

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

THE POLLS WILL BE OPEN FROM 8 AM TO 8 PM

To the inhabitants of the Town of Stratham in the County of Rockingham in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified and warned to meet at the Stratham Municipal Center on Tuesday, on the tenth day of March 2020, next at eight of the clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

Article 1 - To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.

Article 2 – Are you in favor of adopting the following amendments to the Town of Stratham Zoning Ordinance as proposed by the Planning Board?

To see if the Town will amend the Zoning Ordinance, Section II, Subsection 2.1.67 Structure to further clarify the definition as it relates to the permitting requirements and procedures related to septic tank installation.

2.1.67 Structure: Anything constructed or erected with a fixed location on or in the ground, or attached to something having a fixed location on or in the ground. Structure includes, but are not limited to, buildings, mobile home, bridges, trestles, towers, framework, hoop houses, tanks or group of tanks exceeding a total of 500 gallons (excluding septic tanks), tunnels, stadiums, platforms, shelters, piers, wharfs, signs, fences and retaining walls over six feet (6') in height, swimming pools, or the like. Where Stratham Zoning Ordinance is silent, then the most current edition of the State Building Code shall be assumed to apply.

The Planning Board recommends this article by unanimous vote.

Article 3 – Are you in favor of adopting the following amendments to the Town of Stratham Zoning Ordinance as proposed by the Planning Board?

To see if the Town will amend the Zoning Ordinance, Section III, by amending to Section III, Subsection 3.5.1, and also to amend Section III, Subsection 3.6 *Table of Uses* to clarify the nomenclature and the permitting requirements and procedures for the various permitted land uses of the Zoning Ordinance, and also to amend the *Footnotes to Table 3.6* by adding footnote number 9, to clarify the permitting requirements and procedures for uses within the Industrial Zoning District.

3.5.1 The Table of Uses, Table 3.6, specifies the uses that are permitted by right, are permitted by special exception, are permitted by conditional use permit, or are prohibited. Permitted uses are designated in the Table with a P; ~~uses which require the granting of a special exception by the Board of Adjustment are designated with and S; uses which require a conditional use permit from the Planning Board are designated with a C; uses which require a conditional use permit from the Planning Board are designated with a C; uses which require the granting of a Special Exception by the~~

Board of Adjustment are designated with an S/C, except in those instances where required site development requires Site Plan Review, in which case the Planning Board shall review the use as a Conditional Use Permit; and prohibited uses are designated with an X. The Wetlands Conservation District is an overlay district and information is in Section XI. Additional explanation on Shoreland Protection District, which is also an overlay, is in Section XII.

USES:+A2:J39A13A2:J35A2:J45A2:J51A13A2:J35AA2:J60	ZONING DISTRICT								
	R/A	MAH	PRE	TC	G CBD CZ	G CBD OZ	SC	CLIO	IND
A. RESIDENTIAL USES:									
1. Single-Family Dwelling.	P	P	P	P	X	P	X	X	X
2. Two-Family Dwelling.	P	P	P	P	X	P	<u>SS/C</u>	X	X
3. Multi-Family Dwelling in accordance with Section 5.8 of this Ordinance.	X	X	C	P	C	P	C	C	X
4. Cluster Developments by conditional use permit in accordance with Section VIII of this Ordinance. (Rev. 3/99) Also Senior Housing as set forth in Section 5.7 (3/05)	C		X	C	P	C	P	C	X
5. Workforce and Elderly Affordable Housing in accordance with Section 5.8 of this Ordinance.	C	X	C	P	C	P	C	C	X
6. Manufactured Housing;	P	P	X	P	C	P	X	X	X
7. Mobile Homes; in accordance with Section IX of this Ordinance.	X	P	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
8. Home Occupations in accordance with Sections 2.1.27, 5.13 (3/10)	<u>SS/C</u>	<u>SS/C</u>	<u>SS/C</u>	P	C	P	X	X	X
9. Accessory Dwelling Units in accordance with Section 5.4. (Rev. 3/90, 3/05, 3/17, 3/18)	P	P	P	P	X	P	X	X	X
B. TEMPORARY RESIDENTIAL USES									
1. Overnight and Day Camps, Cottage Colonies, Vacation Resorts, and similar Recreational Facilities.	<u>SS/C</u>	<u>SS/C</u>	X	X	C	P	X	X	X
2. Bed and Breakfast Inns.	<u>SS/C</u>	<u>SS/C</u>	S/C	P	C	P	P	P	X
3. Hotels, Motels, and Hostels. (Rev. 3/98)	X	X	X	P	C	P	P	C	X
C. OUTDOOR/ RECREATIONAL USES:									
1. Forestry, Wildlife, Timber Preserves, Reservoirs, and Nature Study areas.	P	P	P	P	C	P	P	P	P
2. Public Parks and Playgrounds.	P	P	P	P	C	P	P	<u>SS/C</u>	<u>SS/C</u>
3. Commercial Riding Stables and Riding Trails.	<u>SS/C</u>	<u>SS/C</u>	X	X	X	P	X	X	X
4. Historic Building or Site open to public.	P	P	P	P	C	P	P	P	P
5. Recreational Camping Parks, Recreational Areas, Residential Tenting and Recreational Vehicles.	<u>SS/C</u>	<u>SS/C</u>	X	X	C	P	X	X	X
D. AGRICULTURAL / FORESTRY USES:									
1. Farming including Dairying, Livestock, Animal and Poultry Raising, Tilling of Soil, Horticulture, Crop Production, including customary accessory uses.	P	P	P	p ¹	C	P	P	P	P
2. Tree Farming, Commercial Timbering, Non-commercial Harvesting of Forest Products.	P	P	X	p ¹	C	P	P	P	<u>SS/C</u>

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E. INSTITUTIONAL USES:									
1. Private Schools, Nursery through College.	<u>SS/C</u>	<u>SS/C</u>	X	P	C	P	<u>SS/C</u>	<u>SS/C</u>	<u>SS/C</u>
2. Day-Care Facilities. (Rev. 3/95)	<u>SS/C</u>	<u>SS/C</u>	<u>SS/C</u>	P	C	P	<u>SS/C</u>	C	<u>SS/C</u>
3. Senior Citizen Centers.	<u>SS/C</u>	<u>SS/C</u>	<u>SS/C</u>	P	C	P	X	C	X
4. Non-profit Lodges and Fraternal Organizations.	<u>SS/C</u>	<u>SS/C</u>	X	P	C	P	X	X	<u>SS/C</u>
5. Hospitals, Clinics, Nursing Homes and Rehabilitation Centers.	X	X	X	P	C	P	<u>SS/C</u>	<u>SS/C</u>	<u>SS/C</u>
6. Funeral Home or Parlor.	X	X	X	P	C	P	<u>SS/C</u>	<u>SS/C</u>	X
7. Place of worship plus customary ancillary facilities. (Rev. 3/89)	<u>SS/C</u>	<u>SS/C</u>	P	P	C	P	X	X	X ^o
8. Cemetery.	P	P	P	P	C	P	X	X	X
9. Public Utilities.	<u>SS/C</u>	<u>SS/C</u>	<u>SS/C</u>	P	C	P	<u>SS/C</u>	<u>SS/C</u>	<u>SS/C</u>
10. Municipal Buildings.	P	P	P	P	C	P	P	P	P

F. COMMERCIAL USES:									
1. Retail Sales. (Rev. 3/13)	X	X	C ²	P	P	P	P	P	<u>SS/C</u>
2. Personal Services. (Rev. 3/13)	X	X	X	P	P	P	P	P	P
3. Commercial Services. (Rev. 3/13)	X	X	X	P	P	P	P	P	P
4. Professional Office. (Rev. 3/13)	X	X	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
5. Banks & Lending Institutions.	X	X	S	P	P	P	P	P	P
6. Restaurants.	X	X	X	P	P	C	P	P	X ^o
7. Filling Stations, Service Stations.	X	X	X	X	C	C	X	X	X
8. Motor Vehicle Dealerships, Repair Garages, Body Shops, Paint Shops. (Rev. 3/99)	X	X	X	X	C	C	X	X	X
9. Veterinary Hospitals.	X	X	X	P	C	C	P	P	X
10. Kennels, with a minimum lot size of five acres and a structure setback of a minimum of 100 feet from all lot lines.	<u>SS/C</u>	X	X	X	C	C	<u>SS/C</u>	<u>SS/C</u>	X
11. Airports, Runways, Control Towers, Administration Buildings, Hangars.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
12. Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Animals. (Rev. 3/97)	<u>SS/C</u>	X	P	X	X	X	X	X	X

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F. COMMERCIAL USES:									
13. Adult Uses. (Adopted 3/93)	X	X	X	X	S ⁶ S/C ⁵	S ⁶ S/C ⁵	S ⁶ S/C ⁵	X	X
14. Special Promotional Sales & Displays ⁶ . (Adopted 3/96)	X	X	X	P	P	P	P	P	X
15. Self Storage or Warehousing. (Adopted 3/99)	X	X	X	X	C ⁷	C ⁷	C ⁷	C ⁷	X
16. Conference Center. (Adopted 3/09)	X	X	X	P	P	P	P	X	X
17. Movie Theater, Indoor Entertainment Complex. (Adopted 3/09)	X	X	X	P	P	P	P	X	X

G. INDUSTRIAL USES:									
1. Manufacturing, Assembly, Fabricating Operations.	X	X	X	X	C	C	X	C	P
2. Research and Development, Corporate, and Business Offices.	X	X	X	P	C	C	P	P	P
3. Warehousing and Wholesaling Operations.	X	X	X	X	C	C	SS/C	C	P
4. Freight and Trucking Terminals.	X	X	X	X	C	C	SS/C	C	SS/C
5. Bulk Storage and Distribution of Goods, except Fuels.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	C	P
6. Bulk Storage of Fossil Fuels.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
7. Earth Products Removal subject to the provisions of Section X.	P	P	X	X	C	C	P	P	P
8. Commercial Sawmills.	X	X	X	X	X	X	SS/C	X	SS/C
9. Junk Yards, Recycling Centers.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	SS/C
10. Special Promotional Sales & Displays ⁶ . (Adopted 3/96)	X	X	X	P	P	P	P	P	X
11. Light Industrial. (Adopted 3/98)	X	X	X	X	X	X	P ⁸	P	P

Footnotes to Table 3.6 9. Such uses shall be accessory and subordinate to primary use of the property and shall not be permitted freestanding signage apart from directional signage in accordance with Section 7 of the Zoning Regulations.

The Planning Board recommends this article by unanimous vote.

Article 4 – Are you in favor of adopting the following amendments to the Town of Stratham Zoning Ordinance as proposed by the Planning Board?

To see if the Town will amend the Zoning Ordinance, Section IV, by amending to Section IV, Subsection 4.3 (e) *Explanatory Notes*, to clarify the process for waiving the prescriptive height limitations within the zoning districts so permitted by Section IV, Subsection 4.2 *Table of Dimensional Requirements*, as provided by the Zoning Ordinance.

(e) For the footnoted districts, an applicant ~~may apply to the Board of Adjustment~~ request a waiver to these regulations from the Planning Board during Site Plan Review, to exceed the height limit provided it is determined by the Board that the extra height will not create a safety hazard.

The Planning Board recommends this article by unanimous vote.

Article 5 – Are you in favor of adopting the following amendments to the Town of Stratham Zoning Ordinance as proposed by the Planning Board?

To see if the Town will amend the Zoning Ordinance, Section V, Section 5.4 Accessory Dwelling Units, Subsection 5.4.2 *Objectives*, 5.4.3 *Regulations*, and 5.4.4 *Additional Regulations* to clarify the permitting requirements and procedures for Accessory Dwelling Units.

5.4.2 Objectives: *The objectives of this Section are to:*

- a. *Provide a housing unit in a single-family neighborhood for individuals seeking affordable housing alternatives;*
- b. *Protect the single-family residential character of a neighborhood by ensuring that the accessory apartment dwelling unit is permitted only ~~in an owner-occupied house and~~ on an owner-occupied property and under such conditions as to protect the health, property values, safety, and welfare of the public.*

5.4.3 Regulations: *No more than one (1) accessory dwelling unit (ADU) will be permitted on a legal lot or property which is already approved for or developed with a detached single-family dwelling. ~~The Further, an ADU may be created within the~~ single-family dwelling, ~~or within an existing attached or detached garage-accessory structure,~~ in accordance with these regulations. All ADU development shall insure:*

- a. *~~The dwelling-property~~ to which an accessory dwelling unit is to be added must be owner-occupied where the owner must reside in either unit following completion of the ADU;*
- b. *~~The property and proposed use must conform to the dimensional requirements of Table 4.2 (including the requirements for lot coverage, building footprint and open space requirements).~~ ADUs shall only be permitted on legally established parcels;*
- c. *The accessory dwelling unit shall be designed so that the exterior appearance of the building(s) and property remains that of a one family dwelling. Any new entrance that may be required shall be located on the side or in the rear of the building. ~~Units within a garage should be constructed to maintain the look of a residential garage, such that garage doors should remain and any decks are constructed to the rear of the structure;~~*
- d. *The size of the accessory dwelling unit shall be between 400 square feet and 1,000 square feet;*
- e. *In no case shall there be more than ~~three (3) people~~ one (1) family having a maximum occupancy as dictated by the Town of Stratham Building Ordinance, residing within an accessory dwelling unit ADU;*
- f. *Adequate A minimum of two (2) off-street paved or gravel parking spaces per unit (single –family and ADU), shall be provided and shown on the sketch plan. The appearance of the parking design shall be that of a single-family dwelling;*
- g. *The structure and lot shall not be converted to a condominium or any other form of legal ownership distinct from the ownership of the existing single-family dwelling;*

- h. Prior to issuance of a Certificate of Occupancy, by the Code Enforcement Officer, the owner shall provide, the following:*
- i. Evidence to the Building Inspector or their agent that septic facilities are adequate for both units according to the standards of Stratham and the N.H. Water Supply and Pollution Control Division. If deemed necessary by said Inspector, such evidence shall be in the form of certification by a State of NH licensed septic system designer. Also the owner shall provide evidence that there is adequate potable water according to the standards of the State of New Hampshire.*
 - ii. A floor plan of one quarter inch (1/4") to the foot scale showing the proposed changes to the building, if applicable.*
 - iii. A sketch plan (drawn to scale) of the lot, with existing and proposed structures and parking, if applicable.*
- i. The single-family dwelling shall not be a mobile home, condominium, or located within a cluster development (Rev. 3/18).*

5.4.4 Additional Regulations:

- a. The Building Inspector may require construction plans of any improvements and foundations to determine safety of any structure to be used as an accessory dwelling unit. Safety may be determined by review and inspection of the structure to be used.*
- b. Once any renovation or construction is complete, or the owner is ready to have a unit occupied, a request shall be made to the Building Inspector for an occupancy permit. There shall be no occupancy of the accessory dwelling unit until the Building Inspector has issued said occupancy permit.*
- c. Any accessory dwelling unit shall be allowed to continue to be used as such as long as all the requirements of Section 5.4.3 are maintained. If any of the conditions set forth in Section 5.4.3 are not maintained such accessory dwelling unit shall cease to exist. To reestablish use of such accessory dwelling unit, the home owner must reapply for a permit.*
- d. No ~~accessory dwelling unit~~ ADU shall be used for transient occupancy uses*

The Planning Board recommends this article by unanimous vote.

Article 6 – Are you in favor of adopting the following amendment to the Town of Stratham Zoning Ordinance as proposed by the Planning Board?

To see if the Town will amend the Zoning Ordinance, Section V, Subsection 5.14.4.1 *Exceptions* to modify the maximum height for ground mount installations.

b. Ground mount installations shall be limited to a height (tallest point of structure) of no more than twenty one (~~20~~21) feet above natural grade.

The Planning Board recommends this article by unanimous vote.

Article 7 – Are you in favor of adopting the following amendment to the Town of Stratham Zoning Ordinance as proposed by the Planning Board?

To see if the Town will amend Section XI, Subsection 11.3.2 b and amend Section XI, Subsection 11.5.3.b to further clarify the permitting requirements and procedures for development within the Wetlands Conservation District (Overlay).

11.3.2 b. The Construction of Fences, Footbridges, Catwalks and Wharves Only: provided: 1) said structures are constructed on posts or pilings so as to permit the unobstructed flow of water; 2) structures do not obstruct navigation on tidal creeks; 3) the natural contour of the wetland is preserved; and 4) the Planning Board, or its designee, has reviewed and approved the proposed construction.

11.5.3 b. All construction, forestry, and agriculture activities within 100 feet of any wetland shall be undertaken with special care to avoid erosion and siltation into the wetlands. The Planning Board may require an erosion control plan approved by the Rockingham County Conservation District for any project undertaken up-grade of a wetland. No building activity (~~building does not include septic systems~~)(Exception: “Building Activity” does not include septic systems, uncovered decks, or similar appurtenant structures, constructed consistent with 11.3.2 (b)) shall be permitted within 100 feet of any very poorly drained soil and within 50 feet of any wetland except as provided in subsection c of this section. Where required, permits from the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services shall be obtained.

The Planning Board recommends this article by unanimous vote.

Article 8 – Are you in favor of adopting the following amendment to the Town of Stratham Zoning Ordinance as proposed by the Planning Board?

To see if the Town will amend the Zoning Ordinance, Section XVI, Section 16.5.3 Procedure, by adding 16.5.3 d to clarify the permitting requirements and procedures for Historic Demolition Review.

d. In the event of a change of property ownership or expiration of a demolition permit, full compliance with Section 16.5 shall be required.

The Planning Board recommends this article by unanimous vote.

THE FOLLOWING ARTICLES WILL BE VOTED ON FRIDAY, MARCH 13, 2020 AT 7:00 P.M. AT THE STRATHAM MEMORIAL SCHOOL, 39 GIFFORD FARM ROAD, STRATHAM, NEW HAMPSHIRE.

ARTICLE 9: 2020 Operating Budget

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Seven Million Eight Hundred Sixty Seven Thousand One Hundred Twenty Six Dollars and no cents (\$7,867,126) to defray general town charges for the ensuing year. This article does not include appropriations contained in special or individual articles addressed separately.

The Select Board recommends this Article by unanimous vote.

ARTICLE 10: Capital Improvements Program

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Four Hundred Forty Three Thousand Dollars (\$443,000.00) to implement the Capital Improvements Program for 2020 as presented in the Town Report and recommended by the Planning Board. This is a special warrant article which will be non-lapsing until the specific items are completed or obtained but shall in no case be later than five (5) years from this appropriation per NH RSA 32:7 (VI).

The Select Board recommends this Article by unanimous vote.

ARTICLE 11: Appropriate Funds to Several Capital Reserve Funds

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Four Hundred Ninety-Nine Thousand Dollars and no cents (\$499,000.00) to be added to the following capital reserve funds previously established with One Hundred Fifty Thousand (\$150,000) to come from the unassigned fund balance and Three Hundred and Forty Nine Thousand (\$349,000) to be raised through general taxation.

Land Conservation Fund	\$35,000
Fire Department Capital Reserve Fund	\$134,000
Radio Communications Capital Reserve Fund	\$15,000
Historic Preservation Capital Reserve Fund	\$50,000
Highway Vehicle/Equipment Capital Reserve Fund	\$215,000
Town Buildings and Grounds Maintenance Trust	<u>\$50,000</u>
Total	499,000

The Select Board recommends this Article by unanimous vote.

ARTICLE 12: Raise and Appropriate from the EMS Special Revenue Fund

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty Thousand Dollars and no cents (\$20,000.00) for the following purposes:

2020 EMS/EMT/First Responder Training	\$10,000.00
2020 ALS Services Contract	\$10,000.00

and to further authorize the withdrawal of Twenty Thousand Dollars and no cents (\$20,000.00) from the Stratham Fire Department EMS Special Revenue Fund created for these purposes during the March 17, 2000 Annual Town Meeting and as amended during the March 11, 2005 Town Meeting. No additional funds from general taxation are to be used.

The Select Board recommends this Article by unanimous vote.

ARTICLE 13: Replacement of Jaws of Life for Fire Department

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirty Thousand Dollars and no cents (\$30,000.00) for the purpose of purchasing new Jaws of Life and to further authorize the withdrawal of Thirty Thousand Dollars and no cents (\$30,000.00) from the EMS Special Revenue Fund created for these purposes during the March 17, 2000 Annual Town Meeting and as amended during the March 11, 2005 Town Meeting. No additional funds from general taxation are to be used.

The Select Board recommends this Article by unanimous vote.

ARTICLE 14: Adopt Legislation Authorizing Tax Increment Finance (TIF) Districts

To see if the Town will vote to adopt the provisions of RSA 162-K, Municipal Economic Development and Revitalization Districts, which if adopted will grant the Town (at Town Meeting) authority to establish tax increment financing districts.

The Select Board recommends this Article by unanimous vote.

ARTICLE 15: Route 108 Corridor Tax Increment Finance (TIF) District

To see if the Town will vote to:

(a) establish a municipal economic development and revitalization district in accordance with RSA 162-K:5, which district is as shown on a map entitled “Town of Stratham Tax Increment Finance District (TIF),” dated February 20, 2020 and which generally runs along Route 108 from its intersection with Route 101 to the Town Center, including 82 properties along the Route 108

corridor. The district will have the name, “Route 108 Corridor Tax Increment Finance (TIF) District.”

(b) Adopt the provisions of the “Route 108 Corridor Tax Increment Finance (TIF) District Development Program and Financing Plan” dated February 20, 2020 in accordance with RSA 162-K:6 and RSA 162-K: 9; and

(c) Authorize the Select Board to appoint the District Administrator in accordance with RSA 162-K:13 and to create a five member Advisory Board in accordance with RSA 162-K:14, with the Advisory Board membership to be determined by the Select Board.

The Select Board recommends this Article by unanimous vote.

ARTICLE 16: 79-E Community Revitalization Tax Relief Incentive

To see if the Town will vote to adopt the provisions of RSA 79-E relative to Community Revitalization Tax Relief Incentive Programs, enabling the Select Board to grant Community Revitalization Tax Incentives for all of the areas and structures permitted by RSA 79-E. Failure of this article to pass shall not affect the authority to grant Community Revitalization Tax Relief Incentive Programs in the limited areas described in a similar warrant article adopted by the Town in 2014.

The Select Board recommends this Article by unanimous vote.

ARTICLE 17: Modifications of Elderly Exemption from Property Tax

To see if the Town will vote to modify the provisions of RSA 72:39-a for elderly exemption from property tax in the Town of Stratham, based on assessed value, for qualified taxpayers, to be as follows: for a person 65 years of age up to 75 years, \$125,000; for a person 75 years of age up to 80 years, \$145,000; for a person 80 years of age or older \$165,000. To qualify, the person must have been a New Hampshire resident for at least 3 consecutive years, own the real estate individually or jointly, or if the real estate is owned by such person’s spouse, they must have been married to each other for at least 5 consecutive years. In addition, the taxpayer must have a net income of not more than \$36,000 if single or, if married, a combined net income of less than \$60,000; and own net assets not in excess of \$200,000 excluding the value of the person’s residence.

The Select Board recommends this Article by unanimous vote.

ARTICLE 18: Modification to Veteran’s Tax Credit

To see if the Town will vote to modify the Veterans’ Tax Credit in the Town of Stratham, in accordance with RSA 72:28, II from its current tax credit of \$500 per year to \$600 per year.

The Select Board recommends this Article by unanimous vote.

ARTICLE 19: Multi-Sport Park Construction

This warrant article is placed by petition of voters in the Town of Stratham.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Three Hundred Thousand Dollars and no cents (\$300,000.00) for the purpose of constructing a concrete recreational facility (Multi-Sport Park) on the southerly portion of the Municipal Center parcel at 10 Bunker Hill Avenue and to authorize the Select Board to accept \$10,200 in donations already raised towards this project (a total of \$289,800 to come from general taxation). This special warrant article will be a non-lapsing appropriation per NH RSA 32:7 and will not lapse until the stated purpose is completed or obtained, but shall in no case be later than five (5) years from this appropriation per NH RSA 32:7 (VI).

The Select Board vote to recommend this article was in two favor and one against.

ARTICLE 20: New Hampshire Resolution for Fair Redistricting

By petition of 25 or more eligible voters of the Town of Stratham to see if the Town will urge that the New Hampshire General Court, which is obligated to redraw the maps of political districts within the state following the 2020 census, will do so in a manner that ensures fair and effective representation of New Hampshire voters. That in order to fulfill this obligation of the New Hampshire General Court shall appoint an independent redistricting commission that draws the new district maps in a way that does not rely on partisan data such as election results or party registration or favor particular political parties or candidates.

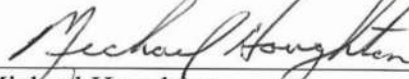
The record of the vote approving this article shall be transmitted by written notice from the Select Board to the Town of Stratham’s state legislators and to the Governor of New Hampshire informing them of the instructions from their constituents within 30 days of the vote.

The Select Board recommends this Article by unanimous vote.

ARTICLE 21: To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

Given under our hands and seal, this 18th day of February in the year of our Lord two thousand twenty.


Select Board of Stratham, NH



Michael Houghton



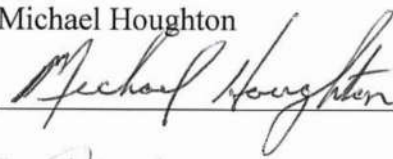
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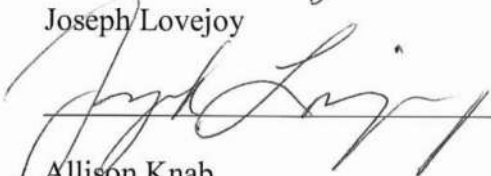
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We certify and attest that on or before the 24th of February, 2020, we posted a true and attested copy of the within Warrant at the place of meeting, and like copies at the Town Offices and the Wiggin Memorial Library, and delivered the original to the Town Clerk.

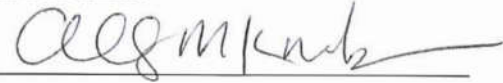
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Stratham

The inhabitants of the Town of Stratham in the County of Rockingham 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:

Date: March 13, 2020

Time: 7:00 p.m.

Location: Stratham Memorial School, 39 Gifford Farm Road Stratham, NH

GOVERNING BODY CERTIFICATION

We certify and attest that on or before Monday February 24th, a true and attested copy of this document was posted at the place of meeting and at Stratham Town Offices and that an original was delivered to Town Clerk.

Name	Position	Signature
MICHAEL HOUGHTON	SELECT BOARD	
JOSEPH LOVEJOY	SELECT BOARD	
AMISON KNAB	SELECT BOARD	



Appropriations

Account	Purpose	Article	Expenditures for period ending 12/31/2019	Appropriations for period ending 12/31/2019	Proposed Appropriations for period ending 12/31/2020	
					(Recommended)	(Not Recommended)
General Government						
0000-0000	Collective Bargaining		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4130-4139	Executive	09	\$206,093	\$241,808	\$209,605	\$0
4140-4149	Election, Registration, and Vital Statistics	09	\$6,283	\$7,725	\$16,850	\$0
4150-4151	Financial Administration	09	\$471,717	\$504,171	\$557,715	\$0
4152	Revaluation of Property		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4153	Legal Expense	09	\$25,856	\$30,000	\$30,000	\$0
4155-4159	Personnel Administration	09	\$1,100,891	\$1,131,870	\$1,390,415	\$0
4191-4193	Planning and Zoning	09	\$259,251	\$269,671	\$273,035	\$0
4194	General Government Buildings	09	\$172,011	\$203,556	\$166,163	\$0
4195	Cemeteries	09	\$16,865	\$51,935	\$37,916	\$0
4196	Insurance	09	\$75,823	\$52,557	\$105,108	\$0
4197	Advertising and Regional Association		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4199	Other General Government	09	\$21,705	\$0	\$11,000	\$0
General Government Subtotal			\$2,356,495	\$2,493,293	\$2,797,807	\$0
Public Safety						
4210-4214	Police	09	\$1,130,023	\$1,167,034	\$1,190,520	\$0
4215-4219	Ambulance		\$0	\$20,000	\$0	\$0
4220-4229	Fire	09	\$310,568	\$336,468	\$408,944	\$0
4240-4249	Building Inspection		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4290-4298	Emergency Management	09	\$4,873	\$9,638	\$9,638	\$0
4299	Other (Including Communications)	09	\$905	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$0
Public Safety Subtotal			\$1,446,369	\$1,534,140	\$1,610,102	\$0
Highways and Streets						
4311	Administration		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4312	Highways and Streets	09	\$903,615	\$920,292	\$897,382	\$0
4313	Bridges		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4316	Street Lighting	09	\$11,163	\$10,000	\$8,500	\$0
4319	Other		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Highways and Streets Subtotal			\$914,778	\$930,292	\$905,882	\$0
Sanitation						
4321	Administration	09	\$94,506	\$119,277	\$98,988	\$0
4323	Solid Waste Collection		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4324	Solid Waste Disposal	09	\$767,465	\$690,500	\$731,929	\$0
4325	Solid Waste Cleanup		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4326-4328	Sewage Collection and Disposal		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4329	Other Sanitation		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Sanitation Subtotal			\$861,971	\$809,777	\$830,917	\$0
Water Distribution and Treatment						
4331	Administration	09	\$9,214	\$10,714	\$10,714	\$0
4332	Water Services		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4335	Water Treatment		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4338-4339	Water Conservation and Other		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Water Distribution and Treatment Subtotal			\$9,214	\$10,714	\$10,714	\$0



Appropriations

Account	Purpose	Article	Expenditures for period ending 12/31/2019	Appropriations for period ending 12/31/2019	Proposed Appropriations for period ending 12/31/2020	
					(Recommended)	(Not Recommended)
Health						
4411	Administration	09	\$0	\$600	\$600	\$0
4414	Pest Control	09	\$67,680	\$67,680	\$67,680	\$0
4415-4419	Health Agencies, Hospitals, and Other	09	\$38,920	\$38,920	\$40,920	\$0
Health Subtotal			\$106,600	\$107,200	\$109,200	\$0
Welfare						
4441-4442	Administration and Direct Assistance	09	\$9,566	\$16,500	\$13,300	\$0
4444	Intergovernmental Welfare Payments		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4445-4449	Vendor Payments and Other		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Welfare Subtotal			\$9,566	\$16,500	\$13,300	\$0
Culture and Recreation						
4520-4529	Parks and Recreation	09	\$273,335	\$309,886	\$310,115	\$0
4550-4559	Library	09	\$485,963	\$512,699	\$507,599	\$0
4583	Patriotic Purposes	09	\$1,137	\$2,500	\$2,500	\$0
4589	Other Culture and Recreation		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Culture and Recreation Subtotal			\$760,435	\$825,085	\$820,214	\$0
Conservation and Development						
4611-4612	Administration and Purchasing of Natural Resources	09	\$2,920	\$4,000	\$4,000	\$0
4619	Other Conservation	09	\$369	\$5,700	\$5,700	\$0
4631-4632	Redevelopment and Housing		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4651-4659	Economic Development	09	\$0	\$4,200	\$1,200	\$0
Conservation and Development Subtotal			\$3,289	\$13,900	\$10,900	\$0
Debt Service						
4711	Long Term Bonds and Notes - Principal	09	\$300,000	\$550,000	\$570,000	\$0
4721	Long Term Bonds and Notes - Interest	09	\$129,940	\$179,482	\$188,090	\$0
4723	Tax Anticipation Notes - Interest		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4790-4799	Other Debt Service		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Debt Service Subtotal			\$429,940	\$729,482	\$758,090	\$0
Capital Outlay						
4901	Land		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4902	Machinery, Vehicles, and Equipment		\$0	\$537,000	\$0	\$0
4903	Buildings		\$0	\$64,000	\$0	\$0
4909	Improvements Other than Buildings		\$0	\$445,000	\$0	\$0
Capital Outlay Subtotal			\$0	\$1,046,000	\$0	\$0
Operating Transfers Out						
4912	To Special Revenue Fund		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4913	To Capital Projects Fund		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4914A	To Proprietary Fund - Airport		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4914E	To Proprietary Fund - Electric		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4914O	To Proprietary Fund - Other		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4914S	To Proprietary Fund - Sewer		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4914W	To Proprietary Fund - Water		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4918	To Non-Expendable Trust Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4919	To Fiduciary Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Operating Transfers Out Subtotal			\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total Operating Budget Appropriations					\$7,867,126	\$0



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Revenues

Account	Source	Article	Actual Revenues for period ending 12/31/2019	Estimated Revenues for period ending 12/31/2019	Estimated Revenues for period ending 12/31/2020
Taxes					
3120	Land Use Change Tax - General Fund		\$0	\$0	\$0
3180	Resident Tax		\$0	\$0	\$0
3185	Yield Tax	09	\$940	\$1,000	\$1,000
3186	Payment in Lieu of Taxes		\$0	\$0	\$0
3187	Excavation Tax		\$0	\$0	\$0
3189	Other Taxes		\$0	\$0	\$0
3190	Interest and Penalties on Delinquent Taxes	09	\$56,600	\$80,000	\$57,500
9991	Inventory Penalties		\$0	\$0	\$0
	Taxes Subtotal		\$57,540	\$81,000	\$58,500
Licenses, Permits, and Fees					
3210	Business Licenses and Permits	09	\$43,966	\$40,000	\$41,405
3220	Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	09	\$1,984,838	\$1,800,000	\$1,875,000
3230	Building Permits		\$0	\$0	\$0
3290	Other Licenses, Permits, and Fees	09	\$2,597,650	\$180,000	\$313,200
3311-3319	From Federal Government		\$169,750	\$0	\$0
	Licenses, Permits, and Fees Subtotal		\$4,796,204	\$2,020,000	\$2,229,605
State Sources					
3351	Shared Revenues	09	\$46,817	\$0	\$42,000
3352	Meals and Rooms Tax Distribution	09	\$380,025	\$379,434	\$375,000
3353	Highway Block Grant	09	\$178,764	\$172,436	\$175,000
3354	Water Pollution Grant		\$0	\$0	\$0
3355	Housing and Community Development		\$0	\$0	\$0
3356	State and Federal Forest Land Reimbursement		\$0	\$0	\$0
3357	Flood Control Reimbursement		\$0	\$0	\$0
3359	Other (Including Railroad Tax)	09	\$106	\$100	\$10,999
3379	From Other Governments		\$8,802	\$26,975	\$0
	State Sources Subtotal		\$614,514	\$578,945	\$602,999
Charges for Services					
3401-3406	Income from Departments	09	\$127,798	\$227,700	\$355,520
3409	Other Charges		\$213,043	\$0	\$0
	Charges for Services Subtotal		\$340,841	\$227,700	\$355,520
Miscellaneous Revenues					
3501	Sale of Municipal Property	09	\$0	\$0	\$7,985
3502	Interest on Investments	09	\$165,900	\$80,000	\$100,000
3503-3509	Other	09, 19	\$286,772	\$160,099	\$84,900
	Miscellaneous Revenues Subtotal		\$452,672	\$240,099	\$192,885



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Account	Source	Article	Actual Revenues for period ending 12/31/2019	Estimated Revenues for period ending 12/31/2019	Estimated Revenues for period ending 12/31/2020
Interfund Operating Transfers In					
3912	From Special Revenue Funds	13, 12	\$0	\$145,000	\$50,000
3913	From Capital Projects Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0
3914A	From Enterprise Funds: Airport (Offset)		\$0	\$0	\$0
3914E	From Enterprise Funds: Electric (Offset)		\$0	\$0	\$0
3914O	From Enterprise Funds: Other (Offset)		\$0	\$0	\$0
3914S	From Enterprise Funds: Sewer (Offset)		\$0	\$0	\$0
3914W	From Enterprise Funds: Water (Offset)		\$0	\$0	\$0
3915	From Capital Reserve Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0
3916	From Trust and Fiduciary Funds	09	\$0	\$20,000	\$20,000
3917	From Conservation Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0
Interfund Operating Transfers In Subtotal			\$0	\$165,000	\$70,000
Other Financing Sources					
3934	Proceeds from Long Term Bonds and Notes		\$0	\$0	\$0
9998	Amount Voted from Fund Balance	11	\$0	\$0	\$150,000
9999	Fund Balance to Reduce Taxes	09	\$0	\$0	\$700,000
Other Financing Sources Subtotal			\$0	\$0	\$850,000
Total Estimated Revenues and Credits			\$6,261,771	\$3,312,744	\$4,359,509



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Special Warrant Articles

Account	Purpose	Article	Proposed Appropriations for period ending 12/31/2020	
			(Recommended)	(Not Recommended)
4215-4219	Ambulance	12	\$20,000	\$0
		<i>Purpose: Raise and Appropriate from the EMS Special Revenue</i>		
4902	Machinery, Vehicles, and Equipment	10	\$89,000	\$0
		<i>Purpose: Capital Improvements Program</i>		
4902	Machinery, Vehicles, and Equipment	13	\$30,000	\$0
		<i>Purpose: Replacement of Jaws of Life</i>		
4903	Buildings	10	\$92,000	\$0
		<i>Purpose: Capital Improvements Program</i>		
4909	Improvements Other than Buildings	10	\$262,000	\$0
		<i>Purpose: Capital Improvements Program</i>		
4909	Improvements Other than Buildings	19	\$300,000	\$0
		<i>Purpose: Multi-Sport Park Construction</i>		
4915	To Capital Reserve Fund	11	\$449,000	\$0
		<i>Purpose: Appropriate Funds to Capital Reserve Funds</i>		
4916	To Expendable Trusts/Fiduciary Funds	11	\$50,000	\$0
		<i>Purpose: Appropriate Funds to Capital Reserve Funds</i>		
Total Proposed Special Articles			\$1,292,000	\$0