

WARRANT FOR THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING FOR THE FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2010 - JUNE 30, 2011

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Toin the Town of Hollis, County of York and the State of Maine:

Greetings;

In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby requested to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town of Hollis, qualified to vote in town affairs, to assemble at the Plains Road Fire Station, in said Town on **Tuesday, June 8, 2010**, at 7 AM in the forenoon to act on Article 1. The polls will then open to act on the following secret ballot articles # 2 through 30 and will close at 8 PM in the evening **June 8, 2010**.

The **Annual Town Meeting** will be continued on **Wednesday, June 9, 2010** at 7:00 PM in the evening to act on the remaining warrant articles:

Article 1: To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

Article 2: To choose all necessary elected Town Officers.

Article 3: Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate **\$262,249** for the following Municipal Departments?

	07-08 Apr.	08-09 Apr.	09-10 Apr.	10-11 Budget
0100 Administration	\$141,500	\$143,000	\$132,275.00	\$132,306
0103 Treasurer	\$38,060	\$41,663	\$41,811.95	\$42,430
0104 Town Clerk	\$36,876	\$39,165	\$40,030.00	\$40,378
0106 Tax Collector	<u>\$43,551</u>	<u>\$45,795</u>	<u>\$45,633.00</u>	<u>\$47,135</u>
Total	\$259,987	\$269,623	\$259,749.95	\$262,249

Budget Committee - Recommend passing
Selectmen – Recommend passing

Article 4: Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate **\$380,000** for the operation of department account #0900, **Solid Waste Disposal**? This account includes our household curbside trash and curbside recycling pickup, as well as our Tipping Fee and Assessment at **ecomaine**.

	07-08 Apr.	08-09 Apr.	09-10 Apr.	10-11 Budget
0015 Trucking	\$160,000	\$159,100	\$165,500.00	\$167,200
0015 Fuel Adjustments	N/A	\$3,000	\$3,000.00	\$3,000
0010 ecomaine tip fee	\$116,160	\$108,000	\$95,000.00	\$88,900
0000 Assessment	<u>\$140,565</u>	<u>\$133,000</u>	<u>\$120,875.80</u>	<u>\$120,900</u>
Total	\$416,725	\$404,400	\$392,875.80	\$380,000

Budget Committee - Recommend passing
Selectmen – Recommend passing

Article 5: Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate **\$1,150** for the operations of department account # 2360 **Southern Maine Regional Planning**?

Budget Committee – Recommend passing
Selectmen – Recommend passing

Article 6: Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate **\$4,490** for the department account # 0101 **Broadcasting?**

07-08 Apr.	08-09 Apr.	09-10 Apr.	10-11 Budget
\$7,355	\$5,200	\$4,637	\$4,490

Budget Committee – Recommend passing

Selectmen – Recommend passing

Article 7: Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate **\$14,860** for the department account # 0105 **Elections?**

07-08 Apr.	08-09 Apr.	09-10 Apr.	10-11 Budget
\$14,700	\$18,970	\$20,695	\$14,860

Budget Committee – Recommend passing

Selectmen – Recommend passing

Article 8: Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate **\$47,000** for the department account # 0400 **Maintenance?**

07-08 Apr.	08-09 Apr.	09-10 Apr.	10-11 Budget
\$37,500	\$37,500	\$47,000	\$47,000

Budget Committee – Recommend passing

Selectmen – Recommend passing

Article 9: Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate **\$10,000** for the department account # 0150 **Legal Fees?**

07-08 Apr.	08-09 Apr.	09-10 Apr.	10-11 Budget
\$20,000	\$20,000	\$14,000	\$10,000

Budget Committee - Recommend passing

Selectmen – Recommend passing

Article 10: Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate **\$133,000** for the department account # 1300 **Insurances?**

07-08 Apr.	08-09 Apr.	09-10 Apr.	10-11 Budget
\$131,200	\$143,800	\$143,800	\$133,000

Budget Committee - Recommend passing

Selectmen – Recommend passing

Article 11: Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate **\$50,000** for the department account # 1600 **Withholding?**

07-08 Apr.	08-09 Apr.	09-10 Apr.	10-11 Budget
\$40,000	\$42,000	\$48,500	\$50,000

Budget Committee - Recommend passing

Selectmen – Recommend passing

Article 12: Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate **\$249,195.30** to pay our (Town of Hollis) assessment of **York County Taxes**, department account #2390?

Selectmen – Recommend passing

Article 13: Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate **\$14,300** for the department account #1800, **Animal Control?**

07-08 Apr.	08-09 Apr.	09-10 Apr.	10-11 Budget
\$13,484	\$10,300	\$13,300	\$14,300

Note: This budget is offset by fees and other revenues estimated at \$3,800.

Budget Committee – Recommend passing
 Selectmen – Recommend passing

Article 14: Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money not to exceed **\$11,720** for our (Town of Hollis) share of the operating expenses of **Saco River Television**, department account #2400?

Note: Franchise fees received from Time Warner as part of the agreement are approximately \$36,000.

Budget Committee – Recommend passing
 Selectmen – Recommend passing

Article 15: Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate **\$42,250** for the operation of department account #2500, **Code Enforcement Office?**

07-08 Apr.	08-09 Apr.	09-10 Apr.	10-11 Budget
\$48,322	\$49,500	\$44,500	\$42,250

Note: This budget is offset by fees and other revenues estimated at \$26,000.

Budget Committee - Recommend passing
 Selectmen – Recommend passing

Article 16: Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate **\$37,453** for contract **Emergency Services?**

Department	08-09 Apr.	09-10 Apr.	10-11 Budget
0006 Scarborough (PSAP)	\$4,500	\$4,750.00	
Sanford Communications			\$27,453
0200 Emergency Dispatch	\$33,800	\$33,800.00	
0210 Buxton Rescue	\$118,000	\$128,249.23	
0215 Rescue Billing	<u>\$7,800</u>	<u>\$9,000.00</u>	<u>\$10,000</u>
Total	\$164,100	\$175,799.23	\$37,453

Budget Committee – Recommend passing
 Selectmen – Recommend passing

Article 17: Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate **\$348,288** for the operation of the **Hollis Municipal Fire Department Services**, department account #0300?

	07-08 Apr.	08-09 Apr.	09-10 Apr.	10-11 Budget
Operations	\$175,675	\$180,160	\$154,175	\$107,759
Chief's Salary		\$46,350	\$47,741	\$47,741
Personnel Salaries				\$83,290
Per-Diems		<u>\$72,400</u>	<u>\$74,575</u>	<u>\$109,498</u>
Total	\$255,675	\$298,910	\$276,491	\$348,288

Note: This budget is offset by fees and other revenues estimated at \$85,000.

Budget Committee – Recommend passing
 Selectmen – Recommend passing

Article 18: Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate **\$600** for the operations of department account # 2370 **Conservation Commission?**

Budget Committee – Recommend passing
 Selectmen – Recommend passing

Article 19: Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate **\$15,768** for the operation of department account #1219, **Maintenance of the Hollis Sports Complex?**

07-08 Apr.	08-09 Apr.	09-10 Apr.	10-11 Budget
\$15,500	\$26,622	\$16,208	\$15,768

Budget Committee – Recommend passing

Selectmen – Recommend passing

Article 20: Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate **\$195,512** for the operation of department account #1200, **Hollis Parks and Recreation?**

07-08 Apr.	08-09 Apr.	09-10 Apr.	10-11 Budget
\$157,683	\$161,425	\$153,887	\$195,512

Note: This budget is offset by fees and other revenues estimated at \$107,700.

Budget Committee – Recommend passing

Selectmen – Recommend passing

Article 21: Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate **\$456,440** for **Public Works Services** for the Town of Hollis?

	07-08 Apr	08-09 Apr.	09-10 Apr.	10-11 Budget
0500 Snow and Sanding	\$165,352	\$261,640	\$261,440	\$261,640
0600 Highway	\$121,038	\$128,800	\$119,140	\$119,800
0601 Paving	<u>\$100,000</u>	<u>\$100,000</u>	<u>\$75,000</u>	<u>\$75,000</u>
Total	\$386,390	\$490,440	\$455,580	\$456,440

Note: This budget is offset by fees and other revenues estimated at \$60,000.

Budget Committee – Recommend passing

Selectmen – Recommend passing.

Article 22: Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate **\$28,173** for operations of the department account # 0800 **Salmon Falls Municipal Library?**

07-08 Apr.	08-09 Apr.	09-10 Apr.	10-11 Budget
\$35,000	\$30,000	\$27,750	\$28,173

Note: This budget request is to help reduce the overall operating Budget of \$35,773.

Budget Committee – Recommend passing

Selectmen – Recommend passing

Article 23: Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate **\$26,808** for operations of the department account # 0810 **Hollis Center Library** (This is a non-profit 501C3 Organization)?

07-08 Apr.	08-09 Apr.	09-10 Apr.	10-11 Budget
\$25,800	\$27,548	\$25,482	\$26,808

Note: This budget request is to help reduce the overall operating Budget of \$36,390.

Budget Committee – Recommend passing

Selectmen – Recommend passing

Article 24: Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate **\$4,000** for operations of the department account # 0820 **West Buxton Public Library?**

07-08 Apr.	08-09 Apr.	09-10 Apr.	10-11 Budget
\$4,000	\$4,000	\$3,700	\$4,000

Budget Committee – Recommend passing

Selectmen – Recommend passing

Article 25: Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate \$15,000 for the funding of department account #1000, the **General Assistance Program**, in addition to any carryover?

07-08 Apr.	08-09 Apr.	09-10 Apr.	10-11 Budget
\$20,000	\$20,000	\$15,000	\$15,000

Note: This budget is offset by fees, other revenues and funds that are carried forward from the previous year estimated at \$8,000.

Budget Committee – Recommend passing
 Selectmen – Recommend passing

Article 26: Shall the Town vote to accept and expend the following ESTIMATED anticipated revenues and reimbursements?

	07-08 Est.	08-09 Est.	09-10 Est.	10-11 Budget
MDOT Block Grant	\$62,000	\$62,000	\$62,000	\$60,000
CEO	\$20,000	\$25,000	\$25,000	\$26,000
Dog Fees	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,800
Excise Taxes	\$600,000	\$650,000	\$650,000	\$600,000
Rescue Fees	\$50,000	\$65,000	\$65,000	\$85,000
Parks & Recreation Fees	\$57,000	\$57,000	\$60,000	\$107,700
Misc. Revenues & Reimbursements	\$50,000	\$60,000	\$60,000	\$60,000
Homestead Exemption	\$65,000	\$70,000	\$70,000	\$60,000
Tree Growth Exemption	\$7,000	\$7,000	\$7,000	\$10,000
Veteran's Exemption	\$500	\$500	\$500	\$1,800
State Revenue Sharing	\$200,000	\$200,000	\$200,000	\$157,000
Cable Franchise Fees	\$28,000	\$28,000	\$34,000	\$36,000
TOTAL	\$1,140,500	\$1,225,500	\$1,234,500	\$1,208,300

Selectmen – Recommend passing

Article 27: Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate \$13,000 for the department account #2000, **Street and Traffic Lights expense, repair and maintenance?**

07-08 Apr.	08-09 Apr.	09-10 Apr.	10-11 Budget
\$13,500	\$13,500	\$13,000	\$13,000

Budget Committee – Recommend passing
 Selectmen – Recommend passing

Article 28: Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate \$10,000 for the operations of department account # 2200 **Hollis Planning Board?**

07-08 Apr.	08-09 Apr.	09-10 Apr.	10-11 Budget
\$17,700	\$25,422	\$14,150	\$10,000

Budget Committee – Recommend passing
 Selectmen – Recommend passing

Article 29: Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate \$1,079 for the operations of department account # 2205 **Hollis Budget Committee?**

07-08 Apr.	08-09 Apr.	09-10 Apr.	10-11 Budget
\$1,800	\$2,475	\$2,289	\$1,079

Budget Committee – Recommend passing
 Selectmen – Recommend passing

Article 30: Shall the Town vote to have all **Warrant Articles** voted on by **Secret Ballot**, beginning in June 2011?

Note: This would do away with the traditional Town Meeting where articles are voted on from the floor.

Article 31: Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate no more than the amounts budgeted for the following organizations?

	07-08 Apr.	08-09 Apr.	09-10 Apr.	10-11 Budget
2298 Veteran's Flags	\$400	\$400	\$350	\$250
2299 York County Shelter Programs Inc.	\$500	\$500	\$450	\$500
2300 Visiting Nurse Services	\$4,000	\$4,000	\$3700	\$3,700
2301 York County Community Action				\$3,400
2302 Leavitt's Mill Health Center	\$2,300	\$2,000	\$1,850	\$1,850
2303 Y.C. Child Abuse & Neglect Council	\$450	\$500	\$416	\$416
2304 Caring Unlimited	\$823	\$1,331	\$1,231	\$1,158
2305 CSI				\$1,500
2306 Day One Inc.	\$500	\$500	\$450	\$500
2307 So. Me Agency on Aging	\$950	\$1,800	\$1,650	\$1,800
2310 Hollis Cub Scouts	\$550	\$500	\$850	\$850
2312 Hollis Boy Scouts	\$1,600	\$1,200	\$1,454	\$895
2314 Red Cross	\$1,500	\$1,500	\$800	\$500
2315 Buxton-Hollis Historical Society	\$1,000	\$500	\$450	\$450
2317 VNA Home Health	\$500	\$500	\$463	\$500
2319 York County Food Rescue		\$1,000	\$925	\$925
2320 Saco River Corridor Commission				\$300
2321 Saco River Grange Hall Inc.		\$500	\$250	\$500
2322 Sexual Assault Response Services			\$450	\$450
2395 Eleven Town Group		\$500	\$200	\$200
Eagle Scout Proj. (New Gazebo)				<u>\$1,500</u>
Total				\$21,894

Budget Committee – Recommend passing

Selectmen – Recommend passing

Article 32: Shall the Town vote to accept the State snowmobile registration funds and disburse them to the Hollis Snowmobile Clubs for the purpose of maintaining Hollis snowmobile trails?

Selectmen – Recommend passing

Article 33: Shall the Town vote to accept the State Library Funds and disburse them to the Hollis libraries?

Selectmen – Recommend passing

Article 34: Shall the Town vote to adopt a Solid Waste Flow Control Ordinance?

Selectmen – Recommend passing

Article 35: Shall the Town vote to amend the Shore Land Zone section of the Hollis Zoning Ordinance as recommended by the State Planning Office?

Selectmen – Recommend passing

Article 36: Shall the Town vote to authorize the Selectmen acting for the Sports Complex Committee to:

- a. Accept private monies and or grants to complete the Sports Complex Landscaping Design Plan previously accepted?
- b. Accept private donations to complete approved projects and continue the ongoing maintenance at the Sports Complex grounds with the donations being kept in a protected account to be carried forward at the year-end?
- c. Set and charge rental fees and retain these fees (in a protected account) derived from the rental of the Sports Complex fields to help offset maintenance cost?

Selectmen – Recommend passing

Article 37: Shall the Town vote to authorize the Selectmen and the Tax Collector to:

1. Charge interest on unpaid taxes, determine the rate thereon, set the due date for taxes, and to set the date on which interest shall commence?
(Tax Collector recommends charging interest at a rate of 7% per annum, that taxes be due and payable in two payments: The first due on November 03, 2010 and the second due on May 04, 2011, with interest commencing on the first half on November 04, 2010, and on the second half on May 05, 2011).
2. Accept prepayment of taxes?
3. Set the interest rate to be paid by the Town on the refunded over payment of taxes for the 2010-2011 Fiscal Year? Tax Collector and Selectmen recommend 3%.
4. Apply all payments to the oldest outstanding taxes first.

Selectmen - Recommend passing

Article 38: Shall the Town vote to amend the section of the Hollis Subdivision Ordinance concerning Road Standards?

Selectmen – Recommend passing

Article 39: Shall the Town vote to amend the Hollis Animal Control Ordinance to list late fees?

Selectmen – Recommend passing

Article 40: Shall the Town vote to revise Section 4. Powers, Duties, Authority, Recommendations, Official Cooperation of the Budget Committee Ordinance of the Town of Hollis by adding:

- E. Review all monthly financial reports, and reconcile monthly bank statements with the general ledger and check register. Prepare appropriate reporting forms and documents to certify the review and convey results to the Treasurer and the Board of Selectmen.

This article appears on the Ballot as the result of a citizen's initiative by Winfried W. Williams.

Selectmen – Do not recommend passing

Article 41: Shall the Town vote to revise Section 4. Powers, Duties, Authority, Recommendations, Official Cooperation of the Budget Committee Ordinance of the Town of Hollis to give the Budget Committee the authority to establish recommended budget amounts for the warrant. These amounts may be different than the actual request.

Budget Committee – Recommend passing
Selectmen – Recommend passing


Article 42: Shall the Town vote to change the method of paying Selectmen from an hourly rate to a monthly stipend of \$1,000. Each Selectman is to be in the office two (2) days a week one of which is Wednesday, and the other either Tuesday, Thursday, or Friday, but no two Selectmen on the same day to assure a Selectman's availability to the Residents when the Town Hall is open. Failure to be in the office, or to have arranged coverage with one of the other Selectmen will result in \$90.00 being deducted from the stipend for each day missed. A certified Maine Assessor is to be hired part-time to assess new construction in the Spring and prepare the "Municipal Valuation Report" in the Fall.

Note: This article appears on the Ballot as the result of a citizen's initiative by Winfried W. Williams.
Selectmen – Do not recommend passing

Signed this 14th day of April, 2010


Donald Marean, Selectman

Stuart B. Gannett, Selectman


Irving "Ben" Severance, Selectman

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