Town of Alton Budget Committee December 14, 2017 @ 6:30 PM Alton Town Hall 1 Monument Square, Alton, NH 03809 Approved: February 3, 2018

- 1. Call to order at 6:30 pm.
- 2. Pledge of Allegiance
- 3. Roll Call

Present:

Roger Nelson, Chairman Andrew Levasseur, Member Terence O'Rourke, Member Peter Leavitt, School Representative

Others:

Liz Dionne, Town Administrator

Absent:

Greg Fuller, Member David Hershey, Member Reuben Wentworth, Selectmen Representative

4. Approval of Agenda

Motion by Terence O'Rourke to accept the Agenda as presented. Second by Peter Leavitt. No discussion. Motion passes with all in favor.

- 5. Approval of Minutes
 None
- 6. Old Business
 None
- 7. New Business

Review of Warrant Articles as follows:

Article 1: List of elected positions to be on ballot

ARTICLE 1: To choose all necessary Town Officers for which there are vacancies, for such terms as may be permitted by law; and to elect: two selectmen for three years, one trustee of trust funds for three years, two library trustees for three years, one water commissioner for three years, one water commissioner for two years, one budget committee member for three years, one budget committee member for two years, one budget committee member for one year, two planning board members for

three years, one supervisor of the checklist for three years and two zoning board members for three years.

Article 2: (zoning amendment) Budget Committee (4-0)

Article 3: (zoning amendment) Budget Committee (4-0)

Article 4: (zoning amendment) Budget Committee (4-0)

Article 5: (zoning amendment) Budget Committee (4-0)

Article 6: (zoning amendment) Budget Committee (4-0)

Article 7: (zoning amendment) Budget Committee (4-0)

Article 8: (zoning amendment) Budget Committee (4-0)

Article 9: (zoning amendment) Budget Committee (4-0)

Article 10: (zoning amendment) Budget Committee (4-0)

Article 11: (zoning amendment) Budget Committee (4-0)

Article: Town Beach/Park Capital Reserve Fund

ARTICLE #: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$75,000 to be added to the Town Beach/Park Capital Reserve Fund as previously established in 2005. (Appropriation recommended by the Board of Selectmen (4-0) and by the Budget Committee (3-1)) (Majority vote required)

Article: Old Home Week

ARTICLE #: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,500 for the purpose of funding Old Home Week events such as the Barbershoppers, band concerts, magic shows and other forms of activities. This special warrant article will be a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7, VI and will not lapse until the Old Home Week event is completed or by December 31, 2018, whichever is sooner. (Appropriation recommended by the Board of Selectmen (4-0) and by the Budget Committee (4-0)) (Majority vote required)

Article: Watershed Plan

ARTICLE #: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$20,000 for the purpose of contributing towards the development of a Watershed Plan with the Town of New Durham in order to apply for federal funding to help address water quality issues within the Watershed area. This special warrant article will be a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7, VI and will not lapse until December 31, 2022. The passage of this warrant article is contingent upon the Town of New Durham's 2018 operating budget passing, which includes their share of funds for the Watershed Plan. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen (4-0) and the Budget Committee (4-0)) (Majority vote required)

Article: Benefit Pay Expendable Trust Fund

ARTICLE #: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$50,000 to be placed in the Benefit Pay Expendable Trust Fund, as previously established in 2001. Said funds are recommended by the Town Auditors to be used to pay for benefits accrued by Town employees and redeemed when they leave employment with the Town of Alton, in accordance with the Town Personnel Policy. (Appropriation recommended by the Board of Selectmen (4-0) and by the Budget Committee (4-0)) (Majority vote required)

Article: Operating Budget

ARTICLE # : Shall the Town 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 posted with the warrant or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein, totaling Seven Million, Six Hundred Sixty-Six Thousand, Two Hundred Eighty Three Dollars (\$7,666,283). Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be Seven Million, Four Hundred Eighty Thousand, Thirty One Dollars (\$7,480,031), which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Board of Selectmen 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 article does not include special or individual articles addressed. (Appropriation recommended by the Board of Selectmen (5-0) and by the Budget Committee (3-1)) (Majority vote required)

Article: Ambulance Operation Special Revenue Fund

ARTICLE #: To see if the Town will vote to DISCONTINUE the Ambulance Operation Special Revenue Fund, previously established in 2000, and place all monies in this Fund into the Town's unassigned fund balance. This article is contingent upon article #___ passing. (Appropriation recommended by the Board of Selectmen (5-0) (Majority vote required) Budget Committee (4-0)

Rational: These funds are used for ambulance operations.

Article: Ambulance Revolving Fund

ARTICLE #: To see if the Town will vote to establish an Ambulance Revolving Fund pursuant to RSA 31:95-h, for the purpose of maintaining an ambulance service with costs to include but not be limited to supplies, ambulance medical equipment, ambulance personnel medical equipment, training, ambulance fuel, ambulance maintenance, ambulance vehicle equipment, and ambulance purchases or lease/purchases. This fund will receive all forms of revenue from the ambulance service, to include but not limited to, ambulance billing revenues, activities, donations, services and other income which will be deposited into the Ambulance Revolving Fund. The money in the fund shall be allowed to accumulate from year to year, with the exception of expenses used to operate the ambulance service, and shall not be considered part of the Town's general fund balance. And further, to remove \$ from the Town's unassigned fund balance and place it into this fund. These funds had been placed into the unassigned fund balance from the Ambulance Special Revenue Fund. The Town Treasurer shall have custody of all monies in the fund, and shall pay out the same only upon order of the Governing Body and no further approval is required by the legislative body to expend. Such funds may be expended only for the purpose of which the fund was created for. This article is contingent upon article # passing. (Appropriation recommended by the Board of Selectmen (5-0) (Majority vote required) Budget Committee (4-0)

Rationale: These funds are used for ambulance operations.

Article: Ambulance Operation Special Revenue Fund Annual Appropriation

ARTICLE # : To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$79,487 and to authorize the withdrawal of the \$79,487 from the Ambulance Operation Fund as previously established in 2000 under RSA 31: 95c for the purpose of funding the ambulance supplies and equipment, training, and vehicle fuel/maintenance. This appropriation is covered by the revenue from the ambulance insurance payments and there will be no funds raised from general taxation. This article is null and void if articles #____ and ____ are approved. (Appropriation recommended by the Selectmen (5-0) and by the Budget Committee (4-0)) (Majority vote required)

Article 03: Ambulance Lease Purchase

ARTICLE # : To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to enter into a 5-year lease/purchase agreement in the amount of \$215,000 for the purpose of leasing a new ambulance and equipment, and appropriate the sum of \$47,000 for the first year's payment for that purpose. This appropriation is covered by the revenue from the ambulance insurance payments and **there will be no funds raised from general taxation**. This lease agreement contains a non-appropriation clause. (Appropriation recommended by the Selectmen (5-0) and by the Budget Committee (4-0)) (Majority vote required)

(CIP recommended)

Rationale: This will replace the current ambulance #2, which is 2005 ambulance, which has been out of service for extended periods for mechanical repairs.

Article: Lucas CPR Device

ARTICLE #: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$15,500 and to authorize the withdrawal of the \$15,500 from the Ambulance Operation Fund previously established in 2000 under RSA 31: 95c if still in existence, for the purchase of a Lucas CPR Device. This appropriation is covered by the revenue from the ambulance insurance payments and there will be no funds raised from general taxation. This will equip the second ambulance with a Lucas CPR Device. (Appropriation recommended by the Selectmen (5-0) and by the Budget Committee (4-0)) (Majority vote required)

Article: Fire Department Engine 4 Lease/Purchase

Article # : To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to enter into a ten-year lease/purchase agreement in the amount of \$600,000 for the purpose of leasing/purchasing a new pumping fire truck and equipment, and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$70,245 for the first year's payment for that purpose. This lease agreement contains a non-appropriation clause. (Appropriation recommended by the Selectmen (5-0) and by the Budget Committee (3-1)) (Majority vote required)

(CIP recommended)

Rationale: The purpose of the funds will be for the purchase of a new Engine 4 and equipment. This Engine 4 will be housed at the East Alton Fire Station.

Article: Fire Department Ladder Truck Lease/Purchase

Article #: To see if the Town will authorize to enter into a ten-year lease/purchase agreement in the amount of \$900,000 for the purpose of leasing/purchasing a new aerial ladder fire truck and equipment, and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$105,368 for the

first year's payment for that purpose. This lease agreement contains a non-appropriation clause. (Appropriation recommended by the Selectmen (3-2) and by the Budget Committee (3-1)) (Majority vote required)

(CIP recommended)

Rationale: The new ladder truck will be housed at the Central Fire Station.

Article: Fire Department Equipment Capital Reserve Fund

ARTICLE #: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$336,808 to be added to the Fire Equipment Capital Reserve Fund as previously established in 1973. (Appropriation recommended by the Selectmen (4-0-1) and by the Budget Committee (3-1)) (Majority vote required)

(CIP recommended)

Rationale: This capital reserve fund was established to repair/replace fire vehicles and equipment. The breakdown of the requested amount is to save a designated amount each year towards the future purchase of these items.

\$8,333, Ranger ATV and trailer, 10-year lifespan

\$9,000, Utility One Ford F250 Pickup, 10-year lifespan

\$25,000, Fire Boat/Boat One Eastern fiberglass boat, 20-year lifespan

\$92,857, Engine 2 Emergency One, 20-year lifespan

\$5,625, Hydraulic Rescue Tools, 10-year lifespan

\$66,666, Engine 3 Emergency One, 20-year lifespan

\$65,000, Engine 1 Emergency One, 20-year lifespan

\$21,250, Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus, 12-year lifespan

\$4,615, Breathing Air Compressor, 15-year lifespan

\$38,462, Rescue 1 Emergency One, 20-year lifespan

Article : Highway Department Equipment Capital Reserve Fund

ARTICLE #: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$429,642 to be added to the Highway Department Equipment Capital Reserve Fund as previously established in 1981. (Appropriation recommended by the Selectmen (4-0-1) and by the Budget Committee (4-0)) (Majority vote required)

(CIP recommended)

Rationale: This capital reserve fund was established to repair/replace highway vehicles and equipment. The breakdown of the requested amount is to save a designated amount each year towards the future purchase of these items.

\$64,950, Case Backhoe, 12-year lifespan

\$80,000, Excavator, 14-year lifespan

\$25,000, 6-wheel Mack Dump Truck, 12-year lifespan

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\$50,000,10-wheel Mack Dump Truck, 12-year lifespan

\$49,250, 10-wheel International Dump Truck, 12-year lifespan

\$22,931, 6-wheel F550 Dump Truck, 10-year lifespan

\$21,889, 10-wheel International Dump Truck, 12-year lifespan

\$6,400, pickup truck, 6-year lifespan

\$10,000, 12" Chipper, 25-year lifespan

\$42,333, 10-Ton 84" Roller, 25-year lifespan

\$2,222, 30-Ton Trailer, 25-year lifespan

\$29,667, Elgin Street Sweeper, 20-year lifespan

Article: Highway Road Construction Capital Reserve Fund

ARTICLE #: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the amount of \$950,000 to be added to the Highway Construction Capital Reserve Fund, as previously established in 1998. Said amount is partially offset by revenues from the Highway Block Grant Fund estimated to be \$195,000. This is an annual appropriation that provides for the reconstruction of existing roadways. (Appropriation recommended by the Board of Selectmen (3-2) and by the Budget Committee (3-1)) (Majority vote required)

(CIP recommended)

Article: Rock and Asphalt Crushing Capital Reserve Fund

ARTICLE #: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the amount of \$50,000 to be added to the Rock and Asphalt Crushing Capital Reserve Fund, as previously established in 2017. (Appropriation recommended by the Board of Selectmen (5-0) and by the Budget Committee (4-0)) (Majority vote required)

(CIP recommended)

Article: Highway Sand Shed Capital Reserve Fund

ARTICLE #: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the amount of \$5,000 to be added to the Highway Sand Shed Capital Reserve Fund, as previously established in 2003. (Appropriation recommended by the Board of Selectmen (4-1) and by the Budget Committee (4-0)) (Majority vote required)

Article: Bridge Construction Capital Reserve Fund

ARTICLE #: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the amount of \$10,000 to be added to the Bridge Construction Capital Reserve Fund, as previously established in 1995. (Appropriation recommended by the Board of Selectmen (5-0) and by the Budget Committee (4-0)) (Majority vote required)

Article: Highway Building Improvements/Repairs

ARTICLE #: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the amount of \$20,000 to be added to the Highway Building Improvements/Repairs Capital Reserve Fund, as previously established in 2014. (Appropriation recommended by the Board of Selectmen (5-0) and by the Budget Committee (4-0)) (Majority vote required)

Article: Parks and Recreation Vehicle Capital Reserve Fund

ARTICLE #: To see if the Town will vote to establish a Parks and Recreation Vehicle Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of purchasing vehicles for the Parks and Recreation Department and to raise and appropriate the amount of \$22,000 to be placed in this fund. Further, to name the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend from said fund. (Appropriation recommended by the Board of Selectmen (5-0) and by the Budget Committee (3-1)) (Majority vote required)

(CIP recommended)

Article: AVAS Public Park Building/Property Capital Reserve Fund

Article #: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the amount of \$15,000 to be added to the A.V.A.S. Public Park Building Property Capital Reserve Fund as previously established in 2017. (Appropriation recommended by the Board of Selectmen (5-0) and by the Budget Committee (4-0)) (Majority vote required)

(CIP recommended)

Rationale: This fund is used for much needed repairs on the structure and property.

Article: Mount Major Community Center Property Capital Reserve Fund

Article #: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the amount of \$10,000 to be added to the Mount Major Community Center Property Capital Reserve Fund as previously established in 2017. (Appropriation recommended by the Board of Selectmen (4-1) and by the Budget Committee (3-1)) (Majority vote required)

(CIP recommended)

Article: Retaining Wall Capital Reserve Fund

ARTICLE #: To see if the Town will vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund for the purpose of improvements, maintenance and repairs to the Alton Bay Lake Side Retaining Walls, and further to raise and appropriate the amount of \$20,000 to be added to the Retaining Wall Capital Reserve Capital Reserve Fund, and to designate the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend. (Appropriation recommended by the Board of Selectmen (5-0) and by the Budget Committee (4-0)) (Majority vote required)

Article: Milfoil Capital Reserve Fund

ARTICLE #: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$22,000 to be added to the Milfoil Capital Reserve Fund, as previously established in 2010. (Appropriation recommended by the Board of Selectmen (5-0) and by the Budget Committee (4-0)) (Majority vote required)

Article: Police Detail Revolving Fund

ARTICLE #: To see if the Town will vote to change the purpose of the existing Police Detail Revolving Fund, previously established in 2016, from being used for Police detail payroll and overhead, to being used for Police detail payroll, overhead, fleet maintenance, fleet equipment purchases, all fleet vehicle and boat purchases or lease/purchases. This account is funded by Police detail revenue and there will be no funds raised from general taxation. (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen (5-0) (Majority vote required) Budget Committee (4-0)

Article: Landfill Closure Capital Reserve Fund

ARTICLE #: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,000 to be added to the Landfill Closure Capital Reserve Fund, as previously established in 1994. These funds are being used to deal with the contamination at the landfill and to meet the state regulatory requirements. (Appropriation recommended by the Board of Selectmen (5-0) and by the Budget Committee (4-0)) (Majority vote required)

Article: Solid Waste Equipment Capital Reserve Fund

ARTICLE #: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000 to be added to the Solid Waste Equipment Capital Reserve Fund, as previously established in 2001. (Appropriation recommended by the Board of Selectmen (5-0) and by the Budget Committee (4-0)) (Majority vote required)

Article: Transfer Station Building and Site Improvement Capital Reserve Fund

ARTICLE #: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$25,000 to be added to the Building and Site Improvement Capital Reserve Fund for the Transfer Station, as previously established in 2005, which also includes the EPA storm water management

implementation requirements. (Appropriation recommended by the Board of Selectmen (5-0) and by the Budget Committee (4-0)) (Majority vote required)

Article: Town Hall Building Improvements Capital Reserve Fund

ARTICLE #: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000 to be added to the Town Hall Building Improvements Capital Reserve Fund, as previously established in 2011. (Appropriation recommended by the Board of Selectmen (5-0) and by the Budget Committee (4-0)) (Majority vote required)

(CIP recommended)

Rationale: These funds will be used for improvements to the Town Hall building and property. The current project these funds are being sought for is a sprinkler system for the building. The building has a smoke detector system, which is aged, but no sprinkler system which places the Town in violation of fire safety codes for occupancy limits in the upstairs meeting room.

Article: Library Elevator Capital Reserve Fund

ARTICLE #: To see if the Town will vote to DISCONTINUE the Library Elevator Capital Reserve Fund created in 2002. Said funds, with accumulated interest to date of withdrawal, are to be transferred to the Town's General Fund. (Recommended by the Selectmen (5-0)) Rationale: The fund is no longer used. Balance is approximately \$1.00. Budget Committee (4-0)

Article: Revaluation Capital Reserve Fund

ARTICLE #: To see if the Town will vote to DISCONTINUE the Revaluation Capital Reserve Fund created in 2001. Said funds, with accumulated interest to date of withdrawal, are to be transferred to the Town's General Fund. (Recommended by the Selectmen (5-0)) Rationale: The fund is no longer used. Balance is approximately \$1.00. Budget Committee (4-0)

Article: Police Vehicle Capital Reserve Fund

ARTICLE #: To see if the Town will vote to DISCONTINUE the Police Vehicle Capital Reserve Fund created in 2012. Said funds, with accumulated interest to date of withdrawal, are to be transferred to the Town's General Fund. (Recommended by the Selectmen (5-0)) Rationale: The fund is no longer used. Balance is approximately \$66.00. Budget Committee (4-0)

Article: Trails over Town/Private Land

ARTICLE #: Shall the Town vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to establish class A or class B trails over any land previously acquired by the Town, including any land acquired by the conservation Commission pursuant to RSA 36-A:4 or as a town forest pursuant to RSA 31:110. Shall the Town also authorize the Board of Selectmen to acquire any class A or class B trail in the name of the Town pursuant to the terms of RSA 231-A:5 I – III. (Recommended by the Selectmen (5-0)) (Majority vote required)

Article: Trails over Class VI Roads

ARTICLE #: Shall the Town vote to reclassify that portion of Alton Mountain Road that is currently a Class VI highway as a Class A Municipal Trail pursuant to RSA 231-A:2. The Class VI portion of Alton Mountain Road begins at the home of MaryLou Banker and John Geleas and extends to the Gilmanton Town line at property of the Boy Scouts of America.

All owners of abutting properties shall have all existing rights of use as provided for in RSA 231-A:1 I. (Recommended by Selectmen (5-0)) (Majority vote required)

Article: CAP nonprofit

ARTICLE #: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000 for the purpose of supporting the Community Action Program which provides supplemental food, fuel, utility, transportation, meals on wheels, weatherization assistance and Women, Infants & Children food assistance program (WIC). This is a special warrant article. (Appropriation recommended by the Board of Selectmen (5-0) and by the Budget Committee (4-0)) (Majority vote required)

Article: Central NH VNA & Hospice nonprofit

ARTICLE #: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$12,000 for the purpose of supporting the Central New Hampshire VNA & Hospice which is a non-profit agency that provides health care, hospice care and maternal child health services. This is a special warrant article. (Appropriation recommended by the Board of Selectmen (5-0) and by the Budget Committee (4-0)) (Majority vote required)

Article: American Red Cross nonprofit

ARTICLE #: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,000 for the purpose of supporting the American Red Cross which provides disaster relief, shelters, basic household necessities and counseling. This is a special warrant article. (Appropriation recommended by the Board of Selectmen (5-0) and by the Budget Committee (4-0)) (Majority vote required)

Article: Alton Community Services nonprofit

ARTICLE #: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$15,000 for the purpose of supporting the Alton Community Services which provides a food pantry and assistance programs for fuel, prescriptions, utilities and housing in close coordination with the Alton Welfare Department. This is a special warrant article. (Appropriation recommended by the Board of

Selectmen (5-0) and by the Budget Committee (4-0)) (Majority vote required)

Article: New Beginnings nonprofit

ARTICLE #: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,530 for the purpose of supporting New Beginnings which provides 24-hour crisis support for domestic/sexual assault victims, operates a shelter and provides counseling. This is a special warrant article. (Appropriation recommended by the Board of Selectmen (5-0) and by the Budget Committee (4-0)) (Majority vote required)

Article : Genesis nonprofit

ARTICLE #: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$15,750 for the purpose of supporting Genesis which provides mental health care to area residents, services for children, elders, along with other emergency services. This is a special warrant article. (Appropriation recommended by the Board of Selectmen (5-0) and by the Budget Committee (4-0)) (Majority vote required)

Article: Caregivers of Southern Carroll County and Vicinity nonprofit

ARTICLE #: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,000 for the purpose of supporting Caregivers of Southern Carroll County and Vicinity, Inc. (includes

Alton) which provides free transportation to handicapped, elderly and other residents needing assistance with all these services provided by volunteers. This is a special warrant article. (Appropriation recommended by the Board of Selectmen (5-0) and by the Budget Committee (4-0)) (Majority vote required)

Article: CASA nonprofit

ARTICLE # : To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500 for the purpose of supporting CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocates) which provides advocacy for abused and neglected children. This is a special warrant article. (Appropriation recommended by the Board of Selectmen (5-0) and by the Budget Committee (4-0)) (Majority vote required)

Article: Child & Family Services nonprofit

ARTICLE #: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,500 for the purpose of supporting Child & Family Services. This is a special warrant article. (Appropriation recommended by the Board of Selectmen (5-0) and by the Budget Committee (4-0)) (Majority vote required)

Article: L.I.F.E. Ministries nonprofit

ARTICLE #: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum \$3,000 for the purpose of supporting L.I.F.E. Ministries which is a not-for-profit charity that provides food and staples to Alton residents. (Appropriation recommended by the Board of Selectmen (5-0) and by the Budget Committee (4-0)) (Majority vote required)

Article: Partnership for Public Health nonprofit (Need a petition)

ARTICLE # : To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,500 for the purpose of supporting Partnership for Public Health which is a not-for-profit charity that supports regional public health activities in the Lakes Region. This is a special warrant article. (Appropriation recommended by the Board of Selectmen (-) and by the Budget Committee (-)) (Majority vote required)

Article: Lakes Region Tourism nonprofit (Need a petition)

ARTICLE # : To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum \$250 for the purpose of supporting the Lakes Region Tourism Association which is a not-for-profit charity that provides servicing, promoting and marketing for the Lakes Region area. (Appropriation recommended by the Board of Selectmen (-) and by the Budget Committee (-)) (Majority vote required)

Article: Jones Field Upgrade and Expansion of Existing Facilities

ARTICLE #: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum \$50,000 to upgrade and expand the existing facilities at the Jones Field Recreation Area for such things as installation of irrigation, adding additional parking, replace and relocate the snack shack and add lighting for the ball field and other projects, similar in scope and purpose. (Appropriation recommended by the Board of Selectmen (3-2) and by the Budget Committee (3-1)) (Majority vote required) **This is a petition article.**

Article: KENO Games

ARTICLE #: Shall we allow the operation of Keno games within the Town of Alton? (Recommended by the Selectmen (5-0) (Majority vote required) **This is a petition article.** Budget Committee (4-0)

8. Public Input None

9. Other Business.

School Budget:

Due to the JMA not having finalization on their budget, a January 10th date was set for approval of the school budget.

10. MOTION to adjourn at 8:15 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Roger Nelson, Chairman and Recorder