

TOWN OF STODDARD, NH

TOWN MEETING

MAY 8, 2018

To the inhabitants of the Town of Stoddard in the County of Cheshire in the State of New Hampshire, qualified to vote in Town affairs: You are hereby notified to meet at the Stoddard Town Hall, 1450 Route 123 North in said Stoddard on Tuesday, the eighth (8th) day of May 2018, next at eleven of the clock in the forenoon (11:00 AM) to act upon the following articles:

The Polls will be open from 11:00 AM to 7:00 PM. For Articles 1 through 3.

Article 1: To choose by ballot all necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year.

Article 2: Shall the Town vote to adopt the changes to the Community Planning Ordinance relating to Accessory Dwelling Units as approved and recommended by the Planning Board. **Majority vote required.**

Article 3: Shall the Town vote to adopt the changes to the Community Planning Ordinance relating to Home Business as approved and recommended by the Planning Board. **Majority vote required.**

FURTHER; you are hereby notified to meet at the James Faulkner Elementary School, Lucy B. Hill Community Room, in said Stoddard on Tuesday, the fifteenth (15th) day of May 2018, next at seven of the clock in the evening (7:00 PM) to act upon articles 4 through 28.

Article 4: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$420,892, for general municipal operations. This article does not include special or individual articles addressed. **Majority vote required. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen.**

Article 5: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$6,800, for the operating budget of the Stoddard Planning Board. **Majority vote required. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen.**

Article 6: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$9,050, for the operating budget of the Stoddard Zoning Board of Adjustment. **Majority vote required. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen.**

Article 7: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$56,050, for the operating budget of the Stoddard Police Department. **Majority vote required. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen.**

Article 8: To see if the town will vote to authorize the selectmen to enter into a 3-Year lease/purchase agreement in the amount of \$44,355 for the purpose of purchasing a police cruiser for the Stoddard Police Department, and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$14,785 for the first year's payment for that purpose. This lease agreement contains an escape clause. [The town will own the cruiser upon completion of the third payment] **Majority vote required. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen.**

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Article 9: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$14,000, for providing ambulance service and other related services. **Majority vote required. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen.**

Article 10: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$104,700, for the operating budget of the Stoddard Fire & Rescue Department. **Majority vote required. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen.**

Article 11: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$37,140, for the purchase of a new rescue boat and trailer for use by Stoddard Fire & Rescue. **Majority vote required. Recommended by a majority of the Board of Selectmen.**

Article 12: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,800, for the operating budget of the Stoddard Emergency Management. **Majority vote required. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen.**

Article 13: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$14,200, for the Lay Monitoring, Lake Host Programs and water testing. **Majority vote required. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen.**

Article 14: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,406, for the operation of the Stoddard Conservation Commission. **Majority vote required. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen.**

Article 15: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$236,700, for Winter and Summer maintenance, emergencies and planned repair of Town roads and bridges. **Majority vote required. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen.**

Article 16: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$198,084, for all Recycling, Solid Waste and related expenses for the ensuing year for the Stoddard Transfer Station, use of the Washington Transfer Station by certain residents and for hazardous waste disposal services provided by the City of Keene. **Majority vote required. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen.**

Article 17: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$37,547, for the operation of the Davis Public Library. [Per RSA 202-A:11, the funds raised and appropriated, other than payroll and utilities, shall be paid over to the Library Trustees pursuant to a payment schedule as agreed upon by the Library Trustees and the Selectmen.] **Majority vote required. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen.**

Article 18: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$9,817, for the operating budget of the cemeteries. **Majority vote required. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen.**

Article 19: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$800, to Home Healthcare, Hospice and Community Services to support the continuance of visiting nurse and home health services being provided to the residents of Stoddard. **Majority vote required. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen.**

Article 20: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,200, to Home Healthcare, Hospice & Community Services to support continuance of the Age In Motion program provided to the residents of Stoddard. *[Explanation: This program, for all area Seniors (60+), normally meets in the Town Hall on Tuesday and Thursday for a period of 20 weeks. The funds will cover the cost of a trained physical exercise leader and equipment.]* **Majority vote required. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen.**

Article 21: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,540, for Monadnock Family Services, a non-profit agency which provides quality mental health services to residents of Stoddard, which is requesting said amount to help underwrite the cost of services provided to residents. **Majority vote required. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen.**

Article 22: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,000, for support of The Community Kitchen, Inc., located in Keene, New Hampshire. **(By Petition) Majority vote required. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen.**

Article 23: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$470, for support of the New Hampshire Region of the American Red Cross. **Majority vote required. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen.**

Article 24: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$765, for Southwestern Community Services, a non-profit agency which provides fuel assistance, weatherization and other related services to residents of Stoddard, which is requesting said amount to help underwrite the cost of services provided to residents. **Majority vote required. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen.**

Article 25: To request the Town of Stoddard to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,000, to support Hundred Nights, Inc. located in Keene, New Hampshire for services provided to Stoddard residents **(By Petition) Majority vote required. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen.**

Article 26: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000, to be placed in the Building Capital Reserve Fund, established in 2013. **Majority vote required. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen.**

Article 27: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000, to be placed into the Bridge and Roadway Capital Reserve Fund, previously established. **Majority vote required. Recommended by a majority of the Board of Selectmen.**

Article 28: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$15,000, for the purchase of a Lucas Automated CPR Device for use by Stoddard Fire & Rescue. **This is a special article Majority vote required. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen.**

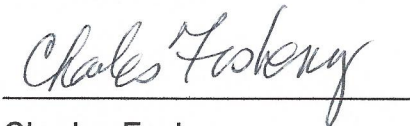
Given under our hands and seal this 9th day of April in the year of our Lord, two thousand and eighteen.



Christopher Madden, Chairman



Margo Santoro



Charles Fosberry

Stoddard Board of Selectmen