

**2014 Town Meeting Warrant
Hudson, New Hampshire**

To the inhabitants of the Town of Hudson, in the County of Hillsborough, State of New Hampshire, qualified to vote in town affairs. You are hereby notified to meet at the Hudson Community Center, 12 Lions Avenue, commencing at 9:00 a.m. on Saturday, February 8, 2014 for the transaction of all business, other than voting by official ballot. This first session of the Annual Town Meeting shall consist of explanation, discussion and debate of each warrant article. Warrant articles may be amended at the first session, subject to the restrictions set forth in NH RSA 40:13, IV.

You are hereby further notified that the second session of the Annual Meeting shall be held at Hudson Community Center, 12 Lions Avenue, between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m. on Tuesday, March 11, 2014, to elect Town officers and to vote by official ballot on all articles set forth in this Warrant, as may be amended by act of the first session meeting.

Election of Town Officers

Article 1 To choose all necessary Town Officers for the coming year.

Selectmen's Articles

Article 2 **Ratification of Multi-Year Contract negotiated between the Town of Hudson Board of Selectmen and the Hudson Police Employee Association for Wage & Benefit Increases.**

Shall the Town of Hudson vote to approve the cost items included in the collective bargaining agreement reached between the Town of Hudson Board of Selectmen and the Hudson Police Employee Association, which calls for the following increase in salaries and benefits:

Year	Amount	COLA %
7/1/10 - 6/30/11	\$0	0.0%
7/1/11 - 6/30/12	\$0	0.0%
7/1/12 - 6/30/13	\$0	0.0%
7/1/13 - 6/30/14	\$0	0.0%
7/1/14 - 6/30/15	\$148,372	2.75%
7/1/15 - 6/30/16	\$124,160	2.75%
7/1/16 - 6/30/17	\$127,846	2.75%

and further to raise and appropriate the sum of \$148,372 for the 2014-2015 Fiscal Year, said sum representing the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits over those paid in the prior Fiscal Year? (This appropriation is in addition to Article 9, the Operating Budget.) (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0) (Recommended by the Budget Committee 10-0)

Article 3 Ratification of Multi-Year Contract negotiated between the Town of Hudson Board of Selectmen and the Hudson Highway Union, AFSCME Local 1801 for Wage & Benefit Increases.

Shall the Town of Hudson vote to approve the cost items included in the collective bargaining agreement reached between the Town of Hudson Board of Selectmen and the Hudson Highway Union, AFSCME 1801, which calls for the following increase in salaries and benefits:

Year	Amount	COLA
7/1/13 – 6/30/14	\$0	0.0%
7/1/14 – 6/30/15	\$51,525	0.0%
7/1/15 – 6/30/16	\$4,958	0.0%
7/1/16 – 6/30/17	\$5,254	0.0%

and further to raise and appropriate the sum of \$51,525 for the 2014-2015 Fiscal Year, said sum representing the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits over those paid in the prior Fiscal Year? (This appropriation is in addition to Article 9, the Operating Budget.) (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0) (Recommended by the Budget Committee 10-0)

Article 4 Ratification of Multi-Year Contract negotiated between the Town of Hudson Board of Selectmen and the Hudson Police, Fire and Town Supervisors Association for Wage & Benefit Increases.

Shall the Town of Hudson vote to approve the cost items included in the collective bargaining agreement reached between the Town of Hudson Board of Selectmen and the Hudson Police, Fire and Town Supervisors Association which calls for the following increase in salaries and benefits:

Year	Amount	COLA%
7/1/11 – 6/30/12	\$0	0.0%
7/1/12 – 6/30/13	\$0	0.0%
7/1/13 – 6/30/14	\$0	0.0%
7/1/14 – 6/30/15	\$83,087	1.5%

and further to raise and appropriate the sum of \$83,087 for the 2014-2015 Fiscal Year, said sum representing the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits over those paid in the prior Fiscal Year? (This appropriation is in addition to Article 9, the Operating Budget.) (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0) (Recommended by the Budget Committee 10-0)

Article 5 Ratification of Multi-Year Contract negotiated between the Town of Hudson Board of Selectmen and the Hudson Support Staff, AFSCME Local 1801 for Wage & Benefit Increases.

Shall the Town of Hudson vote to approve the cost items included in the collective bargaining agreement reached between the Town of Hudson Board of Selectmen and the Hudson Support Staff, AFSCME Local 1801, which calls for the following increase in salaries and benefits:

Year	Amount	COLA
7/1/10 – 6/30/11	\$0	0.0%
7/1/11 – 6/30/12	\$0	0.0%
7/1/12 – 6/30/13	\$0	0.0%
7/1/13 – 6/30/14	\$0	0.0%
7/1/14 – 6/30/15	\$22,365	0.0%
7/1/15 – 6/30/16	\$28,362	0.0%

and further to raise and appropriate the sum of \$22,365 for the 2014-2015 Fiscal Year, said sum representing the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits over those paid in the prior Fiscal Year? (This appropriation is in addition to Article 9, the Operating Budget.) (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0) (Recommended by the Budget Committee 10-0)

Article 6 Ratification of Multi-Year Contract negotiated between the Town of Hudson Board of Selectmen and the Hudson Fire Fighters Union, IAFF Local 3154 for Wage & Benefit Increases.

Shall the Town of Hudson vote to approve the cost items included in the collective bargaining agreement reached between the Town of Hudson Board of Selectmen and the Hudson Fire Fighters Union, IAFF Local 3154, which calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits:

Year	Amount	COLA %
7/1/09 – 6/30/10	\$0	0.0%
7/1/10 – 6/30/11	\$0	0.0%
7/1/11 – 6/30/12	\$0	0.0%
7/1/12 – 6/30/13	\$0	0.0%
7/1/13 – 6/30/14	\$0	0.0%
7/1/14 – 6/30/15	\$97,309	0.0%
7/1/15 – 6/30/16	\$94,570	0.0%

and further to raise and appropriate the sum of \$97,309 for the 2014-2015 Fiscal Year, said sum representing the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits over those paid in the prior Fiscal Year? (This appropriation is in addition to Article 9, the Operating Budget.) (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0) (Recommended by the Budget Committee 10-0)

Article 7 Wage and Benefit Increase for Town Clerk/Tax Collector

Shall the Town of Hudson vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,707, which represents a 2.75% increase in wages and benefits for the Town Clerk/Tax Collector? (This appropriation is in addition to Article 9, the Operating Budget) (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0) (Recommended by the Budget Committee 10-0)

Article 8 Wage and Benefit Increase for Non-Union Personnel

Shall the Town of Hudson vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$21,970, which represents a 2.75% increase in wages and benefits for the following non-union positions: Town Administrator, Police Chief, Fire Chief, Road Agent, IT Director, Finance Director, Recreation Director, and Executive Assistant to the Board of Selectmen? (This appropriation is in addition to Article 9, the Operating Budget) (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0) (Recommended by the Budget Committee 9-0-1)

Article 9 General Fund Operating Budget

Shall the Town of Hudson vote to raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amount set forth on the budget posted with the Warrant or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein, totaling \$23,822,277? Should this article be defeated, the operating budget shall be \$23,329,646 which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Town of Hudson or by law; or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13, X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only. (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0) (Recommended by the Budget Committee 8-2)

Article 10 Sewer Fund Operating Budget

Shall the Town of Hudson raise and appropriate \$1,665,684 for the operation of the Town Sewer Utility Department? Should this article be defeated, the default budget for the Town Sewer Utility Department shall be \$1,649,375 which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Town Meeting or by law; or the Board of Selectmen may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13, X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised appropriation for the Town Sewer Utility Department only. (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0) (Recommended by the Budget Committee 10-0)

Article 11 Water Fund Operating Budget

Shall the Town of Hudson raise and appropriate \$3,871,757 for the operation of the Town Water Utility Department? Should this article be defeated, the default budget for the Town Water Utility Department shall be \$3,800,846 which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Town Meeting or by law; or the Board of Selectmen may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13, X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised appropriation for the Town Water Utility Department only. (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0) (Recommended by the Budget Committee 10-0)

Article 12 Establish Senior Citizen Activities Revolving Fund

Shall the Town vote to establish a Senior Citizen Activities Revolving Fund pursuant to NH RSA 35-B:2 (II) and NH RSA 31:95-h for the purpose of providing recreational activities and services for Hudson's Senior Citizens? All revenues received from user fees paid by participants in Senior Citizen programs and/or trips shall be deposited into the Fund, and the money shall be allowed to accumulate from year to year, and shall not be considered part of the Town's general surplus. The Town Treasurer shall have custody of all moneys in the Fund, and shall pay out the same only upon order of the Board of Selectmen, and no further approval of the Town Meeting shall be required to expend from the Fund. These funds may be expended only for purposes of providing recreational programs and services for Hudson's Senior Citizens, and associated operating and administrative purposes. (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0)

Article 13 Establish Hudson Cable TV Revolving Fund

Shall the Town vote to establish a Hudson Cable Television Revolving Fund pursuant to NH RSA 31:95-h (e) for the purpose of providing cable television access for public, educational, or governmental use? All revenues received from cable television franchise fees, or other income derived from the Town of Hudson cable television operations shall be deposited into the Fund, and the money shall be allowed to accumulate from year to year, and shall not be considered part of the Town's general surplus. The Town Treasurer shall have custody of all moneys in the Fund, and shall pay out the same only upon order of the Board of Selectmen, and no further approval of the Town Meeting shall be required to expend from the Fund. These funds may be expended only for purposes of cable television access for public, educational, or governmental use and associated operating and administrative purposes. (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0)

Article 14 Establish Capital Reserve Fund for Major Repairs for Town Buildings

Shall the Town of Hudson vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of repairing or replacing major structural components or systems for Town Buildings to be known as "Town Buildings Major Repair Capital Reserve Fund" to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1 to be placed in this fund and to further appoint the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend from this fund? (This appropriation is in addition to Article 9, the Operating Budget) (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0) (Recommended by the Budget Committee 10-0)

Article 15 Establish Capital Reserve Fund for Recreation Equipment

Shall the Town of Hudson vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of improving/renovating and replacing equipment at Recreation Facilities to be known as "Recreation Equipment Capital Reserve Fund" and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000 to be placed in this fund and to further appoint the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend from this fund? (This appropriation is in addition to Article 9, the Operating Budget) (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0) (Recommended by the Budget Committee 10-0)

Article 16 Establish Recreation Field Construction Capital Reserve Fund

Shall the Town vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of constructing and upgrading field space for recreation programs, said fund to be known as the Recreation Field Space Construction Capital Reserve Fund, and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1 to be placed in this fund and to further designate the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend from this fund? (This appropriation is in addition to Article 9, the Operating Budget.) (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 4-1) (Recommended by the Budget Committee 8-2)

Article 17 New Hampshire Resolution to Get Big Money Out of Politics

To request that the town of Hudson urge: That the New Hampshire State Legislature join nearly 500 local municipalities and 16 other states, including all other New England states, in calling upon Congress to move forward a constitutional amendment that 1) guarantees the right of our elected representatives and of the American people to safeguard fair elections through authority to regulate political spending, and 2) clarifies that Constitutional Rights were established for people, not artificial entities such as corporations.

-that the New Hampshire Congressional delegation support such a constitutional amendment.

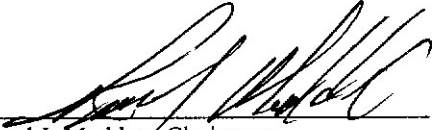
-that the New Hampshire State Legislature support such an amendment once it is approved by Congress and sent to the State for ratification.

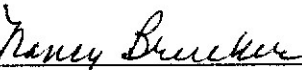
The record of the vote approving this article shall be transmitted by written notice to Hudson's congressional delegation, and to Hudson's state legislators, and to the President of the United States informing them of the instructions from their constituents by the Town Administrator's office within 30 days of the vote. (Not recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3-2)

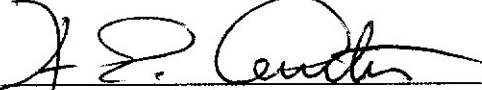
GIVEN UNDER OUR HANDS AND SEALS AT SAID HUDSON ON THE th 24 DAY OF JANUARY, 2014.


A TRUE COPY ATTEST:

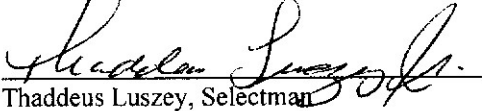
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