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Article 02 Zoning Ordinance

Are you in favor of the adoption of the Town of Groton Zoning Ordinance ("Ordinance") as proposed by the Planning Board.

The effect of a Yes vote is summarized as follows:

1. Replacing the current one page zoning with the proposed Ordinance, known hereafter, as The Town of Groton Zoning Ordinance will:

a) Establish zoning districts: A. Residential and Forestry/Agriculture; B. Rural Residential, Forestry/Agriculture; C. Renewable Energy/Other Businesses, Forestry/Agriculture, Conservation Cluster and Recreation

b) Guarantee personal property uses, and distinguish size and priorities within each district

c) Integrate the 2007 approved Floodplain Development Regulation as Article 6.

d) Integrate the 2015 approved Large Wind Energy Systems Ordinance (LWES) as Article 7

Should the proposed Zoning Ordinance fail to receive an affirmative vote, the 2007 Zoning Ordinance, the LWES and Floodplain Development Regulation will continue in their present forms as Groton's zoning.

This will be a ballot vote.

Article 03 Town Operating Budget

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of seven hundred ninety nine thousand five hundred eighty five dollars (\$799,585)

which represents the Operating Budget for the ensuing year. Said sum does not include special or individual articles addressed. The Select Board recommends this article 3-0.

Article 04 add to previously established CRFs

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred eighty-two thousand five hundred dollars (\$182,500) to be added to the previously established Capital Reserve Funds.

The Selectmen recommend this special article. (Majority vote required)

Public Works CR Fund (Dec. 31, 2021 balance: \$60,064.44): \$100,000

Disaster Relief CR Fund (Dec. 31, 2021 balance: \$30,186.57): \$50,000

Police Cruiser CR Fund (Dec. 31, 2021 balance: \$5,735.68): \$10,000

Truck/Sander CR Fund (Dec. 31, 2021 balance: \$1,020.87): \$10,000

Assessing Reval CR Fund (Dec. 31, 2021 balance: \$3,002.18): \$7,500

Electronic Equipment & Software CR Fund (Dec. 31, 2021 balance: \$3,432.38): \$5,000

Total Capital Reserve Funds \$182,500

The Select Board Recommends This Article 3-0

Article 05 Site Work and Plan Design at Potential Site for Hi

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000) to conduct sitework and plan design at the land across from the Transfer Station which is the potential site for the future Highway Garage. (submitted by the Highway Department)

The Select Board recommends this article 2-1.



Article 06 Backhoe

ARTICLE 6: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred sixty-five thousand dollars (\$165,000) for the purpose of purchasing a new Backhoe/Loader for the highway department with fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) to come from the Heavy Equipment Capital Reserve Fund, sixty-five thousand dollars (\$65,000) to come from the unassigned fund balance as of December 31, 2021, and fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) from a USDA grant. If the grant is not received, the fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) will be raised through taxation. (submitted by the Highway Department)

The Select Board Recommends This Article 3-0

Article 07 Paving of Town House Parking Lot

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of forty thousand dollars (\$40,000) to pave the parking lot at the Town House.

The Select Board Recommends This Article 3-0

Article 08 Paving the intersections in Groton

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of nineteen thousand dollars (\$19,000) to pave the intersections in Groton.

The Select Board Recommends This Article 3-0

Article 09 Recoating and Restriping the basketball court

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of nine thousand five hundred dollars (\$9,500) to recoat and restripe the basketball court at the Everett Hobart Memorial Park.

The Select Board recommends this article 3-0.

Article 10 Conservation Commission 3% Timber Tax

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of two hundred ninety-one dollars (\$291) for deposit in the Conservation Fund. Fund to be offset by two hundred ninety-one dollars (\$291) from the unassigned fund balance. This sum represents 3% of the Timber Tax revenue for 2021. (submitted by the Conservation Commission) (Majority vote required)

The Select Board recommends this article 3-0.

Article 11 Transact any other business that may legally come

To see if the Town will vote to transact any other business that may legally come before the Town.