



# *Town of Hooksett*

## WARRANT ARTICLE REQUEST FORM

Revised 1/31/2024

**Date of Request:** 7/10/2023

**Date of Town Meeting:** March 2024

**Name of Department Submitting Request:** DPW – Recycling & Transfer Division

**1. Please provide the wording of the proposed article.**

**Capital Reserve Funding – Automated Collection Equipment**

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$30,000.00** to be added to the Automated Collection Equipment Capital Reserve previously established. The estimated tax rate impact is \$0.01. Recommended by Town Council (8 Yes - 0 No); Recommended by Budget Committee (8 Yes – 2 No).

**2. Voters' Guide Explanation: Automated Collection Equipment Reserve**

There is \$126,708.51 in the account as of December 31, 2023. The fund is to prepare for the future replacement of trash and/or recycling collection vehicles and barrels. Auto 3 is scheduled for replacement in FY 2025-26 and some of these funds will be used to offset the cost estimated to be \$385,000.00.

**3. If this article is not passed at Town Meeting or approved by the Town Council, what affect would this have on your department goals and programs?**

If the request is not approved, then there would be insufficient capital reserve funds to replace the collection equipment thereby either delaying the procurement of the replacements or the shortage would need to be made up out of operating funds.

**4. Is any further information necessary for the deliberation?**

This reserve was established in 2012 and has funding the following:

FY 2018-19 Barrels \$14,727

FY 2020-21 Barrels \$22,261

FY 2021-22 \$122,085 contributed towards Auto Truck replacement.

FY 2022-23 Barrels \$13,418

FY 2022-23 \$62,653 contributed to the replacement of Auto Truck.

March 2023 Ballot Passed 486 to 333 or 59% approval.

March 2022 Ballot: Passed 766 to 377 or 67% approval.

March 2021 Ballot: Passed 480 to 248 or 66% approval.

March 2020 Ballot: Passed 1,187 to 678 or 64% approval.

March 2019 Ballot: Passed 566 to 407 or 58% approval.

March 2018 Ballot: Passed 446 to 336 or 58% approval.

March 2017 Ballot: Passed 331 to 187 or 63% approval.

May 2016 Ballot: Passed 211 to 138 or 60% approval.