# Warrant and MS-636 Budget



Department of Revenue Administration



# 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  $\frac{123}{24}$  a true and attested copy of this document was posted at the place of meeting and at 92 School Street, Carroll, NH. (14N 23, 2924)

Name	Position	Signature
Jules Marquis	Select Board, Chair	Jules margue
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John Greer	Selectman	John yren
Bonnie Moroney	Selectman	Joanie Marcher
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#### 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



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• 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.



# 2024 WARRANT

#### 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 To place money in the Highway Equipment CRF Article 18 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 To establish and Energy Commission Capital Reserve Article 20 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 To offset ambulance medical transfers Article 21 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

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#### Article 30 To contribute to American Red Cross

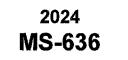
22. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Three Hundred and Fifty-Six Dollars (\$356) for the purpose of being the Town's contribution to the American Red Cross of New England, which provides relief and support to individuals throughout the region. The Board of Selectmen recommends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

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#### 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.





# **Proposed Budget**

# Carroll

For the period beginning January 1, 2024 and ending December 31, 2024 Form Due Date: **20 Days after the Annual Meeting** 

This form was posted with the warrant on: \_\_\_\_\_

#### **GOVERNING BODY CERTIFICATION**

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined the information contained in this form and to the best of my belief it is true, correct and complete.

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For assistance please contact: NH DRA Municipal and Property Division (603) 230-5090 http://www.revenue.nh.gov/mun-prop/



#### **Proposed Budget**

Account	Purpose	Article	Expenditures for period ending 12/31/2023	Appropriations for period ending 12/31/2023	Proposed Appro	priations for period ending 12/31/2024
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4130	Executive	08	\$85,763	\$100,585	\$105,206	\$0
4140	Election, Registration, and Vital Statistics	08	\$5,408	\$8,475	\$19,488	\$0
4150	Financial Administration	08	\$189,541	\$189,577	\$246,925	\$0
4152	Property Assessment	08	\$38,579	\$69,375	\$69,375	\$0
4153	Legal Expense	08	\$39,821	\$80,000	\$60,000	\$0
4155	Personnel Administration	08	\$326,850	\$382,432	\$401,262	\$0
4191	Planning and Zoning	08	\$2,459	\$12,240	\$34,327	\$0
4194	General Government Buildings	08	\$92,728	\$138,200	\$122,500	\$0
4195	Cemeteries	08	\$13,457	\$4,600	\$5,100	\$0
4196	Insurance Not Otherwise Allocated	08	\$57,949	\$55,800	\$61,000	\$0
4197	Advertising and Regional Associations		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4198	Contingency		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4199	Other General Government	08	\$129	\$110	\$3,276	\$0
	General Government Subtotal		\$852,684	\$1,041,394	\$1,128,459	\$0
Public Safet	y .					
4210	Police	08	\$373,241	\$377,262	\$408,471	\$0
4215	Ambulances		\$0	\$15,000	\$0	\$0
4220	Fire	08	\$349,309	\$361,719	\$396,572	\$0
4240	Building Inspection	08	\$58,345	\$39,630	\$66,700	\$0
4290	Emergency Management	08	\$9,430	\$10,501	\$8,600	\$0
4299	Other Public Safety		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
	Public Safety Subtotal		\$790,325	\$804,112	\$880,343	\$0
Airport/Avia	tion Center					
4301	Airport Administration		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4302	Airport Operations		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4309	Other Airport		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
	Airport/Aviation Center Subtotal		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Highways ar	nd Streets					
4311	Highway Administration		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4312	Highways and Streets	08	\$133,926	\$152,665	\$160,927	\$0 \$0
4313	Bridges		\$0	\$0	¢100,021 \$0	\$0
4316	Street Lighting	08	\$19,915	\$25,000	\$24,000	\$0
4319	Other Highway, Streets, and Bridges		\$19,910 \$0	\$25,000	\$24,000 \$0	\$0 \$0
4318	Highways and Streets Subtotal		\$153,841	\$0 \$177,665	\$0 \$184,927	۵0 \$0
Sanitation						
4321	Sanitation Administration		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4323			\$0			
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4324	Solid Waste Disposal	08	\$145,368	\$142,261	\$151,735	\$0



4325	Solid Waste Facilities Clean-Up		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4326	Sewage Collection and Disposal		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4329	Other Sanitation	- 1999 ET-1993, CHEET ON 1997 THE THICK THE THICK IS A 1997	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
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4331	Water Administration		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4332	Water Services		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4335	Water Treatment		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4338	Water Conservation		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4339	Other Water		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
	Water Distribution and Treatment Subtotal		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Electric						
4351	Electric Administration		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4352	Generation		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4353	Purchase Costs	an na shekara da na kara da na kar	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4354	Electric Equipment Maintenance		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4359	Other Electric Costs		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
	Electric Subtotal		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Health						
4411	Health Administration	nanda vertekar "konsene o Produkt Bereinska neto	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4414	Pest Control	Cartolish Marabay Hir Call (Sri 1989) Anna anna am	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4415	Health Agencies and Hospitals		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4419	Other Health	08	\$0	\$0	\$1,410	\$0
	Health Subtotal		\$0	\$0	\$1,410	\$0
Welfare						
4441	Welfare Administration	08	\$1,100	\$15,000	\$15,000	\$0
4442	Direct Assistance	na dalar kata dalar kalan ya kata dalar kata	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4444	Intergovernmental Welfare Payments		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4445	Vendor Payments	**************************************	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4449	Other Welfare	anna 2011 - Ann an A	\$8,388	\$8,388	\$0	\$0
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Culture an	d Recreation					
4520	Parks and Recreation	08	\$3,071	\$28,075	\$16,100	\$0
4550	Library	08	\$15,845	\$16,043	\$17,266	\$0
4583	Patriotic Purposes	08	\$1,520	\$1,400	\$1,600	\$0
4589	Other Culture and Recreation	08	\$11,400	\$11,400	\$11,400	\$0
	Culture and Recreation Subtotal		\$31,836	\$56,918	\$46,366	\$0
Conservat	on and Development					
4611	Conservation Administation	08	\$250	\$390	\$440	\$0



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4612	Purchase of Natural Resources	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4619	Other Conservation	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4631	Redevelopment and Housing Administration	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4632	Other Redevelopment and Housing	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4651	Economic Development Administration	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4652	Economic Development	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4659	Other Economic Development	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
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#### **Debt Service**

	Debt Service Subtotal		\$477,601	\$426,810	\$418,084	\$0
4790	Other Debt Service Charges		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4723	Interest on Tax and Revenue Anticipation Notes		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4721	Interest - Long Term Bonds, Notes, and Other Debt	08	\$212,220	\$175,205	\$161,384	\$0
4711	Principal - Long Term Bonds, Notes, and Other Debt	08	\$265,381	\$251,605	\$256,700	\$0

#### Capital Outlay

4909	Improvements Other than Buildings	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4903	Buildings	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4902	Machinery, Vehicles, and Equipment	\$108,653	\$528,000	\$0	\$0
4901	Land	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

	Total Operating Budget Appropriations			Чт. 1985 ж. толог, постание станутор уради.	\$3,003,317	\$0
	Operating Transfers Out Subtotal		\$131,093	\$184,071	\$176,553	\$(
4919	To Fiduciary Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4918	To Non-Expendable Trust Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4914W	To Water Proprietary Fund	08	\$131,093	\$184,071	\$176,553	\$C
4914S	To Sewer Proprietary Fund		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
49140	To Other Proprietary Fund		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4914E	To Electric Proprietary Fund		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4914A	To Airport Proprietary Fund		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4913	To Capital Projects Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4912	To Special Revenue Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4911	To Revolving Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$C



Account	Purpose	Article	Proposed Appropriation ending	s for period 12/31/2024
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4215	Ambulances		\$20,000	\$0
		Purpose: To offset ambulance medical transfers		
4449	Other Welfare	26	\$1,000	\$0
		Purpose: To Donate to Second Chance Animal Rescue		
4902	Machinery, Vehicles, and Equ	ipment 10	\$235,000	\$0
		Purpose: To purchase dump truck with plow		
4915	To Capital Reserve Funds	13	\$50,000	\$0
		Purpose: To place money in the Road Improvements CRF		
4915	To Capital Reserve Funds	14	\$50,000	\$0
		Purpose: To place money in the Water Department CRF		
4915	To Capital Reserve Funds	15	\$30,000	\$0
		Purpose: To put money in the New Land & Building CRF		
4915	To Capital Reserve Funds	16	\$30,000	\$0
		Purpose: To put money in the Police Cruiser CRF		
4915	To Capital Reserve Funds	17	\$20,000	\$0
		Purpose: To place money in the Municipal Truck CRF		
4915	To Capital Reserve Funds	18	\$15,000	\$0
		Purpose: To place money in the Highway Equipment CRF		
4915	To Capital Reserve Funds	19	\$10,000	\$0
		Purpose: To put money in the Landfill Closure CRF		
4915	To Capital Reserve Funds	20	\$10,000	\$0
		Purpose: To establish and Energy Commission Capital Reserve	,	
4915	To Capital Reserve Funds	22	\$4,000	\$0
99		Purpose: To place money in the Computer Technology CRF		
	Total Proposed Sp	ecial Articles	\$475,000	\$0





Account	Purpose	Article	Proposed Appro	priations for period ending 12/31/2024
			(Recommended)	(Not Recommended)
4445	Vendor Payments	30	\$356	\$0
		Purpose: To contribute to American Red Cross		
4449	Other Welfare	23	\$2,065	\$0
		Purpose: To contribute to North Country Home Health & Hospi		
4449	Other Welfare	28	\$500	\$0
		Purpose: To contribute to CASA		
4449	Other Welfare	24	\$2,050	\$0
		Purpose: To contribute to Tri County Community Action		
4449	Other Welfare	25	\$1,250	\$0
		Purpose: To contribute to Ammonoosuc Community Health		
4449	Other Welfare	31	\$100	\$0
		Purpose: To donate to Pathways Pregnancy Care Center		
4449	Other Welfare	29	\$500	\$0
		Purpose: To contribute to The Center for New Beginnings		
4449	Other Welfare	27	\$923	\$0
		Purpose: To contribute to Northern Human Services		
4902	Machinery, Vehicles, and Equipme	ent 12 .	\$24,000	\$0
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4909	Improvements Other than Building	s 11	\$63,402	\$0
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State Sources	r Federal Grants and Reimbursements		\$0	\$78,203	\$0
State Sources	From Federal Government Subtotal		\$0	\$78,203	\$0
3351 Share	ed Revenues - Block Grant		\$0	\$0	\$0
3352 Meals	s and Rooms Tax Distribution	08	\$78,719	\$78,719	\$60,000
3353 Highv	way Block Grant		\$0	\$0	\$0
3354 Wate	r Pollution Grant	la 1974 (Contractor a conservation	\$0	\$0	\$0
3355 Hous	ing and Community Development		\$0	\$0	\$0
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	ne from Departments	08	\$3,166	\$2,100	\$2,000
3402 Water			\$0	\$0	\$0



# **Proposed Budget**

3403	Sewer User Charges	\$0	\$0	\$0
3404	Garbage-Refuse Charges	\$0	\$0	\$0
3405	Electric User Charges	\$0	\$0	\$0
3406	Airport Fees	\$0	\$0	\$0
3409	Other Charges	\$600	\$600	\$0
	Charges for Services Subtotal	\$3,766	\$2,700	\$2,000

#### **Miscellaneous Revenues**

	Miscellaneous Revenues Subtotal		\$133,409	\$101,000	\$58,250
3509	Revenue from Misc Sources Not Otherwise Classified	08, 11	\$0	\$1,000	\$8,250
3508	Contributions and Donations		\$0	\$0	\$0
3506	Insurance Dividends and Reimbursements		\$0	\$0	\$0
3504	Fines and Forfeits		\$0	\$0	\$0
3503	Other	-	\$0	\$0	\$0
3502	Interest on Investments	08	\$133,409	\$100,000	\$50,000
3501	Sale of Municipal Property		\$0	\$0	\$0
3500	Special Assessments		\$0	\$0	\$0

#### Interfund Operating Transfers In

	Interfund Operating Transfers in Sub	total	\$146,104	\$662,245	\$481,553
3917	From Conservation Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0
3916	From Trust and Fiduciary Funds	area a second on 10.000/20223 Size of a statement of success on sources in bottom ( ) Advant	\$0	\$0	\$0
3915	From Capital Reserve Funds	10	\$0	\$97,797	\$235,000
3914W	From Water Proprietary Fund	08, 14	\$144,574	\$229,448	\$226,553
3914S	From Sewer Proprietary Fund		\$0	\$0	\$0
39140	From Other Proprietary Fund	a ma a managana wa sukukama (kila // Administra Languaga managana ka managana ka kuka ya ka ka	\$0	\$0	\$0
3914E	From Electric Proprietary Fund	2017.1122199.000305.000-000-000-000-000-000-000-000-000-0	\$0	\$0	\$0
3914A	From Airport Proprietary Fund	22-94 -93 99/1401-5	\$0	\$0	\$0
3913	From Capital Projects Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0
3912	From Special Revenue Funds	21	\$1,530	\$335,000	\$20,000
3911	From Revolving Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0

#### Other Financing Sources

	Total Estimated Revenues and Credits	\$1,265,934	\$1,246,461	\$939,803
	Other Financing Sources Subtotal	\$500,000	\$0	\$0
9999	Fund Balance to Reduce Taxes	\$500,000	\$0	\$0
9998	Amount Voted from Fund Balance	\$0	\$0	\$0
3934	Proceeds from Long-Term Notes/Bonds/Other Sources	\$0	\$0	\$0



ltem	Period ending 12/31/2024
Operating Budget Appropriations	\$3,003,317
Special Warrant Articles	\$475,000
Individual Warrant Articles	\$95,146
Total Appropriations	\$3,573,463
Less Amount of Estimated Revenues & Credits	\$939,803
Estimated Amount of Taxes to be Raised	\$2,633,660

# Minutes of the Meeting February 5, 2024

#### TOWN OF CARROLL DELIBERATIVE SESSION MEETING MINUTES FEBRUARY 5, 2024

Moderator Ben Jellison called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag. He also asked for a moment of silence in remembrance of the residents of Town who passed away in the last year.

The Moderator went over the ground rules for this Session and reminded everyone that the next Session will be Tuesday, March 12, 2024 when the polls will open at 8:00 a.m. and close at 7:00 p.m. in the Town Hall Community Room. He had the Select Board introduce themselves, as well as the Department Heads, the Town Clerk and the Administrative Assistant as well as himself. He then opened the floor for questions, of which there were none.

The Moderator began with reading the Non-Partisan Official Ballot:

#### Article 1: Election of Town Officers.

Selectman	3 year term (vote for one):	Bonnie Jean Moroney
Moderator	2 year term (vote for one):	Ben Jellison
Treasurer	1 year term (vote for one):	Annette L. Marquis
Town Clerk/Tax Collector	3 year term (vote for one):	Crystal B. Bailey
Trustee of the Trust Fund	3 year term (vote for one):	Peter C. Brouillette
Library Trustee	3 year term (vote for one):	June Rogier
Cemetery Trustee	3 year term (vote for one):	Michael L. Gooden
Supervisor of the Checklist	4 year term (vote for one):	Patricia M. Cobb
Supervisor of the Checklist	6 year term (vote for one):	Judith F. Pappas
Planning Board	3 year term (vote for not more than two):	Paula M. Murphy Austin Lee Alvarez
Zoning Board of Adjustment	3 year term (vote for not more than two):	William Curtis Briggeman Aaron Foti Janet E Merner

# Article 1 will appear as written on the official ballot.

# **ARTICLE 2: 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.

A motion was made by Selectperson Moroney to approve and seconded by Selectperson Greer. During discussion. Fire Chief Duncan spoke in opposition of this article informing that State statute 153:5 states that the Fire Chief shall inspect any adjustments on building. He informed that article 2 says he will not inspect and the Town had voted previously to allow for inspection by following the State regulations. Chief Duncan recommends residents do not vote in favor of this article. Selectperson Marquis informed that he has spoken with the Town's attorney and there is no issue with article 2. Discussion continued regarding building inspections and the Town's building permit process as well as the cost of building permits.

## Article 2 will appear as written on the official ballot.

# **ARTICLE 3: 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.

A motion was made by Selectperson Moroney to approve and seconded by Selectperson Greer. Discussion was opened for article 3. Selectperson Marquis provided clarification and explanation of this article and informed that once an apartment is installed in a garage this would then become a residence and would no longer be considered a garage. Selectperson Marquis and Fire Chief Duncan informed this definition of residence came from the State code book.

#### Article 3 will appear as written on the official ballot.

#### **ARTICLE 4: 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.

A motion was made by Selectperson Moroney to approve and seconded by Selectperson Greer. During discussion Alex Foti provided clarification informing that the way the ordinance is currently written if a new business is presented to the zoning board that they have not seen previously the board can not approve it. He informs this amendment will allow the zoning board a bit more discretion and flexibility. Joan Karpf expressed her confusion and sought clarification on the current zoning procedure for a new business or residence. Rena Vecchio provided information that although the surrounding abutters are notified they do not have the right to say no, however they are welcome to voice their opinion to the board but that does not mean that the planning board will vote against it. Much discussion regarding this article and related zoning and planning were considered..

#### Article 4 will appear as written on the official ballot.

# **ARTICLE 5: 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

A motion was made by Selectperson Moroney to approve and seconded by Selectperson Greer. Joan Karpf provided some background on the decision by the Conservation Commission to bring this warrant article to the voters. She also addressed some concerns brought up by the Planning Board in regards to the buffers. The Conservation Commission looked at 84 towns in New Hampshire and what those towns were using as buffers. Selectperson Marquis brought up a concern regarding resident's property rather than development. He discussed the restrictions regarding the wetlands and the buffer around it. Alex Foti discussed why Planning/Zoning is opposed to this article. He stated that there are many small lots that are adjacent to wetlands which makes that lot completely unusable and is a hinderance to residents in regards to building a home.

#### Article 5 will appear as written on the official ballot.

#### **ARTICLE 6: 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.

A motion was made by Selectperson Moroney to approve and seconded by Selectperson Greer. During discussion a question was posed regarding changes to the amendment since the Planning Public Hearing. The Moderator informed that this question was related to article 7 and would be discussed when reviewing that article.

#### Article 6 will appear as written on the official ballot.

#### **ARTICLE 7: 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.

A motion was made by Selectperson Moroney to approve and seconded by Selectperson Greer. During discussion the Moderator informed that section 706 is the entire article being referenced and specifics are not included in the warrant. Alex Foti provided additional information regarding the development of this article and stated as someone who does short term rentals, he feels that having a registration process is a good thing as it provides information to police and fire on who to contact if there is a problem. He stated this was the original intent of the article. Foti informed of learning of a case in Freedom, NH where that Town attempted to implement an article with similar intent, that article was brought before the court and was struck down. Foti states this prompted the changes to the article. The Moderator clarified that at the hearing this definition is what is currently section 706, that this is what would be added should this article pass. Discussion followed including residents who felt this article was a bit rushed and a clear plan of implementation is not in place should this article pass. Selectperson Marquis stated on behalf of the Select Board that at this point they would prefer not to see this article pass and would rather wait and see how this issue plays out in the courts and then draft an article that would be fair to everyone and avoid issues. Another resident expressed issue with the wording of the article and that it does not clarify definitions and penalties. The Moderator informed that the articles from the Planning Board get submitted first to legal council then to DRA and at this point we are unable to change the language of the articles. Should the article pass it is unenforceable.

#### Article 7 will appear as written on the official ballot.

#### **ARTICLE 8: 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.

A motion was made by Selectperson Moroney to approve and seconded by Selectperson Greer. The Moderator opened for discussion. No discussion.

#### Article 8 will appear as written on the official ballot.

#### **ARTICLE 9: 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.

A motion was made by Selectperson Moroney to approve and seconded by Selectperson Greer. Article opened for discussion. A question was posed regarding the ability of residents to see the funds from building permits in the budget. Selectperson Moroney stated a "balance" will not be seen however on the budget residents can see the cost of the building inspector. Selectperson Moronev referenced the MS-2 form. Currently there is no line item in the budget to view the income from building permits each year since these funds go into a Special Revenue Fund managed by the Treasurer and would show as a deposit. Selectperson Moroney informed that the Planning Special Revenue Fund has a balance of \$158,185.52. Should this article pass, there will be a line item for the building inspector. One resident asked if this article passes would all the funds in the Planning Special Revenue Fund be transferred into the General Fund. Selectperson Moroney answered yes. Selectperson Marguis informed the residents that the building permit fees are there to offset the cost of the building inspector. The building inspector is for the entire Town, not just the residents who are doing work on their homes to make the Town look better. The fees will always go to offset the cost of the building inspector, but those fees may not always cover the cost of the building inspector. Chief Bailey asked if the funds will only be used to cover the cost of the building inspector. Selectperson Moroney informed those funds are going into the General Fund to pay for the building inspector but leftover funds, should there be any, are not restricted to cover the cost of the building inspector and any remaining funds will remain in the General Fund and can be used to offset the tax rate. The moderator asked if the Select Board had considered making the Select Board agents to expend from the Planning Special Revenue Fund rather than eliminating the fund. Selectperson Moroney informed they had not.

#### Article 9 will appear as written on the official ballot.

#### **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 twoway 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.** 

A motion was made by Selectperson Moroney to approve and seconded by Selectperson Greer. Scott Sonia informed that this will not be in addition to a current truck but will be a replacement for that truck. No further discussion.

#### Article 10 will appear as written on the official ballot.

#### **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** 

A motion was made by Selectperson Moroney to approve and seconded by Selectperson Greer. Mr. Vecchio informed that he would like to make a motion to amend figures in this article due to learning more about the cost of this project. Mr. Vecchio read the changes as follows: the second figure originally written as Six

Thousand Two Hundred and Fifty Dollars (\$6,250) will now be Twelve Thousand Four Hundred Dollars (\$12,400) as the rebate has nearly doubled. The net amount to be raised from taxes will go from Fifty-Seven Thousand One Hundred and Fifty-Three Dollars (\$57,153) down to Fifty-One Thousand and Two Dollars (\$51,002). The payback will reduce form 4.2 years to 3.75 years. Tax impact will be reduced from \$0.09 to \$0.08. Selectperson Greer seconded this motion. The question was raised regarding how many streetlights there are. Mr. Vecchio responded approximately 125 streetlights. If the project moves forward there will be an audit done of all the light fixtures to determine if that is an accurate number. With no additional discussion on the amendment the Moderator read the amended warrant:

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The body voted in favor of the amendment to the language of warrant article 11.

Selectperson Greer expressed his concern with the removal of the phrase "shall not exceed" from the original article. Selectperson Greer is concerned that without that language the government can overspend. Discussion followed regarding when this language was removed. Selectperson Moroney informed that the Town could not spend more than what is stated in this article. Selectperson Greer made a motion to add the words "will not exceed" to the warrant. Mr. Pappas voiced concern that if the Town's legal council had removed that language for a reason and the article was passed with incorrect wording making it illegal the article would not carry. Rena Vecchio spoke in favor of the hard work done by the Energy Committee. Selectperson Greer made a motion to amend the amended article to read: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum not to exceed Sixty-Three Thousand Four Hundred and Two Dollars (\$63,402). The Moderator asked for a second to Selectperson Greer's motion to amend the amended article 11. The amendment was seconded by Anita Greer. The Moderator opened for discussion. Following discussion Selectperson Greer withdrew his motion to amend. Motion to amend was withdrawn.

#### Article 11 will appear as initially amended.

A motion was made to restrict reconsideration on articles 1-11 by Karen Moran. This motion was seconded by Imre Szauter. A vote was taken and the body was in favor of restricting reconsideration for articles 1-11.

#### **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 3-0. Tax Impact: \$0.04** 

A motion was made by Selectperson Moroney to approve and seconded by Selectperson Greer. Moderator opened for discussion. Chief Bailey provided information on why this article is needed. No further discussion.

#### Article 12 will appear as written on the official ballot.

# 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** 

A motion was made by Selectperson Moroney to approve and seconded by Selectperson Greer. The Moderator informed there is \$139,545.75 in this Capital Reserve Fund. Selectperson Moroney informed on the balance of the Highway Block Grant as \$262,100.95. No further discussion.

#### Article 13 will appear as written on the official ballot.

## **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.

A motion was made by Selectperson Moroney to approve and seconded by Selectperson Greer. The Moderator opened for discussion and informed there is currently \$218,657.47 in the Water Department Capital Reserve Fund. Treasurer Annette Marquis asked about the balance of a savings account for water. Selectperson Moroney informed that the water fund has \$218,376.98.

#### Article 14 will appear as written on the official ballot.

## 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

A motion was made by Selectperson Moroney to approve and seconded by Selectperson Greer. The Moderator opened for discussion and informed there is currently \$93,240.39 in the New Land & Building Capital Reserve Fund.

#### Article 15 will appear as written on the official ballot.

#### **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

A motion was made by Selectperson Moroney to approve and seconded by Selectperson Greer. The Moderator opened for discussion and informed there is currently \$62,758 in the Police Cruiser Capital Reserve Fund not counting the funds that must come out for the cruiser purchased in 2023, leaving approximately \$22,000 in the Police CRF currently. No further discussion.

#### Article 16 will appear as written on the official ballot.

# **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** 

A motion was made by Selectperson Moroney to approve and seconded by Selectperson Greer. The Moderator opened for discussion and informed there is currently \$91,280 in the Municipal Truck Capital Reserve Fund but reminded residents there is a warrant article to use some of those funds. No further discussion.

## Article 17 will appear as written on the official ballot.

# **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

A motion was made by Selectperson Moroney to approve and seconded by Selectperson Greer. The Moderator informed there is currently \$90,147 in the Highway Equipment Capital Reserve Fund and reminded residents there is a warrant article proposed which will subtract funds from that balance. Moderator opened for discussion. No further discussion.

# Article 18 will appear as written on the official ballot.

# 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** 

A motion was made by Selectperson Moroney to approve and seconded by Selectperson Greer. The Moderator informed there is currently \$117,236 in the Landfill Closure Capital Reserve Fund. During discussion residents were reminded this CRF is for the old landfill next to the transfer station where the Town monitors wells and completes water testing as required by state regulations. If the landfill leaks the Town will need to use this fund to address potential issues. No further discussion.

#### Article 19 will appear as written on the official ballot. ARTICLE 20: To Establish an 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 3-0. Tax Impact \$0.02** 

A motion was made by Selectperson Moroney to approve and seconded by Selectperson Greer. Moderator opened for discussion. No discussion.

# Article 20 will appear as written on the official ballot.

# 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.

A motion was made by Selectperson Moroney to approve and seconded by Selectperson Greer. Moderator opened for discussion. Fire Chief Duncan informed this is for transferring people from hospital to hospital and stated that in 2023 they did about five transfers and the requested funds help pay for employees to do the transfer then following insurance billing funds are returned to that account. Duncan stated this service provides revenue for the Town. No further discussion.

#### Article 21 will appear as written on the official ballot.

# 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** 

A motion was made by Selectperson Moroney to approve and seconded by Selectperson Greer. The Moderator informed currently there is \$16,398 in the Computer Technology Capital Reserve Fund and opened for discussion. No discussion.

#### Article 22 will appear as written on the official ballot.

The total of articles 23 to 31 is \$8,744. Karen Moran made a motion to accept articles 23 to 31 except for 30 as written. Motion was seconded by John Gardiner. A vote was taken and the body was in favor of approving articles 23 to 31 as written except article 30.

#### 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 23 will appear as written on the official ballot.

# **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 24 will appear as written on the official ballot.

# **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 25 will appear as written on the official ballot.

# **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 26 will appear as written on the official ballot.

#### **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 27 will appear as written on the official ballot.

#### **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 28 will appear as written on the official ballot.

# **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 29 will appear as written on the official ballot.

# **ARTICLE 30: To Contribute to American Red Cross**

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

A motion was made by Selectperson Moroney to approve and seconded by Selectperson Greer. Selectperson Greer informed that he did not vote in favor of the Red Cross on article 30 and discussed why he was not in favor of this article. Selectperson Greer made a motion to restrict the funds to One Dollar (\$1). John Gardiner seconded the motion. Discussion followed and Karen Moran stated people should be allowed to vote on this article. A vote was taken and the body voted in favor of not amending the article.

#### Article 30 will appear as written on the official ballot.

#### **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.** 

#### Article 31 will appear as written on the official ballot.

At 8:35 p.m. Moderator Ben Jellison declared the Town Meeting recessed until 8:00 a.m. on March 12<sup>th</sup>, 2024 when all are notified to vote by Official Ballot at the Town of Carroll Town Hall Community Room.

Respectfully Submitted,

Crystal B. Bailey

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