Elementary School and the Plaistow Town Hall, being public places in said Town on the Twenty-Fifth day of January in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Nineteen.

Julian Kiszka, Chairman

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