

**Souhegan Cooperative School District
Annual Meeting Warrant
February 6, 2024 and March 12, 2024
Amherst and Mont Vernon, New Hampshire**

To the inhabitants of the Souhegan Cooperative School District consisting of the towns of Amherst and Mont Vernon, in the County of Hillsborough, and State of New Hampshire qualified to vote in District affairs:

You are hereby notified of the following Annual School District Meeting schedule:

First Session of Annual Meeting (Deliberative)

You are hereby notified to meet at Souhegan High School, 412 Boston Post Rd., Amherst, NH in said District on the 6th day of February 2024 at 6:00 p.m. This session shall consist of explanation, discussion, and debate of warrant articles numbered 2 through 7. Warrant articles may be amended subject to the following limitations: (a) warrant articles whose wording is prescribed by law shall not be amended, (b) warrant articles that are amended shall be placed on the official ballot for a final vote on the main motion, as amended, and (c) no warrant article shall be amended to eliminate the subject matter of the article. An amendment that changes the dollar amount of an appropriation in a warrant article shall not be deemed to eliminate the subject matter of the article.

Second Session of Annual Meeting (Official Ballot Voting)

You are hereby notified to meet on Tuesday, March 12, 2024, for official ballot voting on warrant articles numbered 1 through 7. The polls for official ballot voting will be open as follows:

Voting for Amherst residents: Souhegan High School from 6:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Voting for Mont Vernon residents: Mont Vernon Village School from 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.

IMPORTANT NOTE ON WARRANT ARTICLE NUMBERS: To avoid confusion caused by warrant articles with the same number, Souhegan Cooperative School District warrant articles are numbered one (1) through ten (10), Amherst School District warrant articles are numbered eleven (11) through nineteen (19), and Town of Amherst warrant articles are numbered twenty-one (21) and above.

Article 1. Election of Officers (voting by official ballot March 12, 2024)

To the following school district offices:

- a. To choose one (1) School Board Member from Amherst for the ensuing three (3) years.

Article 2.

Shall the Souhegan Cooperative School District raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein, totaling twenty million six hundred seventeen thousand fifty nine dollars (\$20,617,059)? Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be twenty million three hundred sixty thousand seven hundred seventy three dollars (\$20,360,773), which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous

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action of the Souhegan Cooperative School District or by law; or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13, X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only? **Majority vote required.**

Recommended by the Souhegan Cooperative School Board (7-0)

Recommended by the Souhegan Cooperative School District Advisory Finance Committee ((7-0)

Estimated tax impact of passing this article is: \$0.26 per thousand for Amherst and \$0.69 per thousand for Mont Vernon.

Estimated tax impact of not passing this article is: \$0.17 per thousand for Amherst and \$0.57 per thousand for Mont Vernon.

**NOTE: Warrant Article 2 (operating budget) does not include appropriations proposed in any other warrant articles.*

Article 3.

Shall the Souhegan Cooperative School District vote to approve the cost items included in the agreement between the Souhegan Cooperative School Board and the professional and support staff of Souhegan High School which calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits at current staffing levels:

<u>Fiscal Year</u>	<u>Estimated Increase</u>
2024-2025	\$439,838
2025-2026	\$432,555
2026-2027	\$439,305

and further to raise and appropriate the sum of \$439,838 for the 2024-2025 fiscal year, such sum representing the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits required by the new agreement over those that would be payable at current staffing levels? **Majority vote required.**

Recommended by the Souhegan Cooperative School Board (7-0)

Recommended by the Souhegan Cooperative School District Advisory Finance Committee (7-0)

Estimated new tax impact of passing this article is: \$0.15 per thousand for Amherst and \$0.21 per thousand for Mont Vernon.

Article 4.

Shall the Souhegan Cooperative School District raise and appropriate the sum of up to three hundred sixty five thousand dollars (\$365,000) to be added to the Souhegan School Maintenance Expendable Trust Fund previously established in March 2005? This sum to come from the June 30, 2024 unassigned fund balance (surplus) available for transfer on July 1, 2024. No amount to be raised from new taxation. **Majority vote required.**

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Estimated new tax impact of not passing this article is: -\$0.13 per thousand for Amherst and -\$0.18 per thousand for Mont Vernon.

Article 5.

Shall the Souhegan Cooperative School District raise and appropriate the sum of up to seventy thousand dollars (\$70,000) to be added to the Souhegan Recreation Revolving Fund previously established in March 2016? This sum to come from the June 30, 2024 unassigned fund balance (surplus) available for transfer on July 1, 2024. No amount to be raised from new taxation.

Majority vote required.

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Recommended by the Souhegan Cooperative School District Advisory Finance Committee (7-0)

Estimated new tax impact of passing this article is: \$0.00 per thousand for Amherst and \$0.00 per thousand for Mont Vernon.

Estimated new tax impact of not passing this article is: -\$0.02 per thousand for Amherst and -\$0.03 per thousand for Mont Vernon.

Article 6.

Shall the Souhegan Cooperative School District raise and appropriate the sum of up to fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) to be added to the Technology Capital Reserve Fund previously established in March 2023? This sum to come from the June 30, 2024 unassigned fund balance (surplus) available for transfer on July 1, 2024. No amount to be raised from new taxation.

Majority vote required.

Recommended by the Souhegan Cooperative School Board (7-0)

Recommended by the Souhegan Cooperative School District Advisory Finance Committee (7-0)

Estimated new tax impact of passing this article is: \$0.00 per thousand for Amherst and \$0.00 per thousand for Mont Vernon.

Estimated new tax impact of not passing this article is: -\$0.02 per thousand for Amherst and -\$0.02 per thousand for Mont Vernon.

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Article 7.

Shall the Souhegan Cooperative School District establish a Vehicle Expendable Trust Fund per RSA 198:20-c, V for the purpose of purchasing new vehicles, replacing existing vehicles, and for vehicle repairs and to raise and appropriate the sum of up to twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000) to be placed in this fund? Further, to name the Souhegan Cooperative School Board as agents to expend from said fund. This sum to come from the June 30, 2024 unassigned fund balance (surplus) available for transfer on July 1, 2024. No amount to be raised from new taxation.

Majority vote required.

Recommended by the Souhegan Cooperative School Board (7-0)

Recommended by the Souhegan Cooperative School District Advisory Finance Committee (7-0)

Estimated new tax impact of passing this article is: \$0.00 per thousand for Amherst and \$0.00 per thousand for Mont Vernon.

Estimated new tax impact of not passing this article is: -\$0.01 per thousand for Amherst and -\$0.01 per thousand for Mont Vernon.

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Given under our hands as said Amherst, New Hampshire, on the 28 day of January, 2024.

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Stephanie Grund, Chair

Christine Peters

Christine Peters, Vice Chair

Anna Goulet-Zimmerman

Anna Goulet-Zimmerman, Secretary

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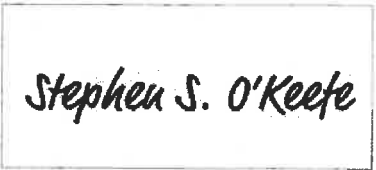
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