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Troy

The inhabitants of the Town of Troy in the County of Cheshire in the state of New Hampshire qualified to vote in Town affairs are hereby notified that the Annual Town Meeting will be held as follows:

First Session of Annual Meeting (Official Ballot Voting)

Date: 3/12/2024

Time: 10 AM-7 PM

Location: Samuel E. Paul Community Center, 61 South Street

Details: Town of Troy Election of Officers

Second Session of Annual Meeting (Transaction of All Other Business)

Date: 3/13/2024

Time: 7 PM

Location: Troy Elementary School, 44 School Street

Details: Town of Troy Annual Town Meeting

GOVERNING BODY CERTIFICATION

We certify and attest that on February 23, 2024, a true and attested copy of this document was posted at the place of meeting and at Town Hall, Gay-Kimball Library, Troy US Post Office, and that an original was delivered to the Town Clerk.

Name	Position	Signature
Presented and discussed at the 2024 Budget Public Hearing held on February 15, 2024		
TJ Chasse	Board Selectmen Chairman	
Dick Thackston	Selectman	
Curtis Hopkins	Selectman	



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Article 06 Operating Budget

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Three Million Thirteen Thousand Seven Hundred Twenty-Four Dollars (\$3,013,724) for general government operations January 1, 2024 to December 31, 2024.

	Recommendations	
	Board of Selectmen	Budget Committee
Selectmen's Office	\$327,235	\$327,235
Town Clerk/Tax Collector's Office	\$158,734	\$158,734
Elections & Registration	\$3,279	\$3,279
Auditors for Town Books	\$50,000	\$50,000
Judicial & Legal	\$45,000	\$45,000
Historical Society	\$950	\$950
Planning Board	\$6,579	\$6,579
Zoning Board of Adjustment	\$1,854	\$1,854
Kimball Hall	\$9,176	\$9,176
Town Hall Building	\$27,438	\$27,438
Cheshire Railroad Depot	\$6,509	\$6,509
Regional Associations	\$4,069	\$4,069
Other General Government	\$25,000	\$25,000
Police Department	\$516,273	\$516,273
Police Revenue Offset	\$32,924	\$32,924
Ambulance Service	\$203,786	\$203,786
Emergency Services Building	\$12,782	\$12,782
Fire Department	\$118,487	\$118,487
Forest Fire Suppression	\$2,841	\$2,841
Building Inspector	\$10,000	\$10,000
Emergency Management	\$999	\$999
Highway Department	\$393,798	\$393,798
Street Lighting	\$15,000	\$15,000
Transfer Station/Recycling	\$166,104	\$166,104
Animal Control	\$2,271	\$2,271
Welfare General Assistance	\$37,760	\$37,760
Town Common	\$7,000	\$7,000
War Memorial Recreation	\$29,957	\$29,957
Recreation Program	\$65,294	\$65,294
Library	\$140,921	\$140,921
Patriotic Purposes	\$800	\$800
Industrial Development	\$1	\$1
Conservation Commission	\$2,205	\$2,205
Tax Anticipation Note Interest	\$34,200	\$34,200
Water/Sewer Department	\$554,498	\$554,498
TOTAL	\$3,013,724	\$3,013,724

The Board of Selectmen recommends this appropriation. The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation.



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Article 07 Sewer Plant Upgrade Bond Payment

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Eighty-Five Thousand Five Hundred Seventy-Six Dollars (\$85,576) for the annual bond payment for Sewer Plant Upgrades completed in 2007. The payment is broken down by principal amount of Seventy-Five Thousand Ninety-Eight Dollars (\$75,098) and interest amount of Ten Thousand Four Hundred Seventy-Eight Dollars (\$10,478).

The Board of Selectmen recommends this appropriation. The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation.

Article 08 Water Systems Improvement Bond Payment

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirty-Nine Thousand Dollars (\$39,000) for the annual bond payment for Water Systems Improvements completed in 2010. The payment is broken down by principal amount of Thirty-Two Thousand Seven Hundred Fifty-Three Dollars (\$32,753) and interest amount of Six Thousand Two Hundred Forty-Seven Dollars (\$6,247).

The Board of Selectmen recommends this appropriation. The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation.

Article 09 Broadband Bond Payment

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fourteen Thousand Eight Hundred Fifty-Two Dollars and Fifty Cents (\$14,852.50) for the annual bond payment for the Broadband Project completed in 2021. The payment is broken down by principal amount of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000) and interest amount of Four Thousand Eight Hundred Fifty-Two Dollars and Fifty Cents (\$4,852.50).

The Board of Selectmen recommends this appropriation. The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation.

Article 10 Capital Reserve Funds Deposits

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Forty Thousand (\$140,000) to deposit into the Capital Reserve Funds as specified:

Reassessment	\$20,000
Fire Department	\$25,000
Highway Department	\$25,000
Highway & Streets	\$50,000
Police Department	\$20,000
TOTAL	\$140,000

The Board of Selectmen recommends this appropriation. The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation.



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Article 11 Expendable Trust Funds Deposits

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Forty-Four Thousand Dollars (\$44,000) to deposit into the Expendable Trust Funds as specified:

Town Buildings & Repairs	\$25,000
Demolition, Repair of Buildings	\$7,500
Samuel E. Paul War Memorial	\$1,500
Gay-Kimball Library	\$5,000
Computer Technology	\$5,000
TOTAL	\$44,000

The Board of Selectmen recommends this appropriation. The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation.

Article 12 Cemetery Operating Budget

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifty-Three Thousand Six Hundred Three Dollars (\$53,603) and authorize the withdrawal of Fifty-One Thousand Nine Hundred Eighty-One dollars (\$51,981) for the care of the cemeteries and to come from the Cemetery Maintenance Expendable Trust Fund and the Cemetery Perpetual Care Trust Fund. The balance of One Thousand Six Hundred Twenty-Five dollars (\$1,625) to be raised from general taxation.

The Board of Selectmen recommends this appropriation. The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation.

Article 13 Cemetery Maintenance Trust & Perpetual Care Trust

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Thousand and One Hundred Dollars (\$2,100) to be placed in the following accounts with said funds to come from the unassigned fund balance. Eight Hundred and Forty Dollars (\$840) to go into the Cemetery Perpetual Care Trust Fund and One Thousand Two Hundred and Sixty Dollars (\$1,260) to go into the Cemetery Maintenance Expendable Trust Fund.

The Board of Selectmen recommends this appropriation. The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation.

Article 14 Highway Department Vehicle Purchase

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of up to One Hundred Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$120,000) for the purpose of purchasing a dump truck and all necessary equipment for operation of the Highway Department. And to see if the Town will authorize withdrawal of same from the Highway Department Capital Reserve Fund.

The Board of Selectmen recommends this appropriation. The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation.



Article 15 Roads & Streets

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Forty-Three Thousand Seven Hundred Forty-Six Dollars (\$43,746) for the purpose of purchasing materials towards future road rebuild projects. The funds are to be raised from:

Highway Block Grant (2024 Estimated) \$ 43,746

The Board of Selectmen recommend this appropriation. The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation.

Article 16 Transfer Station Bags

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Seven Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$7,500) to purchase transfer station bags and to authorize the withdrawal of Seven Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$7,500) from the Transfer Station/Recycling Center Special Revenue Fund to offset this expense.

The Board of Selectmen recommends this appropriation. The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation.

Article 17 Transfer Station/Recycling Center Equipment Special Revenue Fund

To see if the Town will vote to change the purpose of the Transfer Station/Recycling Center Equipment Special Revenue fund to include the annual monitoring costs of the Town of Troy discontinued Landfill.

The Board of Selectmen recommends this article.

Article 18 Transfer Station/Recycling Center Equipment Special Revenue Fund

To see if the town will vote to appoint the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend from the Transfer Station/Recycling Center Equipment Special Revenue Fund.

The Board of Selectmen recommends this article.

Article 19 Wage Increases

No raises or pay increases shall be effective before: April 1, 2024 and until completion of an Annual Performance Review is completed by the employee and supervisor and review and approval by the Board of Selectmen.

The Board of Selectmen recommends this article.



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Article 20 Support for Public Services

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty Two Thousand One Hundred Six Dollars (\$22,106) to support public services as specified:

	<u>Recommendations</u>	
	<u>Budget Committee</u>	<u>Board of Selectmen</u>
Meals on Wheels	\$873	\$873
Home Healthcare & Hospice	\$2,145	\$2,145
Southwestern Community Services	\$5,982	\$5,982
Monadnock Child Advocacy Center	\$1,100	\$1,500
The Community Kitchen	\$4,098	\$4,098
Community Volunteer Transportation	\$1,000	\$1,500
CASA	\$1,000	\$1,500
Monadnock Family Services	\$0	\$2,662
MCVP Crisis & Prevention	\$1,846	\$1,846
TOTAL	\$18,044	\$22,106

Article 21 Police Cruiser Purchase

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate Seventy-Four Thousand Nine Hundred and Sixty-Nine dollars (\$74,969) for the purchase and equipping of a new pursuit rated police vehicle and authorize the withdrawal of Thirty Thousand dollars (\$30,000) from the Police Department Capital Reserve Fund created for that purpose. The remaining balance of Forty Four Thousand Nine Hundred and Sixty-Nine dollars (\$44,969) to come from the unassigned fund balance.

The Board of Selectmen recommends this appropriation. The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation.

Article 22 Discontinue combined Town Clerk/Tax Collector Potion

To see if the Town will vote to discontinue the combined offices of Town Clerk and Tax Collector effective at the expiration of the current term of the Town Clerk/Tax Collector in March 2027.

The Board of Selectmen recommend this article.

Article 23 Town Clerk Position

To see if the Town will vote in favor of a three-year term for the office of Town Clerk effective with the end of the term of the current Town Clerk/Tax Collector in March 2027.

The Board of Selectmen recommend this article.

Article 24 Tax Collector Position

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to appoint, pursuant to RSA 41:2, a Tax Collector at the end of the current term of the Town Clerk/Tax Collector in March 2027.

The Board of Selectmen recommend this article.



Article 25 Supervisors of the Checklist Stipend

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate One Hundred Eighty-Nine dollars (\$189) to increase the Supervisors of the Checklist stipend. This vote will increase the 2024 stipend from Two Thousand Seven Hundred Eighty-One dollars (\$2,781) to Two Thousand Nine Hundred Seventy dollars (\$2,970) and remain at that amount annually moving forward, regardless of number annual election events. This changes payment from a per election basis to an annual stipend.

The Board of Selectmen recommends this appropriation. The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation.

Article 26 Moderator's Stipend

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate Five Hundred Eighty-Two dollars (\$582) to increase the Moderator's annual stipend from Six Hundred Eighteen dollars (\$618) to One Thousand Two Hundred dollars (\$1,200).

The Board of Selectmen recommends this appropriation. The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation.

Article 27 Cheshire Train Depot Land

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate Three Thousand Seven Hundred Twenty dollars (\$3,720) for the purchase of the land at the Train Depot.

The Board of Selectmen recommends this appropriation. The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation.

Article 28 Cheshire Train Depot Security System

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate Three Thousand dollars (\$3,000) for a new security system at the Train Depot Station.

The Board of Selectmen recommends this appropriation. The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation.

Article 29 Town Hall Buildings

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the amount of Fifteen Thousand dollars (\$15,000) for the maintenance and repair of town buildings and facilities to include but not be limited to repair, painting of the clock tower, cupola, clock and clock face thereon, critical plumbing, heating, electrical, structural system upgrades improvements and repairs to grading, sidewalks, curbs landscaping on Town Hall and any other Town of Troy buildings and grounds under supervision of the Board of Selectmen. This shall be a non-lapsing Article.

The Board of Selectmen recommends this appropriation. The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation.



Article 30 Public Works Director Position Study

Authorize the Board of Selectmen to define, develop, and potentially employ a new position of Public Works Director. Said position would be responsible for the coordination of budgeting, obtaining grants, personnel allocation between all departments, in conjunction with and subordinate to all relevant elected Boards & Commissions involved with physical plant and land operations including but not limited to Troy Water & Sewer Department, Troy Highway Department, Troy Cemetery Department, Troy Recreation Department, Town Common, Conservation Commission as well as any and all parks and publicly owned land and buildings. This study shall not begin prior to July 1, 2024 and requires no additional funds be raised and appropriated in this Budget.

The Board of Selectmen recommends this article.

Article 31 Town Clerk/Tax Collector Office- Clerk Position

Create a part-time clerical position for the Tax Collector/Town Clerk's Office to provide seasonal support on an as needed basis during periods of limited staff availability and/or high demand. This position to be funded in the amount of Twelve Thousand dollars (\$12,000) inclusive of all taxes, Insurance, and fees associated with said position.

The Board of Selectmen recommends this appropriation. The Budget Committee does not recommend this appropriation.

Article 32 Troy Mills Water & Sewer Fees

To see if the Town will vote that Water and Sewer fees and application process shall be those in place at the time Building Permit was issued to Mountain View Mill at Troy LLC, (the redeveloper of Troy Mills), on August 18, 2022 and that Mountain View Mill at Troy LLC may proceed in accordance with the approved site plan without further application to the Troy Water & Sewer Department for water and sewer connections and said project does not constitute a "new" water or sewer connection subject to changes implemented by the Town of Troy Water & Sewer Department in January and February 2023.

The Board of Selectmen recommends this article.

Article 33 Petitioned Warrant Article- Water/Sewer Commission

To see if the Town will vote to transfer all powers and duties of the water commissioners, granted by Town Meeting Vote of 1915 Article 15 to the Town of Troy Board of Selectmen.

That vote of 1915 created commissioners and appropriated money 'for the purpose of obtaining water rights and constructing said water works...'

The rights and water works are long completed. The Water & Sewer Commission has stayed in place past the original intent.

The Town Water & Sewer Department, under the direction of the commissioners, is now in costly litigation, dealing with maintenance neglect and water quality issues.



Article 34 Petitioned Warrant Article- Building Inspections

To see if the Town will vote to instruct the Board of Selectmen, pursuant to RSA 155-A:3, III (a) and (c), and the Fire Chief, pursuant to RSA 153:5, V, to inspect all newly permitted construction/renovation projects, as well as, all current construction/renovation projects that received a building permit with a specific stipulation requiring inspections; and to further instruct the Board of Selectmen, pursuant to RSA 674:51, I and as formerly decided by the passage of Article 22 of the Troy Town Meeting, to appoint a qualified building inspector or qualified third party to conduct aforementioned inspections for the purposes of enforcement of the provisions of the State Building Code [RSA 155-A]. In the event that a qualified building inspector or qualified third party is not appointed or available to conduct inspections, the Board of Selectmen shall, pursuant to RSA 155-A:7, I and II, request, in writing, that the state fire marshal or the state fire marshal's designee enforce the provisions of the State Building Code [RSA 155-A].