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Andover

The inhabitants of the Town of Andover in the County of Merrimack in the state of New Hampshire qualified to vote in Town affairs are hereby notified that the Annual Town Meeting will be held as follows:

First Session of Annual Meeting (Official Ballot Voting)
Date: March 14, 2023
Time: 11:00 am - 7:00 pm
Location: Andover Elementary School, 20 School St
Details: Voting in School Gym

Second Session of Annual Meeting (Transaction of All Other Business)
Date: March 14, 2023
Time: 7:00 pm
Location: Andover Elementary School, 20 School St
Details: Voting in School Gym

GOVERNING BODY CERTIFICATION

We certify and attest that on or before 2/17/2023, a true and attested copy of this document was posted at the place of meeting and at Town Office and that an original was delivered to Town Clerk.

Name	Position	Signature
Andrew P Griffith	Selectman	Andrew P Griffith
James Delaney Sr	Selectman	James Delaney Sr
Michele Dudek	Select Board, chair	Michele Dudek

Article 01 **Election of Town Officers**

To choose all necessary town officers for the ensuing year. (By ballot vote during polling hours 11:00am to 7:00pm on Tuesday, March 14, 2023).

☐ Yes ☐ No

Article 02 **Planning Board - Workforce Housing**

To see if the Town will vote to make possible construction of brand-new workforce housing. Changes would make possible new construction of two-family dwellings in the Rural Residential district, multi-family dwellings in the Village district, the creation of a single private driveway to access these homes, and multi-use buildings (e.g. dwelling / office / retail) in the Village district. The Planning Board recommends a "yes" vote.

☐ Yes ☐ No

Article 03 **Planning Board - Non-conforming Structures or Use**

To see if the Town will vote to clarify the ambiguous language of Zoning Ordinance Article 6 - "Non-conforming Structures or Use". The new language makes a clear distinction between a change of land use and a change to a structure, and provides future guidance to landowners and the Zoning Board. The Planning Board recommends a "yes" vote.

☐ Yes ☐ No

Article 04 **Increase Board of Selectmen to 5 Members**

Are you in favor of increasing the Board of Selectmen to 5 members? (Majority ballot vote required)

☐ Yes ☐ No

Article 05 **Bond for Construction of Highway Garage**

Passage of this article shall override the 10 percent limitation imposed on this appropriation due to the non-recommendation of the budget committee. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $1,963,959 (One Million, Nine Hundred Sixty-Three Thousand, Nine Hundred Fifty-Nine Dollars) gross budget for the purpose of constructing and furnishing a highway garage on town land, up to $400,000 (Four Hundred Thousand Dollars) of which will come from unassigned fund balance and $250,000 (Two Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars) of which will be raised through taxation; and to authorize the issuance of not more than $1,313,959 (One Million, Three Hundred Thirteen Thousand, Nine Hundred Fifty-Nine Dollars) of bonds or notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA 33); and to authorize the Select Board to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and to determine the date, maturities, interest rate, and other details of such bonds or notes; and to authorize the Select Board to apply for and accept any federal, state, or private funds that may become available in respect of the Project to use toward the Project, reduce the amount that must be bonded, or to pay debt service on such bonds or notes. (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen, Not Recommended by the Budget Committee 3-4). (3/5 ballot vote required).

☐ Yes ☐ No

Article 06 **Enter 6-Year Lease of Dump Truck**

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the selectmen to enter into a six year lease-purchase agreement in the amount of $167,971 (One Hundred Sixty-Seven Thousand, Nine Hundred Seventy-One Dollars) for the purpose of leasing a 6-wheel dump truck and to raise and appropriate the sum of $31,794 (Thirty-One Thousand, Seven Hundred Ninety-Four Dollars) for the first year's payment for that purpose. This lease agreement contains an escape clause. (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen, Recommended by the Budget Committee 4-3.) (Majority vote required)

☐ Yes ☐ No

Article 07 **Operating Budget**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $2,338,523 (Two Million, Three Hundred Thirty-Eight Thousand, Five Hundred Twenty-Three Dollars) for general municipal operations. This article does not include appropriations contained in special or individual articles addressed separately. The Board of Selectmen recommend $2,427,368. (Majority vote required)

☐ Yes ☐ No

Article 08 **Forest Fire Labor**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $5,000 (Five Thousand Dollars) to be added to the Forest Fire Labor Expendable Trust Fund previously established. (The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.) (Majority vote required.)

☐ Yes ☐ No

Article 09 **Highway Garage Construction**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $650,000 (Six Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars) for the purpose of construction of a Highway Department garage, $400,000 (Four Hundred Thousand Dollars) of which will come from unassigned fund balance and $250,000 (Two Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars) of which will be raised through taxation. This special warrant article will be a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7, VI and will not lapse until the garage is completed or by 2025, whichever is sooner. This article is contingent upon Article 5 being voted down. (The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.) Majority vote required.

☐ Yes ☐ No

Article 10 **Town Buildings**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $20,000 (Twenty Thousand Dollars) to be added to the Town Buildings Expendable Trust Fund previously established. (The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.) (Majority vote required.)

☐ Yes ☐ No

Article 11 **Transfer Station Projects**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $15,000 (Fifteen Thousand Dollars) to be added to the Transfer Station Projects Capital Reserve Fund previously established. (The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.) (Majority vote required.)

☐ Yes ☐ No

Article 12 **Revaluation**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $11,300 (Eleven Thousand, Three Hundred Dollars) to be added to the Revaluation Capital Reserve Fund previously established. (The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.) (Majority vote required.)

☐ Yes ☐ No

Article 13 **Road Equipment**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of 15,000 (Fifteen Thousand Dollars) to be added to the Road Equipment Capital Reserve Fund previously established. (The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.) (Majority vote required.)

☐ Yes ☐ No

Article 14 **Highway Special Projects**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $150,000 (One Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars) to be added to the Highway Special Projects Capital Reserve Fund previously established. (The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.) (Majority vote required.)

☐ Yes ☐ No

Article 15 **Police Cruiser**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $13,500 (Thirteen Thousand, Five Hundred Dollars) to be added to the Police Cruiser Capital Reserve Fund previously established. (The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.) (Majority vote required.)

☐ Yes ☐ No

Article 16 **Bridge Rehabilitation**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $50,000 (Fifty Thousand Dollars) to be added to the Bridge Rehabilitation Capital Reserve Fund previously established. (The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.) (Majority vote required.)

☐ Yes ☐ No

Article 17 **Bridge Evaluation Project**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $26,000 (Twenty-Six Thousand Dollars) for the purpose of entering into a contract with Hoyle Tanner for a town-wide Bridge Evaluation and Bridge Capital Improvement Plan. Said amount to come from the unreserved fund balance. (The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.) (Majority vote required)

☐ Yes ☐ No

Article 18 **Town Clerk / Tax Collector Move to Full Time**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $44,641 (Forty-Four Thousand, Six Hundred Forty-One Dollars) consisting of additional wages of $20,565 (Twenty Thousand, Five Hundred Sixty-Five Dollars), health insurance of $13,053 (Thirteen Thousand, Fifty-Three Dollars), payroll taxes of $3,672 (Three Thousand, Six Hundred Seventy-Two Dollars), supplemental insurances of $856 (Eight Hundred Fifty-Six Dollars), and retirement of $6,495 (Six Thousand, Four Hundred Ninety-Five Dollars) for the purpose of additional compensation for the Town Clerk / Tax Collector. (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen, Not Recommended by the Budget Committee 2-5.) (Majority vote required)

☐ Yes ☐ No

Article 19 **Readopt Optional Veterans' Tax Credit**

Shall the Town READOPT the OPTIONAL VETERANS TAX CREDIT in accordance with RSA 72:28, II, for an annual tax credit on residential property of $500 (Five Hundred Dollars)? (The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.) (Majority vote required)

☐ Yes ☐ No

Article 20 **Readopt All Veterans' Tax Credit**

Shall the Town READOPT the ALL VETERANS TAX CREDIT in accordance with RSA 72:28-b, for an annual tax credit on residential property which shall be equal to the same amount as the standard or optional veterans tax credit voted by the town under RSA 72:28? (The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.) (Majority vote required)

☐ Yes ☐ No

Article 21 **Petition**

This is a Petitioned Article: To see if the Town will vote to place the town owned 6.3-acre lot #15-582-198 (also referred to as the McDonough parcel or the Dyer's Crossing parcel) into a non-lapsing Conservation Easement.

☐ Yes ☐ No

Article 22 **Transact any other business**

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

☐ Yes ☐ No