

# Town of Hancock

## New Hampshire

### Warrant

2023

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 Offices Building on Tuesday the 14<sup>th</sup> day of March 2023 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 18<sup>th</sup> day of March 2023 at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

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**Article 01 To Choose Town Officers**

To choose all necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year.

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**Article 02 Operating Budget**

To see if the Town of Hancock will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,298,459 for general municipal operations inclusive of Water Department Operations. This article does not include appropriations contained in special or individual articles addressed separately. (Recommended by Selectboard, Not Recommended by Budget Advisory Committee by 4-3 Vote). (Majority vote required).

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**Article 03 Town Office Leach Field Replacement**

To see if the Town of Hancock will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of 28,900 for the purpose of replacing the Town Office leach field and rehabilitating the parking lot. (Recommended by Selectboard and Budget Advisory Committee). (Majority vote required).

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**Article 04 Hancock Community Power Plan**

To see if the Town will vote to adopt the Hancock Community Power Plan as developed by the Hancock Community Power Committee pursuant to RSA 53-E. Adoption of the Plan authorizes the Selectboard to submit the plan to the New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission for approval, and following approval, implement Hancock Community Power. (Recommended by Selectboard).

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**Article 05 Establish DPW Machinery Equipment and Vehicle Fund**

To see if the Town of Hancock will vote to establish a DPW Machinery, Equipment and Vehicle Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of purchasing machinery, equipment, and vehicles for the DPW department, and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$20,000 to be placed in this fund. Further, to name the Selectboard as agents to expend from said fund. (Recommended by Selectboard and Budget Advisory Committee). (Majority Vote Required).

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**Article 06 Bridge Capital Reserve**

To see if the Town of Hancock will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$160,577 to be added to the Bridge Capital Reserve Fund previously established. Of this amount \$85,577 to come from a State Municipal Owned Bridge Allocation received in 2022 and \$75,000 from general taxation. (Recommended by Selectboard and Budget Advisory Committee). (Majority vote required).

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**Article 07 Building Capital Reserve Fund**

To see if the Town of Hancock will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$15,000 to be added to the Building Capital Reserve Fund previously established. (Recommended by Selectboard and Budget Advisory Committee). (Majority vote required).

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**Article 08 Meetinghouse Capital Reserve Fund**

To see if the Town of Hancock will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000 to be added to the Meetinghouse Capital Reserve Fund previously established. (Recommended by Selectboard and Budget Advisory Committee). (Majority vote required).

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**Article 09 Revaluation Capital Reserve Fund**

To see if the Town of Hancock will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$7,000 to be added to the Revaluation Capital Reserve Fund previously established. (Recommended by Selectboard and Budget Advisory Committee). (Majority vote required).

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**Article 10 Readopt Optional Veterans' Tax Credit**

Shall the Town of Hancock vote to readopt the Optional Veterans' Tax Credit of \$500, under RSA 72:28, II, pursuant to RSA 72:27-a, to remain in place and include the expanded eligibility effective for the April 1, 2023, tax year. (Recommended by Selectboard and Budget Advisory Committee).

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**Article 11 Nubanusit Lake Host Program**

(By Petition) To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,500 as a contribution to the Nubanusit Lake Association Lake Host Program, to be specifically designated for supporting Lake Hosts at Lake Nubanusit, to protect its water quality and to combat the infestation of invasive species, and further, to recommend to the Select Board that such an appropriation also be placed on the warrant in future years. (Recommended by Selectboard).

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**Article 12 Highway Special Revenue Fund**

To see if the Town of Hancock will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,064 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. (Recommended by Selectboard. (Majority vote required).

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**Article 13 History Special Revenue Fund**

To see if the Town of Hancock will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,644 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. (Recommended by Selectboard. (Majority vote required).

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**Article 14 Police Special Revenue Fund**

To see if the Town of Hancock will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,503 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. (Recommended by Selectboard. (Majority vote required).

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**Article 15 Recreation Special Revenue Fund**

To see if the Town of Hancock will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,414 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. (Recommended by Selectboard.) (Majority vote required).

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**Article 16 To Accept Town Reports**

To see if the Town of Hancock will vote to accept the 2022 reports of the Town Officials, agents, and committees, and to accept the 2021 auditor's report. (Recommended by Selectboard).

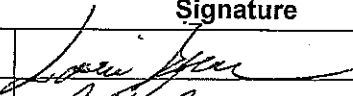
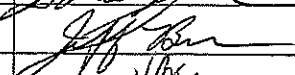

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**Article 17 Transact Any Other Business**

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

**GOVERNING BODY CERTIFICATION**

We certify and attest that on or before February 27, 2023, 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
Laurie Bryan	Selectboard Chair	
Jeff Brown	Selectboard Member	
Ginger Smith	Selectboard Member	

Received 2/22/2023

Jan Joseph  
Town Clerk

I attest that this is a true copy of the original document

