



Loudon

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

First Session of Annual Meeting (Official Ballot Voting)

Date: Tuesday, March 12, 2024

Time: 7:00am – 7:00pm

Location: Arthur Colby Safety Complex (Fire Station 1)

Details: Articles 01 - 02

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

Date: Saturday, March 16, 2024

Time: 9:00am

Location: Loudon Elementary School

Details: Articles 03 - 21

GOVERNING BODY CERTIFICATION

We certify and attest that on or before February 26, 2024, a true and attested copy of this document was posted at the place of meeting and at the town office and that an original was delivered to the Town Clerk.

Name	Position	Signature
ROGER A. MAXFIELD	SELECTMAN	Roger A. Maxfield
Jeffrey C Miller	Selectman	Jeffrey C. Miller
JOHN A. STARRS	SELECTMAN	John Starrs



Article 01 To transact other business

To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year.

Article 02 Zoning Amendments

Are you in favor of the adoption of **Amendment No. 2024-01** as proposed by the Planning Board for the Loudon Zoning Ordinance to:

amend Article II Section 204.3(N) by deleting the words in strikethrough, as follows:

Accessory buildings may be built before the dwelling provided that the applicant has a current ~~is on the building permit list. Adopted 2007~~

Are you in favor of the adoption of **Amendment No. 2024-02** as proposed by the Planning Board for the Loudon Zoning Ordinance to:

amend Article III Section 301.4(B) 1. by deleting the words in strikethrough and adding the words in underline, as follows:

Forestry and tree farming, using Best Management Practices Erosion Control on Timber Harvesting Operations in New Hampshire ~~(April 1996)~~ (April 2016 and as amended).

Are you in favor of the adoption of **Amendment No. 2024-03** as proposed by the Planning Board for the Loudon Zoning Ordinance to:

amend Article III Section 301.4(B) 2. by deleting the words in the strikethrough and adding the words in underline, as follows:

Agriculture, including grazing, crop production and the construction of fences, using Best Management Practices for Agriculture ~~(July 1993—Amended September 1998)~~ (July 2017 and as amended) provided that such use does not cause significant increases in surface or groundwater contamination by pesticides or other toxic or hazardous substances and that such use will not cause or contribute to soil erosion.

Are you in favor of the adoption of **Amendment No. 2024-04** as proposed by the Planning Board for the Loudon Zoning Ordinance to:

amend Article III Section 301.4(B) 4. by deleting the words in strikethrough and adding the words in underline, as follows:

Conservation areas and nature trails using Best Management Practices for Erosion Control During Trail Maintenance and Construction ~~{1994 update 1996}~~ (January 2017 and as amended).

Are you in favor of the adoption of **Amendment No. 2024-05** as proposed by the Planning Board for the Loudon Zoning Ordinance to:

amend Article V Section 502.1 by adding as underlined, the bullet heading "L" as follows:

"L. Permitted minor home occupations include, but are not limited to the following:"

Are you in favor of the adoption of **Amendment No. 2024-06** as proposed by the Planning Board for the Loudon Zoning Ordinance to:

amend Article V Section 502.1 11. by deleting the word in strikethrough and adding the word in underline, as follows:

"11. Family daycare home involving not more than ~~three~~ four children"

Are you in favor of the adoption of **Amendment No. 2024-07** as proposed by the Planning Board for the Loudon Zoning Ordinance as follows:

amend Article V Section 502.2 11. by deleting the word in strikethrough and adding the word in underline, as follows:



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"Daycare facilities caring for more than three four children"

Are you in favor of the adoption of **Amendment 2024-08** as proposed by the Planning Board for the Loudon Zoning Ordinance to add a definition of "Kennel" to the definition section as follows:

"The establishment or domicile of any person who sells dogs at wholesale or retail; and, if retail, who sells or transfers 10 or more litters per year, or sells or transfers 50 or more puppies per year; or who derives 40 percent or more of gross annual income from the sale or transfer of dogs"

Are you in favor of the adoption of **Amendment No. 2024-09** as proposed by the Planning Board for the Loudon Zoning Ordinance to add an Article V Section 505.2 A 5 as follows:

In granting a special exception, the Zoning Board shall impose a requirement that any new telecommunications tower will reserve a 12 (twelve) foot section of the top 50% (fifty percent) of the tower to be used by public safety telecommunications needs for the Town of Loudon in, and in addition, provide space in any auxiliary structure erected to house and provide a climate controlled constantly electrically powered area for public safety telecommunications equipment.

Are you in favor of the adoption of **Amendment No. 2024-10** as proposed by the Planning Board for the Loudon Zoning Ordinance to:

amend Article V Section 502.2 by adding, as underlined, the bullet heading "I" as follows:

"I. Major home occupations requiring a special exception include but are not limited to the following:"

Are you in favor of the adoption of **Amendment No. 2024-11** as proposed by the Planning Board for the Loudon Zoning Ordinance to:

amend Article VII Section 701.3 (1) by adding the underlined words "Article V", as follows:

"The special exception is specifically authorized by Article II, Article III, or Article V of this Ordinance."

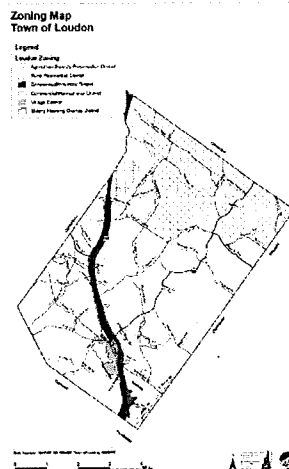
Are you in favor of the adoption of **Amendment 2024-12** as proposed by the Planning Board for the Loudon Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Amend Article II by:

Creating section 201.5 and adding Zoning Map from CNHRPC.

Deleting existing maps.

Moving the Table of Dimensions after the updated map in 201.5.





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Are you in favor of the adoption of **Amendment 2024-13** as proposed by the Planning Board for the Loudon Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Remove Section 507 in its entirety and

Replace with a new Section 507 as necessary to comply with requirements of the National Flood Insurance Program which will:

Add Zone AE

Amend definitions

Add a Regulatory Floodway

Article 03 To purchase a police cruiser

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$60,500 for the purchase of a police cruiser and authorize the withdrawal of \$30,654 from the Police Cruiser Capital Reserve Fund created for that purpose. The balance of \$29,846 is to come from general taxation. The Selectmen recommend this article. (Majority vote required). The estimated tax impact is \$0.05

☒ Yes ☐ No

Article 04 To close Police Cruiser CRF

To see if the town will vote to discontinue the Police Cruiser Capital Reserve Fund. Said funds and accumulated interest to date of withdrawal are to be transferred to the municipality's general fund. This article is contingent on Article 3 passing. The Selectmen recommend this article. (Majority vote required). There is no tax impact.

☒ Yes ☐ No

Article 05 To purchase Lunar Devices

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$20,000 for the purchase of MSA Lunar devices and authorize the withdrawal of \$20,000 from the Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus Capital Reserve Fund created for that purpose. The Selectmen recommend this article. (Majority vote required). There is no tax impact.

☒ Yes ☐ No

Article 06 To replace doors & windows at Safety Complex

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$45,000 for the replacement of doors and windows at the Safety Complex and authorize the withdrawal of \$45,000 from the Safety Complex Upgrade Capital Reserve Fund created for that purpose. The Selectmen recommend this article. (Majority vote required). There is no tax impact.

☒ Yes ☐ No

Article 07 To reclaim and pave Lesmerises Road

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$290,000 to reclaim and pave Lesmerises Road and authorize the withdrawal of \$290,000 from the Roadway Improvement Capital Reserve Fund created for that purpose. The Selectmen recommend this article. (Majority vote required). There is no tax impact.

☒ Yes ☐ No



Article 08 To purchase a road tractor

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$75,000 for the purchase of a road tractor and authorize the withdrawal of \$75,000 from the Transfer Station Maintenance Expendable Trust Fund created for that purpose. The Selectmen recommend this article. (Majority vote required). There is no tax impact.

☒ Yes ☐ No

Article 09 To purchase excavator and trailer

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$150,000 for the purchase of a mini excavator with trailer and authorize the withdrawal of \$150,000 from the Highway Equipment Expendable Trust Fund created for that purpose. The Selectmen recommend this article. (Majority vote required). There is no tax impact.

☒ Yes ☐ No
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Article 10 Solar array at the Clough Hill Fire Station

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$68,575 to install a solar array at the Clough Hill Fire Station and authorize the withdrawal of \$68,575 from the Alternative Energy Capital Reserve Fund created for that purpose. The Selectmen recommend this article. (Majority vote required). There is no tax impact.

☒ Yes ☐ No
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Article 11 Community Power

To see if the Town will vote to adopt the Loudon Community Power plan, to authorize the Board of Selectmen to implement the plan, and to take all action in furtherance thereof, pursuant to RSA 53-E. The Loudon Community Power plan is an opt-out program that offers more flexible electricity procurement. The plan will initially provide lower electricity rates for residents, or it will not launch. Initial participation in the plan can be declined, after which enrollment becomes voluntary." The Selectmen recommend this article. There is no tax impact. Majority Vote Required.

☒ Yes ☐ No
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Article 12 Close Town History CRF

To see if the town will vote to discontinue the Town History Capital Reserve fund created in 2016. Said funds, with accumulated interest to date of withdrawal, are to be transferred to the municipality's general fund. The Selectmen recommend this article. (Majority vote required). There is no tax impact.

☒ Yes ☐ No

Article 13 Retiree Liabilities ETF

To see if the town will vote to establish a Retirees Liabilities Expendable Trust Fund per RSA 31:19-a, for the payout of accruals at retirement and to raise and appropriate \$25,000 to put in the fund, with this amount to come from taxation; further to name the Selectmen as agents to expend from said fund. The Selectmen recommend this article. (Majority vote required). The estimated tax impact is \$0.04.

☒ Yes ☐ No



Article 14 To raise and appropriate for existing CRF's

To see if the Town of Loudon will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,290,000 to be placed in previously established Capital Reserve Funds.

Highway Department Capital Reserve Fund \$125,000

Fire Department Capital Reserve Fund \$200,000

Bridge Construction Capital Reserve Fund \$200,000

Roadway Improvements Capital Reserve Fund \$350,000

Ambulance/Rescue Equipment Capital Reserve Fund \$100,000

Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus Capital Reserve Fund \$15,000

Alternative Energy Capital Reserve Fund \$30,000

Town Garage Capital Reserve Fund \$200,000

Safety Complex Upgrade Capital Reserve Fund \$20,000

Town History Museum Capital Reserve Fund \$50,000

The Selectmen recommend this article.

(Majority vote required).

Estimated tax impact is \$1.79

☒ Yes ☐ No

Article 15 To raise and appropriate for existing ETF's

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$142,000 to be placed in previously established Expendable Trust Funds.

Recreation Facility Maintenance Expendable Trust Fund \$2,000

Conservation Commission Land Expendable Trust Fund \$50,000

Transfer Station Maintenance Expendable Trust Fund \$30,000

Highway Equipment Expendable Trust Fund \$50,000

Cemetery Maintenance Expendable Trust Fund \$10,000

The Selectmen recommend this article.

(Majority vote required).

Estimated tax impact is \$0.20

☒ Yes ☐ No

Article 16 Operating Budget

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$6,452,089 for general municipal operations. This article does not include appropriations contained in special or individual articles addressed separately. The Selectmen recommend this article. (Majority vote required). The estimated tax impact is \$8.92

☒ Yes ☐ No

Article 17 To discontinue a section of old Wales Bridge Road

To see if the Town will vote to discontinue, and relinquish all interest in, the portion of the afore-described Road as it leads from the southern boundary of Tax Map 11, Lot 35, running southerly along Tax Map 11, Lot 5 and along Tax Map 11, Lot 4 to the Soucook River edge. BY PETITION

☐ Yes ☒ No



Article 18 To discontinue a section of Old Wales Bridge Rd.

To see if the Town will vote to discontinue and relinquish all interest in a 2nd portion of the same afore-described Road as it leads from the Soucook river edge in a southerly direction between Tax Map 11, Lot 4 and Tax Map 11, Lot 48 to Riverview Lane. BY PETITION

☐ Yes ☒ No

Article 19 To purchase playground equipment.

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$95,000 for the purchase of playground equipment to be installed at the recreation field on Recreation Drive. BY PETITION.

☐ Yes ☒ No

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Article 20 Paper ballot & hand counting

Shall the following provisions pertaining to elections be adopted? All voting shall be by paper ballot and all ballots shall be hand counted only, rather than by use of optical scanning or any other types of programmable electronic counting devices. This shall constitute a return to hand counting ballots and the immediate discontinuance on all electronic voting machines and electronic devices authorized for use by trial in RSA 656:40. Shall this article be passed, it shall be enacted by the Town of Loudon immediately. BY PETITION

☐ Yes ☒ No

Article 21 To transact business

To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting. Given under our hands and seal, this 7th day of February in the year of our Lord two thousand twenty-four.