

ARTICLE 4:

ARTICLE 4: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds or borrow a sum of money for the construction and/or repair and/or purchase and/or lease and/or replacement of buildings, and/or land, and/or equipment and/or capital facilities and/or for feasibility studies and other types of studies for the various departments of the Town substantially as follows:

- A. North Plymouth land/building for Fire Station
- B. Police Study of Department
- C. Corrosion Repair/Repaint Engines
- D. Study of Personnel Salaries Town-wide
- E. Pressure Washer**
- F. Tire Changer**
- G. Tire Balancer**
- H. Stick Welder**
- I. Salt Shed Retrofit and Repairs
- J. Replacement of H33 (10 wheeler with wing)
- K. Emergency Operations Plan

or take any other action relative thereto.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

4E: Pressure Washer

RECOMMENDATION: Approval \$5,300 (11-1-0)

The Advisory & Finance Committee recommends Town Meeting approve Article 4E.

Approval of this article, which was inadvertently left off the Article 8 listing on the Spring 2015 Warrant, will fund the purchase of a hot water pressure washer. This will enable the Department of Public Works to properly wash all equipment throughout the year, but particularly important after snow and ice events.

4F: Tire Changer

RECOMMENDATION: Approval \$14,000 (Unanimous, 12-0-0)

The Advisory & Finance Committee recommends Town Meeting approve Article 4F.

Approval of this article, which was inadvertently left off the Article 8 listing on the Spring 2015 Warrant, will fund replacement of a tire changer. The current equipment used by the Fleet Maintenance Division is at the end of its life cycle and is inadequate to service newer equipment since it can only handle rims up to 18 inches, requiring newer heavy duty trucks to be sent out for repair. The new tire changer would handle rims up to 24 inches.

4G: Tire Balancer

RECOMMENDATION: Approval \$11,000 (Unanimous, 12-0-0)

The Advisory & Finance Committee recommends Town Meeting approve Article 4G.

Approval of this article, which was inadvertently left off the Article 8 listing on the Spring 2015 Warrant, will fund replacement of a tire balancer. Similar to the tire changer in Article 4F, the tire balancer is at the end of its life cycle and can only handle rims up to 18 inches. The new tire balancer would handle rims up to 24 inches.

4H: Stick Welder

RECOMMENDATION: Approval \$6,000 (Unanimous, 12-0-0)

The Advisory & Finance Committee recommends Town Meeting approve Article 4H.

Approval of this article, which was inadvertently left off the Article 8 listing on the Spring 2015 Warrant, will fund replacement of a portable welder/generator currently on the service truck in Fleet Maintenance. The current unit is old and replacement parts are no longer available. The stick welder is portable and used frequently to repair equipment in the field.



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MEMO

Date: September 8, 2015

To: Advisory & Finance Committee

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Dennis Westgate, Assistant DPW Director

From: Jonathan Beder, Director of Public Works

Re: **Fall 2015 ATM, DPW Capital Requests
Articles 4E, 4F, 4G, 4H**

These four items were submitted during last year's budget process as Article 8's. They were reviewed and approved by the Town Manager, Finance Director, and Board of Selectmen. They were recommended by the Advisory and Finance DPW Sub-Committee and approved by the full Committee. However, they were inadvertently missed on the Spring Annual Town Meeting Warrant and therefore could not be considered. Below is a recap of the descriptions, costs and needs for each item.

Article 4E-Pressure Washer \$5,300: Currently, the DPW is without a hot-water pressure washer. The current unit failed a year ago. Due to its age, it is incapable of being repaired. It is imperative that the DPW maintain a hot-water pressure washer for correctly washing our equipment especially after snow & ice events. Approval at the FATM will give us enough time to replace the failed unit prior to this up-coming winter season.

Article 4F/4G-Tire Changer \$14,000 / Tire Balancer \$11,000: The current tire changer and balancer are utilized daily by the Fleet Maintenance Division. These units are still in operation but at the end of their life cycle. In addition, neither of these units is capable of handling rims larger than 18 inches. All of our heavy duty fleet trucks purchased during past several years, come standard with 19.5 inch rims. The requested replacement equipment above is capable of handling up to 24 inch rims. Therefore, we will no longer need to outsource these repairs.

Article 4H-Stick Welder \$6,000: This request is to replace a portable welder/generator currently on the only service truck in Fleet Maintenance. The current unit is old, and requires the use of Ether to start it. Due to its age, parts are no longer available for this unit. The current unit was designed to be portable and used frequently for repairing equipment in the field. The proposed replacement unit is designed to do the same. The helmets for operating this equipment have already been purchased through a grant offered by MIIA, our insurance carrier.