

TOWN OF TROY
STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
2026 TOWN WARRANT

To the inhabitants of the Town of Troy, in the County of Cheshire and the State of New Hampshire, qualified to vote in town affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Samuel E. Paul Community Center, on Tuesday the 10th of March 2026 at 10:00 a.m. for balloting upon matters specified in Articles 1 & 2 listed below, and you are hereby further notified to meet at the Samuel E. Paul Community Center on Wednesday the 11th of March 2026 at 7:00 p.m. for consideration of all other articles contained in the warrant.

Article 1 – Election of Officers

Selectman	3 years	-	Vote for one
Moderator	2 years	-	Vote for one
Library Trustee	3 years	-	Vote for one
Cemetery Trustee	3 years	-	Vote for one
Cemetery Trustee	2 years	-	Vote for one
Cemetery Trustee	1 year	-	Vote for one
Trustee of the Trust Funds	3 years	-	Vote for one
Fire Chief	3 years	-	Vote for one
Water & Sewer Commission	5 years	-	Vote for one
Planning Board	3 years	-	Vote for two
Zoning Board of Adjustment	3 years	-	Vote for one
Budget Committee	3 years	-	Vote for three
Budget Committee	2 years	-	Vote for one
Supervisor of the Checklist	6 years	-	Vote for one

Article 2 - Amendments to the Zoning Ordinance

Are you in favor of **Amendment #1** as proposed by the Planning Board for the Troy Zoning Ordinance to amend Article XII – Supplemental Provisions, Paragraph G. to: (1) remove the requirement for an interior door between the primary dwelling unit and an accessory dwelling unit; and (2) add the provision that a detached structure may be converted into an accessory dwelling unit even if the structure does not meet the setback or coverage requirements of the district?

Explanation: *This amendment is necessary in order to comply with recent state legislation.*

Are you in favor of **Amendment #2** as proposed by the Planning Board for the Troy Zoning Ordinance to remove all references throughout the zoning ordinance that require a special exception for Accessory Dwelling Units, as state law now prohibits this requirement?

Are you in favor of **Amendment #3** as proposed by the Planning Board for the Troy Zoning Ordinance to amend Article XII – Supplemental Provisions, Paragraph E. Parking Standards, as follows:

<u>TYPE OF USE</u>	<u>MINIMUM SPACES REQUIRED</u>
All Residential Uses	≥ 1 spaces per dwelling unit

Explanation: *This amendment is necessary in order to comply with recent state legislation.*

Are you in favor of **Amendment #4** as proposed by the Planning Board for the Troy Zoning Ordinance to amend Article IV – Village District to allow multi-family housing subject to the following conditions, and renumber the section?

1. If the structure is more than one floor, the ground floor the Planning Board may require it to be used for a retail or service establishment.
2. There may be no more than four (4) units in one building, and no more than one (1) building on a lot.
3. If the proposed use involves the conversion of an existing structure as of March 10, 2026, the structure is exempt from complying with setback, frontage, or height requirements, provided that the existing characteristics do not change.

Explanation: *This amendment is necessary in order to comply with recent state legislation.*

Article 3- Bond to perform Additional Wastewater Treatment Facility Piloting and Upgrades

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Million Five Hundred Eighty Six Thousand Seventy Nine Dollars (\$1,586,079) for the purpose of performing additional Wastewater Treatment Facility Upgrade Piloting and/or, Tertiary Filtration Piloting/Construction and/or Blower Replacement, that will qualify the Town for federal and state funds, such sum to be raised by the issuance of new serial bonds and notes or an increase to established serial bonds and notes not to exceed One Million Five Hundred Eighty Six Thousand Seventy Nine Dollars (\$1,586,079) under and in compliance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (NH RSA 33:1 et. seq., as amended) and to authorize the Town to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and determine the rate of interest thereon, and to take such actions as may be necessary to effect the issuance, negotiation, sale and delivery of such bonds or notes as shall be in the best interest of the Town. Additionally, to authorize the Town to apply for and accept grants or other funds that may reduce the amount to be repaid and participate in the State Revolving Fund (SRF) RSA 486.14 established for this purpose, and to allow the Town to expend such monies as become available from the federal and state governments and pass any vote relating thereto. It is anticipated that the Town will receive Seventy-Nine Thousand Three Hundred Three Dollars and

95 cents (\$79,303.95) or more in principal forgiveness from the State Revolving Fund loan program. 3/5 Ballot Vote Required.

The Board of Selectmen recommends this appropriation. The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation.

Article 4- Bond to perform Wastewater Lagoon -Sludge Transfer and Cover Replacement

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Six Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$600,000) for the purpose of performing additional Wastewater Lagoon Sludge Transfer and Cover Replacement, that will qualify the Town for federal and state funds, such sum to be raised by the issuance of new serial bonds and notes or an increase to established serial bonds and notes not to exceed Six Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$600,000) under and in compliance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (NH RSA 33:1 et. seq., as amended) and to authorize the Town to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and determine the rate of interest thereon, and to take such actions as may be necessary to effect the issuance, negotiation, sale and delivery of such bonds or notes as shall be in the best interest of the Town. Additionally, to authorize the Town to apply for and accept grants or other funds that may reduce the amount to be repaid and participate in the State Revolving Fund (SRF) RSA 486.14 established for this purpose, and to allow the Town to expend such monies as become available from the federal and state governments and pass any vote relating thereto. It is anticipated that the Town will receive up to Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$30,000) in principal forgiveness from the State Revolving Fund loan program. 3/5 Ballot Vote Required.

The Board of Selectmen recommends this appropriation. The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation.

Article 5- Bond to Perform School Street Wastewater Pump Station Upgrade Study

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000) for the purpose of performing the School Street Wastewater Pump Station Upgrade Study, that will qualify the Town for federal and state funds, such sum to be raised by the issuance of serial bonds and notes not to exceed One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000) under and in compliance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (NH RSA 33:1 et. seq., as amended) and to authorize the Town to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and determine the rate of interest thereon, and to take such actions as may be necessary to effect the issuance, negotiation, sale and delivery of such bonds or notes as shall be in the best interest of the Town. Additionally, to authorize the Town to apply for and accept grants or other funds that may reduce the amount to be repaid and participate in the State Revolving Fund (SRF) RSA 486.14 established for this purpose, and to allow the Town to expend such monies as become available from the federal and state governments and pass any vote relating thereto. It is anticipated that the Town will receive up to One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000) in principal forgiveness from the State Revolving Fund loan program. 3/5 Ballot Vote Required.

The Board of Selectmen recommends this appropriation. The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation.

Article 6 - Operating Budget

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Three Million Five Hundred Forty-Six Thousand Fifty-Six Dollars (\$3,546,056) for general government operations January 1, 2026 to December 31, 2026. This article does not include appropriations contained in special or individual warrant articles addressed separately. Majority vote required.

The Board of Selectmen recommends this appropriation. The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation.

	<u>Board of Selectmen</u>	<u>Budget Committee</u>
4130- Selectmen’s Office	\$278,803	\$278,803
4132- Town Clerk/Tax Collector	\$175,956	\$175,956
4140- Elections & Registration	\$14,598	\$14,598
4150- Financial Administration	\$43,318	\$43,318
4152- Assessing	\$27,727	\$27,727
4153- Judicial & Legal	\$30,000	\$30,000
4155- Personnel Administration	\$237,915	\$237,915
4191- Planning Board	\$6,579	\$6,579
4192- Zoning Board of Adjustment	\$1,554	\$1,554
4194- Town Hall Building	\$39,865	\$39,865
4196- Other Insurances	\$46,681	\$46,681
4197- Regional Associations	\$4,547	\$4,547
4199- Other General Government	\$15,000	\$15,000
4210- Police Department	\$515,805	\$515,805
4212- Police Revenue Offset	\$24,050	\$24,050
4215- Ambulance Service	\$250,142	\$250,142
4220- Fire Department	\$134,478	\$134,478
4225- Forest Fire Suppression	\$3,477	\$3,477
4240- Building Inspector	\$7,500	\$7,500
4290- Emergency Management	\$3,903	\$3,903
4299- Emergency Services Building	\$14,300	\$14,300
4312- Highway Department	\$392,611	\$392,611
4316- Street Lighting	\$15,000	\$15,000
4321- Transfer Station/Recycling	\$169,055	\$169,055
4411- Health Administration	\$3,000	\$3,000
4414- Animal Control	\$3,025	\$3,025
4442- Welfare General Assistance	\$38,000	\$38,000
4520- War Memorial Recreation	\$32,321	\$32,321
4530- Recreation Program	\$64,170	\$64,170
4550- Library	\$141,119	\$141,119
4583- Town Common & Patriotic	\$11,700	\$11,700
4589- H. Society, Depot, & K. Hall	\$20,281	\$20,281
4611- Conservation Commission	\$2,205	\$2,205
4652- Industrial Development	\$1	\$1
4723- Tax Anticipation Note Interest	\$20,000	\$20,000
4326- Sewer Department	\$418,644.50	\$418,644.50

4332- Water Department	\$338,725.50	\$338,725.50
TOTAL	\$3,546,056	\$3,546,056

Article 7 - Sewer Plant Upgrade Bond Payment

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Eighty Thousand Three Hundred Thirty-Seven Dollars (\$80,337) for the annual bond payment for Sewer Plant Upgrades completed in 2007. The payment is broken down by the principal amount of Seventy-Five Thousand Ninety-Eight Dollars (\$75,098) and interest amount of Five Thousand Two Hundred Thirty-Nine Dollars (\$5,239). Majority Vote Required.

The Board of Selectmen recommends this appropriation. The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation.

Article 8 – Water Systems Improvement Bond Payment

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirty-Two Thousand One Hundred Twenty-Eight Dollars (\$32,128) for the annual bond payment for Water Systems Improvements completed in 2010. The payment is broken down by principal amount of Twenty-Eight Thousand Five Hundred Ninety-Nine Dollars (\$28,599) and interest amount of Three Thousand Five Hundred Twenty-Nine Dollars (\$3,529). Majority Vote Required.

The Board of Selectmen recommends this appropriation. The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation.

Article 9– Broadband Bond Payment

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fourteen Thousand Three Hundred Thirty-Three Dollars (\$14,333) for the annual bond payment for the Broadband Project completed in 2021. The payment is broken down by the principal amount of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000) and interest amount of Four Thousand Three Hundred Thirty-Three Dollars (\$4,333). The funds are to come from the franchise agreement with Consolidated Communications, Inc. No money to be raised from taxation. Majority Vote Required.

The Board of Selectmen recommends this appropriation. The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation.

Article 10 – Capital Reserve Funds Deposits

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Fifty-Four Thousand Dollars (\$154,000) to deposit into the Capital Reserve Funds as specified:

Reassessment	\$22,000
Fire Department	\$27,500
Highway Department	\$27,500
Highway & Streets	\$55,000
Police Department	<u>\$22,000</u>
<u>TOTAL</u>	\$154,000

Majority vote required.

The Board of Selectmen recommends this appropriation. The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation.

Article 11 – Expendable Trust Funds Deposits

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Forty-Eight Thousand Four Hundred Dollars (\$48,400) to deposit into the Expendable Trust Funds as specified:

Town Buildings & Repairs	\$27,500
Demolition, Repair of Buildings	\$8,250
Samuel E. Paul War Memorial	\$1,650
Gay-Kimball Library	\$5,500
Computer Technology	<u>\$5,500</u>
<u>TOTAL</u>	\$48,400

Majority vote required.

The Board of Selectmen recommends this appropriation. The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation.

Article 12– Cemetery Operating Budget

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Forty-Nine Thousand Nine Hundred Ninety Dollars (\$49,990) for the care of cemeteries and authorize the withdrawal of Forty-Seven Thousand Eight Hundred Forty Dollars (\$47,840) from the Cemetery Maintenance Expendable Trust and the Cemetery Perpetual Care Trust Funds. The balance of Two Thousand One Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$2,150) to be raised from general taxation. Majority Vote Required.

The Board of Selectmen recommends this appropriation. The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation.

Article 13 - Cemetery Maintenance Trust & Perpetual Care Trust

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Thousand Eight Hundred Dollars (\$1,800) to be placed in the following accounts with said funds to come from the unassigned fund balance. Seven Hundred Twenty Dollars (\$720) to go into the Cemetery Perpetual Care Trust Fund and One Thousand Eighty Dollars (\$1,080) to go into the Cemetery Maintenance Expendable Trust Fund. Majority Vote Required.

The Board of Selectmen recommends this appropriation. The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation.

Article 14- Cemetery Maintenance Expendable Trust Fund

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Seven Thousand Dollars (\$7,000) to be placed in the Cemetery Maintenance Expendable Trust Fund with said funds to come from taxation. Majority Vote Required.

The Board of Selectmen recommends this appropriation. The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation.

Article 15– Roads & Streets

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Forty-Six Thousand Three Hundred Seventy Dollars (\$46,370) for the purpose of purchasing materials towards future road rebuild projects.

Highway Block Grant (2026 Estimated) \$ 46,370

Should the entire estimated block grant not be received, the remainder is to be raised from taxation. Majority Vote Required.

The Board of Selectmen recommend this appropriation. The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation.

Article 16 – Transfer Station Bags

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000) to purchase transfer station bags and to authorize the withdrawal of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000) from the Transfer Station/Recycling Center Special Revenue Fund to offset this expense. Majority Vote Required.

The Board of Selectmen recommends this appropriation. The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation.

Article 17- Town Clerk/Tax Collector Compensation

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Thousand Ninety-Three Dollars (\$2,093) for the purpose of providing the Town Clerk/Tax Collector with a 3% increase on April 1, 2026. This amount includes any payroll related expenses. Majority Vote Required.

The Board of Selectmen recommends this appropriation. The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation.

Article 18 – Supervisors of the Checklist Stipend Increase

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Ninety Dollars (\$90) to increase the Supervisor of the Checklist stipend from Nine Hundred Ninety Dollars (\$990) per year to One Thousand Twenty Dollars (\$1,020) per year. Majority vote required.

The Board of Selectmen recommends this appropriation. The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation.

Article 19 – Support for Public Services

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Nineteen Thousand Five Hundred Twenty-Eight dollars (\$19,528) to support public services as specified:

	<u>Recommendations</u>	
	<u>Budget Committee</u>	<u>Board of Selectmen</u>
Meals on Wheels	\$500	\$500
Home Healthcare & Hospice	\$2,500	\$2,500

Southwestern Community Services	\$2,500	\$2,500
Monadnock Child Advocacy Center	\$2,500	\$2,500
The Community Kitchen	\$3,757	\$3,757
Community Volunteer Transportation	\$1,500	\$1,500
CASA	\$1,500	\$1,500
Monadnock Family Services	\$2,821	\$2,821
MCVP Crisis & Prevention	\$1,950	\$1,950
<u>TOTAL</u>	\$19,528	\$19,528

Majority vote required.

The Board of Selectmen recommends this appropriation. The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation.

Article 20 – Fire Hydrants

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$35,000) for the purpose of replacing seven (7) fire hydrants within the Water District. Funds to be raised by general taxation. Majority vote required.

This Board of Selectmen recommends this appropriation. The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation.

Article 21- Modify Veteran’s Tax Credit

To see if the Town will vote to modify the provisions of RSA 72:35, Optional Tax Credit for Service-Connected Total Disability, by increasing the amount of the credit from \$4,000 to \$4,750, to take effect for the 2026 property tax year. Majority vote required.

The Board of Selectmen recommends this article. The Budget Committee recommends this article.

Article 22- Employee Benefits Expendable Trust Fund

To see if the Town will vote to create an employee benefits expendable trust fund pursuant to RSA 31:19-a for the purpose of benefit costs for employees including but not limited to health insurance and deductibles, paid time off buyouts, etc. And further to vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000) to deposit in said fund with said funds to come from the unassigned fund balance. And further to name the Board of Selectmen as the agents to expend. Majority Vote Required.

The Board of Selectmen recommends this appropriation. The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation.

Article 23- Town Hall Surveillance Video Camera System

To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of Eleven Thousand Four Hundred Thirty-Six Dollars (\$11,436.00) and authorize the withdrawal of Eleven Thousand Four Hundred Thirty-Six Dollars (\$11,436.00) out of the Town Buildings Maintenance and Repair Expendable Trust Fund for a wired surveillance video camera system at the Troy Town Hall. Majority Vote Required.

The Board of Selectmen recommends this appropriation. The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation.

Article 24 - Transfer Station Special Revenue Fund

To see if the town will vote to change the purpose of the Transfer Station Special Revenue Fund to include Transfer Station operational expenses, capital purchases, or repairs. This is in addition to the current purposes of purchasing Transfer Station bags, Transfer Station/Recycling Center equipment, and the annual monitoring costs of the Town of Troy closed landfill. 2/3 Majority Vote Required.

The Board of Selectmen recommends this article.

Article 25- Transfer Station Surveillance Video Camera System

To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of Eleven Thousand Five Hundred Ten Dollars (\$11,510) and to authorize the withdrawal of Eleven Thousand Five Hundred Ten Dollars (\$11,510) from the Transfer Station Special Revenue Fund for a wired surveillance video camera system at the Troy Transfer Station. Majority Vote Required.

The Board of Selectmen recommends this appropriation. The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation.

Article 26- Transfer Station Paving

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty-Five Thousand dollars (\$25,000) to repave sections of the Troy Transfer Station lot and to authorize the withdrawal of Twenty-Five Thousand dollars (\$25,000) from the Transfer Station Special Revenue Fund. Majority Vote Required.

The Board of Selectmen recommends this appropriation. The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation.

Article 27- Highway Department Plow and Cutting-Edge Replacement

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000) for the purchase of a replacement plow and cutting edge and authorize the withdrawal of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000) from the Highway Department Equipment and Vehicles Capital Reserve Fund created for that purpose. Majority vote required.

The Board of Selectmen recommends this appropriation. The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation.

Article 28- Crack Sealing of Roads

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000) for the crack sealing of Town roads and authorize the withdrawal of Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000) from the Highway Roads and Streets Capital Reserve Fund created for that purpose. Majority vote required.

The Board of Selectmen recommends this appropriation. The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation.

Article 29- Closed Landfill Monitoring Wells

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000) and authorize the withdrawal of Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000) from the Transfer Station Special Revenue Fund for the maintenance of monitoring wells at the Troy closed landfill. Majority vote required.

The Board of Selectmen recommends this appropriation. The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation.

Article 30- Immigration and Customs Enforcement ICE Memorandum of Agreement (Petitioned Warrant Article)

Shall the Town vote to indicate its approval of the Memorandum of Agreement between the U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) and the Troy Police Department where the Troy Police perform certain functions of an immigration officer under the direction and supervision of ICE. The new powers granted to the Troy Police include the following: (a) interrogating aliens as to their right to stay in the U.S., (b) arresting aliens, without warrant, for immigration violations, and (c) transporting aliens to ICE facilities. This vote is non-binding -- New Hampshire law indicates that Towns may not prohibit or impede the law enforcement from entering into agreements with ICE.

A true copy of Town Warrant – Attest:

Town of Troy, NH

Board of Selectmen



Curtis Hopkins
Chairman



Richard H. Thackston, III
Selectman



TJ Chasse
Selectman