### THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE TOWN OF HILL, NH 2022 TOWN MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, March 8, 2022

POLLS OPENED: 11:00AM

By: Eric Herr

ARTICLE 1: To choose all necessary Town officials for the ensuing year.

ARTICLE 2: (To be voted by ballot on March 8, 2022) Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 1 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town of Hill Zoning Ordinance as follows: removing Article VIII: D-2, which requires that The Planning Board must find the site to be appropriate for the proposed use. The effect of this is the Planning Board is removed from the Special Exception process.

Yes 109 No 56

**ARTICLE 3:** (To be voted by ballot on March 8, 2022) Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 2 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town of Hill Zoning Ordinance as follows: changing the formatting of the Commercial District to make it consistent with the Village District and Rural Residential Districts in regards to USES PERMITTED and SPECIAL EXCEPTION. This does not result in any additional powers or put any more burden on property owners.

Yes 122 No

NOTE: By law, the meeting must open before the voting starts. Therefore, the meeting and the polls will be open at 11:00AM for the consideration of Article 1. At noon, the meeting will recess but the polls shall remain open and shall not close until 7:00PM

POLLS CLOSED: 7:00PM By: Moderator, Eric Herr

Registered voters on Checklist: 669

New Voters: 9

Total Registered Voters: 678

The meeting will reconvene at the Jennie D. Blake Elementary School on Thursday, March 10, 2022 at 7:00PM to act on the remaining articles of this warrant.

**Judith Brady** 

## OFFICIAL ELECTION RESULTS

For the Town of Hi	III B	y: Shelly J. Henry March 8, 2022	
SELECTMEN For 3 Years		CEMETERY TRUSTEE For 3 Years – Vote for One	
Frank Razzaboni	115	For 3 years – Vote for One	
Stephen Thomson	57	Shaun Bresnahan 133	
Write In: Chris Vlitas with 1 vote		Frank Marsh 33	ð
		1 other with 1 vote	
BUDGET COMMITTEE			
For 3 Years – Vote for Three		LIBRARY TRUSTEE	
Joann Irving	119	For 3 Years – Vote for One	
Paula McDonough	89	Frank Marsh 148	8
Stephen Thomson	3		
		2 Others with 1 vote each	
4 others with 3 or fewer votes each			
		LIBRARY TRUSTEE	
BUDGET COMMITTEE		For 1 Years – Vote for One	
For 2 Years – Vote for One		Toni Dooley	,
Wendy Rosa	142	Toni Dooley 2	í
		Toni elected by write-in, has declined the position	on
2 others with 3 or fewer votes each			
CHECKLIST SUPERVISORS For 3 Years – Vote for One		TOWN MODERATOR For 2 Years – Vote for One	
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Judith Brady	151	Eric Herr 150	U
CHECKLIST SUPERVISORS For 2 Years – Vote for One			
The area of Aremalays	145		
Thomas Angeley	145		
1 other with 1 vote		Total Ballots Cast = 189	
TRUST FUND TRUSTEE For 3 Years – Vote for One		Registered Voters = 678	
Kathleen Angeley 1 other with 1 vote	147	28% of voters voted on 3/8/2022	
TREASURER For 1 Year – Vote for One			

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## Thursday, March 10, 2022

MEETING OPENED: 7:00PM By: Moderator, Eric Herr

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE LED

By: Mike Stanley, Veteran
By: Moderator, Eric Herr

VOTERS PRESENT: 68 10% of Registered Voters

Moderator, Eric Herr asked the legislative body to grant the moderator the ability to call on nonvoters to speak during the meeting.

MOVED: Tom Seymour, Selectman

SECONDED: Shaun Bresnahan, Selectman

**PASSED:** Voice vote

**ARTICLE 4:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the Budget Committee recommended budget of \$1,179,479 for the general municipal operations, exclusive of individual and special warrant articles. (The Selectmen Recommend \$1,183,008).

	Approp. 2021	Selectmen 2022	Budget Committee 2022
Executive	\$76,356	\$79,269	\$79,269
Town Clerk	\$59,087	\$62,249	\$62,249
Tax Collector	\$7,570	\$7,570	\$7,570
Reval of Property	\$14,600	\$16,308	\$16,308
Legal Expenses	\$4,000	\$4,000	\$4,000
Personnel Admin.	\$13,120	\$14,214	\$14,214
Planning & Zoning	\$4,515	\$4,586	\$4,586
Gen. Govt. Bldg.	\$18,914	\$17,814	\$17,814
Cemeteries	\$6,450	\$6,450	\$6,450
Insurance	\$18,120	\$19,751	\$19,751
Police	\$95,858	\$48,044	\$48,044
Ambulance	\$37,035	\$64,392	\$64,392
Fire	\$60,360	\$65,721	\$65,721

Emergency Management	\$1,475	\$975	\$975
Highways & Streets	\$406,930	\$412,417	\$408,888
Street Lighting	\$6,000	\$5,500	\$5,500
Recon. Of Highways	\$47,000	\$47,000	\$47,000
Solid Waste Disposal	\$101,810	\$104,853	\$104,853
Water Services	\$138,000	\$138,000	\$138,000
Health Other	\$1,250	\$1,250	\$1,250
Health Agencies	\$5,700	\$5,700	\$5,700
Welfare	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000
Parks & Recreation	\$15,079	\$17,079	\$17,079
Library	\$32,590	\$33,791	\$33,791
Patriotic Purpose	\$550	\$400	\$400
Conservation	\$175	\$175	\$175
Int. on Tax Anticipation Notes	\$500	\$500	\$500
TOTAL OPERATING BUDGET:	\$1,178,044	\$1,183,008	\$1,179,479

MOVED: Shaun Bresnahan, Selectman SECONDED: Joann Irving, voter

**DISCUSSION:** Brief discussion on the status of the Police Department.

## **ARTICLE 4: Passed by voice vote**

**ARTICLE 5:** To see if the Town will appropriate \$20,000 to remove approximately 1,500 feet of sidewalks on Mountain View Drive south of New Chester Road and plant grass. The money to come from the Sidewalk Expendable Trust Fund which the Selectmen are Agents to expend. (Recommended by Selectmen)

MOVED: Tom Seymour, Selectman

SECONDED: Shaun Bresnahan, Selectman

ARTICLE 5: PASSED with count of voting cards 53 to 15

**ARTICLE 6:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$119,500 to be deposited into the following capital reserve funds as indicated: (Recommended by the Selectmen and Budget Committee)

Purpose	Amount
Archival Preservation	\$500
Building Improvement	\$6,000
Fire Heavy Equipment	\$30,000
Highway Heavy Equipment	\$35,000
Police Heavy Equipment	\$5,000
Road Improvements	\$20,000
Gravel Crushing	\$15,000
Master Plan	\$5,000
Transfer Station	\$1,000
Wellhead Protection Area	\$1,000
Park and Recreation Acquisition,	\$1,000
Repair, Replacement &	
Maintenance	
Capital Reserve Fund	

MOVED: Tom Seymour, Selectman

SECONDED: Shaun Bresnahan, Selectman

# ARTICLE 6: Passed unanimously by voice vote

**ARTICLE 7:** To see if the Town will vote to withdraw an estimate of \$70,591.41 from the Edwin F. Ferrin Memorial Trust as per the trust document to be deposited in the General Fund to offset General Government Expenses.

MOVED: Tom Seymour, Selectman SECONDED: Christina Schaefer, voter

**ARTICLE 7: PASSED by voice vote** 

ARTICLE 8: Shall we modify the elderly exemption from property tax in the Town of Hill, based upon assessed value, for qualified taxpayers to be as follows: reduce the residency requirement to 3 years (currently 5 years); increase the maximum income for single person to \$25,000 (currently \$18,400); for married couple to \$35,000 (currently \$26,000); and increase the maximum asset value for married to \$45,000 (currently \$35,000) excluding the value of the person's residence. (Recommended by the Selectmen and Budget Committee) (Majority Ballot Vote Required)

MOVED: Tom Seymour, Selectman

SECONDED: Shaun Bresnahan, Selectman

Ballot vote: Passed, unanimously with 61 votes

**ARTICLE 9:** To see if the Town will vote to establish a Legal Expense Expendable Trust Fund, per RSA 31:19 – a, for the litigation of legal actions brought against the town and raise and appropriate \$5,000 to put in the fund, with this amount to come from the unreserved fund balance; further to name the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend from said fund. Recommendations Required. Majority vote required. (Recommended by the Selectmen and Budget Committee)

MOVED: Tom Seymour, Selectman

SECONDED: Shaun Bresnahan, Selectman

**DISCUSSION:** Selectman Seymour clarified that this Expendable Trust Fund is specifically for litigation.

ARTICLE 9: PASS by voice vote

ARTICLE 10: To see if the Town will appropriate \$125,000 for the purchase of a new 1 ½ Ton Four Wheel Drive Dump Truck outfitted for plowing of snow for the Highway Department and to authorize the withdrawal of this sum from the Highway Heavy Equipment Capital Reserve Fund created for this purpose. (Recommended by the Selectmen and Budget Committee)

MOVED: Christopher Gronski, Selectman SECONDED: Tom Seymour, Selectman

ARTICLE 10: PASS unanimously by voice vote

MEETING ADJOURNED: 7:59PM

By: Moderator, Eric Herr

Given under my hands and seal this 24th day of March, 2022.

Shelly J. Henry

Town Clerk/Tax Collector

Town of Hill, NH