

EXETER TOWN WARRANT – 2025

To the inhabitants of the Town of Exeter, in the County of Rockingham, in the said State, qualified to vote in Town affairs:

First Session

You are hereby notified that the first session (the Deliberative Session) of the Annual Town Meeting will be held on Saturday, February 1st, 2025 beginning at 9:00 a.m. at the Arthur L. Hanson III Center for the Performing Arts at Exeter High School, 1 Blue Hawk Drive. The first session will consist of explanation, discussion and debate of each of the following warrant articles, and will also afford voters who are present the opportunity to propose, debate and adopt amendments to warrant articles, except those articles in which wording is prescribed by state law.

Second Session

The second session of the Annual Town Meeting, to elect Town officers by official ballot and to vote on all warrant articles as they may have been amended at the first session, will be held on Tuesday, March 11th, 2025 at the Talbot Gymnasium at the Tuck Learning Center, 30 Linden Street. Polls for voting by official ballot will open at 7:00 a.m. and close at 8:00 p.m.

Article 1 (Election Article)

To choose the following: 1 Moderator for a 2-year Term; 2 Select Board members for a 3-year term; 1 Swasey Parkway Trustee for a 3-year term; 1 Trustee of the Trust Fund for a 3-year term; 1 Trustee of the Robinson Fund for a 7-year term; 3 Trustees of the Library for a 3-year term.

Article 2 Zoning Amendment #1: Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment #1 as proposed by the Planning Board for the town zoning ordinance, by amending Article 2, Section 2.2 Definitions by adding a new definition for **“Short-term rental”**: **“Any individually or collectively owned single-family house or dwelling unit or any unit or group of units in a condominium, cooperative, or timeshare, or owner-occupied residential home, that is offered for a fee and for less than thirty (30) consecutive days.”** And amend Article 4, Section 4.2 Schedule I: Permitted Uses by adding **“Short-term rental”** as a permitted use in the C-1, Central Area Commercial and WC-Waterfront Commercial zoning districts?

Recommended by the Planning Board 6-1.

Article 3 – Drinkwater Road Groundwater Development (\$6,800,000)

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of six million eight hundred thousand dollars (\$6,800,000) for the purpose of design, engineering and construction of a new groundwater source off Drinkwater Road, and to authorize the issuance of not more than \$6,800,000 of bonds or notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA 33); and further to authorize the Select Board to issue, negotiate, sell and deliver such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon and the maturity and other terms thereof; and further to authorize the Select Board to apply for, accept and expend federal, state or other aid, if any, including principal forgiveness, which may become available for this project and to comply with all laws applicable to such project; and further to authorize the Select Board to take any other action or to pass any other vote relative thereto. Notwithstanding the general obligation nature of the bonds or notes, it is anticipated that debt service will be paid from the water fund. Bond payments would begin approximately one year after issuance.

(3/5 ballot vote required for approval.) Recommended by the Select Board 5-0.

Article 4 – Pickpocket Dam Removal (\$2,100,000)

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of two million one hundred thousand dollars (\$2,100,000) for the purpose of design, engineering, removal of the Pickpocket Dam and subsequent site monitoring, and to authorize the issuance of not more than \$2,100,000 of bonds or notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA 33); and further to authorize the Select Board to issue, negotiate, sell and deliver such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon and the maturity and other terms thereof; and further to authorize the Select Board to apply for, accept and expend federal, state or other aid, if any, including principal forgiveness, which may become available for this project and to comply with all laws applicable to such project; and further to authorize the Select Board to take any other action or to pass any other vote relative thereto. The Town is seeking grants to offset up to 100% of the project cost. Debt service to be paid from the general fund. (Estimated Tax Impact: assuming 15-year bond at 3.09% interest: .06/1,000, \$6.00/100,000 of assessed property value). Bond payments would begin approximately one year after issuance.

(3/5 ballot vote required for approval.) Recommended by the Select Board 5-0.

Article 5 – Linden Street Bridge Repairs (\$1,257,900)

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one million two hundred fifty seven thousand nine hundred dollars (\$1,257,900) for the purpose of making repairs to the Linden Street bridge, and to authorize the issuance of not more than \$1,257,900 of bonds or notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA 33); and further to authorize the Select Board to issue, negotiate, sell and deliver such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon and the maturity and other terms thereof; and further to authorize the Select Board to apply for, accept and expend federal, state or other aid, if any, including principal forgiveness, which may become available for this project and to comply with all laws applicable to such project; and further to authorize the Select Board to take any other action or to pass any other vote relative thereto. Debt service to be paid from the general fund. (Estimated Tax Impact: assuming 10-year bond at 2.72% interest: .05/1,000, \$5.00/100,000 of assessed property value). Bond payments would begin approximately one year after issuance.

(3/5 ballot vote required for approval.) Recommended by the Select Board 5-0.

Article 6 – DPW Fuel Island Station Replacement (\$575,000)

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of five hundred seventy five thousand dollars (\$575,000) for the purpose of replacing the fuel island station at the DPW Complex at 13 Newfields Road, and to authorize the issuance of not more than \$575,000 of bonds or notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA 33); and further to authorize the Select Board to issue, negotiate, sell and deliver such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon and the maturity and other terms thereof; and further to authorize the Select Board to apply for, accept and expend federal, state or other aid, if any, including principal forgiveness, which may become available for this project and to comply with all laws applicable to such project; and further to authorize the Select Board to take any other action or to pass any other vote relative thereto. Debt service to be paid from the general fund. (Estimated Tax Impact: assuming 5-year bond at 2.89% interest: .04/1,000, \$4.00/100,000 of assessed property value). Bond payments would begin approximately one year after issuance.

(3/5 ballot vote required for approval.) Recommended by the Select Board 5-0.

Article 7 – Street Sweeper (\$395,000)

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of three hundred ninety five thousand dollars (\$395,000) for the purpose of purchasing a new street sweeper to be used to meet EPA nitrogen reduction permit requirements and the implementation of an enhanced sweeping program, and to authorize the issuance of not more than \$395,000 of bonds or notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA 33); and further to authorize the Select Board to issue, negotiate, sell and deliver such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon and the maturity and other terms thereof; and further to authorize the Select Board to apply for, accept and expend federal, state or other aid, if any, including principal forgiveness, which may become available for this project and to comply with all laws applicable to such project; and further to authorize the Select Board to take any other action or to pass any other vote relative thereto. Debt service to be paid from the general fund. (Estimated Tax Impact: assuming 5-year bond at 2.89% interest: .03/1,000, \$3.00/100,000 of assessed property value). Bond payments would begin approximately one year after issuance.

(3/5 ballot vote required for approval.) Recommended by the Select Board 5-0.

Article 8 – Use of Excess Bond Proceeds - Front, Pine & Linden Street Sewer & Drainage Repairs (\$250,000)

Shall the Town vote to authorize the expenditure of a portion of the unused bonds approved in 2021 for Salem Street Area Water, Sewer, Drainage Road Improvements and Utility Replacements as follows: to raise and appropriate the sum of two hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$250,000), for the purpose of making sewer repairs at Pine, Front and Linden Streets, and making repairs to drainage systems at Pine, Front and Linden Streets, per RSA 33:3-a, II. (Estimated Tax Impact: None. No amount to be raised by taxation).

(3/5 ballot vote required for approval) Recommended by the Select Board 5-0.

Article 9 – Use of Excess Bond Proceeds - Clemson Lagoon Cleaning and Inspection (\$500,000)

Shall the Town vote to authorize the expenditure of a portion of the unused bonds approved in 2021 for Wastewater Lagoon Sludge Removal as follows: to raise and appropriate the sum of five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000), for the purpose of inspecting, cleaning and dredging of Clemson Lagoon, per RSA 33:3-a, II. (Estimated Tax Impact: None. No amount to be raised by taxation).

(3/5 ballot vote required for approval) Recommended by the Select Board 5-0.

Article 10 – Use of Excess Bond Proceeds - Wastewater Treatment Facility Effluent Flume Repair (\$245,000)

Shall the Town vote to authorize the expenditure of a portion of the unused bonds approved in 2021 for Wastewater Lagoon Sludge Removal as follows: to raise and appropriate the sum of two hundred forty-five thousand dollars (\$245,000), for the purpose of repairing the effluent flume at the Wastewater Treatment Facility site at 13 Newfields Road, per RSA 33:3-a, II. (Estimated Tax Impact: None. No amount to be raised by taxation).

(3/5 ballot vote required for approval) Recommended by the Select Board 5-0.

Article 11 – Choose Town Officers

To choose all other necessary Town Officers, Auditors or Committees for the ensuing year.

Article 12 – 2025 Operating Budget

Shall the Town of Exeter raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein, totaling \$23,983,368. Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be \$23,441,313, which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Town of Exeter or by law; or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13, X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only. (Estimated Tax Impact: .27/1,000 assessed property value, \$27/100,000 assessed property value).

(Majority vote required.) Recommended by the Select Board 5-0.

Article 13 – 2025 Water Fund Budget

Shall the Town of Exeter raise and appropriate as a water operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein, totaling \$4,601,357. Should this article be defeated, the water default budget shall be \$4,613,401, which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Town of Exeter or by law.

(Majority vote required.) Recommended by the Select Board 5-0.

Article 14 – 2025 Sewer Fund Budget

Shall the Town of Exeter raise and appropriate as a sewer operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein, totaling \$8,147,727. Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be \$8,074,074, which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Town of Exeter or by law.

(Majority vote required.) Recommended by the Select Board 5-0.

Article 15 – Collective Bargaining Agreement – SEIU Local 1984 and Town of Exeter

To see if the Town will vote to approve the cost items included in the three-year collective bargaining agreement reached between the Select Board and the SEIU (Service Employees International Union) Local 1984 covering Public Works and Administrative/Clerical employees, which calls for the following increased salaries and benefits at the current staffing levels:

Year	Water/Sewer Fund	General Fund	Total
FY25	\$68,068	\$70,451	\$138,519
FY26	\$93,597	\$105,320	\$198,917
FY27	\$61,403	\$80,643	\$142,046

And further, to raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred thirty-eight thousand five hundred nineteen dollars (\$138,519) for the 2025 fiscal year, such sum representing the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits over those of the appropriation at current staffing levels. The amounts raised will be \$70,451 through taxation (General Fund), and \$68,068 (Water/Sewer Funds) as offsetting revenue. (Estimated Tax Impact: .02/1,000, \$2.02/100,000 assessed property value).

(Majority vote required.) Recommended by the Select Board 5-0.

Article 16 – Collective Bargaining Agreement – Exeter Police Association and Town of Exeter

To see if the Town will vote to approve the cost items included in the three-year collective bargaining agreement reached between the Select Board and the Exeter Police Association, which calls for the following increased salaries and benefits at the current staffing levels:

Year	Estimated Salary/Benefits Increase
FY25	\$133,009
FY26	\$225,370
FY27	\$128,120

And further, to raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred thirty-three thousand, nine dollars (\$133,009) for the 2025 fiscal year, such sum representing the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits over those of the appropriation at current staffing levels. (Estimated Tax Impact: .038/1,000, \$3.82/100,000 assessed property value).

(Majority vote required.) Recommended by the Select Board 5-0.

Article 17 – Collective Bargaining Agreement – Exeter Professional Firefighters Association Local 3491 and Town of Exeter

To see if the Town will vote to approve the cost items included in the three-year collective bargaining agreement reached between the Select Board and the Exeter Professional Firefighters Association Local 3491, which calls for the following increased salaries and benefits at the current staffing levels:

Year	Estimated Salary/Benefits Increase
FY25	\$158,248
FY26	\$207,857
FY27	\$124,297

And further, to raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred fifty-eight thousand, two hundred forty-eight dollars (\$158,248) for the 2025 fiscal year, such sum representing the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits over those of the appropriation at current staffing levels. (Estimated Tax Impact: .045/1,000, \$4.54/100,000 assessed property value).

(Majority vote required.) Recommended by the Select Board 5-0.

Article 18 – Replace Sidewalk Tractor #58 (\$225,000)

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Select Board to enter into a 5-year lease/purchase agreement for \$225,000 for the purpose of lease/purchasing a replacement for a 1991 sidewalk tractor in the Public Works Department, and to raise and appropriate the sum of fifty-six thousand two hundred fifty dollars (\$56,250), which represents the first of 5 annual payments (a total of \$258,750) for this purpose. This lease/purchase will contain an escape (non-appropriation) clause. This sum to come from general taxation. (Estimated Tax Impact: .016/1,000, \$1.61/100,000 assessed property value).

(Majority vote required.) Recommended by the Select Board 5-0.

Article 19 – Replace Dump Truck #33 (\$160,000)

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Select Board to enter into a 5-year lease/purchase agreement for \$160,000 for the purpose of lease/purchasing a replacement for dump truck #33 in the Public Works Department, and to raise and appropriate the sum of forty-thousand dollars (\$40,000), which represents the first of 5 annual payments (a total of \$184,000) for this purpose. This lease/purchase will contain an escape (non-appropriation) clause. This sum to come from general taxation. (Estimated Tax Impact: .011/1,000, \$1.15/100,000 assessed property value).

(Majority vote required.) Recommended by the Select Board 5-0.

Article 20 – Purchase ADA Accessible Van for Parks/Recreation (\$120,000)

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Select Board to enter into a 5-year lease/purchase agreement for \$120,000 for the purpose of lease/purchasing an ADA Accessible Van for the Parks/Recreation Department, and to raise and appropriate the sum of fifteen-thousand dollars (\$15,000), which represents the first of 5 annual general fund payments (a total of \$69,000) for this purpose. The total cost of the van will be shared with the Recreation Revolving Fund which will provide 50% funding or \$69,000 for this purchase over the 5-year lease/purchase. The total sum to be raised from taxation will be \$69,000. The total amount of the lease/purchase is estimated at \$138,000. This lease/purchase will contain an escape (non-appropriation) clause. This sum to come from general taxation and Recreation revolving funds. (Estimated Tax Impact: .004/1,000, \$.43/100,000 assessed property value).

(Majority vote required.) Recommended by the Select Board 5-0.

Article 21 – Public EV Charging Facility (\$120,000)

To see if the Town will raise and appropriate, through special warrant article, the sum of one hundred twenty thousand dollars (\$120,000), for the purpose of purchasing and installing two (2) two-port Electric Vehicle chargers (provides charging for 4 vehicles) to be located in the Downtown Municipal Lot. This project may qualify for a DOT Charging Fueling Infrastructure (CFI) Grant that provides an 80:20 grant match (federal:local) up to \$96,000. The Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) for this grant is typically announced in May. Any additional grants obtained will offset the cost of the project. This appropriation will not take effect unless at least \$96,000 in grants are received, with the town's share of up to \$24,000 to come from the unassigned fund balance. (Estimated Tax Impact: None. No amount to be raised by taxation).

(Majority vote required.) Recommended by the Select Board 5-0.

Article 22 – Appropriate to Sick Leave Trust Fund (\$100,000)

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) to be added to the Sick Leave Expendable Trust Fund previously established. This sum to come from the unassigned fund balance. (Estimated Tax Impact: None. No amount to be raised by taxation).

(Majority vote required.) Recommended by the Select Board 5-0.

Article 23 – Appropriate to Capital Reserve Fund – Parks Improvements (\$100,000)

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) to be added to the Parks Improvement Capital Reserve Fund previously established. (Estimated Tax Impact: .028/1,000 assessed property value, \$2.84/100,000 assessed property value).

(Majority vote required.) Recommended by the Select Board 5-0.

Article 24 – Purchase Styrofoam Densifier Unit (\$80,000)

To see if the Town will raise and appropriate, through special warrant article, the sum of eighty thousand dollars (\$80,000), for the purpose of purchasing a Styrofoam densifier unit. This project is eligible for a \$50,000 grant through RecycleFoam.org with applications due in March/April. Any grants obtained will go to offset the cost of the equipment. This appropriation will not take effect unless \$50,000 in grants are received, with the town's share of \$30,000 to come from the unassigned fund balance. (Estimated Tax Impact: None. No amount to be raised by taxation).

(Majority vote required.) Recommended by the Select Board 5-0.

Article 25 – Appropriate to Non-Capital Reserve Fund – Snow and Ice Deficit (\$75,000)

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of seventy-five-thousand dollars (\$75,000) to be added to the Snow and Ice Deficit Non-Capital Reserve Fund previously established. This sum to come from the unassigned fund balance. (Estimated Tax Impact: None. No amount to be raised by taxation).

(Majority vote required.) Recommended by the Select Board 5-0.

Article 26 – Replace Fire Utility Truck (\$71,355)

To see if the Town will raise and appropriate, through special warrant article, the sum of seventy-one thousand three hundred and fifty-five dollars (\$71,355), for the purpose of purchasing a replacement for the Fire Department Utility Truck, purchased in 2008. This vehicle is primarily used for towing emergency and non-emergency trailers to incident scenes. It is also used to pick up used equipment after fire and other incidents. This sum to come from the unassigned fund balance. (Estimated Tax Impact: None. No amount to be raised by taxation).

(Majority vote required.) Recommended by the Select Board 5-0.

Article 27 – Transfer Station Improvements (\$50,000)

To see if the Town will raise and appropriate, through special warrant article, the sum of fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000), for the purpose of making improvements to the Town transfer station. This sum to come from general taxation. (Estimated Tax Impact: .014/1,000, \$1.44/100,000 assessed property value).

(Majority vote required.) Recommended by the Select Board 5-0.

Article 28 – Appropriate to Capital Reserve Fund – ADA Fund (\$25,000)

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000) to be added to the ADA Non-Capital Reserve Fund previously established. (Estimated Tax Impact: .0072/1,000 assessed property value, .72/\$100,000 assessed property value).

(Majority vote required.) Recommended by the Select Board 5-0.

Article 29 – Sestercentennial Fund (\$5,000)

To see if the Town will vote to establish a non-capital reserve fund under RSA 35:1-c to be known as the Sestercentennial Fund, for the purpose of planning events and celebrations for the Sestercentennial of the United States of America, and to raise and appropriate the sum of five-thousand dollars (\$5,000) to be placed in this fund and further the Select Board shall be named agents of the fund and be authorized to make expenditures from the fund. (Estimated Tax Impact: .0014/1,000 assessed property value, .14/\$100,000 assessed property value).

(Majority vote required.) Recommended by the Select Board 5-0.

Article 30 – Appropriate to Trust Fund – Swasey Parkway (\$3,750)

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of three thousand seven hundred fifty dollars (\$3,750) to be added to the Swasey Parkway Expendable Trust Fund previously established. This sum to come from unassigned fund balance. This amount is equivalent to the amount of permit fees collected during 2024 for use of the Swasey Parkway. (Estimated Tax Impact: None. No amount to be raised by taxation).

(Majority vote required.) Recommended by the Select Board 5-0.

Article 31 – TIF Amendment – Amend Financing Plan

To see if the Town will adopt the provisions of the Epping Road Tax Increment District Financing Plan Amendment (dated January 6, 2025) in accordance with RSA 162-K:9 IV which allocates the use of tax increments for retirement of bonds and notes as outlined in the plan amendment. The plan amendment includes three capital projects in the Epping Road TIF District. Epping Road Widening Phase 2 – estimated cost \$880,000; Industrial Drive/Commerce Way Paving – estimated cost \$180,000, and Water/Sewer Improvements south of the Continental Drive traffic light – estimated cost \$850,000. (Estimated Tax Impact: None. No amount to be raised by taxation).

(Majority vote required.) Recommended by the Select Board 5-0.

Article 32 – Citizen’s Petition Article

On the petition of Gerry Hamel and other registered voters of the town of Exeter, NH to see if the town shall vote:

To discontinue the community Revitalization Tax Incentive Program (RSA 79E) adopted by the Town of Exeter in March of 2014. The program was used to give tax incentives to owners and investors in certain districts to spur revitalization of property.

With property values more than doubling in the past ten years and the lack of needing incentives to renovate, we feel the incentive program should be discontinued so that the taxes on all future projects can be utilized by the town and citizens instead of investors.

(Majority Vote Required.)

Article 33 – Citizen’s Petition Article

By petition of Karishma Manzur and others, Shall the Town vote to direct the Exeter Select Board, our Governor, and State elected representatives to disclose and divest all town and state pension funds and withdraw investments from weapons manufacturers that are profiting from gun violence?

Every year, gun violence kills more than 40,000 people in America and wounds twice as many. Injury from firearms is now the leading cause of death for children and teens in America. Gun violence is costing our nation over \$557 billion in health care treatments and lost economic opportunity. The lost human potential cannot be measured. Put simply, America cannot afford gun violence.

As citizens, we want to make the world safer for everyone, especially children.

The record of the vote approving this article shall be sent to Exeter’s State and Federal representatives and the Governor of New Hampshire.

(Majority Vote Required.)

Article 34 – Citizen’s Petition Article

By petition of Karishma Manzur and others, Shall the Town vote to call upon our Federal elected representatives to investigate the massive fraud and waste in the US Department of Defense, cut the vast \$900 billion defense budget, and use taxpayer funds to help ordinary Americans?

While over 45 million Americans are struggling with hunger, billions of dollars will go to a few giant defense contractors that overcharge the US government and make enormous profits for their CEOs and shareholders. This is disgraceful. As citizens, we want our tax funds to help ordinary Americans.

The record of the vote approving this article shall be sent to Exeter’s State and Federal representatives and the Governor of New Hampshire.

(Majority Vote Required.)

Article 35 – Citizen’s Petition Article

By petition of Karishma Manzur and others, Shall the Town vote to call upon our Federal elected representatives to use the US government’s considerable influence to (1) support the safety and right to life of all people living in Israel and Palestine, (2) enforce U.S. laws prohibiting weapons sales to countries that violate human rights, and (3) ensure the safe delivery of food and medical supplies to the people in Gaza?

While many Americans struggle to live from paycheck to paycheck, many are homeless, children are going hungry, elderly people are unable to afford to heat their homes, and millions of Americans don’t have health insurance, our government spent over \$90 million of New Hampshire tax money in 2024 to buy weapons for Israel.

We want our government to spend our money to help ordinary Americans. As citizens, we are also concerned that our money and weapons are being used to make Gaza the most dangerous place in the world to be a child.

The record of the vote approving this article shall be sent to Exeter’s State and Federal representatives and the Governor of New Hampshire.

(Majority Vote Required.)

Article 36 – Citizen’s Petition Article

By petition of Karishma Manzur and others, Shall the Town vote to authorize and direct the Exeter Select Board, our Governor, and State and Federal elected representatives to support a \$5,000 limit on contributions to political action committees (PACs) and super PACs that spend money to support or defeat candidates for office in New Hampshire?

Democracy means that we elect our political leaders, and they represent us. As citizens, we are concerned that corporations and billionaires use money to make our elected officials do what they want, and most ordinary Americans do not have that power.

The record of the vote approving this article shall be sent to Exeter’s State and Federal representatives and the Governor of New Hampshire.

(Majority Vote Required.)

Article 37 – Petition Article

By petition of Karishma Manzur and others, Shall the Town vote to call upon our Governor and State and Federal elected representatives to conserve and maintain New Hampshire’s public natural resources for the benefit of this and future generations?

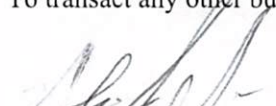
As citizens, we recognize the fundamental right of people, plants, and animals to have clean air, pure water, and a healthy environment. We urge our State and Federal governments to ensure that our beautiful state continues to have a clean, healthy, and sustainable environment upon which we all rely.

The record of the vote approving this article shall be sent to Exeter’s State and Federal representatives and the Governor of New Hampshire.

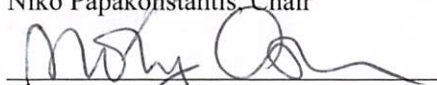
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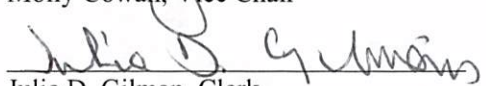
To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.



Niko Papakonstantis, Chair



Molly Cowan, Vice Chair



Julie D. Gilman, Clerk



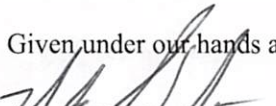
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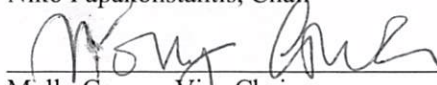
Daniel W. Chartrand

We certify that on the 27th day of January, 2025, we caused a true copy of the within warrant to be posted at the Exeter Town Hall on Front Street, the Exeter Public Library at Founder's Park, Exeter High School at 1 Blue Hawk Drive, Talbot Gymnasium at Tuck Learning Campus, 40 Linden Street, and the Town Clerk's Office, 10 Front Street.

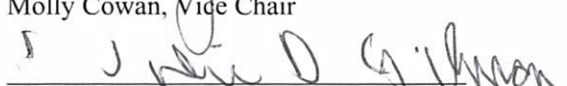
Given under our hands and seal this 27th day of January, 2025.



Niko Papakonstantis, Chair



Molly Cowan, Vice Chair



Julie D. Gilman, Clerk



Nancy Belanger



Daniel W. Chartrand