

# RESULTS

## OFFICIAL WARRANT ARTICLE BALLOT MARCH 13, 2012

**Article 2:** Shall the Town raise and appropriate as an Operating Budget, not including appropriations by Special Warrant Articles and other Appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth therein, totaling \$2,720,849 should this article be defeated, the Default Operating Budget shall be \$2,605,343 ; which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Town or by law or the local 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.

**(Note: This Operating Budget does not include appropriations in any other Warrant Articles.)**

**Yes – 312 No - 226**

**Article 3.** To see if the Town will vote to discontinue the Maple Street Cemetery Addition Fund with said funds plus interest to date to be placed in the Town's general funds.

**Yes – 351 No - 186**

**Article 4:** To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,905 (Ten Thousand, Nine Hundred and Five Dollars) for the purpose of bringing the Trustees of the Trust Funds reporting into compliance with State Law. Since 1989, Trustees of the Trust Fund have not tracked and reported individual Perpetual Care Trust balances as required by State Law.

**Yes – 354 No - 153**

**Article 5:** Shall we rescind the provisions of RSA 31:95-c and discontinue the Recycle/Transfer Station Special Revenue Fund established in 2007. (Majority ballot vote).

**Yes – 428 No - 118**

**Article 6:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Ten Thousand dollars (\$10,000.00) to be added to the Capital Reserve Fund-Police Cruiser previously established. *(The Board of Selectmen recommend this article.)*

**Yes – 305 No - 255**

**Article 7:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000 (Five Thousand dollars) to be added to the Capital Reserve Police Specialized Equipment Fund already established. *(The Board of Selectmen recommends this article).*

**Yes – 287 No - 272**

**Article 8:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$65,000 (Sixty-five Thousand dollars) to be added to the Capital Reserve Fund, already established, for the purchase of a Highway truck. *(The Board of Selectmen recommends this article.)*

**Yes – 334 No - 232**

**Article 9:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Ten Thousand (\$10,000.00) to the Capital Reserve Fund-Fire Department Emergency Safety Equipment previously established. (The Board of Selectmen recommend this article.)

**Yes – 360 No - 201**

**Article 10:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty Thousand dollars (\$20,000) to be added to the Capital Reserve Fund previously established for purchasing a new or used fire truck. *(The Board of Selectmen recommends this warrant article.)*

**Yes – 327 No - 231**

**Article 11:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Ten Thousand dollars (\$10,000) to be added to the Capital Reserve Fund for the purpose of purchasing a new or used ambulance. *(The Board of Selectmen recommends this warrant article.)*

**Yes – 320 No - 237**

**Article 12:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate Five Thousand dollars (\$5,000) to the Capital Reserve Fund-Town Building Maintenance already established. *(The Board of Selectmen recommends this article.)*

**Yes – 401 No - 160**

**Article 13:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$200,000 (Two Hundred Thousand Dollars) for the purpose of painting the Prospect Street Bridge with \$160,000 (80%) to come from the State Department of Transportation and \$40,000 (20%) to be raised through taxation.

**Yes – 323 No - 236**

**Article 14:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$60,000 (Sixty Thousand Dollars) for the purpose of rehabilitating the Town Pool.

**Yes – 434 No - 132**

**Article 15:** To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$400,000 (Four Hundred Thousand Dollars) for the demolition of the Maplehurst Hotel with \$360,000 coming from DES Grants and \$40,000 for the Town's share to come from taxation. *(The Board of Selectmen recommends this Article.)*

**Yes 444 No – 120**

**Article 16:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$7,500 (Seventy-five Hundred Dollars) (this is a \$1500 reduction from 2010) for the purpose of providing live musical entertainment be held at the Bethlehem Gazebo in 2012. ( This is a warrant article submitted by petition.) *(The Board of Selectmen recommends this Article)*

**Yes – 410 No - 161**

**Article 17:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,100 (Three Thousand, One Hundred Dollars) for the Littleton Regional Hospital for the purpose of providing support in improving the health and well being of the community.

**Yes – 272 No - 298**

**Article 18:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,000 (One Thousand Dollars) for the Northwoods Home Health & Hospice, a Division of Weeks Medical Center for the purpose of providing support in assisting families and individuals who are unable to pay for home health and hospice services.

**Yes – 355 No - 196**

**Article 19:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000 (Five Thousand Dollars) for Ammonoosuc Community Health Services, Inc. for the purpose of providing support in the healthcare of 906 Bethlehem Residents and others in need of services.

**Yes – 369 No - 197**

**Article 20:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,121 (Three Thousand, One Hundred Twenty-one Dollars) for Northern Human Services, White Mountain Mental Health for the purpose of providing services on a sliding scale to people who are uninsured or under insured.

**Yes – 303 No - 226**

**Article 21:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$6,830 (Six Thousand, Eight Hundred and Thirty Dollars) to Tri-County Community Action for the purpose of helping defer the funds needed with overhead expenses that the programs administered do not cover.

**Yes – 266 No - 286**

**Article 22:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$250 (Two Hundred and Fifty Dollars) for the North Country YMCA, Inc. for the purpose of providing quality family based programs to more than 1200 families and individuals throughout the North Country.

**Yes – 368 No – 196**

**Article 23:** To see if the Town will vote to accept the road system known as Situ Road, located off Route #142 (Maple Street) provided that the road has been approved by the Bethlehem Planning Board, that it meets both Town and State specifications, that it has been inspected by a certified engineer by September 30, 2012. Currently there are various multi-family dwelling on the road. (This article has been submitted by petition). *(The Board of Selectmen do not recommend this Article)*

**Yes – 116 No - 437**

**Article 24:** To see if the Town will vote to rescind the vote of 2003 for the nonbinding recommendation that the Board of Selectmen sell the property on tax map 206, lot 018, formerly known as the Chase Camp property, at public auction, and henceforth make a section of this property available for use by the Bethlehem Public Library. *(The Board of Selectmen recommend this Article)*

**Yes – 446 No - 119**

**Article 25:** To see if the Town will vote to have the Road Agent, in addition to his usual duties, perform care and maintenance of the town cemetery as per the provisions of RSA 231:63. *(The Board of Selectmen recommends this Article)*

**Yes – 446 No - 109**