

Town of Alstead
New Hampshire
Warrant and Budget
2016

To the inhabitants of the town of Alstead in the County of Cheshire in the state of New Hampshire qualified to vote in town affairs are hereby notified and warned that the two phases of the Annual Town Meeting will be held as follows:

First Session of Annual Meeting (Deliberative Session):

Date: February 6, 2016

Time: 10:00 am

Location: Vilas Gymnasium

Details:

Second Session of Annual Meeting (Official Ballot Voting)

Date: March 8, 2016

Time: 8:00 am – 7:00 pm

Location: Town Hall/ Fire Station

Details:

Article 01: Elect Officers

To choose all necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year.

Yes No

Article 02: Operating Budget

Shall the Town of Alstead 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 \$1,588,210? Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be \$1,551,624, which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Town of Alstead 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.

Yes No

Article 03: To purchase a combination pumper/rescue truck

To see if the Town of Alstead will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$450,000 for the purpose of purchasing a combination Pumper/Rescue Truck, substantially consistent with the specifications published November 2, 2015. \$380,000 to be taken from the Fire Department Capital Reserve Fund, and \$70,000 to come from unassigned fund balance as of December 31, available on January 1. The Selectmen unanimously recommend this article. (Majority vote required).

Yes No

Article 04: To add to the Fire Department CRF

To see if the Town of Alstead will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$20,000 to be added to the Fire Department Capital Reserve established in 1992. The \$20,000 to be raised by taxation. The Selectmen recommend this article. (Majority vote required.)

Yes No

Article 05: Add to Bridge Capital Reserve Fund

To see if the Town of Alstead will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$25,000 to be added to the Bridge Capital Reserve Fund previously established in 2012. This sum to come from December 31 fund balance available for transfer on January 1. No amount to be raised from taxation. This article is recommended by the Alstead Selectmen unanimously. (Majority vote required)

Yes No

Article 06: Add to the Transfer Station Capital Reserve

To see if the Town of Alstead will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,500.00 to be added to the Transfer Station Capital Reserve Fund previously established in 2014. The \$2,500.00 to be raised from taxation. The selectmen unanimously recommend this article.

Required. (Majority vote required.)

Yes No

Article 07: to add to the Highway Capital Reserve Fund

To see if the Town of Alstead will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$40,000 to be added to the Highway Capital Reserve Fund previously established in 1988. This sum is to come from the unassigned fund balance available as of December 31 available for transfer on January 1. The selectmen unanimously agreed. (Majority vote required)

Yes No

Article 08: To Add to the Shedd Porter Library Capital Reserve

To see if the Town of Alstead will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$15,000 to be added to the Shedd Porter Library Capital Reserve Fund established in 2010. This sum to come from December 31 fund balance available for transfer on January 1. No amount to be raised from taxation. The Selectmen unanimously recommend this article. (Majority vote required)

Yes No

Article 09: Add to the Police Capital Reserve Fund

To see if the Town of Alstead will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000 to be added to the Police Department Capital Reserve Fund established in 2012. \$5,000 to be raised by taxation. The selectmen unanimously recommend this article. (Majority vote required.)

Yes No

Article 10: Pave Roads

To see if the Town of Alstead will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$180,000 for the purpose of paving roads(Walpole Valley and March Hill).The sum of \$180,00 to be come from the unassigned fund balance as December 31 available to transfer on January 1. No amount to be raised by taxation. The selectmen unanimously recommend this article. (Majority vote required)

Yes No

Article 11: To add to the Ambulance Capital Reserve Fund

To see if the Town of Alstead will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$15,000 to be added to the Ambulance Capital Reserve Fund established in 2010. This sum to come from December 31 fund balance available for transfer on January 1. No amount to be raised from taxation. The Selectmen recommend this article. Yes - 2 No - 1 (Majority vote required)

Yes No

Article 12: To purchase an equipment trailer

To see if the Town of Alstead will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$15,000 to purchase an equipment trailer to come from the Highway Department Capital Reserve Fund established in 1988. The Selectmen unanimously recommend this article. (Majority vote required).

Yes No

Article 13: To Repair Cemetery Stonewalls

To see if the Town of Alstead will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000 for the purpose of repairing stonewalls in Alstead Cemeteries. The sum of \$5,000 to come from unassigned fund balance as of December 31, available on January 1. The Selectmen unanimously recommend this article. (Majority vote required)

Yes No

Article 14: To Repair Stone Walls on Millot Green

To see if the Town of Alstead will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000 for the purpose of repairing the Stone Walls on Millot Green. The sum of \$5,000 to come from unassigned fund balance as of December 31, available on January 1. The Selectmen unanimously recommend this article. (Majority vote required)

Yes No

Article 15: To Design, specify, and permit a replacement bridge

To see if the Town of Alstead will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$50,000 for the purpose of designing, specify, and permit a replacement for the red-listed bridge over Darby Brook on the Drewsville Road. The sum of \$50,000 to come from unassigned fund balance as of December 31, available on January 1. The Selectmen unanimously recommend this article. (Majority vote required)

Yes No

Article 16: To discontinue New Town Hall Capital Reserve Fund

To see if the Town of Alstead will vote to discontinue the New Town Hall Capital Reserve Fund created in 2009. Said funds, with accumulated interest to date of withdrawal, are to be transferred to the municipality's general fund. The selectmen unanimously agreed. (Majority vote required)

Yes No

Article 17: To modify veteran's credit

To see if the Town of Alstead will modify the Veteran's Tax Credit in accordance with RSA 72:28, II from its current tax credit of \$50.00 per year to \$300.00. If adopted by the voters the modified veteran's tax credit will go into effect on April 1, 2016. The selectmen unanimously agree.(Majority vote required)

Yes No

Article 18: To donate town land to Fall Mountain Friendly Meal

"Shall the Town of Alstead agree to donate to the Fall Mountain Friendly Meal/Fall Mountain Emergency Food Shelf a parcel of property on Bragg Lane to build an approximately 50'by 100' structure and provide access and parking for approximately 28 vehicles. Voting yes will have zero impact on your tax bill." By Petition. Selectmen 1 - No 2 - abstained

Yes No

Given under our hands, January 25, 2016		
We certify and attest that on or before January 25, 2016, we posted a true and attested copy of the within Warrant at the place of meeting, and like copies at the Municipal Offices, and delivered the original to the Alstead Town Clerk		
Printed Name	Position	Signature
Joel C. McCarty	Chairman, Alstead Board of Selectmen	
Christopher Rietmann	Selectman	
Rock Wilson	Selectman	