



Carroll

The inhabitants of the Town of Carroll in the County of Coos 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 (Deliberative Session)

Date: February, 5, 2024
Time: 6:30 p.m.
Location: 92 School Street, Carroll NH
Details: Town of Carroll Community Room

Second Session of Annual Meeting (Official Ballot Voting)

Date: March 12, 2024
Time: 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.
Location: 92 School Street, Carroll NH
Details: Town of Carroll Community Room

GOVERNING BODY CERTIFICATION

We certify and attest that on or before 1/23/24 a true and attested copy of this document was posted at the place of meeting and at 92 School Street, Carroll, NH. (JAN 23, 2024)

Name	Position	Signature
Jules Marquis	Select Board, Chair	<i>Jules Marquis</i>
John Greer	Selectman	<i>John Greer</i>
Bonnie Moroney	Selectman	<i>Bonnie J Moroney</i>



Article 01 Election of Town Officials

Election of Town Officers

- (1) Selectman - 3 year term
- (1) Moderator - 2 year term
- (1) Treasurer – 1 year term
- (1) Town Clerk/Tax Collector – 3 year term
- (1) Trustee of Trust Funds - 3 year term
- (1) Library Trustee - 3 year term
- (1) Cemetery Trustee - 3 year term
- (1) Supervisor of the Checklist – 4 year term
- (1) Supervisor of the Checklist – 6 year term
- (1) Planning Board - 3 year term
- (1) Planning Board - 3 year term
- (1) Zoning Board of Adjustment - 3 year term
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Article 02 Amend Zoning Ordinance

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 1 as proposed by the planning board for the Town of Carroll zoning ordinance as follows: to add a number 10 to Section 802.1.A-2 that includes "maintenance and repairs that do not change the footprint of the building" as an exception to the building permit requirement.

Article 03 Amend Zoning Ordinance

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 2 as proposed by the planning board for the Town of Carroll zoning ordinance as follows: to add the sentence "A garage is to be used for storage of vehicles and shall in no way be used for residential purposes." to Section 501.

Article 04 Amend Zoning Ordinance

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 3 as proposed by the planning board for the Town of Carroll zoning ordinance as follows: to remove the sentence "Those uses not listed are not allowed." from Section 403.1.

Article 05 Amend Zoning Ordinance

The Town of Carroll finds that wetlands with buffers help reduce floods by acting like a sponge, slowing runoff from upland areas and releasing water slowly, reducing peak flood flows downstream. In response to recent flooding and infrastructure damage in the State, the following Warrant Article is presented by the Conservation Committee.

Are you in favor of Amendment 5 replacing Town of Carroll zoning ordinance Section 606.3a of the Wetlands Overlay District with the following new guidelines.

All proposed development, removal of vegetation and alteration of the land surface within all protected wetlands as defined as:

- at least 2 acres in size
- shall not consist of a water body only
- shall have at least 4 wetland functions as listed above in section 606.2, one of which should be wildlife habitat



- identified on the most recent National Wetlands Inventory produced by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service are subject to this ordinance. The following vegetative buffers shall be required and maintained:
30 foot buffer on wetlands 2 to 5 acres
60 foot buffer on wetlands greater than 5 acres but less than 10 acres
100 foot buffer on wetlands 10 acres or greater

Article 06 Amend Zoning Ordinance

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 5 as proposed by the planning board for the Town of Carroll zoning ordinance as follows: To add the definition "short-term rental means any individually or collectively owned single-family house or dwelling unit or any unit or group of units in a condominium, cooperative, or timeshare, or owner-occupied residential home, that is offered for a fee and for less than 30 consecutive days" to Section 202.

Article 07 Amend Zoning Ordinance

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 6 as proposed by the planning board for the Town of Carroll zoning ordinance as follows: to add Section 706. Registration Requirements and Regulation of Short-Term Rentals to the zoning ordinance.

Article 08 To raise and appropriate operating budget

Shall the Town of Carroll 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 \$3,003,317?

Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be \$2,834,196, which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Town of Carroll 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.

Article 09 Rescind Planning Special Revenue Fund

To see if the Town of Carroll will vote to rescind the Planning Special Revenue Fund per RSA 31:95-c created in 2006 and expanded in 2007. If approved, all future building permit fees will go into the municipality's General Fund, and all amounts currently in the Planning Special Revenue Fund, with accumulated interest to date of withdrawal, will be transferred to the municipality's General Fund. The Board of Selectmen recommends this appropriation 3-0. No money to be raised from new taxation.



Article 10 To purchase dump truck with plow

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Thirty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$235,000) for the purpose of purchasing a dump truck with plow, wing plow, sander, safety lighting and two-way radio communication for the Highway Department and authorize the withdrawal of One Hundred Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$130,000) from the Municipal Truck Capital Reserve Fund created for that purpose and One Hundred Five Thousand Dollars (\$105,000) from the Highway Equipment Capital Reserve Fund also created for that purpose. The Board of Selectmen recommends this appropriation 3-0. No money to be raised from new taxation.

Article 11 To replace town street lights with LED lights

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate Sixty-Three Thousand Four Hundred and Two Dollars (\$63,402) for the purpose of replacing town street lights with energy efficient LED lights and to partially fund this appropriation with a rebate through Eversource in the amount of Six Thousand Two Hundred and Fifty Dollars (\$6,250). The net amount to be raised from taxes will be Fifty-Seven Thousand One Hundred and Fifty-Three Dollars (\$57,153). If approved, this installation will produce estimated savings that should result in a full payback within 4.2 years. The Board of Selectmen recommends this appropriation 3-0. Tax Impact: \$0.09

Article 12 To Purchase tasers for the Police Dept

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty-Four Thousand Dollars (\$24,000) for the purpose of purchasing five (5) Tasers, related accessories and computer software for the Police Department. The Board of Selectmen recommends this appropriation. Tax Impact: \$0.04

Article 13 To place money in the Road Improvements CRF

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000) to be added to the Road Improvement Capital Reserve Fund previously established. The Board of Selectmen recommends this appropriation 3-0. Tax impact \$0.08

Article 14 To place money in the Water Department CRF

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000) to be added to the Water Department Capital Reserve Fund previously established. This sum to come from the Water Unassigned Fund Balance. The Board of Selectmen recommends this appropriation 3-0. No money to be raised from new taxation.

Article 15 To put money in the New Land & Building CRF

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$30,000) to be added to the New Land & Building Capital Reserve Fund previously established. The Board of Selectmen recommends this appropriation 3-0. Tax impact \$0.05



Article 16 To put money in the Police Cruiser CRF

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$30,000) to be added to the Police Cruiser Capital Reserve Fund previously established. The Board of Selectmen recommends this appropriation 3-0. Tax impact \$0.05

Article 17 To place money in the Municipal Truck CRF

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000) to be added to the Municipal Truck Capital Reserve Fund previously established. The Board of Selectmen recommends this appropriation 3-0. Tax impact \$0.03

Article 18 To place money in the Highway Equipment CRF

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000) to be added to the Highway Equipment Capital Reserve Fund previously established. The Board of Selectmen recommends this appropriation 3-0. Tax impact \$0.02

Article 19 To put money in the Landfill Closure CRF

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000) to be added to the Landfill Closure Capital Reserve Fund previously established. The Board of Selectmen recommends this appropriation 3-0. Tax impact \$0.02

Article 20 To establish and Energy Commission Capital Reserve

To see if the Town will vote to establish an Energy Efficiency Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of funding energy efficiency and renewable energy projects, outreach initiatives related to increasing energy efficiency and/or reducing energy costs, and to raise and appropriate the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000) to be placed in this fund. Further, to name the Select Board as agents to expend from said fund. The Board of Selectmen recommends this appropriation. Tax Impact: \$0.02

Article 21 To offset ambulance medical transfers

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000) for the purpose of off-setting expenses related to ambulance operations, specifically hospital to hospital medical transfers of the sick and injured, with said funds to come from the Fire Department and Ambulance Equipment, Apparatus and Personnel Special Revenue Fund. The Board of Selectmen recommends this appropriation 3-0. No money to be raised by new taxation.

Article 22 To place money in the Computer Technology CRF



To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Four Thousand Dollars (\$4,000) to be added to the Computer Technology Capital Reserve Fund previously established. The Board of Selectmen recommends this appropriation 3-0. Tax impact \$0.01

Article 23 To contribute to North Country Home Health & Hospice

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Thousand Sixty-Five Dollars (\$2,065) for the purpose of being the Town's contribution to the North Country Home Health & Hospice Agency Inc., to help offset the support of the home health care, supportive care, medical hospice and community health programs and services of North Country Home Health & Hospice Agency, Inc., and Hospice of the Littleton Area for the residents of our community. The Board of Selectmen recommends this appropriation 3-0. Tax impact \$0.01

Article 24 To contribute to Tri County Community Action

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Thousand Fifty Dollars (\$2,050) for the purpose of being the Town's contribution for Tri County Community Action Program in support of their services for residents in our community. The Board of Selectmen recommends this appropriation 3-0. Tax impact \$0.01

Article 25 To contribute to Ammonoosuc Community Health

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Thousand Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$1,250) for the purpose of being the Town's contribution to help offset the cost of preventative and primary health care services of Ammonoosuc Community Health Services, Inc. provided to the residents of our community. The Board of Selectmen recommends this appropriation 3-0. Tax Impact \$0.01

Article 26 To Donate to Second Chance Animal Rescue

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000) for the Second Chance Animal Rescue. The Board of Selectmen recommends this appropriation 3-0. Tax impact \$0.01.

Article 27 To contribute to Northern Human Services

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Nine Hundred Twenty-Three Dollars (\$923) for the purpose of being the Town's contribution to the Northern Human Services - White Mountain Mental Health and Common Ground, a non-profit mental health and development service center. The Board of Selectmen recommends this appropriation 3-0. Tax Impact \$0.01

Article 28 To contribute to CASA

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500) for the purpose of being the Town's contribution to Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) of NH for recruiting, training and supervising volunteers who advocate in NH's courts for the best interests of abused and neglected children. The Board of Selectmen recommends this appropriation 3-0. Tax impact \$0.01



Article 29 To contribute to The Center for New Beginnings

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500) for the purpose of being the Town's contribution to The Center for New Beginnings in Littleton, which provides counseling and mental health services to individuals throughout the North Country. The Board of Selectmen recommends this appropriation 3-0. Tax impact \$0.01

Article 30 To contribute to American Red Cross

22. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Three Hundred and Fifty-Six Dollars (\$356) for the purpose of being the Town's contribution to the American Red Cross of New England, which provides relief and support to individuals throughout the region. The Board of Selectmen recommends this appropriation 2-1. Tax Impact: \$0.01

Article 31 To donate to Pathways Pregnancy Care Center

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Dollars (\$100) for the purpose of being the Town's contribution to Pathways Pregnancy Care Center in Littleton which provides educational services to individuals throughout the North Country. The Board of Selectmen recommends this appropriation 2-0, 1 abstain. Tax impact \$0.01.