

ANNUAL REPORTS HART'S LOCATION, NH



Floodwaters in Saco River Gorge - December 18, 2023

Photo Credit: Mark Dindorf

School Year Ending June 30, 2023
Town Year Ending December 31, 2023

Town Information:

Town of Hart's Location
979 US Route 302, PO Box 540
Hart's Location, NH 03812

Telephone: (603)374-6397 (voicemail messages are checked weekly on Mondays)

Town website: www.hartslocation.com

Town Clerk Hours: Mondays 2:00pm to 4:30pm*

*On all Federal Holidays we are Closed but will be open the next day, Tuesday 2:00-4:30pm

hartslocationtc@gmail.com (Town Clerk)

Selectmen meet the 2nd and 4th Monday of each month at 4:30pm

smallesttown@gmail.com (Board of Selectmen)

Building Permits are required for all construction projects that change the value or footprint of any structure on parcels of land in Hart's Location. Interior renovations that do not substantially change the value of a structure do not require a building permit unless the total number of bedrooms or bathrooms is being changed. Contact the Board of Selectmen for additional information. You can download building permit forms on the town website: www.hartslocation.com

Fire Permits are required for all outdoor fires.

Contact: Jon Goodreau, Fire Warden, or Michelle Goodreau, Deputy Fire Warden, 87 Bemis Rd, Hart's Location. Phone : 603 986-5092

Dog Licenses are required for all dogs owned by Hart's Location residents

Solid Waste Disposal: Bartlett-Jackson-Hart's Location Transfer Station Rt 16, Jackson, NH open 12pm to 6pm, Mon & Tues and Friday; 10am to 4pm on Saturday & Sunday. Closed on Wednesday & Thursday. Contact Town Clerk, Katie Landry, to obtain Transfer Station Stickers for your vehicles.

Interactive Town Maps: https://www.axisgis.com/harts_locationNH/

2023 Annual Reports compiled by Mark Dindorf

School Reports Compiled by SAU9

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**TOWN OF HART'S LOCATION
ELECTED OFFICERS...2023**

MODERATOR (2 year term)

Leslie E.Schoof Term Expires 2024

BOARD OF SELECTMEN (3 year term)

Mark Dindorf, Chair Term Expires 2024

Guy Putnam (resigned 6/2023)

David Walker (appointed 6/23) Term Expires 2024 (1 year term)

John Gallagher Term Expires 2026

TOWN CLERK (3 year term)

Katie Landry Term expires 2024

SUPERVISORS OF THE CHECKLIST (3 year term)

Nancy Ritger Term Expires 2026

Christine Glinski Term Expires 2024

Susan Wilder Term Expires 2025
(1 year term)

TRUSTEE OF FUNDS

Karen Capone Term Expires 2024

ROAD AGENT (1 year term)

Rick Greenwood Term Expires 2024 (1 year term)

DEPUTY TOWN CLERK / TAX COLLECTOR (3 year term)

TREASURER (3 year term)

TAX COLLECTOR (3 year term)

AUDITOR (1 year term)

PLANNING BOARD (5 year term)

FIRE WARDEN (1 year term)

DEPUTY FIRE WARDEN (1 year term)

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DIRECTOR

E-911 COORDINATOR

HEALTH COMMISSIONER - VACANT

**2024 Hart's Location Town Warrant
State of New Hampshire**

To the inhabitants of the Town of Hart's Location in the County of Carroll, State of New Hampshire, qualified to vote in town affairs: You are hereby notified to meet at the **Hart's Location Town Hall, 979 US Route 302 in Hart's Location, NH** on **Tuesday, March 12, 2024 at 5:00pm** to act on the following:

Article 1 will be by ballot vote. Polls will be open for this purpose on Tuesday March 12, 2024 starting at 11:00 am at the Notchland Inn at 2 Morey Road, Hart's Location, and will not close before 4:00pm. Voting between the hours of 4:30 pm and 5:00 pm will take place at the Hart's Location Town Hall.

Article 1: To choose all necessary town officers for the coming year. Ballot Vote

Article 2: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$51,400.00** for general municipal operations.

a. Town Officers' Stipends	\$14,000
b. Financial Administration	\$10,000
c. Fire/Rescue	\$ 5,000
d. Ambulance	\$ 1,500
e. Solid Waste Collection	\$ 7,700
f. Highway Expenses	\$ 6,000
g. Town Insurance	\$ 2,750
h. Advertising & Regional Associations	\$ 1,300
i. Town Building Electric/Gas/Telephone	\$ 4,000
j. Revaluation / Cyclical Assessment	\$ 1,400
k. Capital Investment – Transfer Station	\$ 1,000
l. Tax Anticipation Note	<u>\$ 1</u>
Total Proposed Budget	\$54,651.00

Recommended by Board of Selectmen (3,0,0). (Majority vote required)

Article 3: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000 to be added to the **Town Hall Capital Reserve Fund** previously established. Recommended by Board of Selectmen (3-0-0). (Majority vote required.)


Article 4: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000 to be added to the **Emergency Response Capital Reserve Fund** previously established. Recommended by Board of Selectmen (3-0-0). (Majority vote required.)

Article 5: To conduct any other business that may legally come before the town

POSTED ON: FEBRUARY 26, 2024

A TRUE COPY OF THE WARRANT, ATTEST:


Mark Dindorf


John Gallagher


David Walker

Board of Selectmen, Town of Hart's Location, NH

Board of Selectmen Report 2023

Thankfully, 2023 was a less eventful year than the preceding year in which we had to contend with the Bemis Fire, and yet the flooding on December 18th and the wet and rainy spring, summer and fall seasons serve as a reminder that we remain at risk from the increasing frequency of severe storms.

Last year, in response to the aftermath of the Bemis Fire, and in recognition of our financial exposure to natural and man-made disasters, we voted to establish the **Emergency Response Capital Reserve Fund**, and voters appropriated \$10,000 to buffer our financial exposure to unexpected emergency response expenses in the future. This year **Warrant Article 4 seeks voter approval to add an additional \$10,000 to the Emergency Response Capital Reserve Fund**. The Bemis Fire suppression effort cost the town over \$39,000, and although we were fortunate to be reimbursed for that expenditure, we can't count on reimbursement in future disasters. The Board of Selectmen recommends the approval of Warrant Article 4 (3-0-0).

Similarly, **Warrant Article 3 seeks voter approval to add an additional \$10,000 to the Town Hall Capital Reserve Fund**. After several years of not adding funds, primarily because of higher tax rates, the town voted in 2023 to add \$5000 to the Town Hall Capital Reserve Fund in anticipation of upcoming capital expenses to maintain and improve our town hall. The Board of Selectmen recommends the approval of Warrant Article 3 (3-0-0).

Perhaps the biggest town news in 2023 was our surprisingly low annual tax rate, which, due to low enrollment in the school district combined with the school district's return of unexpended fund balance to taxpayers, resulted in a negative local education tax rate. This in turn, brought our overall tax rate to an astonishingly low \$0.51 per \$1000 valuation. Please note that we should not expect a similarly low rate in 2024. Consider this year's tax rate to be a welcome reprieve from the higher tax rates of years past.

While the low tax rate is certainly welcome from the taxpayer's vantage point, it does represent some challenges to administer a tighter cash flow due to significantly less tax revenue and will require our town treasurer to pay close attention to the timetable of other sources of incoming revenue for the town. In discussion with supervisors at the NH Department of Revenue, it was recommended that we add a **Tax Anticipation Note** line item to our municipal budget for the upcoming year. While we don't expect the need to utilize a tax anticipation note at this time, having the \$1 appropriation in our budget will allow us to apply for tax anticipation note funding should it become necessary.

Speaking of the municipal budget, the Selectmen wish to thank the residents who came to the annual budget hearings in mid-February. The budget hearings are the appropriate time and place to discuss and make adjustments to the annual municipal budget in advance of annual town meeting. As a matter of record, the amount of funding recommended for the Town Hall Capital Reserve Fund was increased at the budget hearing from \$5000 to \$10,000.

The 2024 budget is up slightly from 2023, with the majority of the adjustments based on actual expenditures. It should be noted that we underspent our budget in 2023, having appropriated \$51,400, we actually spent \$48,376. For 2024, we have appropriated additional funding for financial administration. This is in anticipation of contracting professional accountant services to review the annual financial statement (MS-535 form) that we file with the State of NH every year. In part due to the fact that the MS-535 form is based on modified accrual accounting and our annual treasurer's report is based on cash based accounting, and the fact that the fiscal years of the town and the school district are not aligned, getting the MS-535 form to reconcile has become increasingly challenging over the last few years. From my vantage point, it is the single most challenging reporting requirement that the Selectmen are responsible for. A CPA can make adjusting journal entries that a town official cannot, and it is our hope that with professional review of our annual financial statements, the process of filing the MS-535 and setting the annual tax rate will become less complicated moving forward.

In other Selectmen news, Guy Putnam stepped down as a second term Selectman in June to focus his time and energy on a new business venture. Guy will continue to serve the town as our Emergency Management Director. We thank Guy for his service to the town as a Selectman and his continued service as our EMD.

David Walker volunteered to be appointed to fill the remainder of Guy's term as Selectman. Dave has been a welcome addition to the board and a quick learner, we are grateful to him for stepping up to serve the town.

Dave Walker and John Gallagher both serve as our town representatives on the Carroll County Communications District, which we voted to join in 2023. Please see the report by the CCCD on page 37 regarding the anticipated timetable to bring broadband internet service to the town.

In 2023, we satisfactorily completed the **Clean Water State Revolving Fund** project which incorporated **Phase Two of Floodplain Mapping** of the town, and in a multijurisdictional collaboration with the Saco & Swift Rivers Local Advisory Committee, the towns of Conway, Albany, Bartlett, the North Conway Water Precinct, Lower Bartlett Water Precinct and the White Mountain National Forest, we also completed the **Saco & Swift Rivers Corridor Management Plan**. The corridor management plan can be viewed on the Saco & Swift Rivers Local Advisory Committee website: sacoswift.org. As you may recall, the town voted in 2022 to appropriate \$75,000 towards this combined project, in anticipation of a CWSRF loan principal forgiveness award. With satisfactory completion of the project, the loan principal was officially forgiven in 2023, and as promised, the accrued interest on the loan was paid in full by an anonymous donor from the Saco Headwaters Alliance. We appreciate the support of the town, our collaborators, and the interest payment donation from SHA to realize the completion of these important projects that work to protect our watershed. A letter of appreciation to the Saco Headwaters Alliance is on page 38 of these reports.

Mark continues to work with funders at NHDES Clean Water State Revolving Fund, meeting monthly with Deb Loiselle, NHDES Storm Water Program Coordinator to find future opportunities to help protect the Saco River Watershed.

Respectfully submitted,



Mark Dindorf,

Chair, Board of Selectmen

Planning Board Report 2023

Work on the Updated Masterplan for the Town did not begin as anticipated in 2023, but the approved appropriation of \$5000 towards the project is considered ongoing and the funds are being held in a special projects account until the project can be completed. **We have two vacancies on the Planning Board** with the resignation of Bill King and Chuck Landry in 2023. Planning Board Chair, Ed Butler is hopeful that some of our newer residents with the time and interest will step up in the near future to fill the vacancies on the planning board and help lead this important update to the town's Master Plan.

2023 Zoning Board of Adjustment Report

On September 18, 2023, the ZBA convened to hear variance requests from Charlotte & Ryan Ericson of 5 Forest Road to construct a deck in the setback buffer and a variance request from Katie & Chuck Landry of 769 US Route 302 for placement of a storage container on their property.

Lacking a chair to convene the proceedings, Mark Dindorf offered to facilitate the hearing. ZBA members Jon Goodreau, Nancy Ritger & David Walker were in attendance and constituted a quorum, the ZBA voted unanimopusly to approve both variance requests



Proposed Budget
Hart's Location

For the period beginning January 1, 2024 and ending December 31, 2024

Form Due Date: 20 Days after the Annual Meeting

This form was posted with the warrant on: February 26, 2024

GOVERNING BODY CERTIFICATION

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined the information contained in this form and to the best of my belief it is true, correct and complete.

Name	Position	Signature
Mark Dindorf	Chair Board of Selectmen	MD
John Gallagher	Selectmen	John Gallagher
David Walker	Selectmen	David Walker

This form must be signed, scanned, and uploaded to the Municipal Tax Rate Setting Portal:
<https://www.proptax.org/>

For assistance please contact:
NH DRA Municipal and Property Division
(603) 230-5090
<http://www.revenue.nh.gov/mun-prop/>



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Account	Purpose	Article	Expenditures for period ending 12/31/2023	Appropriations for period ending 12/31/2023	Proposed Appropriations for period ending 12/31/2024	
					(Recommended)	(Not Recommended)
General Government						
4130	Executive	02	\$12,905	\$14,000	\$14,000	\$0
4140	Election, Registration, and Vital Statistics		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4150	Financial Administration	02	\$6,698	\$8,000	\$10,000	\$0
4152	Property Assessment	02	\$1,400	\$1,400	\$1,400	\$0
4153	Legal Expense		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4155	Personnel Administration		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4191	Planning and Zoning		\$7,612	\$0	\$0	\$0
4194	General Government Buildings	02	\$3,768	\$4,500	\$4,000	\$0
4195	Cemeteries		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4196	Insurance Not Otherwise Allocated	02	\$2,538	\$2,500	\$2,750	\$0
4197	Advertising and Regional Associations	02	\$1,336	\$1,300	\$1,300	\$0
4198	Contingency		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4199	Other General Government		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
General Government Subtotal			\$36,257	\$31,700	\$33,450	\$0
Public Safety						
4210	Police		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4215	Ambulances	02	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,500	\$0
4220	Fire	02	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$0
4240	Building Inspection		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4290	Emergency Management		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4299	Other Public Safety		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Public Safety Subtotal			\$6,000	\$6,000	\$6,500	\$0
Airport/Aviation Center						
4301	Airport Administration		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4302	Airport Operations		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4309	Other Airport		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Airport/Aviation Center Subtotal			\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Highways and Streets						
4311	Highway Administration		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4312	Highways and Streets	02	\$5,160	\$5,000	\$6,000	\$0
4313	Bridges		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4316	Street Lighting		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4319	Other Highway, Streets, and Bridges		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Highways and Streets Subtotal			\$5,160	\$5,000	\$6,000	\$0



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					(Recommended)	(Not Recommended)
Sanitation						
4321	Sanitation Administration		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4323	Solid Waste Collection		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4324	Solid Waste Disposal	02	\$7,571	\$7,700	\$7,700	\$0
4325	Solid Waste Facilities Clean-Up		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4326	Sewage Collection and Disposal		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4329	Other Sanitation		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Sanitation Subtotal			\$7,571	\$7,700	\$7,700	\$0
Water Distribution and Treatment						
4331	Water Administration		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4332	Water Services		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4335	Water Treatment		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4338	Water Conservation		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4339	Other Water		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Water Distribution and Treatment Subtotal			\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Electric						
4351	Electric Administration		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4352	Generation		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4353	Purchase Costs		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4354	Electric Equipment Maintenance		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4359	Other Electric Costs		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Electric Subtotal			\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Health						
4411	Health Administration		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4414	Pest Control		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4415	Health Agencies and Hospitals		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4419	Other Health		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Health Subtotal			\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Welfare						
4441	Welfare Administration		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4442	Direct Assistance		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4444	Intergovernmental Welfare Payments		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4445	Vendor Payments		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4449	Other Welfare		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Welfare Subtotal			\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0



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					(Recommended)	(Not Recommended)
Culture and Recreation						
4520	Parks and Recreation		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4550	Library		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4583	Patriotic Purposes		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4589	Other Culture and Recreation		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Culture and Recreation Subtotal			\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Conservation and Development						
4611	Conservation Administration		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4612	Purchase of Natural Resources		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4619	Other Conservation		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4631	Redevelopment and Housing Administration		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4632	Other Redevelopment and Housing		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4651	Economic Development Administration		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4652	Economic Development		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4659	Other Economic Development		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Conservation and Development Subtotal			\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Debt Service						
4711	Principal - Long Term Bonds, Notes, and Other Debt		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4721	Interest - Long Term Bonds, Notes, and Other Debt		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4723	Interest on Tax and Revenue Anticipation Notes	02	\$0	\$0	\$1	\$0
4790	Other Debt Service Charges		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Debt Service Subtotal			\$0	\$0	\$1	\$0
Capital Outlay						
4901	Land		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4902	Machinery, Vehicles, and Equipment		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4903	Buildings		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4909	Improvements Other than Buildings	02	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$0
Capital Outlay Subtotal			\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$0



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Account	Purpose	Article	Expenditures for	Appropriations	Proposed Appropriations for period	
			period ending	for period ending	ending 12/31/2024	
			12/31/2023	12/31/2023	(Recommended)	(Not Recommended)
Operating Transfers Out						
4911	To Revolving Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4912	To Special Revenue Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4913	To Capital Projects Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4914A	To Airport Proprietary Fund		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4914E	To Electric Proprietary Fund		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4914O	To Other Proprietary Fund		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4914S	To Sewer Proprietary Fund		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4914W	To Water Proprietary Fund		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4918	To Non-Expendable Trust Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4919	To Fiduciary Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Operating Transfers Out Subtotal			\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total Operating Budget Appropriations					\$54,651	\$0



Special Warrant Articles

Account	Purpose	Article	Proposed Appropriations for period ending 12/31/2024	
			(Recommended)	(Not Recommended)
4915	To Capital Reserve Funds	03	\$10,000	\$0
<i>Purpose: Add to Town Hall Capital Reserve fund</i>				
4915	To Capital Reserve Funds	04	\$10,000	\$0
<i>Purpose: Add to Emergency Response Capital Reserve Fund</i>				
Total Proposed Special Articles			\$20,000	\$0



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Individual Warrant Articles

Account	Purpose	Article	Proposed Appropriations for period ending 12/31/2024	
			(Recommended)	(Not Recommended)
Total Proposed Individual Articles			\$0	\$0



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Revenues

Account	Source	Article	Actual Revenues for period ending 12/31/2023	Estimated Revenues for period ending 12/31/2023	Estimated Revenues for period ending 12/31/2024
Taxes					
3120	Land Use Change Taxes for General Fund		\$0	\$0	\$0
3180	Resident Taxes		\$0	\$0	\$0
3185	Yield Taxes		\$0	\$0	\$0
3186	Payment in Lieu of Taxes	02	\$14,196	\$8,897	\$14,196
3187	Excavation Tax		\$0	\$0	\$0
3189	Other Taxes		\$0	\$0	\$0
3190	Interest and Penalties on Delinquent Taxes	02	\$10	\$25	\$25
Taxes Subtotal			\$14,206	\$8,922	\$14,221
Licenses, Permits, and Fees					
3210	Business Licenses and Permits		\$0	\$0	\$0
3220	Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	02	\$18,500	\$15,000	\$18,500
3230	Building Permits		\$0	\$0	\$0
3290	Other Licenses, Permits, and Fees	02	\$563	\$700	\$500
Licenses, Permits, and Fees Subtotal			\$19,063	\$15,700	\$19,000
From Federal Government					
3311	Housing and Urban Development		\$0	\$0	\$0
3312	Environmental Protection		\$0	\$0	\$0
3313	Federal Emergency		\$0	\$0	\$0
3314	Federal Drug Enforcement		\$0	\$0	\$0
3319	Other Federal Grants and Reimbursements		\$0	\$0	\$0
From Federal Government Subtotal			\$0	\$0	\$0
State Sources					
3351	Shared Revenues - Block Grant		\$0	\$0	\$0
3352	Meals and Rooms Tax Distribution	02	\$6,380	\$3,500	\$6,380
3353	Highway Block Grant	02	\$2,330	\$2,111	\$2,330
3354	Water Pollution Grant		\$0	\$0	\$0
3355	Housing and Community Development		\$0	\$0	\$0
3356	State and Federal Forest Land Reimbursement		\$0	\$0	\$0
3357	Flood Control Reimbursement		\$0	\$0	\$0
3359	Railroad Tax Distribution	02	\$19,789	\$6,917	\$19,789
3360	Water Filtration Grants		\$0	\$0	\$0
3361	Landfill Closure Grants		\$0	\$0	\$0
3369	Other Intergovernmental Revenue from State of NH		\$0	\$0	\$0
3379	Intergovernmental Revenues - Other		\$0	\$0	\$0
State Sources Subtotal			\$28,499	\$12,528	\$28,499



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Account	Source	Article	Actual Revenues for period ending 12/31/2023	Estimated Revenues for period ending 12/31/2023	Estimated Revenues for period ending 12/31/2024
Charges for Services					
3401	Income from Departments		\$0	\$0	\$0
3402	Water Supply System Charges		\$0	\$0	\$0
3403	Sewer User Charges		\$0	\$0	\$0
3404	Garbage-Refuse Charges		\$0	\$0	\$0
3405	Electric User Charges		\$0	\$0	\$0
3406	Airport Fees		\$0	\$0	\$0
3409	Other Charges		\$0	\$0	\$0
Charges for Services Subtotal			\$0	\$0	\$0
Miscellaneous Revenues					
3500	Special Assessments		\$0	\$0	\$0
3501	Sale of Municipal Property		\$0	\$0	\$0
3502	Interest on Investments	02	\$6	\$50	\$50
3503	Other		\$0	\$0	\$0
3504	Fines and Forfeits		\$0	\$0	\$0
3506	Insurance Dividends and Reimbursements		\$0	\$0	\$0
3508	Contributions and Donations		\$0	\$0	\$0
3509	Revenue from Misc Sources Not Otherwise Classified		\$0	\$0	\$0
Miscellaneous Revenues Subtotal			\$6	\$50	\$50
Interfund Operating Transfers In					
3911	From Revolving Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0
3912	From Special Revenue Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0
3913	From Capital Projects Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0
3914A	From Airport Proprietary Fund		\$0	\$0	\$0
3914E	From Electric Proprietary Fund		\$0	\$0	\$0
3914O	From Other Proprietary Fund		\$0	\$0	\$0
3914S	From Sewer Proprietary Fund		\$0	\$0	\$0
3914W	From Water Proprietary Fund		\$0	\$0	\$0
3915	From Capital Reserve Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0
3916	From Trust and Fiduciary Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0
3917	From Conservation Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0
Interfund Operating Transfers In Subtotal			\$0	\$0	\$0
Other Financing Sources					
3934	Proceeds from Long-Term Notes/Bonds/Other Sources		\$7,612	\$0	\$0
9998	Amount Voted from Fund Balance		\$0	\$0	\$0
9999	Fund Balance to Reduce Taxes		\$0	\$0	\$0
Other Financing Sources Subtotal			\$7,612	\$0	\$0
Total Estimated Revenues and Credits			\$69,386	\$37,200	\$61,770



New Hampshire
*Department of
Revenue Administration*

**2024
MS-636**

Budget Summary

Item	Period ending 12/31/2024
Operating Budget Appropriations	\$54,651
Special Warrant Articles	\$20,000
Individual Warrant Articles	\$0
Total Appropriations	\$74,651
Less Amount of Estimated Revenues & Credits	\$61,770
Estimated Amount of Taxes to be Raised	\$12,881

Town of Hart's Location Municipal Appropriations Comparison Chart					
	2024 Proposed	2023 Actual	2023 Proposed	2022 Actual	2022 Proposed
Town Officers Stipends	\$14,000.00	\$12,905.00	\$14,000.00	\$13,180.00	\$ 13,500.00
Financial Administration	\$10,000.00	\$6,698.00	\$8,000.00	\$9,505.00	\$ 7,500.00
Fire & Rescue	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00
Ambulance	\$1,500.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$ 500.00
Damages & Legal	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$ -
Solid Waste Collection	\$7,700.00	\$7,571.00	\$7,700.00	\$7,500.00	\$ 7,700.00
Highway Expenses	\$6,000.00	\$5,160.00	\$5,000.00	\$4,875.00	\$ 5,000.00
Insurance	\$2,750.00	\$2,538.00	\$2,500.00	\$2,202.00	\$ 2,000.00
Advertising & Regional Associations	\$1,300.00	\$1,336.00	\$1,300.00	\$1,290.00	\$ 1,250.00
Town Building: Electric/Gas/ telephone /Internet	\$4,000.00	\$3,768.00	\$4,500.00	\$3,684.00	\$ 3,500.00
Welfare	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$ -
Assessment Services	\$1,400.00	\$1,400.00	\$1,400.00	\$1,400.00	\$ 1,400.00
Capital Expenses: Transfer Station	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00
Tax Anticipation Note	\$1.00				
Total	\$54,651.00	\$48,376.00	\$ 51,400.00	\$ 50,636.00	\$ 48,350.00

TREASURER'S REPORT				Page One
12/31/2023				
			Revenue	Total
	Balances	Revenues	Subtotals	Balances & Revenues
BALANCES ON HAND 01/01/23				
Money Market Account 01/01/2023	12042.84			
Town Checking Account 01/01/2023	1511.14			
CWRSF Checking Account 01/01/2023	1000.00			
Petty Cash 01/01/2023	50.00			
Checks Rcvd Not Deposited 01/01/2023	7466.00			
Total Balances on Hand 01/01/2023	22069.98			22069.98
REVENUES RECEIVED 2023				
Taxes				
2022 Property Taxes Collected 2023		79908.52		
2022 Property Tax Overpayments		86.68		
2022 Property Tax Interest Collected 2023		20.11		
2023 Property Tax		4066.00		
PILT (Federal Payment in Lieu of Taxes)		14196.00		
Total Taxes			98277.31	
Licenses, Permits and Fees				
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees		18586.55		
Building Permits Reimburse from 2021		43.40		
Dog Lic. Marr. Lic. Stkrs. Tax Cd. Vital R.		89.50		
Total Licenses, Permits and Fees			18719.45	
State Sources				
Meals & Rooms Tax Distribution		6380.09		
Highway Distribution Payment 2023		688.93		
Quarterly Highway Block Grant		2329.95		
Other (RR User Fee/Mtn. Miles Pd 2023		19789.30		
Statewide Checklist		400.00		
NH UCC		30.00		
Adequate Education		5965.00		
Total State Sources			35583.27	
Misc. Revenues				
Interest Investments (Bank Interest 2023)		5.67		
Total Misc. Revenues			5.67	
Proceeds from long term notes & bonds				
Clean Water St. Revlvg Fund Proceeds		7612.00		
Proceeds from long term notes & bonds			7612.00	
Total 2023 Revenues		160197.70	160197.70	160197.70
Total Balances on Hand 01/01/2023 & Total 2023 Revenues				182267.68
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TREASURER'S REPORT			Page Two		
12/31/2023					
	2023		Total		Total
EXPENSES	Payments	Subtotals	Payments	Balances	Paymts & Bals
Advertsing & Regional Assoc.					
Newspaper/Conway Daily Sun	39.00				
NH Assoc. of Assessing Officials	20.00				
NH City & Town Clerk's Assoc.	20.00				
NH Municipal Association	1137.00				
NH Tax Collector Association	20.00				
North Country Council	100.00				
Total Ads & Regional Assoc.		1336.00			
Assessing & Revaluation		1400.00			
Capital Expenses					
Bartlett/Jackson Transfer Sta.	1000.00				
Burke Road	375.00				
Town Hall Capital Account (Deposit)	5000.00				
Emer. Response Cap Acct (Open)	10000.00				
Total Capital Expenses		16375.00			
CWSRF Flood Plain Mapping		7612.00			
Executive Stipend					
Emergency Manager Guy Putnam	500.00				
Fire Warden Jon Goodreau	100.00				
Fire Warden, Asst. Michelle Goodreau	50.00				
Moderator Les Schoof	200.00				
Selectman Mark Dindorf	3000.00				
Selectman John Gallagher	2000.00				
Selectman Guy Putnam	1000.00				
Selectman David Walker	500.00				
Tax Collector/Clerk Katy Landry	4030.00				
Treasurer Nancy Hayes	1500.00				
Trustee Karen Capone	25.00				
Total Executive Stipend		12905.00			
Financial Administration					
2023 Social Security/Medicare Match	958.59				
Audit	300.00				
Avitar Prog. Maint. (Tax Coll)	1648.00				
WEBGIS Mapping Renewal CAI	2400.00				
Clerk Education	50.00				
Computer Parts & Support	398.86				
Dog Fees paid to State	7.50				
Office Supplies	161.48				
Payroll File W-2's	55.00				
PO Box Rent & Postage	359.18				
2022 Tax Overpayment	12.56				
Town Report Printing	392.83				
Total Financial Administration		6744.00			
Fire & Rescue					
2023 Bartlett Emergency Service	5000.00				
2023 Bartlett/Jackson Ambulance	1000.00				
Total Fire & Rescue		6000.00			
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TREASURER'S REPORT			Page Three		
12/31/2023					
	2023		Total		Total
EXPENSES CONTINUED	Payments	Subtotals	Payments	Balances	Paymts & Bals
General Government Building					
Internet Service	1224.00				
Telephone	692.62				
Electric	587.81				
Propane	972.39				
Town Hall Repair	290.95				
Total General Gov't Bldg		3767.77			
Highway Expense					
R. Greenwood Plow & Sand	5160.00				
Total Highway Expense		5160.00			
Insurances, Bonds					
Property/Liability Insurance	2038.00				
Workman's Comp Insurance	500.00				
Total Insurances, Bonds		2538.00			
Payments to other Governments					
School Assessment 2022/2023	61681.00				
(Amount paid in 2023)					
School Adequate Education	5965.00				
Carroll County Property Taxes	20397.00				
Payments to other Governments		88043.00			
Solid Waste					
Bart/Jackson Qtrly Transfer Station	7500.00				
Hazardous Waste Collection	71.34				
Total Solid Waste		7571.34			
Total Expense 2023		159452.11	159452.11		159452.11
Balances on Hand 12/31/2023					
Checks rcvd not deposited				4152.50	
\$4066 PropTax 2023 \$86.50MotorVeh					
Town Money Market 12/31/2023				10941.66	
Town Checking 12/31/2023				2671.41	
Special Projects 12/31/2023				5000.00	
Petty Cash 12/31/2023				50.00	
Total Balances on Hand 12/31/2023					22815.57
Total 2023 Expenses and Total					
12/31/2023 Balances on Hand					182267.68
MATCHES					
Total Balances on Hand 01/01/2023 &					
Total Revenue 2023 from Page One					182267.68

**TOWN OF HARTS LOCATION
FISCAL YEAR 2023
CLERK’S REPORT of DEPOSITS REMITTED to TREASURER**

Motor Vehicle Registrations	\$18,586.55
Licenses & Fees	17.50
Property Taxes 2022	79,908.52
Property Tax 2022 Interest	20.11
Property Tax Overpayment	86.68
Property Tax Payments 2023 (received 2023, not deposited)	4066.00
UCC	30.00
RR User/Mountain Miles	19,789.30
Payment in Lieu of Taxes 2023 (Federal)	14,196.00
Highway Grants	688.93
Quarterly Highway Block Grants	2329.95
Rooms & Meals Tax Paid by State in 2023	6380.09
State of NH Checklist	400.00
Transfer Station Stickers	7.00
Building Inspections 2023	43.40
Marriages Licenses	65.00
Adequate Education	5965.00
Clean Water State Revolving Fund	7612.00
Bank Interest	5.67
Total:	\$160,197.70

**Respectively submitted by Katie Landry, Town Clerk/Tax Collector
12/31/2023**

2023 Hart's Location Capital Reserve and Trust Funds

	1992	1992	2023
Date of Creation:			
Name of Trust Fund:	Town Road	Town Hall	Emergency Response
Type of Fund:	Capital Reserve	Expendable Trust	Capital Reserve
Purpose of Trust:	Road Maintenance	Capital Imprvmts/Maintain	Natural/Human Emergencies
How Invested:	Business Savings	Business Savings	Savings
Bal. 01/01/23	\$ 9,932.24	\$ 9,200.11	\$ -
Additions:	\$ -	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 10,000.00
Withdrawals:		\$ -	\$ -
Interest Income:	\$ 4.96	\$ 4.60	\$ 0.08
Bal. 12/31/23	\$ 9,937.20	\$ 14,204.71	\$ 10,000.08

2023 Hart's Location School District Capital Reserve and Trust Funds

	1992	1992
Date of Creation:		
Name of Trust Fund:	School Tuition Reserve	School Special Education
Type of Fund:	Expendable Trust	Expendable Trust
Purpose of Trust:	Tuition	Special Education
How Invested:	Business Savings	Business Savings
Bal. 01/01/23	\$ 71,434.37	\$ 63,036.68
Withdrawals:		
Additions:	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 8,000.00
Interest Income:	\$ 35.86	\$ 31.80
Bal. 12/31/23	\$ 75,470.23	\$ 71,068.48

Karen M. Copane
2-15-2024



Tax Rate Breakdown Hart's Location

Municipal Tax Rate Calculation			
Jurisdiction	Tax Effort	Valuation	Tax Rate
Municipal	\$9,728	\$21,158,956	\$0.46
County	\$20,397	\$21,158,956	\$0.96
Local Education	(\$54,602)	\$21,158,956	(\$2.58)
State Education	\$34,137	\$20,481,456	\$1.67
Total	\$9,660		\$0.51

Village Tax Rate Calculation			
Jurisdiction	Tax Effort	Valuation	Tax Rate
Total			

Tax Commitment Calculation	
Total Municipal Tax Effort	\$9,660
War Service Credits	(\$200)
Village District Tax Effort	
Total Property Tax Commitment	\$9,460

1/10/2024

Sam Greene
Director of Municipal and Property Division
New Hampshire Department of Revenue Administration

Appropriations and Revenues

Municipal Accounting Overview

Description	Appropriation	Revenue
Total Appropriation	\$71,400	
Net Revenues (Not Including Fund Balance)		(\$62,315)
Fund Balance Voted Surplus		\$0
Fund Balance to Reduce Taxes		\$0
War Service Credits	\$200	
Special Adjustment	\$0	
Actual Overlay Used	\$443	
Net Required Local Tax Effort	\$9,728	

County Apportionment

Description	Appropriation	Revenue
Net County Apportionment	\$20,397	
Net Required County Tax Effort	\$20,397	

Education

Description	Appropriation	Revenue
Net Local School Appropriations	(\$20,465)	
Net Cooperative School Appropriations		
Net Education Grant		\$0
Locally Retained State Education Tax		(\$34,137)
Net Required Local Education Tax Effort	(\$54,602)	
State Education Tax	\$34,137	
State Education Tax Not Retained	\$0	
Net Required State Education Tax Effort	\$34,137	

Valuation

Municipal (MS-1)

Description	Current Year	Prior Year
Total Assessment Valuation with Utilities	\$21,158,956	\$21,096,407
Total Assessment Valuation without Utilities	\$20,481,456	\$20,461,007
Commercial/Industrial Construction Exemption	\$0	\$0
Total Assessment Valuation with Utilities, Less Commercial/Industrial Construction Exemption	\$21,158,956	\$21,096,407

Village (MS-1V)

Description	Current Year
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Hart's Location

Tax Commitment Verification

2023 Tax Commitment Verification - RSA 76:10 II

Description	Amount
Total Property Tax Commitment	\$9,460
1/2% Amount	\$47
Acceptable High	\$9,507
Acceptable Low	\$9,413

If the amount of your total warrant varies by more than 1/2%, the MS-1 form used to calculate the tax rate might not be correct. The tax rate will need to be recalculated. Contact your assessors immediately and call us at 603.230.5090 before you issue the bills. See RSA 76:10, II

Commitment Amount	
Less amount for any applicable Tax Increment Financing Districts (TIF)	
Net amount after TIF adjustment	

Under penalties of perjury, I verify the amount above was the 2023 commitment amount on the property tax warrant.

Tax Collector/Deputy Signature:	Date:
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Requirements for Semi-Annual Billing

Pursuant to RSA 76:15-a

76:15-a Semi-Annual Collection of Taxes in Certain Towns and Cities - I. Taxes shall be collected in the following manner in towns and cities which adopt the provisions of this section in the manner set out in RSA 76:15-b. A partial payment of the taxes assessed on April 1 in any tax year shall be computed by taking the prior year's assessed valuation times 1/2 of the previous year's tax rate; provided, however, that whenever it shall appear to the selectmen or assessors that certain individual properties have physically changed in valuation, they may use the current year's appraisal times 1/2 the previous year's tax rate to compute the partial payment.

Hart's Location	Total Tax Rate	Semi-Annual Tax Rate
Total 2023 Tax Rate	\$0.51	\$0.26

Associated Villages

No associated Villages to report

Fund Balance Retention

Enterprise Funds and Current Year Bonds	\$0
General Fund Operating Expenses	\$71,332
Final Overlay	\$443

DRA has provided a reference range of fund balance retention amounts below. Please utilize these ranges in the determination of the adequacy of your municipality's unrestricted fund balance, as currently defined in GASB Statement 54. Retention amounts, as part of the municipality's stabilization fund policy [1], should be assessed dependent upon your governments own long-term forecasts and special circumstances. Please note that current best practices published by GFOA recommend, at a minimum, that "...general purpose governments, regardless of size, maintain unrestricted fund balance in their general fund of no less than two months of regular general fund operating revenues or regular general fund operating expenditures." [2],[3]

[1] The National Advisory Council on State and Local Budgeting (NACSLB), (1998), *Framework for Improved State and Local Government Budgeting: Recommended Budget Practices (4.1)*, pg. 17.

[2] Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA), (2009), *Best Practice: Determining the Appropriate Level of Unrestricted Fund Balance in the General Fund*.

[3] Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA), (2011), *Best Practice: Replenishing General Fund Balance*.

2023 Fund Balance Retention Guidelines: Hart's Location	
Description	Amount
Current Amount Retained (94.34%)	\$67,293
17% Retained <i>(Maximum Recommended)</i>	\$12,126
10% Retained	\$7,133
8% Retained	\$5,707
5% Retained <i>(Minimum Recommended)</i>	\$3,567

NOTICE: The current fund balance retained amount is above the maximum recommended threshold.

2023 Hart's Location Annual Town Meeting Minutes State of New Hampshire

In the Town of Hart's Location in the County of Carroll, State of New Hampshire: the Annual Town Meeting was **Tuesday, March 28, 2022 at 5:00pm** to act on the following articles, including election of officers.

Present: Les Schoof, Ed Butler, Jon & Michele Goodreau, Katie & Chuck Landry, Mark Dindorf, Nancy Ritger, John Gallagher, Wendy Scribner (non resident) & Nancy Holmes, David & Debbie Walker, Christine & Mike Glinski, Dora DeMarco & Guy Putnam, Karen Capone, John McKinnon, Susie Wilder and Doug Brown. Late attendance by Gary Bergeron. Attendance is 22, with 21 registered voters.

The Polls closed at 5PM for counting 21 total ballots. Moderator Les Schoof called meeting to order at 5:04 PM for the reading of the results, March 28, 2022 voting.

Results:

Selectman: John Gallagher
Road Agent: Rick Greenwood
Supervisor of the Checklist: Nancy Ritger
Trustee of Funds: Karen Capone
School Board: Stacie Dunat, write in
School Treasurer: Nancy Hayes, write in

John Gallagher, Nancy Ritger, and Karen Capone were sworn in by the Town Clerk, Katie Landry. Rick Greenwood was sworn in on April 3. Nancy Hayes will be appointed by the school board. Nancy Ritger will inform Stacie Dunat that she was a write in for School Board, 1 year term position. Acceptance/refusal of this position to be announced at a later date.

Motion to waive reading of the articles: Made by
Jon Goodreau
2nd, Karen Capone

Article 1: To choose all necessary town officers for the coming year. Ballot Vote results as above.

Article 2: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$51,400.00** for general municipal operations.

- a. Town Officers' Stipends \$14,000
- b. Financial Administration \$ 8,000
- c. Fire/Rescue \$ 5,000
- d. Ambulance \$ 1,000

- e. Solid Waste Collection \$ 7,700
- f. Highway Expenses \$ 5,000
- g. Town Insurance \$ 2,500
- h. Advertising & Regional Associations \$ 1,300
- i. Town Building Electric/Gas/Telephone \$ 4,500
- j. Revaluation / Cyclical Assessment \$ 1,400
- k. Capital Investment – Transfer Station \$ 1,000

Total Proposed Budget \$51,400.00

Recommended by Board of Selectmen (3,0,0). (Majority vote required)

Mark Dindorf thanked everyone who came and participated at the February budget hearing. No discussion. Approved by a unanimous hand vote and **PASSED**

Article 3: To see if the town will vote to establish an Emergency Response Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of offsetting unanticipated expenses in the wake of a natural or human caused emergencies and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000 to be placed in this fund. Further, to name the Selectmen as agents to expend from said fund. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3-0-0. Majority Vote Required)

Motion to Accept: Jon Goodreau, 2nd Mike Glinski

Discussion:

Mark Dindorf: The 106 acre Bemis fire in May of 2022 caused considerable forest fire damage and impacted the town financially. We initially had to pay out \$38,922 in unbudgeted fire suppression costs, which came out of cash flow from our \$50,000 operating budget. We had to defer payment of several budgeted expenses to free up sufficient funds to cover the fire suppression costs. Several months later, after the Conway Scenic Railroad was officially determined to be the source of the fire, we were fully reimbursed for the Bemis Fire expenses by the Conway Scenic Railroad.

Prior to this event, we were unaware that the town had the exposure and responsibility to pay the fire suppression costs for a wildfire within our town boundaries, even though the fire occurred on state Forest and National Forest lands. It was a very stressful time to be serving the town. Mark expressed gratitude to Treasurer Nancy Hayes for all her help navigating through this financial process.

We learned how the state calculates financial responsibility for wildfires. If the source of the fire is undetermined, it becomes a cost share fire and expenses are split between the town and the state. If the source of the fire is officially

determined, then the town is initially responsible to pay 100%, then, upon proof that all expenses have been paid, the town then becomes eligible to seek reimbursement from the source of the fire.

With the high percentage of forest land in Hart's Location, we have a significant exposure to wild fires, which is just one of several types of potential emergencies that could impact our town financially. This new Capital Reserve fund will help us to offset unbudgeted emergency response expenses without draining our working capital. We need to take advantage of our low tax rate this year and get this account built up so we can be better prepared for future emergencies. We will decide each year what amount to add to this account.

Jon Goodreau: There were 13 communities who responded but only 4 billed us. We also have to consider litigation costs next time to get a reimbursement.

Ed Butler: We might not have a choice to get a lawyer. We have a lot of land that is forest.

Nancy Hayes: Once a fire spreads into National Forest there is potential for more billed responses.

Mark Dindorf: "National Forest Hot Shots" were called in to help with difficult terrain. Their bill was \$9000 but we negotiated with the state for them to pay the USFS directly, rather than bill the town first before the state would pay. This sped up the reimbursement process and helped avoid having to call a special town meeting to appropriate additional emergency funds. We were lucky!

Doug Brown: He has seen people out in the woods with lights.

Chuck Landry: What happens if we get a million \$ fire? Mark replied that there is a formula that if the cost of the fire exceeds $\frac{1}{4}$ of 1% of our towns assessed value the state will cover the entire cost.

Les Schoof: Can we take from other cash reserve accounts? The answer is NO. Should we combine efforts with other small communities to help pay for disaster as a RR accident can happen?

Mark Dindorf: We are laying the groundwork with North Country Council and NH Municipal Association to have public forums. We all live in a forested state and need the state legislature to consider changing the reimbursement structure.

Les Schoof: A “consortium” towns, Forest Service, national entities who use our forest have interest in saving the forest, on the local, state and federal level.

Mark Dindorf: An example would be the email received by Katie from Camp Pasquanney who want to make a donation to this account.

Also Annie Kuster is connected to the AMC work. Federal representatives wanted to be kept informed. Federal Land = large federal response and support.

John Gallagher: Is the railroad disputing our reimbursement? Something about malicious intent by a disgruntled employee?

Mark Dindorf : Conway Scenic Railroad owner David Swirk indicated that an internal investigation at the railroad may occur but he intended to keep his word to be a good neighbor to the town and pay us back in full for our expenses related to the fire. This reimbursement follows RSA laws in NH.

Kudos to Jon and Michelle Goodreau and Guy Putnam for the many hours of work they put in to help control this fire. We are fortunate to have such dedicated volunteers.

Article 3 Approved by a unanimous hand vote and **PASSED**

Article 4. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5000 for the purpose of updating the Town Master Plan. This is a special warrant article per RSA 32:3 VI (d) and RSA 32:7 V. The Planning Board and the Board of Selectmen recommend this appropriation. (Majority vote required)
Motion to accept: Jon Goudreau, second by Guy Putnam

Discussion:

Ed Butler: We had a small group previously. Beth Lincoln was an involved town member and we made a master plan. We need to review the master plan every 10 years. How do we want to manage zoning laws? We need to do it again. North Country Council can help us but requires \$10,000.

We need the time and support of a professional planner with zoning experience. We’ve already completed floodplain mapping and planning. There are many other issues that are covered in a Town’s MasterPlan.

Nancy Ritger: Do we need \$10,000

Ed Butler: No we can do it for \$5000.

Jon Goudreau: We agree we have to put the master plan together.

Ed Butler: We will put together a questionnaire and review at a town or special meeting.

Michelle Goudreau: Do we get to vote?

Ed Bulter: Yes

Les Schoof: We will have a hearing first then a meeting to vote.

Mark Dindorf: If we don't finish in 2023 we can carry over the money to the next year.

Doug Brown: The old master plan was done in 2004

Ed Butler: Our town has much higher involvement than most meetings across the state.

Article 4. Approved by a unanimous hand vote and **PASSED**

Article 5. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5000 to be added to the Town Hall Capital Reserve Fund previously established.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen (3-0-0). (Majority vote required.)

Motion to accept: by Jon Goudreau, second by Karen Capone

Discussion:

Mark Dindorf: This was an addition from residents recommending this warrant article during the budget hearing in February, raised by Mike Glinsky. We currently have less than \$9000 in this account. We need to replace the front stairs, possibly install a dormer over the stairs for safety.

Ed Butler: Town Hall needs to become the center of our town. We could have water, maybe on the 10 year list? Although Pisquanny campers come up 2X a year we can ask them to contribute to other town opportunities.

Mark Dindorf: There are opportunities to invest in our town.

Article 5. Approved by a unanimous hand vote and **PASSED**

Article 6. Shall the Town of Hart's Location accept the provisions of RSA 53-G: 1-RSA 53-G: 11 providing for the establishment of a communications district,

together with the municipalities of Albany, Bartlett, Brookfield, Chatham, Conway, Eaton, Effingham, Freedom, Hales Location, Jackson, Madison, Moultonborough, Ossipee, Tamworth and Tuftonboro in accordance with the provisions of the proposed agreement filed with the Board of Selectmen?
Recommended by Board of Selectmen (3,0,0)

Motion to accept: by Mark Dindorf, second by Guy Putnam

Discussion:

Mark Dindorf: We have our town reps, David Walker and John Gallagher at meetings for this district agreement. A draft printed in the town report has been amended by the NH attorney General's office. The final amended version of the district agreement can be reviewed in the online version of the annual town report on the town's website.

David Walker: The Attorney General's office said this agreement was ok but some small changes were made. He read an explanation of how the committee could provide a wireless fiber-optic solution and broadband for rural America. Also 50 million was granted to NH Coop Electric Comp for broadband for its customers and Harts Location is on the schedule for broadband in the 4th Qtr. of 2025.

Our town is being asked to join the "communications district" as other towns have joined at their respective town meetings and be an active participant in this process. The district will not raise taxes, costs nothing to join and we already have 2 reps who have 1 vote between them.

Mark Dindorf: This agreement makes us eligible for funding from other sources as well.

Article 6. Approved by a unanimous hand vote and **PASSED.**

Article 7. Shall the town {ADOPT/READOPT} the ALL VETERANS TAX CREDIT in accordance with RSA 72:28-b, for an annual tax credit on residential property which shall be equal to the same amount as the standard or optional veterans tax credit voted by the town under RSA 72:28? (Majority vote required)
Recommended by Board of Selectmen (3,0,0)

Motion to accept: Jon Goudreau, second by Michelle Goudreau.

Discussion:

Mark Dindorf: The Department of Revenue recommended after review of our budget that towns need to reaffirm or affirm this Veterans Tax Credit to all of our towns veterans. We have 2 veterans presently. This is for all veterans of all services, past and active veterans. The average credit is \$100 now. This can be increased at another town meeting.

No further discussion.

Article 7. Approved by a unanimous hand vote and **PASSED.**

Article 8. To discuss any other business that may legally come before the town.

John Gallagher: He is on the steering committee at the Gibson Center. He gave general information: don't have to join but you can come in to have lunch Monday – Friday, 11:30-12:15. They offer computer training, giving computers, rides to appointments, day trips and outings, monthly newsletter, home modification information and grants. They are on FaceBook.

Mark Dindorf: We do not currently have an active “Zoning Board Adjustment”, or ZBA. We have a variance request and need to convene a 5 member ZBA to address this variance request. This variance request was referred to Ed Butler who chairs the planning board. To consider a variance request, abutters need to be notified and a public hearing needs to be held, with advance notice of the hearing posted publicly, at least 10 days prior to the hearing. This variance request is not unreasonable and volunteers are needed to serve on the ZBA as soon as possible.

We have a Planning Board to enact our Zoning Ordinances. The Select Board enforces the ordinances and determines if a building permit complies with the Zoning Ordinances. Any variance requests go to the ZBA.

We have had only 3 variance requests in the past 10 years so the commitment is very limited.

2023 ZBA Volunteers: Jon Goudreau, Nancy Ritger, Gary Bergeron, David Walker, Guy Putnam (if needed) and Doug Brown (?).


ZBA members will be added to next year's town report.

Motion to adjourn our annual town meeting at 6:15 PM:

Motion by Karen Capone

Second: Nancy Ritger

A true record of this meeting by,

 T.C.

Katie Landry, Town Clerk on March 28, 2023



Carroll County Communications District

Broadband Access for Everyone in Carroll County, NH

Our Mission

At the Carroll County Communications District (CCCD), our mission is to encourage and promote the establishment of state-of-the-art symmetrical high-speed broadband internet connectivity and service to every residence and business within Carroll County, NH. We strive to work cooperatively or in partnership with existing communications providers through formal or informal agreements when possible.

Representatives meet on the third Wednesday of each month at county offices in Ossipee.

Public is welcome to attend in person or via zoom. See link at [**cccdnh.org**](http://cccdnh.org)

Hart's Location Update:

NHEC won a bid from federal govt. for \$50M to build broadband access to all their customers, including Harts Location. As outlined in that grant the installation must be completed by 12/31/2026. As stipulated in the grant NHEC risks losing 20% of the grant monies if not completed on time. We were given an estimated start in Harts Location by the fourth quarter of 2025 but we recently requested a progress update Jan 16, 2024 from NHEC and were informed that "due to our fun NH weather we are a little off schedule" the expected date for connecting Harts Location is late Q-1 - early Q-2 in 2026.

Harts Location received a \$4711.04 federal grant in 2022 from ARPA (american rescue plan act). This money is currently being held by the town for future broadband related use, tbd.

Town of Hart's Location

New Hampshire

Board of Selectmen

Mark Dindorf, Chair
John Gallagher
David Walker

Town Clerk/ Tax Collector

Katie Landry

December 11, 2023

Thomas Gross, President
Saco Headwaters Alliance
496 Potter Road
Center Conway, NH 03813

Dear Tom,

On behalf of the Town of Hart's Location, in collaboration with the Saco & Swift Rivers Local Advisory Committee, the towns of Bartlett, Conway, Albany NH, the North Conway Water Precinct and Lower Bartlett Water Precinct, we wish to express our gratitude to the Saco Headwaters Alliance for your support of our Clean Water State Revolving Fund application and for paying the interest of the loan principal forgiveness award to the State of NH on behalf of Town of Hart's Location for the recent completion of Phase 2 of Floodplain Mapping in Hart's Location and the completion of the Saco & Swift Rivers Corridor Management Plan.

The support of The Saco Headwaters Alliance was crucial in getting this project approved, and the interest payment at project close kept a good faith promise to the taxpayers of Hart's Location that their willingness to approve a Clean Water State Revolving Fund Loan for the betterment of the Saco Watershed was well worth the risk and effort of all who are concerned with maintaining a resilient Saco River Watershed.

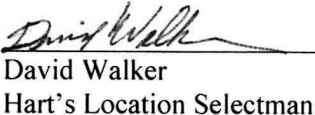
With Gratitude,



Mark Dindorf
Chair, Board of Selectmen & Saco Swift Rivers Local Advisory Committee



John Gallagher
Hart's Location Selectman



David Walker
Hart's Location Selectman

Town of Hart's Location

979 US Route 302, PO Box 540
Hart's Location, NH 03812-0540

Town Office: 603 374-6397 (Mondays 2:00-4:30pm)

Website: www.hartslocation.com

Email: smallesttown@gmail.com

Town Clerk email: hartslocationtc@gmail.com



What is the Staying Warm, Safe & Dry Program?

The program helps senior homeowners of the Mount Washington Valley age in place and avoid institutionalization by coordinating access to a reliable contractor who is insured and make referrals for low and very low income homeowners to USDA for full funding up to \$10,000.

Possible projects

- Weather stripping or caulking doors or windows
- Adding insulation
- Replacing thermostats
- Installing window A/C unit
- Painting unprotected wood
- Repairing fascia/soffit
- Plumbing repair/replacement
- **Note: This is not a comprehensive list**

How to apply:

Requests for work are called or emailed to Renée Wheaton, the program coordinator at: staywarm@gibsoncenter.org Or call 603-205-0909

See Gibsoncenter.org for other programs/services available such as meals-on-wheels and transportation.

SCHOOL DISTRICT OF HART'S LOCATION

SCHOOL BOARD

(3 year terms)

Helen Brandon, Chair
Nancy Ritger, Vice-chair
Stacey Dunat

Term Expires 2024
Term Expires 2025
Term Expires 2026

MODERATOR

(2 year term)

Leslie E. Schoof

Term Expires 2024

TREASURER

(3 year term)

Nancy Hayes

Term Expires 2024

CLERK

(3 year term)

Mark Dindorf

Term Expires 2024

AUDITOR

Roberge & Company

SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE UNIT NO. 9 STAFF (447-8368)

Kevin Richard, Superintendent of Schools
Aimee Frechette, Assistant Superintendent
Pamela Stimpson, Director of Special Services
James Hill, Director of Administrative Services
Michael Wade, Director of Budget & Finance
Lindsey Brandon, Finance Manager
Michelle Leahy, Payroll Manager
Jackie Dziedzic, Human Resources Manager



**HART'S LOCATION SCHOOL DISTRICT WARRANT
STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE**

To the Inhabitants of the School District of Hart's Location, in the County of Carroll, State of New Hampshire, qualified to vote on School District affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Notchland Inn at 2 Morey Road in said Hart's Location on Tuesday, March 12, 2024, to vote for the following District Officers. Polls will be open for this purpose at 8:00 a.m. and will not close before 4:00 p.m. Voting between the hours of 4:30 p.m. and 5:00 p.m. will take place at the Town Hall.

ARTICLE 1. To elect a School Board member for the ensuing three years.

ARTICLE 2: To elect a School Clerk for the ensuing three years.

ARTICLE 3. To elect a Treasurer for the ensuing three years.

ARTICLE 4: To elect a Moderator for the ensuing two years.

YOU ARE ALSO NOTIFIED TO MEET AT THE TOWN HALL AT 4:30 P.M. ON THE SAME DAY TO ACT UPON THE FOLLOWING ARTICLES.

ARTICLE 5. To see if the School District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$41,508 for the support of schools, for the payment of salaries for school district officials and agents, and for the payment of the statutory obligations of the District, exclusive of all other articles. (Majority vote required) (Recommended by the School Board 3-0)

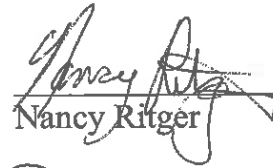
ARTICLE 6. To see if the School District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000 to be placed in the Capital Reserve Fund (Special Education) previously established for that purpose. (Majority vote required) (Recommended by the School Board 3-0) This appropriation is in addition to Warrant Article #5, the operating budget.

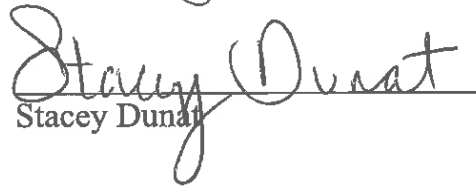
ARTICLE 7. To see if the School District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,000 to be placed in the Expendable Trust Fund (Tuition Trust Fund) previously established for this purpose. (Recommended by the School Board 3-0) This appropriation is in addition to Warrant Article #5, the operating budget.

ARTICLE 8. To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

Given under our hands this 13th day of February 2024.

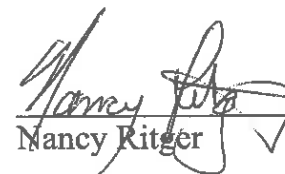
Helen Brandon

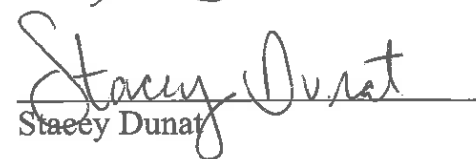

Nancy Ritger


Stacey Dunat

A TRUE COPY OF WARRANT – ATTEST

Helen Brandon


Nancy Ritger


Stacey Dunat

			Adopted Budget FY23 7/1/22- 6/30/23	Actuals FY23 7/1/22- 6/30/23		Adopted Budget FY24 7/1/23- 6/30/24	Proposed Budget FY25 7/1/24- 6/30/25
1100 REGULAR EDUCATION							
1	61-10-1100-5560-0101	TUITION,ELEMENTARY	\$ 88,500	\$ 27,088		\$ 28,206	\$ 30,941
2	61-10-1100-5560-0103	TUITION,HIGH SCHOOL	\$ -	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -
TOTAL 1100 REGULAR EDUCATION			\$ 88,500	\$ 27,088		\$ 28,206	\$ 30,941
1200 SPECIAL EDUCATION							
3	61-10-1200-5330-0120	OCCUPATIONAL/PHYSICAL THERAPY	\$ 100	\$ -		\$ 100	\$ 100
4	61-10-1200-5560-0109	TUITION, SPECIAL EDUCATION	\$ 100	\$ -		\$ 100	\$ 100
TOTAL 1200 SPECIAL EDUCATION			\$ 200	\$ -		\$ 200	\$ 200
2140 PSYCHOLOGICAL SERVICES							
5	61-10-2140-5330-0120	TESTING/COUNSELING	\$ 1,000	\$ -		\$ 1,000	\$ 1,500
TOTAL 2140 PSYCHOLOGICAL SERVICES			\$ 1,000	\$ -		\$ 1,000	\$ 1,500
2150 SPEECH SERVICES							
6	61-10-2150-5330-0120	SPEECH SERVICES	\$ 100	\$ -		\$ 100	\$ 100
TOTAL 2150 SPEECH SERVICES			\$ 100	\$ -		\$ 100	\$ 100
2310 SCHOOL BOARD SERVICES							
7	61-10-2310-5260-0044	WORKERS COMP	\$ 400	\$ 374		\$ 400	\$ 400
8	61-10-2310-5330-0017	AUDIT	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000		\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000
9	61-10-2310-5390-0117	SCHOOL BOARD EXPENSE	\$ 200	\$ 30		\$ 200	\$ 200
10	61-10-2310-5520-0035	INSURANCE, LIABILITY	\$ 550	\$ 571		\$ 550	\$ 792
TOTAL 2310 SCHOOL BOARD SERVICES			\$ 2,150	\$ 1,975		\$ 2,150	\$ 2,392
2320 OFFICE OF SUPT, DISTRICT SHARE							
11	61-10-2320-5311-0104	SAU #9 SHARE	\$ 4,803	\$ 4,803		\$ 4,341	\$ 3,875
TOTAL 2320 OFFICE OF SUPT, DISTRICT SHARE			\$ 4,803	\$ 4,803		\$ 4,341	\$ 3,875
2720 PUPIL TRANSPORTATION							
12	61-10-2720-5513-0120	PUPIL TRANSPORTATION	\$ 2,500	\$ -		\$ 2,500	\$ 2,500
TOTAL 2720 PUPIL TRANSPORTATION			\$ 2,500	\$ -		\$ 2,500	\$ 2,500
5251 CAPITAL RESERVE/TRUST FUNDS							
13	61-10-5251-5930-0105	TRANSFER CAPITAL RESERVE/EXP TRUST FUNDS	\$ -	\$ 12,000		\$ -	\$ -

	TOTAL 5251 CAPITAL RESERVE/TRUST FUNDS	\$	-	\$	12,000	\$	-	\$	-
	TOTAL 61 GENERAL FUND	\$	99,253	\$	45,866	\$	38,497	\$	41,508
	WARRANT ARTICLES								
14	SPED Capital Reserve Fund	\$	8,000	\$	-	\$	8,000	\$	-
15	Tuition Expendable Trust Fund	\$	4,000	\$	-	\$	4,000	\$	-
	TOTAL WARRANT ARTICLES	\$	12,000	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
	GRAND TOTAL TO APPROPRIATE	\$	111,253	\$	45,866	\$	50,497	\$	41,508

HART'S LOCATION SCHOOL DISTRICT
SPECIAL EDUCATION EXPENSES/REVENUE 2021-2022, 2022-2023

EXPENSES: SPECIAL EDUCATION		ACTUAL EXPENSES <u>2021-2022</u>	ACTUAL EXPENSES <u>2022-2023</u>
1200.330.120	Occupational/Physical Therapy Serv	\$0	\$0
1200.560.109	Tuition, Special Education	\$0	\$0
2140.330.120	Psychological Testing/Counseling	\$0	\$0
5251.930.105	Transfer, Capital Reserve Special Education	\$3,000	\$8,000
TOTAL SPECIAL EDUCATION EXPENSES		<u>\$3,000</u>	<u>\$8,000</u>
REVENUE: SPECIAL EDUCATION		ACTUAL REVENUE <u>2021-2022</u>	ACTUAL REVENUE <u>2022-2023</u>
	NH State Adequacy Allocation	\$2,037	\$2,037
TOTAL SPECIAL EDUCATION REVENUE		<u>\$2,037</u>	<u>\$2,037</u>

Hart's Location Annual School District Meeting

Tuesday March 28, 2023 4:30pm

At The Notchland Inn*

*Per the 2023 Hart's Location School District Warrant, the Annual School Meeting was originally scheduled for 4:30pm March 14, 2023 at Hart's Location Town Hall. Les Schoof, Town and School Moderator, in consultation with the NH Secretary of State's office, rescheduled the meeting on March 13th, due to an active Winter Storm Warning for March 14th. The meeting was rescheduled to Tuesday March 28th, 2023 at 4:30pm at the Notchland Inn.

In Attendance: John Gallagher, David Walker, Deborah Walker, Ed Butler, John McKinnon, Doug Brown, Christine Glinski, Mike Glinski, Jon Goodreau, Michelle Goodreau, Karen Capone, Katie Landry, Susie Wilder, Nancy Holmes, Wendy Scribner (non-resident); Les Schoof, School Moderator; Mark Dindorf, School Clerk; Nancy Ritger, School Board Member; Kevin Richard, SAU-9 Superintendent.

Les Schoof called the meeting to order at 4:35pm.

Les Schoof requested a motion to waive the reading of the articles. Karen Capone made the motion, Jon Goodreau seconded the motion.

Articles 1 & 2 are by Ballot Vote

ARTICLE 1: To elect a member of the School Board for the ensuing three years.

ARTICLE 2: To elect a Treasurer for the ensuing three years.

ARTICLE 3: To see if the School District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$38,497 for the support of schools, for the payment of salaries for school district officials and agents, and for the payment of the statutory obligations of the District, exclusive of all other articles. (Majority vote required) (Recommended by the School Board 2-0-0)

Karen Capone made a motion to accept the article. Mike Glinski seconded the motion.

Discussion on Article 3: Ed Butler requested a summary explanation of the budget. Kevin Richard of SAU-9 summarized the budget components. Grand total to appropriate is \$38,497. We currently have 1 elementary school student. Budget is tuition based. The rest of the budget is made up of School Board services, SAU-9 share and student transportation.

No further discussion. Moderator Les Schoof called the vote, Article 3 passed unanimously.

ARTICLE 4: To see if the School District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$8,000 to be placed in the Capital Reserve Fund (Special Education) previously established for that purpose. (Majority vote required) (Recommended by the School Board 2-0-0) This appropriation is in addition to Warrant Article #3, the operating budget.

Jon Goodreau made a motion to accept the article. Michelle Goodreau seconded the motion.

Discussion on Article 4: Ed Butler asked how much we currently have in the Special Education Capital Reserve Fund. Kevin Richard replied that our current balance is \$63,036.28

Mike Glinsky asked what the ideal amount would be. Kevin suggested that \$100,000 would be an appropriate target amount.

Karen Capone asked what happens to unexpended funds from previous budgets. Kevin Richard indicated that the town only pays for services actually rendered and that unexpended funds goes back in as revenue.

No further discussion. Moderator Les Schoof called the vote, Article 4 passed unanimously.

ARTICLE 5: To see if the School District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,000 to be placed in the Expendable Trust Fund (Tuition Trust Fund) previously established for that purpose. (Recommended by the School Board 2-0-0) This appropriation is in addition to Warrant Article #3, the operating budget.

Mark Dindorf made a motion to accept the article. Jon Goodreau seconded the motion.

Discussion on Article 5: Mike Glinski asked what the ideal amount would be. Kevin Richard replied that \$90,000 would be an appropriate amount for our town.

No further discussion. Moderator Les Schoof called the vote, Article 5 passed unanimously.

ARTICLE 6: To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

Nancy Ritger mentioned that we still need a volunteer to fill the vacant school board seat and indicated that the responsibilities were not onerous, bi monthly meetings and consultation with SAU-9 staff on budget preparation. Kevin Richard offered to bring muffins to the morning meetings if anyone volunteered, but there were no immediate takers.

There was no other business.

Motion made to adjourn by Jon Goodreau, motion seconded by Mark Dindorf.

Meeting adjourned at 4:55pm

Results of ballot vote:

There were no ballot votes for the vacant school board seat.

Nancy Hayes received write in votes for School Treasurer, but as a non-resident, she is ineligible for election. Nancy Hayes may be appointed as School Treasurer by the School Board at their next meeting.

A true attest of the Meeting;


A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'MD', is written over a horizontal line.

Mark Dindorf, School Clerk

**PROPOSED SCHOOL DISTRICT APPORTIONMENT FOR THE
SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE UNIT #9 BUDGET 2024-2025**

School District	Total Equalized Valuation 2022	Average Daily Membership 2022-2023	Percentage Equalized Valuation 2024-2025	Percentage Average Daily Membership 2024-2025	Percentage Apport. 2024-2025	School District Share Of SAU Budget 2024-2025
Conway	3,056,995,489	1,519.60	48.69%	87.11%	67.90%	\$1,320,320
Bartlett	2,039,435,437	178.80	32.48%	10.25%	21.37%	\$415,480
Jackson	724,807,675	46.07	11.55%	2.64%	7.09%	\$137,921
Albany	191,650,688	0.00	3.05%	0.00%	1.53%	\$29,679
Eaton	158,623,879	0.00	2.53%	0.00%	1.26%	\$24,565
Chatham	82,116,510	0.00	1.31%	0.00%	0.65%	\$12,717
Harts Loc.	24,466,114	0.00	0.39%	0.00%	0.19%	\$3,788
Total	6,278,095,792	1,744.47	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	\$1,944,470

