



**2026
WARRANT**

Jefferson

The inhabitants of the Town of Jefferson in the County of Coos 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: March 10, 2026

Time: 12:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Location: Jefferson Community Center 178 Meadows Rd. Jefferson, NH

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

Date: March 10, 2026

Time: 7:30 p.m.

Location: Jefferson Community Center 178 Meadows Rd. Jefferson, NH

GOVERNING BODY CERTIFICATION

We certify and attest that on or before <DATE>, a true and attested copy of this document was posted at the place of meeting and at <LOCATION> and that an original was delivered to <OFFICIAL>.

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Article 01 Vote on necessary Town Officers

To choose all necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year. (ballot vote)**

Article 02 Amendment to Land Use Ordinance

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 1 to the Jefferson Land Use Ordinance as proposed by the Jefferson Planning Board as follows - Amend Article III, Section 1, Permitted Uses and Section 1, Permitted Uses by Special Exception, and Article XI, Accessory Dwelling Units as required by recent changes to state law by making Accessory Dwelling Units ("ADUs") a use permitted by right, instead of by special exception; amending the definition of ADU; increasing the maximum size of ADUs to 950 square feet; and removing the requirement for an interior door between an attached ADU and the principal dwelling unit. (ballot vote)**

Article 03 Amendment to Land Use Ordinance

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 2 to the Jefferson Land Use Ordinance as proposed by the Jefferson Planning Board as follows - Amend Article III, Section 1, Permitted Uses to clarify that only accessory buildings incidental to permitted uses are permitted. (ballot vote)**

Article 04 Vote on operating budget

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,334,352 for general municipal operations. This article does not include appropriations contained in special or individual articles addressed separately. (Majority vote required)

Article 05 Raise and appropriate Highway Department CRF's

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$80,000 to be added to the Capital Reserve Funds as listed. Select Board recommend

\$75,000 Highway Vehicle CRF
\$5,000 Highway Repair & Maintenance CRF



Article 06 Amend Highway Vehicle Capital Reserve Fund

To see if the Town will vote to amend the purpose of the Highway Vehicle Capital Reserve Fund established at Town Meeting 1944 to reflect to include not only the Purchase of Road Machinery and Snow Removal Equipment but also to allow for expenditures for Road Machinery and Snow Removal Equipment Maintenance, making the purpose of the Capital Reserve Fund be for Purchase and Maintenance of Road Machinery and Snow Removal Equipment. Furthermore, to name the Board of Selectman as agents to expend from the fund. (2/3 vote required)

Article 07 Raise and appropriate Buildings CRF

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$25,000 to be added to the Building Capital Reserve Fund. Select Board recommend

Article 08 Amend the purpose of the Building CRF

To see if the Town will vote to amend the purposes of the Building Capital Reserve Fund established at Town Meeting 1996 to reflect to include not only maintenance of Town Buildings but also to allow for expenditures for the maintenance of Town Grounds, making the purpose of the Capital Reserve Fund be for Maintenance of Town Buildings and Grounds. Furthermore, to name the board of selectmen as agents to expend from the fund (2/3 vote required)

Article 09 Raise and appropriate Transfer Station CRF's

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,000 to be added to the Capital Reserve Funds as listed. Select Board recommend

\$2,000 Dump Closure CRF
\$2,000 Transfer Station CRF

Article 10 Raise and appropriate Fire Department CRF's



To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$90,000 to be added to the Capital Reserve Funds as listed. Select Board recommend

\$75,000 Fire Truck CRF
\$10,000 Fire Department Equipment CRF
\$5,000 Fire Station CRF

Article 11 Amend Fire Truck CRF

To see if the Town will vote to amend the purpose of the Fire Truck Capital Reserve Fund established at Town Meeting 1996 to include not only the Purchase of Fire Trucks but also to allow for expenditures for Fire Truck Maintenance, making the purpose of the Capital Reserve Fund be for Purchase and Maintenance of Fire Trucks. Furthermore, to name the board of selectmen as agents to expend from the fund (2/3 vote required)

Article 12 Raise and appropriate Airport Road CRF

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000 to be added to the Airport Road Capital Reserve Fund. Select Board recommend

Article 13 Raise and appropriate Cemetery ETF

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$50,000 to be added to the Cemetery Repair Expendable Trust Fund pursuant to RSA 31:19-a for the purpose of maintaining, repairing, adjusting, and cleaning the gravestones and markers in the Town Cemeteries. Select Board recommend

Article 14 Establish Capital Reserve Fund for purchase and maintenance for radar traffic speed alert signs

To establish a Capital Reserve Fund under provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of purchasing and maintaining two 20" x 30" radar traffic calming speed alert signs to be placed on Rt. 2 Presidential Highway where the speed limit reduces to 30 MPH to be known as Radar Traffic Speed Alert Signs Purchase and Maintenance, and to see if the Town will vote to raise and



appropriate the sum of \$12,000 to be placed in this fund and further to name the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend from said fund. Select Board recommend

Article 15 Increase Supervisors of the Checklists' salary

To see if the Town will vote to increase the Supervisors of the Checklists' salaries from \$260 to \$500 and to raise the sum of \$720 for this purpose. Select Board recommend

Article 16 To increase Treasurer's salary

To see if the Town will vote to increase the Treasurer's salary from \$3,075 to \$4,000 and to raise the sum of \$925 for this purpose. Select Board recommend

Article 17 Increase Moderator Stipend

To see if the Town will vote to increase the Moderator stipend from \$236 to \$600 and raise the sum of \$364 for this purpose. Select Board recommend

Article 18 Adopt RSA 41:14-a

To see if the Town will vote to adopt RSA 41-14-a which authorizes the Select Board to buy and sell land or buildings, and to demolish or otherwise dispose of buildings, after review and comment by the planning board and the conservation commission, and 2 public hearings. Regardless of the adoption of RSA 41:14-a, the Selectmen shall have no authority to sell town-owned conservation land, any part of a town forest, or any real estate that has been given to the town for charitable or community purposes. Once adopted, these provisions shall remain in effect until specifically rescinded by the town at any duly warned meeting. Select Board recommend

Article 19 To sell Old Library property

(If Article 18 does not pass) To see if the Town will authorize the Select Board to sell the Old



Library Property located at 737 Presidential Highway, Tax Map 5A Lot 37 on such terms and conditions as the Board may deem advisable. Select Board recommend

Article 20 Grant Waumbek Partners LLC easement over Town owned property

To see if the Town will authorize the Select Board to grant to Waumbek Partners, LLC an easement over property owned by the Town located at Presidential Highway, Tax Map 5A Lot 45A to access property located at Meadows Road, Tax Map 8 Lot 4B on such terms and conditions as the Board may deem advisable. Select Board recommend

Article 21 Grant Ben & Koryn Ingerson easement over Town owned property

To see if the Town will authorized the Select Board to grant Ben and Koryn Ingerson an easement over property owned by the Town located at 178 Meadows Road, Tax Map 8 Lot 6 to access landlocked property located at Meadows Road, Tax Map 8 Lot 8 on such terms and conditions as the Board may deem advisable. Select Board recommend

Article 22 Adopt provisions of RSA 72:76

To see if the Town will vote to accept the provisions of RSA 72:76 to exempt new commercial and new industrial construction from local school and municipal taxation for a period of 5 years. This will exempt 100% of the value of such new construction. If approved, the authority to grant such exemptions shall begin April 1, 2026, and expire 5 years from the date of Town Meeting approval, unless readoption by a later Town Meeting. In the event this is not readopted, exemptions granted prior to the expiration of this authority shall remain in place for their full term. (Majority Vote required)

Article 23 Repurpose existing bond

Shall the town vote to authorize the expenditure of the unused portion of the bonds approved in 2020 for moving the town offices into the former school building and opening the space to the



Jefferson Town Library (Article 2 & 3), and to raise and appropriate \$198,000 in unused bond proceeds for the purpose of constructing a new fire station per RSA 33:3-a, II. No amount of money needs to be raised by taxation. (2/3 ballot vote required) Recommendations Required.

Article 24 Discontinue Solar CRF

To see if the Town will vote to discontinue the Solar Capital Reserve Fund. Said funds and accumulated interest to date of withdrawal, approximately \$103,670.57, are to be transferred to the Town's general fund. (Majority vote required)

Article 25 Construct new Fire Station

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,676,040 to construct a new fire station. Of this sum \$198,000 will come from the unused bond proceeds referenced in Article 23, \$1,354,695 will come from unreserved fund balance (including \$103,670.57 from the dissolved Solar Capital Reserve Fund in Article 24, and \$1,251,024.43 in remaining fire insurance money), \$67,997 will be withdrawn from the Fire Station Capital Reserve Fund; and \$55,348 will be withdrawn from the Buildings Capital Reserve Fund. No amount to be raised by taxation. This article is contingent on Articles 23 and 24 passing. (Majority vote required)

Article 26 Allow Tax Collector to accept prepayment of taxes

To see if the Town will vote to allow the Tax Collector to accept prepayment of taxes in accordance to RSA 80:52-a.

Article 27 Transact any other business

To transact any other business that may come before the meeting.