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Article 02 Withdraw from SAU4

Shall the Town of Groton adopt the provisions of House Bill 349 (2023) to withdraw from the Newfound Area School District/SAU #4 on June 30, 2025, and effective July 1, 2025, form a separate cooperative school district and single district SAU, called the Bridgewater-Hebron-Groton Special Purpose School District, in accordance with the provisions of House Bill 349 (2023) and where applicable, RSA 195 and RSA 194-C, and further, shall the Town of Groton adopt the proposed Articles of Agreement for the Bridgewater-Hebron-Groton Special Purpose School District.

The Select Board Recommends This Article 3-0

Article 03 Town Operating Budget

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of nine hundred twenty thousand four hundred seventy-four dollars (\$920,474) which represents the Operating Budget for the ensuing year. Said sum does not include special or individual articles addressed. The Select Board recommends this article 3-0.

Article 04 add to previously established CRFs

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred forty-seven thousand five hundred dollars (\$147,500) to be added to the previously established Capital Reserve Funds. (Majority vote required)

Public Works CR Fund (Dec. 31, 2023 balance: \$170,952.23): \$50,000
Disaster Relief CR Fund (Dec. 31, 2023 balance: \$136,936.36): \$50,000
Police Cruiser CR Fund (Dec. 31, 2023 balance: \$27,064.58): \$10,000
Town House CR Fund (Dec. 31, 2023 balance: \$31,678.27): \$10,000
Truck/Sander CR Fund (Dec. 31, 2023 balance: \$22,020.32): \$10,000
Heavy Equipment CR Fund (Dec. 31, 2023 balance: \$11,674.92): \$10,000
Assessing Reval CR Fund (Dec. 31, 2023 balance: \$18,908.05): \$7,500

Total Capital Reserve Funds \$147,500

The Select Board Recommends This Article 3-0

Article 05 Paving of TS & TH

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of eighty-five thousand dollars (\$85,000) for the purpose of paving the driveways and parking areas at the Transfer Station and the new Public Works Department with forty thousand dollars (\$40,000) to come from the Grafton County ARPA funding and the remainder of forty-five thousand dollars (\$45,000) to be raised through taxation.

The Select Board Recommends This Article 3-0



Article 06 December 2022 Storm Damage Repair

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of sixty thousand dollars (\$60,000), toward the repair of damages caused by the severe storm in December 2022. FEMA has already awarded the town \$145,394.25, which the selectmen have accepted pursuant to RSA 31:95-b. These funds will be combined to repair the damage.

The Select Board Recommends This Article 3-0

Article 07 Chip Sealing

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of fifty-five thousand dollars (\$55,000) for chip sealing. (submitted by the Highway Department)

The Select Board Recommends This Article 3-0

Article 08 Compactor and Converter

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of thirty- six thousand dollars (\$36,000) for a new compactor and converter for the Transfer Station. (submitted by the Transfer Station)

The Select Board Recommends This Article 3-0

Article 09 Equipment Trailer

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of seventeen thousand five hundred dollars (\$17,500) for an equipment trailer for the Highway Department. (submitted by the Highway Department)

The Select Board Recommends This Article 3-0

Article 10 Mower for HW

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of eleven thousand five hundred dollars (\$11,500) for a new mower for the Highway Department. (submitted by the Highway Department)

The Select Board Recommends This Article 3-0

Article 11 Garage Door for Transfer Station

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of four thousand eight hundred dollars (\$4,800) for a new garage door at the Transfer Station. (submitted by the Transfer Station)
The Select Board Recommends This Article 3-0

Article 12 Security System for Town House

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of four thousand two hundred dollars (\$4,200) for a new security system for the Town House.

The Select Board Recommends This Article 3-0



Article 13 Conservation Fund- Timber Tax 3%

To see in the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred four dollars (\$104) for deposit in the Conservation Fund, with said amount to come from the unassigned fund balance. This sum represents 3% of the Timber Tax revenue received in 2023. (submitted by the Conservation Commission) (Majority vote required)

The Select Board Recommends This Article 3-0

Article 14 Bridge Capital Reserve Fund

To see if the Town will vote to change the name of the Atwell Orange Brook Bridge Replacement Capital Reserve Fund to be named Town Bridges Capital Reserve Fund, to change the purpose to cover construction, reconstruction, replacement and maintenance of all Town Bridges, and to raise and appropriate nineteen thousand three hundred thirty one dollars (\$19,331) to be placed in the fund, which amount is the same as the one-time payment made to the Town of Groton by the State of New Hampshire in 2022. This amount to come from the unexpended fund balance with no amount to be raised by taxation. Further, to keep the Selectmen as agents to expend from said fund. (2/3 Majority Vote Required).

The Select Board Recommends This Article 3-0

Article 15 Transact any other business that may legally come

To see if the Town will vote to transact any other business that may legally come before the Town.