BUDGET OF THE TOWN

OF: HANCOCK

Appropriations and Estimates of Revenue for the Ensuing Year January 1, 2013 to December 31, 2017

or Fiscal Year From ____________ to _______________

IMPORTANT:

Please read RSA 32:5 applicable to all municipalities.

1. Use this form to list the operating budget and all special and individual warrant articles in the appropriate recommended and not recommended area. All proposed appropriations must be on this form.

2. Hold at least one public hearing on this budget.

3. When completed, a copy of the budget must be posted with the warrant. Another copy must be placed on file with the town clerk, and a copy sent to the Department of Revenue Administration at the address below within 20 days after the meeting.

This form was posted with the warrant on (Date): February 19, 2013

GOVERNING BODY (SELECTMEN)

Please sign in ink.

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined the information contained in this form and to the best of my belief it is true, correct and complete.

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THIS BUDGET SHALL BE POSTED WITH THE TOWN WARRANT

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NH DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION
MUNICIPAL SERVICES DIVISION
P.O. BOX 487, CONCORD, NH 03302-0487
(603)271-3397

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TOWN WARRANT
HANCOCK NH

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Hancock, in the County of Hillsborough in said state qualified to vote in Town Affairs; You are hereby notified to meet at the Hancock Town Office Building on March 12, 2013 at eight of the clock in the forenoon until seven of the clock in the afternoon to vote on ballot of Town Officers and all other matters requiring ballot vote; and, to meet at said Hancock Fire Station in said Hancock, on Saturday, the sixteenth (16th) day of March 2013 at nine of the clock in the morning, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.

2. Are you in favor of the Amendment Number One to the existing town Zoning ordinance as proposed by the Planning Board, that is, substituting the term “Place of Religious Assembly” for the term “Church” wherever it appears in the ordinance and by stating that a “Place of Religious Assembly” may be included in any Rural Learning Center or School, all as more fully stated in proposed Amendment Number One, the text of which may be examined at Town Hall.

3. Are you in favor of the Amendment Number Two to the existing town Zoning Ordinance as proposed by the Planning Board, that is, amending provisions regulating the size, use, location and illumination of commercial or advertising signs and related matters, all as more fully stated in proposed Amendment Number Two, the text of which may be examined at Town Hall.

4. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate up to two hundred thousand dollars ($200,000) for the purpose of upgrades to the treatment of the Hancock Water System; and, to authorize the issuance of not more than $200,000.00 of long term notes or bonds in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA Chapter 33); and, further, to authorize the municipal officials to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon. Payments will be made by the Water Department.
Selectboard recommends; Advisory Committee takes no position. 2/3 BALLOT VOTE REQUIRED

5. To see if the Town of Hancock will vote to raise and appropriate $1,919,780.00. This represents the operating budget, inclusive of the Water Department operations. Said sum exclusive of all special or individual articles addressed. Selectboard recommends; Advisory Committee unanimously supports.

6. To see if the Town of Hancock will vote to raise and appropriate up to seventy-five thousand dollars ($75,000.00) to replace the 2001 Ford F-550 and, to authorize the issuance of not more than $75,000.00 of long term notes or bonds in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA Chapter 33); and, further, to authorize the municipal officials to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon. Selectboard supports; Advisory Committee unanimously supports. 2/3 BALLOT VOTE REQUIRED

7. To see if the Town of Hancock will vote to raise and appropriate up to eighty-five thousand dollars ($85,000.00) for the purpose of building a 14,000 square foot addition to the Transfer Station to provide the required storage needs of the facility. This would replace three of the existing trailer bays; and, to authorize the issuance of not more than $85,000.00 of long term notes or bonds in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA Chapter 33); and, further, to authorize the municipal officials to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon. This is a non-lapsing article and will not lapse until the completion of the project or until 2015. Selectboard supports; Advisory Committee, by vote of 5 to 1, supports. 2/3 BALLOT VOTE REQUIRED

8. To see if the Town of Hancock will vote to raise and appropriate up to forty-five thousand dollars ($45,000.00) for the purpose of replacing the existing oil fired furnace with a pellet fired boiler and interior pellet hopper and installing a high efficiency propane fired boiler as a backup to the pellet system, in the Town Office Building. This article to be funded by the undesignated Fund Balance of 2012. This is a non-lapsing article and will not lapse until the completion of the project or
9. To see if the Town of Hancock will vote to raise and appropriate the amount of five thousand dollars ($5,000.00) to be placed in the Meetinghouse Capital Reserve Fund (established in 2010). Selectboard recommends; Advisory Committee unanimously supports.

10. To see if the Town of Hancock will vote to raise and appropriate five thousand dollars ($5,000.00) to be placed in the Bridge Capital Reserve Fund established in 2007. Selectboard recommends; Advisory Committee unanimously supports.

11. To see if the Town of Hancock will vote to raise and appropriate a sum not to exceed sixteen thousand dollars ($16,000.00) to become fully compliant with GASB 34. This Government Accounting Standard Board’s (GASB) Statement established new financial reporting requirements to which all state and local governments are subject to comply. Selectboard recommends; Advisory Committee unanimously supports.

12. To see if the Town of Hancock will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of five thousand dollars ($5,000.00) for the purpose of funding The Grapevine Family and Community Resource Center programs and services for the people of Antrim, Bennington, Francestown and Hancock. This amount represents the Town of Hancock’s portion of the funds needed to support The Grapevine. Selectboard recommends; Advisory Committee unanimously supports.

13. To see if the Town of Hancock will vote to raise and appropriate up to $713.00 for the purpose of repairs to the tennis court; and to authorize the withdrawal of this sum from the Hancock Tennis Court Fund Special Revenue Fund established for this purpose at the 1993 town meeting to fund this appropriation. Selectboard recommends.

14. To see if the Town of Hancock will vote to raise and appropriate up to five thousand six hundred dollars ($5,600.00) for the purpose of resurfacing and repainting the tennis courts; $1,513.00 to come from the Tennis Special Revenue Fund; and $4,087.00 to come from
taxation. Selectboard recommends; Advisory Committee unanimously supports.

15. To see if the Town of Hancock will vote to raise and appropriate up to $244.00 for the purpose of purchasing baseball equipment and doing maintenance and repairs to the ball fields; and to authorize the withdrawal of this sum from the Hancock Baseball Special Revenue Fund established for this purpose at the 1997 town meeting to fund this appropriation. Selectboard recommends.

16. To see if the Town of Hancock will vote to raise and appropriate up to $2,884.00 for the purpose of repairs and replacement of recreational facilities; and to authorize the withdrawal of this sum from the Hancock Recreation Special Revenue Fund established for this purpose at the 1993 town meeting to fund this appropriation. Selectboard recommends.

17. To see if the Town of Hancock will vote to raise and appropriate up to $3,538.00 for the purpose of repairs and replacement of town highway equipment; and to authorize the withdrawal of this sum from the Hancock Highway Special Revenue Fund established for this purpose at the 1999 town meeting to fund this appropriation. Selectboard recommends.

18. To see if the Town of Hancock will vote to raise and appropriate up to $3,378.00 for the purpose of repairs and replacement of police equipment; and to authorize the withdrawal of this sum from the Hancock Police Equipment Repair/Replacement Special Revenue Fund established for this purpose at the 1993 town meeting to fund this appropriation. Selectboard recommends.

19. To see if the Town of Hancock will vote to raise and appropriate up to $3,609.00 for the purpose of preservation and storage of the town’s archival records; and to authorize the withdrawal of this sum from the Hancock History Special Revenue Fund established for this purpose at the 1993 town meeting to fund this appropriation. Selectboard recommends.
20. To see if the Town of Hancock will vote to authorize the Selectboard to accept the reports of auditors and committees as printed in the Town Report.

21. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Given unto our hands and seal this 12th day of February in the year of Our Lord Two Thousand and Thirteen.

____________________________________
Carolyn G. Boland, Chair

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John Jordan

_____________________________________
James Mose

We certify that on the _____ day of February 2013, we caused a true copy of the within warrant to be posted at the Fire Station located at 40 Bennington Road.

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Carolyn G. Boland, Chair

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John Jordan, Selectperson
James Mose, Selectperson

The Hancock Selectboard