

TOWN OF HANOVER SELECT BOARD

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Select Board Hanover, MA 2023-2024 Board Year Goals

- Proactively address budgeting concerns for FY2025, including the loss of ARPA fund revenue, and long-term financial planning concerns in conjunction with the Town Manager, Advisory Committee, Superintendent, and School Committee.
- Collaborate with MassDOT to proactively address traffic and infrastructure concerns along Hanover's Route 139 and Route 53 corridors.
- Explore ways to bring in new revenue, such as:
 - Supporting the allocation of town resources to hiring a municipal grant writer to assist in obtaining funding for municipal projects and services to free up space in Hanover's operational budget and cover gaps between municipal resources and needs; and
 - o Collaborate with the Town Manager and Assessor's Office in more effectively generating revenue through real and personal property taxes.
- Address environmental priorities, including installing solar panels at the transfer station and other locations in town, if appropriate, and enter into a municipal electricity aggregation contract.
- Provide parameters for and conduct an evaluation of the Town Manager's performance and consider a written procedure for annual performance evaluation.
- Establish and implement an existing sidewalk repair and maintenance program in conjunction with the DPW and a related new sidewalk policy.
- Prepare a handbook for town board and committee volunteers to assist in onboarding new volunteers and serve as a refresher for existing volunteers.
- Expand citizen communication by pursuing methods beyond social media and the town website as distribution platforms.
- Form a committee to prepare and support town wide planning for Hanover's 300th founding anniversary.
- Explore improvements to the basketball courts at Sylvester Field in a way that dovetails with the B. Everett Hall Field Redesign Project.
- Pursue completion of projects funded at 2023 Annual Town Meeting Projects.
- Pursue meaningful occupancy of the Sylvester School Building in a way that supports Town functions and the Hanover community's needs, subject to required ADA and fire sprinkler updates
- Understand and minimize Hanover residents and businesses' exposure to PFAS compounds in our drinking water and through consumer products and industrial uses.
- Continue to pursue Fireworks Site cleanup and remediation.
- For Town Staff, Boards and Committees to reference the Town's adopted plans, as part of their due diligence, in making decisions for the Town.