

**TOWN OF ASHLAND
BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING
TUESDAY, JANUARY 19, 2021 at 3:00 p.m.
ASHLAND TOWN OFFICE
20 HIGHLAND ST, ASHLAND, NH**

Note: This meeting will occur over zoom video/phone teleconference per the allowance under the Governor's Emergency Order #12 that waived the requirement of having a quorum of the Board physically present for a public meeting. We encourage those who would like to participate to please call the number listed below.

Phone conference#: 1 929 205 6099 Meeting ID: 844 1618 6650 Password: 738122

- I. CALL TO ORDER**
- II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**
 - a. BOS meeting(s); 1/8/2021
- III. NEW BUSINESS**
 - a. Property Tax Map CRF Expenditure
 - b. Vote on petitioned warrant articles 27 – 29
- IV. OLD BUSINESS**
- V. SELECTBOARD ITEMS**
- VI. NON-PUBLIC SESSION (If needed)**
- VII. ADJOURN**

Posted on 1/15/2021 at the Town Office building and town website

Any person with a disabling condition who would like to attend this public meeting and needs to be provided reasonable accommodations to participate please contact the Ashland Town Office at 603-968-4432 so accommodations can be made.

**TOWN OF ASHLAND
BOARD OF SELECTMEN
MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY, JANUARY 8, 2021
ASHLAND TOWN OFFICE
3:00 P.M.**

I. CALL TO ORDER – Town of Ashland Chairman of the Board Eli Badger called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m. and requested a roll call of the Selectmen; Vice Chairman Kathleen DeWolfe, Selectman Frances Newton, Selectman Alan Cilley, Selectman Andy Fitch, and Chairman Eli Badger all acknowledged they were present via the video conference. Chairman Badger read a preamble that notified attendees this meeting was occurring over video and teleconference, a provision authorized by the Governor’s Emergency Order #12 that waived the physical presence of board members during the Covid-19 pandemic.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION: Selectman Newton
To approve the meeting minutes of January 6, 2021.
SECOND: Selectman Cilley
VOTE: 5 – 0
MOTION PASSED

III. NEW BUSINESS

A. 2021 Virtual Town Meeting – the Selectmen decided not to proceed with having a “virtual town meeting” and instead have the Deliberative Session and Town Vote be held at the School Gymnasium. Board members felt that having a virtual town meeting might be a ‘tough task’ this close to the session. Selectmen want to make sure all attendees are safe. Public Works to setup the gymnasium like the general election in November 2020, were there will be a social distance, masks, and hand sanitizer available. Attendees deciding not to wear a mask will have a designated area.

MOTION: Selectman Fitch
To hold an in-person deliberative session and town vote.
SECOND: Vice Chairman DeWolfe
VOTE: 4 – 1
MOTION PASSED

IV. SELECTBOARD ITEMS

A. Petitioned Warrant Articles

i. Discontinuance of town road article – Vice Chairman DeWolfe had questions about the petition warrant the board received to discontinue a town road (Parkway Rd). Vice Chairman DeWolfe questioned how the road was listed as Class VI and not Class V plus why the road was listed formerly as Hill St?

- 1 ii. Whipple House article – Vice Chairman DeWolfe questioned the petition war-
2 rant article from Ashland Historical Society (AHS) that asked for a \$2,000 ap-
3 propriation to repair the roof at the Whipple House. Vice Chairman DeWolfe
4 referenced item 6 on the Whipple House lease which AHS has with the town
5 that says they (AHS) are responsible for upkeep of the building. Town counsel
6 to receive a draft copy of the town warrant for their review and input.
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8 **V. NONPUBLIC SESSION**

- 9 A. Board of Selectmen entered nonpublic session under RSA 91: A-3, II (a) at 3:43 p.m.
10 and reconvened at 5:01 p.m. minutes were sealed.

11 **VI. ADJOURNED** – the Board of Selectmen adjourned their meeting at 5:02 p.m.
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Town of Ashland Board of Selectmen Agenda Report

Date: January 15, 2021

To: Board of Selectmen

From: Town Manager Smith

Subject: CAI Technologies – CRF expenditure

Recommended motion:

To expend \$3,580 from the Property Tax Map Capital Reserve Fund for payment towards the town parcel mapping project.

Background:

From the March 2018 town vote, the town established a Property Tax Map Capital Reserve Fund for the purposes of generating “current, accurate parcel maps and indexes which show the correct size, shape, location, and ownership of every property in the Town...the basic intention is a tool for property tax assessment purposes.” Once all the data has been collected, analyzed, and digitized by CAI Technologies they will create our own geographic information system (GIS) that will be published online through AxisGIS.

CAI Technologies has completed the parcel compilation phase of the project. Included with the Board of Selectmen packet is the technical proposal that outlines the next steps in this project (parcel maps/graphic database).

Fiscal Impact:

\$3,580 from the Property Tax Map CRF.



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F (603) 444-1366
cai-tech.com

December 29, 2020

Board of Selectmen
Town of Ashland
20 Highland St.
Ashland, NH 03217

Dear Board Members:

Enclosed please find our partial invoice for the town wide mapping project and GIS development. Please process it for payment at your earliest convenience. We have complete the initial parcel compilation phase of the project.

If you have any questions or would like to discuss this further, please don't hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Franco Rossi', written in a cursive style.

Franco Rossi
President

Enclosure



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Invoice

CHARLES SMITH, TOWN ADMINISTRATOR
TOWN OF ASHLAND
20 HIGHLAND ST.
P.O. BOX 517
ASHLAND, NH 03217


JAN 02 2021
 BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Date 12/29/2020
 Invoice # 11051
 Due Date 1/28/2021

FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

PROJECT ASHLAND, NH - MAP
 P.O. NO.

Code	Description	Contract Amt	Prev Billed	Amount
4004.00	MAPPING	114,000.00	75,020.00	3,580.00
4009.00	WEBGIS SETUP	1,500.00		0.00
4009.01	WEBGIS SUPPORT	2,400.00		0.00


 INITIALS - OK TO PAY
01-4950-10-750
 G/L NUMBER
1-8-2021
 DATE

**IN ORDER TO ENSURE PROPER CREDIT TO YOUR ACCOUNT,
 PLEASE REFERENCE INVOICE NUMBER ON YOUR PAYMENT.**

ACH/WIRE INSTRUCTIONS
 Account #: 2210011462
 Routing #: 011402105

Primary Bank
 207 Route 101
 Bedford, NH 03110
 Ph.#: 603-310-7213

Subtotal \$3,580.00
 Sales Tax (0.0%) \$0.00
 Payments/Credits \$0.00

Balance Due \$3,580.00

TERMS: AMOUNT DUE NET 30 DAYS FROM DATE OF INVOICE.

OVERDUE ACCOUNTS WILL BE CHARGED INTEREST AT 1.5% PER MONTH (18% APR) PLUS A \$5.00 REBILLING FEE. DEBTOR AGREES TO PAY REASONABLE COLLECTION FEES.
 ANY CHECK RETURNED DUE TO INSUFFICIENT FUNDS WILL BE SUBJECT TO A \$20.00 SERVICE FEE.

TECHNICAL PROPOSAL

DIGITAL PARCEL MAPS

SCOPE OF THE PROJECT

1. Subject to the terms and conditions of these specifications, CAI shall generate digital parcel maps of the entire geographic area of Ashland, New Hampshire.
2. The ownership status of each parcel shall be determined as of April 1, 2021 and final maps shall be delivered by December 31, 2021

ORTHOGRAPHY

1. CAI shall use the 2010 and 2015 color digital 1-foot pixel resolution, 4-band Orthoimagery made available through NH GRANIT. If more current imagery is available through NH GRANT, CAI shall utilize that as well.

PARCEL INVENTORY/RESEARCH/COMPILATION

1. All property boundaries shall be plotted in accordance with accepted, standard professional criteria using a knowledge of surveying, engineering, forestry, photogrammetry, history, real property appraisal, and boundary law.
2. In compiling the maps, CAI shall constantly reconcile the intent of the record conveyance with the physical evidence as shown on the base map or by ownership possession as claimed by property owners.
3. Further, CAI shall reconcile the compiled parcel boundaries to the assessed area of the subject parcel as shown in the TOWN's assessment roll.
4. Four sources of information shall be used to inventory and compile the parcel boundary lines.

4.1.Surveys: CAI shall attempt to obtain all available surveys. These shall be acquired from TOWN, County, and local sources. CAI shall contact local surveyors in order to obtain as many surveys as possible. All property and boundary surveys shall be properly catalogued. All said surveys shall be referenced to the parcel maps in the attribute database and all surveys inventoried as part of this project shall be assigned a unique identification number and scanned to PDF format.

To eliminate human plotting error, all surveys shall be adjusted to the exact mapping scale and carefully compiled directly onto the digital planimetric base map, resulting in an enhancement of the base map.

4.2.Deeds: In situations where no current, accurate survey is available, CAI shall review the latest deed description of the parcel and, in some cases shall review prior descriptions in an attempt to acquire a good metes and bounds description of each such parcel. All parcels shall be plotted according to their best description, all the while reconciling the intent of the conveyance to available physical evidence, indications of possession, and the assessment roll. If the parcel's deed description is not found in the TOWN's records, CAI shall attempt to obtain it from the County Registry of Deeds.

4.3.Photos/Base Map: In those cases where parcels are not surveyed or where deed descriptions are not well described, property line data may be obtained by studying the base map. In many instances, although a parcel may not be surveyed or well described, it may be well defined by physical features such as stone walls, fences, roads, streams, and treelines which are visible and identifiable from the base map.

- 4.4 **Parol Evidence:** In cases where land is not surveyed, nor well described or defined, CAI may contact the reputed landowner either by mail, in person, or by telephone in order to attempt to accurately pinpoint the boundary lines. CAI may also communicate with the Town to attempt to accurately pinpoint the boundary lines.
- 4.5 Features worth noting as a result of the intensive parcel inventory process include:
- 4.5.1 All roads are carefully plotted according to their right of way limits. This has several implications, especially for parcel area calculations.
 - 4.5.2 Since all non-surveyed parcel areas are computed by software, the accurate and correct plotting of parcels is critical. If the boundary line plotting is incorrect, then the resulting computed area will be incorrect and value assessments based on that area will be incorrect.
 - 4.5.3 The plotting accuracy of a parcel's boundaries is due not only to the diligence and perseverance of the researcher, but also to the cartographer's experience in reconciling all the information correctly, considering the written documentation, the physical evidence, and the intent of all affected parties.
- 4.6 Any parcel which cannot be located, plotted, or its ownership determined by CAI using any of the sources listed in Section 4.4 above, shall be recorded on an errata list along with documentation as to why the parcel made the list. This list shall be delivered to the TOWN at the completion of the project.
- 4.7 CAI wishes to emphasize that all property line compilation work shall be done in a careful and diligent manner by trained professional staff, experienced in mapping New England communities.
- 4.8 This portion of the mapping project, parcel research, inventory, and compilation, is extremely important, and often overlooked or made to seem unimportant by both municipal officials and other mapping consultants. Many people believe that property lines from older, inaccurate maps can be "best-fit" or "rubber sheeted" to the features on a new base map. Without the benefit of the process described in Section 4 herein, that is simply not true. The lack of adequate research and the proper reconciliation of that record information to accurate base maps is exactly why most communities have to re-map when they want to proceed into a GIS environment. Only years after the original, inadequate work was completed, do they realize that it is not appropriate for their real needs.

CAI prides itself on this critical, make or break, stage of the project. Without it, it is doubtful if the complete mapping project will be a success.

PARCEL MAPS/GRAPHIC DATABASE

1. Sheet size and format

- 1.1. Sheet size shall be 24" x 36" overall, with a 20" x 30" neat area oriented to the state plane coordinate grid system.
- 1.2. All completed parcel map sheets shall be prepared digitally with the ability to provide additional prints quickly on demand.
- 1.3. Basic map information shall be shown in the border at the bottom of the map sheet and shall include: Title block, delivery date, revision block, legend, north arrow, scale, and index diagram.
- 1.4. When it is necessary to show portions of a single parcel on two or more map sheets, all match lines shall be clearly labeled to facilitate the location of the whole parcel.

1.5. Map sheets shall be numbered sequentially in a manner conducive to a smooth flow using the first digit of the map scale as the first digit of the map sheet number.

2. Digital Drafting Standards

2.1. Linetypes

CAI has defined a set of linetypes associated with specific entities, i.e. roads, dashed roads, Right of Way, etc. Listed below are the linetypes and the associated layer names. Some data conversion projects may have existing specific linetypes, in which case the digital linetype will match any existing manually drafted linetype. For new mapping projects, linetypes will be as shown below.

<u>LINETYPE</u>	<u>LAYER NAME</u>
ML	MATCHLINE
UTILITY	UTILITY
RW	RW
COMMON	COMMON
TOWNLIN	TOWNLIN
WETLAND	WETLAND
DASHED	DASHROAD
CONTEND	CONTEND
TRAIL	TRAIL
CONTINUOUS	ALL OTHERS

2.2. Text

All text is set to conform to the standard cartographic criteria. These will be set automatically along with the text style and layer when the selection is picked from the menu. If a text height must be reduced, it will be dropped to accommodate the cartographic need.

2.3. Layers

All data will be put in their own unique and corresponding layer. After picking a layer, it will be set automatically along with the linetype and if needed, text style, and height. It is imperative that each data set be kept on its respective layer.

CAI wants to emphasize that all digital drafting for this project shall be done completely by its own experienced and trained staff. No offshore facilities or individuals who are not properly authorized to work in the U.S. shall be employed on the project. The implications of this statement are worth consideration.

3. Scales

CAI shall map the Town at 1"=400' with selected areas of 1" = 200' and 1" = 100' where applicable. The specific scale limit boundaries shall be at CAI's discretion after consultation with the TOWN.

4. Dimensions and Acreage

Dimensions of property lines shall be shown on the maps. Dimensions shall be those obtained from the deeds or surveys. Where no such record dimensions exists, a scaled dimension may be shown followed by the letter "s" to indicate that the dimension is scaled. This shall be done for road and/or water frontage dimensions only. Where deed dimensions do not agree with the amount of distance available on the base manuscripts, the discrepancy shall be noted by placing the letter "d" following the deed dimension and then showing a scaled

dimension. This shall be done at CAI's discretion only where there is a significant variation, and it is also dependent upon map scale.

Acreages of all parcels shall be shown on the maps, except for those where the parcel's size makes it difficult to show, or where the acreages could tend to clutter the maps. All non-surveyed acreages shall be calculated using computer software. All survey acreages shall be indicated by the subscript Ac, while all calculated acreages shall be indicated by the subscript AcC. Calculated acreages shall be rounded as follows: less than 1 acre, to the nearest .01 acre; 1-15 acres to the nearest 0.1 acre; more than 15 acres to the nearest acre. If survey areas are shown on the source data as square feet, they shall be converted to acres, rounding to the nearest .001 acres.

5. Information to be shown - Parcel Maps

5.1. Boundaries of individual parcels, including record dimensions.

5.2. Parcel (lot) numbers.

5.3. Parcel areas, space permitting.

5.4. The original lot lines of filed subdivisions should be shown by means of tick marks at line angles so that they will be readily visible but subdued from the rest of the data on the maps. Lot numbers from the subdivision plans shall be shown in a manner distinct from other numbers on the maps by enclosing the number in a circle and placing it in an area of the parcel away from its frontage.

5.5. The location and names (or designations) of streets, highways, roads, railroads, rivers, lakes, etc.

5.6. Major easements and rights-of-way.

5.7. Zoning limits and their associated designations if a Zoning polygon layer is provided by the Town.

5.8. Popular names of wholly tax exempt property.

5.9. Adjacent map numbers, using the index diagram.

5.10. X and Y coordinates from the New Hampshire State Plane Coordinate System.

6. Index Map - An overall map, using the Town's existing parcel map sheet layout, of the community shall be prepared showing:

6.1. The layout of the map sheets.

6.2. Boundary lines of the entire municipality.

6.3. The basic public road network, major rights-of-way, airports, railroads and bodies of water.

6.4. A title block including the date the mapping was completed.

6.5. A legend.

6.6. The X and Y coordinates from the New Hampshire State Plane Coordinate System.

7. Digital Compilation

- 7.1. All data in Sections 5 above shall be digitized in a professionally acceptable format, per the standards previously listed in Section 2.
- 7.2. This file structure, along with the previously described layer formats (2.3), will provide a highly useful and easily managed graphic database.

8. GIS Processing

- 8.1. All digital feature data created in item 7 above shall be stored in one complete, seamless, composite file.
- 8.2. Using ArcGIS software, CAI shall process the composite file to assure a correct topological format, i.e. each parcel's geometry will be perfected so it can be used for GIS applications.
- 8.3. Final delivery product to the TOWN will consist of an ESRI file geodatabase. Data will be transmitted on properly formatted CD-ROM, or other media acceptable to the TOWN. All information will be structured to CAI's established graphic specifications.

PARCEL NUMBERING

1. Every parcel of land shall be assigned a new unique parcel identification number.
2. The proposed parcel number will consist of five parts: the map number (###), lot number (###), subplot number (###), building number (###), and condo number (#####). CAI recommends that the TOWN contact their Assessing & Accounting software vendor(s) to confirm that the proposed numbering scheme is appropriate and acceptable to function in those systems.
3. If parcels are sub-divided after the property map has been numbered, each piece of land carries the same base parcel number (map and lot) as before, but with a suffix (subplot).
4. Retained parcel maintains the whole number; the sold off portions are suffixed starting with the number "001" as subplot. A maximum of three digits for the subplot will be allowed.
5. Parcels shall be numbered on each map sheet beginning with the number 1. Numbers shall flow consistently and systematically along roads and streets with the intent of complying with standard field appraisal practices to assure efficiency in navigating around each map sheet.

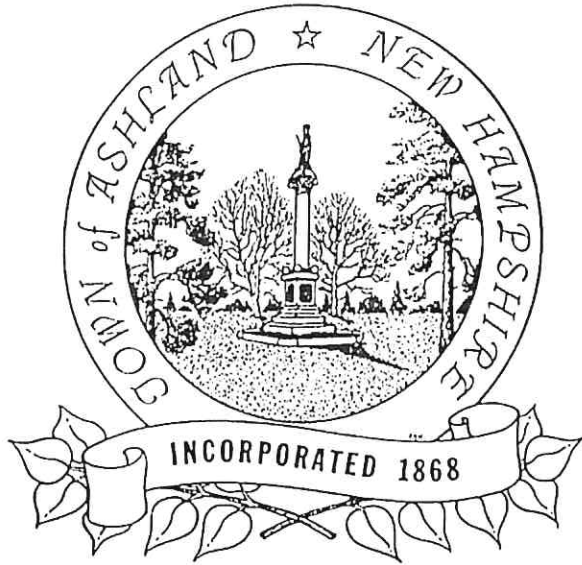
INDEX/ATTRIBUTE DATABASE

1. Information to be shown in the map index system shall include, but not necessarily be limited to, the following:
 - (a) Parcel Id number
 - (b) Owner's name
 - (c) Deed reference
 - (d) Parcel area
 - (e) Parcel location
 - (f) Survey or subdivision name
 - (g) Survey or subdivision lot number
 - (h) Old tax map and lot reference, if applicable
 - (i) Tax exempt status

2. All attribute data shall be input into unique fields and manipulated using MS Access, an SQL RDMS. This is a powerful, industry standard software which is completely GIS compatible.
3. The index shall be provided in computer printout format, as well as in ASCII digital format. The hard copy indexes shall be provided in three different sorts; numerical by map and lot number, alphabetical by owner's name, and numerical by old map and lot number to facilitate the transfer of the new map data to the TOWN's assessment records.

INFORMAL PUBLIC REVIEW

1. There shall be an informal public review session to enable taxpayers to view the maps for accuracy. This shall be scheduled on two (2) weekdays, between the hours of 8am and 4pm. It shall be the TOWN's responsibility to advertise said review session.
2. Representative(s) of CAI shall be available to hear complaints and explain the mapping process to landowners.
3. CAI shall correct all errors of delineation brought to their attention at the informal public review, in both the graphic and attribute databases.
4. New prints of said corrected maps and printouts of said indexes, as well as corrected digital data, shall be furnished without additional charge.
5. CAI shall provide to the TOWN a listing of all property owners attending said informal public review.



TOWN OF ASHLAND

2021 Warrant

20 Highland Street – P.O. Box 517 – Ashland, NH, 03217

**TOWN OF ASHLAND
2021 WARRANT**

<u>ARTICLE</u>		<u>APPROPRIATION</u>
ARTICLE 1	Election of Officers	N/A
ARTICLE 2	Town operating budget	\$2,924,276
ARTICLE 3	Electric Department operating budget (no taxation)	\$2,798,945
ARTICLE 4	Water Department operating budget (no taxation)	\$224,900
ARTICLE 5	Sewer Department operating budget (no taxation)	\$496,911
ARTICLE 6	Lease payment Public Works loader	\$27,142
ARTICLE 7	Road Improvements Capital Reserve Fund	\$125,000
ARTICLE 8	Police Department Capital Reserve Fund	\$20,000
ARTICLE 9	Fire Department Capital Reserve Fund	\$25,000
ARTICLE 10	Department of Public Works Capital Reserve Fund	\$25,000
ARTICLE 11	Ashland Library Building Capital Reserve Fund	\$25,000
ARTICLE 12	Building Maintenance and Repair Capital Reserve Fund	\$10,000
ARTICLE 13	Contingency fund (no taxation)	\$25,000
ARTICLE 14	Fire Department Defibrillator (no taxation)	\$30,000
ARTICLE 15	Police Department Mobile Data Terminal (no taxation)	\$32,000
ARTICLE 16	Police Department Police Officer Body Cameras (no tax)	\$9,100
ARTICLE 17	Change Road Improvement CRF to include bridges	N/A
ARTICLE 18	Change Fire Department Apparatus/Equipment Fund	N/A
ARTICLE 19	Establish Scribner Library and Park Trust Fund	N/A
ARTICLE 20	Adopt RSA 31:19, Board to accept gifts	N/A
ARTICLE 21	Adopt RSA 202-A, Library retain income	N/A
ARTICLE 22	PETITIONED: Discontinuance of Class VI Road	N/A
ARTICLE 23	PETITIONED: Pemi-Baker Community Health	\$9,760
ARTICLE 24	PETITIONED: Grafton County Senior Citizens Council	\$6,000
ARTICLE 25	PETITIONED: Lakes Region Mental Health Center	\$3,500
ARTICLE 26	PETITIONED: Voices Against Violence	\$3,000
ARTICLE 27	PETITIONED: Ashland Historical Society	\$2,000
ARTICLE 28	PETITIONED: Day Away Program	\$1,200
ARTICLE 29	PETITIONED: Ashland 4 th of July Committee	N/A

TOWN OF ASHLAND
STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
2021 WARRANT

To the inhabitants of the Town of Ashland, in the County of Grafton in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

First Session – You are hereby notified to meet for the First (Deliberative) Session of the Annual Town Meeting, to be held at the William J. Tirone Gymnasium, 27 Highland Street, Ashland, New Hampshire, on the 6th day of February 2021, being Saturday at 10:00 A.M. The First (Deliberative) Session will consist of explanation, discussion, and debate of each of the following articles and will afford those voters who are present the opportunity to propose, debate and adopt amendments to each warrant article, except those articles whose wording is prescribed by state law.

Second Session – You are also notified to meet for the Second Session of the Annual Town Meeting, to elect Town Officers by official ballot and to vote by official ballot on the warrant articles as they may have been amended at the First Session, to be held at the William J. Tirone Gymnasium, 27 Highland Street, Ashland, New Hampshire on the 9th day of March 2020, being Tuesday, the polls to be open at 8:00 A.M. and may not close prior to 7:00 P.M. to act upon the following:

ARTICLE 1. ELECTION OF OFFICERS		
Board of Selectmen	Three-year term	Two positions
Board of Selectmen	Two-year term	One position
Town Clerk/Tax Collector	Three-year term	One position
Trustee of the Trust Funds	Three-year term	One position
Library Trustee	Three-year term	One position
Budget Committee	Three-year term	Two positions
Budget Committee	One-year term	One position
Cemetery Trustee	Three-year term	One position

ARTICLE 2.

Estimated tax impact is \$11.65

Shall the Town of Ashland raise and appropriate as the Town General Government operating budget not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amount 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 \$2,924,276. Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be \$3,000,462 which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Town of Ashland 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.

Recommended by the Budget Committee vote 4-2

ARTICLE 3.

No tax impact

Shall the Town of Ashland raise and appropriate as the Ashland Electric Department operating budget not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amount 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 \$2,798,945. Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be \$3,058,970 which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Town of Ashland 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.

Recommended by the Budget Committee vote 4-2

ARTICLE 4.

No tax impact

Shall the Town of Ashland raise and appropriate as the Ashland Water Department operating budget not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amount 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 \$224,900. Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be \$224,971 which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Town of Ashland 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.

Recommended by the Budget Committee vote 4-2

ARTICLE 5.

No tax impact

Shall the Town of Ashland raise and appropriate as the Ashland Sewer Department operating budget not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amount 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 \$496,911. Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be \$502,290 which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Town of Ashland 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.

Recommended by the Budget Committee vote 4-2

ARTICLE 6. Estimated tax impact \$0.11

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty-Seven Thousand One Hundred Forty-Two dollars (\$27,142) for the fourth payment of the five-year lease purchase for the Public Works loader.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen vote 5-0

Recommended by the Budget Committee vote 7-0

ARTICLE 7. Estimated tax impact is \$0.50

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$125,000) to be deposited into the Road Improvements Capital Reserve Fund established in 2012 for the purpose of repairing roads.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen vote 5-0

Recommended by the Budget Committee vote 4-3

ARTICLE 8. Estimated tax impact is \$0.08

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000) to be deposited into the Police Department Capital Reserve Fund established in 2013 for the purpose of repairing or purchasing Police Department vehicles.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen vote 5-0

Recommended by the Budget Committee vote 7-0

ARTICLE 9. Estimated tax impact is \$0.10

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000) to be added into the Fire Department Capital Reserve Fund established in 2013 for the purpose of repairing or purchasing fire department vehicles.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen vote 5-0

Recommended by the Budget Committee vote 7-0

ARTICLE 10. Estimated tax impact is \$0.10

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000) to be deposited into the Department of Public Works Capital Reserve Fund established in 2016 for the purpose of vehicle or equipment purchase, replacement, or repairs.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen vote 5-0

Recommended by the Budget Committee vote 4-3

ARTICLE 11. Estimated tax impact is \$0.10

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000) to be deposited into the Ashland Library Building Capital Reserve Fund, established in 2015 for the purpose of purchasing, building and/or renovating a facility (including furnishing and equipment) for the Ashland Town Library.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen vote 5-0
Recommended by the Budget Committee vote 4-3

ARTICLE 12. Estimated tax impact is \$0.04
To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000) to be added into the Building Maintenance and Repair Capital Reserve Fund for the purpose of maintaining and repairing all Town Buildings.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen vote 5-0
Budget Committee does not recommend this article. Vote to recommend failed 3-4

ARTICLE 13. No tax impact
To see if the town will vote to establish a contingency fund for the current year for unanticipated expenses that may arise and further to raise and appropriate \$25,000 to be deposited into the fund. This sum to come from the undesignated fund balance and no amount to be raised from taxation. Any appropriation left in the contingency fund at the end of the year will lapse to the general fund. Majority vote required.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen vote 5-0
Budget Committee does not recommend this article. Vote to recommend failed 2-5

ARTICLE 14. No tax impact
To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$30,000) for the purpose of purchasing a defibrillator for the Ashland Fire Department. This sum to come from unassigned fund balance. No amount to be raised from taxation.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen vote 5-0
Recommended by the Budget Committee vote 7-0

ARTICLE 15. No tax impact
To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirty-Two Thousand Dollars (\$32,000) for the purpose of purchasing and installing mobile data terminal technology for the Ashland Police Department cruisers. This sum to come from unassigned fund balance. No amount to be raised from taxation.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen vote 5-0
Recommended by the Budget Committee vote 7-0

ARTICLE 16. No tax impact
To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Nine Thousand One Hundred Dollars (\$9,100) for the purpose of purchasing Police Officer body cameras for the Ashland Police Department. This sum to come from unassigned fund balance. No amount to be raised from taxation.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen vote 5-0
Recommended by the Budget Committee vote 7-0

ARTICLE 17. No tax impact

To see if the town will vote to change the name and purpose of the existing Road Improvement Capital Reserve Fund to the Road and Bridges Capital Reserve Fund; for the purpose of maintaining and repairing town roads and bridges; and further to name the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend from said fund. 2/3 majority required.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen vote 5-0

ARTICLE 18. No tax impact

To see if the town will amend the article passed in 2005, which created the Fire Department Apparatus or Equipment Fund, to allow funds in this account to be used additionally for the purpose of paying the billing fees associated with ambulance transports. Further, to name the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend from said fund. 2/3 majority required.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen vote 5-0

ARTICLE 19. No tax impact

To see if the Town will vote to establish a Trust Fund, to be known as the Scribner Building and Park Trust Fund, with the Trustees of Trust Funds to be responsible for the financial administration of that trust, and for which the Library Trustees will be responsible for decisions on expenditures to repair and maintain the building and grounds; and further to authorize the acceptance and deposit into this fund of the corpus of the Emma H. Scribner Trust, which is being terminated in accordance with a Nonjudicial Settlement Agreement with the New Hampshire Division of Charitable Trusts.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen vote 5-0

ARTICLE 20. No tax impact

To see if the Town will authorize the Board of Selectmen to accept, expend, and hold in trust gifts, legacies, and devises for any public purpose without further action by the town pursuant to RSA 31:19. This authority shall continue in effect until rescinded.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen vote 5-0

ARTICLE 21. No tax impact

Shall we permit the public library to retain all money it receives from its income generating equipment to be used for general repairs and upgrading and for the purchasing of books, supplies and income-generating equipment, as per NH RSA 202-A: 11-a.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen vote 5-0

ARTICLE 22.

PETITIONED

To see if the Town of Ashland will vote to unconditionally, completely, and absolutely discontinue an unmaintained Class VI Town road known as Parkway (formerly known as Hill Street) (“the

Road”) pursuant to New Hampshire Revised Statutes Annotated 231:43. The Road to be discontinued is described as follows: A two-lane road approximately 228 feet in length beginning at the intersection of the Road with the right-of-way of Mill Street and ending at the intersection of the Road with the right-of-way of Depot Street. Upon the discontinuance of the Road under the terms of this Article, the Voters hereby authorize and direct the Selectmen to relinquish the Town’s interest in the land under the Road, whether by deed or other recorded instrument, to the abutting property owners, L.W. Packard & Company, Inc. and Commerce Property, LLC, or their designees.

Board of Selectmen do not recommend this article vote 5-0

ARTICLE 23. Estimated tax impact \$0.04
PETITIONED Pemi-Baker Community Health
To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Nine Thousand Seven Hundred and Sixty Dollars (\$9,760) for Pemi-Baker Community Health.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen vote 5-0
Recommended by the Budget Committee vote 7-0

ARTICLE 24. Estimated tax impact \$0.02
PETITIONED Grafton County Senior Citizens Council, Inc.
Shall the voters raise and appropriate Six Thousand Dollars (\$6,000) to Grafton County Senior Citizens Council, Inc. for services for Ashland residents in 2021.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen vote 5-0
Recommended by the Budget Committee vote 7-0

ARTICLE 25. Estimated tax impact \$0.01
PETITIONED Lakes Region Mental Health Center
Shall the voters raise and appropriate Three Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$3,500) to Lakes Region Mental Health Center for the delivery of Emergency Mental Health Services.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen vote 5-0
Recommended by the Budget Committee vote 7-0

ARTICLE 26. Estimated tax impact \$0.01
PETITIONED Voices Against Violence
To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Three Thousand Dollars (\$3,000) for the fiscal year 2020-2021 to support Voices Against Violence, a non-profit Crisis Center and shelter providing emergency shelter, court and hospital accompaniment and general support to women, men and children who are victims of domestic and sexual violence and stalking.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen vote 5-0
Recommended by the Budget Committee vote 7-0

ARTICLE 27. Estimated tax impact \$0.01
PETITIONED Ashland Historical Society

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000) to be deposited into the account of the Ashland Historical Society for the purpose of maintenance and repairs to the Whipple House Museum, owned by the Town of Ashland.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen vote
Recommended by the Budget Committee vote 6-0

ARTICLE 28. Estimated tax impact \$0.01
PETITIONED Day Away Program

To see if the Town of Ashland – 2021 to 2022 will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twelve hundred dollars (\$1,200) for the Day Away Program, a non-profit organization for those people having dementia or a related form of dementia, whose purpose is to provide the caregiver a time of respite and help the participant to maintain their independence and encourage socialization.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen vote
Recommended by the Budget Committee vote 4-0

ARTICLE 29.
PETITIONED Ashland Fourth of July Committee

To see if the Town will vote to have the Ashland Fourth of July Committee remain as a Town of Ashland Committee. The Committee will have the continued free use of the L.W. Packard Field and its facilities for the Independence Days celebrations. The Committee will use town properties to raise funds for current and future celebrations and the Committee's expenses. The Committee's funds will remain as Ashland 4th of July funds as a non-lapsing fund until the purpose no longer exists. The funds for the Safety Services during the Independence Days celebrations shall continue to be included in the annual Town budget. The Warrant Article will remain in effect until voted to rescind by Town meeting vote.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen vote
Recommended by the Budget Committee vote 5-0-2