

2025 WARRANT

Acworth

To the inhabitants of the Town of Acworth, NH, qualified to vote in Town affairs:

You are hereby notified to bring your votes for Town Officers, and any other questions, to the Town Hall, 13 Town Hall Road on Tuesday, the 11th day of March next, at 10:00 of the clock in the morning at which time the polls shall be opened and shall close not earlier than 7:00 of the clock in the evening; and you are hereby notified that discussion and voting on Articles 02 through 1:3 shall commence at 7:00 of the clock in the evening on the same day, March 11 next at the Town Hall.

GOVERNING BODY CERTIFICATION

We certify and attest that on or before 2/20/2025 a true and attested copy of this document was posted at the place of meeting at 13 Town Hall Road, at the Post Office and that an original was delivered to the Town Clerk

Name	Position	Signature
James Jennison	Selectman	James Jamisa
Kathi Bradt	Selectman	Clarot BRIGART
Ryanne Schoonover	Selectman	Ryanne Schownover
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Article 01 Election of Officers

To Vote by Non-partisan Ballot for the following Town Officers

Selectmen: 1 for 3 Years
Town Clerk: 1 for 3 Years
Tax Collector: 1 for 1 Year
Treasurer: 1 for 1 Year
Local Auditor 1 for 1 Year

Trustee of Trust Funds: 1 for 3 Year Library Trustees: 1 for 3 Years Cemetery Trustees: 1 for 3 Years Planning Board: 2 for 3 Years Budget Committee: 2 for 3 Years

Article 02 Alternate Project

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$1,033,324.03 for the FEMA-funded Alternate Project consisting of (a) restoration of Derry Hill Road and (b) purchase of a small truck for the highway department. This Alternate Project is to be carried out in lieu of the previously approved restoration of Nye Road following 2021 flash flood damage, it being determined that the public welfare would not be best served by such restoration. One hundred percent of the Alternate Project costs shall be covered by FEMA grant funding and no amount is to be raised by taxation. This special warrant article will be non-lapsing until December 31, 2030, per RSA 32:7, VI. (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen, 3:Y, 0:N) (Recommended by the Budget Committee, 4:Y, 1:N, 1A). (Majority vote required)

Article 03 Empower the Selectmen

To see if the Town will vote to empower the Selectmen to serve as pound keepers, measurers of wood and fence viewers.

Article 04 Apply for TANs

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to borrow money in anticipation of taxes.

Article 05 Fund the Operating Budget

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the Budget Committee recommended sum of \$2,192,401 for general municipal operations with \$549,000 to come from unassigned fund balance (This amount represents partial FEMA reimbursement funds received in 2024) This article does not include appropriations contained in special or individual articles addressed separately. (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen, 3:Y, 0:N (Recommended by the Budget Committee, 5:Y, 1:N). (Majority vote required)

Article 06 Fund the Fire Truck CRF

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$10,000 for the Fire Truck Capital Reserve Fund previously established in 2020. (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen, 3:Y, 0:N) (Recommended by the Budget Committee, 6:Y, 0:N). (Majority vote required)

Article 07 Fund the Highway Equipment CRF

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$10,000 for the Highway Equipment Capital Reserve Fund previously established in 2000. (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen, 3:Y, 0:N) (Recommended by the Budget Committee, 6:Y, 0:N). (Majority vote required)

Article 08 Fund the Bridge CRF

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate 10,000 for the Bridges Capital Reserve Fund previously established in 2014. (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen, 3:Y, 0:N) (Recommended by the Budget Committee, 6:Y, 0:N). (Majority vote required)



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Article 09 Fund the Revaluation CRF

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$5,000 for the Building and Grounds Capital Reserve Fund established in 2020. (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen, 3:Y, 0:N) (Recommended by the Budget Committee, 6:Y, 0:N.) (Majority vote required)

Article 10 Fund the Building and Grounds CRF

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$2,500 for the Building and Grounds Capital Reserve Fund established in 2020. (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen, 3:Y, 0:N) (Recommended by the Budget Committee, 6:Y, 0:N). (Majority vote required)

Article 11 Change the Class V portion of Russell Road to a Private Road

To see if the Town will vote to discontinue absolutely, pursuant to RSA 231:43, the Class V portion of Russell Road so-called and noted on Map 239, Lot 4 and State Nodal Map reference page 9 Nodal 0062-0063 (Anne Russell and Jennifer Mahoney) from its intersection at Grout Hill Rd. (Majority vote required)

Article 12 Replace the Road of the Alternate Project (By Petition)

To see if the Town will vote to replace Derry Hill Rd with Crescent Lake Road as the FEMA funded alternate project, reflecting that the town's best interest is in protecting Crescent Lake from contamination and that the continuing lack of maintenance of Crescent Lake Road is a key contributor to pollutants entering the lake. A contamination event in the lake would have a serious and detrimental impact on the current property assessments on the lake supporting tax revenue. (Majority vote required)

Article 13 Other Business

To transact any other business that may legally be brought before this Town Meeting.