Town of Groton Warrant 2025 Annual Meeting

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE WARRANT FOR 2025 ANNUAL MEETING OF THE TOWN OF GROTON

To the inhabitants of the Town of Groton in the county of Grafton in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Groton Town House in said Groton on Tuesday, the 11th day of March, next, polls to be open at eleven o'clock in the morning until seven o'clock in the evening for voting on Article 1, and meeting for action on the remaining articles in the Warrant on the 15th day of March at nine o'clock in the morning at the Groton Town House.

BALLOT ARTICLES MARCH 11, 2025

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

DELIBERATIVE SESSION MARCH 15, 2025

ARTICLE 2: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **one million**, **fifty-two thousand**, **six hundred fifty-six dollars** (\$1,052,656) 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 3: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000)** for the purpose of the North Groton Road culvert project with the amount of **four hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$450,000)** (90%) being offset by a federal Hazard Mitigation Grant the Town applied for and the remaining town's share of **fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000)** (10%) to come from general taxation. (Majority vote required)

The Select Board Recommends This Article 3-0

ARTICLE 4: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **one hundred thirty-two thousand five hundred dollars (\$132,500)** to be added to the previously established Capital Reserve Funds. (Majority vote required)

Public Works CR Fund (Dec. 31, 2024 balance: \$3.38): \$50,000 Disaster Relief CR Fund (Dec. 31, 2024 balance: \$191,441.90): \$25,000 Truck/Sander CR Fund (Dec. 31, 2024 balance: \$32,751.72): \$20,000 Heavy Equipment CR Fund (Dec. 31, 2024 balance: \$22,079.17): \$10,000 Police Cruiser CR Fund (Dec. 31, 2024 balance: \$37,955.47): \$10,000 Town House CR Fund (Dec. 31, 2024 balance: \$26,715.06): \$10,000 Assessing Reval CR Fund (Dec. 31, 2024 balance: \$27,032.28): \$7,500

Total Capital Reserve Funds \$132,500

The Select Board Recommends This Article 3-0

ARTICLE 5: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **one hundred thirty-nine thousand dollars (\$139,000)** for chip sealing. (submitted by the Highway Department)

The Select Board Recommends This Article 3-0

ARTICLE 6: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **five hundred twenty-nine dollars** (\$529) 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 2024. (submitted by the Conservation Commission) (Majority vote required)

The Select Board Recommends This Article 3-0

ARTICLE 7: To see if the Town will vote to allow the Selectmen transact any other business that may legally come before the Town.

Given under our hands and the seal of the Town this 12th day of February 2025.

GROTON SELECT BOARD

John Rescigno, Chairman

Ron Madan