

ARTICLE 1

Election of Merrimack Village District Commissioners

ARTICLE 1: To choose two (2) Commissioners for a three-year (3) term of office.

The purpose of this article is to allow you to vote for your choice of a candidate for office. If you would like to vote for someone whose name is not on the ballot, simply write in the candidate's name of your choice in the space provided on the ballot. (Written ballot vote required)

ARTICLE 2

Election of Merrimack Village District Treasurer

ARTICLE 2: To choose one (1) District Treasurer for a three-year (3) term of office.

The purpose of this article is to allow you to vote for your choice of a candidate for office. If you would like to vote for someone whose name is not on the ballot, simply write in the candidate's name of your choice in the space provided on the ballot. (Written ballot vote required)

ARTICLE 3

Election of Merrimack Village District Moderator

ARTICLE 3: To choose one (1) District Moderator for a two-year (2) term of office.

The purpose of this article is to allow you to vote for your choice of a candidate for office. If you would like to vote for someone whose name is not on the ballot, simply write in the candidate's name of your choice in the space provided on the ballot. (Written ballot vote required)

ARTICLE 4

Turkey Hill Booster Pump Station

ARTICLE 4: Shall the Merrimack Village District vote to raise and appropriate a sum of up to one million three hundred thousand dollars (\$1,300,000) for the purpose of designing and constructing a water booster pumping station that will replace the Districts existing Turkey Hill Booster Pump Station. Such sum to be raised by the issuance of Serial Bonds or Notes not to exceed one million three hundred thousand dollars (\$1,300,000) under, and in compliance with, the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (NH RSA 33) and to authorize the Board of Commissioners to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon, and to take such other actions as may be necessary to effect the issuance, negotiation, sale and delivery of such bonds or notes as shall be in the best interests of the Merrimack Village

District; to additionally participate in the State Revolving Fund (SRF) RSA 486:14 established for this purpose, and/or to participate in existing or future economic stimulus funding (i.e., ARRA), and to allow the Board of Commissioners to expend such monies as become available from the Federal and State Governments and pass any vote relating thereto and to authorize the Board of Commissioners to take any other action or to pass any other vote relative to said purpose; and to raise and appropriate the sum of thirty thousand dollars (30,000) for the purpose of 2018/2019 interest on said Bond or Serial Notes? (2/3 ballot vote required; polls must remain open for at least one hour)

The purpose of this article is to raise and appropriate \$1.3 million to construct and replace the Turkey Hill Booster Pump Station. The existing station is an all steel container built in 1988 and installed under ground with hatch access. The station serves to transfer water from the main pressure zone to the high pressure zone and maintains our level in the 1 million gallon Hutchinson water storage tank. The timing of this article is in line with our Capital Improvement Plan and the MVD Master Plan.

ARTICLE 5

Merrimack Village District's Operating Budget 2018-2019

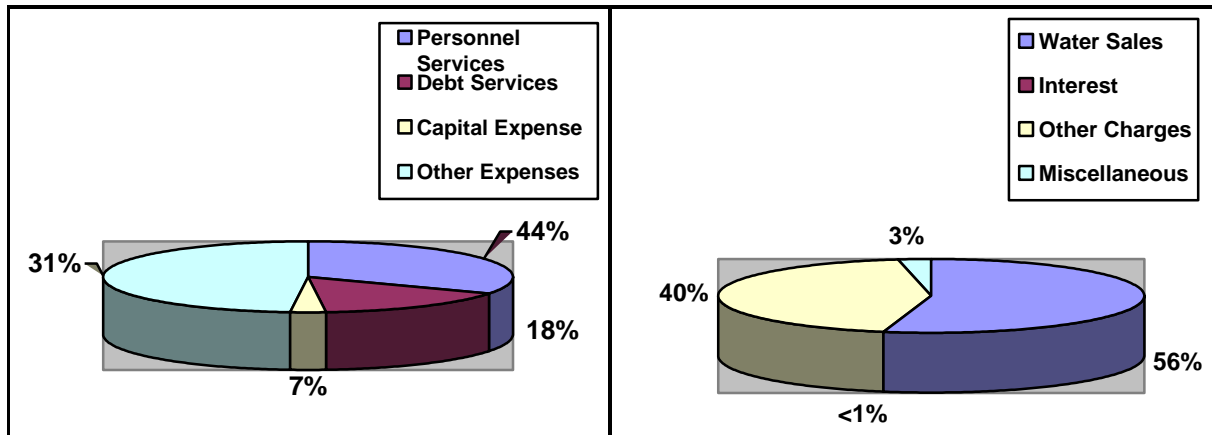
ARTICLE 5: To see if the MerrimackVillage District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,602,322 for general municipal operations for the 2018-2019 fiscal year with said sum to come from water related charges. This article does not include appropriations contained in special or individual articles addressed separately. (Majority vote required.)

This is the operating budget warrant article. This article funds the operation of the District for the year beginning July 1, 2018 ending June 30, 2019 for all departments; Administration, Distribution, Treatment, Debt Services and Insurance/Benefits. Below is a summary of those departments along with a graphic layout.

Administration	\$ 546,545
Distribution	\$ 701,047
Treatment	\$ 1,159,947
Insurance/Benefits	\$ 563,170
Debt Services (prin.& int.)	\$ 631,613
TOTAL	\$ 3,602,322

Proposed Appropriations 2018-2019

Projected Revenues 2018-2019



<u>Proposed</u>	
Personnel Expense	\$ 1,582,849
Debt Services	\$ 631,613
Capital Expense	\$ 252,250
Other Expenses	\$ <u>1,135,610</u>

<u>Anticipated</u>	
Water Sales	\$ 2,024,722
Water Service Charges	\$ 1,442,250
Misc. Revenues	\$ 123,350
Interest	\$ <u>12,000</u>

TOTAL Operating Budget **\$ 3,602,322**

TOTAL Projected Revenues **\$ 3,602,322**

ARTICLE 6

Contingency Fund

ARTICLE 6: Shall the Merrimack Village District vote to establish a contingency fund by raising and appropriating the amount of \$20,000 to meet the cost of unanticipated expenses that may arise during the fiscal year 2018-2019 with said funds to come from water fees? This fund shall not exceed one percent (1%) of the amount appropriated exclusive of capital expenditures and amortization of debt by such village district during the proceeding year. This is in accordance with RSA 52:4-a, which requires a detailed report of all expenditures to be made in the annual report. (Majority vote required.)

ARTICLE 7

System Development Capital Reserve

ARTICLE 7: Shall the Merrimack Village District vote to raise and appropriate the sum of forty-eight thousand seven hundred and fifty dollars (\$48,750) under provisions of RSA 35:1, I and II to add to the District’s “System Development Capital Reserve” fund for the future system expansion and improvement of the existing system? This sum to come from the fiscal year 2016-2017 surplus fund balance; these are the system development charges collected during the 2016-2017 budget year. (Majority vote required.)

The MVD's Board of Commissioners adopted a System Development Charge (SDC) on August 19, 2008. This charge is applied to "new" customers and those existing customers who increase their water service demand beyond 20% of their current or prior use. The charge can best be described as a "buy-in" fee to achieve an equal equity position with the existing customers. This one-time payment will cover their share of the value of the existing infrastructure. Fire service entrances are not subject to the SDC. The "System Development Charge Use of Funds" policy (08-02-B) was approved by the BOC on 10/27/08.

ARTICLE 8

Equipment and Facilities Capital Reserve

ARTICLE 8: Shall the Merrimack Village District vote to raise and appropriate the sum of five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000) under provisions of RSA 35:1, I and II to add to the District's "Equipment and Facilities Capital Reserve" fund for associated costs with existing storage, transmission and production of water? This sum to come from the fiscal year 2016-2017 surplus fund balance. (Majority vote required.)

The purpose of this article is to use a portion of the 2016-2017 appropriation and revenue surplus to be set aside for future use in the District's Equipment and Facilities capital reserve fund. Should an emergency arise in future years, for which there was no appropriation, or should there be the need for an unforeseen special piece of machinery in a pump station, for example, the Board of Commissioners would have these funds available for such purposes. This fund was established by the March 26, 1996 annual meeting.

Equipment and Facilities Capital Reserve

Current Balance as of 12/31/17	\$ 3,015,864
Plus Article #8 if passed	<u>500,000</u>
New Balance	<u>\$ 3,515,864</u>

ARTICLE 9

Petitioned Warrant Article sponsored by Kathryn A. Stack

ARTICLE 9: Shall the Merrimack Village District, effective May 1, 2018, include one Merrimack Town Councilor as a member of the MVD Board of Commissioners, in addition to those elected at the MVD annual meeting, and amend the bylaws to reflect this as applicable. (Majority vote required.)

ARTICLE 10

Petitioned Warrant Article sponsored by Laurene Allen

ARTICLE 10: Shall the district require that the Merrimack Village District and any successor organization ensure (1) the delivery of safe, clean and affordable drinking water, in adequate quantity to meet the needs of present and future consumers and (2) take measure for improving water quality including a source based solution for the presence of PFAS chemicals in our water and (3) maintain a focus on minimizing the impact of PFAS chemicals on consumer health in all challenges of water management by utilizing the body of knowledge currently available regarding water standards in other states, water system management and contemporary water technologies. (Majority vote required.)

ARTICLE 11

Petitioned Warrant Article sponsored by Nancy A. Murphy

ARTICLE 11: Shall the district, effective immediately, require that the Merrimack Village District (MVD) cooperatively engage in a transition plan with the Town of Merrimack government (Town Council, Town Manager, and their assigns); to meet all legal and ethical requirements required to both (1.) disband the municipal entity, the MVD, and the Board of Commissioners currently managing the Merrimack, NH water system; and (2.) transfer complete oversight and management of the Merrimack NH Water Municipality, to the Town of Merrimack, NH. The dissolution of the MVD and transfer of responsibilities for, and management of the Merrimack, NH Water Municipality, is to occur on or before April 15, 2019, specific date to be determined by the Town of Merrimack.

The transition plan will include immediate and unrestricted access for Town of Merrimack government (Town Council, Town Manager, and their assigns) to any and all MVD sites/facilities/records/activities; and oversight of, all Merrimack water system related matters/ MVD affairs. The expectation is one of complete and thorough transparency into all business matters inclusive of those deemed non-public/ private/ confidential/ and/or any other term used to refer to protected information. This immediate transparency and oversight is to include full disclosure of the records and specifics of any and all legal matters MVD has engaged in, prior, at present, or anticipated; and for the Town of Merrimack, on behalf of its residents, to become a party to any legal proceedings related to Merrimack, NH water which they deem appropriate. (2/3 vote required)

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