

## ARTICLE 42: Milford Counseling Funding



Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of three thousand five hundred dollars (\$3,500) to support the Milford Regional Counseling Services Inc. in providing subsidized counseling services to Amherst residents.

***(The Board of Selectmen unanimously recommends a yes vote. The Ways and Means Committee unanimously supports this article.)***

***The Town has a long standing history of posing warrant articles on new health/social service agency funding requests. Milford Regional Counseling Services had requested funding in the past, however has not requested support recently. For this reason, the request is being presented to the voters again. The agency reports that in the past fiscal year they provided 242 counseling sessions to Amherst residents, of which approximately half were subsidized through their Affordable Counseling program.***

Estimated Tax Impact: Less Than \$0.01 Per Thousand

## ARTICLE 43: Harbor Homes Inc Funding



Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of two thousand dollars (\$2,000) to support Harbor Homes Inc. in providing services to Amherst residents who are homeless and/or have mental illness.

***(The Board of Selectmen unanimously recommends a yes vote. The Ways and Means Committee unanimously supports this article.)***

***This is a new request for a health agency to obtain funding from the Town to support services they provide to Amherst residents. It has been the Board's practice to present these first time requests to the voters for their determination. Should it be supported, it would be included in future budgets if the agency made a request and provided the town documentation that they were continuing to provide services to Amherst residents. Harbor Homes Inc. reported they had 400 clients but did not respond to a request indicating how many of those clients were Amherst residents.***

Estimated Tax Impact: Less Than \$0.01 Per Thousand

## **ARTICLE 44: Amherst Climate Change Resolution (By Petition)**



In keeping with Petition Warrant article #26 passed by the voters in 2007, Be it resolved that the Amherst Board of Selectmen take a pro-active approach in developing a Amherst climate change initiative by appointing an advisory committee in 2008 to create a plan that will provide guidance to the Board of Selectmen and Department Heads so that the Town of Amherst and its citizens will become more energy efficient and reduce emissions.