

State of New Hampshire
Town of Orange
Warrant for 2024 Annual Town Meeting

To the inhabitants of the Town of Orange in the County of Grafton and State of New Hampshire qualified to vote in Town affairs:

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED to meet at the Town House in said Orange on Tuesday, the 12th day of March, 2024 at eleven o'clock a.m. for the election of Town Officers as called for in Article 1. The polls will open at 11 a.m. and close at 7 p.m. for voting on Article 1.

YOU ARE ALSO HEREBY NOTIFIED that the business meeting will be held at the Town House at seven o'clock in the evening on Wednesday, the 13th day of March, 2024 to act upon Articles 2 through 11 in this warrant.

ARTICLE 1: *(by official ballot)* To elect the following town officers for the following terms: 1 Selectperson 3-year term, 1 Moderator 3-year term, 1 Town Clerk 1-year term, 1 Treasurer 1-year term, 1 Tax Collector 1-year term, 1 Deeding Agent 1-year term, 1 Road Agent 1-year term, 1 Budget Committee 3-year term, 1 Cemetery Trustee 3-year term, 1 Trustee of Trust Funds 3-year term, 1 Trustee of Trust Funds 2-year term 1 Trustee of Trust Funds 1-year term, 2 Planning Board Members 3-year terms, 1 Supervisor of the Checklist 6-year term, and any other officers as required by law.

ARTICLE 2: To see if the Town will vote to approve the amendment as proposed by the Planning Board that seek to: a) remove the Planning Board from the application procedure for most special exceptions or variances; b) clarify the application procedure to the Zoning Board of Adjustment, and c) make minor revisions to correct typographical and grammatical errors and inconsistencies in terms.

Recommended by the Planning Board (5-1)

Recommended by the Select Board (3-0)

ARTICLE 3: To see if the Town will authorize the Tax Collector to accept the prepayment of taxes pursuant to RSA 80:52-a. Taxpayers shall be allowed to prepay taxes no more than two years in advance of the due date of the taxes. No interest shall accrue to the taxpayer on any prepayment, nor shall any interest be paid to the taxpayer on any prepayment which is later subject to rebate or refund.

Recommended by the Select Board (3-0)

ARTICLE 4: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate eight thousand dollars (\$8,000.00) to be paid into the Highway Equipment Capital Reserve Fund.

Recommended by the Select Board (3-0)

Recommended by the Budget Committee (3-0)

ARTICLE 5: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00) to be paid into the Town House Capital Reserve Fund.

Recommended by the Select Board (3-0)

Recommended by the Budget Committee (3-0)

ARTICLE 6: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate four thousand dollars (\$4,000.00) to be paid into the Revaluation Capital Reserve Fund for the purpose of revaluation of real estate. Revaluations of all real estate are required by law every five years

Recommended by the Select Board (3-0)

Recommended by the Budget Committee (3-0)

ARTICLE 7: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000.00) to be paid into the Town Road Improvement and Repair Capital Reserve Fund.

Recommended by the Select Board (3-0)

Recommended by the Budget Committee (3-0)

ARTICLE 8: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) to be paid into the Cemetery Capital Reserve Fund.

Recommended by the Select Board (3-0)

Recommended by the Budget Committee (3-0)

ARTICLE 9: If no one is elected at the Town Meeting, are you in favor of discontinuing the election of a town road agent with a term of one year and change to the Select Board hiring a contractor who would be a non-resident to perform the road agent duties? The contractor who, under the direction of the selectmen, shall have the same power and perform the same duties as a road agent elected by the town.

Recommended by the Select Board (3-0)

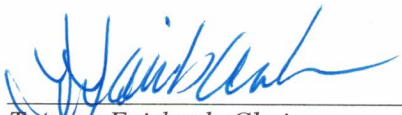
ARTICLE 10: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the Budget Committee's recommended sum of \$339,145.00 with an additional \$84,000.00 to come from the Unassigned Fund Balance (for FEMA unreimbursed costs), **not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately**, for the ensuing year for the Town's general operations.

Recommended by the Select Board (3-0)

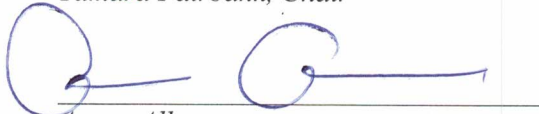
Recommended by the Budget Committee (3-0)

ARTICLE 11: To hear the reports of agents, auditors, committees and officers and to transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

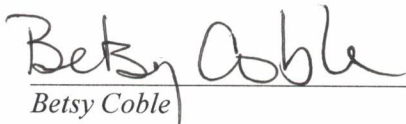
GIVEN UNDER OUR HAND AND SEAL ON THE THIRTEENTH DAY OF FEBRUARY, IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD, TWO THOUSAND AND TWENTY-FOUR.



Tamara Fairbank, Chair



Aaron Allen



Betsy Coble

Selectmen, Town of Orange, New Hampshire