

Legal Notice TOWN OF NEWMARKET

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Newmarket, in the County of Rockingham, State of New Hampshire, qualified to vote in district affairs: You are hereby notified of the one-time optional annual meeting.

Due to the ongoing COVID-19 Pandemic, the Town Council has determined that for the safety of the residents of the town and in pursuant to the special legislation passed (HB1129) that they will be adopting Temporary Optional Town Meeting Procedures.

The Town Council will be holding two live virtual meetings to inform the voters about the proposed optional meeting procedures, discuss the warrant articles and finalize the content.

1. The first meeting will be held on January 27, 2021 at 7PM. Residents may watch on local Channel 13 or via Zoom at https://zoom.us/j/9117025727 or by calling 1-646-558-8656 meeting ID 9117025727.

During the first session, the Town Council will review the warrant and explain the articles. After this session, the public may comment on the articles by:

- Email: townmeeting@newmarketnh.gov
- Mail: Town Meeting Comments 186 Main St. Newmarket NH 03857
- Phone: (603)659-3617 extension 1301
- Drop off comments at Town Hall in the drop box on the side of the building. All comments must include your name and address. Comments must be submitted by February 2, 2021 at noon.
- 2. The second meeting will be held on February 2, 2021 at 7PM. Residents may watch on local Channel 13 or via Zoom at https://zoom.us/j/9117025727 or by calling 1-646-558-8656 meeting ID 9117025727. At this time, the Town Council will review all comments submitted and deliberate any changes suggested by these comments. The Council will then finalize the warrant.
- 3. On March 9, 2021, the Town will hold its regular municipal election at Town Hall from 7AM to 7PM. We would encourage those who do not feel safe voting in person to file for an absentee

ballot from the town clerk as soon as possible. You may call that office at (603)659-3617 ext. 4070. Please use *disability* as the reason for requesting an absentee ballot. In addition, we will be reserving parking spaces for drive through voting at town hall. This will allow people to come to town hall, call, and someone will bring out a ballot to all people to vote in the safety of their own vehicle.

4. After the election of officers and a bond issue, the first question will be to see if the voters approve of the optional town meeting procedures. If this question is not proved, then except for the election of officers, all other questions will not pass.

Thank you for your understanding during these unprecedented times. If you have any questions, please email <u>townmeeting@newmarketnh.gov</u>. For town election questions please call (603)659-3617 extension 4070.