



ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION  
AMHERST, NEW HAMPSHIRE  
MARCH 12, 2019

BALLOT 1 OF 2

*Nancy G. Jensen*  
TOWN CLERK

INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS

- A. TO VOTE, completely fill in the OVAL to the RIGHT of your choice(s) like this: ☒
- B. Follow directions as to the number of candidates to be marked for each office.
- C. To vote for a person whose name is not printed on the ballot, write the candidate's name on the line provided and completely fill in the OVAL.

<p><b>SELECTMEN</b></p> <p>Vote for not more than two (3 Years)</p> <p>DWIGHT BREW 1383 <input checked="" type="radio"/></p> <p>PETER A. LYON 1519 <input checked="" type="radio"/></p> <p><input type="radio"/> (Write-in)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> (Write-in)</p>	<p><b>LIBRARY TRUSTEE</b></p> <p>Vote for not more than three (3 Years)</p> <p>ELISABETH LARSON 1381 <input checked="" type="radio"/></p> <p>STEPHEN G. MANTIUS 1255 <input checked="" type="radio"/></p> <p>GRETCHEN PYLES 1396 <input checked="" type="radio"/></p> <p><input type="radio"/> (Write-in)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> (Write-in)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> (Write-in)</p>	<p><b>ZONING BOARD MEMBER</b></p> <p>Vote for not more than one (2 Years)</p> <p>ROBERT ROWE 1458 <input checked="" type="radio"/></p> <p><input type="radio"/> (Write-in)</p>
<p><b>CEMETERY TRUSTEE</b></p> <p>Vote for not more than one (3 Years)</p> <p>CYNTHIA J. DOKMO 1509 <input checked="" type="radio"/></p> <p><input type="radio"/> (Write-in)</p>	<p><b>TRUSTEE OF THE TRUST FUNDS</b></p> <p>Vote for not more than one (3 Years)</p> <p>ROBERT GRUNBECK 1388 <input checked="" type="radio"/></p> <p><input type="radio"/> (Write-in)</p>	<p><b>ZONING BOARD MEMBER</b></p> <p>Vote for not more than one (3 Years)</p> <p>DANIELLE PRAY 1406 <input checked="" type="radio"/></p> <p><input type="radio"/> (Write-in)</p>

ARTICLES

ARTICLE 22: Operating Budget

Shall the Town vote to 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 herein, totaling **\$14,012,849**. Should this article be defeated the default budget shall be **\$13,784,083**, which is the same as last year with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Town 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. This operating budget warrant article does not include appropriations contained in any other warrant article. (Majority vote required)

YES: 1183  
NO: 942  
**PASSED**

*(The Board of Selectmen supports this article by a vote of 5-0-0.)*  
*(The Ways and Means Committee supports this article by a vote of 4-0-0.)*

ARTICLE 23: Contingency Fund

Shall the Town vote to establish a contingency fund for the current year, in accordance with NH RSA Section 31:98-a, for unanticipated expenses that may arise and further to raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred-twenty thousand dollars (**\$120,000**) to go into the fund. Said sum shall come from the undesignated fund balance and no amount to be raised from taxation. Any appropriation left in the fund at the end of the year will lapse to the general fund. (Majority vote required)

YES: 1371  
NO: 744  
**PASSED**

*(The Board of Selectmen supports this article by a vote of 5-0-0.)*  
*(The Ways and Means Committee supports this article by a vote of 6-0-0.)*

TURN BALLOT OVER AND CONTINUE VOTING

ARTICLES CONTINUED	
<p><b>ARTICLE 24: <u>Police Station Renovation Capital Reserve Fund</u></b></p> <p>Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of two hundred thousand dollars <b>(\$200,000)</b> to be added to the Police Station Renovation Capital Reserve Fund, previously established. (Majority vote required)</p> <p><i>(The Board of Selectmen supports this article by a vote of 5-0-0.)</i> <i>(The Ways and Means Committee supports this article by a vote of 6-0-0.)</i></p>	<p>YES: 1120 NO: 978 <b>PASSED</b></p>
<p><b>ARTICLE 25: <u>Communications Center Capital Reserve Fund</u></b></p> <p>Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars <b>(\$25,000)</b> to be added to the Communications Center Capital Reserve Fund, previously established. (Majority vote required)</p> <p><i>(The Board of Selectmen supports this article by a vote of 5-0-0.)</i> <i>(The Ways and Means Committee supports this article by a vote of 6-0-0.)</i></p>	<p>YES: 1212 NO: 877 <b>PASSED</b></p>
<p><b>ARTICLE 26: <u>Assessing Revaluation Capital Reserve Fund</u></b></p> <p>Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars <b>(\$25,000)</b> to be added to the Assessing Revaluation Capital Reserve Fund, previously established. (Majority vote required)</p> <p><i>(The Board of Selectmen supports this article by a vote of 5-0-0.)</i> <i>(The Ways and Means Committee supports this article by a vote of 6-0-0.)</i></p>	<p>YES: 1069 NO: 1014 <b>PASSED</b></p>
<p><b>ARTICLE 27: <u>Town Computer System Capital Reserve</u></b></p> <p>Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of fifteen thousand dollars <b>(\$15,000)</b> to be added to the Town Computer System Capital Reserve Fund, previously established. (Majority vote required)</p> <p><i>(The Board of Selectmen supports this article by a vote of 5-0-0.)</i> <i>(The Ways and Means Committee supports this article by a vote of 6-0-0.)</i></p>	<p>YES: 1254 NO: 838 <b>PASSED</b></p>
<p><b>ARTICLE 28: <u>Bridge Repair and Replacement Capital Reserve Fund</u></b></p> <p>Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of two hundred thousand <b>(\$200,000)</b> to be added to the Bridge Repair and Replacement Capital Reserve Fund, previously established. (Majority vote required)</p> <p><i>(The Board of Selectmen supports this article by a vote of 4-1-0.)</i> <i>(The Ways and Means Committee supports this article by a vote of 6-0-0.)</i></p>	<p>YES: 1369 NO: 728 <b>PASSED</b></p>
<p><b>ARTICLE 29: <u>Mont Vernon Road Bridge over Ceasars Brook</u></b></p> <p>Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one million three hundred seventy-two thousand five hundred dollars <b>(\$1,372,500)</b> for construction and construction engineering for the replacement of the <b>Mont Vernon Road Bridge over Ceasars Brook</b> (Bridge #112/071), a Town-owned and maintained bridge with critical deficiencies. The Town will be reimbursed 80% (up to \$1,098,000) of the actual construction and construction engineering costs by the New Hampshire Department of Transportation (NHDOT) through the NHDOT Municipal Managed Bridge Aid Program. The remaining 20% of the costs (up to \$274,500) to come from the Bridge Repair and Replacement Capital Reserve Fund. No money shall be raised through taxation. This is a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7, VI. (Majority vote required)</p> <p><i>(The Board of Selectmen supports this article by a vote of 5-0-0.)</i> <i>(The Ways and Means Committee supports this article by a vote of 6-0-0.)</i></p>	<p>YES: 1533 NO: 561 <b>PASSED</b></p>
<p><b>GO TO NEXT BALLOT AND CONTINUE VOTING</b></p>	



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ARTICLES CONTINUED

ARTICLE 30: Thornton Ferry Road I Bridge over Beaver Brook

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of two million four hundred seventy-five thousand dollars (**\$2,475,000**) for construction and construction engineering for the replacement of the **Thornton Ferry Road I Bridge over Beaver Brook** (Bridge #145/106), a Town-owned and maintained bridge with critical deficiencies. The Town will be reimbursed 80% (up to \$1,980,000) of the actual construction and construction engineering costs by the New Hampshire Department of Transportation (NHDOT) through the NHDOT Municipal Managed Bridge Aid Program. The remaining 20% of the costs (up to \$495,000) to come from the Bridge Repair and Replacement Capital Reserve Fund. No money shall be raised through taxation. This is a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7, VI. (Majority vote required)

YES: 1571  
NO: 532  
**PASSED**

*(The Board of Selectmen supports this article by a vote of 5-0-0.)*  
*(The Ways and Means Committee supports this article by a vote of 6-0-0.)*

ARTICLE 31: Brook Road Bridge over Joe English Brook

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one million two hundred thousand dollars (**\$1,200,000**) for construction and construction engineering for the replacement of the **Brook Road Bridge over Joe English Brook** (Bridge #063/118), a Town-owned and maintained bridge with critical deficiencies. The Town will be reimbursed 80% (up to \$960,000) of the actual construction and construction engineering costs by the New Hampshire Department of Transportation (NHDOT) through the NHDOT Municipal Managed Bridge Aid Program. The remaining 20% of the costs (up to \$240,000) to come from the Bridge Repair and Replacement Capital Reserve Fund. No money shall be raised through taxation. This is a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7, VI. (Majority vote required)

YES: 1560  
NO: 544  
**PASSED**

*(The Board of Selectmen supports this article by a vote of 5-0-0.)*  
*(The Ways and Means Committee supports this article by a vote of 6-0-0.)*

ARTICLE 32: Fire Rescue Vehicle and Equipment Purchase and Repair Capital Reserve Fund

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of two hundred fifty-seven thousand dollars (**\$257,000**) to be added to the Fire Rescue Vehicle and Equipment Purchase and Repair Capital Reserve Fund, previously established. (Majority vote required)

YES: 1248  
NO: 867  
**PASSED**

*(The Board of Selectmen supports this article by a vote of 5-0-0.)*  
*(The Ways and Means Committee supports this article by a vote of 6-0-0.)*

ARTICLE 33: Department of Public Works Mechanic Garage

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred forty thousand dollars (**\$140,000**) for the purpose of constructing a mechanic's garage at the DPW facility. (Majority vote required)

YES: 1133  
NO: 962  
**PASSED**

*(The Board of Selectmen supports this article by a vote of 5-0-0.)*  
*(The Ways and Means Committee supports this article by a vote of 6-0-0.)*

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ARTICLES CONTINUED

ARTICLE 34: Motor Vehicle Registration Fee Waiver

Shall the Town vote, as authorized by RSA 261:157-a, to adopt an ordinance waiving the fee to be charged for a permit to register one motor vehicle owned by any person who was captured and incarcerated for 30 days or more while serving in a qualified war or armed conflict as defined by RSA 72:28, V, and who was honorably discharged, provided the person has provided the Town Clerk with satisfactory proof of these circumstances.

YES: 1674  
NO: 402  
PASSED

*(The Board of Selectmen supports this article by a vote of 5-0-0.)*  
*(The Ways and Means Committee supports this article by a vote of 6-0-0.)*

ARTICLE 35: Solar Exemption Cap

(To Amend the current property tax exemption on real property equipped with Solar Energy Systems, adopted March 8, 1977)

Shall the Town vote to amend the existing exemption under the provisions of RSA 72:62 for an exemption on real property equipped with solar energy systems as defined in RSA 72:61, which exemption shall be in an amount equal to one hundred percent (100%) of the assessed value of the solar energy systems with the maximum exemption not to exceed \$30,000.

YES: 1418  
NO: 634  
PASSED

*(The Board of Selectmen supports this article by a vote of 5-0-0.)*  
*(The Ways and Means Committee supports this article by a vote of 6-0-0.)*

ARTICLE 36: Service-Connected Total Disability Tax Credit

Shall the town vote to increase the optional tax credit for Service-Connected Total Disability on residential property occupied by a service-connected totally disabled person or their surviving spouse from \$1,400 to \$2,400 as permitted by RSA 72:35 I-a. (Majority vote required)

YES: 1688  
NO: 359  
PASSED

*(The Board of Selectmen supports this article by a vote of 5-0-0.)*  
*(The Ways and Means Committee supports this article by a vote of 4-0-0.)*

ZONING WARRANT ARTICLES

ARTICLE 37: Amendment 1 - Section 3.5 Accessory Apartments

Are you in favor of adopting Amendment No. 1 as proposed by the Planning Board as follows:

To amend Section 9.1 of the Zoning Ordinance to delete the definition of "Accessory Apartment,"and add a new Section 3.5 to clarify the definition of accessory apartments, allow only one per property, and allow accessory apartments in detached accessory buildings by Conditional Use Permit.

YES: 1599  
NO: 404  
PASSED

*(Planning Board recommends approval of this amendment 7- 0)*

ARTICLE 38: Amendment 2 - Amendment of Section 4.16 - Integrated Innovative Housing Ordinance

Are you in favor of adopting Amendment No. 2 as proposed by the Planning Board as follows:

Amend Section 4.16.B. 2. and 4. & Section 4.16.E. to clarify applicability of other ordinances and regulations, expressly indicate the discretionary nature of density bonus provisions of the ordinance, and clarify the density bonus table in section 4.16 E.

YES: 1452  
NO: 493  
PASSED

*(Planning Board recommends approval of this amendment 7- 0)*

YOU HAVE NOW COMPLETED VOTING THIS BALLOT