

2025 BUSINESS

Article 4: To see if the Town will vote to cover the 2025 overdraft of \$5,548.

The overdraft consists of the following:

<i>Animal Control Officer</i>	<i>\$147.00</i>
<i>Moody Library</i>	<i>\$23.00</i>
<i>Town Garage</i>	<i>\$5,378.00</i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>\$5,548.00</i>

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Article 5: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Selectmen's salaries.

Raised last year:	\$32,295.00
Request:	\$18,838.75
<i>(Town share of withholding taxes included to reflect total cost)</i>	
Budget Committee recommends:	\$18,838.75

Article 6: To authorize the Selectmen to set salaries for all other Town Officers.

Article 7: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for General Government.

Raised:	\$341,262.00
Spent:	\$269,311.00
Request:	\$360,940.00
Budget Committee recommends:	\$360,940.00

Article 8: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Planning Board.

Raised last year:	\$2,000.00
Spent:	\$1,632.00
Request:	\$2,000.00
Budget Committee recommends:	\$2,000.00

PUBLIC WORKS

Article 9: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the care and maintenance of winter roads.

Raised last year:	\$212,458.00
Spent:	\$207,321.00
Request:	\$236,000.00
Budget Committee recommends:	\$236,000.00

Article 10: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the care and maintenance of summer roads.

Raised last year:	\$150,000.00
Raised at Special Town Meeting:	\$24,500.00
Spent:	\$138,947.00
Request:	\$152,600.00
Budget Committee recommends:	\$152,600.00

Article 11: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for paving projects.

Raised last year:	\$180,000.00
Spent:	\$173,331.00
Request:	\$190,000.00
<i>Raise and appropriate \$90,000.00(taxes) and appropriate \$100,000.00 from undesignated fund balance</i>	
Budget Committee recommends:	\$190,000.00
<i>Raise and appropriate \$90,000.00(taxes) and appropriate \$100,000.00 from undesignated fund balance</i>	

Article 12: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Town Garage account.

Raised last year:	\$18,200.00
Spent:	\$23,578.00
Request:	\$25,400.00
Budget Committee recommends:	\$25,400.00

Article 13: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the care of Town Cemeteries not cared for by others.

Raised last year:	\$1,000.00
Spent:	\$805.00
Request:	\$1,000.00
Budget Committee recommends:	\$1,000.00

Article 14: To see what sum the Town will vote to appropriate from the undesignated fund balance for the purchase of a new commercial grade zero turn mower.

Selectboard recommends an amount not to exceed \$10,000.00
 Budget Committee recommends an amount not to exceed \$10,000.00

Article 15: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the care of the Transfer Station.

Raised last year:	\$125,368.00
Raised at Special Town Meeting	\$45,000.00
Spent:	\$161,313.00
Request:	\$115,000.00
Budget Committee recommends:	\$115,000.00

PUBLIC SAFETY

Article 16: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for public fire protection (hydrant rental).

Raised last year:	\$13,180.00
Spent:	\$13,180.00
Request:	\$13,180.00
Budget Committee recommends:	\$13,180.00

Article 17: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the

support of the Municipal Fire Department.

Raised last year:	\$68,082.00
Spent:	\$56,906.00
Request:	\$68,400.00
Budget Committee recommends:	\$68,400.00

Article 18: To see what sum the Town will vote to appropriate from undesignated fund balance to the Fire Truck reserve account for the future purchase of a fire truck.

Raised last year:	\$10,000.00
Allocated:	\$10,000.00
Request:	\$10,000.00
Budget Committee recommends:	\$10,000.00

Article 19: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Emergency Management Director. *The director is a shared position with three other towns.*

Raised last year:	\$1,420.00
Spent:	\$1,420.00
Request:	\$1,420.00
Budget Committee recommends:	\$1,420.00

Article 20: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Animal Control.

Raised last year:	\$2,500.00
Spent:	\$2,647.00
Request:	\$2,700.00
Budget Committee recommends:	\$2,700.00

ASSISTANCE/SOCIAL SERVICES

Article 21: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for General Assistance.

Raised last year:	\$2,500.00
Spent:	\$712.00
Request:	\$2,500.00
Budget Committee recommends:	\$2,500.00

Article 22: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to help support the following:

Service	Request	Recommended
• Spurwink(Tri-County Mental Health)	1,200	1,200
• Community Concepts	2,525	2,525
• Seniors Plus	1,500	1,500
• Maine Public Broadcasting	100	0
• LifeFlight	612	612
• Cancer Resource Center	750	750
• Kennebec Behavioral Health	85	0
• Safe Voices	500	250
• <u>Oxford Hills Boosters-Hebron Soccer</u>	<u>4,597</u>	<u>2,300 Bank Match</u>
TOTALS	\$11,869	\$9137

LONG-TERM ACCOUNTS

Article 23: To see if the Town will vote to allocate funds received from the sale of land and/or forest products to a Capital Reserve account to be determined by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 24: To see what sum the Town will vote to move from undesignated fund balance to the Revaluation Reserve account.

Raised last year:	\$5,000.00
Allocated:	\$5,000.00
Request:	\$5,000.00
Budget Committee recommends:	\$5,000.00

Article 25: To see what sum the Town will vote to move from undesignated fund balance for the Highway Truck reserve account for the future purchase of plow trucks.

Raised last year:	\$10,000.00
Allocated:	\$10,000.00

Request:	\$100,000.00
Budget Committee recommends:	\$100,000.00

MISCELLANEOUS

- Article 26: To see if the Town will vote to transfer the snowmobile registration reimbursement to the Hebron Snowmobile Club.
- Article 27: To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to sell, swap, trade or dispose of Town equipment.
- Article 28: To see if the town will vote to authorize the Municipal Officers to spend an amount not to exceed $\frac{1}{4}$ of the budgeted amount in each category, except winter roads and liability insurances, during the period from January 1, 2026 to the Annual Town Meeting 2026.
- Article 29: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Select Board to receive and expend non-property tax revenues during the 2026 calendar year for the purpose of reducing the property tax commitment, funding municipal operations, or as otherwise directed by the voters at this meeting.

Municipal Revenue Sharing
Excise Taxes
License Fees
Civil Emergency Funds (disaster recovery)
Snowmobile Registration Reimbursement
Tree Growth Tax Reimbursement
Local Road Assistance Program (LRAP)
General Assistance Reimbursement
Veterans Exemption Reimbursement
Homestead Exemption
Business Equipment Tax Exemption (BETE) Program
Grants
Other miscellaneous revenues.

- Article 30: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to procure a temporary loan or loans in anticipation of taxes for the purpose of paying obligations of the Town, if necessary, with such loan or loans

to be paid during the year out of money raised by taxes.

Article 31: To see if the Town will fix a date when taxes shall be due and payable and fix a rate of interest to be charged on taxes unpaid after said date.

2026 maximum rate as set by the State: 7.0%

Recommended due date: December 15, 2026, interest to begin on December 16, 2026.

Article 32: To see if the Town will vote, in accordance with 36 M.R.S. Section 506-A, to pay interest on refunds of overpaid or abated taxes at the rate of 3.0% per annum.

By state statute, this amount cannot be more than 4 percentage points below the amount set for delinquent taxes and cannot exceed the amount set for delinquent taxes.

Article 33: To see if the Town will authorize the Tax Collector or Treasurer to accept prepayment of taxes not yet committed for the 2026 tax year, pursuant to 36 M.R.S.A §506, and to pay no interest on such prepayments.

Article 34: To see if the town will vote to authorize the Selectmen, on behalf of the Town, to sell and dispose of any real estate acquired by the Town for non-payment of taxes thereon, under such terms as they deem advisable, and to cause quit-claim deeds for such property to be executed by the Town Treasurer with the exception that the Selectmen shall use the special sale process required by 36 M.R.S. § 943-C for qualifying homestead properties if not sold back to the original owner.

Article 35: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Treasurer, with approval of the Selectmen, to execute quit-claim deeds on behalf of the Town and/or assignments with rights of foreclosure in cases of unmatured tax mortgage liens, thus releasing the Town's rights in and upon such amount or amounts in each case as the Selectmen in their discretion deem proper with the exception that the Selectmen shall use the special sale process required by 36 M.R.S. § 943-C for qualifying homestead properties if not sold back to the original owner.

Article 36: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen upon request

of the Treasurer, to allow the treasurer to waive foreclosure of a tax lien on a specified property for a specified year with the reference to the Tax Lien Certificate recorded at the Oxford Registry of Deeds, in circumstances when the Selectmen determine that the foreclosure may encumber the Town.

Article 38: To see if the Town will vote to adopt the revised Land Use Ordinance adopted March 13, 1982 and amended through March 14, 2026. *Proposed Land Use Ordinance is appended in the Town Report immediately following Town Meeting Warrant Articles.*

Article 39: To see if the Town will vote to accept the Town Report as written, subject to correction of errors when any are found.

The registrar hereby gives notice that she will be in session for the purpose of revising and correcting the list of voters at the Hebron Station School at nine-thirty o'clock on the forenoon on the day of said meeting, March 14, 2026.

Selectmen,

Butch Asselin

Elizabeth Olsen

Joseph Chretien



A true copy of the Warrant.

Attest:

Holly Packard, Town Clerk
Town of Hebron

RETURN

Pursuant to the within Warrant, I have notified the voters of the Town of Hebron, qualified as within expressed, to meet at the time and place, and for the purposes therein expressed, by posting an attested copy of the within Warrant at the Town Office, Post Office, and Transfer Station, being conspicuous places in said Town on March ___, 2026, which is at least seven (7) days before the appointed time for said meeting.

Dated at Hebron this ___ day of March, 2026.

Alicia Bryant, Resident
Town of Hebron