

**TOWN OF SUTTON, STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
TOWN WARRANT**

To the inhabitants of the Town of Sutton in the County of Merrimack in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs.

You are hereby notified to meet at Pillsbury Memorial Town Hall in said Sutton on Tuesday, the 13th day of March, 2012 next at eight of the clock in the forenoon (Polls to be open from 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.) to act on Articles 1 and 2. You are further notified to meet at the Kearsarge Regional Middle School, Gile Pond Road, in said Sutton on Wednesday, the 14th day of March, 2012 at seven of the clock in the evening to act upon the remaining Articles.

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

Article 2: Are you in favor of amendment 1 of the Building Ordinance as proposed by the Board of Selectmen? Under Article III, change to read as follows: The Board of Selectmen shall appoint a Building Code Board of Appeals to be comprised of the membership of the appointed Zoning Board of Adjustment. Said Building Code Board of Appeals is to serve without compensation.

Recommended by the Planning Board.

Article 3: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,906,779 which represents the operating budget recommended by the Budget Committee shown in detail below. Said sum does not include amounts appropriated in other warrant articles.

	Budget Committee Recommendations	Select Board Recommendations
4130 Executive	\$113,956	\$113,956
4140 Election & Registration	92,114	92,114
4150 Financial Administration	3,850	3,850
4152 Revaluation of Property	12,500	12,500
4153 Legal Expense	22,500	22,500
4155 Personnel Administration	104,747	104,747
4191 Planning Board and Zoning	48,909	48,909
4194 General Government Buildings	32,735	32,735
4195 Cemeteries	14,000	14,000
4196 Insurance	53,892	53,892
4197 Planning Commission	1,929	1,929
4210 Police Department	334,231	349,236
4215 Ambulance	41,400	41,400
4220 Fire Department	55,305	55,305
4240 Building Inspection	7,000	7,000
4290 Emergency Management	1,300	1,300
4299 Dispatching Services	17,669	17,669
4312 Highway Department	675,800	675,800
4313 Bridges	3,000	3,000

4316	Street Lighting	9,870	9,870
4324	Solid Waste Disposal	144,287	144,287
4411	Health Administration	2,400	2,400
4415	Health Agencies	5,071	5,071
4443	Welfare Admin. & Direct Assistance	18,896	18,896
4520	Culture & Recreation	17,398	17,398
4550	Library	20,738	20,738
4583	Patriotic Purposes	1,000	1,000
4611	Conservation Commission	2,910	2,910
4711	Principal Long Term Bonds & Notes	18,905	18,905
4721	Interest Long Term Bonds and Notes	22,467	22,467
4723	Interest on Tax Anticipation Notes	5,000	5,000
4790	Other Debt Service	1,000	1,000

The Budget Committee Recommends \$1,906,779

The Select Board Recommends \$1,921,784

Article 4: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$229,250 to be added to various Capital Reserve Funds previously established as follows:

Conservation Land	\$ 10,000
Highway Equipment Trucks	50,000
Solid Waste	5,000
Forest Fire Equipment	250
Fire Equipment Replacement	50,000
Rescue Vehicle	5,000
Property Revaluation	25,000
Highway Facility Shed	10,000
Highway Pickup Truck	4,000
Fire Department Addition	25,000
Highway Backhoe	10,000
Highway Grader	20,000
Highway Loader	10,000
Records Preservation	2,000
Pillsbury Memorial Hall	3,000

Recommended by the Budget Committee and the Select Board

Article 5: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$50,000 to upgrade blacktop town roads.

Article 6: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$32,000 for the purpose of upgrading gravel town roads.

Article 7: To see if the Town will vote to establish a capital reserve fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 to be known as the Cemetery Land Capital Reserve Fund for the purpose of acquiring land for additional town cemetery space, and to raise and appropriate \$5,000 to be placed into this fund.

Recommended by the Budget Committee and the Select Board

Article 8: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate up to \$9,500 for the purpose of replacing the Penacook Road Box Culvert and further to authorize the withdrawal of up to \$9,500 from the Town Bridges Capital Reserve Fund established in 1959 for that purpose. No amount to be raised from general taxation.

Article 9: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate up to \$1,500 for the purpose of obtaining an appraisal of and purchasing a parcel of land owned by Louis and Nancy Pocharski located at the corner of Gile Road and North Road, identified in the town's tax records as Map 07 Lot 876-290, and further to authorize the purchase, said purchase price to be not more than the amount of the appraisal plus taxes, interest and penalties owed at the time of the transfer, with the purchase being contingent on the seller's payment of all taxes, interest and penalties owed.

Article 10: To see if the town will vote to discontinue in accordance with RSA 231:43 a portion of Park Avenue beginning 955 feet from the intersection of Park Avenue and Keyser Street to the shoreline of Kezar Lake, a discontinuance of 100' +/-.

Article 11: To see if the town will vote to adopt the provisions of NH RSA 72:62, which provides for an optional property tax exemption from the property's assessed value, for property tax purposes, for persons owning real property, which is equipped with solar energy systems, intended for use at the immediate site. Such property tax exemption shall be in the amount equal to 100% of the assessed value of qualifying equipment under these statutes."

Article 12: To see if the Town will vote to discontinue the Recycle Facility Capital Reserve Fund established in 1996 and modified in 2003, said funds, with accumulated interest (approximately \$10,500) are to be transferred to the town's general fund; and to further raise and appropriate \$10,500 to be added to the Solid Waste Transfer Station Facility Capital Reserve established in 1982 and modified in 2002 for the purpose of repairs, replacements, improvements and the acquisition of equipment and vehicles at the Solid Waste/Recycling Facility said amount to come from the general fund. **Recommended by the Budget Committee and the Select Board**

Article 13: To see if the Town will vote to repair a section of road, near Kezar Lake, designated as, Wadleigh Hill Road.

-Reasons-

1. For the health, and safety of the residents of Corporation Hill area. The distance from the North Sutton fire station, south on State Route 114, through Sutton Mills village, up Corporation Hill Road, to the last building on this route reached by fire or emergency equipment is a distance of 4 miles.
The distance (now blocked) from the North Sutton fire station to this location, through the village of North Sutton and along Wadleigh Hill Road is a distance of approximately 1.3 miles, including the .6 mile section now closed.
To have Wadleigh Hill Road area closed, will pose a hazard to the health and welfare of the citizens in that area.

2. In the case of fire, the engine going up Corporation Hill, would be delayed because of the extra mileage involved, more than triple the mileage.
3. In the case of emergency services, the ambulance or Rescue squad would have to make the trip from New London down Route 114 to Sutton Mills then back in a northerly direction up Corporation Hill Road, delaying valuable emergency response time during a medical crisis.

Petitioned by Al Donati and 60 others.

Article 14: To transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

Given under our hands and seal, this Thirteenth day of February in the year of our Lord Two Thousand and Twelve.

SUTTON BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Patricia McMahon, Chair

Robert Wright, Jr., Selectman

Walter Baker, Jr., Selectman

A true copy of Warrant - Attest: