




**HOLLIS TOWN
MEETINGS &
ELECTION -
DEMOCRATS
VOTERS' GUIDE
2025**



RECOMMENDED CANDIDATES HOLLIS TOWN ELECTION MARCH 11TH @ 7AM-7PM @ BARN

Select Board Candidates	
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Tom Whalen
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Erin Hubbard
	<input type="checkbox"/> Mark LeDoux

New NH Voter Law

No more affidavits for same-day voting
Must provide ID or be turned away
Registered voters unaffected

RECOMMENDED ARTICLES

HB COOP DISTRICT MEETING

MARCH 4TH @ 6:30PM @ COOP

	Article	School Board	Bud Comm
✓	1 HBMS Energy Conservation	6-0-0	8-0-0
✓	2 Energy Conservation Solar	6-0-0	8-0-0
✓	3 Operating Budget	6-0-0	8-0-0
✓	4 HESSA Contract	6-0-0	7-0-1
✓	5 SAU Budget	6-0-0	8-0-0
✓	6 COOP Facilities Maintenance Trust Fund	6-0-0	8-0-0
✓	7 Contingency	6-0-0	8-0-0
✗	8 PWA - Tax Impact on Warrant	0-6-0	1-7-0
✗	9 PWA - Adopt SB2	0-6-0	0-8-0
✗	10 PWA - Adopt Budget Cap	0-6-0	0-8-0
✗	11 PWA - Adopt Tax Cap	0-6-0	0-8-0

NOTED ARTICLES

HB COOP DISTRICT MEETING

ARTICLE 8 – *Petition Article – Tax Impact*

Shall we adopt the provisions of RSA 32:5 V-b, requiring that the annual budget and all special warrant articles having a tax impact, as determined by the school board, shall contain a notation stating the estimated tax impact of the article? The determination of the estimated tax impact shall be subject to approval by the governing body.

ARTICLE 9 – *Petition Article – SB2*

Shall we adopt the provisions of RSA 40:13 (known as SB 2) to allow official ballot voting on all issues before the Hollis Brookline Cooperative School District.

ARTICLE X – *Petition Article – Charter Commission*

Shall a charter commission be established for the sole purpose of establishing official ballot voting under the current form of government?

- Promulgated by Eric Pauer via his *School District Governance Association of NH*
- **Legal counsel did not recommend. Struck from Warrant on 2/3**

NOTED ARTICLES

HB COOP DISTRICT MEETING

ARTICLE 10 – *Petition Article – Budget Cap*

Shall we adopt the provisions of RSA 32:5-d, and implement a budget cap whereby the school board (or budget committee) shall not submit a recommended budget that is higher than 27,000 dollars per pupil cost times the average daily membership in residence of the school district as of October 1 of the year immediately preceding the proposed budget year plus an annual increase for inflation using CPI-U for the Boston-Cambridge-Newton MA-NH area published by the U.S. BLS.

- 2024 HB1105 Sponsored by Rep. Diane Pauer

ARTICLE 11 – *Petition Article – Tax Cap*

Shall we adopt the provisions of RSA 32:5-b, and implement a tax cap whereby the governing body (or budget committee) shall not submit a recommended budget that increases the amount to be raised by local taxes (this year's base), that is higher than the prior fiscal year's actual amount of local taxes raised (last year's base), adjusted for inflation using the inflation index CPI-U for the Boston-Cambridge-Newton MA-NH area published by the U.S. BLS and the change in attendance, in accordance with RSA 32:5-b I-b?

- 2024 SB383 Co-sponsored by Sen. Avard

RECOMMENDED ARTICLES

HOLLIS DISTRICT MEETING

MARCH 12TH @ 7:00PM HBMS

	Article	School Board	Bud Comm
✓	1 HESSA Contract	5-0-0	8-0-0
✓	2 HEA Teachers 3-Year Contract	5-0-0	1-7-0
✓	3 SAU Budget	5-0-0	8-0-0
✓	4 SAU Building Maintenance Fund	5-0-0	8-0-0
✓	5 HSD Building Maintenance Fund	5-0-0	8-0-0
✓	6 HPS Construction Study	5-0-0	8-0-0
✓	7 Contingency	5-0-0	8-0-0
✓	8 Operating Budget	5-0-0	8-0-0

NOTED ARTICLES

HOLLIS DISTRICT MEETING

ARTICLE 2 – *Teachers 3-Year Contract*

- Benefits (Health Care premium) cap shifted to percentages from fixed amount
 - This is the only reason the BudCom did not recommend
 - The town does not save money on premiums using fixed amount
- Professional staff back on the salary grid
- Grid expanded to 20 steps
- Deemed necessary to attract and retain talent
- Estimated Net Tax Impact \cong \$0.13 / \$1,000 (Tax Rate)
- \cong \$97 / \$740,000 (Average Single-Family Residence)

ARTICLE 6 – *HPS Construction Study*

- No rate increase (Unassigned Balance)
- Urgent need to address overcrowding at HPS (HUES is not overcrowded)
- To fund the comprehensive site assessments and architectural consulting services necessary to plan a potential renovation and expansion of the HPS building, including circulation, and parking.

RECOMMENDED ARTICLES

HOLLIS TOWN MEETING

MARCH 15TH @ 9:00 AM

	Article	Select Board	Bud Comm
—	2 Farley Building Renovation (\$4.8M)	3-2-0	2-6-0
✓	3 Aerial Fire Apparatus (\$2.4M)	4-1-0	8-0-0
✓	4 Expenditure of Unused Bond Proceeds	5-0-0	8-0-0
✓	5 DPW Dump Truck (2) Purchase	5-0-0	8-0-0
✓	6 Hardy West Field	4-1-0	4-4-0
✓	7 HPD Police Vehicles (2) Lease	5-0-0	8-0-0
✓	8 Land Use Change Tax	4-1-0	8-0-0
✓	9 Community Power	4-1-0	8-0-0
✓	10-18 Standard Town Funds and Operating Budget	5-0-0	8-0-0
✓	19 PWA- State Education Freedom Accounts	---	---
✓	20 PWA- Capital Expenditure Advisory Committee	---	8-0-0



NOTED ARTICLES

HOLLIS TOWN MEETING

MARCH 15TH @ 9:00 AM

ARTICLE 9 – *Community Power*

To see if the Town will vote to adopt the Hollis Community Power Electric Aggregation plan, to authorize the Selectboard to implement the plan, and to take all action in furtherance thereof, pursuant to RSA 53-E. The Hollis Community Power Electric Aggregation plan is an opt-out program that offers more flexible electricity procurement. The plan will initially provide lower electricity rates for residents, or it will not launch. Initial participation in the plan can be declined, after which enrollment becomes voluntary.

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ARTICLE 19 – *Petition Article – State Education Freedom Accounts*

To see if the Town of Hollis will vote to request that the New Hampshire State Legislature eliminate the use of local property taxes for the funding of private and religious education and direct the Town's State Representatives and Senator to oppose the use of property tax revenue for Education Freedom Accounts (EFAs) or any other private school programs that take our tax dollars out of Hollis public schools and increase our local tax obligation.