

Town of Hancock

New Hampshire

Warrant

2020

The inhabitants of the Town of Hancock in the County of Hillsborough in the state of New Hampshire qualified to vote in Town affairs; you are hereby notified and warned to meet at the Hancock Town Office Building on Tuesday the 10th day of March 2020 at eight o'clock in the forenoon until seven of the clock in the afternoon to vote on ballot of Town Officers and other matters requiring ballot vote; and to meet at said Hancock Meetinghouse in said Hancock on Saturday the 14th day of March 2020 at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

Article 01 To Choose Town Officers

To choose all necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year.

Article 02 Operating Budget

To see if the Town of Hancock will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,687,353 for general municipal operations inclusive of Water Department Operations. This article does not include appropriations contained in special or individual articles addressed separately. The Selectboard recommends this article. (Majority vote required)

Article 03 Highway Equipment Lease

To see if the Town of Hancock will vote to authorize the Selectboard to sell the 2019 ten-wheel Kenworth truck and enter into a five (5) year lease agreement in the amount of \$194,000 for the purpose of leasing two (2) 2020 19,500 LB GVW trucks with dump bodies, plows and controls. This lease agreement contains an escape clause. The first payment of \$42,620 to be paid in 2021. The Selectboard recommends this article. (Majority vote required)

Article 04 Salt and Sand Mix Building

To see if the Town of Hancock will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$25,000 for the purpose of constructing a salt and sand mix building at the Department of Public Works. (Majority vote required)

Article 05 Bridge Capital Reserve

To see if the Town of Hancock will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$7,000 to be added to the Bridge Capital Reserve Fund previously established. The Selectboard recommends this article. (Majority vote required.)

Article 06 Meetinghouse Capital Reserve

To see if the Town of Hancock will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$6,000 to be added to the Meetinghouse Capital Reserve Fund previously established. The Selectboard recommends this article. (Majority vote required.)

Article 07 Grapevine Community Resource Center

To see if the Town of Hancock will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000 for the purpose of funding The Grapevine Family & Community Resource Center programs and services. This amount represents the Town of Hancock's portion of the funds needed to support The Grapevine, a nonprofit service organization; or take any other action relating thereto. This amount to be raised by general taxation. The Selectboard recommends this article. (Majority vote required)

Article 08 Grapevine Avenue A Program

To see if the Town of Hancock will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one thousand dollars (\$1,000) for the purpose of funding The Grapevine Family and Community Resource Center Avenue A programs and services. This amount represents the Town of Hancock's portion of funds needed to support The Grapevine Ave A program, a nonprofit service organization; or take any other action relating thereto. This amount to be raised by general taxation. The Selectboard recommends this article. (Majority vote required)

Article 09 Community Volunteer Transportation Company

To see if the Town of Hancock will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500 for the purpose of funding The Community Volunteer Transportation Company programs and services for the people of Hancock and the Greater Contoocook Valley area. This amount represents the Town of Hancock's portion of the funds needed to support Contoocook Valley Transportation Company, a nonprofit service organization; or take any other action relating thereto. This amount to be raised from general taxation. The Selectboard recommends this article. (Majority vote required)

Article 10 Independence Day Fireworks Display

To see if the Town of Hancock will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$7625.00 for the purpose of funding a fireworks display on or about July 3, 2020 and authorize the withdrawal of \$7625.00 from the Fireworks Expendable Trust Fund created for that purpose. The Selectboard recommends this article. (Majority vote required)

Article 11 Adopt Solar Exemption (Petition)

To see if the Town will vote to adopt the provisions of RSA 72:61, RSA 72:62 and RSA 72:64 inclusively, which provide for an optional property tax exemption from the property's assessed value, for property tax purposes, for persons owning real property, which is equipped with solar energy systems intended for use at the immediate site. Such property tax exemption shall be in the amount equal to 100% of the assessed value of qualifying equipment under these statutes. (Majority vote required)

Article 12 Martin Luther King Day Celebration (Petition)

To see if the Town of Hancock will vote to sponsor an annual Martin Luther King Day celebration.

Article 13 Baseball Special Revenue Fund

To see if the Town of Hancock will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$435 for the purpose of purchasing baseball equipment and doing maintenance to the baseball fields; with said funds to come from the Baseball Special Revenue Fund established for this purpose at the 1997 Town Meeting. The Selectboard recommends this article. (Majority vote required)

Article 14 Recreation Special Revenue Fund

To see if the Town of Hancock will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,887 for the purpose of repairs and replacement of recreational facilities with said funds to come from the Recreation Special Revenue Fund established for this purpose at the 1997 Town meeting. The Selectboard recommends this article. (Majority vote required)

Article 15 Highway Special Revenue Fund

To see if the Town of Hancock will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,574 for the purpose of repairs and replacement of town highway equipment with said funds to come from the Highway Special Revenue Fund established for this purpose at the 1999 town meeting. The Selectboard Recommends this article. (Majority vote required)

Article 16 History Special Revenue Fund

To see if the Town of Hancock will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,144 for the purpose of preservation and storage of the town's archival records with said funds to come from the History Special Revenue Fund established for this purpose at the 1993 town meeting. The Selectboard Recommends this article. (Majority vote required)

Article 17 Police Special Revenue Fund

To see if the Town of Hancock will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,403 for the purpose of repairs and replacement of police equipment with said funds to come from the Police Special Revenue Fund established for this purpose at the 1993 town meeting. The Selectboard Recommends this article. (Majority vote required)

Article 18 To Accept Town Reports

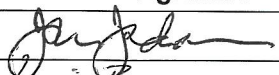

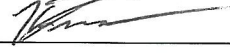
To see if the Town of Hancock will vote to accept the 2019 reports of the Town Officials, agents and committees, and to accept the 2018 auditor's report. The Selectboard recommends this Article.

Article 19 Transact any other business

To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

GOVERNING BODY CERTIFICATION

We certify and attest that on or before February 24, 2020, we posted a true and attested copy of the within Warrant at the place of meeting, and like copies at the Town Office and Meetinghouse and delivered the original to the Hancock Town Clerk.

Name	Position	Signature
JOHN JORDAN	CHAIR, SELECTBOARD	
Laurie Bryan	Selectboard	
Kurtis Grassett	Select Board	

RECEIVED BY THE TOWN CLERK FEBRUARY 21, 2020.


Carolyn Boland
Town Clerk.