

# WARRANT FOR THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

GRAFTON, SS

TOWN OF HANOVER

TO THE INHABITANTS OF THE TOWN OF HANOVER, NEW HAMPSHIRE, who are qualified to vote in Town affairs:

TAKE NOTICE AND BE WARNED, that the Annual Town Meeting of the Town of Hanover, New Hampshire, will be held as follows:

ON **TUESDAY, MAY 14, 2019** IN THE GYMNASIUM OF THE HANOVER HIGH SCHOOL, 41 LEBANON STREET, HANOVER, NH, THERE WILL BE VOTING BY OFFICIAL BALLOT FOR THE ELECTION OF TOWN OFFICERS AND ALL OTHER ARTICLES REQUIRING VOTE BY OFFICIAL BALLOT. **THE POLLS WILL OPEN AT 7:00 AM AND CLOSE AT 7:00 PM.**

ARTICLES FOUR THROUGH SEVENTEEN WILL BE PRESENTED, DISCUSSED AND ACTED UPON BEGINNING AT 7:00PM IN THE GYMNASIUM OF THE HANOVER HIGH SCHOOL, 41 LEBANON STREET, HANOVER, NH.

**ARTICLE ONE:** To vote (by nonpartisan ballot) for the following Town Officers:

- One Selectboard Member to serve for a term of three (3) years;
- One Etna Library Trustee to serve for a term of three (3) years;
- One Town Clerk to serve for a term of three (3) years;
- One Trustee of Trust Funds to serve for a term of three (3) years.

**ARTICLE TWO** (to vote by ballot): To see if the Town will vote to amend the Hanover Zoning Ordinance as proposed by the Hanover Planning Board in Amendment No. 1:

The following question is on the official ballot:

*“Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 1 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Hanover Zoning Ordinance as follows?”*

Amendment No. 1 would:

- a) add a definition for “*persons with disabilities*”;
- b) amend the definition of *affordable senior housing* to include “persons with disabilities” in addition to “persons who are at least 62 years of age” as the income eligible population who may inhabit affordable senior housing;
- c) modify the definition of *senior housing development* to include inhabitants who are “at least” 62 years of age, instead of 62 years of age or older; and
- d) add a new paragraph c to Section 520.3 that enables the use of affordability standards established by US HUD, NH Housing Finance Authority, or US Department of Agriculture Rural Development, instead of solely the affordability standards set forth in the Zoning Ordinance currently to determine eligibility for occupancy of affordable senior housing.

At a public hearing held on March 5, 2019, the Hanover Planning Board voted to recommend that Town Meeting **approve** this zoning amendment.

**ARTICLE THREE** (submitted by petition) (to vote by ballot): To see if the Town will vote to amend the Hanover Zoning Ordinance as proposed by petition in Amendment No.2:

The following question is on the official ballot:

*“Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 2 as proposed by petition for the Hanover Zoning Ordinance as follows?”*

Amendment No. 2 would amend the Zoning Map to include the existing duplex at #59 and #61 Lyme Road, Tax Map 46, Lot 11, (currently in the SR-3 zoning district) in the RO zoning district.

At a public hearing held on March 5, 2019, the Hanover Planning Board voted to recommend that Town Meeting **disapprove** this zoning amendment.

**BUSINESS MEETING AGENDA**  
**7:00 p.m.**

**ARTICLE FOUR:** To choose the following Town Officers to be elected by a majority vote:

- Two members of the Advisory Board of Assessors, each for a term of three (3) years;
- Three Fence Viewers, each for a term of one (1) year;
- One Pine Park Commissioner for a term of three (3) years;
- Two Surveyors of Wood and Timber, each for a term of one (1) year;
- Such other Officers as the Town may judge necessary for managing its affairs.

**ARTICLE FIVE:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$40,610 for deposit into the Land and Capital Improvements Fund, and to fund this appropriation by authorizing the withdrawal of this amount from the Undesignated Fund Balance. The amount appropriated is the equivalent of 50% of the total collected in Land Use Change Tax in the fiscal year 2017-2018.

Selectboard                      For    5                      Against    0                      Absent    0

**ARTICLE SIX:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$40,610 for deposit into the Conservation Fund, and to fund this appropriation by authorizing the withdrawal of this amount from the Undesignated Fund Balance. The amount appropriated is the equivalent of 50% of the total collected in Land Use Change Tax in the fiscal year 2017-2018.

Selectboard                      For    5                      Against    0                      Absent    0

**ARTICLE SEVEN** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$34,265 for deposit into the Municipal Transportation Improvement Fund, and to fund this appropriation by authorizing the withdrawal of this amount from the Undesignated Fund Balance. This amount is equivalent to the total Transportation Fee surcharge for each motor vehicle registered in the Town of Hanover (\$5.00 per vehicle) during fiscal year 2017-2018.

Selectboard                      For    5                      Against    0                      Absent    0

**ARTICLE EIGHT:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,757,743 and authorize payment into existing capital reserve funds in the following amounts for the purposes for which such funds were established:

Ambulance Equipment Capital Reserve Fund	\$62,567
Bridge Replacement and Renovation Capital Reserve Fund	\$103,271
Building Maintenance and Improvement Capital Reserve Fund	\$146,737
Dispatch Equipment and Dispatch Center Enhancements Capital Reserve Fund	\$89,197
Fire Department Vehicle and Equipment Capital Reserve Fund	\$88,510
Highway Construction and Maintenance Equipment Capital Reserve Fund	\$384,508
Parking Operations Vehicles and Parking Facility Improvements Capital Reserve Fund	\$174,955
Police Vehicles and Equipment Capital Reserve Fund	\$88,766
Property Revaluation Capital Reserve Fund	\$10,000
Road Construction and Improvements Capital Reserve Fund	\$68,825
Sewer Equipment and Facilities Improvements Capital Reserve Fund	\$363,757
Water Treatment and Distribution Equipment and System Capital Reserve Fund	\$176,650

Selectboard                      For 5                      Against 0                      Absent 0

**ARTICLE NINE:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$1,314,060 for the purposes listed below, and to authorize funding these amounts by withdrawal from the listed capital reserve funds in the following amounts:

Ambulance Equipment Capital Reserve Fund <i>Ambulance replacement (Rescue 1) and related equipment</i>	\$270,000
Building Maintenance and Improvement Capital Reserve Fund <i>Police Department HVAC replacement equipment</i>	\$42,000
Fire Department Vehicle and Equipment Capital Reserve Fund <i>Thermal imaging camera; SCBA equipment replacement</i>	\$67,000
Highway Construction and Maintenance Equipment Capital Reserve Fund <i>Five truck replacements; compressor</i>	\$344,900
Police Vehicles and Equipment Capital Reserve Fund <i>Cruiser fleet replacement</i>	\$201,660
Road Construction and Improvements Capital Reserve Fund <i>Traffic signal cabinet replacement</i>	\$25,000
Sewer Equipment and Facilities Improvements Capital Reserve Fund <i>Truck replacements; aeration blower replacement</i>	\$273,000
Water Treatment and Distribution Equipment and System Capital Reserve Fund <i>Meter reading heads; pressure reducing valve</i>	\$90,500

This will be a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7, VI and will not lapse until these specified purchases are complete or June 30, 2024, whichever occurs sooner.

Selectboard                      For 5                      Against 0                      Absent 0

**ARTICLE TEN:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$32,000 for funding for two pedestrian crossings and to fund this appropriation by authorizing the withdrawal of this sum from the

Municipal Transportation Improvement Fund. This will be a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7, VI and will not lapse until these improvements are complete or June 30, 2024, whichever occurs sooner.

Selectboard                      For   5                      Against   0                      Absent   0

**ARTICLE ELEVEN:** To see if the Town will vote to approve the cost items included in the collective bargaining agreement reached between the Selectboard and the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees Council 93, Local 1348 (Public Works Department employees) on April 1, 2019, which calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits at the current staffing level:

<u>Year</u>	<u>Estimated Increase</u>
2019-2020	\$49,272
2020-2021	\$50,750

And further to raise and appropriate the sum of \$49,272 for the 2019-2020 fiscal year, such sum representing additional costs attributable to the increase in the salaries and benefits required by the proposed agreement over those that would be paid at current staffing levels in accordance with the most recent collective bargaining agreement.

Selectboard                      For   5                      Against   0                      Absent   0

**ARTICLE TWELVE:** To see if the Town will vote to approve the cost items included in the collective bargaining agreement reached between the Selectboard and the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees Council 93, Local 3657 (Police Department employees) on April 1, 2019, which calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits at the current staffing level:

<u>Year</u>	<u>Estimated Increase</u>
2019-2020	\$40,272
2020-2021	\$41,480

And further to raise and appropriate the sum of \$40,272 for the 2019-2020 fiscal year, such sum representing additional costs attributable to the increase in the salaries and benefits required by the proposed agreement over those that would be paid at current staffing levels in accordance with the most recent collective bargaining agreement.

Selectboard                      For   5                      Against   0                      Absent   0

**ARTICLE THIRTEEN:** To see if the Town will vote to approve the cost items included in the collective bargaining agreement reached between the Selectboard and the International Association of Fire Fighters, Local 3288 on April 1, 2019, which calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits at the current staffing level:

<u>Year</u>	<u>Estimated Increase</u>
2019-2020	\$28,395
2020-2021	\$29,247

And further to raise and appropriate the sum of \$28,395 for the 2019-2020 fiscal year, such sum representing additional costs attributable to the increase in the salaries and benefits required by the

proposed agreement over those that would be paid at current staffing levels in accordance with the most recent collective bargaining agreement.

Selectboard                      For   5                      Against   0                      Absent   0

**ARTICLE FOURTEEN:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$26,607,662 to pay the operating expenses of the Town for the 2019-2020 fiscal year, for the purposes set forth in the Town budget. This sum does not include the funds voted in any of the preceding or succeeding articles.

Selectboard                      For   5                      Against   0                      Absent   0

**ARTICLE FIFTEEN:** To see if the town will vote to authorize the Selectboard to enter into electric power purchase agreements with solar installers, who will install, own and maintain one or more solar systems on Town owned buildings or land, and to grant leases and easements for access to the locations of these systems as required. The town will then purchase green power generated by the solar arrays located on Town property and will have the option to purchase any solar arrays located on Town property in the future.

Selectboard                      For   5                      Against   0                      Absent

**ARTICLE SIXTEEN:** To see if the Town will vote to adopt the provisions of RSA 72:62, an exemption from the assessed value for property tax purposes, for persons owning real property which is equipped with a solar energy system as defined in RSA 72:61. Such solar property tax exemption shall be in the amount equal to 100% of the assessed value of qualifying equipment as defined in RSA 72:61 and as may be amended, but not until such equipment is demonstrated to add to the value of real property based on the determination of the Town Assessor.

Selectboard                      For   5                      Against   0                      Absent

**ARTICLE SEVENTEEN:** To transact any other business that may legally be brought before this Town Meeting.

Given under our hands and seal of the Town of Hanover this 1st day of April, 2019.

**TOWN OF HANOVER  
SELECT BOARD**

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Peter L. Christie, Chairman

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Nancy A. Carter

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Athos J. Rassias, Vice Chairman

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Joanna Whitcomb

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William V. Geraghty