

**TOWN OF EPSOM  
2010 WARRANT ARTICLES  
AS AMENDED AT DELIBERATIVE SESSION**

**INFORMATION SHEET  
February 8, 2010**

**ARTICLE 1:** Shall the Town of Epsom vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one dollar (\$1.00) for the construction and original equipping of a new Town Office complex, to be located in the lower level of Epsom's Historical Meeting House (Map U4, Lot 52), to complete any work on the upper level, exterior, water, septic, site work, and any other tasks needed to make the building ready for public occupancy, and to authorize the issuance of not more than one dollars (\$1.00) 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? **By Petition. 3/5ths majority vote required; this is a Special Warrant Article and its appropriation is in addition to the operating budget.**

Not Recommended by the Selectmen 0-3 Not Recommended by the Budget Committee 0-10-1

No tax rate impact in 2010. Estimated 2011 tax rate impact: \$ 0.00 per thousand increase.

**ARTICLE 2:** Shall the Town of Epsom 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 \$ 2,715,458.00? Should this article be defeated, the operating budget shall be \$ 2,651,657.00, which is the same as last year, 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 Selectmen 3-0 Recommended by the Budget Committee 9-0-2

Estimated impact of operating budget on tax rate: (\$ 0.34) per thousand decrease.

Estimated impact of default budget on tax rate: (\$ 0.48) per thousand decrease

**ARTICLE 3:** Shall the Town of Epsom raise and appropriate the sum of thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000.00) for architectural and engineering planning for the future construction of an addition to, and renovation of, the Meetinghouse located adjacent to the new Library and Old Town Hall, to include site improvements, for use as town office facility and public meeting room, and will not lapse until the project is done or December 31, 2015, whichever is sooner? **Majority vote required; this is a Special Warrant Article and its appropriation is in addition to the operating budget.**

Recommended by the Selectmen 3-0 Recommended by the Budget Committee 8-0-2

Estimated impact on tax rate: \$ 0.07 per thousand increase

**ARTICLE 4:** Shall the Town of Epsom raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$150,000.00) to be added to the Capital Reserve Fund previously established for the purpose of reconstruction and improvements to town roads? **Majority vote required; this is a Special Warrant Article and its appropriation is in addition to the operating budget.**

Recommended by the Selectmen 3-0 Recommended by the Budget Committee 6-2-2

Estimated impact on tax rate: \$ 0.33 per thousand increase

**ARTICLE 5:** Shall the Town of Epsom raise and appropriate the sum of twenty-six thousand thirty-seven dollars (\$26,037.00) to pay for six (6) months' salary and benefits for one (1) additional police officer? **Majority vote required. This appropriation is in addition to the operating budget.**

Recommended by the Selectmen 3-0      Not Recommended by the Budget Committee 4-5-1

Estimated impact on tax rate: \$ 0.06 per thousand increase

**ARTICLE 6:** Shall the Board of Selectmen be authorized to acquire a certain cemetery known as The Hopkinson Cemetery, from the Gossville Cemetery Association, under the terms and conditions acceptable to the selectmen, and further and all necessary agents of the town be authorized to execute all required instruments in order to facilitate the conveyance and care of the said cemetery consistent with all requirements of New Hampshire Law? **By Petition; majority vote required.**

**ARTICLE 7:** Shall the Town of Epsom describe the estimated tax impact for each appropriation question on the official town and school ballot? **By Petition; majority vote required.**

**ARTICLE 8:** To see if the Town will vote to approve the following resolution to be forwarded to our State Representative(s), our State Senator, the Speaker of the House, and the Senate President. Resolved: The citizens of New Hampshire should be allowed to vote on an amendment to the New Hampshire Constitution that defines "marriage". **By Petition; majority vote required.**

**ARTICLE 9:** Shall the Epsom Board of Selectmen form a committee to study the feasibility of changing the appointed position of Zoning Compliance Officer to an elected position, with a two-year term? **By Petition; majority vote required.**