<u>Warrant Articles – Town Election March 12, 2024</u> Town Meeting March 16, 2024



State of New Hampshire

The inhabitants of the Town of Brookfield in the County of Carroll in said State qualified to vote in Town affairs.

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town House in said Brookfield on Tuesday, the Twelfth day of March 2024, to act upon Warrant Article 1 through 5 by official ballot. Polls will be open from 1:00 pm to 7:00 pm.

And you are hereby further notified to meet at the Town House in said Brookfield on Saturday, the Sixteenth day of March 2024, beginning at 10:00 am to act upon the following Articles 6 through 14.

- 1. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the coming year By Ballot.
- 2. Are you in favor of adoption of amendment #1 to the Brookfield Zoning Ordinance as recommended by the Planning Board as follows: Increase the minimum lot size in the Residential Agricultural Zone from two acres to five acres and require that at least two of those acres be contiguous non-hydric soils with slopes of less than 8%. (Majority Vote Required) By Ballot The Planning Board recommends (6-0-0)
- 3. Are you in favor of adoption of amendment #2 to the Brookfield Zoning Ordinance as recommended by the Planning Board as follows: Increase the road frontage required in the Residential Agricultural Zone from 250 contiguous feet to 400 contiguous feet, with access to the lot via that contiguous frontage. (Majority Vote Required) By Ballot The Planning Board recommends (6-0-0)
- 4. Are you in favor of adoption of amendment #3 to the Brookfield Zoning Ordinance as recommended by the Planning Board as follows: adopt a new Article defining and

- regulating the installation of various types of solar energy systems. (Majority Vote Required) By Ballot The Planning Board recommends (6-0-0)
- 5. By citizen's petition: Are you in favor of the adoption of the following Amendment to the Brookfield Zoning Ordinance: Add to the existing Section A 2c (page four) of the current Ordinance the following: "Lots located on Class VI Roads Lots having at least 500 feet of frontage on a Class VI Road may, upon successful completion of the permit process as set forth in RSA 674:41 and Brookfield Regulations, be developed with one dwelling. The lot shall have a minimum of 217,800 square feet (five acres). Subdivision of lots whose sole access or frontage is on a Class VI Road shall not be permitted." (Majority Vote Required) By Ballot The Planning Board does not recommend (3-1-2)
- 6. Shall the Town vote to readopt the provisions of RSA 72:28, Optional Veterans' Tax Credit? If readopted, the credit will apply to every resident of this state who is any person who is a veteran, as defined in RSA 21:50, and served not less than 90 days on active service in the armed forces of the United States in any qualifying war or armed conflict listed in this section, and continues to serve or was honorably discharged or an officer who continues to serve or was honorably separated from service; or the spouse or surviving spouse of such resident, provided that training for active duty by a member of the national guard or reserve shall be included as service under this subparagraph; (b) Every resident of this state who was terminated from the armed forces because of service-connected disability; or the surviving spouse of such resident; and (c) The surviving spouse of any resident who suffered a service-connected death. If adopted, the credit granted will be \$250, which is the amount adopted by the town in 2018. The Selectmen recommend this article.
- 7. Shall the Town vote to readopt the provisions of RSA 72:28-b, All Veteran's Tax Credit? If readopted, the credit will be available to any resident who is a veteran, as defined in RSA 21:50, and served not less than 90 days on active service in the armed forces of the United States and continues to serve or was honorably discharged or an officer who continues to serve or was honorably separated from service; or the spouse or surviving spouse of such resident, provided that training for active duty or state active duty by a member of the national guard or reserve shall be included as service under this paragraph; provided however that the person is not eligible for and is not receiving a credit under RSA 72:28 or RSA 72:35. If adopted, the credit granted will be \$250 the same amount as the optional veterans' tax credit voted by the Town under RSA 72:28. The Selectmen recommend this article.
- 8. Is the Town in favor of establishing the office of Gafney Library Trustee to represent the Town of Brookfield on the Gafney Library Board of Trustees for a term of one year as provided in the current Bylaws of the Gafney Library, Inc. The library trustees have general charge, oversight, and direction of the fiscal and operational affairs and adoption of rules

- and regulations that reflect the purpose of the Gafney Library Corporation. The Selectmen recommend this article.
- 9. Is the Town in favor of using RSA 669:16 and RSA 669:54-669:60 to elect the Gafney Library Trustee by unofficial ballot at this town meeting to serve until the next Town election. The Selectmen recommend this article.
- 10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000 for painting the exterior of the Town House and authorize the withdrawal of said sum from the Town House Repair Capital Reserve Fund. (Majority Vote Required) The Selectmen recommend this appropriation.
- 11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$32,000 for the revaluation of properties in town and authorize the withdrawal of said sum from the Property Reevaluation Expendable Trust Fund. (Majority Vote Required) The Selectmen recommend this appropriation.
- 12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000 for the development of a conceptual design for the expansion of the Town Office and authorize the withdrawal of said sum from the Town Building & Ground Maintenance Capital Reserve Trust Fund. (Majority Vote Required) The Selectmen recommend this appropriation.
- 13. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$150,000 to be deposited into the Road and Bridge Repair Capital Reserve Fund. (Majority Vote Required). The Selectmen recommend this appropriation.
- 14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the Selectmen's recommended sum of \$1,372,365 for the Town Operating Budget. Said sum does not include special or individual articles addressed in this Warrant. (Majority Vote Required) The Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

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