

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Town of Hanover

Warrant for Annual Town Meeting

Plymouth, SS

Greetings: To any Constable of the Town of Hanover in said County.

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of said town who are qualified to vote in Elections and Town Affairs to meet in the HANOVER HIGH SCHOOL, 287 Cedar Street

MONDAY THE 1st DAY OF MAY, 2023 AT 7:30 P.M.

Special Town Meeting at 7:00pm

Annual Town Meeting at 7:30pm



Pursuant to the Americans with Disabilities Act, the Town will make every effort to assure that Town Meeting is accessible to individuals with disabilities. Should any assistance be desired in this regard, please contact the Hanover Select Board's Office at (781) 826-5000 ext. 1084.

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ARTICLES FOR ANNUAL TOWN MEETING WARRANT

Monday, May 1st, 2023

ARTICLE 1. ACCEPT REPORTS IN ANNUAL TOWN REPORT

To see if the Town will vote to accept the reports of the Officers and Committees as printed in the Annual Town Report, or take any other action relative thereto.

Advisory Committee

ARTICLE 2. HEAR/ACCEPT REPORTS OF COMMITTEES & STATE OFFICIALS

To see if the Town will vote to hear reports of the Committees and State Officials and act thereon, or take any other action relative thereto.

Advisory Committee

ARTICLE 3. AUTHORIZE TREASURER TO ACCEPT TRUST FUNDS

To see if the Town will vote to authorize its Treasurer to accept such trust funds as may be placed in his or her hands during the Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2023, or take any other action relative thereto.

Director of Finance

ARTICLE 4. ASSUME LIABILITY TO ALLOW STATE DEP WORK

To see if the Town will vote to assume liability in the manner provided by Section 29 and 29A of Chapter 91 of the Massachusetts General Laws, as most recently amended, for all damages that may be incurred by work to be performed by the Department of Environmental Protection, or take any other action relative thereto.

Hanover Select Board

ARTICLE 5. SET PAY FOR ELECTED OFFICIAL – TOWN MODERATOR

To see if the Town will vote to fix the pay of its elective officer as required by law as follows, or take any other action relative thereto.

Moderator: \$100 for Annual Town Meeting
 \$100 for Special Town Meeting

Advisory Committee

ARTICLE 6. SET PAY FOR ELECTED OFFICIAL – TOWN CLERK

To see if the Town will vote to fix the pay of its elective officer as required by law as follows, or take any other action relative thereto.

Town Clerk: \$ _____ annually

Advisory Committee

ARTICLE 7. GENERAL FUND OPERATING BUDGET

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$_____ for a General Fund Operating Budget, to provide for a reserve fund, and to defray the expenses of the Town, and to meet said appropriation transfer the sum of \$_____ from Certified Free Cash, transfer the sum of \$_____ from the Cemetery Graves & Foundations account, transfer the sum of \$_____ from the Sale of Cemetery Lots account, transfer the sum of \$_____ from the Title V Receipts Reserved account, transfer the sum of \$_____ from the Ambulance Receipts Reserved account, transfer the sum of \$_____ from the Wetlands Receipts Reserved account, and raise \$_____ from the Fiscal Year 2024 Tax Levy and other sources, or take any other action relative thereto.

	<i>FY2023 Appropriated</i>	<i>FY2024 Town Manager Proposed</i>	<i>FY2024 Advisory Committee Recommended</i>	<i>Difference between FY 2023 & FY2024 Advisory Committee Recommended</i>	
General Government:					
Salaries	\$	\$	\$	\$	%
Expenses	\$	\$	\$	\$	%
Finance Department:					
Salaries	\$	\$	\$	\$	%
Expenses	\$	\$	\$	\$	%
Community Development and Municipal Inspections:					
Salaries	\$	\$	\$	\$	%
Expenses	\$	\$	\$	\$	%
Community Services:					
Salaries	\$	\$	\$	\$	%
Expenses	\$	\$	\$	\$	%
Library:					
Salaries	\$	\$	\$	\$	%
Expenses	\$	\$	\$	(-)	%
Police:					
Salaries	\$	\$	\$	\$	%
Expenses	\$	\$	\$	(-)	%
Fire:					
Salaries	\$	\$	\$	\$	%

Expenses	\$	\$	\$	(-\$)	%
Hanover Public Schools	\$	\$	\$	\$0	%
South Shore Vocational High School	\$	\$	\$	\$	%
Public Works:					
Salaries	\$	\$	\$	\$	%
Expenses	\$	\$	\$	\$	%
Snow & Ice	\$	\$	\$	\$	%
Debt	\$	\$	\$	(-\$)	%
Town Wide Expenses	\$	\$	\$	\$	%
Transfers	\$	\$	\$	\$	%
TOTAL GENERAL FUND OPERATING BUDGET	\$	\$	\$	\$	%
Certified Free Cash	\$	\$	\$	\$	%
Cemetery Graves & Foundations	\$	\$	\$	\$	%
Sale of Cemetery Lots	\$	\$	\$	\$	%
Title V Receipts Reserved Account	\$	\$	\$	\$	%
Ambulance Receipts Reserved Account	\$	\$	\$	\$	%
Wetlands Receipts Reserved Account	\$	\$	\$	\$	%
<i>Less Total Transfers</i>	\$	\$	\$	\$	%
To be raised by the Fiscal Year 2023 Tax Levy and other sources	\$	\$	\$	\$	%

Town Manager
Director of Finance

ARTICLE 8. WATER ENTERPRISE BUDGET

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$ _____ from Water Enterprise receipts to defray Water Enterprise direct costs and that \$ _____ as appropriated in the General Fund Operating Budget be used for Water indirect costs, all to fund the total cost of operations of the Water Enterprise as follows, or take any other action relative thereto.

Personal Services	\$
Other Expenses	\$
Debt Service	\$
Appropriate for Direct Costs	\$
Indirect Costs - Reimburse General Fund for Shared Expenses	\$
Total Cost - Water Enterprise	\$

Town Manager
Director of Public Works
Director of Finance
Hanover Select Board

ARTICLE 9. PEG ACCESS & CABLE RELATED FUND

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$ _____ to the PEG Access & Cable Related Fund for the purpose of monitoring compliance of the Town's cable operator with the franchise agreement, preparing for renewal of the franchise license, and providing local cable access services and programming for the Town of Hanover in Fiscal Year 2024, or take any other action relative thereto.

Town Manager
Director of Finance
Director of Community Services

ARTICLE 10. ACCEPT CHAPTER 90 ROAD GRANT MONIES

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Hanover Select Board and the Town Manager to accept such sums of money as may be distributed by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts through the Chapter 90 highway grant program, so-called, funds to be expended by the Town Manager in accordance with the guidelines and requirements of the Massachusetts Highway Department, or take any other action relative thereto.

Hanover Select Board
Town Manager
Director of Public Works

ARTICLE 11. SET LIMITS ON REVOLVING FUNDS

To see if the Town will vote to set limits on the Revolving Funds set forth in Section 6-31 of the Town of Hanover General By-Laws in accordance with Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 44, §53E1/2 as follows, or take any other action relative thereto.

Revolving Fund	Limit on Spending
Library	\$
Recreation Fund	\$
GATRA	\$
Forge Pond Park	\$
Council on Aging	\$
Public Health Clinic	\$
Public Safety Vehicles	\$

Town Manager
Director of Finance

ARTICLE 12. AMEND GENERAL BYLAWS §4-14 – POLICE CHIEF / DEPUTY POLICE CHIEF

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Town's General Bylaws _____,
or take any other action relative thereto.

Police Chief
Town Manager

ARTICLE 13. AMEND GENERAL BYLAWS §6-14 – WETLANDS PROTECTION

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Town's General Bylaws _____,
or take any other action relative thereto.

Conservation Agent
Conservation Commission

ARTICLE 14. AMEND GENERAL BYLAWS §4-12 – CONSERVATION COMMISSION

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Town's General Bylaws to _____,
or take any other action relative thereto.

Conservation Agent
Conservation Commission

ARTICLE 15. AMEND ZONING BYLAW / SIGN BYLAW – ELECTRONIC SIGNS

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning/ Sign Bylaw – Electric Signs for the Town under Section _____ to _____ or take any other action relative thereto.

Planning Board

ARTICLE 16. PURCHASE PROPERTY ADJACENT TO POND STREET WELLS

To see if the Town will vote to _____

Select Board
Town Manager

ARTICLE 17. ACCEPT MGL CHAPTER 40, §8J ESTABLISHING A COMMISSION ON DISABILITY

To see if the Town will vote to accept MGL Chapter, §8J Establishing a Commission on Disability.

Select Board

ARTICLE 18. APPROPRIATE FUNDS – TOWN EVENT FUNDING – WINTERFEST AND HANOVER DAY (\$50,000 FREE CASH)

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, appropriate from available funds and/or borrow in accordance with Chapter 44 of the Massachusetts General Laws the sum of \$50,000, or another sum, to fund Winterfest and Hanover Day, or take any other action relative thereto.

Town Manager

ARTICLE 19. APPROPRIATE FUNDS – DOG PARK (\$87,130 FREE CASH)

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, appropriate from available funds and/or borrow in accordance with Chapter 44 of the Massachusetts General Laws the sum of \$87,130, or another sum, to fund the creation of a dog park, or take any other action relative thereto.

Select Board

ARTICLE 20. APPROPRIATE FUNDS – CEDAR SCHOOL VESTIBULE (\$600,000 FREE CASH)

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, appropriate from available funds and/or borrow in accordance with Chapter 44 of the Massachusetts General Laws the sum of \$600,000, or another sum, to fund the construction of a vestibule at Cedar School, or take any other action relative thereto.

School Committee
School Superintendent

ARTICLE 21. APPROPRIATE FUNDS – SPECIAL EDUCATION RESERVE FUND (\$____ FREE CASH)

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, appropriate from available funds and/or borrow in accordance with Chapter 44 of the Massachusetts General Laws the sum of \$____, or another sum, for the Special Education Reserve Fund, or take any other action relative thereto.

School Superintendent

ARTICLE 22. APPROPRIATE FUNDS – MIDDLE SCHOOL LOCKERS (\$50,000 FREE CASH)

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, appropriate from available funds and/or borrow in accordance with Chapter 44 of the Massachusetts General Laws the sum of \$50,000, or another sum, for the phased replacement of Middle School lockers, or take any other action relative thereto.

School Superintendent
Director of Public Works

ARTICLE 23. APPROPRIATE FUNDS – MIDDLE SCHOOL PARKING LOT RECONSTRUCTION (\$700,000 BORROWING)

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, appropriate from available funds and/or borrow in accordance with Chapter 44 of the Massachusetts General Laws the sum of \$700,000, or another sum, for the reconstruction of the Middle School parking lot, or take any other action relative thereto.

School Superintendent
Director of Public Works

ARTICLE 24. APPROPRIATE FUNDS – HIGH SCHOOL EMERGENCY CIRCUIT UPGRADES (\$60,000 FREE CASH)

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, appropriate from available funds and/or borrow in accordance with Chapter 44 of the Massachusetts General Laws the sum of \$60,000, or another sum, for upgrades to the high school emergency circuit, or take any other action relative thereto.

Director of Public Works
Fire Chief

ARTICLE 25. APPROPRIATE FUNDS – BASKETBALL COURT(S) RENOVATIONS (\$100,000 FREE CASH)

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, appropriate from available funds and/or borrow in accordance with Chapter 44 of the Massachusetts General Laws the sum of \$100,000, or another sum, for renovating Town basketball courts, or take any other action relative thereto.

Select Board
Town Manager

ARTICLE 26. APPROPRIATE FUNDS – ELLIS FIELDS IMPROVEMENTS (\$75,000 FREE CASH)

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, appropriate from available funds and/or borrow in accordance with Chapter 44 of the Massachusetts General Laws the sum of \$75,000, or another sum, for improvements to Ellis Field, or take any other action relative thereto.

Town Manager
Community Services Director

ARTICLE 27. APPROPRIATE FUNDS – TOWN HALL ELEVATOR (\$100,000 FREE CASH)

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, appropriate from available funds and/or borrow in accordance with Chapter 44 of the Massachusetts General Laws the sum of \$100,000, or another sum, for planning, design, and engineering of the Town Hall elevator, or take any other action relative thereto.

Director of Public Works
Town Manager

ARTICLE 28. APPROPRIATE FUNDS – DPW FUEL CANOPY (\$50,000 FREE CASH)

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, appropriate from available funds and/or borrow in accordance with Chapter 44 of the Massachusetts General Laws the sum of \$50,000, or another sum, for improvements to DPW's fuel canopy, or take any other action relative thereto.

Director of Public Works
Town Manager

ARTICLE 29. APPROPRIATE FUNDS – PURCHASE FOUR (4) DPW VEHICLES (\$490,000 FREE CASH)

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, appropriate from available funds and/or borrow in accordance with Chapter 44 of the Massachusetts General Laws the sum of \$490,000, or another sum, to purchase, lease, or lease/purchase and equip up to four (4) DPW vehicles, said funds to be expended at the direction of the Town Manager who is authorized to sell or make appropriate trade-ins, or take any other action relative thereto.

Director of Public Works
Town Manager

ARTICLE 30. APPROPRIATE FUNDS – TRANSFER STATION COMPACTOR (\$75,000 FREE CASH)

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, appropriate from available funds and/or borrow in accordance with Chapter 44 of the Massachusetts General Laws the sum of \$75,000, or another sum, to make upgrades to the transfer station main compactor, or take any other action relative thereto.

Director of Public Works
Town Manager

ARTICLE 31. APPROPRIATE FUNDS – TRANSFER STATION FENCING (\$35,000 FREE CASH)

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, appropriate from available funds and/or borrow in accordance with Chapter 44 of the Massachusetts General Laws the sum of \$35,000, or another sum, to make upgrades and improvements to the transfer station fencing and railing, or take any other action relative thereto.

Director of Public Works
Town Manager

ARTICLE 32. APPROPRIATE FUNDS – MIDDLE SCHOOL WATER MAIN (\$500,000 BORROWING)

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, appropriate from available funds and/or borrow in accordance with Chapter 44 of the Massachusetts General Laws the sum of \$500,000, or another sum, to make repairs to the water main at Hanover Middle School, or take any other action relative thereto.

Director of Public Works
Town Manager

ARTICLE 33. APPROPRIATE FUNDS – AIR STRIPPER REPLACEMENT (\$700,000 BORROWING)

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, appropriate from available funds and/or borrow in accordance with Chapter 44 of the Massachusetts General Laws the sum of \$700,000, or another sum, to purchase and equip an air stripper for the DPW, said funds to be expended at the direction of the Town Manager who is authorized to sell or make appropriate trade-ins, or take any other action relative thereto.

Director of Public Works
Town Manager

ARTICLE 34. APPROPRIATE FUNDS – WATER MAIN REPLACEMENT – KING STREET (\$800,000 BORROWING)

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, appropriate from available funds and/or borrow in accordance with Chapter 44 of the Massachusetts General Laws the sum of \$800,000, or another sum, to make repairs to the water main on King Street, or take any other action relative thereto.

Director of Public Works
Town Manager

ARTICLE 35. APPROPRIATE FUNDS – HANOVER FIRE CARDIAC MONITORS (\$200,000 FREE CASH)

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, appropriate from available funds and/or borrow in accordance with Chapter 44 of the Massachusetts General Laws the sum of \$200,000, or another sum, to purchase and equip cardiac monitors for the Hanover Fire Department, or take any other action relative thereto.

Fire Chief
Town Manager

ARTICLE 36. APPROPRIATE FUNDS – HANOVER FIRE DEPARTMENT UTILITY VEHICLE (\$60,000 FREE CASH)

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, appropriate from available funds and/or borrow in accordance with Chapter 44 of the Massachusetts General Laws the sum of \$60,000, or another sum, to purchase and equip a utility terrain vehicle for the Hanover Fire Department, said funds to be expended at the direction of the Town Manager who is authorized to sell or make appropriate trade-ins, or take any other action relative thereto.

Fire Chief
Town Manager

ARTICLE 37. APPROPRIATE FUNDS – HANOVER FIRE DEPARTMENT COMMAND VEHICLE (\$80,000 FREE CASH)

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, appropriate from available funds and/or borrow in accordance with Chapter 44 of the Massachusetts General Laws the sum of \$80,000, or another sum, to purchase and equip a command vehicle for the Hanover Fire Department, said funds to be expended at the direction of the Town Manager who is authorized to sell or make appropriate trade-ins, or take any other action relative thereto.

Fire Chief
Town Manager

ARTICLE 38. APPROPRIATE FUNDS – THREE (3) HANOVER POLICE DEPARTMENT CRUISERS (\$210,000 FREE CASH)

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, appropriate from available funds and/or borrow in accordance with Chapter 44 of the Massachusetts General Laws the sum of \$210,000, or another sum, to purchase and equip three (3) police cruisers, said funds to be expended at the direction of the Town Manager who is authorized to sell or make appropriate trade-ins, or take any other action relative thereto.

Fire Chief
Town Manager

ARTICLE 39. APPROPRIATE FUNDS – E-CODE SOFTWARE (\$18,000 FREE CASH)

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, appropriate from available funds and/or borrow in accordance with Chapter 44 of the Massachusetts General Laws the sum of \$18,000, or another sum, to purchase and maintain the E-Code software, said funds to be expended at the direction of the Town Manager who is authorized to sell or make appropriate trade-ins, or take any other action relative thereto.

CDMI Director
Planning Board

ARTICLE 40. APPROPRIATE FUNDS – COUNCIL ON AGING FEASIBILITY STUDY (\$40,000 FREE CASH)

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, appropriate from available funds and/or borrow in accordance with Chapter 44 of the Massachusetts General Laws the sum of \$40,000, or another sum, to fund a feasibility study to potentially expand the Council on Aging, or take any other action relative thereto.

Council on Aging Advisory Board

ARTICLE 41. APPROPRIATE FUNDS – HIGH SCHOOL AUDITORIUM LIGHTS (\$130,000 FREE CASH)

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, appropriate from available funds and/or borrow in accordance with Chapter 44 of the Massachusetts General Laws the sum of \$130,000, or another sum, to fund switching the High School auditorium lights to LED lighting, or take any other action relative thereto.

School Superintendent