2012 Milford Town Meeting
<u>AMENDED</u> Warrant & Financials*

(*inclusive of amendments made at Deliberative Session to ballot questions with reflective changes to the corresponding Warrant Articles and the post Deliberative Session amended positions of the Board of Selectmen and the Budget Advisory Committee on each article)

To the inhabitants of the Town of Milford in the County of Hillsborough, in the State of New Hampshire, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified that the Annual Meeting of the Town of Milford will be held, in accordance with "Senate Bill 2"(RSA 40:13), in said Milford, with the first (deliberative) session at the Milford Town Hall Auditorium on Saturday, the Fourth (4th) day of February, 2012, at nine in the morning (9:00 a.m.), to transact all business other than voting, and on the Thirteenth (13th) day of March 2012, at the Milford Middle School Gymnasium, for the second session for voting by official ballot at the polls on all matters in the warrant as well as officers and other matters to be voted on. The polls will be open on the Thirteenth (13th) of March at 6:00 a.m. and will not close earlier than 8:00 p.m.

Ballot Vote — Warrant Article 1 — Election of Officers

Board of Selectmen (3 Year Term)(vote for not more than two): Mark J. Fougere
Gary Daniels
Kevin Federico

Cemetery Trustee (3 Year Term) (vote for not more than one): Mary Dickson
Gil F. Archambault

Voter Checklist Supervisor (6 Year Term): Darlene J. Bouffard

Town Moderator (2 Year Term): Peter Basiliere

Town Treasurer (1 Year Term): Brian W. Sanborn

Trustee of the Trust Funds (3 Year Term): Brad Chappell

Library Trustee (3 Year Term)(vote for not more than two): Kim Paul
Jennifer Martin Hansen

Water/Wastewater Commissioner (3 Year Term): Mike Putnam

<u>PLEASE NOTE</u>

In years past the Town's proposed zoning changes were presented in the annual Warrant in full detail.

However, as the proposed zoning changes are lengthy and in an effort to save printing costs, copies of the full proposed zoning changes are available in the main Town Hall Lobby as well as in the Community Development Department, during normal business hours, Monday through Friday, 8:00 am to 4:30 pm daily. Additionally, it is available on the web at www.milford.nh.gov, and outside of Town Hall in a binder 24 hours a day

If you have any questions or need further assistance, please stop by or call the Administration Office at Town Hall, Monday through Friday, 8:00 am to 4:30 pm daily (249-0601).

Ballot Vote — Warrant Article 2 — Zoning Changes

To vote on Planning Board proposed zoning changes and amendments

The Planning Board SUPPORTS all Amendments:

The Milford Planning Board will present ten Zoning Ordinance amendments to the Milford Voters on March 13th. Zoning Ballot Question 7 was developed as part of a joint effort by the Planning Board and the Economic Development Advisory Council (EDAC). The Planning Board would like to thank the members of EDAC for their dedication and assistance in developing this year's zoning amendments. As this is the highly condensed version of the proposed changes please see the full warrant or information posted on the Town's website http://www.milford.nh.gov/town/2012-voter-information/zoning-questions for more information. The Planning Board supported all ten amendments unanimously (7-0).

The first amendment, **Zoning Ballot Question** #1 proposes to clarify the use of the terms "shall" as required, "should" when recommended and "may" when optional throughout the zoning ordinance.

The second amendment, **Zoning Ballot Question** #2 proposes to clarify the definition of Lot of Record and adds a subsection on Non-Conforming Uses to simplify administration and align with revised definitions.

The third amendment, **Zoning Ballot Question #3** proposes to add definitions for "Dwelling-Unit, Mixed-use" and "Use, Non-conforming", amend the definition of "Lot of Record"; and remove definitions for "Kennel", "Nursery" and "Nursery Stock" as they are not used in the Zoning Ordinance.

The fourth amendment, **Zoning Ballot Question #4** proposes to add "Dwelling unit, Mixed-use" as an Acceptable Use in Commercial (C), Limited Commercial-Business (LCB) and Integrated Commercial-Industrial (ICI) Districts; and add "Filling Station" as an Acceptable Use in Integrated Commercial-Industrial (ICI) District.

The Fifth Amendment, **Zoning Ballot Question #5** proposes to modify the name of the Nashua and Elm Street Corridor Overlay District to be consistent with other overlay district titles and update document references.

The sixth amendment, **Zoning Ballot Question #6** proposes to add a new overlay district, the Commerce and Community District, to create a framework for development on the BROX properties and vacant lands off of Route 101 and Perry Rd. The new overlay district was designed to encourage commercial, industrial and mixed-use development on the former BROX properties and surrounding lands. The district proposes to manage transportation, open space, natural resources and stormwater district wide, while allowing for expedited individual site development. For more information please see the *Commerce and Community District - Frequently Asked Questions* article.

The seventh amendment, **Zoning Ballot Question #7** proposes to add a new overlay district, the West Elm Street Gateway District, to encourage industrial-commercial development or redevelopment to compliment Milford's community character and enhance access management in the area of Elm Street, Old Wilton Rd, Savage Rd, and part of Route 101 in west Milford. This ordinance was developed to complement the *existing* Nashua and Elm Street Corridor District on the east end of Elm Street and Nashua Street, and the proposed Commerce and Community District to the south.

The eighth amendment, **Zoning Ballot Question #8** proposes to require address numbers to be displayed on Monument Signs, allow Directional Signs in the Residence 'A' District and update Building Markers to be made of noncombustible materials.

The ninth amendment, **Zoning Ballot Question #9** proposes to remove duplication of enforcement information from the Administration and Sign Ordinance Sections, and updates the zoning ordinance to comply with revisions to the State's Revised Statutes Annotated (RSA).

The tenth amendment, **Zoning Ballot Question #10** proposes to modify Variances to comply with amendments made to the State's Revised Statutes Annotated (RSA); amend Home Occupations to limit the need for a Certificate of Compliance to the space dedicated to a Home Occupation; modify Accessory Dwelling Units to divide into two sections and make minor administrative updates to aid in enforcement; and move Equitable Waiver to the Administrative Relief section, and amend Equitable Waiver to comply with amendments made to the State's Revised Statutes Annotated (RSA).

ARTICLE 3 - AMBULANCE FACILITY - $2,214,000

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Million Two Hundred and Fourteen Thousand ($2,214,000) Dollars to purchase land, demolish existing structures, construct and furnish a stand-alone ambulance facility and to authorize the Selectmen to raise this appropriation by borrowing not more than $2,214,000 in bonds, bond anticipation notes, or notes therefore in accordance with the Municipal Finance Act, (RSA 33) and, further, to authorize the Selectmen to issue and negotiate such bonds, bond anticipation notes, or notes and to determine conditions and the rate of interest thereon, such funding to be repaid from general taxation, and to authorize the Selectmen to contract for and expend any Federal or State aid that may be available for this purchase, and to authorize the Selectmen to take all other necessary action to carry out this project, said actions to include anything necessary to prepare said land so that it would be available for the construction of such facility including due diligence, site assessments, and demolition of existing structures. This is a Special Article in accordance with RSA 32. The Board of Selectmen supports this Article. The Budget Advisory Committee supports this Article.

Note: As this is for issuance of long-term debt, this vote requires, under State law, sixty (60%) percent affirmative vote to pass.

Ballot Question 3 – Ambulance Facility - $2,214,000

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Million Two Hundred and Fourteen Thousand ($2,214,000) Dollars to purchase land, demolish existing structures, construct and furnish a stand-alone ambulance facility and to authorize the Selectmen to raise this appropriation by borrowing not more than $2,214,000 in bonds, bond anticipation notes, or notes therefore in accordance with the Municipal Finance Act, (RSA 33) and, further, to authorize the Selectmen to issue and negotiate such bonds, bond anticipation notes, or notes and to determine conditions and the rate of interest thereon, such funding to be repaid from general taxation, and to authorize the Selectmen to contract for and expend any Federal or State aid that may be available for this purchase, and to authorize the Selectmen to take all other necessary action to carry out this project, said actions to include anything necessary to prepare said land so that it would be available for the construction of such facility including due diligence, site assessments, and demolition of existing structures? The Board of Selectmen supports this Article. The Budget Advisory Committee supports this Article.

ARTICLE 4 - OPERATING BUDGET - $11,767,325

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, as an operating budget not including appropriations by Special Warrant Articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget in an amount totaling Eleven Million, Seven Hundred Sixty Seven Thousand, Three Hundred and Twenty-five ($11,767,325) Dollars. Should this Article be defeated, the operating budget shall be Eleven Million, Seven Hundred Twenty Seven Thousand, Eight Hundred and Fifty-nine ($11,727,859) Dollars which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous actions of the Town, or by law, or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13 X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only. This is a Special Warrant Article in accordance with RSA 32. The Board of Selectmen supports this Article. The Budget Advisory Committee supports this Article.

Note: The proposed Operating Budget reflects an increase of 1.8% to the 2011 Operating Budget, or an increase of $207,051.

Ballot Question 4 - Operating Budget - $11,767,325

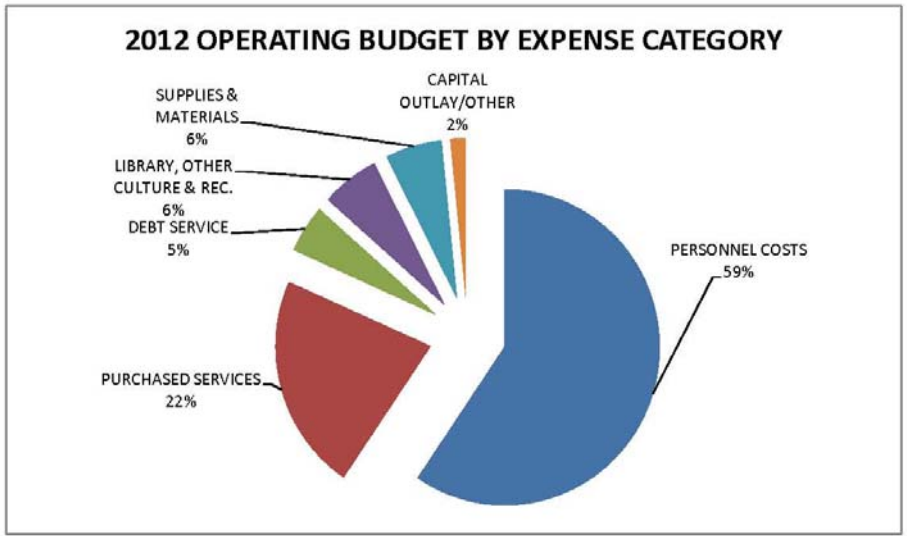
Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate, as an operating budget not including appropriations by Special Warrant Articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget in an amount totaling Eleven Million, Seven Hundred Sixty Seven Thousand, Three Hundred and Twenty-five ($11,767,325) Dollars. Should this Article be defeated, the operating budget shall be Eleven Million, Seven Hundred Twenty Seven Thousand, Eight Hundred and Fifty-nine ($11,727,859) Dollars which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous actions of the Town, or by law, or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13 X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only? The Board of Selectmen supports this Article. The Budget Advisory Committee supports this Article.

2012 PROPOSED BUDGET BY DEPARTMENT

PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATION	2011 ACTUAL (Note 2) AS OF 01/18/2012 (unaudited)	2011 ADOPTED BUDGET	2012 PROPOSED BUDGET	CHANGE $	CHANGE %
Executive - Administration	$ 315,289	$ 301,282	$ 305,507	$ 4,225	1.4%
Elections, Registrations & Vital Statistics	$ 121,728	122,612	$ 137,644	15,032	12.3%
Assessing	$ 190,609	191,450	$ 167,635	(23,815)	-12.4%
Finance & Tax Administration	$ 270,295	267,497	$ 280,080	12,583	4.7%
Information Systems	$ 333,176	341,133	$ 271,329	(69,804)	-20.5%
Legal	$ 40,853	42,495	$ 42,500	5	0.0%
Employee Benefits (Note 1)	$ 2,020,277	2,040,767	$ 2,083,888	43,121	2.1%
Community Development	$ 362,268	367,413	$ 470,163	102,750	28.0%
Insurance	$ 98,595	113,000	$ 114,000	1,000	0.9%
Community Media	$ 15,999	15,750	$ 15,243	(507)	-3.2%
Police	$ 1,900,996	2,013,611	$ 2,024,751	11,140	0.6%
Ambulance	$ 546,652	540,152	$ 615,353	75,201	13.9%
Fire & Emergency Management	$ 470,800	514,306	$ 520,480	6,174	1.2%
Other Public Safety (MACC Base & Hydrant Rental)	$ 559,603	560,291	$ 578,452	18,161	3.2%
Department of Public Works	$ 2,107,306	2,169,097	$ 2,188,692	19,595	0.9%
General Government Buildings	$ 189,104	199,862	$ 205,638	5,776	2.9%
Cemeteries	$ 120,143	122,544	$ 137,759	15,215	12.4%
Welfare Admin. & Direct Assistance	$ 209,039	170,659	$ 207,097	36,438	21.4%
Other Health & Welfare (Host Homes & Mediation)	$ -	10,500	$ -	(10,500)	-100.0%
Recreation	$ 112,392	115,068	$ 119,599	4,531	3.9%
Library	$ 680,554	688,304	$ 684,852	(3,452)	-0.5%
Other Culture & Recreation (Historical Society)	$ 3,000	3,000	$ 3,000	-	0.0%
Conservation	$ 21,935	21,935	$ 22,217	282	1.3%
Debt Service	$ 612,545	627,546	$ 571,445	(56,101)	-8.9%
TOTAL OPERATING BUDGET	$ 11,303,158	$ 11,560,274	$ 11,767,324	$ 207,050	1.8%

Note 1: All employee benefit costs are accounted for in this department and are not allocated to corresponding departments.

Note 2: 2011 actual numbers are not finalized and are reported as of 01/18/2012. Audit adjustments are still outstanding.



ARTICLE 5 - WASTEWATER TREATMENT OPERATING BUDGET - $1,693,966

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Million, Six Hundred Ninety Three Thousand, Nine Hundred and Sixty-six ($1,693,966) Dollars to operate and maintain the Wastewater Treatment Facility and the Sanitary Sewer Collection System, said appropriation to be offset by income received from wastewater user charges, or take any other action relative thereto. This is a Special Warrant Article in accordance with RSA 32 and is paid for by the wastewater user fees. The Board of Selectmen supports this Warrant Article. The Water & Sewer Commissioners supports this Article. The Budget Advisory Committee supports this Article.

Note: The proposed Wastewater Treatment Operating Budget reflects a decrease of 2.4% to the 2011 Operating Budget, or a decrease of $41,676.00

Ballot Question 5 - Wastewater Treatment Operating Budget - $1,693,966

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Million, Six Hundred Ninety Three Thousand, Nine Hundred and Sixty-six ($1,693,966) Dollars to operate and maintain the Wastewater Treatment Facility and the Sanitary Sewer Collection System, said appropriation to be offset by income received from wastewater user charges, or take any other action relative thereto? The Board of Selectmen supports this Article. The Water & Sewer Commissioners supports this Article. The Budget Advisory Committee supports this Article.

ARTICLE 6 - WATER DEPARTMENT OPERATING BUDGET - $1,361,299

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Million, Three Hundred Sixty One Thousand, Two Hundred Ninety-nine ($1,361,299) Dollars to operate and maintain the Water Department, said appropriation to be offset by income received from the water user charges, or take any other action relative thereto. This is a Special Warrant Article in accordance with RSA 32 and is paid for by the water user fees. The Board of Selectmen supports this Article. The Water & Sewer Commissioners supports this Article. The Budget Advisory Committee supports this Article.

Note: The proposed Water Department Operating Budget reflects a decrease of 1.5% to the 2011 Operating Budget, or a decrease of $20,458.00.

Ballot Question 6 - Water Department Operating Budget - $1,361,299

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Million, Three Hundred Sixty One Thousand, Two Hundred Ninety-nine ($1,361,299) Dollars to operate and maintain the Water Department, said appropriation to be offset by income received from the water user charges, or take any other action relative thereto? The Board of Selectmen supports this Article. The Water & Sewer Commissioners supports this Article. The Budget Advisory Committee supports this Article.

ARTICLE 7 - FIRE ENGINE # 4 REPLACEMENT (Annual Payment $67,700/Total Purchase Price $437,000)

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into a 7-year lease/purchase agreement, subject to a fiscal funding clause which will protect the Town in the event of non-appropriation, for the purpose of lease-purchasing a pumper/tanker fire engine with the appropriate equipment for Fire Department operation (it will replace the current 1987 Pierce Pumper/Tanker) and to raise and appropriate the sum of Sixty-seven Thousand, Seven Hundred ($67,700) Dollars for the first year's payment for this purpose. The total purchase price of this vehicle is Four Hundred Thirty-seven Thousand ($437,000) Dollars. If this article passes, future years' payments will be included in the operating budget. This is a Special Warrant Article in accordance with RSA 32. The Board of Selectmen supports this Article. The Budget Advisory Committee supports this Article.

Ballot Question Article 7 - Fire Engine # 4 Replacement (Annual Payment $67,700/Total Purchase Price $437,000)

Shall the Town vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into a 7-year lease/purchase agreement, subject to a fiscal funding clause which will protect the Town in the event of non-appropriation, for the purpose of lease-purchasing a pumper/tanker fire engine with the appropriate equipment for Fire Department operation (it will replace the current 1987 Pierce

Pumper/Tanker) and to raise and appropriate the sum of Sixty-seven Thousand, Seven Hundred ($67,700) Dollars for the first year's payment for this purpose, as more-particularly described in Article 7? The Board of Selectmen supports this Article. The Budget Advisory Committee supports this Article.

ARTICLE 8 - PUBLIC WORKS BACKHOE, RUBBER-TIRED (Annual Payment $23,800/Total Purchase Price $113,000)

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into a 5-year lease/purchase agreement, subject to a fiscal funding clause which will protect the Town in the event of non-appropriation, for the purpose of lease-purchasing a Backhoe, Rubber-Tired, with the appropriate equipment for Highway Department operation (it will replace the current 1998 Ford tractor/loader/backhoe) and to raise and appropriate the sum of an amount not to exceed Twenty-three Thousand, Eight Hundred ($23,800) Dollars for the first year's payment for this purpose. The total purchase price of this vehicle is not to exceed One Hundred Thirteen Thousand ($113,000) Dollars. If this article passes, future years' payments will be included in the operating budget. This is a Special Warrant Article in accordance with RSA 32. The Board of Selectmen supports this Article. The Budget Advisory Committee supports this Article.

Ballot Question 8 - Public Works Backhoe, Rubber-Tired (Annual Payment $23,800/Total Purchase Price $113,000)

Shall the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into a 5-year lease/purchase agreement, subject to a fiscal funding clause which will protect the Town in the event of non-appropriation, for the purpose of lease-purchasing a Backhoe, Rubber-Tired, with the appropriate equipment for Highway Department operation (it will replace the current 1998 Ford tractor/loader/backhoe) and to raise and appropriate the sum of an amount not to exceed Twenty-three Thousand, Eight Hundred ($23,800) Dollars for the first year's payment for this purpose, as more-particularly described in Article 8? The Board of Selectmen supports this Article. The Budget Advisory Committee supports this Article.

ARTICLE 9 - AFSCME UNION COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT (2009 – 2013) - $50,510

To see if the Town vote to approve the cost items included in the Police Officers' Collective Bargaining Agreement (CBA) reached between the Board of Selectmen and Local 3657 of the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees (AFSCME) for contract years 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012, and 2013 (1 April – 31 March) which calls for the following increases in salaries, benefits, new cost items and other costs attributable to this Agreement, and to further raise and appropriate the sum of Fifty Thousand, Five Hundred Ten Dollars ($50,510) for fiscal years 2011 and 2012. Said sum represents the additional costs over those of the current appropriation at current staffing levels paid in the expiring Agreement. Upon approval of this Article, said cost allocation is to be transferred to the General Operating Budget or take any other action relative thereto. This is a Special Warrant Article in accordance with RSA 32. The Board of Selectmen supports this Article. The Budget Advisory Committee supports this Article.

COST ITEMS

	2011 Retroactive	2012 Estimated	2013 Estimated*
Wages & Overtime	$10,733	$30,853	$10,490
Fringe Benefits	$ 2,295	$ 6,629	$ 2,245
Totals	**$13,028**	**$37,482**	**$12,735**

NOTE:

*These figures represent the estimated 3% across-the-board salary increase for the first three months of 2013 (terminating on March 31, 2013).

Wage Increases:

April 1, 2009: 0% increase
April 1, 2010: 0% increase
April 1, 2011: 2% across-the-board increase
April 1, 2012: 3% across-the-board increase
April 1, 2013: Performance-based increase with "me too" clause based on percentage increase approved by Board of Selectmen for all other employees.

Ballot Question 9 - AFSCME Union Collective Bargaining Agreement (2009 – 2013) - $50,510

Shall the Town vote to approve the cost items included in the Police Officers' Collective Bargaining Agreement (CBA) reached between the Board of Selectmen and Local 3657 of the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees (AFSCME) for contract years 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012, and 2013 (1 April – 31 March) which calls for increases in salaries, benefits, new cost items and other costs attributable to this Agreement, and to further raise and appropriate the sum of Fifty Thousand, Five Hundred Ten Dollars ($50,510) for fiscal years 2011 and 2012. Said sum represents the additional costs over those of the current appropriation at current staffing levels paid in the expiring Agreement. Upon approval of this Article, said cost allocation is to be transferred to the General Operating Budget or take any other action relative thereto, as more particularly described in Article 9? The Board of Selectmen supports this Article. The Budget Advisory Committee supports this Article.

ARTICLE 10 - TEAMSTERS UNION COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT (2012 - 2013) - $21,035

To see if the Town will vote to approve the cost items included in the Teamsters Collective Bargaining Agreement (CBA) reached between the Board of Selectmen and the International Brotherhood of Teamsters, Local 633 for contract year 2012 and 2013 (1 April – 31 March) which calls for the following increases in salaries, benefits, new cost items and other costs attributable to this Agreement, and to further raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty-one Thousand Thirty-five Dollars ($21,035) for fiscal year 2012. Said sum represents the additional costs over those of the current appropriation at current staffing levels paid in the expiring Agreement. Upon approval of this Article, said cost allocation is to be transferred to the General Operating Budgets of the appropriate departments, or take any other action relative thereto. $15,050 is to be raised by general taxation and $5,985 is to be raised by Water & Sewer User Fees. This is a Special Warrant Article in accordance with RSA 32. The Board of Selectmen supports this Article. The Water and Sewer Commissioners supports this Article. The Budget Advisory Committee supports this Article.

COST ITEMS FROM GENERAL OPERATING BUDGET

	2012	2013 Estimated*
Wages & Overtime	$12,900	$4,386
Fringe Benefits	$ 2,150	$ 731
Totals	$ 15,050	$5,117

COST ITEMS FROM WATER & SEWER USER FUNDS

	2012	2013 Estimated*
Wages & Overtime	$5,139	$1,747
Fringe Benefits	$846	$ 288
Totals	**$5,985**	**$2,035**

NOTE:

The contract calls for the following cost items:
04/01/2012 – 0 to 3.0% wage increase based on performance.

*These figures represent the estimated increases for the first three months of 2013 to cover salary increases to contract termination date of March 31, 2013.

Ballot Question 10 - Teamsters Union Collective Bargaining Agreement (2012 - 2013) - $21,035

Shall the Town vote to approve the cost items included in the Teamsters Collective Bargaining Agreement (CBA) reached between the Board of Selectmen and the International Brotherhood of Teamsters, Local 633 for contract year 2012 and 2013 (1 April – 31 March) which calls for the following increases in salaries, benefits, new cost items and other costs attributable to this Agreement, and to further raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty-one Thousand Thirty-five Dollars ($21,035) for fiscal year 2012. Said sum represents the additional costs over those of the current appropriation at current staffing levels paid in the expiring Agreement. Upon approval of this Article, said cost allocation is to be transferred to the General Operating Budgets of the appropriate departments, or take any other action relative thereto, as more particularly described in Article 10? The Board of Selectmen supports this Article. The Water and Sewer Commissioners supports this Article. The Budget Advisory Committee supports this Article.

ARTICLE 11 - SOCIAL SERVICES - $35,000

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirty-five Thousand ($35,000) Dollars for the purpose of providing funding to Social Service agencies for Milford residents, the amounts and agencies to be determined in the judgment of the Board of Selectmen, or take any other action relative thereto. This is a Special Article in accordance with RSA 32. The Board of Selectmen supports this Article. The Budget Advisory Committee supports this Article.

Ballot Question 11 - Social Services - $35,000

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirty-five Thousand ($35,000) Dollars for the purpose of providing funding to Social Service agencies for Milford residents, the amounts and agencies to be determined in the judgment of the Board of Selectmen, or take any other action relative thereto? The Board of Selectmen supports this Article. The Budget Advisory Committee supports this Article.

ARTICLE 12 - NON-EMERGENCY COMMUNITY TRANSPORTATION BUS SERVICE - $26,500

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty-six Thousand, Five Hundred ($26,500) Dollars for the purpose of providing the Town's share of funding to the Souhegan Valley Transportation Collaborative (SVTC) in order to continue operating a regional, non-emergency, wheelchair-accessible transportation service providing rides within the designated service area to seniors, people with disabilities, and the general public, or take any other action relative thereto. This is a Special Article in accordance with RSA 32. The Board of Selectmen supports this Article. The Budget Advisory Committee supports this Article.

Ballot Question 12 - Non-Emergency Community Transportation Bus Service - $26,500

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty-six Thousand, Five Hundred ($26,500) Dollars for the purpose of providing the Town's share of funding to the Souhegan Valley

Transportation Collaborative (SVTC) in order to continue operating a regional, non-emergency, wheelchair-accessible transportation service providing rides within the designated service area to seniors, people with disabilities, and the general public, or take any other action relative thereto? The Board of Selectmen supports this Article. The Budget Advisory Committee supports this Article.

ARTICLE 13 - CONSERVATION LANDS FUND - $20,000

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty Thousand ($20,000) Dollars to add to the Conservation Land Fund created in accordance with RSA 36-A, said land fund being allowed to accumulate from year to year and to be available for the acquisition of property, conservation easements and other RSA 36-A purposes, or take any other action relative thereto. This is a Special Warrant Article in accordance with RSA 32. The Board of Selectmen supports this Article. The Budget Advisory Committee supports this Article.

[Moneys from this Fund for land or easement acquisition can only be expended by the Conservation Commission after a public hearing and approval of the Board of Selectmen.]

Ballot Question 13 - Conservation Lands Fund - $20,000

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty Thousand ($20,000) Dollars to add to the Conservation Land Fund created in accordance with RSA 36-A, said land fund being allowed to accumulate from year to year and to be available for the acquisition of property, conservation easements and other RSA 36-A purposes, or take any other action relative thereto, as more-particularly described in Article 13? The Board of Selectmen supports this Article. The Budget Advisory Committee supports this Article.

ARTICLE 14 - PUMPKIN FESTIVAL, HOLIDAY DECORATIONS AND PLANTINGS - $20,000

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty Thousand ($20,000) Dollars for purposes of Pumpkin Festival support by Public Works, Police, Fire, and Ambulance Departments; purchase and planting of flowers for the Oval and Stone Bridge areas; purchase of lights, garland, etc. for holiday decorations; or take any other action relative thereto. This is a Special Article in accordance with RSA 32. The Board of Selectmen supports this Article. The Budget Advisory Committee supports this Article.

Ballot Question 14 - Pumpkin Festival, Holiday Decorations and Plantings - $20,000

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty Thousand ($20,000) Dollars for purposes of Pumpkin Festival support by Public Works, Police, Fire, and Ambulance Departments; purchase and planting of flowers for the Oval and Stone Bridge areas; purchase of lights, garland, etc. for holiday decorations; or take any other action relative thereto? The Board of Selectmen supports this Article. The Budget Advisory Committee supports this Article.

ARTICLE 15 - DO-IT OPERATING BUDGET SUPPORT - $20,000

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty Thousand ($20,000) Dollars for the purpose of continued partial funding for community and economic development programs in and around downtown administered by the Milford Downtown Ongoing Improvement Team (DO-IT), or take any other action relative thereto. This article is requested by DO-IT. This is a Special Warrant Article in accordance with RSA 32. The Board of Selectmen supports this Article. The Budget Advisory Committee supports this Article.

Ballot Question 15 - DO-IT Operating Budget Support - $20,000

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty Thousand ($20,000) Dollars for the purpose of continued partial funding for community and economic development programs in and around downtown administered by the Milford Downtown Ongoing Improvement Team (DO-IT), or take any other action relative thereto? The Board of Selectmen supports this Article. The Budget Advisory Committee supports this Article.

ARTICLE 16 - JENNISON ROAD BRIDGE REPLACEMENT/PHASE I - $18,000

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Ninety Thousand ($90,000) Dollars ($18,000 to be raised by general taxation and $72,000 from the New Hampshire Department of Transportation Bridge Replacement Program) for the purpose of funding the engineering and permitting associated with the bridge replacement on Jennison Road or take any other action relative thereto. The state program is an 80 / 20 matching fund with the town providing the 20%. This will be a Special Article in accordance with RSA 32. The Board of Selectmen supports this Article. The Budget Advisory Committee supports this Article.

NOTE:

The proposed 2012 article for Phase 1 will fund the engineering and permitting of this bridge replacement project and a second warrant article for the construction phase will be proposed for 2013. The second article will also be an 80 / 20 match with the state funding 80% and the town 20%. Once the engineering phase is complete we will have cost data for the 2013 Phase two warrant article; our preliminary estimated is for a gross amount of $110,000, with the towns share being $22,000 or 20%.

Ballot Question 16 - Jennison Road Bridge Replacement/Phase I - $18,000

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Ninety Thousand ($90,000) Dollars ($18,000 to be raised by general taxation and $72,000 from the New Hampshire Department of Transportation Bridge Replacement Program) for the purpose of funding the engineering and permitting associated with the bridge replacement on Jennison Road or take any other action relative thereto, as more-particularly described in Article 16? The Board of Selectmen supports this Article. The Budget Advisory Committee supports this Article.

ARTICLE 17 - SUMMER BAND CONCERTS - $9,000

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Nine Thousand ($9,000) Dollars for the purpose of holding the traditional summer evening Band Concerts ($6,000 bands, $2,000 sound system, $1,000 crossing detail), or take any other action relative thereto. This is a Special Article in accordance with RSA 32. The Board of Selectmen supports this Article. The Budget Advisory Committee supports this Article.

Ballot Question 17 - Summer Band Concerts - $9,000

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Nine Thousand ($9,000) Dollars for the purpose of holding the traditional summer evening Band Concerts ($6,000 bands, $2,000 sound system, $1,000 crossing detail), or take any other action relative thereto? The Board of Selectmen supports this Article. The Budget Advisory Committee supports this Article.

ARTICLE 18 - MEMORIAL, VETERANS & LABOR DAY PARADE TOWN SUPPORT - $6,000

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Six Thousand ($6,000) Dollars for Town support to the Memorial, Veterans and Labor Day Parades by Public Works, Police Department and other Town departments. Departmental support costs and materials associated with the provision of these services will be charged against this appropriation. This is a Special Article in accordance with RSA 32. The Board of Selectmen supports this Article. The Budget Advisory Committee supports this Article.

Ballot Question 18 - Memorial, Veterans & Labor Day Parade Town Support - $6,000

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Six Thousand ($6,000) Dollars for Town support to the Memorial, Veterans and Labor Day Parades by Public Works, Police Department and other Town departments. Departmental support costs and materials associated with the provision of these services will be charged against this appropriation? The Board of Selectmen supports this Article. The Budget Advisory Committee supports this Article.

ARTICLE 19 - FIREWORKS - $4,500

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Four Thousand, Five Hundred ($4,500) Dollars for the purpose of providing a 4th of July type fireworks display at a time and location to be determined by the Board of Selectmen, or take any other action relative thereto. This is a Special Article in accordance with RSA 32. The Board of Selectmen supports this Article. The Budget Advisory Committee supports this Article.

Ballot Question 19 - Fireworks - $4,500

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Four Thousand, Five Hundred ($4,500) Dollars for the purpose of providing a 4th of July type fireworks display at a time and location to be determined by the Board of Selectmen, or take any other action relative thereto? The Board of Selectmen supports this Article. The Budget Advisory Committee supports this Article.

ARTICLE 20 - AUTHORIZE THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN TO RENT OR LEASE TOWN-OWNED PROPERTY - $0

To authorize the Board of Selectmen to lease municipal property for a term of up to 5 years (until rescinded) per RSA 41:11-a, this authority shall remain in effect until specifically rescinded by the town meeting at any duly warned meeting provided that the term of any lease entered into prior to such rescission shall remain in effect. The Board of Selectmen supports this Article.

Ballot Question 20 - Authorize the Board of Selectmen to Rent or Lease Town-Owned Property - $0

Shall the Town vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to lease municipal property for a term of up to 5 years (until rescinded) per RSA 41:11-a, this authority shall remain in effect until specifically rescinded by the town meeting at any duly warned meeting provided that the term of any lease entered into prior to such rescission shall remain in effect? The Board of Selectmen supports this Article.

ARTICLE 21 - AUTHORIZE THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN TO LEASE TOWN-OWNED PROPERTY – SHEPARD PARK SCOUT HOUSE - $0

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to enter into a 10-year lease, pursuant to RSA 31:3 and RSA 35-B:3, with an automatic renewal of same, except for cause, with the Ricciardi Hartshorne Post 23 of the American Legion regarding the Town-owned small wooden structure at 7 Shepard Street within Shepard Park (Map 31, Lot 34), traditionally used for scouting activities, said long-term lease to be on such terms and conditions as the Selectmen deem appropriate, including a reverter clause back to the Town, should the American Legion or scouting activities cease to function or no longer need this 7 Shepard Street facility, and further to authorize the Selectmen to execute any and all documents necessary to carry out the purpose of this Article. The Board of Selectmen supports this Article.

Ballot Question 21 - Authorize the Board of Selectmen to Lease Town-Owned Property – Shepard Park Scout House - $0

Shall the Town vote to authorize the Selectmen to enter into a 10-year lease, pursuant to RSA 31:3 and RSA 35-B:3, with an automatic renewal of same, except for cause, with the Ricciardi Hartshorne Post 23 of the American Legion regarding the Town-owned small wooden structure at 7 Shepard Street within Shepard Park (Map 31, Lot 34), traditionally used for scouting activities, said long-term lease to be on such terms and conditions as the Selectmen deem appropriate, including a reverter clause back to the Town, should the American Legion or scouting activities cease to function or no longer need this 7 Shepard Street facility, and further to authorize the Selectmen to execute any and all documents necessary to carry out the purpose of this Article? The Board of Selectmen supports this Article.

ARTICLE 22 - AUTHORIZE THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN TO LEASE TOWN-OWNED PROPERTY – MCAA/NORTH RIVER ROAD FIELDS - $0

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into a 10-year lease, pursuant to RSA 31:3 and RSA 35-B:3, with an automatic renewal of same, except for cause, with the Milford Community Athletic Association (MCAA) regarding the Town-owned playing fields on North River Road (Map 08, Lot 11), traditionally used by the MCAA for athletic events, said long-term lease to be on such terms and conditions as the Selectmen deem appropriate, including a reverter clause back to the Town, should the MCAA cease to function or no longer need these North River Road Fields, and further to authorize the Selectmen to execute any and all documents necessary to carry out the purpose of this Article. The Board of Selectmen supports this Article.

Ballot Question 22 - Authorize the Board of Selectmen to Lease Town-Owned Property – MCAA/North River Road Fields - $0

Shall the Town vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into a 10-year lease, pursuant to RSA 31:3 and RSA 35-B:3, with an automatic renewal of same, except for cause, with the Milford

Community Athletic Association (MCAA) regarding the Town-owned playing fields on North River Road (Map 08, Lot 11), traditionally used by the MCAA for athletic events, said long-term lease to be on such terms and conditions as the Selectmen deem appropriate, including a reverter clause back to the Town, should the MCAA cease to function or no longer need these North River Road Fields, and further to authorize the Selectmen to execute any and all documents necessary to carry out the purpose of this Article? The Board of Selectmen supports this Article.

ARTICLE 23 - AUTHORIZE THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN TO CONVEY A PERMANENT EASEMENT ON TOWN-OWNED PROPERTY (FORMER PUTNAM STREET) - $0

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to convey a permanent easement to the owner(s) of Map 26, Lot 177, which easement would correspond in size and scope to that currently described in a temporary, revocable license, which easement would benefit Map 26, Lot 177, and facilitate an emergency access and egress from the premises to the area formerly known as Putnam Street). The Board of Selectmen supports this Article.

Ballot Question 23 - Authorize the Board of Selectmen to Convey a Permanent Easement on Town-Owned Property (Former Putnam Street) - $0

Shall the Town vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to convey a permanent easement to the owner(s) of Map 26, Lot 177, which easement would correspond in size and scope to that currently described in a temporary, revocable license, which easement would benefit Map 26, Lot 177, and facilitate an emergency access and egress from the premises to the area formerly known as Putnam Street)? The Board of Selectmen supports this Article.

ARTICLE 24 - ESTABLISHMENT OF THE BROX PROPERTIES PUBLIC INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENT FUND (Tax Map 38, Lots 4, 5, 5-1, 6, 9, 11, 12, 13, and 14) – $0

To see whether the Town will vote, pursuant to RSA 31:19-a, to create an expendable trust fund known as ***The BROX Properties Public Infrastructure Improvement Fund*** the purposes of said trust shall be to defray costs of construction of municipal infrastructure improvements in the form of highway improvements and/or the provision of municipal water and sewer facilities servicing the above referenced BROX properties, located in the West Milford Tax Increment Financing District, when, as, and if the construction of such improvements is approved by the boards, agencies and other bodies from which approval of such construction is required. The Board of Selectmen shall be agents to expend the trust, and may, at its discretion, divert unneeded funds required for BROX properties public infrastructure construction to the general fund. The Board of Selectmen supports this Article.

Ballot Question 24 - Establishment of the BROX Properties Public Infrastructure Improvement Fund (Tax Map 38, Lots 4, 5, 5-1, 6, 9, 11, 12, 13, And 14) – $0

Shall the Town vote, pursuant to RSA 31:19-a, to create an expendable trust fund known as The BROX Properties Public Infrastructure Improvement Fund the purposes of said trust shall be to defray costs of construction of municipal infrastructure improvements in the form of highway improvements and/or the provision of municipal water and sewer facilities servicing the above referenced BROX properties, located in the West Milford Tax Increment Financing District, when, as, and if the construction of such improvements is approved by the boards, agencies and other bodies from which approval of such construction is required. The Board of Selectmen shall be agents to expend the trust, and may, at its discretion, divert unneeded funds required for BROX properties public infrastructure construction to the general fund? The Board of Selectmen supports this Article.

ARTICLE 25 - FUNDING OF THE BROX PROPERTIES PUBLIC INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENT FUND - $0

To see whether the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to deposit any proceeds realized from the sale of the former Police Station property (Tax Map 13, Lot 5), which sale the Selectmen were authorized to undertake by virtue of the approval of Article 25 at the 2006 Town Meeting, into ***The BROX Properties Public Infrastructure Improvement Fund***. This Article is contingent on the passage of the preceding Article establishing ***The BROX Properties Public Infrastructure Improvement Fund***. The Board of Selectmen supports this Article.

Ballot Question 25 - Funding of the BROX Properties Public Infrastructure Improvement Fund - $0

Shall the Town vote to authorize the Selectmen to deposit any proceeds realized from the sale of the former Police Station property (Tax Map 13, Lot 5), which sale the Selectmen were authorized to undertake by virtue of the approval of Article 25 at the 2006 Town Meeting, into The BROX Properties Public Infrastructure Improvement Fund. This Article is contingent on the passage of the preceding Article establishing The BROX Properties Public Infrastructure Improvement Fund, as more-particularly described in Article 25? The Board of Selectmen supports this Article.

ARTICLE 26 - AUTHORIZE THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN TO CONVEY A PERMANENT SUBDIVISION IDENTIFICATION SIGNAGE EASEMENT – FALCON RIDGE SUBDIVISION (MAP 3, LOT 4) - $0

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to convey a permanent easement for the placement of a sign, on such terms and conditions as the Selectmen see fit, which easement would correspond in size and scope to that currently described in a temporary, revocable license, which easement would burden Map 3, Lot 4, and facilitate the placement and maintenance of a monument sign on designated open space consisting of Map 3, Lot 4. The Board of Selectmen supports this Article.

Ballot Question 26 - Authorize the Board of Selectmen to Convey A Permanent Subdivision Identification Signage Easement – Falcon Ridge Subdivision (Map 3, Lot 4) - $0

Shall the Town vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to convey a permanent easement for the placement of a sign, on such terms and conditions as the Selectmen see fit, which easement would correspond in size and scope to that currently described in a temporary, revocable license, which easement would burden Map 3, Lot 4, and facilitate the placement and maintenance of a monument sign on designated open space consisting of Map 3, Lot 4? The Board of Selectmen supports this Article.

ARTICLE 27 - PRATT LAND CONSERVATION EASEMENT CONVEYANCE (MAP 45, LOT 2) – $0

To see whether the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to convey a conservation easement to a qualified land preservation trust, which easement will burden the property consisting of Map 45, Lot 2, (known as the 'Pratt Land'), which land was recently acquired by the Town by deed recorded at Book 8360, Page 2043 in the Hillsborough Registry, on such terms and conditions as the Board of Selectmen deem in the best interest of the Town and, in order to implement the condition contained in said deed calling for such a conveyance. The Board of Selectmen supports this Article.

Ballot Question 27 - Pratt Land Conservation Easement Conveyance (Map 45, Lot 2) – $0

Shall the Town vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to convey a conservation easement to a qualified land preservation trust, which easement will burden the property consisting of Map 45, Lot 2, (known as the 'Pratt Land'), which land was recently acquired by the Town by deed recorded at Book 8360, Page 2043 in the Hillsborough Registry, on such terms and conditions as the Board of Selectmen deem in the best interest of the Town and, in order to implement the condition contained in said deed calling for such a conveyance? The Board of Selectmen supports this Article.

ARTICLE 28 - CHANGE TOWN TREASURER TO AN APPOINTED POSITION – $0

To see if the Town, pursuant to RSA 41:26-e, will vote to discontinue the elected treasurer office, and, instead, authorize the Board of Selectmen to appoint a Town Treasurer who shall have the same powers and duties as required of a town treasurer under applicable law. Upon the passage of this article, the person holding the elected office of treasurer at the time of the vote to discontinue shall continue to hold office until the annual town election first following the discontinuance of the office, at which time the elected office of treasurer shall terminate irrespective of the length of that officer's term. When the selectmen appoint the treasurer, such appointment shall be made in writing, which writing shall include the compensation to be paid in the amount of Two Thousand Dollars ($2,000) annually, or take any other action relative thereto. The Board of Selectmen supports this Article. The Budget Advisory Committee supports this Article.

Ballot Question 28 - Change Town Treasurer to an Appointed Position – $0

Shall the Town, pursuant to RSA 41:26-e, vote to discontinue the elected treasurer office, and, instead, authorize the Board of Selectmen to appoint a Town Treasurer who shall have the same powers and duties as required of a town treasurer under applicable law. Upon the passage of this article, the person holding the elected office of treasurer at the time of the vote to discontinue shall continue to hold office until the annual town election first following the discontinuance of the office, at which time the elected office of treasurer shall terminate irrespective of the length of that officer's term. When the selectmen appoint the treasurer, such appointment shall be made in writing, which writing shall include the compensation to be paid in the amount of Two Thousand Dollars ($2,000) annually, or take any other action relative thereto? The Board of Selectmen supports this Article. The Budget Advisory Committee supports this Article.

ARTICLE 29 - ADJUSTMENT TO INCOME AND ASSET LEVELS FOR ELDERLY EXEMPTIONS – BY PETITION – $0

To see if the Town will, pursuant to RSA 72:39-(a) and (b), modify the elderly exemptions from property tax in the Town of Milford, based on assessed value for qualified taxpayers, to be as follows: for a person 65 years of age up to 74 years $67,000; for a person 75 years of age up to 79 years - $100,000; and for a person 80 years of age or older - $133,000? To qualify, the person must satisfy all the conditions of RSA 72:39-(a) and (b) that pertain to eligibility for this exemption as well as those contained in any other applicable statute, including without limitation that they demonstrate that they have been a New Hampshire resident for at least 3 consecutive years, that they own the real estate individually or jointly or, ,if the real estate is owned by such person's spouse, that they must have been married to each other for at least five years, and that they reside on the property. In addition, the taxpayer must have a net income in each applicable age group of not more than $38,600 or if married, a combined net income of not more than $46,000; and own net assets of not more than $85,000, excluding the value of the person's residence. The Board of Selectmen does not support this Article.

Ballot Question 29 - Adjustment to Income & Asset Levels for Elderly Exemptions By Petition – $0

Shall the Town, pursuant to RSA 72:39-(a) and (b), modify the elderly exemptions from property tax in the Town of Milford, based on assessed value for qualified taxpayers, to be as follows: for a person 65 years of age up to 74 years $67,000; for a person 75 years of age up to 79 years - $100,000; and for a person 80 years of age or older - $133,000? To qualify, the person must satisfy all the conditions of RSA 72:39-(a) and (b) that pertain to eligibility for this exemption as well as those contained in any other applicable statute, including without limitation that they demonstrate that they have been a New Hampshire resident for at least 3 consecutive years, that they own the real estate individually or jointly or, ,if the real estate is owned by such person's spouse, that they must have been married to each other for at least five years, and that they reside on the property. In addition, the taxpayer must have a net income in each applicable age group of not more than $38,600 or if married, a combined net income of not more than $46,000; and own net assets of not more than $85,000, excluding the value of the person's residence? The Board of Selectmen does not support this Article.

ARTICLE 30 – END OF MEETING

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