

MERRIMACK VILLAGE DISTRICT Warrant Articles

To the inhabitants of the Merrimack Village District in the Town of Merrimack, New Hampshire qualified to vote in District affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet in the Cafeteria of the Merrimack High School located at 38 McElwain Street in said District on the 26th day of March 2024 at 7:00 PM to act upon the following:

ARTICLE 1: To choose two (2) Commissioners for a three (3) year term of office. (Written ballot vote required)

The purpose of this article is to allow you to vote for your choice of a candidate for office. If you would like to vote for someone whose name is not on the ballot, simply write in the candidate's name of your choice in the space provided on the ballot.

ARTICLE 2: To choose one (1) Commissioner to fill two (2) years of a three (3) year term of office.

(Written ballot vote required)

The purpose of this article is to allow you to vote for your choice of a candidate for office. If you would like to vote for someone whose name is not on the ballot, simply write in the candidate's name of your choice in the space provided on the ballot.

ARTICLE 3: To choose one (1) Moderator for a two (2) year term of office. (Written ballot vote required)

The purpose of this article is to allow you to vote for your choice of a candidate for office. If you would like to vote for someone whose name is not on the ballot, simply write in the candidate's name of your choice in the space provided on the ballot.

ARTICLE 4: To see if the Merrimack Village District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of six million two hundred eighty-one thousand three hundred fifty-six dollars (\$6,281,356) for general municipal operations for the 2024-2025 fiscal year with said sum to come from water related charges. This article does not include appropriations contained in special or individual articles addressed separately.

(Majority vote required)

Recommended by the Board of Commissioners (4-0-0)

This is the operating budget warrant article. This article funds the operation of the District for the year beginning July 1, 2024 ending June 30, 2025 for all departments; Administration, Distribution, Treatment, Debt Services and Insurance/Benefits.

ARTICLE 5: Shall the Merrimack Village District vote to raise and appropriate the sum of ninetynine thousand nine hundred forty-three dollars (\$99,943) under provisions of RSA 35:1, I and II to add to the District's "System Development Capital Reserve" fund for the future system expansion and improvement of the existing system? This sum to come from the unassigned fund balance; these are the system development charges collected during the 2022-2023 budget year. (Majority vote required.)

Recommended by the Board of Commissioners (4-0-0)

The MVD's Board of Commissioners adopted a System Development Charge (SDC) on August 19, 2008. This charge is applied to "new" customers and those existing customers who increase their water service demand beyond 20% of their current or prior use. The charge can best be described as a "buy-in" fee to achieve an equal equity position with the existing customers. This one-time payment will cover their share of the value of the existing infrastructure. Fire service entrances are not subject to the SDC. The "System Development Charge Use of Funds" policy (08-02-B) was approved by the BOC on 10/27/08.

ARTICLE 6: Shall the Merrimack Village District vote to raise and appropriate the sum of eight hundred thousand dollars (\$800,000) under provisions of RSA 35:1, I and II to add to the District's "Equipment and Facilities Capital Reserve" fund for associated costs with existing storage, transmission and production of water? This sum to come from unassigned fund balance. (Majority vote required.)

Recommended by the Board of Commissioners (4-0-0)

The purpose of this article is to use a portion of the revenue surplus to be set aside for future use in the District's Equipment and Facilities capital reserve fund. Should an emergency arise in future years, for which there was no appropriation, or should there be the need for an unforeseen special piece of machinery in a pump station, for example, the Board of Commissioners would have these funds available for such purposes. This fund was established by the March 26, 1996 annual meeting.

ARTICLE 7: Shall the Merrimack Village District vote to raise and appropriate the sum of two hundred thousand dollars (\$200,000) under provisions of RSA 35:1-c to add to the District's "Purchase of water and/or the operations and maintenance of GAC Treatment facilities" Non-Capital Reserve fund for associated costs with purchase of and/or treatment of water? This sum to come from unassigned fund balance.

(Majority vote required.)

Recommended by the Board of Commissioners (4-0-0)

The purpose of this article is to use a portion of the revenue surplus to be set aside for future use in the District's Purchase of water and/or the operations and maintenance of GAC Treatment facilities non-capital reserve fund. Should an emergency arise in future years, for which there was no appropriation, or should there be the need for an unforeseen additional water purchase or treatment cost, for example, the Board of Commissioners would have these funds available for such purposes. This fund was established by Warrant Article 6 at the March 2021 Annual Meeting.

ARTICLE 8: This article is to transact any other business and close the meeting.