

**TOWN WARRANT
COLEBROOK, NEW HAMPSHIRE
THE POLLS WILL BE OPEN FROM 8 A.M. TO 6 P.M.**

To the inhabitants of the Town of Colebrook, in the County of Coos, in the State of New Hampshire, qualified to vote in Town Affairs.

You are hereby notified to meet at the Colebrook School Gymnasium in said Town of Colebrook on **Tuesday, March 8, 2011 at 7:00 P.M.** in the evening, to act upon the following subjects:

Article 1 To bring in your ballots for the selection of Town Officers to be elected by ballot for the Town of Colebrook for the ensuing year.

Article 2 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$1,835,826.00** for **General Government**. This article does not include special or individual articles addressed. (The Selectmen **do** recommend passage of this article.)

1) Executive and Elections	63,906.00
2) Voter Registration and Town Clerk	53,420.00
3) Financial/Assessing/Tax Collection/Treasurer Trustee of Trust Funds/Data Processing	188,628.00
4) Legal	10,425.00
5) Planning & Zoning	5,462.00
6) General Buildings	55,072.00
7) Advertising & Regional Association	2,200.00
8) Police/Fire/Ambulance/Emergency Management	468,809.00
9) Highways & Streets	523,606.00
10) Sanitation & Recycling	341,739.00
11) Health Agencies/Animal Boarding	23,975.00
12) General Assistance	3,676.00
13) Recreation/Patriotic	81,633.00
14) Economic Development	10,000.00
15) Conservation Commission	275.00
16) Debt Service	3,000.00

Article 3 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$6,000.00** for the update of the Town **Tax Maps** and to authorize the Selectmen to withdraw this amount from the **Digital Mapping Capital Reserve Fund**. (The Selectmen **do** recommend passage of this article.)

Article 4 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$32,000.00** for the purchase of a new **Police Cruiser** and to authorize this amount to be

withdrawn from the **Equipment Cruiser Fund**. (The Selectmen **do** recommend passage of this article.)

Article 5 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate up to **\$37,500.00** for the purpose of **Construction and Repair** of the **Retaining Wall** and authorize the use of the **December 31, 2010** fund balance in that amount for this purpose. (The Selectmen **do** recommend passage of this article.)

Article 6 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$22,000.00** for the purchase of **Safety Equipment**. The amount of \$11,000.00 will come from the 2010 Fund Balance and the balance of \$11,000.00 will come from a grant. (The Selectmen **do** recommend passage of this article.)

Article 7 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$70,000.00** for repairs to the **Washburn Bridge**. The amount of \$56,000.00 will be provided by the **State of New Hampshire Emergency Funds** and the balance of \$14,000.00 will come from the **Capital Reserve Bridge Fund**. (The Selectmen **do** recommend passage of this article.)

Article 8 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$32,400.00** for **Road Reclamations** and authorized the use of the **December 31, 2010** fund balance in that amount for this purpose. (The Selectmen **do** recommend passage of this article.)

Article 9 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$92,600.00** for the following **Capital Reserve Funds**. (The Selectmen **do** recommend passage of this article)

1) Equipment Purchase (1999)	50,000.00
2) Police Cruiser (1999)	12,000.00
3) Property Reassessment (2002)	10,600.00
4) Bridge Fund (2005)	20,000.00

Article 10 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$440,408.00** for the **Colebrook Water Works and the Colebrook Sewer Facilities**. Said funds to be offset by user fees. (The Selectmen **do** recommend passage of this article.)

1) Water Department	240,960.00
2) Sewer Department	199,448.00

- Article 11** To see if the Town will vote to establish a **Capital Reserve Fund** for maintaining the **Water Reservoir** and to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$10,000.00** to be placed in this fund and to designate the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend. Said funds to be offset by user fees. (The Selectmen **do** recommend passage of this article.)
- Article 12** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$149,025.00** for the support of the **Colebrook Public Library**. \$99,750.00 is to be raised through taxation and \$49,275.00 of which is to come from other Library balance on hand January 1, 2011, book sales, donations, trust funds, non-resident fees, other communities, over due fines, book resale, copying fees etc., such funds to be expended under the direction of the Board of Library Trustees. (The Selectmen **do** recommend passage of this article.)
- Article 13** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$5,000.00** to be added to the **Library Buildings Roof Repair/Replacement Capital Reserve Fund**. (The Selectmen **do** recommend passage of this article.)
- Article 14** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$33,500.00** for **Children's Renovations** at the Colebrook Public Library. This amount is to be offset from Grant revenues. (The Selectmen **do** recommend passage of this article.)
- Article 15** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$80,000.00** for the operation and maintenance of the **Colebrook Cemeteries**, the sum of \$68,000.00 to be raised through taxation and \$12,000.00 to be raised from burials, cemetery trust funds and other Colebrook Cemetery revenues. (The Selectmen **do** recommend passage of this article.)
- Article 16** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$5,000.00** to be added to the **Colebrook Cemetery Grounds Maintenance and Reclamation Expendable Trust Fund**. (The Selectmen **do** recommend passage of this article.)
- Article 17** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$215,949.00** for the **Colebrook Dispatch Center**, \$61,888.00 to come from participating towns \$136,101.00 to come from taxation and the balance of \$12,960.00 to come from the 2010 Dispatch Fund Balance and

the balance of \$5,000.00 to come from the Radio Dispatch Center Special Revenue Fund. (The Selectmen **do** recommend passage of this article.)

Article 18 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$1,800.00** for the purpose of **Grant** work. This amount is to be reimbursed from Grant Revenues. (The Selectmen **do** recommend passage of this article.)

Recreation Grant	500.00
Other Match for Grants	1,300.00

Article 19 Shall the Town vote to **modify** an **Exemption** for the **Disabled** under the provisions of RSA 72:37-b as follows: the exemption from assessed value for qualified taxpayers shall be \$5,000.00. To qualify, the person must be eligible under Title II or Title XVI of the federal Social Security Act, must occupy the property as his principle place of abode, must own the property individually or jointly, or if owned by a spouse, they must have been married for at least 5 years, had in the calendar year preceding April 1 a net income from all sources, of not more than \$13,400.00 for a single person and \$20,400.00 for a married person and own net assets not in excess of \$35,000.00 excluding the value of the actual residence and up to 2 acres or the minimum single family residential lot size specified in the local zoning ordinance. (The Selectmen **do** recommend passage of this article.)

Article 20 To see if the Town will vote to register and disseminate to all concerned its objection, opposition and commitment to stop the construction of any portion of the 1200 Megawatt High voltage **Direct Current Transmission Line** in the Town of Colebrook as presently proposed by **Northeast Utilities, NStar and Hydro-Quebec** since such a huge scar constructed and erected through and above the Town's treasured residential and scenic private properties will cause inestimable damage to the orderly economic development of the Town, its economy, and the health and wellbeing of its residents. (By Petition) (The Selectmen **do** recommend passage of this article)

Article 21 To see if the Town will vote to take over the **ownership** and **maintenance** of **Green Mountain Drive and Nash Road**. Whenever the Roaring Brook Road washes out, Green Mountain Drive and Nash Road, private roads, are used by the public as a detour. Should an emergency arise on Roaring Brook Road during a wash out, police and fire vehicles would need to access Roaring Brook Road by way of Green Mountain Drive and Nash Road. With the history of the Roaring Brook Road wash outs and the use of Green Mountain Drive and Nash Road as a detour, Town ownership of Green Mountain Drive and Nash Road would ensure that these roads remain

suitable and available for emergency vehicles and the additional traffic without liability on the party of the private owners of said roads. Therefore, it is in the best interests of the Town of Colebrook to own and maintain Green Mountain Drive and Nash Road. (By Petition) (The Selectmen **do not** recommend passage of this article.)

Article 22 To see if the Town will vote to **accept, ratify** and **confirm** the reports of the Agents, Selectmen, Auditors and all other Town Officers.

Article 23 To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

Given under our hands and seals this 21st day of February 2011.

COLEBROOK BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Roland Cotnoir - Chairman, Board of Selectmen

Marcel Ouellet – Selectman

Rossiter Holt– Selectman