

2024 TOWN WARRANT

To the inhabitants of the Town of Enfield, in the County of Grafton, qualified to vote in Town affairs:

Take notice and be warned that the Annual Town Meeting of the Town of Enfield, New Hampshire, will be held on two days as follows:

On Tuesday, March 12, 2024, in the Enfield Community Building, 308 US Route 4, Enfield, NH, there will be voting only by Official Ballot for the election of Town Officers. Note: By law, the meeting must open before the voting starts. Therefore, the meeting and polls will open at 8:00 a.m. for the consideration of all ballot articles. At 12:00 Noon the meeting will recess, but the polls will remain open.

Polls will be open at 8:00 a.m. and close at 7:00 p.m. There will be no opportunity to vote by ballot on Article 1 at the second session of the Town Meeting. After the polls close at 7:00 p.m., the ballots will be counted.

The meeting will reconvene Saturday, March 16, 2024; Article 1 will be presented and Articles 2 through 19 will be presented, discussed and acted upon beginning at 9:00 a.m. at the Enfield Elementary Village School, 271 US Route 4, Enfield, NH.

Article 1. To choose by ballot all necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year.

For One Year: One Budget Committee Member

For Two Years: One Budget Committee Member
One Supervisor of the Checklist

For Three Years: Two Select Board Members
One Trustee of Trust Funds
One Cemetery Trustee
One Library Trustee
Two Zoning Board of Adjustment Members
Three Budget Committee Members

For Four Years: One Supervisor of the Checklist

For Six Years: One Supervisor of the Checklist

Article 2: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the Budget Committee recommended sum of **\$9,410,232** for general municipal operations with \$270,500 to come from the unassigned fund balance. This article does not include appropriations contained in special or individual articles addressed separately.

The Select Board recommends this article by a vote of 5-0.

The Budget Committee recommends this article by a vote of 7-2.

Article 3: To see if the town will vote to discontinue the following funds:

Name of Fund	Created in Year	Balance
Reappraisal	1971	2,298.66
Ambulance	1972	3,185.70
Fire Vehicles & Equipment	1981	50,741.06
Land Acquisition	1998	132,205.11
Salt/Sand Facility	2007	159.52
Total Balance All Funds		186,291.39

Said funds, with accumulated interest to date of withdrawal, are to be transferred to the municipality's general fund. (Majority vote required)

Special Warrant Article

The Select Board recommends this article by a vote of 5-0.

The Budget Committee recommends this article by a vote of 9-0.

Article 4: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$186,291 to be added to the Capital Improvement Program Capital Reserve Fund previously established. This sum to come from unassigned fund balance. No amount to be raised from taxation. (Majority vote required)

Special Warrant Article

The Select Board recommends this article by a vote of 5-0.

The Budget Committee recommends this article by a vote of 9-0.

Article 5: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$600,068** to be placed in the Capital Improvement Program Capital Reserve Fund; \$553,168 to come from general taxation and \$46,900 to come from the unassigned general fund balance. (Majority vote required)

Special Warrant Article

The Select Board recommends this article by a vote of 5-0.

The Budget Committee recommends this article by a vote of 9-0.

Article 6: To see if the Town will vote to establish a Police Recruitment & Retention Bonus Trust Fund under the provisions of 31:19-a for the funding of Police recruitment & retention bonuses in accordance with the Town's Police Recruitment and Retention Bonus Policy and further to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$20,000** to be placed in this fund, said funds to come from the 2023 Unassigned Fund Balance, and to name the Town Manager as agent to expend from the Police Recruitment & Retention Bonus Trust Fund. (Majority vote required)

Special Warrant Article

The Select Board recommends this article by a vote of 5-0.

The Budget Committee recommends this article by a vote of 9-0.

Article 7: To see if the Town will vote to adopt the Town of Enfield Short Term Rental Ordinance to regulate the use of short term rentals in town and provide oversight to ensure compliance.

Article 8: Shall the Town rescind the authority to borrow \$97,500 approved at the 2018 Town Meeting?

Special Warrant Article

3/5 Paper Ballot Vote Required

The Select Board recommends this article by a vote of 5-0.

The Budget Committee recommends this article by a vote of 9-0.

Article 9: To see if the Town will vote to approve a revised "Tax Increment Finance (TIF) District Plan" as prepared by the Enfield TIF District Advisory Board. The original TIF District and Plan was created and approved by Town Meeting vote in March of 2005 and amended in 2009 per NH RSA 162-K. The project list below is for "Potential TIF Projects":

- Identify and replace aged (1903) Water Lines along US Route 4
- Add and/or improve sidewalks within the district
- Floodplain LOMA Study and/or improvement near Lovejoy Brook and US Route 4
- Oak Grove Street Upgrades
- Install Community Electric Vehicle (EV) Charging Stations
- Identify, purchase and/or remove dilapidated structures/properties within the district
- Identify and enable access Improvements to developable property along US Route 4 and Lovejoy Brook Road
- Identify and enable expanded sewer system connectivity and improvements within the TIF district
- Identify and enable expanded water system connectivity and improvements within the TIF district
- Add and/or improve lighting and signage within the TIF district
- New Enfield Public Library Parking Lot Construction
- Huse Park/Community Building Improvements

Article 10: Appointment of a Town Treasurer To see if the town will vote to authorize the Select Board to appoint a town treasurer in accordance with RSA 41:26-e, rather than electing a treasurer. (Majority vote required)

Article 11: To see if the town will vote to establish a Recreation Revolving Fund pursuant to RSA 35-B:2. The money received from fees, charges, and other revenues generated for Youth Sports shall be allowed to accumulate from year to year, and shall not be considered to be part of the general fund unassigned fund balance. The treasurer shall have custody of all monies in the fund, and shall pay out the same only upon order of the Town Manager and no further legislative body approval required. These funds may be expended only for Youth Sports recreation purposes as stated in RSA 35-B, and no expenditure shall be made in such a way as to require the expenditure of other funds that have not been appropriated for that purpose. (Majority vote required)

Special Warrant Article

The Select Board recommends this article by a vote of 5-0.

The Budget Committee recommends this article by a vote of 9-0.

Article 12: (*By Petition*) Shall we adopt the provisions of RSA 40:13 (known as SB 2) to allow official ballot voting on all issues before the Town of Enfield on the second Tuesday of March?

3/5 Majority Paper Ballot Vote Required

Article 13: (*By Petition*) Shall annual expenditures, separately or in aggregate, from the CIP (Capital Improvement Program) Capital Reserve Fund be limited to less than \$150,000 (one hundred fifty thousand dollars) without specific approval by Town Meeting?

Article 14: (*By Petition*) Shall annual expenditures, separately or in aggregate, from the Unassigned Fund Balance be limited to less than \$100,000 (one hundred thousand dollars) without specific approval by Town Meeting.

Article 15: (*By Petition*) To see if the town will vote to adopt RSA 41:14-a, to allow the selectmen to acquire or sell land, buildings or both, provided, however, they shall first submit any such proposed acquisition for sale to the planning board and to the conservation commission for review and recommendation by those bodies. This article will remain in effect until rescinded by majority vote.

Article 16: (*By Petition*) Shall the Pledge of Allegiance be recited at the beginning of the Enfield Town Meeting, following the call to order?

Article 17: (*By Petition*) Shall any, and all Town of Enfield Expenditures for legal, consulting, or engineering services related to Johnston Drive and/or the Johnston park properties require specific authorization by Town Meeting?

Article 18: (*By Petition*) Shall the voters in the Town of Enfield vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,725 to be allocated to Advance Transit, Inc. to help support the continued operation of public transportation services in the town in 2024?

Special Warrant Article

The Select Board does not recommend this article by a vote of 5-0.

The Budget Committee does not recommend this article by a vote of 9-0.

2024 Town Meeting Warrant

Town of Enfield, New Hampshire

Article 19: To hear the reports of agents, auditors, committees, or any other officers heretofore chosen and pass any vote relating thereto.

A true copy of warrant, attest:



Katherine D. P. Stewart, Chair



Alice M. Kennedy



Erik Russell, Vice Chair



John W. Kluge



Tracy Young
SELECT BOARD
ENFIELD NH