



"WARRANT LITE" VOTER GUIDE

Articles — Each of these is asking “Should the town...?”

- 1. Purchase a new ambulance?** It can take up to two years to acquire a new ambulance once ordered, and the current ambulance is already ten years old. The new ambulance will also include equipment for helping move patients more easily and efficiently. The town has already put away money towards this purchase in our Ambulance Stabilization Fund.
- 2. Cover the cost of increased health care this fiscal year?** The town's health insurance provider had to increase rates in October to cover the increased costs incurred. Not funding this would leave the town's employees without health care.
- 3. Upgrade the town's computers?** The town has recently hired a new IT company which will be converting the town to online file storage for security and stability. In order to do this the town's physical hardware needs to be updated, and the migration to the cloud cannot happen without these upgrades.
- 4. Purchase the town's streetlights from Eversource?** The town has been working on the streetlight project for several years, and is hoping to get a grant to cover the cost of upgrading the lights to lower wattage LEDs. However, the town will have to own the streetlights to make this happen. Annual cost savings should be around \$5000.
- 5. Pay owed back stipend monies?** A mistake was made and continued for years in not paying the proper annual stipend amount to a town employee. This article seeks to correct that mistake.
- 6. Move funds to pay for Right to Farm signs and work on the new Conway Mall?** Town meeting previously approved funding for repaving the transfer station pad. Not all the funds were used, so this article would move the remainder of those funds to pay for Right to Farm signs and interior work to the Conway Mall.
- 7. Hire an accounting firm?** With the resignation of the town accountant the town now seeks to contract with a firm for the remainder of the fiscal year.
- 8. Pay for replacing the fence at the ballfield?** The fence along Whately Road is in disrepair and needs replacing. This article would pay for half the cost, with the remainder coming from already appropriated funds.
- 9. Move money to pay for a new roof and public safety building repairs?** The roof on the public safety building garage was recently discovered to have substantial leaks. This article would move funds from the savings in highway accounts to pay for its replacement.
- 10. Pay for an Americans with Disabilities act self-evaluation if the grant is not awarded?** The town has applied for a grant to move forward with accessibility issues on town properties. If the grant is not awarded, the town still needs to do this assessment. If the grant is awarded, this article will be removed.
- 11. Pay for past invoices from Comcast?** The plans the town has changed and additional fees are due.
- 12. Use CPA funds to pay for tree removal at Howland Cemetery?** There are overgrown trees which are now threatening ancient grave stones in this historic cemetery.
- 13. Allow other uses for the grant match and administration fund?** The current uses are restricted to only grant match and administration, this article would allow expenses related to the applications themselves, such as design and engineering.
- 14. Stop mailing out the town report?** The town spends over \$3,000 annually to mail out this report. The recommendation is to print 50 or so copies for distribution and have the report available online.