To the inhabitants of the Town of Rindge in the County of Cheshire, in said State of New Hampshire, qualified to vote in Town Affairs.

You are hereby notified that the first session (deliberative) of the Annual Town Meeting of the Town of Rindge will be held at the Rindge Memorial School on School Street, in said Rindge on Saturday, January 30, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. with a snow date of Monday, February 2, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. Warrant Articles may be amended at this session per RSA 40:13, IV, with the exception of Warrant Articles whose wording is prescribed by law and cannot be amended per RSA 40:13, IV-a. Warrant Articles that are amended shall be placed on the official ballot for a final vote on the main motion, as amended.

You are further notified that the second session of the Annual Town Meeting of the Town of Rindge will be held at the Rindge Memorial School in said Rindge on Tuesday, March 9, 2021 at 7:00 a.m. to vote on all warrant articles from the first session on official ballot per RSA 40:13, VII. The polls will be open on said date at 7:00 a.m. in the forenoon and will not close until 7:00 p.m. in the evening.

**Article 1:**

To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.

Selectmen- 3 years- 1 seat
Planning Board- 3 years- 2 seats
Budget Advisory Committee- 3 years- 2 seat
Zoning Board- 3 years- 2 seats
Zoning Board –1 year – 1 seat
Cemetery Trustee- 3 years- 1 seat
Trustee of the Trust Funds- 3 years- 1 seat
Library Trustee- 3 years- 2 seats
Article 2:

Are you in favor of the adoption of this amendment to the Town of Rindge Zoning Ordinance as proposed by the Planning Board and generally described as follows: To amend Article III (General Provisions) Section I by adding the following: “The overall density of a PURD shall not exceed one (1) dwelling unit per the minimum lot size for the applicable zoning district. PURD’s are permitted in the Residential, Residential-Agricultural, Village and College Districts.”

(Recommended by the Planning Board: 7 in favor, 0 opposed)

Article 3:

Are you in favor of the adoption of this amendment to the Town of Rindge Zoning Ordinance as proposed by the Planning Board and generally described as follows: To amend Article IV (Residential District) Section A.1 and Article V (Residential-Agricultural District) Section A.1 by requiring that each dwelling unit be on a separate lot with the exception of Accessory Dwelling Units.

(Recommended by the Planning Board: 7 in favor, 0 opposed)

Article 4:

Are you in favor of the adoption of this amendment to the Town of Rindge Zoning Ordinance as proposed by the Planning Board and generally described as follows: To amend Article XX (Definitions) Section 14 to read as follows: “Dwelling, Multi-Unit: Any building or structure containing more than two (2) dwelling units but not more than six (6) dwelling units.

(Recommended by the Planning Board: 7 in favor, 0 opposed)

Article 5:

Are you in favor of the adoption of this amendment to the Town of Rindge Zoning Ordinance as proposed by the Planning Board and generally described as follows: To amend Article XX (Definitions) Section 25 to read as follows: “Moderate to High Density Housing: Residential development (3 or more attached units, not to exceed 6 units per structure), where multiple structures are permitted on a single lot. This development is concentrated in agreed upon growth zones, and is designed to reduce driving, create neighborhoods and foster community identity.”

(Recommended by the Planning Board: 7 in favor, 0 opposed)
Article 6:

Are you in favor of the adoption of this amendment to the Town of Rindge Zoning Ordinance and more particularly within the Accessory Dwelling Unit Ordinance as proposed by the Planning Board and generally described as follows: To amend Section 2 by permitting Accessory Dwelling Units (ADUs) in the College District.

(Recommended by the Planning Board: 7 in favor, 0 opposed)

Article 7:

Are you in favor of the adoption of this amendment to the Town of Rindge Zoning Ordinance and more particularly within the Accessory Dwelling Unit Ordinance as proposed by the Planning Board and generally described as follows: To amend the Accessory Dwelling Unit Ordinance to allow detached Accessory Dwelling Units and to remove language restricting such.

(Recommended by the Planning Board: 7 in favor, 0 opposed)

Article 8:

Are you in favor of the adoption of this amendment to the Town of Rindge Zoning Map as proposed by the Planning Board and generally described as follows: Amend the Zoning Map such that all of Map 2 Lot 46 lies within the Business – Light Industry District. Currently the parcel is bisected by the Business – Light Industry and Residential – Agricultural Zoning Districts; the amendment would include the parcel exclusively in the Business – Light Industry District.

(Recommended by the Planning Board: 5 in favor, 1 opposed, 1 abstained)

Article 9:

Are you in favor of the adoption of this amendment to the Town of Rindge Zoning Map as proposed by the Planning Board and generally described as follows: Amend the Zoning Map such that all of Map 2 Lot 54 lies within the Business – Light Industry District. Currently the parcel is bisected by the Business – Light Industry and Residential – Agricultural Zoning Districts; the amendment would include the parcel exclusively in the Business – Light Industry District.

(Not recommended by the Planning Board: 0 in favor, 7 opposed)
Article 10:
To see if the Town will vote to 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 Four Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars ($4,500,000). Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be Four Million Four Hundred Thirty Thousand and Three Hundred Forty Seven Dollars ($4, 430,347) which is the same as last year with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Town of Rindge 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 Board of Selectmen 3 in favor, 0 opposed. Not recommended by the Budget Advisory Committee, 3 in favor, 3 opposed)

Article 11:
To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifty Five Thousand Eleven Dollars and Seventeen cents ($55, 011.17) for the second payment on the fire rescue truck voted on and approved by the Town pursuant to Article 3 of the 2019 Town Warrant. The lease agreement contains an escape clause.

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3 in favor, 0 opposed. Recommended by the Budget Advisory Committee, 6 in favor, 0 opposed)

Article 12:
To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Ninety Two Thousand Nine Hundred and Seventy Six Dollars ($92,976) for the fourth payment on the Fire Department Engine One replacement voted on and approved by the Town pursuant to Article 5 of the 2018 Town Warrant. The lease agreement contains an escape clause.

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3 in favor, 0 opposed. Recommended by the Budget Advisory Committee, 6 in favor, 0 opposed)

Article 13:
To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifty Thousand Dollars ($50,000) to be added to the Highway Department Equipment Capital Reserve Fund previously established.

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen, 3 in favor, 0 opposed. Recommended by the Budget Advisory Committee, 5 in favor, 1 opposed.)
Article 14:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twelve Thousand Dollars ($12,000) for the Cemetery Expendable Trust Fund previously established.

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen, 3 in favor, 0 opposed. Recommended by the Budget Advisory Committee, 6 in favor, 0 opposed.)

Article 15:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifty Thousand Dollars ($50,000) to be added to the Capital Reserve Fund previously established for the purpose of repair and maintenance of existing Town buildings and facilities.

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen, 3 in favor, 0 opposed. Recommended by the Budget Advisory Committee, 5 in favor, 1 opposed.)

Article 16:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty Five Thousand Dollars ($25,000) to be added to the Fire Department Equipment Capital Reserve Fund to save for the replacement of the Command Vehicle. This would be the first of two payments to be put toward the vehicle’s replacement.

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen, 3 in favor, 0 opposed. Recommended by the Budget Advisory Committee, 5 in favor, 1 opposed)

Article 17:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifty Seven Thousand Seven Hundred Thirty Six Dollars ($57,736) to hire a ninth Full-time Police Officer to be hired no sooner than April 1, 2021.

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen, 3 in favor, 0 opposed. Recommended by the Budget Advisory Committee, 6 in favor, 0 opposed.)

Article 18:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twelve Thousand Seven Hundred and Fifty Dollars ($12,750) to be added to the Revaluation Capital Reserve Account previously established for the 2025 Revaluation and to authorize the withdrawal of Twelve Thousand Seven Hundred and Fifty Dollars ($12,750) from the unassigned fund balance for this purpose.

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen, 3 in favor, 0 opposed. Recommended by the Budget Advisory Committee, 6 in favor, 0 opposed.)

Article 19:

To see if the Town shall decrease the income limit amount for the disabled and elderly exemption to $25,000 for a single person and $35,000 for married couples and to reduce the asset limit to $75,000 for a single person and $100,000 for a married couple?

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen, 3 in favor, 0 opposed.)
Article 20:
By petition of 25 or more eligible voters of the town of Rindge, NH to see if the town will vote to urge that the New Hampshire General Court, which is obligated to redraw the maps of political districts within the state following the federal census, will ensure fair and effective representation of the New Hampshire voters without gerrymandering.

Additionally, these voters ask the town Rindge, NH to urge the NH General Court to carry out the redistricting in a fair and transparent way through public meetings, not to favor a particular political party, to include communities of interest, and to minimize multi-seat districts.

Furthermore, as the New Hampshire State Constitution, Part 2, Article 11 allows towns of sufficient population to have their own state representatives, not shared with other towns, for the town of Rindge, NH to petition the NH General Court for its own exclusive seat(s) in the NH House of Representatives if it does not already have it, ensuring that State Representatives properly represent the town’s interests.

To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.
Given under our hand and seal this 25th day of January in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty-One.

RINDGE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

[Signatures]

Roberta K. Oeser, Chairman

Karl J. Pruter, Vice-Chairman

Robert A. Hamilton

Town Clerk

[Signature]