The annual meeting was declared open at 9:00AM by Moderator Clark Thyng. Dr. Brian Moore, pastor of the Candia Congregational Church gave the invocation, asking for wisdom in conducting the affairs of the Town. The Candia Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, and Brownies conducted the flag ceremony. The pledge was led by Selectman Carleton Robie. Moderator Thyng introduced the officials seated at the front table and in the room; Town Clerk, Christine Dupere, Deputy Town Clerk, Donna Hetzel, Selectman Susan Young, Selectman Boyd Chivers, Selectman Craig Sandler, Selectman Chairman Carleton Robie, Payroll and Accounting Clerk Donna Becker, and Selectman's Assistant Andria Hansen. Town Counsel for the meeting was Steven Venezia. Also introduced were Candice Stamatelos, Tax Collector and Supervisor of the Checklist, Dave Murray, Building, Health, and Code Enforcement Officer, Kathleen Philbrick, Treasurer, Dennis Lewis, Road Agent, and Dean Young, Fire Chief. The following non-registered voters will be recognized for information: Police Chief Mike McGillen and Town Counsel Steven Venezia. The Moderator read the announcements and the list of those who had filed for office and would be placed on the ballot. Rules of the conduct of the meeting were then announced.

First Session:

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Candia, in the County of Rockingham, in the said State, qualified to vote on Town Affairs:
You are hereby notified to meet at Moore School in the said Candia, on Saturday, 30th, of January, 2016 at 9 a.m. This session shall consist of explanation, discussion and deliberation of the Warrant Articles numbered 2 through 27. The Warrant Articles may be amended subject to the following limitations: (a) Warrant Articles whose wording is prescribed by law shall not be amended, and (b) Warrant Articles that are amended shall be placed on the official ballot for a final vote on main motion as amended.

Second Session:

To the inhabitants of the Town of Candia, in the County of Rockingham, in said State, qualified to vote on Town Affairs:
You are hereby notified to meet at Moore School in said Candia on Tuesday the 8th of March, 2016. This session shall be the Voting Session to act on all Warrant Articles, as amended, including the proposed budget, as a result of the action of the “First Session”. The Polls will be open from 6:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

ARTICLE 1.
To choose the following Town Officers for the year ensuing:

- Selectman 3 year term Vote for Two
- Budget Committee 1 year term Vote for One
- Budget Committee 3 year term Vote for Two
ARTICLE 2.
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 $2,542,012. Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be $2,386,690, which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Town of Candia 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 by a vote of 5 to 0) (Recommended by the Budget Committee by a vote of 8 to 0) The motion to accept the article as read was made by Carleton Robie and seconded by Boyd Chivers. There was no discussion. Vote was taken by a show of ballots. Article 2 will be placed on the ballot as read.

Since there was no objection, Articles 3 through 13 will be considered and voted on as a block.

ARTICLE 3.
To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Six Thousand Eight Hundred and Seven Dollars ($6,807) in support of the Rockingham County Community Action. (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen by a vote of 5 to 0) (Recommended by the Budget Committee by a vote of 6 to 2)

ARTICLE 4.
To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Four Thousand Dollars ($4,000) in continuation of its support of the Visiting Nurse Association of Manchester and Southern New Hampshire. (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen by a vote of 5 to 0) (Recommended by the Budget Committee by a vote of 6 to 2)

ARTICLE 5.
To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Three Thousand Two Hundred and Fifty Dollars ($3,250) in continuation of its support of the American Red Cross. (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen by a vote of 5 to 0) (Recommended by the Budget Committee by a vote of 6 to 2)

ARTICLE 6.
To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Thousand Eight Hundred and Fifty-Four Dollars ($1,854) in continuation of its support of the Lamprey Health Care. (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen by a vote of 5 to 0) (Recommended by the Budget Committee by a vote of 6 to 2)
ARTICLE 7.
To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Thousand Two Hundred and Fifty Dollars ($1,250) in continuation of its support of the Child Advocacy Center.  (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen by a vote of 5 to 0)  (Recommended by the Budget Committee by a vote of 8 to 0)

ARTICLE 8.
To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Thousand Dollars ($1,000) in continuation of its support of Big Brother/Big Sister.  (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen by a vote of 5 to 0)  (Recommended by the Budget Committee by a vote of 6 to 2)

ARTICLE 9.
To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Thousand Dollars ($1,000) in continuation of its support of the Child and Family Services.  (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen by a vote of 5 to 0)  (Recommended by the Budget Committee by a vote of 6 to 2)

ARTICLE 10.
To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Nine Hundred and Twenty Six Dollars ($926) in continuation of its support of the Rockingham County Nutrition and Meals on Wheels Program.  (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen by a vote of 5 to 0)  (Recommended by the Budget Committee by a vote of 6 to 2)

ARTICLE 11.
To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Seven Hundred Dollars ($700) in continuation of its support of the Aids Response Seacoast.  (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen by a vote of 5 to 0)  (Recommended by the Budget Committee by a vote of 6 to 2)

ARTICLE 12.
To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Hundred Dollars ($500) in continuation of its support of the CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocates for Children).  (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen by a vote of 5 to 0)  (Recommended by the Budget Committee by a vote of 6 to 2)

ARTICLE 13.
To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Twenty-Five Dollars ($225) in continuation of its support of the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program.  (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen by a vote of 5 to 0)  (Recommended by the Budget Committee by a vote of 6 to 2)

Motion to accept Articles 3 through 13 as read was made by Sue Young, seconded by Carleton Robie.  There was no discussion.  Vote was by a show of ballots.  Articles 3 through 13 will be placed on the ballot as read.

ARTICLE 14.
To see if the Town will vote to create an expendable trust fund under the provisions of RSA 31:19-a, to be known as the Smyth Memorial Building Fund for the purpose of the preservation and restoration of the Smyth Memorial Building commonly known as the Old Library and to raise and appropriate the sum of Three Thousand Five Hundred Dollars ($3,500) to be placed in this fund and appoint the Selectmen as agents to expend from the fund.  (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen by a vote of 5 to 0)  (Recommended by the Budget Committee by a vote of 6 to 3)  The motion was made by Carleton Robie, seconded by
Sue Young. Sharon Dewitt asked if the amount in this article was in addition to the $16,000.00 shown in the Selectmen’s budget? Is the intent to put in a well and a septic system? How are the Selectmen going to work with the Trustees to expend the funds? Fletcher Perkins, Library Trustee, explained that the $3,500.00 would be put into a Capital Reserve Fund for major expenses. The preservation and restoration of the Smyth Building is an ongoing project. Selectman Robie explained the funds will be used for the necessary repairs to the building. Ten windows have already been restored, the roof has been patched, the chimney has been repaired, and minimal heat is kept on. The job of the Trustees is to preserve and restore the building. Elizabeth Sanborn stated that in the past the Congregational Church used the library water. She wished to know if this would continue? Mr. Robie explained that the library had been using water from the church. He stated in the future a well would be necessary, as the church water was no longer usable. Arthur Sanborn explained many years ago the church used the library water. There was no further discussion. The vote was taken by a show of ballots. Article 14 will be moved to the ballot as read.

ARTICLE 15.
To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Thousand Dollars ($5,000) to be placed in the existing Town Office Building Maintenance Trust Fund. (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen by a vote of 5 to 0) (Recommended by the Budget Committee by a vote of 8 to 0) The motion was made by Carleton Robie, seconded by Craig Sandler. There was no discussion. Vote was by a show of ballots. Article 15 will be moved to ballot as read.

ARTICLE 16.
To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty Thousand Dollars ($20,000) to be placed in the existing Revaluation Capital Reserve fund for the Future Revaluation of the municipality. Said funds to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen. (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen by a vote of 5 to 0) (Recommended by the Budget Committee by a vote of 8 to 0) The motion was made by Craig Sandler, seconded by Boyd Chivers to accept the article as read. There was no discussion. Vote was taken by a show of ballots. Article 16 will be moved to the ballot as read.

ARTICLE 17.
To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Four Thousand Dollars ($4,000) for the operation and maintenance of the Fitts Museum. Said funds to be expended under the direction of the Trustees of the Fitts Museum. (By request of the Trustees of the Fitts Museum) (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen by a vote of 5 to 0) (Recommended by the Budget Committee by a vote of 8 to 0) The motion to accept the article as read was made by Boyd Chivers, seconded by Sue Young. There was no discussion. The vote was taken by a show of ballots. Article 17 will be moved to the ballot as read.

ARTICLE 18.
To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Thousand Dollars ($100,000) for excess winter road maintenance, these funds will not be used unless the operating winter maintenance funds are exhausted. This will be non-transferable appropriation. Said funds to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen. (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen by a vote of 5 to 0) (Recommended by the Budget Committee by a vote of 8 to 0) The motion was made by Sue Young, seconded by Boyd Chivers to accept the article as read. There was no discussion. Vote was taken by a show of ballots. Article 18 will be moved to the ballot as read.
ARTICLE 19.
To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars ($150,000.00) for the second phase of Chester Turnpike reconstruction. Said funds to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen. (Submitted by the Road Agent) (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen by a vote of 5 to 0) (Recommended by the Budget Committee by a vote of 8 to 0) The motion was made by Sue Young, seconded by Boyd Chivers to accept the article as read. There was no discussion. Vote was taken by a show of ballots. Article 19 will be moved to ballot as read.

Mr. Snow moved to restrict consideration on Articles 2 through 19, seconded by Sue Young. It was voted to restrict consideration on Articles 2 through 19.

ARTICLE 20.
To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Twenty-five Thousand Dollars ($125,000.00) to rebuild Diamond Hill Road. Said funds to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen. (Submitted by the Road Agent) (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen by a vote of 5 to 0) (Recommended by the Budget Committee by a vote of Article 21.8 to 0) Motion to accept the article as read was made by Sue Young, seconded by Boyd Chivers. There was no discussion. Vote was taken by a show of ballots. Article 20 will be moved to the ballot as read.

ARTICLE 21.
To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirty Seven Thousand Dollars ($37,000) for the implementation of a mosquito control program designed to reduce the risk of exposure to mosquito-borne diseases such as EEE and West Nile Virus. (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen by a vote of 4 to 1) (Not recommended by the Budget Committee by a vote of 4 to 4) Motion to accept the article as read was made by Selectman Robie, seconded by Selectman Sandler. Ken Goekjian asked what the difference was between the program in this article and the program in the following article 22? Mr. Robie explained Article 21 included the complete testing of the bodies of water, as well as spraying. Article 22 would only address the problem if the diseases had been found. Ginny Clifford wished to call the attention to a rapidly growing health crisis in Brazil, Zika is a mosquito borne virus which has been spreading. Al Hall wished to call attention to the seriousness of the problem. He felt safety trumps everything and this is a small price to pay to ensure that safety. Russ Dann felt that preventiveness is necessary. We need to dump standing water. If we all work together and are aware, we can control the problem. Rhonda Thyng asked that if Article 21 passes, would Article 22 be in addition. Carleton Robie explained that if Article 21 passes, Article 22 would be moot. Jeff Moyer was concerned that Article 22 might nullify the 21. Selectman Robie explained that if Article 21 were to be defeated, they would at least have something to fall back on. There was no further discussion. Vote was taken by a show of ballots. Article 21 will be moved to the ballot as read.

ARTICLE 22.
To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Three Thousand Five Hundred Dollars ($3,500) to be used for localized mosquito spraying. Adulticiding is a supplement to the larvicide program to reduce the risk of exposure to the mosquito-borne diseases if EEE or the West Nile Virus is detected within the Town of Candia. If Article 21 is approved Article 22 will be obsolete. (Recommended by the Board of Selectman by a vote of 5 to 0) (Recommended by the Budget Committee by a vote of 8 to 0) Motion to accept the article as read was made by Carleton Robie, seconded by Boyd Chivers. Betsy Kruse asked if we should we amend the article to include all mosquito borne illnesses? Town Counsel explained...
the intent of this article covers mosquito borne viruses, not just EEE and West Nile. Can we bold (if Article 21 is approved then Article 22 is obsolete)? Moderator Thyng stated we have the technology to do that. Sharon Dewitt stated last year we reduced the Town Budget by $80,000.00 and the Selectmen were able to work within that budget, so if Article 21 did not pass she believed the Selectmen could find the money in their budget. If EEE is detected in Auburn, does that mean we don’t spray? Ken Goekjian recommended not changing the dollar amount of this article. If the dollar amount is amended to zero, it may backfire. Dick Snow if Article 21 fails and 22 passes, does that mean no means no? Town Counsel stated that the Board is not authorized to expend the $37,000.00 if Article 21 fails. Common sense should prevail that the intent of the legislative body would be clear, if one article passes and the other one fails. They should not cancel out each other. Town Counsel stated that the two articles are connected, but one is preventative and one is post discovery. Selectman Robie explained that Article 21 is a complete mosquito control program that includes testing. Jeff Moyer asked if the order of the articles could be changed, so Article 22 could be at the end? Kevin Coughlin stated that what he understood was that the spraying in Article 22 would be limited to playgrounds and playing fields, while Article 22 would include the entire Town, including private property, but landowners could opt out if they wished. Dave Murray, Health Officer stated 21 would be a full mosquito control program, while 22 would be emergency spraying which would only cover the school, Town Hall, library, and skate board park. Dana Buckley asked if there is any proof that this actually works? Dave Murray replied that some scientists believe this actually has an effect on the mosquito population. Tom Dimaggio is in favor of Article 21 but was confused as to why Article 21 was only recommended by a split vote of the Budget Committee, and Article 22 was a unanimous vote. Mrs. Chivers, chair of the Budget Committee, explained they had a couple of concerns; the effectiveness of the spraying and the safety and effects on the drinking water supplies. The Budget Committee felt Article 22 was a reasonable expense to help protect the children of the area. Mr. Dimaggio stated he was concerned that the limited spraying specified in Article 22 would not be enough. Mosquitoes travel by wind and other means and he felt Article 21 was a better choice. Selectman Chivers stated he voted against Article 21 because spraying has not been proven, and does not want that spraying to be carried in our water supply, and Article 22 was a real precaution to take without endangering our water supply. Sharon Dewitt stated that Article 22 is not preventative; it is only if someone has contracted EEE, an animal or a child, so at that point EEE is here. She stated that Article 22 is not preventative, it is reactionary. Betsy Kruse suggested that perhaps next year, the Budget Committee and the Board of Selectmen have a representative of the mosquito spraying company be at the meeting and discuss the process and how effective it is. Selectman Sue Young stated that many times in life, we don’t know if something works or not, but spraying is preventative and we try it to be as safe as we can. She is concerned on the effect on the water, animals, and people, but feels we should spend the whole amount in Article 21 as it would be most beneficial for the entire community. A motion was made by Al Hall and seconded by Tom Dimaggio to call the question. It was moved to a vote by raising the ballots. The motion to call the question carries. Vote was then taken on Article 22 by a show of ballots. Article 22 will be placed on the ballot as read.

Jeff Moyer wished to amend that Article 22 be moved to the last position on the ballot, seconded by Sharon Dewitt. Mr. Robie felt they should stay where they are instead of confusing the voting public. Janet Wilderman felt repositioning this article would be better and would be less confusing to some of the older voters in Town. Mr. Snow stated that this discussion is an example of why we should not have SB2 because those who have not attended the meeting will not know what is going on. Wouldn’t it be nice if a Town Meeting, we could just vote on the thing after all sides had been presented and everyone would have heard or
participated in the discussion? There was no further discussion. Vote on the amendment was by a show of ballots. **The motion to place article 22 to the last position on the ballot Fails.**

**ARTICLE 23.**
To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifty Thousand Dollars ($50,000) to be deposited in the **Fire Apparatus Capital Reserve Fund**, established under RSA 35:1 at the March 1991 Town Meeting, for the future purchase of the fire apparatus and equipment with the Selectmen appointed as agents. (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen by a vote of 5 to 0) (Recommended by the Budget Committee by a vote of 8 to 0) Motion was made by Boyd Chivers, seconded by Sue Young. There was no discussion. Vote was taken by a show of ballots. **Article 23 will be placed on the ballot as read.**

**ARTICLE 24.**
To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Twenty Five Thousand One Hundred Fifty Seven dollars ($125,157.00) for the operating expenses of the **Smyth Public Library**. Funds are to be expended under the direction of the Smyth Public Library Association. (Submitted by the Smyth Public Library Trustees) (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen by a vote of 5 to 0) (Recommended by the Budget Committee by a vote of 8 to 0) Motion to accept the article as read was made by Selectman Chivers, seconded by Selectman Young. Carol West wished to speak to the motion stating that the increase was a little over 1%, which included wages, electric, increasing the bandwidth, and programs. The Trustees are very grateful for the contributions and donations from the various clubs and individuals in Town. There was no further discussion. Vote was taken by a show of ballots. **Article 24 will be placed on the ballot as written.**

Mr. Snow moved to restrict reconsideration of Articles 20 through 24, seconded by Al Hall. Vote was taken by a show of ballots. **Reconsideration of Articles 20 through 24 was restricted.**

**ARTICLE 25.**
To see if the Town will vote to establish, in accordance with RSA 31:19-a: IV, a Cemetery General Maintenance Trust Fund for the purpose of providing funds for the general maintenance of the Town’s Cemeteries in accordance with the current **Candia Cemetery Trustees** Operational Rules and Regulations. All private revenues received from bequests, donations, fees, gifts and grants specifically designated for the fund or for the purpose for which the fund was established shall be deposited into the fund. The Cemetery Trustees are hereby appointed as agents to expend from the fund. (Article by request of the Cemetery Trustees).

The motion to accept the article as read was made by Carleton Robie, seconded by Sue Young. Selectman Robie wished to amend the article to read: **To see if the Town will vote to create a General Cemetery Maintenance Trust Fund under RSA 31:19-a, with the principal of the fund being restricted, and the income from the principal being expendable.** This was seconded by Selectman Young. Chairman Robie explained that in 2015 it was voted to establish a Cemetery Board of Trustees. This general fund will place all the cemetery monies such as perpetual care in a general trust fund so the income from the principal could be spent on whatever the cemeteries need. Donna Becker asked if it should be added that the Cemetery Trustees could expend the funds? Counsel stated no, because under RSA 31:19-a, which outlines the procedure, you do not need to add that. Ken Goekjian stated he did not hear anything about moving the present funds to the Trust Fund. Town Counsel replied it is a two part process. The funds that were collected this year would be moved into the fund next year. The Trust Fund must first be established. Lynn Chivers stated there is a line item in the budget for cemetery maintenance, would this article have any impact on that line item? Carleton Robie explained no, this money would be from the Perpetual Care Fund, which usually goes back to
the General Fund. There were no further questions. Vote on the amendment was taken by a show of ballots. Article 25 was amended. Vote was then taken on the amended Article 25 by a show of ballots. Article 25 will be placed on the ballot as amended.

ARTICLE 26
To see if the town will vote to eliminate the position of elected cemetery superintendent and allow the cemetery trustees to appoint a sexton or custodian in accordance with the authority vested in the trustees under RSA 289:7,II. Motion to accept the article as read was made by Carleton Robie, seconded by Boyd Chivers. There was no discussion so the vote was taken by a show of ballots. Article 26 will be moved to the ballot as read.

ARTICLE 27.
To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $17,500.00 to the Candia Youth Athletic Association for the specific expenses of providing youth recreation programs to the children of Candia. Said expenses to be expended under the direction of the Candia Youth Athletic Association Board of Directors in accordance with the approved budgets. Submitted by petition. (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen by a vote of 4 to 0) (Recommended by the Budget Committee by a vote of 8 to 0) The motion to accept the article as read was made by Boyd Chivers, seconded by Sue Young. There was no discussion. The vote was taken by a show of ballots. Article 27 will be placed on the ballot as read.

Motion to restrict reconsideration on the articles which have not been restricted so far was made by Dick Snow, seconded by Sue Young. Vote was taken by a show of ballots. Reconsideration is restricted on the remaining articles.

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Sue Young, seconded by Carleton Robie. Moderator Clark Thyng declared the meeting dissolved at 10:30AM

Respectfully Submitted,

Christine Dupere
Town Clerk of Candia