



Town of Hudson & Hudson School District



Election Information

This mailer includes:

- Summary of school district and town ballots
- School district sample ballot and explanations
- Town sample ballot and explanations
- Absentee ballot and voting ward information

**Tuesday, March 12
VOTE 7AM TO 8PM**

**HUDSON COMMUNITY
CENTER OR
ALVIRNE HIGH SCHOOL
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The town and school district elections are Tuesday, March 12, 2024



School District Warrant Articles

- Elected officials, including school board members
- Operating budget
- Collective bargaining agreement for paraprofessionals and food service
- Collective bargaining agreement for administrators, directors and counselors
- Dr. H.O. Smith roof replacement
- Science labs at Hudson Memorial
- Checkers kitchen renovation at Alvirne High School
- Hallway floor replacement at Hudson Memorial School
- Establishing a capital reserve account for Alvirne Farm
- Vote Day change petition article



Town of Hudson Warrant Articles

- Elected officials, including selectmen, budget committee and planning board members
- Zoning amendments
- Operating budget for general fund, sewer and water fund
- Collective bargaining agreement with Hudson Firefighters
- Collective bargaining agreement with Hudson Public Works
- Hire Fire Training Officer
- Capital reserve funds
- Circumferential highway feasibility study
- Elderly, disabled, blind exemptions
- Lease of Town property agreements
- Petitioned warrant articles

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Brief Explanation of School District Warrant Articles

Warrant Article 1 – Operating Budget

The proposed budget is \$67,509,020. The budget maintains current staffing, class sizes, maintenance and operations. If this article fails, the default budget is \$67,596,534. (Estimated tax impact: \$0.11 Default tax rate impact: \$0.13)

Warrant Article 2 – Collective Bargaining Agreement between the Hudson School Board and the PSRPs

The two-year agreement brings hourly wages closer to the median for paraprofessionals and food service workers in southern NH. Cost for 2024-25 is \$751,496 and cost for 2025-26 is \$364,152. (Estimated tax impact: \$0.16)

Warrant Article 3 – Collective Bargaining Agreement between the Hudson School Board and AFSCME

A two-year agreement with AFSCME which includes Principals, Assistant Principals, Directors, Psychologists and School Counselors. Includes an increase of 2.75% in each year of the contract. Cost breakdown: 2024-25 - \$155,027; 2024-25 - \$159,290. (Estimated tax impact: \$0.03)

Warrant Article 4 – Roof Replacement at Dr. H.O. Smith Elementary School

Replaces the roof at Dr. H.O. Smith Elementary School for \$250,000 with a new white fully-adhered membrane roof with a 20-year labor/materials warranty. Funds for this project to come from the School Renovations capital reserve account. (Estimated tax impact: \$0.00)

Warrant Article 5 – Science Labs at Hudson Memorial School

Raises \$200,000 to replace two more science labs at Hudson Memorial School. Two labs were updated in the 2023-2024 school year. There are a total of eight that need renovation.

This is a special warrant article with funding to come from surplus funds from the current school year and no amount to be raised by additional taxation. (Estimated tax impact: \$0.00)

Warrant Article 6 – Renovate the Checkers Kitchen at Alvirne

Raises \$250,000 to update the kitchen for the former Checkers restaurant at Alvirne, to be used instead for the food service program for students attending Alvirne.

This is a special warrant article with funding to come from surplus funds from the current school year and no amount to be raised by additional taxation. (Estimated tax impact: \$0.00)

Warrant Article 7 – Replace the Hallway Flooring at Hudson Memorial School

Raises \$94,000 to replace the hallway flooring throughout the Hudson Memorial School.

This is a special warrant article with funding to come from surplus funds from the current school year and no amount to be raised by additional taxation. (Estimated tax impact: \$0.00)

Warrant Article 8 – Establish a Capital Reserve Account for the Alvirne Farm

Newly establishes a capital reserve account to support the repair, improvement and maintenance of the farm facilities at Alvirne.

This is a special warrant article with funding to come from surplus funds from the current school year and no amount to be raised by additional taxation. (Estimated tax impact: \$0.00)

Warrant Article 9 – Voting Day Change (by petition)

A petition warrant article was submitted to change from the current March voting day to an April voting day. This would also change the Deliberative Session dates from days in early February to days in early March. The language proposed indicates this would only take effective if this article passes on both the town side and the school side. This article is not recommended by the School Board with a vote of 5-0.



**ABSENTEE
OFFICIAL BALLOT
ANNUAL SCHOOL ELECTION
HUDSON, NEW HAMPSHIRE
MARCH 12, 2024**

BALLOT 1 OF 2

Ariane Cannava
SCHOOL DISTRICT CLERK

INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS

- A. TO VOTE, completely fill in the OVAL to the RIGHT of your choice(s) like this: ●
- B. Follow directions as to the number of candidates to be marked for each office.
- C. To vote for a person whose name is not printed on the ballot, write the candidate's name on the line provided and completely fill in the OVAL.

SCHOOL BOARD

3-Year Term	Vote for not more than ONE
GRACE KENNEDY	<input type="radio"/>
_____	<input type="radio"/>
(Write-in)	

WARRANT ARTICLES

**Warrant Article 1
Operating Budget**

Shall the Hudson School District vote to raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant article and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant or as amended by vote at the first session, for the purposes set forth therein, totaling \$67,509,020? Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be \$67,596,534, which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Hudson School District or by law; or the governing body may hold one special meeting under RSA 40:13-X and XVI to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only.

YES
NO

Estimated tax rate impact: \$.11
Default tax rate impact: \$.13

Recommended by the Hudson School Board 4-0
Recommended by the Budget Committee 9-1

**Warrant Article 2
Collective Bargaining Agreement between the Hudson School Board and PSRPs**

Shall the Hudson School District vote to approve the cost items in the collective bargaining agreement reached between the PSRP AFT Local #6245, AFT-NH, AFL-CIO (Hudson School District full- and part-time cafeteria personnel, part-time para-educators and part-time licensed practical nurses) and the Hudson School Board which calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits at the current staffing levels over the amount paid in the prior fiscal year:

2024-25 \$751,496
2025-26 \$364,152

YES
NO

and to further raise and appropriate \$751,496 for the upcoming fiscal year, such sum representing the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits required by the new agreement that would be paid at current staffing levels.

Estimated tax rate impact: \$.16

Recommended by the Hudson School Board 5-0
Recommended by the Budget Committee 8-0-1

TURN BALLOT OVER AND CONTINUE VOTING

WARRANT ARTICLES CONTINUED

**Warrant Article 3
Collective Bargaining Agreement between the Hudson School Board and AFSCME**

Shall the Hudson School District vote to approve the cost items in the collective bargaining agreement reached between the AFSCME Local 1906 (Hudson School District building administration, department heads, psychologists and school counselors) and the Hudson School Board which calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits at the current staffing levels over the amount paid in the prior fiscal year:

2024-25	\$155,027
2025-26	\$159,290

YES
NO

and to further raise and appropriate \$155,027 for the upcoming fiscal year, such sum representing the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits required by the new agreement that would be paid at current staffing levels.

Estimated tax rate impact: \$.03

Recommended by the Hudson School Board 5-0
Recommended by the Budget Committee 8-1

**Warrant Article 4
Roof Replacement at Dr. H.O. Smith Elementary School**

Shall the Hudson School District vote to raise and appropriate a sum of \$250,000 to replace a section of the roof at the Dr. H.O. Smith Elementary School, and authorize the withdrawal of \$250,000 from the Schools Renovations capital reserve fund established in March of 1999 and created for that purpose, and further to name the school board as agents to expend this fund?

YES
NO

Estimated tax rate impact: \$.00

Recommended by the Hudson School Board 5-0
Recommended by the Budget Committee 9-0

**Warrant Article 5
Science Labs at Hudson Memorial School**

Shall the Hudson School District vote to raise and appropriate a sum of up to \$200,000 to upgrade two Science Classrooms/Labs at Hudson Memorial School? This sum is to come from the June 30 fund balance available for transfer on July 1 with no amount to be raised by additional taxation. This is a special warrant article.

YES
NO

Estimated tax rate impact: \$.00

Recommended by the Hudson School Board 5-0
Recommended by the Budget Committee 9-0

**Warrant Article 6
Renovate the Checkers Kitchen at Alvirne**

Shall the Hudson School District vote to raise and appropriate a sum of up to \$250,000 to renovate the former Checkers kitchen at Alvirne for the school's food service program? This sum is to come from the June 30 fund balance available for transfer on July 1 with no amount to be raised by additional taxation. This is a special warrant article.

YES
NO

Estimated tax rate impact: \$.00

Recommended by the Hudson School Board 5-0
Recommended by the Budget Committee 9-0

**Warrant Article 7
Replace the Hallway Flooring at Hudson Memorial School**

Shall the Hudson School District vote to raise and appropriate a sum of up to \$94,000 to replace the hallway flooring in the Hudson Memorial School? This sum is to come from the June 30 fund balance available for transfer on July 1 with no amount to be raised by additional taxation. This is a special warrant article.

YES
NO

Estimated tax rate impact: \$.00

Recommended by the Hudson School Board 5-0
Recommended by the Budget Committee 9-0

GO TO NEXT BALLOT AND CONTINUE VOTING



**ABSENTEE
OFFICIAL BALLOT
ANNUAL SCHOOL ELECTION
HUDSON, NEW HAMPSHIRE
MARCH 12, 2024**

BALLOT 2 OF 2

Kiane Cannava
SCHOOL DISTRICT CLERK

WARRANT ARTICLES CONTINUES

**Warrant Article 8
Establish a Capital Reserve Account for the Alvirne Farm**

Shall the Hudson School District vote to establish an Alvirne Farm Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of repairing, improving and maintaining the farm's buildings and grounds, furthermore to raise and appropriate the sum of \$150,000 from the June 30 year end undesignated fund balance available for transfer on July 1 to be placed in this fund, and to name the Hudson School Board as agents to expend from the fund?

YES
NO

Estimated tax rate impact: \$.00

Recommended by the Hudson School Board 5-0
Recommended by the Budget Committee 6-3

**Warrant Article 9
Voting Day – By Petition**

Shall the School District and Town of Hudson change the date of the elections from the second Tuesday in March to the second Tuesday in April in accordance with RSA 40:14, which would also change the date of the deliberative sessions to a date between the first and second Saturdays after the last Monday in February, inclusive? This warrant would only take effect if it passes on both the town and school district ballots.

YES
NO

Submitted by petition

Not Recommended by the Hudson School Board 5-0

YOU HAVE NOW COMPLETED VOTING THIS BALLOT



Town of Hudson



Brief Explanation of Town Fiscal Year 2025 Warrant Articles

A Citizen's Guide to Understanding Terms

Appropriations: A sum of money or total of assets devoted to a specific purpose.

Article: Individual numbered items within the warrant.

Board of Selectmen: An elected body of five (5) individuals that govern the Town.

Budget Committee: An elected body of eleven (11) individuals which reviews and elects to approve or not approve all Town and School budgets, as well as any and all articles involving the expenditure of funds. The budgets presented are prepared by the Budget Committee.

Capital Reserve Fund: Basically a "savings account" created by action of a prior Town meeting vote into which funds are placed for a designated purpose, but limited to capital expenditures such as a piece of major equipment, buildings, etc. or a large scale project such as property revaluation.

Map/Lot: This designates the exact location of a parcel of land on the Town tax map.

Petition Warrant Article: An article submitted by citizen petition. Must have the signatures of at least twenty-five (25) registered voters to be included on the Warrant.

Planning Board: An elected body consisting of six (6) members elected by the voters and one (1) ex-officio member appointed by the Board of Selectmen.

Property Tax Exemption: A deduction amount from the total value of a property for qualified property taxpayers.

Revolving Fund: A special purpose fund setup for a purpose as defined under RSA 31-95-h.

RSA: Refers to a State law – Revised Statute Annotated. These laws can be found on the State of New Hampshire's website under "Laws and Rules".

Special Warrant Article: As provided in State law, this designation identifies any appropriation in the warrant as non-lapsing (having no expiration date) and non-transferable (not to be used for anything other than the specified expressed purpose).

Tax Rate Impact: The cost of a specific article on the tax rate. The tax rate impact is calculated by dividing the cost of the article by the total property valuation for the Town and then dividing that amount by 1,000 to determine the impact to the tax rate.

Unassigned Fund Balance: The accumulation of revenues over expenditures, accrued over the years. It can be used for any purpose voted on by the Board of Selectmen, with voter approval. It has been used to offset tax increases as well as to offset the cost of larger projects.

Warrant: The official name for a group of articles presented to the voters.

Zoning Ordinance: Rules adopted by the Town for the regulation of land. These ordinances may be found under Chapter 334 of the Town Code.

Article 2 Operating Budget – Proposes a budget of \$35,527,448. Major increases are for increased Public Works materials and equipment, Fire Department protective equipment and training. In addition, it includes the cost for filling the vacant Assistant Town Administrator position. If the Operating Budget is approved, the estimated Operating Budget Tax rate would be \$4.94 per \$1,000 which is an increase of \$0.23 over the previous year.

Article 3 Sewer Fund Operating Budget – Proposes a budget of \$2,426,706. The Sewer Fund is a Special Revenue Fund and all costs are paid by sewer users and not the property taxpayer. There are no changes to the sewer rates for Fiscal Year 2025. (Tax impact is \$0.00 per \$1,000)

Article 4 Water Fund Operating Budget – Proposes a budget of \$4,371,665. The Water Fund is a Special Revenue Fund and all costs are paid by water users and not the property taxpayer. There are no changes to the water rates for Fiscal Year 2025. (Tax impact is \$0.00 per \$1,000)

Article 5 Hudson Public Works Union Contract - Provides for a 5 year contract with the employees in the Hudson Public Works Union. Employees in this union include Foremen, Equipment Operators, Truck Driver Laborers and other Public Works employees. Provides for a 3.0% COLA in years 1 and 2 and a 3.5% COLA in years 3, 4 and 5 as well as anniversary steps for those that are eligible. (Tax impact is \$0.02 per \$1,000)

Article 6 Hudson Firefighters IAFF Union Contract - Provides for a 3 year contract with the employees in the Hudson Firefighters IAFF Union. Employees in this union include Firefighter/AEMTs, Paramedics, Lieutenants and Fire Dispatchers. Provides for a 3.0% COLA in year 1 and 2 and a 4% COLA in year 3 and anniversary steps for those that are eligible. (Tax impact is \$0.05 per \$1,000)

Article 7 Funding for One Fire Captain Training Officer – Proposes to hire a training officer for the Fire Department. This would be a Fire Captain who would be responsible for developing, implementing and managing the Fire Department’s training program. This amount includes the salary (\$92,423) and benefits (\$72,468) for the position. (Tax impact is \$0.03 per \$1,000)

Article 8 Town Wide Paving – Proposes to increase the Town annual paving budget from \$990,000 to \$1,090,000. The paving budget was last increased in 2021. There are over 200 lane miles of roads in Hudson that the Town is responsible to maintain. (Tax impact is \$0.02 per \$1,000)

Article 9 Melendy Road Bridge Rehabilitation – Proposes to raise funds for the construction phase of the Melendy Road bridge rehabilitation project. The State Bridge Aid program is providing the bulk of the funding for this bridge which is on the State’s red list. This bridge is on Melendy Road over First Brook. (Tax impact is \$0.02 per \$1,000)

Article 10 Circumferential Highway Feasibility Study – Proposes to raise the Town’s 20% share of a feasibility and preliminary engineering study that the NHDOT has listed on their 10 year highway plan. This study would cover the southern portion of the proposed highway and would be used to determine if the highway is economically and environmentally feasible to move forward. (Tax impact is \$0.04 per \$1,000)

Article 11 Police Safety Equipment Capital Reserve Funding - Funds a Capital Reserve Fund that was established in March 2021 for the purpose of purchasing new and replacement body worn cameras, Tasers and bullet proof shields. Proposes to use \$105,000 from the Town’s fund balance of approximately \$7.6 million as the source of funding. (Tax impact is \$0.00 per \$1,000)

Article 12 Property Revaluation Capital Reserve Funding - Funds a Capital Reserve Fund that was established in March 2008 for the purpose of future property revaluations. NH Municipalities are required to reassess property a minimum of once every 5 years. Hudson's last Town-wide property reassessment was in 2022. (Tax impact is \$0.01 per \$1,000)

Article 13 VacCon Truck Replacement Capital Reserve Funding - Funds a Capital Reserve Fund that was established in March 2006 for the purpose of replacing the VacCon truck. The VacCon truck is used to clean out the Town's sewer system and storm water drainage system. ½ of the funding comes from the Sewer Fund and ½ comes from the General Fund. The truck has a life expectancy of 8 to 10 years. (Tax impact is \$0.00 per \$1,000)

Article 14 Fire Apparatus Capital Reserve Funding - Funds a Capital Reserve Fund that was established in March 2000 for the purpose of purchasing and replacing the Town's large fire apparatus such as engines, pumpers, ladder trucks, and forestry units. (Tax impact is \$0.01 per \$1,000)

Article 15 Fire Apparatus Refurbishment/Repair Capital Reserve Funding - Funds a Capital Reserve Fund that was established in March 2008 for the purpose of refurbishing and repairing the Town's large fire apparatus to extend their useful life. (Tax impact is \$0.02 per \$1,000)

Article 16 Fire Equipment Capital Reserve Funding - Funds a Capital Reserve Fund that was established in March 2011 for the purpose of purchasing fire and EMS equipment including firefighter protective clothing, self-contained breathing apparatus, and other specialized equipment. (Tax impact is \$0.01 per \$1,000)

Article 17 Generator Replacement/Repair Capital Reserve Funding - Funds a Capital Reserve Fund that was established in March 2022 for the purpose of replacing and repairing the Town's emergency power generators. There are currently 21 emergency generators equally split between town buildings, sewer pump stations and water booster stations and wells. The funding for this article is split 1/3 from the General Fund, 1/3 from the Sewer Fund and 1/3 from the Water Fund. (Tax impact is \$0.00 per \$1,000)

Article 18 Benson Park Renovation Capital Reserve Funding - Funds a Capital Reserve Fund that was established in March 1998 for the purpose of purchasing and renovation the Benson Park property. (Tax impact is \$0.00 per \$1,000)

Article 19 Establish a Drainage Capital Reserve Fund - Establishes a Capital Reserve Fund under RSA 35:1 for the purpose repairing or replacing the Town's storm drain system. There are approximately 100 miles of storm drainage in Town and much of it predates the 1970's. (Tax impact is \$0.02 per \$1,000)

Article 20 Discontinue Ambulance Capital Reserve Fund Capital Reserve Fund - Dissolves a Capital Reserve Fund that was established in 1994 for the purpose of purchasing and replacing ambulances and equipment. These are now bought through the EMS Revolving Fund. The remaining funds in this reserve fund will be paid back to the Town's general fund. (Tax impact is \$0.00 per \$1,000)

Article 21 Revised Property Tax Exemption for the Elderly – Raises the exemption amounts and annual income levels for qualified elderly residents. In 2023, the Town granted 179 elderly exemptions. (Tax impact is \$0.00 per \$1,000)

Article 22 Revised Property Tax Exemption for the Disabled – Raises the exemption amounts and annual income levels for qualified disabled residents. In 2023, the Town granted 27 disabled exemptions. (Tax impact is \$0.00 per \$1,000)

Article 23 Revised Property Tax Exemption for the Blind – Raises the exemption amount for qualified blind residents. In 2023, the Town granted 14 blind exemptions. (Tax impact is \$0.00 per \$1,000)

Article 24 Establish a Fire Alarm/Master Box Revolving Fund – Establishes a revolving fund per RSA 31:95-h (b) for the purpose of maintaining and monitoring the Town's Fire Alarm and Master Box System. Funding for this revolving fund will come from system user fees collected from commercial and residential customers. (Tax impact is \$0.00 per \$1,000)

Article 25 Lease Agreement South Water Tank – Proposes a lease agreement with Verizon Wireless to install signal boosting equipment on the South Hudson Water Tank. 1st year lease payment to the Town is \$28,800 and will increase by 2% annually for the life of the lease. (Tax impact is \$0.00 per \$1,000)

Article 26 Lease Agreement West Road Landfill – Proposes a lease agreement with Kearsarge Energy for a solar panel farm on a portion of the capped West Road Landfill. 1st year lease payment to the Town is \$48,400 and will increase by 2.25% annually for the life of the lease. The Town and School District will also receive savings, estimated to start at \$97,389 in the first year and increasing on an annual basis for the life of the lease, on their electric bills based on the amount of electricity produced. (Tax impact is \$0.00 per \$1,000)

Article 27 Study Needs for New Town Hall (by Petition) – By citizen petition. This petition proposes to conduct a study to review the costs of renovating the current Town Hall or building a new facility. (Tax impact is \$0.00 per \$1,000)

Article 28 Required Public Input (by Petition) – By citizen petition. This petition proposes to require any public board, committee or general public meeting to include time for public input. (Tax impact is \$0.00 per \$1,000)

Article 29 Comprehensive Infrastructure Study (by Petition) – By citizen petition. This petition proposes to complete an independent infrastructure study of developments impact to traffic, emergency services, schools, sewer and water needs and impact fees assessed to developers. The study results will be used to upgrade the Master Plan, Zoning ordinances and land use regulations. (Tax impact is \$0.00 per \$1,000)

Article 30 Change Election Day Date (by Petition) – By citizen petition. This petition proposes to change the date of the annual Town and School District elections from the 2nd Tuesday in March to the 2nd Tuesday in April. A similar article is on the School District ballot and both articles would need to pass for this to take effect. (Tax impact is \$0.00 per \$1,000)

Article 31 West Road Landfill Remote Control Airplane Club (by Petition) – By citizen petition. This petition proposes to allow the Southern NH Radio Control Club continued use of the capped portion of the West Road Landfill. This is the area where the Solar Panel Farm is being proposed in Article 26. (Tax impact is \$0.00 per \$1,000)

Article 32 Adopt Town Manager Form of Government (by Petition) – By citizen petition. This petition proposes to change the form of Town government from the current Town Administrator form to a Town Manager form. (Tax impact is \$0.00 per \$1,000)

Article 33 Amend Wetland Conservation District Boundaries – Proposes to increase the current wetland buffer from fifty (50) feet to seventy-five (75) feet for nonresidential uses.

Article 34 Amend General Regulations – Flood Damage Prevention – Proposes to incorporate required changes to the Town Code Chapter 218 as required by the National Flood Insurance Program.

Article 35 Amend 334-6 Contractors Yard Definition – Proposes to add more definition to Chapter 334-6 of the Town Zoning Ordinance for Contractor’s Yards.

Article 36 Amend Table of Permitted Uses – Religious Purposes – Proposes to amend the Zoning Ordinance Table of Permitted Uses to allow Religious Use of Land and Structures in all zoning districts per State RSA 674:76.

Article 37 Amend Table of Permitted Uses – Farm Stands – Proposes to amend the Zoning Ordinance Table of Permitted Uses to permit seasonal farm stands for retail sale of produce or Christmas trees in the Industrial (I) District.

Article 38 Amend Table of Permitted Uses – Auto Fuel Stations – Proposes to amend the Zoning Ordinance Table of Permitted Uses to prohibit gas stations and gas stations with general retail in the General (G) and General-1 (G-1) Districts.

Article 39 Amend Table of Permitted Uses – Car Wash – Proposes to amend the Zoning Ordinance Table of Permitted Uses to prohibit car washes in the General (G) and General-1 (G-1) Districts.

Article 40 Amend Table of Permitted Uses – Mobile Food Services – Proposes to amend the Zoning Ordinance Table of Permitted Uses to permit mobile park food service in the Business (B) District.

Article 41 Amend Table of Permitted Uses - Outdoor Recreation – Proposes to amend the Zoning Ordinance Table of Permitted Uses to permit outdoor commercial recreation in the Business (B) district by right not special exception.

Article 42 Amend Table of Permitted Uses – Itinerant Vendors – Proposes to amend the Zoning Ordinance Table of Permitted Uses to permit itinerant roadside vending in the Business (B) district.

Article 43 Amend Table of Permitted Uses Remove References– Proposes to amend the Zoning Ordinance Table of Permitted Uses to remove redundant references to tattoo parlors and body art/piercing which are already covered under another section of the Zoning Ordinance.

Article 44 Rezone Parcels from General to Residential – Proposes to amend the Official Zoning Map of the Town by rezoning certain parcels from the General (G) District to the Residential-2 (R-2) District.

Article 45 Rezone 48-50 Friars Drive to Industrial (I) – Proposes to amend the Official Zoning Map of the Town by rezoning 48-50 Friars Drive from the current General (G) District to the Industrial (I) District.

Article 46 Rezone West Road Parcels to Industrial (I) – Proposes to amend the Official Zoning Map of the Town by rezoning certain parcels on West Road from the current Business (B) District to the Industrial (I) District.

Article 47 Rezone Parcels on Lowell Road – Proposes to amend the Official Zoning Map of the Town by rezoning certain parcels on Lowell Road from the current General (G) District to the Business (B) District.

Article 48 Petition to Amend Town Code 334-38 – By citizen petition. This petition proposes to amend the Town Zoning Ordinance to prohibit the development or operation of a snow dump or a gas station on areas that are identified as overlays to moderate or high yield aquifers.

Article 49 Petition to Amend Town Code 334-15.1 – By citizen petition. This petition proposes to amend the Town Zoning Ordinance to require stores selling gasoline at retail be located at least 3,000 feet from another store selling gasoline at retail.

Article 50 Petition One Year Temporary Building Moratorium – By citizen petition. This petition proposes to place a one year temporary moratorium on issuing new building permits and approving subdivisions or site plans in the Business (B), Industrial (I), General (G) and General-1 (G-1) Districts in order to give the Town time to update its Master Plan and Zoning regulations.



**ABSENTEE
OFFICIAL BALLOT
ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION
HUDSON, NEW HAMPSHIRE
MARCH 12, 2024**

BALLOT 1 OF 5

Christina Stangroom

TOWN CLERK

INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS

- A. TO VOTE, completely fill in the OVAL to the RIGHT of your choice(s) like this:
- B. Follow directions as to the number of candidates to be marked for each office.
- C. To vote for a person whose name is not printed on the ballot, write the candidate's name on the line provided and completely fill in the OVAL.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Three Year Term
VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN TWO

- HEIDI JAKOBY
- MARILYN MCGRATH
- RICHARD J. WEISSGARBER
- DILLON DUMONT
- _____
(Write-in)
- _____
(Write-in)

BUDGET COMMITTEE

Three Year Term
VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN THREE

- RANDALL S. BROWNRIGG
- SHAWN N. JASPER
- ROBERT WHERRY
- _____
(Write-in)
- _____
(Write-in)
- _____
(Write-in)

CEMETERY TRUSTEES

Three Year Term
VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN ONE

- CHRISTINA MADDEN
- _____
(Write-in)

CODE OF ETHICS

Three Year Term
VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN ONE

- RYAN ANDREWS
- _____
(Write-in)

LIBRARY TRUSTEES

Three Year Term
VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN ONE

- LISA WEBER
- RUTH SESSIONS
- _____
(Write-in)

LIBRARY TRUSTEES

One Year Term
VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN ONE

- LISA WEBER
- MARGARET A. ST. ONGE
- _____
(Write-in)

MODERATOR

Two Year Term
VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN ONE

- ALANNA STANGROOM
- _____
(Write-in)

PLANNING BOARD

Three Year Term
VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN TWO

- EDWARD VAN DER VEEN
- TIMOTHY J. MALLEY
- _____
(Write-in)
- _____
(Write-in)

PLANNING BOARD

One Year Term
VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN ONE

- TIMOTHY LYKO
- _____
(Write-in)

**SUPERVISOR OF
THE CHECKLIST**

Six Year Term
VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN ONE

- NORMAND G. MARTIN
- _____
(Write-in)

**TRUSTEES OF
THE TRUST FUND**

Three Year Term
VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN ONE

- EDMOND A. DUCHESNE
- _____
(Write-in)

TURN BALLOT OVER AND CONTINUE VOTING

ARTICLES

Article 02 General Fund Operating Budget

Shall the Town of Hudson 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 \$35,527,448? Should this article be defeated, the operating budget shall be \$35,044,662 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.

YES
NO

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 4-0
Recommended by the Budget Committee 7-2
Tax Rate Impact is \$0.232
Estimated tax rate is \$4.942

Article 03 Sewer Fund Operating Budget

Shall the Town of Hudson 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 \$2,426,706? Should this article be defeated, the operating budget shall be \$2,375,172 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.

YES
NO

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 4-0
Recommended by the Budget Committee 9-0
Tax Rate Impact is \$0.000

Article 04 Water Fund Operating Budget

Shall the Town of Hudson 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 \$4,371,665? Should this article be defeated, the operating budget shall be \$4,334,213 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.

YES
NO

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 4-0
Recommended by the Budget Committee 9-0
Tax Rate Impact is \$0.000

Article 05 Hudson Public Works Union Contract

Ratification of a contract negotiated between the Town of Hudson Board of Selectmen and the Hudson Public Works Department Union Teamsters Local 633 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 Public Works Department Union Teamsters Local 633 which calls for the following increase in salaries and benefits:

<u>Fiscal Year</u>	<u>Amount</u>
7/1/24 to 6/30/25	\$90,267
7/1/25 to 6/30/26	\$99,373
7/1/26 to 6/30/27	\$105,142
7/1/27 to 6/30/28	\$105,286
7/1/28 to 6/30/29	\$108,250

and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$90,267 for the 2024-2025 Fiscal Year, said sum representing the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits over those paid in the prior Fiscal Year?

YES
NO

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0
Recommended by the Budget Committee 9-0
Tax Rate Impact is \$0.018

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Article 06 Firefighters IAFF Union Contract

Ratification of a contract negotiated between the Town of Hudson Board of Selectmen and the Professional Firefighters of Hudson I.A.F.F. 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 Professional Firefighters of Hudson I.A.F.F. Local 3154 which calls for the following increase in salaries and benefits:

<u>Fiscal Year</u>	<u>Amount</u>
7/1/24 to 6/30/25	\$230,106
7/1/25 to 6/30/26	\$231,353
7/1/26 to 6/30/27	\$275,130

and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$230,106 for the 2024-2025 Fiscal Year, said sum representing the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits over those paid in the prior Fiscal Year?

YES
NO

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0
Recommended by the Budget Committee 9-0
Tax Rate Impact is \$0.046

Article 07 Funding for One (1) Fire Captain Training Officer

Shall the Town of Hudson vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$164,891 which represents the cost of wages and benefits to hire one (1) full time Fire Captain Training Officer?

YES
NO

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 4-0
Recommended by the Budget Committee 6-3
Tax Rate Impact is \$0.033

Article 08 Town Wide Paving

Shall the Town of Hudson vote to raise and appropriate \$100,000 for additional paving costs for the Public Works Department? This increase in the Public Works Department's paving budget will be included in the operating budget and default budget in subsequent years.

YES
NO

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 4-0
Recommended by the Budget Committee 8-1
Tax Rate Impact is \$0.020

Article 09 Melendy Road Bridge Rehabilitation

Shall the Town of Hudson vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$100,000 for the construction of Melendy Road Bridge Rehabilitation? This project will be funded from unassigned general fund balance. This special warrant article will be a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7, VI and will not lapse until the construction of Melendy Road Bridge Rehabilitation is completed or by June 30, 2030, whichever is sooner.

YES
NO

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 4-0
Recommended by the Budget Committee 9-0
Tax Rate Impact is \$0.000

Article 10 Circumferential Highway Feasibility Study

Shall the Town of Hudson vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,000,375 for a feasibility study and preliminary engineering design for the Circumferential Highway Lowell Road to Route 111 segment? This project will be funded \$800,300 (80%) from a NHDOT Federal grant and \$200,075 to be raised from general taxation. This special warrant article will be a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7, VI and will not lapse until the feasibility study and preliminary engineering design is completed or by June 30, 2030, whichever is sooner.

YES
NO

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3-1
Not Recommended by the Budget Committee 4-4
Tax Rate Impact is \$0.040

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ARTICLES CONTINUED

Article 11 Police Safety Equipment Capital Reserve Funding

Shall the Town of Hudson vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$105,000 to be added to the Police Safety Equipment Capital Reserve Fund, previously established March 9, 2021 with said sum to come from the unassigned General Fund balance? **YES** **NO**

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 4-0
Recommended by the Budget Committee 9-0
Tax Rate Impact is \$0.000

Article 12 Property Revaluation Capital Reserve Funding

Shall the Town of Hudson vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$25,000 which will be added to the Property Revaluation Capital Reserve Fund as previously established in March 2008? **YES** **NO**

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 4-0
Recommended by the Budget Committee 9-0
Tax Rate Impact is \$0.005

Article 13 VacCon Truck Replacement Capital Reserve Funding

Shall the Town of Hudson vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$30,000 which will be added to the VacCon Truck Replacement Capital Reserve Fund previously established in March 2006? \$15,000 of this sum will come from the Sewer Utility Fund and the remaining \$15,000 will come from General taxation. **YES** **NO**

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 4-0
Recommended by the Budget Committee 9-0
Tax Rate Impact is \$0.003

Article 14 Fire Apparatus Capital Reserve Funding

Shall the Town of Hudson vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$50,000 which will be added to the Fire Apparatus Capital Reserve Fund previously established by March 14, 2000? **YES** **NO**

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 4-0
Recommended by the Budget Committee 9-0
Tax Rate Impact is \$0.010

Article 15 Fire Apparatus Refurbishment/Repair Capital Reserve

Shall the Town of Hudson vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$100,000 which will be added to the Fire Apparatus Refurbishment/Repair Capital Reserve Fund previously established March 11, 2008? **YES** **NO**

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 4-0
Recommended by the Budget Committee 9-0
Tax Rate Impact is \$0.020

Article 16 Fire Equipment Capital Reserve Funding

Shall the Town of Hudson vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$25,000 which will be added to the Fire Equipment Capital Reserve Fund previously established March 18, 2011? **YES** **NO**

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 4-0
Recommended by the Budget Committee 9-0
Tax Rate Impact is \$0.005

Article 17 Generator Replacement/Repair Capital Reserve Funding

Shall the Town of Hudson vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$30,000 which will be added to the Generator Replacement and Repair Capital Reserve Fund previously established March 8, 2022? \$10,000 will come from the Sewer Fund, \$10,000 will come from the Water Fund and \$10,000 will come from General taxation. **YES** **NO**

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 4-0
Recommended by the Budget Committee 9-0
Tax Rate Impact is \$0.002

Article 18 Benson Park Renovation Capital Reserve Funding

Shall the Town of Hudson vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000 which will be added to the Benson Park Renovation Capital Reserve Fund previously established in March 1998? **YES** **NO**

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 4-0
Recommended by the Budget Committee 9-0
Tax Rate Impact is \$0.002

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Article 19 Establish a Drainage Capital Reserve Fund

Shall the Town of Hudson vote to establish a Drainage Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of designing, repairing or replacing drainage and drainage infrastructure projects, and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$100,000 to be placed in this fund? Further, to name the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend from said fund.

YES
NO

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 4-0
Recommended by the Budget Committee 8-1
Tax Rate Impact is \$0.020

Article 20 Discontinue Ambulance Capital Reserve Fund

Shall the Town of Hudson vote to discontinue the Ambulance Capital Reserve Fund previously established August 19, 1994 and transfer the remaining funds into the General Fund?

YES
NO

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 4-0
Recommended by the Budget Committee 9-0
Tax Rate Impact is \$0.000

Article 21 Revised Property Tax exemption for the Elderly

Shall the Town of Hudson vote to modify the provisions of RSA 72:39-a for elderly exemption from property tax in the Town of Hudson, based on assessed value, for qualified taxpayers, to be as follows: for a person 65 years of age up to 75 years, \$132,000; for a person 75 years of age up to 80 years, \$156,000; for a person 80 years of age or older \$233,000? To qualify, the person must have been a New Hampshire resident for at least 3 consecutive years, own the real estate individually or jointly, or if the real estate is owned by such person's spouse, they must have been married to each other for at least 5 consecutive years. In addition, the taxpayer must have a net income of not more than \$50,000 or, if married, a combined net income of less than \$60,000; and own net assets not in excess of \$160,000 excluding the value of the person's residence. If approved this article shall take effect for the final property tax bill of the 2024 property year.

YES
NO

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 4-0
Tax Rate Impact is \$0.000

Article 22 Revised Property Tax Exemption for the Disabled

Shall the Town of Hudson vote to modify the provisions of RSA 72:37-b, Exemption for the Disabled from property tax, based on assessed value for qualified taxpayers to be \$132,000? To qualify the person must have been a New Hampshire resident for at least 5 years, own the real estate individually or jointly, or if the real estate is owned by such person's spouse, they must have been married for at least 5 consecutive years. In addition the taxpayer must have a net income of not more than \$50,000 or if married, a combined net income of not more than \$60,000, and own net assets not in excess of \$160,000 excluding the value of the person's residence. If approved, this article shall take effect for the final property tax bill of the 2024 property tax year.

YES
NO

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 4-0
Tax Rate Impact is \$0.000

Article 23 Revised Property Tax Exemption for the Blind

Shall the Town of Hudson vote to modify the provisions of RSA 72:37, Exemption for the Blind, to allow an inhabitant who is legally blind as determined by the blind services program, to be exempt each year on the assessed value, for property tax purposes, of his or her residential real estate to the value of \$132,000? If approved this article shall take effect for the final property tax bill of the 2024 property tax year.

YES
NO

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 4-0
Tax Rate Impact is \$0.000

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Article 24 Establish Fire Alarm/Master Box Revolving Fund

Shall the Town of Hudson vote to establish a revolving fund pursuant to RSA 31:95-h, (b) for the purpose of providing monitoring and maintenance of the Municipal Fire Alarm/Master Box System? 100% of revenues received for related residential and commercial permit fees shall be deposited in the fund, and the money in the fund shall be allowed to accumulate from year to year and shall not be considered part of the Town's general fund balance. 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 the purposes of Fire Alarm/Master Box maintenance, supplies, training and education, renovation, salaries or associated operating and administrative purposes. The Fire Alarm/Master Box revolving funds shall go into effect on July 1, 2024.

YES
NO

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 4-0
Recommended by the Budget Committee 8-0-1
Tax Rate Impact is \$0.000

Article 25 Ratification of Lease Agreement South Water Tank

Shall the Town of Hudson vote pursuant to RSA 41:11-a, to ratify a Lease Agreement between the Board of Selectmen and Celco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless ("Verizon") according to which Verizon will be leasing a portion of the South Water Tank property located at 12 Groves Farm Road (Tax Map 235-012-001) for communications equipment? The initial term of the lease shall be five (5) years, and may be extended for four (4) additional five (5) year terms (total 25 years). Rental payments during the first year of the lease shall be \$28,800.00 and thereafter increase by 2% annually. Copies of the full text of the Lease Agreement are available at the Town Clerk's office.

YES
NO

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 4-0
Tax Rate Impact is \$0.000

Article 26 Ratification of Lease Agreement West Road Landfill

Shall the Town of Hudson vote, pursuant to RSA 41:11-a, to ratify a Lease Agreement between the Board of Selectmen and Kearsarge Energy, LLC ("Kearsarge") according to which Kearsarge will be leasing a portion of the West Road Landfill property located at 26 West Road (Tax Map 100-002-000) for a solar generation facility? The initial term of the lease shall be twenty five (25) years, and may be extended for three (3) additional five (5) year terms (total 40 years). Rental payments received during the first year of the lease shall be \$48,440 and thereafter increase by 2.25% annually. Copies of the full text of the Lease Agreement are available at the Town Clerk's office.

YES
NO

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3-2
Tax Rate Impact is \$0.000

Article 27 Study Needs for New Town Hall (by Petition)

The Town of Hudson will conduct a study to determine the space needs for a new town hall. The study will include a look at renovating the existing town hall versus building a new one elsewhere in town whether it be on land already owned by Hudson or land it would need to acquire. This study will include the costs of renovation versus buying land and building a new facility. A similar study was called for and not started in the 2020 Capital Improvements Plan.

YES
NO

Not Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0
Tax Rate Impact is \$0.000

Article 28 Required Public Input (by Petition)

Should the town require any public board, committee, or general public meeting, to include time for public input regarding anything that board or committee has control over at the start of each meeting? This will offer consistent and reliable opportunities for citizens to express their thoughts, insights, concerns, thanks, and ideas, which will foster understanding and transparency.

YES
NO

Not Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 4-1
Tax Rate Impact is \$0.000

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Article 29 Comprehensive Infrastructure Study (by Petition)

Should the Town of Hudson complete a comprehensive infrastructure study independently run by a qualified third-party contractor unrelated to the Town of Hudson or the Nashua Regional Planning Commission? This study will include the following:

1. Comprehensive traffic study and impact for the entire town to include all developments being built and approved to be built.
2. Emergency services review of staffing, equipment, and training needed based on the facilities and anticipated demand from all the development. This includes, Police, Fire, and DPW.
3. Impact on our schools based on the high-density housing and the housing development under construction.
4. Sewer and water needs for the town.
5. Review the current impact fees assigned to developers based on this study.
6. The study results are expected to be used to upgrade and improve the Master Plan, Zoning ordinance, Land Use regulations, and to determine the impact to budgets/taxpayers and equipment/facilities/staffing needed to function.

YES

NO

Not Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3-1
Tax Rate Impact is \$0.000

Article 30 Change Election Day Date (by Petition)

Shall the Town of Hudson and the School District change the date of the elections from the second Tuesday in March to the second Tuesday in April in accordance with RSA 40:14, which would also change the date of the deliberative sessions to a date between the first and second Saturdays after the last Monday in February, inclusive? This warrant will only take effect if it passes on both the town and school districts ballots.

YES

NO

Not Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 4-0
Tax Rate Impact is \$0.000

Article 31 West Road Landfill So. NH RCC (by Petition)

Allow the Southern New Hampshire Radio Control Club continued use of the West Road Landfill Wagner Field, a Federal Aviation Administration Recognized Identification Area. Per the agreement with the Board of Selectmen in July of 1999, the town of Hudson NH will grant continued use of the West Road Landfill capped areas to the Southern New Hampshire Radio Control Club 501C non-profit organization, a fully insured and chartered member of the Academy of Model Aeronautics. This club fosters community efforts related to the building and flying of model aircraft, STEM education, and enablement of skill creation related to employment in the aerospace industry, many past members have subsequently established careers in aviation and aerospace. The club is in need of continued access to a suitable site for flying activities; the current site is recognized by the Federal Aviation Administration and has been granted special permissions allowing for high altitude flights. For the past 24 year the club has donated time, expertise and money to the town of Hudson NH and wishes to remain a vibrant part of the community.

YES

NO

Not Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3-2
Tax Rate Impact is \$0.000

Article 32 Adopt Town Manager Form of Government (by Petition)

Do you favor adoption of the town manager plan as provided in chapter 37 of the Revised Statutes Annotated? For Hudson, the current Town Administrator would assume this role until his retirement or termination of employment. A Town Manager has powers and duties afforded to it by state law whereas a town administrator does not.

YES

NO

Not Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3-1
Tax Rate Impact is \$0.000

Article 33 Amend Wetland Conservation District Boundaries

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 1 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows: Amend Article IX, Wetland Conservation District, by amending 334-35.A.3, Boundaries, to increase the wetland buffer around wetlands and surface waters from fifty (50) feet to seventy-five (75) for nonresidential uses?

YES

NO

Recommended by the Planning Board 6-0

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ARTICLES CONTINUED

Article 34 Amend General Regulations – Flood Damage Prevention

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 2 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town of Hudson Zoning Ordinances as follows: Amend Town Code, Chapter 218, Flood Damage Prevention, to address changes that were identified during a review by the NH Office of Planning and Development related to Floodplain Development in reference to the National Flood Insurance Program. YES NO

Recommended by the Planning Board 6-0

Article 35 Amend 334-6 Contractors Yard Definition

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 3 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows: Amend Article II, Terminology, by amending 334-6, Definitions, to add a definition for Contractor's Yard to read as follows: Contractors Yard - A lot or portion of a lot used for outdoor storage of construction materials or construction equipment customarily required in the building trade by a construction contractor? YES NO

Recommended by the Planning Board 6-0

Article 36 Amend Table of Permitted Uses - Religious Purposes

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No.4 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows: Amend Article V, Permitted Uses, by amending 334-21, Table of Permitted Uses, C.1, to permit the "Use of land or structures used primarily for religious purposes" in all Zoning Districts? The purpose of this amendment is to match the state RSA 674:76, relative to Religious Use of Land and Structures. YES NO

Recommended by the Planning Board 6-0

Article 37 Amend Table of Permitted Uses - Farm Stands

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 5 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows: Amend Article V, Permitted Uses, by amending 334-21, Table of Permitted Uses, D.1, to permit "Seasonal farm stands for retail sale of produce or Christmas trees" in the Industrial (I) District? YES NO

Recommended by the Planning Board 6-0

Article 38 Amend Table of Permitted Uses - Auto Fuel Stations

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 6 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows: Amend Article V, Permitted Uses, by amending 334-21, table of Permitted Uses, D.11 and D.12, to prohibit "Automotive fuel station" and "Automotive fuel station with general retail" in the General (G) and General-1 (G-1) Zoning Districts? YES NO

Recommended by the Planning Board 6-0

Article 39 Amend Table of Permitted Uses - Car Wash

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 7 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows: Amend Article V, Permitted Uses, by amending 334-21 Table of Permitted Uses, D.13, to prohibit "Car wash" in the General (G) and General-1 (G-1) Zoning Districts? YES NO

Recommended by the Planning Board 6-0

Article 40 Amend Table of Permitted Uses Mobile Food Services

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 8 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows: Amend Article V, Permitted Uses, by amending 334-21, Table of Permitted Uses, D.25, to permit "Mobile parked food service" in the Business (B) Zoning District? YES NO

Recommended by the Planning Board 6-0

Article 41 Amend Table of Permitted Uses – Outdoor Recreation

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 9 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows: Amend Article V, Permitted Uses, by amending 334-21, Table of Permitted Uses, D.21, to permit "Outdoor commercial recreation" in the Business (B) Zoning district by right rather than by Special Exception? YES NO

Recommended by the Planning Board 6-0

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Article 42 Amend Table of Permitted Uses - Itinerant Vendors

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 10 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows: Amend Article V, Permitted Uses, by amending 334-21, Table of Permitted Uses, D.26, to permit "Itinerant roadside vending" in the Business (B) Zoning District? YES
NO

Recommended by the Planning Board 6-0

Article 43 Amend Table of Permitted Uses Remove References

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 11 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows: Amend Article V, Permitted Uses, by amending 334-21, Table of Permitted Uses, D.31 and D.32, to eliminated references to "Tattoo parlor" and "Body art/piercing" because they are redundant categories, already covered under D.3, " Personal service establishment, per definition provided in 334-6"? YES
NO

Recommended by the Planning Board 6-0

Article 44 Rezone Parcels from General to Residential

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 12 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Official Zoning Map of the Town of Hudson as follows: YES
Amend the Official Zoning Map of the Town of Hudson by re-zoning certain areas developed for residential purposes from General (G) to Residential-2 (R-2) (See maps for parcels affected)? NO

Recommended by the Planning Board 6-0

Article 45 Rezone 48-50 Friars Drive to Industrial (I)

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 13 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Official Zoning Map of the Town of Hudson as follows? Amend the Official Zoning Map of the Town of Hudson by re-zoning from General (G) to Industrial (I) the parcel of land known as Tax Map 209, Lot 001-00, 48-50 Friar's Drive. YES
NO

Recommended by the Planning Board 5-2

Article 46 Rezone West Road Parcels to Industrial (I)

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 14 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Official Zoning Map of the Town of Hudson as follows? Amend the Official Zoning Map of the Town of Hudson by re-zoning from Business (B) to Industrial (I) the following parcels of land, Tax Map 105, Lot 002-000, 5 West Road and Tax Map 101, Lot 006-000, 19 West Road, Tax Map 101, Lot 004-000, 21 West Road, and Tax Map 101, Lot 005-000, 15 & 29 West Road. YES
NO

Recommended by the Planning Board 5-2

Article 47 Rezone Parcels on Lowell Road

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 15 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Official Zoning Map of the Town of Hudson as follows? Amend the Official Zoning Map of the Town of Hudson by re-zoning from General (G) to Business (B) the following parcels of land, Tax Map 204, Lot 006-000, Tax Map 210, Lot 008-000, Tax Map 210, Lot 006-000 and Tax Map 209, Lot 001-002, Lowell Road. YES
NO

Recommended by the Planning Board 5-2

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Article 48 Petition to Amend Town Code 334-38

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 16 as proposed by petition for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows?

Amend Town Code section 334-38 - All areas overlying Stratified Drift Aquifers identified in Hudson Master Plan Chapter III - Natural Resources, Groundwater Resources Section, Map III-8 Aquifers locations of Moderate to High Yield are prohibited from development or operation of a snow dump or gasoline station.

YES
NO

Not Recommended by the Planning Board 6-0

Article 49 Petition to Amend Town Code 334-15.1

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 17 as proposed by petition for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows?

Amend Article III, General Regulations, by amending section 334-15.1, to adopt the requirement that lots with stores selling gasoline at retail be located at least 3,000 feet from another lot with a store selling gasoline at retail.

YES
NO

Not Recommended by the Planning Board 6-0

Article 50 Petition One Year Temporary Building Moratorium

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 18 as proposed by petition for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows?

Should the Town of Hudson place a one-year temporary moratorium beginning the day of the March 2024 election, as allowed per RSA Section 674:23, on issuing new building permits and approving subdivisions or site plans in Zones B, I, G, and G-1? This article aims to manage rapid development challenges, ensuring better traffic, utility, and public safety management. The moratorium, however, would not affect ongoing residential projects or expansion or remodeling of existing residences or businesses. This article will give the town time to update its Master Plan and zoning regulations for better future growth management, without impacting current homeowners in these zones. The suspension could end earlier if the updates are completed before the year ends.

YES
NO

Not Recommended by the Planning Board 6-0

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Vote by Absentee Ballot

Absentee ballots are an option for registered voters to vote by mail as a substitute to voting in-person. The applicant must first fill out an absentee ballot application in order to receive an absentee ballot.

- If hand-delivering the absentee ballot application to the Town Clerk, the application must be received by Monday, March 11 at 4:00 PM in order to receive an absentee ballot to fill out at that time. A designated delivery agent may also physically bring your absentee ballot to your designated polling location on Election Day, March 12th, by no later than 5:00 PM in order to be counted.*
- If you are mailing the absentee ballot application, the application must be received by the Town Clerk in time to process the application, and in return, mail an absentee ballot to you. When returning the absentee ballot by mail, it is your responsibility to ensure the Town Clerk receives your ballot at Town Hall on or before Tuesday, March 12.
- Any absentee ballot received after March 12 will be deemed invalid and not accepted.

* A delivery agent is determined by [RSA 657:17](#)

Applications are available at the Town Clerk's Office at 12 School Street or on the town website at: <https://www.hudsonnh.gov/clerk/page/election-information>



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Vote 7AM TO 8PM

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Hudson Community Center
12 Lions Ave

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Alvirne High School
200 Derry Road

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