



## Haverhill

The inhabitants of the Town of Haverhill in the County of Grafton 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: March 11, 2025  
 Time: 8:00am-7:00pm  
 Location: 2975 Dartmouth College Highway, N. Haverhill, NH 03774  
 Details: Voting on Article 1

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

Date: March 15, 2025  
 Time: Immediately following the School Session  
 Location: 175 Morrill Drive  
 Details: Announcing results of Article 1 followed bu voting on the remaining warrant articles

**GOVERNING BODY CERTIFICATION**

We certify and attest that on or before <DATE>, a true and attested copy of this document was posted at the place of meeting and at <LOCATION> and that an original was delivered to <OFFICIAL>.

Name	Position	Signature



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**Article 01 Election of Officials**

To choose by non-partisan ballot two (2) Select Board members for a term of (3) years and one (1) for a term of one (1) year, one (1) Trustee of the Trust Funds for a term of three (3) years, one (1) Treasurer for a term of three (3) years, and two (2) Cemetery Commissioners for a term of three (3) years.

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**Article 02 Purchase New Fire Truck - Haverhill Fire Department**

To see if the Town of Haverhill will vote to raise and appropriate the recommended sum of one million ninety five thousand two hundred fifteen dollars (\$1,095,215) for the purpose of purchasing a new fire truck with \$200,000 to come from the Capital Reserve Fund for the Town of Haverhill Fire Truck, and \$450,000 from the sale of the 2017 KME Fire Truck, for a total of \$650,000, and to authorize the issuance of not more than the remaining balance of \$445,215 in bonds or notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA 33) and to authorize the municipal officials to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes to determine the rate of interest thereon. The first payment on the bond is to be made in 2026. (3/5 ballot vote required). The Selectboard recommends this article (4-0-1).

There is no tax impact for 2025.

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**Article 03 Transition to an SB2 Town**

Shall the Town of Haverhill adopt the provisions of RSA 40:13 (known as SB2) to allow official ballot voting on all issues before the town on the second Tuesday of March? (3/5-majority ballot vote required)

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**Article 04 Petitioned Article - To Change the Town's Form of Government**

Do you favor adoption of the town manager plan as provided in chapter 37 of the Revised Statutes Annotated? Submitted by petition (Majority ballot vote required). The Selectboard does not recommend this article (0-5-0).

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**Article 05 Announce the Results of Articles 1 - 4**

To announce the results of the balloting on Articles 1 - 4.

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**Article 06 Operating Budget 2025**

To see if the Town of Haverhill will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of five million two hundred thirty thousand five hundred ninety one (\$5,230,591) for general municipal operations. This article does not include appropriations contained in special or individual articles addressed separately. (Majority vote required). The Selectboard recommends this article (5-0-0).

The tax impact for this article will be \$4.393 per \$1000

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**Article 07 Acceptance of Annual Reports**

To hear the reports of the Selectboard, Town Administrator, Treasurer, Cemetery Commissioners, Airport Zoning Commissioners, Parks & Recreation Commissioners, Conservation Commissioners, and any other Town boards and committees heretofore chosen and pass any vote relating thereto.



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**Article 08 Appointment of Advisory Budget Committee**

To see if the Town of Haverhill will vote to authorize the Town Moderator to appoint an Advisory Budget Committee to review the Town Manager's/Town Administrator's preliminary budget and to present to the Selectboard their recommendations regarding the budget. The members of which shall be representative of all areas of Town equitably.

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**Article 09 Petitioned - Woodsville Highway Dept - Road Paving**

To see if the Town of Haverhill will raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred sixty three thousand four hundred seven dollars (\$163,407) to fund the Highway Department of Woodsville's road paving and reconstructions projects for the 2025 fiscal year. The intent is to fund the Highway Department and not place a burden on the Woodsville Precinct taxpayers by funding two departments (Town and Woodsville Fire District). Submitted by petition (Majority vote required). The Selectboard recommends this article (5-0-0).

The tax impact for this article will be \$0.232 per \$1000

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**Article 10 Petitioned - Woodsville Fire Department**

To see if the Town of Haverhill will raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred twenty seven thousand nine hundred sixty one dollars (\$127,961) to fund the Fire Department of Woodsville for the 2025 fiscal year. The intent is to fund the Fire Department and not place a burden on the Woodsville Precinct taxpayers by funding two departments (Town and Woodsville Fire District). Submitted by petition (Majority vote required). The Selectboard recommends this article (5-0-0).

The tax impact of this article is \$0.182 per \$1000

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**Article 11 Petitioned - Woodsville Highway Department**

To see if the Town of Haverhill will raise and appropriate the sum of three hundred thirty five thousand five hundred thirty two dollars (\$335,532) to fund the Highway Department of Woodsville for the 2025 fiscal year. The intent is to fund the Highway Department and not place a burden on the Woodsville Precinct taxpayers by funding two departments (Town and Woodsville Fire District). Submitted by petition (Majority vote required). The Selectboard recommends this article (5-0-0).

The tax impact for this article will be \$0.476 per \$1000

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**Article 12 Petitioned - Forensic Audit**

To see if the Town of Haverhill will raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) for the purpose of hiring a Certified Public Accountant to perform a forensic audit on the Town of Haverhill's general fund for the period of 2019-2024. The Selectboard does not recommend this article (0-0-5). Submitted by petition.

The tax impact on this article is \$0.142 per \$1000

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**Article 13 Brushwood Road Reconstruction**

To see if the Town of Haverhill will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of three hundred twenty two thousand dollars (\$322,000) to fund the highway department of Haverhill for the purpose of the paving and reconstruction of Brushwood Road in the 2025 fiscal year. (Majority vote required). The Selectboard recommends this article (3-2-0).

The tax impact of this article is \$0.457 per \$1000



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**Article 14 Vehicle CRF**

To see if the Town of Haverhill will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) to be added to the Vehicle Capital Reserve Fund previously established. (Majority vote required.) The Selectboard recommends this article (5-0-0)

The tax impact for this article is \$0.014 per \$1000

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**Article 15 Fire Vehicle CRF**

To see if the Town of Haverhill will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty five thousand dollars (\$25,000) to be added to the Fire Vehicle Capital Reserve Fund previously established. (Majority vote required.) The Selectboard recommends this article (5-0-0)

The tax impact of this article is \$0.035 per \$1000

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**Article 16 Buildings CRF**

To see if the Town of Haverhill will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000) to be added to the Buildings Capital Reserve Fund previously established. (Majority vote required.) Selectboard recommends this article (5-0-0)

The tax impact for this article is \$0.028 per \$1000

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**Article 17 Police Vehicle CRF**

To see if the Town of Haverhill will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty five thousand dollars (\$25,000) to be added to the Police Vehicle Capital Reserve Fund previously established. (Majority vote required.) The Selectboard recommends this article (5-0-0)

The tax impact of this article is \$0.035 per \$1000

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**Article 18 Create a Ten Year Capital Improvement Plan CRF**

To see if the Town of Haverhill will vote to establish a Ten Year Capital Improvement Plan Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of replacing equipment following the schedule outlined in the Town's Capital Improvement Plan and to raise and appropriate the sum of forty thousand dollars (\$40,000) to be placed in this fund. Further, to name the Haverhill Selectboard as agents to expend from said fund. (Majority Vote Required) The Selectboard recommends this article (5-0-0)

The tax impact of this article is \$0.057 per \$1000

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**Article 19 Upgrade to Blackmount Trail (Phase III)**

To see if the Town of Haverhill will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of sixteen thousand dollars (\$16,000.00) to perform upgrades to the Blackmount Rail Trail. The project was initially scheduled for 2024, but rescheduled for 2025. This is the third (3) segment of four (4). This segment is from the Grafton County Complex to Route 135. This article is special and non-lapsing. (Majority vote required) The Selectboard recommends this article (5-0-0)

The tax impact of this article is \$0.023 per \$1000



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**Article 20    Establish a Contingency Fund for 2025**

To see if the Town of Haverhill will vote to establish a contingency fund for the current year for unanticipated expenses that may arise and further to raise and appropriate fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) to put in the fund. Any appropriation left in the fund at the end of the year will lapse to the general fund. (Majority vote required). The Selectboard recommends this article (5-0-0).

The tax impact for this article is \$0.071 per \$1000

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**Article 21    Petitioned Article - Cottage Hospital**

To see if the Town of Haverhill will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000.00) to support Cottage Hospital. Submitted by petition. (Majority vote required). The Selectboard does not recommend this article (2-3-0).

The tax impact of this article is \$0.035 per \$1000

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**Article 22    Petitioned Article - Grafton County Senior Citizens Council**

To see if the Town of Haverhill will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty five thousand five hundred dollars (\$25,500.00) to support the Grafton County Senior Citizens Council. Submitted by petition. (Majority vote required). The Selectboard recommends this article (5-0-0).

The tax impact of this article is \$0.036 per \$1000

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**Article 23    Petitioned Article - Ammonoosuc Community Health Services, Inc.**

To see if the Town of Haverhill will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of six thousand five hundred dollars (\$6,500.00) for Ammonoosuc Community Health Services, Inc. (ACHS). Submitted by petition. (Majority vote required). The Selectboard recommends this article (4-1-0)

The tax impact for this article is \$0.009 per \$1,000

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**Article 24    Petitioned Article - Tri County Community Action Program**

To see if the Town of Haverhill will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of nine thousand one hundred seventy dollars (\$9,170.00) for the purpose of supporting Tri County Community Action Program. Submitted by petition. (Majority vote required). The Selectboard recommends this article (5-0-0)

The tax impact for this article will be \$0.013 per \$1,000

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**Article 25    Petitioned Article - No. Country Home Health & Hospice**

To see if the Town of Haverhill will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000.00) for the purpose of supporting North Country Home Health & Hospice. Submitted by petition. (Majority vote required). The Selectboard recommends this article (5-0-0).

The tax impact for this article will be \$0.021 per \$1,000



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**Article 26      Petitioned Article - Second Chance Animal Rescue**

To see if the Town of Haverhill will vote to raise the sum of three thousand seven hundred fifty dollars (\$3,750.00) to support the Second Chance Animal Rescue. Submitted by petition. (Majority vote required). The Selectboard recommends this article (5-0-0).

The tax impact for this article will be \$0.005 per \$1,000

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**Article 27      Petitioned Article - Court Street Arts**

To see if the Town of Haverhill will vote to raise the sum of seven thousand five hundred dollars (\$7,500.00) to support the Court Street Arts at Alumni Hall cultural programming of Haverhill Heritage, Inc. Submitted by petition. (Majority vote required). The Selectboard recommends this article (4-1-0).

The tax impact for this article will be \$0.011 per \$1,000

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**Article 28      Petitioned Article - Good Shepherd Ecumenical Food Pantry**

To see if the Town of Haverhill will vote to raise the sum of six thousand four hundred nineteen dollars (\$6,419.00) for the Good Shepherd Ecumenical Food Pantry, which represents \$1.40 per capita based on the 2020 census. Submitted by petition. (Majority vote required). The Selectboard recommends this article (5-0-0).

The tax impact for this article will be \$0.009 per \$1,000

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**Article 29      Petitioned Article - Merchants Lane**

To see if the Town of Haverhill will vote pursuant to RSA 231:22-a to reclassify Merchants Lane from a Class VI road to a Class V road. Submitted by petition. (Majority vote required).

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**Article 30      Any Other Action**

To take any other action that may legally come before this meeting.