

TOWN OF BRISTOL ANNUAL

TOWN MEETING WARRANT

2017

BRISTOL, NEW HAMPSHIRE

GRAFTON COUNTY

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Bristol in the County of Grafton in the State of New Hampshire qualified to vote in Town affairs. You are hereby notified to meet at the Bristol Town Hall, 45 Summer Street in said Bristol on Tuesday, the fourteenth day of March next at 8:00 o'clock in the morning at which time the polls will be open for balloting on Article 1 and Article 5 and shall close no earlier than 7:00 o'clock in the evening; and you are further hereby notified to meet at the Auditorium of the Newfound Regional High School in said Bristol on Saturday, the eighteenth day of March next at 9:00 o'clock in the morning at which time action will be taken upon the remaining articles in the warrant.

Article 1: To choose by written ballot all of the necessary Town

Officers 2 Selectmen for 3 years

1 Town Clerk/Tax Collector for 3

years 1 Trustee of the Trust funds

for 3 years 1 Treasurer for 3 years

1 Cemetery Trustee for 3 years

4 Budget Committee members for 3

years 3 Library Trustees for 3 years

Moderator Edward "Ned" Gordon, opened the meeting at 9:00 AM, he mentioned that this is the 198th annual town meeting. Ned asked Boake Morrison to lead in the Pledge Allegiance to the Flag. Ned also read an invocation. At this time Ned asked Shaun Lagueux, Chairman of the Board of Selectment to introduce the Select board, which consists of Rick Alpers, Leslie Dion, Paul Manganiello, and J.P. Morrison, he also introduced Raymah Simpson, Town Clerk/Tax Collector. Ned then asked Bill Cote, Chairman of the Budget Committee to introduce those members which consists of: Don Milbrand, Rob Glassett, David Carr, Ashley Dolloff, Bob Emerson, Kevin MacCaffrie, Tom Keegan, Scott Sanschagrin, Betsy Schneider, John Sellers and

Wayne Anderson. He also thanked Don Milbrand who will be moving up to the Select Board and Shaun Lagueux for his duties as a Selectmen over the past few years, as Shaun was stepping down.

Ned mentioned that the Freshman class would be serving refreshments, and lunch and hoped that people would help them out. Ned asked for a show of hands of people that were present, but do not live in Bristol, and explained that if they wanted to speak it had to come before the Body for permission. Ned announced that there would be a recount on Thursday, March 23, 2017 at 6:30 pm in the downstairs meeting room of the Town Office Building at 230 Lake St. He also stated that on the ballot it should have been vote for four for the Budget Committee, and anyone that is interested should send a letter to the Budget Committee. At their first meeting they will review the letters of interest and then vote by the whole committee as to whom they chose.

Article 2: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate up to Three Hundred Seventy Five Thousand Dollars (\$375,000) for the purchase and installation of replacement dewatering equipment at the Waste Water Treatment Facility, and to authorize the issuance of not more than Three Hundred Seventy Five Thousand Dollars (\$375,000) of bonds or notes, in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act, NH RSA 33:1 et seq., as amended; and to authorize the Selectmen to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon as shall be in the best interest of the Town. The first principal and interest payments will be included in the 2018 budget. The principal and interest payments of the bonds or notes shall be paid through sewer user fees. (2/3 vote required, polls open for one hour)

The Budget Committee Recommends this Article

10-0 The Select Board Recommends this Article

4-0

Ned read Article 2 and asked for a motion. Motion made by Rick Alpers, seconded by Bill Cote. At this time Rick made a motion to amend Article 2, Shaun Lagueux 2nd The Article now reads:

Amended Article 2: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate up to Three Hundred Seventy Five Thousand Dollars (\$375,000) for the purchase and installation of replacement dewatering equipment at the Waste Water Treatment Facility, Seventy Thousand (70,000) of which to come from the Sewer Capital Reserve Fund, and to authorize the issuance of not more than Three Hundred Five Thousand Dollars (\$305,000) of bonds or notes to fund the remainder in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act, NH RSA33:1 et seq. as amended, and to authorize the Selectmen to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon as shall be in the best interest of the Town. The first principal and interest payments will be included in the 2018 budget. The principal and interest of the payments will be included in 2018 budget. The principal and interest payments of the bonds or notes shall be paid through sewer user fees. (2/3 vote required, polls open for one hour)

The \$70,000. would come from the Sewer Capital Reserve fund for the demolition of the existing building, this would be done through a 10-year loan agreement. This dewatering equipment is needed as sometimes it takes the employees 2-3 days to get this as dry as possible to be carried off. With this equipment it will take a very short time and be extremely dry so the cost of carrying it off will be down considerably. The life expectancy is 25-30 years for this equipment. This won't raise rate for sewer users. Burt Williams, a former Commissioner stated that the one they have been using is 27 years or so old. Motion to close discussion on the amendment made by Burt Williams, 2nd by Walter Waring. **Passed to close debate.**

The amendment passed. Motion to close debate on Article 2 as amended by Paul Simard, 2nd by Paul Fraser. Amendment Passed. This is a ballot vote and the polls have to stay open for an hour. The ballot is green, do not tear it in two, check either yes or no and place in the ballot box. **Polls opened at: 9:30.**

122 Votes, 120 YES and 2 NO. Article passed as amended.

Article 3: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate up to Seven Hundred Sixty Five Thousand Dollars (\$765,000) to pay for Water, Sewer and Roadway Improvements on Central Street, and to authorize the issuance of not more than Seven Hundred Sixty Five Thousand Dollars (\$765,000) of bonds or notes, in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act, NH RSA 33:1 et seq., as amended; and to authorize the Selectmen to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon as shall be in the best interest of the Town. The first principal and interest payments will be included in the 2018 budget. Without impairing the nature of the bonds as general obligations of the Town, it is expected and intended that Ten percent (10%) of the debt service on the bonds or notes will be paid from general taxation and Ninety percent (90%) of the debt service on the bonds or notes will be paid through water and sewer user fees. (2/3 vote required, polls open for one hour) The Budget Committee Does Not Recommend this Article 3-6-1

The Select Board Recommends this Article 4-0

Don Milbrand made a motion to pass over Article 3, until Article 2 has been voted on, 2nd by Bill Cote, Passed.

Motion made by Shaun Lagueux, 2nd by Betsey Schneider. Shaun Lagueux made an amendment to this article 2nd by Leslie Dion.

The article is amended from the amount of \$765,000.00 to \$708,000. This would be off set with Water and Sewer Capital Reserve funds; the breakdown is: Sewer Capital Reserve fund \$50,000.00; Water Capital Reserve fund \$50,000.00; Taxation, \$ 240,720.00; Water User fees of, \$183,640.00 and Sewer User fees of, \$183,640.00. The amendment reads:

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate up to Seven Hundred Eight Thousand Dollars (708,000) to pay for Water, Sewer and Roadway Improvements on Central Street, and to authorize the issuance of not more than Seven Hundred Eight Thousand Dollars (\$708,000.) of bonds or notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act,

NH RSA 33:1 et seq., as amended; and to authorize the Selectmen to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon as shall be in the best interest of the Town. The first principal and interest payments will be included in the 2018 budget. Without impairing the nature of the bonds as general obligations of the Town, it is expected and intended that \$50,000 of the debt service on the bonds no notes will be paid with funds from the Sewer Capital Reserve Fund, another \$50,000 of the debt service will be paid from the Water Capital Reserve Fund, and that of the remaining debt service, \$240,720 will be paid by general taxation, \$183,640 will be paid through waster user fees, and \$183,640 will be paid through sewer user fee. (2/3 vote required, polls open for one hour)

This project would tie in to the downtown project, instead of digging it up in a few years, it would be done now while the project is ongoing. The pipes have been in since approximately 1951. A question was asked what is the condition of the road, Mark Bucklin Highway Superintendent explained that it is deteriorating it was going to be upgraded a couple of years ago, but because of this project it was put off. This project would be part of improving the downtown area. The water pipe would be going from 6" to 8" and sewer line from 10" to 24", there are also drainage issues for the Highway. The project came about to tie in with the downtown project, the condition of the sewer line is in fairly good condition, but if the road is to be torn up this is a good time to do the water/sewer, it also includes two parking spots and a sidewalk. The old pipes may last another 8-9 years. This is a project that does not have to be done, but does tie in with the pathway project and continuing to improve the community.

**Motion to Close debate on the amendment made by: Al Blakley, 2nd by Sue Waring
Close debate passed**

Amendment passed with Voice Vote

If the grant for Article 4 does not come in, Article 4 won't be done. Article 3 and Article 4 are separate articles. They don't affect each other, it helps to keep engineering costs down. Some felt that this should be put off for another year, we can't do everything at once. It was decided to let the legislative body to decide if it should be done. Are the water pipes lead? If so that could be a problem, no lead pipes, but there are lead joints. A question was asked why can't the water and sewer department do the work.

Motion made to close debate by Paul Simard 2nd by Bill Cote Motion passed to close debate

Voting on Article 3 Ballot Vote Red Ballot. Polls open one hour 12:14 PM will remain open until 1:14 PM. **Ballot Vote 116 votes cast NO 72 and YES 44**

Article 3 did not pass

Rick Alpers made a motion, 2nd by Paul Fraser to restrict reconsideration on Articles, 2, 4, 6,7,8, and 9. Ned explained that this meant that we could not go back and discuss any of these articles today, that if someone wanted to discuss these it would have to be at another meeting, another time.

Passed by Voice Vote

Article 4: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of One Hundred Fifty Three Thousand Dollars (\$153,000) to prepare a final design, obtain materials, and construct the Pemi Pathway and Bristol Falls Park (formerly known as the Water Street Recreational Trail). The appropriation is contingent upon receipt of an offsetting grant in the amount of One Hundred Fifty Three Thousand Dollars (\$153,000) of from the Land and Water Conservation Fund. (Majority vote required)

The Budget Committee Recommends this Article 10-0 The Select Board Recommends this Article 4-0

Motion made by Selectperson Les Dion, 2nd by John Bianchi. At this time Les made an amendment to this article, 2nd by Alan Blakley: Amendment to read: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of Two Hundred Thirty-Five Thousand Three Hundred Dollars (\$235,300) to prepare a final design, obtain materials, and construct the Bristol Falls Park and northern entry point to the “Pemi Pathway”. One Hundred Fifty-Three thousand dollars (\$153,000) to be funded by an offsetting grant in the amount of One Hundred Fifty-Three thousand dollars(\$153,000) from the Land and Water Conservation Fund, Forty-Two Thousand Three Hundred dollars (\$42,300) from unreserved fund balance, and the remaining Forty Thousand Dollars (\$40,000) shall be raised from taxation; provided, however, that this article is contingent upon the receipt of said grant.

Bristol was number one in submission for a grant, last year we did the engineering, permitting and design of the trail. Bill Dowey has worked on this project, Les asked if he could speak on it. Ned asked Bill to speak on the amendment on how the money will be spent since it is a higher amount. Money has to flow through Bristol to show we are interested in the project in order to get the grant. and then we could get the grant for \$153,000. It is where the old railroad station used to be at the confluence of the Pemi River and the Newfound River.

Bridges need to be taken out and a path add. The path is ADA complaint, Bill explained what would need to be done to get this path built, bridges repaired so that machinery can get in there to get it repaired and modified, this would be the entryway to the future “Pemi Pathway”

The Bridge originally cost \$55,000.00 but when the actual cost came in it was for \$128,000. \$82,000 short. Asking for \$82,000, \$40,000 come from unreserved fund balance and\$ 42,000 from taxation.

A question was asked if this ties in with Article 3, some of this ties in, but most of it doesn't these are separate projects. How would this affect the tax rate, it would be about 10 cents per thousand, that does not take in revenue and costs. Some concerns were about the Army Corp of Engineers being involved in this and if the Town Employees could do this work if would save money. It was noted that a local contractor has donated time and equipment and trucking to haul everything away. The Town Highway crew would be working with them also. Questions were asked about parking, and how it affects Central and Water Street, what is the return investment, how many phases are involved in this project, can we make money on this project.

Laconia's pathway has brought in a million dollars a year, we don't have any idea what the revenue would be for this at this time. It was mentioned that this would be good for the economy

for Bristol, it would bring people into Town. There would be a walking/bike path that many people use in different areas.

**Motion to close debate on the amendment by Al Blakely 2nd by Chris Dolloff
Hand Count to close debated Passed**

**Close debate on the amended Article by Paul Fraser, 2nd Steven Favorite
Article passed as amended by Hand Count**

Article 5: By Petition: Shall we adopt the provisions of RSA 40:13 (known as SB2) to allow official ballot voting on all issues before the Town of Bristol on the second Tuesday of March? Passage requires a 3/5 majority vote of those voting.

**This article was on the ballot that was voted at Town Election on March 14, 2017
Yes: 214 No: 185. The article did not pass.**

Article 6: By Petition: To see if the Town will vote to authorize 50% of the Land Use Change Tax collected pursuant to RSA 79-A:25 to be deposited into the existing Conservation Fund in accordance with RSA 36-A:5, III, as authorized by RSA 79-A:25, II. If adopted this article shall take effect April 1st, and shall remain in effect until altered or rescinded by a future vote of the Town Meeting. (Majority vote required)

Janet Cote made a motion, 2nd by Sandra Heaney.

Janet is the Chair of the Conservation Commission, they are asking what other Conservation Commissions have asked for in other Communities which is when land comes out of Current Use 50% of that revenue would go to the Conservation Commission, 50% in to General Fund. Keep spending revenue, and it would diminish, where it will be spent, protecting the watershed and the spring on Lake St. also if anything legal comes up. Right now, nothing is anticipated to come out of land use, it hasn't had anything taken out in quite a long time. What is the anticipated amount to come out, Janet talked with assessing this is just an example for a 5-acre piece of land it would be \$5,035 to go to the Conservation Commission. There was feeling that it should be given back to the Town, because the land owners take good care of this. It was mentioned that some towns do this as 50% and 75% Shaun Lagueux works with current use and forestry for a living he is in favor of this. This is not a significant amount This fund would help if the Conservation Commission would need funds for the repair of the spring or anything they are in charge of. JP feels that the money should come back to the Town, maybe 5% to the Conservation Commission, but not 50% the taxpayers are funding this program, Bristol needs to get the money back.

Carol Huber made a motion to close debate; seconded by Dick Batchelder. Motion passed to close debate.

**Voice vote for Article 6 to close to call. Ned asked for 3 people to hand count the voters
Hand count: Yes 56 No 47 Article 6 Passed**

Article 7: Shall the Town of Bristol vote to adopt the provisions of RSA 72:28-b, All Veterans' Tax Credit? If adopted, the credit will be available to any resident, or the spouse or surviving spouse of any resident, who (1) served not less than 90 days on active service in the armed forces of the United States and was honorably discharged or an officer honorably separated from services, and (2) is not eligible for or receiving a credit under RSA 72:28 or RSA 72:35. If adopted, the credit granted will be Five Hundred Dollars (\$500), the same amount as the standard or optional veterans' tax credit previously voted by the Town of Bristol under RSA 72:28. (Majority vote required)

Shaun Lagueux made the motion, 2nd by John Sellers.

Looking into this, it enables a veteran to get the \$500.00 for a tax exemption, residents that were in the National Guard, National Reserve. Several are applied for, several towns have updated the Veteran's credit, it expends the veteran's tax credit, it is hard to give a number because we don't know how many will apply and how many would be eligible. Considering that the best guess would be top end \$41,500. John Sellers noted that Veterans are not part of a war time event don't get exemption, he doesn't get the credit, he feels that anyone that served should get this credit. If someone that is in for 90 days do those people get a DD214 for their service. Paul Manganiello thinks it would show when they were serving. They do have to go through the office to see if they are qualified. To qualify for this you must have been serving during an active conflict.

Boake Morrison made a motion to close debate, Fred Eichman 2nd. Voice Vote passed to close debate

Article 7 passed with a unanimous Voice Vote.

Article 8: To see if the Town will vote to adopt the following Solid Waste Ordinance proposed pursuant to RSA 149-M:17, II: (Majority vote required) SOLID WASTE ORDINANCE

Authority:

This Ordinance is adopted by the Town of Bristol pursuant to the authority in RSA 149-M:17, II.

General Provisions:

1. The Bristol Transfer Station and associated facilities may be used only by residents and property owners of the Town of Bristol, for the disposal of acceptable solid waste generated within the Town of Bristol. Disposal of refuse from another locality (other than contracted towns) is a violation.
2. Attendants shall have the authority to refuse the use of the facilities to any person who violates these regulations, misuses the facilities or fails to comply with the lawful

directions of the attendant. Failure to follow the requests or instructions of the attendant is a violation.

3. Acceptable solid waste may be disposed at the facilities only during posted operating hours. Leaving waste outside of the area when the facility is closed is a violation.
4. Acceptable solid waste shall be deposited only in the appropriate disposal area or container as directed by the attendant on duty. The disposal of any waste in unauthorized areas is prohibited. Disposal of unauthorized or prohibited waste is a violation.
5. All loads delivered to the facilities shall be covered or otherwise suitably contained (i.e., plastic bags, barrels, etc.) to prevent littering.

Permit:

A permit shall be required for the disposal of waste at the solid waste facilities. No person shall dispose of any waste at the facilities without a permit. The permits are to be permanently affixed to the lower right front windshield on the vehicle of the person authorized to use the facility. Permit fees are listed in Appendix A of this ordinance.

Resident Permit:

Residential permits may be issued to any resident or property owner in the Town of Bristol. Residential permits may be used to dispose of solid waste generated within the Town of Bristol only. Suitable proof of residence and/or personal residential property ownership shall be required for the issuance of a permit. Use of the Bristol solid waste facilities without a permit or disposal of solid waste from other cities or towns shall be a violation. It is also a violation to allow someone who is not a resident of the town of Bristol to use your permit. Demolition debris and Municipal Solid Waste (MSW) from private residents will be limited to amounts not to exceed 2 cubic yards per day. This debris will be accepted at the lower and the upper section of the facility. Disposal is subject to the current fee schedule. There are no restrictions on Single Sort Recycling.

Contractor Construction Demolition:

Contractors may be issued a temporary permit for the disposal of waste generated by work done within the Town of Bristol. Documentation of the Building Permit issued by the Town shall be required for the issuances of a temporary permit. Temporary permits shall be valid for no longer than 21 days. The Town will not accept hazardous or non-permitted waste. It is a violation to use a Temporary Bristol Permit to dispose of solid waste not generated within the Town of Bristol or to allow a nonresident to use the permit. In order to obtain a Temporary Permit and to use the Solid Waste Facility for construction debris,

a signed and approved Affidavit for Commercial Contractors must be obtained from the Town prior to hauling any waste.

Visitor Permit:

Visitor permits may be issued to persons visiting the Town of Bristol. Suitable proof of lodging in the Town of Bristol shall be required for the issuance of a temporary permit. A temporary permit shall not be valid for longer than two weeks. It is the responsibility of the property owner to arrange for the acceptable disposal of solid waste materials.

Violations:

Violations of any of the above provisions shall be subject to a fine of no less than \$50.00 per occurrence and up to a maximum of \$3,000.00 per RSA 149-M:17.

Prior to service of a formal summons and complaint, pursuant to RSA 31:39-c, the Bristol Town Clerk/Tax Collector may issue to any person who violates any provision of this ordinance a written notice of violation. Such notice shall contain a description of the offense and a copy of the applicable schedule of penalties as well as instructions to pay the penalties by mail, and shall be either delivered in person or by first-class mail to the last-known address of the offender. Penalties shall escalate the longer they remain unpaid, as provided in the penalty schedule, up to a maximum of \$3,000 per offense.

If the matter remains unresolved, pursuant to RSA 147-M:17, II(b), for penalties up to \$500, the Bristol Town Clerk/Tax Collector may issue a summons and notice of fine as provided in RSA 502-A:19-b, substituting a copy of the schedule of penalties for the uniform fine schedule cited in that statute. The offender may plead guilty or nolo contendere by mail by entering a plea as provided in RSA 502-A:10-b. If the plea is accepted by the court, the offender shall not be required to appear unless directed by the court. If the offender contests the summons, the matter shall be resolved by the court.

For penalties exceeding \$500, the Bristol Town Clerk/Tax Collector may issue a summons and complaint before the circuit court, district division, or the superior court to enforce the penalties.

Fees:

Fees for permits and for deposit of certain items at the facilities under this Ordinance shall be initially as set forth in the attached Solid Waste Fee Schedule, and are subject to amendment from time to time by the Bristol Board of Selectmen pursuant to RSA 149-M:17, VI(a) and RSA 41:9-a.

Appendix A: Solid Waste Fee
Schedule Specific Procedures

1) All **Contractors** (including individuals that are **residents** of Bristol) are required to obtain a Transfer Station permit from the Town Office as well as provide a copy of their Land Use Permit where the C&D material is generated to the attendant prior to disposing of C&D material. All C&D deposited at the Transfer Station must have been generated in the Town of Bristol.

2) All **residents** and **contractors** that want to dump C&D material must go the Transfer Station C&D area and have the vehicle that they are using measured for volume of the pick-up bed (the volume of the wheel wells will not be deducted from the quantity calculation).

(i) Compact pick up truck

(ii) Full sized pick up truck

(iii) Large truck (includes a truck with sideboards or trucks 1 Ton or larger – the actual volume will be measured and charged accordingly regardless if full)

3) All doors must be removed from refrigerators prior to delivery to the C&D Transfer Station.

4) All roofing shingles and construction demolition debris, if not paid for by the truck load, shall be paid for by estimated volume (cubic yard 3 feet by 3 feet by 3 feet) as determined by the Transfer Station attendant.

5) No person shall dispose of any waste at the facilities without a permit

Permit Requirements - Municipal Solid Waste		Fee
<i>Residential Permit</i>	Residential Permits may be issued to any resident or property owner in the Town of	\$5.00 per permit
<i>Commercial Permit</i>	Commercial Permits may be issued to businesses located in the Town of Bristol. Permits will expire in 21 days.	\$100.00 per permit
<i>Visitor Permit</i>	Visitor Permits may be issued on a weekly basis for person’s visiting Bristol with proof of lodging within the Town. Non- residents hauling municipal solid waste to the Transfer Station for Bristol residents must obtain a Visitor Permit	\$5.00 per permit
<p>1. All permits fees shall be payable to the Town of Bristol and may be obtained at the Town Clerk's Office. (Please bring the registration for the vehicle that will be going to the</p> <p>2. All stickers shall be attached to the lower right hand corner of the windshield.</p>		

Definition:

Contractor: Any person performing construction, demolition, collecting solid waste, or cleanup in exchange for monetary or other compensation.

PERMIT TYPE	VA L	VEHICL E	TYPE OF	FEE
		Construction and Demolition		
Residents with homes in Bristol or Property Owners (Home Or Business)	1 Year	Passenger Cars, Small Pickup Trucks Small Trailers less than 1/2 CY	Wood Products, insulation board, etc.	No charge
	1 Year	Passenger Cars, Small Pickup Trucks Small Trailers less than 2 CY per day	Wood Products, insulation board, etc.	\$20
	1 Year	Large Trucks	Wood Products, insulation board, etc.	\$40 per CY of volume regardless if full
	1 Year	Passenger Cars, Small Pickup Trucks, Small Trailers up to 2 CY	Heavy C&D; Sheetrock,	\$40
	1 Year	Large Trucks	Heavy C&D; Sheetrock,	\$80 per CY of volume regardless if full
Contractors including residents of Bristol (allowed to use facility while building permit is valid)	60 days	Passenger Cars, Small Pickup Trucks Small Trailers Up To 2 CY per day	Wood Products, insulation board, etc.	\$40
	60 days	Large Trucks	Wood Products, insulation board, etc.	\$80 per CY of volume regardless if full

	60 days	Passenger Cars, Small Pickup Trucks Small Trailers Up To 2 CY	Heavy C&D; Sheetrock,	\$160
	60 days	Large Trucks	Heavy C&D; Sheetrock,	\$160 per CY of volume regardless if full
		Tires		
<i>Residents</i> with homes in Bristol or Property Owners (Home Or Business)	1 Year	N/A	17.5" and under	\$2.00
	1 Year	N/A	Over 17.5"	\$10.00
		White Goods		
<i>Residents</i> with homes in Bristol or Property Owners (Home Or Business)	1 Year	N/A	Stoves, washer, dryer, hot water heaters,	\$5.00 per item
	1 Year	N/A	Refrigerators, freezers, air conditioners. (anything with freon) ⁴	\$15.00 per item
	1 Year	N/A	20 lb Propane tanks &	\$2.00 per item
	1 Year	N/A	30-100 lb Propane tanks	\$25.00 per item
	1 Year	NA	Fire Extinguish	\$15.00 per item
	1 Year	N/A	Helium Container	\$10.00 per item
<i>Contractors</i> including <i>residents</i> of Bristol (allowed to use facility while building permit is valid)	21 days	N/A	Same as <i>residents</i>	Same as residents

Bulky Waste				
Residents with homes in Bristol or Property Owners (Home Or Business)	1 year	Passenger Cars, Small Pickup Trucks Small Trailers less than 1/2 CY	Mattresses, chairs, couches, etc.	\$20.00 per item (No charge if stripped and placed in appropriate containers)
Contractors including residents of Bristol (allowed to use facility while building permit is valid)	21 days	Passenger Cars, Small Pickup Trucks Small Trailers Up To 2 CY	Same as residents	Same as residents
Computers & TVs				
Residents with homes in Bristol or Property Owners (Home Or Business)	1 year	N/A	Television (19 inches and under), Computer CPU, Computer	\$10.00 per item
	1 year	N/A	Portable Television (20 inches and over), Computer Screen, Lap Top, Computer	\$20.00 per item
Contractors including residents of Bristol (allowed to use facility while building permit is valid)	21 days	N/A	Same as residents	Same as residents

Schedule of				
First Offense		\$50.00		
Second Offense		\$75.00		
Subsequent Offenses		\$100.00		
Penalty Escalator		\$50.00 added every 7 days unpaid after initial notice of		

Article 8: Motion made by J.P. Morrison, 2nd by John Bianchi. JP spoke on the article.

We have had an ordinance for a long time, Mark Bucklin, Highway Superintendent and Raymah Simpson Town Clerk, have gone over this and updated the ordinance so it fits in to this day and age.

Article 8 passed with a unanimous Voice Vote

Article 9: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the Budget Committee recommended sum of Five Million Nine Hundred Thirty One Thousand Four Hundred Eighty Dollars (\$5,931,480) for general municipal operations. The Select Board recommends Six Million One Hundred Eighty Thousand Six Hundred Forty Six Dollars (\$6,180,646). This article does not include appropriations contained in special or individual articles addressed separately. (Majority vote required)

The Budget Committee Recommend this Article 8-2

The Select Board Does Not Recommend this Article 1-3

Motion made by Bill Cote, 2nd by Kevin MacCaffrie. Bill mentioned that his is an 8.4% increase over last year's expenditures.

Denise DeStefano made an amendment to the budget, 2nd by Barbara Greenwood, the amendment reads: Motion to amend Article 9 in the amount of \$26,920.00 to be applied to the Land Use/Health Officer line, increasing the total budget amount to \$5,958,400.00 This would bring the total Land Use/Health Officer line to \$52,420.00

Denise noted that this is to add support to the Planning Board, the Board has had some significant work put on them. It takes many man hours for the volunteers on the Planning Board in light of some of the large project that have come up, this would help them with getting more information and to have someone available to look at things as they come in. Economic Development will be trying to bring in more industry for the Town. Friday is the only day that anyone can talk to someone as the Planning Board secretary is only one day a week. They need someone that could follow through. This is a part time position

This was brought to the Budget Committee as a full time position, unless this is something different. A Town this size doesn't usually have a full time position unless it is a building inspector, budget gave them 3 days a week in place of 2 days a week. This would be for someone with expertise, Bristol is a hard place to do business with and it is not a business-friendly Town. Anyone that would have this position would help the many committees that the Town has; not just the Planning board.

John Sellers felt that this position was given an extra day, and that spending is getting out of

control, that people on Social Security didn't get a raise this year and this kind of spending needs to stop, or it will drive people out of Town. Rick Alpers stated that this person would be a benefit to the Planning, Zoning, Historic and Economic Boards, He is a guidance to these boards and issues enforcements. This person would help people understand the zoning laws and regulations of the Town. Janet Cote Chairman of the Conservation Commission feels this position should be filled, she stated that Bristol is in the commercial corridor along the Pemi River, the Newfound River and on Lake Street towards the lake, we have State laws and wetland issues, it would be well spent money to have someone in the office that knows the laws and also to be helpful to someone that comes in to the office that needs information. It is complicated for volunteers, and much work, more knowledge would be there. Paul Simard stated that at one time there was a person in the North County that would be able to help the Towns, an advisor to help the volunteers with things; is that still available, it is available but the cost is \$70.00 an hour. Paul Manganiello is a volunteer that works on some of the committees, he is in support of the amendment as the volunteers put in many hours, he also wanted to thank the Fire Dept for coming to his house and putting out a fire and Tom Hardy for coming at 3AM to repair the furnace.

Jodie Favorite made a motion to close debate on the amendment, seconded by Lorna Patten. Close debate passed with a voice vote.

The amendment was too close to call with a voice vote, Hand count the amendment passed

Donna Nashawaty made an amendment to Article 9 to increase the budget by \$5,000.00, the new budget figure would be \$5,963,400. Seconded by Rick Alpers. Donna stated that two-line item numbers for the Audit and the Computer Support are contracted. The Selectmen asked for \$20,000.00 for the audit, the budget committee submitted, \$18,500.00 last year \$23,500.00 was spent on the audit, this year we should expect at least \$23,000.00. The contract price for the computer support was \$11,000.00 and the budget committee reduced that to \$10,000.00. This would increase the budget by \$5,000.00 to \$5,963,400.

Motion to close debate by Paul Fraser, seconded by Karen Rounds. Voice vote to close. Show of hands amendment passed.

Tom Keegan made an amendment to increase the operating budget by \$23,633.00 from \$5,931,479.00 to \$5,955,112.00. This increase is intended for the following budget items: 01-4210-210 Police Department Health Insurance and 01-4210-891 Grant Related Expenses. Rob Glassett 2nd the motion. Tom asked if Chief Lewis could speak to the amendment, he has been called out, there is a change in health insurance it went from a couple to a family plan. The Police Department is applying for a grant it has been awarded but we need to show that we are supporting the grant before they can receive it.

John Sellers will vote against anything that is increasing the budget, he feels that they worked due

diligence for the budget. Feels that this should have come before the budget committee before this meeting.

Michael Lewis, Chief of Police stated that he had applied for a grant it would be totally reimbursed grants, we have to appropriate the money in order to get the grant money which then goes into the revenue line for the grant. Health care he has reduced the line by \$10,000.00 because of the figures we were told at the time of budget since then health care on employees have changed.

Clarification: \$5400.00 is for grant, \$5400.00 is fully reimbursed. \$18,230 for an individual that did not take a health care plan, but needs to now.

If this didn't come out today, how would the employee been covered, Shaun Lagueux state that the money would have had to be found, the employee would have to be covered.

A question was asked about what the grant is for. The Chief responded that it is for E-Ticketing, which scans the registration and license, it is wireless, electronically and safer and it sends the information directly to the court system.

Paul Manganiello is against this amendment he feels the health insurance and the grant should be separate, he would be for the grant but not the health insurance, as the Board maybe looking into something different with the health care.

Eric Rouille made a motion to close debate on the amendment, 2nd by Jackie Batchelder.

Motion passed to close debate

Amendment failed by Voice Vote

Paul Simard made an amendment to Article 9, seconded by Carol Huber to reduce the Police Budget line #01-4210-664 from \$1500.00 to \$0.

Paul felt that the town car was in under the administration budget and he would like to reduce the police department budget.

Shaun Lauguex explained that the car is used by both the Police Department and the Administration so that the maintenance of the car is split between both places.

Paul said that it makes the maintenance on this vehicle \$2200.00 and that is insane, please vote for this amendment.

Bob Fellows made a motion to close debate, 2nd by Ernie Richards.

Motion passed to close debate

Voice vote on the amendment, to close to call.

Amendment failed by Hand vote Yes: 36 No: 55

What did the budget committee do for over 20 hours other than just increase the budget by 2.5%, it was never explained how they came about with these numbers and how it came from the Selectboard budget.

William Cote, took the 2016 budget and determined that 2.5% was appropriate to increase over last year.

Tom Keegan stated that the budget committee met for 12 meetings went through each budget and each line and took out \$209,000.00 from the budget and it wasn't until February 6, 2017 that it was decided to increase the 2016 budget by 2.5%. That discounted all of the work done before that as each department have their own increases and decreases.

Don Milbrand there are different things that affect how taxes are going to be raised and appropriated one is budget spending, warrant articles and revenues. MS 737 tries to estimate taxes to be raised, the budget committee had kept it around \$17,000.00 but with the amendments today a quick calculation shows it has gone up by about \$30,000.00.

Rob Glasset explained that the committee had worked on figures for the budget. They went over the wage increase and the health plan, and the suggested 2.5% increase that had been presented by a member of the budget committee; for the entire budget, but it didn't work out, so they were going to look at the budget again on February 6, 2017. Some members of the budget committee were not there for the February 6th budget meeting and the other members took advantage of that and voted the 2.5% increase back in. He feels that the 2.5% should have waited until all budget committee members were present.

Donna Nashawaty made an amendment to increase the budget by \$5400.00, seconded by Paul Fraser.

This is a zero increase in the budget as the Grant will be given back to the Town, it is a tool, for the Police Department this is a net zero to the tax rate. New budget amount would be \$5,968,800.00

Kevin MacCaffrie stated that in a few articles ahead there would be voting on a \$25,000. contingency fund, and is for things like this, so there is no reason to take tax money for this. Kevin feels that the Selectmen can find this money in there and feels that the Department Heads do really well with their money and give some back each year.

Donna stated that most grants need to show in the budget, so that the money will be given back to the Town.

Motion made by Shaun Lagueux to close debate on the amendment, seconded by Bob Huber.

Voice Vote on closing debate on the amendment, passed

Voting on the amendment Voice Vote to close to call

Vote by hand count Amendment passed

The Budget amount now is: \$5,968,800.

John Sellers stated that the budget committee did do the bottom line at 2.5%, did do due diligence at the budget meetings and had saved \$205,000.00 at that time and then saved another \$41,000.00. He is noticing that the budget figure is starting to creep up and hopes it won't keep going up.

Tom Keegan made an amendment to increase the operating budget by \$50,000.00 this is intended for the budget line #01-4312-390 Resurfacing Roads. This was seconded by Mark Chevalier

Selectboard had approved 250,000. For resurfacing roads and other highway project, Budget made cuts of \$206,000.00 and most of that came out of the Highway Dept. The highway department always gets hit when the budget is cut, another reason for the increase is that the Superintendent and the Board had negotiated a very low price for asphalt, with that more roads can be done for less money, in future years this amount could go up.

It was felt that there are too many amendments and we are not listening to our budget committee and we should just do away with it.

John Sellers felt that some money has been in there twice, for roads and that was why it was taken out, that the town was asking for money to resurface road that the money had already been requested.

Shaun Lagueux stated that the money was encumbered as the Street had not been resurfaced last year, with the encumbered money it would be done this year, and the other is for resurfacing other streets.

Rick Alpers stated that Mark does a great job with the roads and streets and has a great plan for the future and if we keep up with them it isn't as expensive now as it will be in the future if we don't do anything with them.

Tom Keegan was taken aback where the blanket of 2.5% was done, 35 different lines some were raised and some were lowered.

John Sellers stated that he was not going to be called a liar, he is standing up for himself and that it was double dipped for paving on North Main St. Everything is on tape and it can be listened to.

Paul Manganiello is not in favor of this amendment, he feels the \$50,000.00 should be kept in mind for Article 18.

Tom Keegan wanted everyone to know that he respects John Sellers, but the Town is not double dipping on North Main Street, that the money has been encumbered.

Motion to close debate made by Rick Alpers, seconded by Rob Glassett. Voice vote Yes

Motion made to vote on the amendment; Amendment defeated.

Motion was made by Rick Alpers to close debate on Article 9 seconded by Richard Gavalis. Voice Vote passed to close debate

Budget is now \$5,968,800 Voice Vote the Budget passed as amended.

Article 10: To see if the Town will vote to establish a contingency fund for the current year for unanticipated expenses that may arise and further to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000) to be placed into the Contingency Fund and further to use funds from the unreserved fund balance. (Majority vote required)

The Budget Committee Recommends this Article

10-0 The Select Board Recommends this Article

4-0

Motion made by Les Dion, seconded by Janet Cote.

This fund is like an emergency fund, to be used as needed. Unreserved fund balance is money that was turned back in at the end of the year, money raised but not spent. The State recommends money to be set aside, and the Board of Selectmen can use it for offsetting taxes. The State has made it clear that this needs to be a warrant article, it does not increase the budget.

The Contingency Fund is money that was raised but not spent, approximately \$100,000.00 plus what turned into this fund this year. The only way it can be spent is if an emergency or if the Selectmen want to use some for tax rate setting. This does not increase the budget.

Motion to close debate: Paul Regan, seconded by Dorcas Gordon. Yes

Article 10 passed as is.

Article 11: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twelve Thousand Dollars (\$12,000) to be used to demolish the house and other structures, dispose of the debris, and prepare the site for future Town needs at 254 Lake Street, Bristol, with said sum to come from the unreserved fund balance. (Majority vote required)

The Budget Committee Recommends this Article 10-0 The Select Board Recommends this Article 4-0

Motion made by Paul Manganiello, seconded by Herb D'Arcy.

Paul explained that last year the money was raised to purchase the property next to the town office building, 254 Lake St. this year it needs to be demolished. The 12,000.00 is for renting the containers for the debris and hauling it off. A private contractor will demolish it at no charge. The contractor is Michael Sharp Enterprises.

John Sellers doesn't have a problem with this article, but last year we appropriated \$70,000 to buy the property, assumptions are that a new building will be built. His point is that by the time we are done with this it will be over a two-million-dollar project.

The unreserved fund balance estimate because of the Audit is \$925,235.00 recommend from the State to be between the 5% and 17%.

Motion to close debate Fred Eichman, seconded by Walter Waring.

Article 11 passed with a voice vote

Article 12: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Ninety Five Thousand Dollars (\$95,000) to prepare an architectural design and engineering study for future municipal buildings with said funds to come from the unreserved fund balance. (Majority vote required)

The Budget Committee Recommends this Article 9-0-1 The Select Board Recommends this Article 4-0

Ned stated that he would step down for this article, as he was part of the committee and wanted speak on it. Shaun Lagueux outgoing Selectmen would preside over the meeting for this article.

Motion was made by Paul Manganiello, seconded by Scott Sanschagrin.

Paul mentioned that once 254 Lake street will be cleared out, we need to do something with this site, and part of the needs to be done is Architectural design, mechanical and engineering design, the geotechnical services, survey, etc. The \$95,000.00 is in unreserved fund and if not all used will go back into that account.

Ned Gordon, stated that he was part of a Space Needs Committee, an 11 person committee, instead of hiring a firm. They have gone through these many times before and it needs to be accomplished not keep studying. Ned suggested people for the committee; to the Selectmen, and wanted business people and people that have been in the area a long time, and no one with an agenda.

Members met all summer long and looked at each town facility and talked with each department head to see what the needs would be for out to twenty-five years. The community has not grown that much, but it is an older community. The average household income for New Hampshire is about \$64,000.00, in Bristol it is about \$38,000.00 a year. There are many town owned buildings that need to be upgraded, the Fire Department, Highway and Transfer Station, but most important is the Town Office and the Police Department. The recommendation is a new Building for the Town Office and remodel for the Police Department, as it is more expensive to build a Police Department then it is to build a Town Office. Most people come to the Town Clerk/Tax Collector office and need to stand in the hallway and hear everyone's business. A meeting room is also needed for the Town Office. The proposal that the committee has come forward with would address parking and storage. Not voting today to come up with a plan, but feels that this is a good proposal.

David Hill made an amendment to include a two step plan that would meet Town Office and Police Department needs. Step 1 would be to have the Police Department move upstairs with a juvenile section, and have the Town Office move downstairs. Make it a two story addition, so the meeting room could go to its original size. John Sellers seconded.

David showed a visual aid for this design that he has proposed. Town Counsel stated that this would be an advisory amendment.

Boake Morrison, feels that Ned had explained what needed to be done, and we don't have to go over these again and again, let the committee do what they have checked out and either vote for it or not.

Close debate on amendment Paul Simard, 2nd Carol Huber

Voice vote Yes close debate on amendment

Amendment did not pass on Voice Vote

John Sellers thanked the committee but feels there is room for improvement. His concern is that 40% of the committee does not live in Town, how can people that don't live in town know what our needs are. He feels it could have been a better job and that we are adding dollars, we will be at the 2 million dollar mark before it is done.

There were questions about what the requirements are for the new building, Paul Manganiello explained that the committee is not disbanded as time goes on they would be working with the engineers, etc., to be sure that it is being built with the needs in mind. There was a suggestion to move the "old" town hall to the property at 254 Lake St.

It was stated that anyone that went to the open house that the Police Department held would know why they need a building, there is no space to work, it cramped and can't believe how the officers can get there work done, it is time to do something for the Police Department.

Ned responded to a question that had come up that we don't have the expertise to decide what can be designed, and the ability to afford. The committee was told it would be a 2-million-dollar project and the committee does not want to spend that much.

It takes steps in a project that is how it always works, money gets spent each year for the end product. This has been talked about for years, it takes a long time to get these kind of projects, and take advantage of this and move on.

Don Milbrand is an engineer and wants to be a very important part of the project, to try to keep costs down.

The committee did a great job by going around the town and looking at the buildings and wants to commend the employees for working in less than ideal conditions and taking care of what they

have. We need as a town to help get the buildings that are needed. No employees are trying to take advantage they didn't want pie in the sky only what is needed. Nothing is cast in stone, there are copies of the report and more feedback. This is a good step forward.

John Sellers stated that he is not against the space, Bristol needs space, he is concerned about a runaway project. Where he works, there is a project plan and it is stuck to. He feels where we voted was a joke, because of the weather, he feels between 150-200 people did not come to vote. We aren't addressing the space needs we need a function hall. The "Old Town Hall" is not great as we found out Tuesday.

Space Needs committee report is available and on the table as you are entering the hall.

There are drainage issues on the property, three Architects have been asked to present designs for next year, as well as engineering. Next year the committee will come back with a plan.

Rick Alpers made a motion to close debate, seconded by Sandra Heaney. Voice Vote Yes Debate closed

Voting on Article: Yes Article 12 passed unanimously.

Article 13: To see if the Town will vote to establish the Police Vehicle Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of purchasing, equipping and upfitting police cruisers and to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000) to be placed in this fund. Further, to name the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend from said fund. (Majority vote required).

The Budget Committee Recommends this Article 8-2 The Select Board Recommends this Article 3-1

Motion made by Shaun Lagueux, seconded by Rick Alpers.

Shaun this body has gone back and forth for years as to whether this should be a budgeted line item or a warrant article, regardless of how it is. Either one you are locked into buying that vehicle, the Capital Improvement Plan(CIP) recommends start a capital reserve fund, they feel that capital reserves help defray the bumps of yearly budgeting and to to allow the Selectmen and the Police Chief to buy a used vehicle if available and to be able to buy a vehicle out of the present time frame. It would give flexibility in purchasing a vehicle

Paul Simard feels there is no difference we need to come back each year to replenish this fund. Shaun stated there is no \$50,000.00 in the budget this year for a vehicle.

Don Milbrand, chairman of the CIP, this is just a different way of funding a vehicle, you are forcing the Dept. Head to spend this money, if he doesn't spend it; it goes back to the general fund which means taxes were raised and appropriated for that. This is attempting to keep it for the vehicle and we may not have to use those funds each year.

Paul Manganiello agreed with Don and stated that this also gives the chance to purchase a used

vehicle, or one that may have been leased.

Don Milbrand this doesn't mean that money is put in that fund every year, it would be up to the body to decide if it gets funded every year.

Janet Cote asked since leasing was not in the Warrant Article would this prohibit them from leasing a vehicle, Shawn Tanguay, Town Attorney said it would not, we could lease.

Motion to close debate Rick Alpers, seconded by Boake Morrison

Yes to close debate. This was requested as a ballot vote. Five people that signed the petition are still in the audience. Yellow Ballot, don't have to stay open for an hour.

Votes cast: 95, Yes: 72 No: 23

Article 13 passed

Article 14: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty-Five Thousand Two Hundred Dollars (\$25,200) to replace five of the Police Department's portable radios. (Majority vote required)

The Budget Committee Recommends this Article 10-0 The Select Board Recommends this Article 4-0

Rick Alpers made a motion, seconded by Leslie Dion.

The police radios were purchased back in 2002, we didn't have to purchase them at that time, it was through a grant, we do need to purchase them now. These radios are on the officers when they are on duty, they are needed.

Kevin MacCaffire made a motion to amend, with said funds to come from the unreserved fund balance. Paul Simard seconded.

Rick Alpers feels that we have used the unreserved fund balance enough today with everything that has come out of it. This should just stay in the budget. Shaun doesn't want to see the fund go down to much as it is part of the taxes that are not collected, so we don't have that whole fund. He would like to see that money there to help with the Fire Department and Town Office renovations/building.

Carol Huber asked why it isn't in the budget, Rick Alpers answered because it is a Capital Budget item that can be planned for.

John Sellers stated he calculated unreserved fund balance at 15.4% on a 6 million dollar budget so of the \$900,000.00 that we were told today so that money is not doing anything There may be

some uncollected money but they are painting the picture to want to take three or four hundred thousand dollars to go to a new building or space needs, good idea but we should have been saving for it all along.

Rick responded that the percentage is 8.15% that is straight from Department of Revenue (DRA) on the amount of \$925,235,00 that is cash on paper, which includes uncollected taxes, this figure could change when the audit is done.

Boake Morrison made a motion to close debate, seconded by Charlene Fraser

Close debate on Amendment Yes

Voice to close to call

Amendment did not pass with a Hand Count

Article 14 had a requested ballot vote. 89 votes cast Yes 70 No 19 Article 14 passed.

Article 15: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000) to obtain and place an emergency generator and corresponding components at the Hemp Hill communications tower on Hemp Hill Road with Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000) to come from a grant. This appropriation is contingent upon receipt of the grant and if not received the warrant article will be null and void. (Majority vote required)

The Budget Committee Recommends this Article 8-2 The Select Board Recommends this Article 4-0

Motion made by JP Morrison, seconded by Carol Huber

This is a grant, Ben Laroche, Chief of Fire Department, they have to bring a generator up to Hemphill every time it is needed there. This would be there permanently and provide a power source if one is needed.

Close debate Paul Simard, seconded by Susan Duncan

Yes to close debate

Article 15 passed as written

Article 16: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of Twelve Thousand Dollars (\$12,000) for the purposes of a Fourth of July fireworks display, operations, and ancillary costs of the event. (Majority vote required)

The Budget Committee Does Not Recommend this Article 3-6 The Select Board

Recommends this Article 4-0

Motion made by Leslie Dion, seconded by Steve Favorite

Les stated that last year we asked for \$10,000.00 for the fireworks display, it was a mediocre show it was a Class D show and we need a Class B show or a combination of both. Fifteen employees need to be there not counting Police.

It was asked if other Towns put any money towards, no other towns don't but maybe we can ask them to contribute, or do fundraising.

There were quite a few comments made against having fireworks and quite a few comments to have the fireworks. It was mentioned that after this summer Ashland won't be having fireworks any longer and we may get some of the people that go there. It is a boost for business in the area and feel we should have them.

Boake Morrison made a motion to close debate, seconded by Burt Williams. Voice Vote passed

Article 16 passed as written

Article 17: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000) for the purposes of a full radio spectrum analysis study in the Town in order to identify the strongest signal propagation for future locations of small cell or cell tower locations. The study will be used in the pursuit of grants or other funding mechanisms. (Majority vote required)

The Budget Committee Recommends this

Article 8-1 The Select Board Recommends this

Article 4-0

Motion made by Rick Alpers, seconded by Bob Emerson

Rick stated that we need cell coverage in Bristol, we are closer now than we ever have been with getting service here. Bill Dowey, Chairman of the Economic Development has been talking with companies about this, he has talked with 5 tower companies plus Verizon. We are facing de-regulation Verizon and other companies do not have to put cell towers where they don't want them and they don't want one in Bristol because they feel it won't generate enough revenue, where if they have roaming charges there is more revenue for them. We will try to get the State to help us show why we need cell service in Bristol as we have had many emergencies and people can't get to a land line.

We need to become a 21st century community and without cell towers we won't be able to. Bill wants economic progress in Bristol so he is hoping that this will pass.

John Sellers so this study; what will it buy us in the end, do we need to buy radios or cell towers or what. Bill stated the \$5,000.00 is to do the probglgation study, in order to get any grants, we need to do this study. Most of the companies want this study done, it needs to be done to go forward.

Motion to close debate by Rick Alpers, 2nd by Scott Haines. Motion passed

Article 17 passed as written

Article 18: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum Two Hundred Ninety Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$292,500) to be added to the following capital reserve funds previously established. (Majority vote required)

Accrued Wages Capital Reserve Fund	\$50,000
Assessment Reval Capital Reserve Fund	\$35,000
Bicentennial Capital Reserve Fund	\$10,000
Fire Department (Fire Engine) Capital Reserve Fund	\$50,000
Highway Equipment Capital Reserve Fund	\$140,00
0 Town Building Maintenance Fund Capital Reserve	\$7,500

The Budget Committee Recommends this Article 8-1

The Select Board Recommends this Article 4-0

A petition was submitted for a ballot vote for this article.

Motion made by Shaun Lagueux, seconded by Donna Nashawaty

This is capital reserve funds over the years this body as adopted capital reserve funds for different reason different projects. Adopted certain amount would establish it and then on a yearly basis come back to fund them.

Lucille Keegan made a motion, seconded by Sandra Heaney to amend Article 18 to add \$5,000.00 to the building and maintenance fund this would change the amount to \$12,500.00. Lucille has been asking for funds for the past few years, trying to get this for town buildings to keep working on them and not get pushed aside. Not for any general purpose, just to maintain the buildings.

A question was asked what is in the fund now and what are the things that need attention, Lucille had understood that balance was zero, she is not sure what it is. As far as buildings that needs things done she knows the carpet in the Town office building in one office is very bad and it is a hazard for tripping, old fire station lower level, problem with water, it would be a good storage space, there are things that come up during the year that can't be taken care of.

Shaun Lagueux stated that in the building maintenance fund there is \$28,405.00

Close the debate Paul Simard, seconded by Alan Blakley, voice vote passed.

Voice Vote on Amendment did not pass

Fred Eichman made a motion to close debate on the Article, 2nd by Bob Patten. Voice vote in affirmative.

This was a petitioned ballot vote, color is blue. Total votes 87 Yes 69 No 18. Article passed

Article 19: To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting,
Given under our hand and seal this 16th day of February in the year of our Lord two thousand seventeen.

This is the time to make any comments or questions for the Selectboard, we cannot transact any business that went on here today.

Paul Fraser wanted to Thank Ned for all he did for today as well as Election day, and Thank Shaun Lagueux for all of his time spent on the budget committee as well as the Select board.

Leslie Dion wanted to thank everyone for coming out today to participate in the Town Meeting form of government for the give and take. Also to remember to come out for the March Madness Dance at the” Old Town Hall”.

Eric Nelson just a wonderful town meeting, also the capital reserve fund should be part of the budget, with a spreadsheet for buildings as well as vehicles.

Bob Patten also wanted to Thank Ned for everything he has done.

Ned explained why Bristol voted on March 14, 2017 because of the school that we would all be voting at the same time. Ned takes full responsibility for voting on that day.

Raymah Simpson, Town Clerk/Tax Collector wanted everyone to know that she had gone back in the books to 2004 to see how voter turnout was over the years and there some years where we had anywhere from 440 to 500 people voting so the storm really didn't make a difference.

Burt Williams made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Lorna Patten. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 3:10 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Raymah W. Simpson
Town Clerk/Tax Collector