

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE  
Town of Campton

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To the inhabitants of the Town of Campton, in the County of Grafton, in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Campton Elementary School in said Campton on Tuesday, the 13<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2012 from 10 a.m. until 7 p.m. to act on Articles 1 and 2. The Business Meeting will reconvene at the Campton Elementary School on Wednesday, the 14<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2012 at **6:30** p.m. to consider the other warrant articles.

**Art. 1:** To choose all necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year: Selectmen for Three Years – Two Positions, Town Moderator for Two Years – One Position, Road Agent for Three Years – One Position, Supt. & Sexton of the Cemeteries for One Year – One Position, Supervisor of the Checklist for Six Years – One Position, Library Trustee for Three Years – One Position.

**Art. 2:** To vote, by official ballot, on an amendment to the Zoning Ordinance as proposed by the Campton Planning Board.

To Amend Article IV, Section 7, proposed by the Campton Planning Board: to read as follows (new language has been underlined; The renting of up to four room to no more than ten people and the furnishing of meals to the residents in whole or in part shall be permitted only in an approved Bed and Breakfast. A Bed and Breakfast may rent more than four rooms only upon receipt of a Special Exception.

Yes/No

**The following articles will be taken up during the Business Meeting beginning at 6:30 p.m. on the 14th of March, 2012 at the Campton Elementary School.**

**Art. 3:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$1,463,000.00** for the construction of a new Town Office Building to be located on land owned by the Town of Campton on Gearty Way and to authorize the issuance of not more than **\$950,000.00** of bonds or notes pursuant to the provision of RSA 33 and to authorize the municipal officials to issue and negotiate such bond or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon. The remaining balance of \$513,000.00 will be withdrawn from the Municipal Building Capital Reserve Fund. This article will be a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7, VI and will not lapse until the building is completed. (2/3rds ballot vote required). The Selectmen recommend this article 5-0.

**Art. 4:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$619,900.00** for additional monies needed for the renovation of Blair Bridge and to authorize the issuance of not more than **\$123,980.00** of bonds or notes pursuant to the provision of RSA 33 and to authorize the municipal officials to issue and negotiate such bond or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon. The remaining balance of \$495,920.00 will come from the State of New Hampshire's State Bridge Aid. This article will be a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7, VI and will not lapse until the bridgework is completed. (2/3rds ballot vote required) Selectmen recommend this article 5-0.

**Art. 5:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$1,353,614.00** for general municipal operations during the ensuing year. This sum does not include amounts set forth in individual or special articles contained in the warrant. Selectmen recommend this article 5-0.

**Art. 6:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$463,197.00** for the operating budget of the Police Department. Selectmen recommend this article 5-0.

**Art. 7:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$12,000.00** for the purpose of funding Police Details. This amount will be offset by revenues received for these services. Selectmen recommend this article 5-0.

**Art .8:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$666,318.00** for the maintenance of highways and bridges, said sum to be offset by \$113,345.00 from Highway Block Grants and the remainder to come from general taxation. Selectmen recommend this article 5-0.

**Art. 9:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$10,000.00** to be placed in the Capital Reserve Fund established for the purchase of heavy highway equipment. Selectmen recommend this article 5-0.

**Art. 10:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$2,000.00** to be placed in the Capital Reserve Fund established for Bridge Construction and/or Reconstruction. Selectmen recommend this article 5-0.

**Art. 11:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$10,000.00** to be placed in the Capital Reserve Fund established for the purpose of future Road Construction or Reconstruction. Selectmen recommend this article 5-0.

**Art. 12:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$51,960.00** for the maintenance of Blair and other cemeteries in Town and to fund this appropriation by authorizing the withdrawal of **\$740.00** from the Cemetery Trust Funds for Perpetual Care with **\$51,220.00** to be raised by taxes. Selectmen recommend this article 5-0.

**Art. 13:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$377,142.00** for the support and maintenance of the Fire, Rescue and Ambulance Departments. Selectmen recommend this article 5-0.

**Art. 14:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$26,084.00** for fire dispatch services and dues provided by the Lakes Region Mutual Fire Aid Association. Selectmen recommend this article 5-0.

**Art. 15:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$700.00** for fighting forest fires. Selectmen recommend this article 5-0.

**Art. 16:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$14,288.00** for the Town's share of services provided by Pemi-Baker Community Health, formerly known as Pemi-Baker Home Health Agency. Selectmen recommend this article 5-0.

**Art. 17:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$14,295.00** for Advertising and Regional Expenses. Selectmen recommend this article 5-0.

**Art. 18** All Towns such as the Town of Campton, in the Pemi-Baker Community receiving Time Warner Cable are asked to join Pemi-Baker Community TV as "member communities" These funds are already available from the Town's franchise fee, but need your support. Cost \$1.00 per cable subscriber yearly fee (franchise fee for this service is paid by Time Warner Cable) to the Town of Plymouth, NH. This will help broadcast Campton municipal meetings, such as the BOS and school board meetings. Also it will help offset the costs of broadcasting the following municipal meetings: Governor's Council, Grafton County Commissioners, and the Pemi-Baker Regional H.S. For a \$1.00 per subscriber yearly fee your Town becomes a "Member Community". Ability to broadcast municipal meetings on Channel 3 (gov't access), Town residents may submit videos free of charge to Channel 20 (public access), Town Manager/administrator may submit emergency/priority messages to appear on Channel 3. Continued use of electronic bulletin board free of charge by residents/organization with priority handlings of messages. Based on this petitioned article, this article asks to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$1,418.00**. (Petitioned Article) Selectmen do not recommend this article 4-1.

**Art. 19:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$4,093.00** to be placed in the Capital Reserve Fund for the purpose of restoration and proper storage of vital Town Records. Selectmen recommend this article 5-0.

**Art. 20:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$5,000.00** to be placed in the Capital Reserve Fund set up for the purpose of the upkeep and maintenance of the Campton Historical Building. Selectmen recommend this article 5-0..

**Art. 21:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$30,000.00** to be placed in the Municipal Building Capital Reserve Fund set up for future building needs. Selectmen recommend this article 5-0.

**Art. 22:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$5,000.00** to be placed in the Capital Reserve Fund for Office Technology including computers, printers, software, copy machines, scanners or servers. Selectmen recommend this article 5-0.

**Art. 23:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$20,000.00** for the Capital Reserve Fund set up for the purchase of a fire truck/rescue truck ,ambulance or a command vehicle. Selectmen recommend this article 5-0.

**Art. 24:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$15,000.00** to be placed in the Capital Reserve Fund set up Fire Equipment Capital Equipment such as self-contained breathing apparatus or defibrillator. Selectmen recommend this article 5-0.

**Art. 25:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$5,120.00** for a seasonal position for an attendant at the Thornton Transfer Station Mall. This money represents Campton's 64% share of the cost with the Towns of Thornton and Ellsworth. This article is contingent upon approval in all three Towns. Selectmen do not recommend this article 3-2.

**Art. 26:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,268.00 to purchase two computers to replace 2003 models from the Selectmen's Office and the Town Clerk/Tax Collector's office and one HP Color Printer. Selectmen recommend this article 5-0.

**Art. 27:** Shall the Town vote to adopt the provisions of RSA 36-A: 4-a, I (b) to authorize the conservation commission to expend funds for contributions to "qualified organizations" for the purpose of property interests, or facilitating transaction related thereto, where the property interest is to be held by the qualified organization and the Town will retain no interest in the property? Selectmen recommend this article 5-0.

**Art. 28:** Petition for a High Voltage Electrical Transmission Line Ordinance – Town of Campton  
Whereas, the Town of Campton currently has an existing electrical transmission line carrying High Voltage Alternating Current (HVAC) through the town designated by Public Service Company of New Hampshire as Line X-178: and,

Whereas, the aforementioned transmission line is mounted on 40 to 50 foot tall wooden poles, some of which are below adjacent tree lines; and,  
Whereas, the proposed Northern Pass transmission line would carry 1200 Megawatts of High Voltage Direct Current (HVDC) power generally south from Canada through New Hampshire, including through portions of the Town of Campton, on visually damaging power lines hung from tall, intrusive steel towers at heights ranging from eighty (80') feet to one hundred and thirty-five (135") feet in the air, well above tree height; and,  
Whereas, the voters of the Town of Campton have concluded that the Northern Pass transmission line, as it has been proposed, would cause significant degradation of real estate property values resulting in dramatic losses of property tax receipts, well in excess of any conceivable property tax revenues from levying tax assessments on the aforesaid towers and transmission lines and,  
Whereas, numerous other negative impacts from the aforesaid proposed Northern Pass transmission line will occur or can reasonably be expected to occur, over time, including, not limited to:

- a. A significant drop in tourist visits, and consequently, revenues, as damages from the power lines to New Hampshire's natural scenic beauty will be a deterrent to people coming to the region.
- b. A drop in toll fees and New Hampshire gas tax revenues as motorists choose other routes into Northern New England, or worse, choose not to come at all.
- c. The strong possibility of negative health impacts from Electro Magnetic Fields (EMF's) radiating from the 1200 Megawatt HVDC cables.
- d. A drop in business revenues, and consequently, a drop in employment at impacted business such as: ski areas, restaurants, gas stations, construction firms, shops, stores, banks, real estate firms, to name just a few—all of which are heavily dependent upon visitors coming to the area.

Therefore, the undersigned citizens of Campton, by petition, respectfully ask the town to adopt the following ordinance:

**Other than high voltage electrical transmission lines in existence as of the effective date of this ordinance, there shall be no further overhead development of alternating current or direct current high voltage transmission lines allowed within the borders of the Town of Campton. All such future electrical transmission lines must be placed underground within power lines rights of way or within yet to be established power line corridors, and installed in a manner approved by the State of New Hampshire's Public Utility and/or Department of Transportation. Distribution lines carrying electrical power and other utility lines such as telephone and cable television for local residential or commercial use may continue to be installed above ground, but undergrounding of such lines, is strongly recommended and encouraged. This ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its passage. (Petitioned Article)** Selectmen recommend this article 5-0.

**Art. 29:** To see if the Town will vote to accept the report of agents and officers hereto chosen.

**Art. 30:** To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Given under our hands and seal this 22nd day of February, 2012.

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Sharon L. Davis

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Charles D. Wheeler

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Charles W. Cheney

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Craig S. Keeney

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R. Marsh Morgan, Jr.

Selectmen of Campton

A true copy of Warrant -Attest:

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Selectmen of Campton

Polls will open at 10 a.m. on March 13, 2012 to vote on Articles 1 and 2. Town Officers and Zoning Amendment. The other articles to be taken up on Wednesday, March 14, 2012 at 6:30 p.m. at the Campton Elementary School.