



New Hampshire
 Department of
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Proposed Budget
Acworth

For the period beginning January 1, 2026 and ending December 31, 2026
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BUDGET COMMITTEE 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.

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Susan Metsack	Budget Committee, Chair	<i>Susan Metsack</i>
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Judy Aron	Budget Committee Member	<i>Judy Aron</i>
John Balla	Budget Committee Member	<i>JMB</i>
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General Government								
4130	Executive	04	\$33,900	\$33,900	\$35,900	\$0	\$35,900	\$0
4140	Election, Registration, and Vital Statistics	04	\$2,247	\$1,900	\$5,000	\$0	\$5,000	\$0
4150	Financial Administration	04	\$122,812	\$106,166	\$115,217	\$0	\$115,217	\$0
4152	Property Assessment	04	\$14,245	\$14,216	\$14,832	\$0	\$14,832	\$0
4153	Legal Expense	04	\$4,631	\$12,000	\$8,000	\$0	\$8,000	\$0
4155	Personnel Administration	04	\$31,532	\$33,169	\$33,450	\$0	\$33,450	\$0
4191	Planning and Zoning	04	\$3,912	\$5,444	\$5,594	\$0	\$5,594	\$0
4194	General Government Buildings	04	\$10,139	\$15,662	\$14,500	\$0	\$14,500	\$0
4195	Cemeteries	04	\$13,367	\$26,230	\$26,000	\$0	\$26,000	\$0
4196	Insurance Not Otherwise Allocated	04	\$41,032	\$41,032	\$51,821	\$0	\$51,821	\$0
4197	Advertising and Regional Associations	04	\$1,417	\$1,467	\$1,510	\$0	\$1,510	\$0
4198	Contingency		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4199	Other General Government		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
	General Government Subtotal		\$279,234	\$291,186	\$311,824	\$0	\$311,824	\$0
Public Safety								
4210	Police	04	\$3,742	\$3,900	\$3,900	\$0	\$3,900	\$0
4215	Ambulances	04	\$10,500	\$15,000	\$11,400	\$0	\$11,400	\$0
4220	Fire	04	\$53,000	\$53,000	\$63,000	\$0	\$63,000	\$0
4240	Building Inspection		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4290	Emergency Management	04	\$492,106	\$600,832	\$203,517	\$0	\$203,517	\$0
4299	Other Public Safety		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
	Public Safety Subtotal		\$559,348	\$672,732	\$281,817	\$0	\$281,817	\$0



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Airport/Aviation Center								
4301	Airport Administration		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4302	Airport Operations		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4309	Other Airport		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
	Airport/Aviation Center Subtotal		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Highways and Streets								
4311	Highway Administration	04	\$13,805	\$15,260	\$14,110	\$0	\$14,110	\$0
4312	Highways and Streets	04	\$423,665	\$428,601	\$447,312	\$0	\$447,312	\$0
4313	Bridges		\$0	\$100,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4316	Street Lighting	04	\$3,564	\$3,500	\$3,700	\$0	\$3,700	\$0
4319	Other Highway, Streets, and Bridges	04	\$113,439	\$119,600	\$116,700	\$0	\$116,700	\$0
	Highways and Streets Subtotal		\$554,473	\$666,961	\$581,822	\$0	\$581,822	\$0
Sanitation								
4321	Sanitation Administration		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4323	Solid Waste Collection		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4324	Solid Waste Disposal	04	\$86,769	\$77,258	\$90,487	\$0	\$90,487	\$0
4325	Solid Waste Facilities Clean-Up	04	\$8,396	\$9,000	\$8,550	\$0	\$8,550	\$0
4326	Sewage Collection and Disposal		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4329	Other Sanitation		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
	Sanitation Subtotal		\$95,165	\$86,258	\$99,037	\$0	\$99,037	\$0



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			Expenditures for period ending 12/31/2025	for period ending 12/31/2025	Appropriations for period ending 12/31/2026 (Recommended)	Appropriations for period ending 12/31/2026 (Not Recommended)	Committee's Appropriations for period ending 12/31/2026 (Recommended)	Committee's Appropriations for period ending 12/31/2026 (Not Recommended)
Water Distribution and Treatment								
4331	Water Administration		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4332	Water Services		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4335	Water Treatment		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4338	Water Conservation		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4339	Other Water		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
	Water Distribution and Treatment Subtotal		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Electric								
4351	Electric Administration		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4352	Generation		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4353	Purchase Costs		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4354	Electric Equipment Maintenance		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4359	Other Electric Costs		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
	Electric Subtotal		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Health								
4411	Health Administration		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4414	Pest Control	04	\$807	\$550	\$525	\$0	\$525	\$0
4415	Health Agencies and Hospitals	04	\$6,711	\$6,711	\$6,791	\$0	\$6,791	\$0
4419	Other Health		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
	Health Subtotal		\$7,518	\$7,261	\$7,316	\$0	\$7,316	\$0



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Welfare								
4441	Welfare Administration		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4442	Direct Assistance		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4444	Intergovernmental Welfare Payments		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4445	Vendor Payments	04	\$0	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$0	\$3,000	\$0
4449	Other Welfare		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
	Welfare Subtotal		\$0	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$0	\$3,000	\$0
Culture and Recreation								
4520	Parks and Recreation	04	\$1,631	\$2,125	\$1,915	\$0	\$1,915	\$0
4550	Library	04	\$43,270	\$43,270	\$43,790	\$0	\$43,790	\$0
4583	Patriotic Purposes	04	\$425	\$300	\$500	\$0	\$500	\$0
4589	Other Culture and Recreation	04	\$167	\$250	\$250	\$0	\$250	\$0
	Culture and Recreation Subtotal		\$45,493	\$45,945	\$46,455	\$0	\$46,455	\$0
Conservation and Development								
4611	Conservation Administration	04	\$1,019	\$11,050	\$29,050	\$0	\$29,050	\$0
4612	Purchase of Natural Resources		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4619	Other Conservation	04	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$0	\$3,000	\$0
4631	Redevelopment and Housing Administration		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4632	Other Redevelopment and Housing		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4651	Economic Development Administration		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4652	Economic Development		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4659	Other Economic Development		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
	Conservation and Development Subtotal		\$4,019	\$14,050	\$32,050	\$0	\$32,050	\$0



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Debt Service								
4711	Principal - Long Term Bonds, Notes, and Other Debt		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4721	Interest - Long Term Bonds, Notes, and Other Debt	04	\$0	\$1,000	\$500	\$0	\$500	\$0
4723	Interest on Tax and Revenue Anticipation Notes	04	\$0	\$500	\$100	\$0	\$100	\$0
4790	Other Debt Service Charges		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
	Debt Service Subtotal		\$0	\$1,500	\$600	\$0	\$600	\$0
Capital Outlay								
4901	Land		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4902	Machinery, Vehicles, and Equipment	04	\$85,009	\$149,283	\$66,960	\$0	\$66,960	\$0
4903	Buildings		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4909	Improvements Other than Buildings	04	\$260,352	\$1,287,549	\$95,500	\$0	\$95,500	\$0
	Capital Outlay Subtotal		\$345,361	\$1,436,832	\$162,460	\$0	\$162,460	\$0
Operating Transfers Out								
4911	To Revolving Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4912	To Special Revenue Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4913	To Capital Projects Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4914A	To Airport Proprietary Fund		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4914E	To Electric Proprietary Fund		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4914O	To Other Proprietary Fund		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4914S	To Sewer Proprietary Fund		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4914W	To Water Proprietary Fund		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4918	To Non-Expendable Trust Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4919	To Fiduciary Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
	Operating Transfers Out Subtotal		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
	Total Operating Budget Appropriations		\$0	\$1,526,381	\$1,526,381	\$0	\$1,526,381	\$0



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Special Warrant Articles

Account	Purpose	Article	Selectmen's Appropriations for period ending 12/31/2026 (Recommended)	Selectmen's Appropriations for period ending 12/31/2026 (Not Recommended)	Budget Committee's Appropriations for period ending 12/31/2026 (Recommended)	Budget Committee's Appropriations for period ending 12/31/2026 (Not Recommended)
4915	To Capital Reserve Fund		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4916	To Expendable Trust Fund		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4917	To Health Maintenance Trust Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4909	Improvements Other than Buildings	05	\$33,600	\$0	\$33,600	\$0
<i>Purpose: Long-Term Lease/Purchase of Truck</i>						
4915	To Capital Reserve Funds	08	\$10,000	\$0	\$10,000	\$0
<i>Purpose: Fund the Fire Truck CRF</i>						
4915	To Capital Reserve Funds	09	\$10,000	\$0	\$10,000	\$0
<i>Purpose: Fund the Highway Equipment CRF</i>						
4915	To Capital Reserve Funds	10	\$10,000	\$0	\$10,000	\$0
<i>Purpose: Fund the Bridge CRF</i>						
4915	To Capital Reserve Funds	11	\$5,000	\$0	\$5,000	\$0
<i>Purpose: Fund the Revaluation CRF</i>						
4915	To Capital Reserve Funds	12	\$2,500	\$0	\$2,500	\$0
<i>Purpose: Fund the Building and Grounds CRF</i>						
Total Proposed Special Articles			\$71,100	\$0	\$71,100	\$0



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Individual Warrant Articles

Account	Purpose	Article	Selectmen's		Budget	
			Appropriations for period ending 12/31/2026 (Recommended)	Appropriations for period ending 12/31/2026 (Not Recommended)	Committee's Appropriations for period ending 12/31/2026 (Recommended)	Committee's Appropriations for period ending 12/31/2026 (Not Recommended)
4909	Improvements Other than Buildings	07	\$1,750,000	\$0	\$1,750,000	\$0
		<i>Purpose: Forest Road Bridge Replacement</i>				
4909	Improvements Other than Buildings	06	\$500,000	\$0	\$500,000	\$0
		<i>Purpose: Paving Cold Pond Road</i>				
Total Proposed Individual Articles			\$2,250,000	\$0	\$2,250,000	\$0



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Taxes						
3120	Land Use Change Taxes for General Fund	04	\$4,040		\$5,100	\$5,100
3180	Resident Taxes		\$0		\$0	\$0
3185	Yield Taxes	04	\$30,735		\$15,000	\$15,000
3186	Payment in Lieu of Taxes		\$0		\$0	\$0
3187	Excavation Tax	04	\$21		\$20	\$20
3189	Other Taxes		\$0		\$0	\$0
3190	Interest and Penalties on Delinquent Taxes	04	\$28,856		\$33,100	\$33,100
	Taxes Subtotal		\$63,652		\$53,220	\$53,220
Licenses, Permits, and Fees						
3210	Business Licenses and Permits	04	\$90		\$200	\$200
3220	Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	04	\$248,202		\$248,100	\$248,100
3230	Building Permits	04	\$3,163		\$2,500	\$2,500
3290	Other Licenses, Permits, and Fees	04	\$2,856		\$2,800	\$2,800
	Licenses, Permits, and Fees Subtotal		\$254,311		\$253,600	\$253,600
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	07	\$0		\$1,400,000	\$1,400,000
	From Federal Government Subtotal		\$0		\$1,400,000	\$1,400,000
State Sources						
3351	Shared Revenues - Block Grant		\$0		\$0	\$0
3352	Meals and Rooms Tax Distribution	04	\$86,805		\$86,805	\$86,805
3353	Highway Block Grant	04	\$191,335		\$191,335	\$191,335
3354	Water Pollution Grant		\$0		\$0	\$0
3355	Housing and Community Development		\$0		\$0	\$0
3356	State and Federal Forest Land Reimbursement	04	\$112		\$112	\$112



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State Sources					
3357	Flood Control Reimbursement	04	\$0	\$100	\$100
3359	Railroad Tax Distribution		\$0	\$0	\$0
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	04	\$1,695	\$23,600	\$23,600
	State Sources Subtotal		\$279,947	\$301,952	\$301,952
Charges for Services					
3401	Income from Departments	04	\$21,242	\$18,000	\$18,000
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		\$21,242	\$18,000	\$18,000
Miscellaneous Revenues					
3500	Special Assessments		\$0	\$0	\$0
3501	Sale of Municipal Property	04	\$9,480	\$600	\$600
3502	Interest on Investments	04	\$29,946	\$25,000	\$25,000
3503	Rents of Property	04	\$1,035	\$1,000	\$1,000
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	04	\$2,317	\$2,650	\$2,650
	Miscellaneous Revenues Subtotal		\$42,778	\$29,250	\$29,250
Interfund Operating Transfers In					
3911	From Revolving Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0



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Interfund Operating Transfers In						
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	05	\$24,750		\$33,600	\$33,600
3916	From Trust and Fiduciary Funds		\$0		\$0	\$0
3917	From Conservation Funds	04	\$29,050		\$29,050	\$29,050
	Interfund Operating Transfers In Subtotal		\$53,800		\$62,650	\$62,650
Other Financing Sources						
3934	Proceeds from Long-Term Notes/Bonds/Other Sources		\$0		\$0	\$0
9998	Amount Voted from Fund Balance	04, 07, 06	\$549,000		\$650,000	\$650,000
9999	Fund Balance to Reduce Taxes		\$0		\$0	\$0
	Other Financing Sources Subtotal		\$549,000		\$650,000	\$650,000
	Total Estimated Revenues and Credits		\$1,264,730		\$2,768,672	\$2,768,672



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Item	Selectmen's	Budget Committee's
	Period ending 12/31/2026 (Recommended)	Period ending 12/31/2026 (Recommended)
Operating Budget Appropriations	\$1,526,381	\$1,526,381
Special Warrant Articles	\$71,100	\$71,100
Individual Warrant Articles	\$2,250,000	\$2,250,000
Total Appropriations	\$3,847,481	\$3,847,481
Less Amount of Estimated Revenues & Credits	\$2,768,672	\$2,768,672
Estimated Amount of Taxes to be Raised	\$1,078,809	\$1,078,809



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Supplemental Schedule

1. Total Recommended by Budget Committee	\$3,847,481
Less Exclusions:	
2. Principal: Long-Term Bonds & Notes	\$0
3. Interest: Long-Term Bonds & Notes	\$0
4. Capital outlays funded from Long-Term Bonds & Notes	\$0
5. Mandatory Assessments	\$0
6. Total Exclusions (<i>Sum of Lines 2 through 5 above</i>)	\$0
7. Amount Recommended, Less Exclusions (Line 1 less Line 6)	\$3,847,481
8. 10% of Amount Recommended, Less Exclusions (<i>Line 7 x 10%</i>)	\$384,748
Collective Bargaining Cost Items:	
9. Recommended Cost Items (Prior to Meeting)	\$0
10. Voted Cost Items (Voted at Meeting)	\$0
11. Amount voted over recommended amount (Difference of Lines 9 and 10)	\$0
12. Bond Override (RSA 32:18-a), Amount Voted	\$0
Maximum Allowable Appropriations Voted at Meeting:	\$4,232,229
<i>(Line 1 + Line 8 + Line 11 + Line 12)</i>	