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Brentwood

The inhabitants of the Town of Brentwood in the County of Rockingham in the state of New Hampshire qualified to vote in Town affairs are hereby notified that the Annual Town Meeting will be held as follows:

First Session of Annual Meeting (Official Ballot Voting)

Date: March 10, 2026
Time: 7:00 am – 7:00 pm
Location: Swasey Central School
Details: 355 Middle Road, Brentwood NH 03833

Second Session of Annual Meeting (Transaction of All Other Business)

Date: March 14, 2026
Time: 9:00 am
Location: Swasey Central School
Details: 355 Middle Road, Brentwood NH 03833

GOVERNING BODY CERTIFICATION

We certify and attest that on or before February 10, 2025, a true and attested copy of this document was posted at the place of meeting and at the Town Office and that an original was delivered to the Town Clerk.

| Name | Position | Signature |
|-------------------|-------------------------|-----------|
| Paul Kleinman | Select Board Chair | |
| Letty Bedard | Select Board Vice Chair | |
| Andrew Artimovich | Select Board Member | |
| Robert Mantegari | Select Board Member | |
| James Michaud | Select Board Member | |
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Article 01 ADOPT SB2

Submitted by Petition

Shall we adopt the provisions of RSA 40:13 (known as SB2) to allow official ballot voting on all issues before the town on the second Tuesday of March? (3/5-majority ballot vote required)

Article 02 GENERAL MUNICIPAL OPERATIONS

Recommended by Selectboard and Budget Committee

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Six Million, Four Hundred Thirteen Thousand, Nine hundred Sixty-Four Dollars (\$6,413,964) for general municipal operations. This article does not include appropriations contained in special or individual articles addressed separately. (Majority vote required)

Article 03 MANUAL WASTE COLLECTION

Not recommended by Selectboard by vote of 4 to 1

Recommended by Budget Committee by vote of 5 to 0 to 1

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty-four Thousand, Nine hundred fifty dollars (\$24,950) for the continuation of manual collection of Waste and Recyclable Materials. Per the Contract with Casella Waste Systems, the Town may continue with Manual Waste Collection or convert to Automated Waste Collection. The proposed 2026 Town Budget allocates the cost of manual waste and recyclable collection for the first 6 months, and automated waste and recyclable collection for the remaining 6 months. The purpose of this warrant article would be to continue with manual collection for the entire year. (Majority vote required)

Article 04 CRF: MULTIPLE

Recommended by Selectboard by vote of 5 to 0

Recommended by Budget Committee by vote of 5 to 1

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Sixty Thousand Dollars (\$160,000) to be added to the following existing capital reserve funds:
CRF Information Systems Hardware: \$30,000
CRF Revaluation: \$25,000
CRF Maintenance of Town Owned Buildings: \$25,000
CRF Fire Vehicles: \$50,000
CRF Public Safety Radios: \$30,000
(Majority Vote Required)

Article 05 CRF: Multi-Purpose Municipal Building

Recommended by Selectboard by vote of 4 to 1

Recommended by Budget Committee by vote of 4 to 1 to 1

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$125,000) to be added to the existing Multi-Purpose Municipal Building capital reserve fund.
(Majority Vote Required)



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Article 06 CRF: HIGHWAY VEHICLES/EQUIPMENT

Recommended by Selectboard by vote of 5-0
Recommended by Budget Committee by vote of 5-0-1

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$150,000) to be added to the existing Highway Vehicles/Equipment capital reserve fund. (Majority vote required.)

Article 07 ROAD REPAIR

Recommended by the Selectboard by vote of 5 to 0
Recommended by Budget Committee by vote of 5 to 0 to 1

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Three Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$350,000) for the purpose of public road repair and maintenance. (Majority vote required)

Article 08 CRF: MASTER PLAN

Recommended by the Selectboard by vote of 5 to 0
Recommended by the Budget Committee by vote of 3 to 2 to 1

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Eight Thousand, Five Hundred Dollars (\$8,500) to be added to the Master Plan Expendable Trust Fund under the provisions of RSA 31:19-a for the purpose of updating the Town's Master Plan. (Majority vote required.)

Article 09 MODIFY SERVICE-CONNECTED DISABILITY TAX CREDIT

Recommended by the Selectboard by vote of 5 to 0

To see if the Town will vote, pursuant to RSA 72:35, 1-a, to increase the optional tax credit for service-connected permanent and total disability from \$2,000 to \$2,750, pursuant to RSA 72:27-a. The said credit for service-connected total disability shall replace the Optional Veterans' Credit and/or the All-Veterans Credit, under RSA 72:28, 72:28-b, 72:28-c, and 72:36-a in its entirety and shall not be in addition thereto. To qualify, the Veteran or the Veteran's Surviving Spouse must satisfy all the conditions of RSA 72:35, that pertain to eligibility for this credit, as well as those contained in any other applicable statute. (Majority Vote Required).

Article 10 MODIFICATION OF ELDERLY EXEMPTION

Recommended by Selectboard by vote of 5 to 0

Shall the Town modify the provisions of RSA 72:30-a for Elderly Exemption from property tax in the Town of Brentwood, based on assessed value, for qualified taxpayers, to be as follows: for a person 65 years of age up to 75 years, \$200,000; for a person 75 years of age up to 80 years, \$250,000; for a person 80 years of age or older, \$300,000. To qualify, the person must have been a resident for at least 3 consecutive years, own the real estate individually or jointly or if the real estate is owned by such person's spouse, they must have been married to each other for at least 5 consecutive years. In addition, the taxpayer must have a net income of not more than \$50,000 or, if married, a combined net income of less than \$65,000; and own net assets not in excess of \$200,000 excluding the value of the person's residence. (Majority Vote Required)



Article 11 MODIFICATION OF DISABLED EXEMPTION

Shall the town modify the provisions of RSA 72:37-b, Exemption for the Disabled from property tax, based on assessed value for qualified taxpayers to be \$155,000. To qualify the person must have been a New Hampshire resident for at least 5 years, own the real estate individually or jointly, or if the real estate is owned by such person's spouse, they must have been married for at least 5 consecutive years. In addition the taxpayer must have a net income of not more than \$50,000 or if married, a combined net income of not more than \$65,000, and own net assets not in excess of \$200,000 excluding the value of the person's residence.
(Majority vote required)

Article 12 ESTABLISH 24-HOUR PER-DIEM FIREFIGHTER/EMT POSITION

Submitted by Petition
Not recommended by Selectboard by vote of 3 to 2
Not recommended by Budget Committee by vote of 3 to 3 to 1

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Twenty-Five Thousand, Seven Hundred and Three Dollars (\$225,703) to establish a twenty-four hour per-diem firefighter/EMT position at the Fire Department, Effective April 1, 2026. This position will provide recommended staffing for a three-person engine company in accordance with National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) 710 and OSHA. This position will support improved emergency response capability and public safety for the Town of Brentwood. (Majority Vote Required)

Article 13 Establish a Fire Prevention/Inspection Revolving Fund

Recommended by Selectboard
To see if the town will vote to establish a Fire Prevention/Inspection Revolving Fund pursuant to RSA 31:95-h, for the purpose of offsetting the cost of the Fire Prevention/Inspection Position and to expand inspection hours from eight (8) per week to sixteen (16) or twenty-four (24) and raise and appropriated \$1 for this Fund. All revenues received from Fire Inspection Fees will be deposited into the fund, and the money in the fund shall be allowed to accumulate from year to year, and shall not be considered part of the town's general fund balance. The town treasurer shall have custody of all moneys in the fund, and shall pay out the same only upon order of the governing body and no further approval is required by the legislative body to expend. Such funds may be expended only for the purpose for which the fund was created. (Majority vote required)

Article 14 Modify Special Details Revolving Fund

Recommended by the Selectboard
To see if the Town will vote to amend the Special Details Revolving Fund, established in 2009 pursuant to RSA 31:95-h, to eliminate the maximum accumulated cap of \$40,000, allowing the fund to accumulate from year to year without a specific limit, and to permit any currently accumulated Fund Balance exceeding the prior cap to remain in the Fund. (Majority Vote Required)