



**ABSENTEE BALLOT AND OFFICIAL BALLOT
ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION
EXETER, NEW HAMPSHIRE
MARCH 9, 2021**

BALLOT 1 OF 2

Andrea J. Kohler
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 align="center">FOR SELECTMEN</p> <p align="right">Vote for not Three Year Term more than ONE</p> <p>MOLLY COWAN <input type="radio"/></p> <p>_____ <input type="radio"/></p> <p align="center">(Write-in)</p> <hr/> <p align="center">FOR MODERATOR</p> <p align="right">Vote for not Two Year Term more than ONE</p> <p>KATHERINE MILLER <input type="radio"/></p> <p>_____ <input type="radio"/></p> <p align="center">(Write-in)</p>	<p align="center">FOR TRUSTEES OF THE LIBRARY</p> <p align="right">Vote for not Three Year Term more than THREE</p> <p>DEB WOLD <input type="radio"/></p> <p>MARY LAFRENIERE <input type="radio"/></p> <p>DENISE LEONARD <input type="radio"/></p> <p>LAURA M. WYSKIEL <input type="radio"/></p> <p>_____ <input type="radio"/></p> <p align="center">(Write-in)</p> <p>_____ <input type="radio"/></p> <p align="center">(Write-in)</p> <p>_____ <input type="radio"/></p> <p align="center">(Write-in)</p>	<p align="center">FOR TRUSTEE OF THE ROBINSON FUND</p> <p align="right">Vote for not Seven Year Term more than ONE</p> <p>LESLIE HASLAM <input type="radio"/></p> <p>_____ <input type="radio"/></p> <p align="center">(Write-in)</p> <hr/> <p align="center">FOR TRUSTEE OF THE SWAZEY PARKWAY</p> <p align="right">Vote for not Three Year Term more than ONE</p> <p>DARIUS X. THOMPSON <input type="radio"/></p> <p>_____ <input type="radio"/></p> <p align="center">(Write-in)</p> <hr/> <p align="center">FOR TRUSTEE OF TRUST FUNDS</p> <p align="right">Vote for not Three Year Term more than ONE</p> <p>_____ <input type="radio"/></p> <p align="center">(Write-in)</p>
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SAMPLE

ARTICLES

Article 2
Zoning Amendment #1: Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment #1 as proposed by the Planning Board for the town zoning ordinance, as follows: Amending the existing Public Capital Facilities Impact Fee Ordinance by amending current language in the ordinance that could pose a potential conflict with the typical methods of impact fee calculations, or where the language is out of date relative to the authorizing statute (RSA 674:21, V.) Beyond these housekeeping measures, the amendment will clarify that age restricted housing can qualify for an exemption of the School Impact Fees and no waiver by the Planning Board shall be necessary. YES
NO

Article 3
 Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of five million one hundred thousand and zero dollars (\$5,100,000) for the design and construction of water, sewer, drainage, road and utility improvements in the Salem Street area, and to authorize the issuance of not more than \$5,100,000 of bonds or notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA 33); and further to authorize the Select Board to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon; and further to authorize the Select Board to apply for, obtain and accept federal, state or other aid, if any, including principal forgiveness, which may become available for this project. Debt service will be paid from the general fund, water fund, and sewer fund. (Estimated Tax Impact: assuming 10 year bond at .86% interest: .05/1,000, \$5/100,000 of assessed property value). Bond payments would begin approximately one year after issuance. (3/5 ballot vote required for approval.) Recommended by the Select Board 5-0. YES
NO

Article 4
 Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of three million six hundred seventeen thousand six hundred twenty nine dollars (\$3,617,629) for the purpose of constructing a solar array on Town owned land described as Map 98 Lot 3, and Tax Map 100 Lot 4, and authorize the issuance of not more than \$3,617,629 of bonds or notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA 33); and further to authorize the Select Board to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon; and further to authorize the Select Board to apply for, obtain and accept federal, state or other aid, if any, including principal forgiveness, which may become available for this project. Debt service will be paid by the revenue generated by selling the power and Renewable Energy Certificates. (Estimated Tax Impact: none, assuming revenues and assuming a 20 year bond at 1.67% interest). Bond payments would begin approximately one year after issuance. (3/5 ballot vote required for approval.) Recommended by the Select Board 5-0. YES
NO

TURN BALLOT OVER AND CONTINUE VOTING

ARTICLES CONTINUED

Article 5

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of two million six hundred thousand and zero dollars (\$2,600,000) for the purpose of removing sludge from the wastewater lagoons at 13 Newfields Road, and to authorize the issuance of not more than \$2,600,000 of bonds or notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA 33); and further to authorize the Select Board to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon; and further to authorize the Select Board to apply for, obtain and accept federal, state or other aid, if any, including principal forgiveness, which may become available for this project. Debt service to be paid from the Sewer Fund. (3/5 ballot vote required for approval.) Recommended by the Select Board 5-0.

YES
NO

Article 6

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one million dollars (\$1,000,000) for the purpose of developing groundwater sources in the town, and to authorize the issuance of not more than \$1,000,000 of bonds or notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA 33); and further to authorize the Select Board to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon; and further to authorize the Select Board to apply for, obtain and accept federal, state or other aid, if any, including principal forgiveness, which may become available for this project. Debt service to be paid from the Water Fund. (3/5 ballot vote required for approval.) Recommended by the Select Board 5-0.

YES
NO

Article 7

Shall the Town choose all other necessary Town Officers, Auditors or Committees for the ensuing year. **BUDGET RECOMMENDATIONS COMMITTEE:** Nancy Belanger, Kaley Briden, Elizabeth Canada, Don Clement, Kathy Corson, Mark Fabian, Amy Farnham, Enna Grazier, Robert Kelly, Judy Rowan, Christine Soutter, Cory Stevens, Christopher Zigmont, Anthony Zwaan. **MEASURER OF WOOD & BARK:** Doug Eastman, **FENCE VIEWER:** Doug Eastman, **WEIGHER:** Jay Perkins

YES
NO

Article 8

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriation 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 \$19,891,082. Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be \$19,978,374, which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Town of Exeter 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. (Estimated Tax Impact: .22/1,000 assessed property value, \$22/100,000 assessed property value). (Majority vote required) Recommended by the Select Board 5-0.

YES
NO

Article 9

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate as a water operating budget, not including appropriation 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 \$4,054,184. Should this article be defeated, the water default budget shall be \$3,633,083, which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Town of Exeter or by law. (Majority vote required) Recommended by the Select Board 5-0.

YES
NO

Article 10

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate as a sewer operating budget, not including appropriation 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 \$7,015,364. Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be \$6,942,533, which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Town of Exeter or by law. (Majority vote required) Recommended by the Select Board 5-0.

YES
NO

Article 11

Shall the Town vote to approve the cost items included in the collective bargaining agreement reached between the Select Board and the Exeter Police Association, which calls for the following increased salaries and benefits at the current staffing levels:

Year	Estimated Salary/Benefits Increase
FY21	\$26,459

And further, to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty six thousand, four hundred and fifty nine dollars (\$26,459) for the 2021 fiscal year, such sum representing the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits over those of the appropriation at current staffing levels. (Majority vote required) Recommended by the Select Board 5-0.

YES
NO

Article 12

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of nine hundred eighty thousand and zero dollars (\$980,00) for the purpose of constructing widened shoulders (bike paths) and sidewalks on Kingston Road, with \$235,653 to come from the Town's unassigned fund balance, \$744,347 through an NHDOT grant; and furthermore, to authorize the Select Board to accept any state, federal and other grants and gifts related to the project. This article will not become effective unless the NHDOT grant is awarded to the Town. This article will not impact the tax rate. This will be a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7, VI and will not lapse until the project is completed or December 31, 2025, whichever is later. (Majority vote required) Recommended by the Select Board 5-0.

YES
NO

Fiscal Note: This project had been funded earlier, but was unable to be constructed in the time frame allotted by Article 17 of the 2017 Town Meeting, and therefore that funding lapsed. This article will allow the project to proceed.

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ARTICLES CONTINUED

Article 13

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate, through special warrant article, the sum of one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000), for the purpose of evaluating alternatives for a new public safety complex. This sum to come from general taxation. (Estimated Tax Impact: .046/1,000, \$4.55/100,000 assessed property value). (Majority vote required) Recommended by the Select Board 5-0.

YES
NO

Article 14

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one-hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) to be added to the Parks Improvement Capital Reserve Fund previously established. This sum to come from general taxation. (Estimated Tax Impact: .046/1,000, \$4.55/100,000 value). (Majority vote required) Recommended by the Select Board 5-0.

YES
NO

Article 15

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) to be added to the Sick Leave Expendable Trust Fund previously established. This sum to come from the unassigned fund balance. (Estimated Tax Impact: None. No amount to be raised by taxation). (Majority vote required) Recommended by the Select Board 5-0.

YES
NO

Article 16

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate, through special warrant article, the sum of fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000), to the Conservation Fund established pursuant to RSA 36-A:5. These funds will be used for purposes consistent with the Conservation Fund including the purchase of interests in real property to be held for conservation purposes. This sum to come from general taxation. (Estimated Tax Impact: .023/1,000, \$2.28/100,000 assessed property value). (Majority vote required) Recommended by the Select Board 5-0.

YES
NO

Article 17

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of fifty-thousand dollars (\$50,000) to be added to the Snow and Ice Deficit Non-Capital Reserve Fund previously established. This sum to come from the unassigned fund balance. (Estimated Tax Impact: None. No amount to be raised by taxation). (Majority vote required) Recommended by the Select Board 5-0.

YES
NO

Article 18

Shall the Town vote to transfer the amount of \$105,794 from the town's current non-spendable general fund balance to the capital projects fund balance to eliminate the Stewart Park Seawall project deficit from 2005. This project has been completed. This article will not impact the unassigned fund balance. (Estimated Tax Impact: None. No amount to be raised by taxation). (Majority vote required) Recommended by the Select Board 5-0.

YES
NO

Article 19

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one thousand three hundred dollars (\$1,300) to be added to the Swasey Parkway Trust Fund previously established. This sum to come from unassigned fund balance. This amount is equivalent to the amount of permit fees collected during the past year for use of the Swasey Parkway. (Estimated Tax Impact: None. No amount to be raised by taxation). (Majority vote required) Recommended by the Select Board 5-0.

YES
NO

YOU HAVE NOW COMPLETED VOTING THIS BALLOT