

**State of New Hampshire  
Town of Stratford  
2021 Town Meeting Warrants**

To the inhabitants of the Town of Stratford in the County of Coos qualified to vote in Town affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Fuller Town Hall on Tuesday, March 9, 2021, at 10 a.m. to act upon the subjects hereinafter set forth. The voting on Article 1 will be by official ballot and the polls shall be open for balloting from 10 a.m. and close at 7 p.m.

You are hereby notified, in accordance with the provisions of Emergency Order #83 to meet at the Stratford Public School on Saturday March 13, 2021, at 10 a.m., to consider Articles 2 through 16.

**Article 1.** To choose by non-partisan ballot the following Officers: 1 Selectman (3 years); 1 Cemetery Trustee (3 years); 1 Library Trustee (3 years); 1 Trustee of Trust Funds (3 years).

**Article 2.** To see if the town will vote pursuant to RSA 674:43 to authorize the planning board to review and approve or disapprove site plans for the development or change or expansion of use of tracts for nonresidential uses or for multi-family dwelling units. (Planning Board Recommends) (Board Recommends)

**Article 3.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$856,219** for the operating budget. This article does not include the cost of any other warrant article.

**Article 4.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$4,250** to be added to the previously established Fire Department Expendable Trust Fund, with the full amount to come from the unassigned fund balance. (Board Recommends)

**Article 5.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$25,000** to be added to the previously established Highway and Bridges Capital Reserve Fund. (Board Recommends)

**Article 6.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$10,000** to be added to the previously established Fire Department Capital Reserve Fund. (Board Recommends)

**Article 7.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$3,000** to be added to the previously established Recycling Capital Reserve Fund, with the full amount to come from the unassigned fund balance. (Board Recommends)

**Article 8.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$500** to be added to the previously established 250<sup>th</sup> Celebration Expendable Trust Fund for the purpose of funding the 250<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration to be held in 2023. (Board Recommends)

**Article 9.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$10,000** to be added to the previously established Government Buildings Maintenance Expendable Trust Fund. These

funds will be specific to the Grange restoration project to help match the LCHIP grant that was received. (Board Recommends)

**Article 10.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$20,000** to be added to the previously established Municipal Solar Capital Reserve Fund. (Board Recommends)

**Article 11.** I/We the undersigned agree to the attached ordinance and call on Stratford to pass an ordinance to restrict fireworks to limit the use/user to the attached dates and times. (Insert as Petition)

**Article 12.** Shall the Town vote to establish a Cemetery Capital Reserve Fund under RSA 35:1 for the purpose of ground stabilization and major repairs; to appoint the Selectmen as agents to expend; and, to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$5,000.00** for this purpose. (Board Recommends)

**Article 13.** To see if the town will vote to change the time of Annual Town Meeting from 10:00 AM to 6:00 PM beginning with the March 8, 2022 Annual Town Meeting. The reason for changing the time is to allow the working person to participate in said meeting. (Insert as Petition)

**Article 14.** To see if the Town will vote to discontinue the Grand Trunk Railroad Station Capital Reserve Fund created in 1998. Said funds, with accumulated interest to date of withdrawal, are to be transferred to the municipality's general fund. (Majority Vote Required)

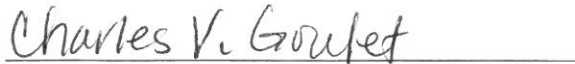
**Article 15.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$4,500** in donations to the following groups: \$200, North Country Home Health & Hospice; \$200, Upper Connecticut Valley Hospital; \$200, Northern Human Services; \$2,500, Tri-County CAP; \$200, Colebrook Food Pantry; \$200, Helping Hands; \$200, Backpack Program; \$200, CASA; \$200, NH Veterans; \$200, Stratford Old Home Day, Inc.; \$200, American Red Cross.


**Article 16.** To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting and to hear reports from any agents or committees heretofore chosen.

Given under our hands and seal this 8th day of February in the year 2021.

A True Copy of Warrant Attest:

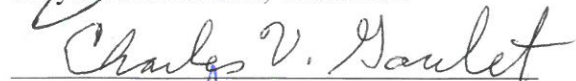
  
Clayton Macdonald, Chairman


  
Charles V. Goulet

  
Harry R. Juergens  
Board of Selectmen, Stratford, NH

Signed:

  
Clayton Macdonald, Chairman


  
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Certificate of Posting

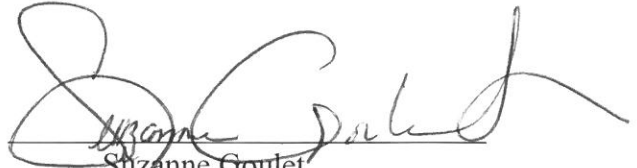
Stratford, New Hampshire  
Coos ss

I hereby certify that on the 8<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2021, I, Clayton Macdonald posted an attested copy of the within warrant at the place of meeting within specified, a like copy in the Stratford Post Office, and a copy at the Stratford Town Office, all being public places in said Town.

  
Clayton Macdonald

Date: February 8, 2021

Personally appeared the above named Clayton Macdonald and made oath that the above statement is true.

  
Suzanne Goulet  
Justice of the Peace