

Total

Beginning 10,185
Checklist + 22 (new voters)
10,207
ending # of registered voters on checklist

Votes cast 2,334 including 191 Absentee (2143 in person)
ALLOT 1 OF 3



OFFICIAL BALLOT
ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION
EXETER, NEW HAMPSHIRE
MARCH 8, 2005

Linda Hartson
TOWN CLERK

INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS

22.86% Participation

- 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>FOR SELECTMEN</p> <p>Three Year Term Vote for not more than TWO</p> <p>WILLIAM E. CAMPBELL 1524 ✓</p> <p>BRIAN T. GRISET 704</p> <p>LIONEL R. INGRAM 1332 ✓</p> <p>(Write-in) ○</p> <p>(Write-in) ○</p>	<p>FOR TOWN CLERK</p> <p>Three Year Term Vote for not more than ONE</p> <p>LINDA M. HARTSON 1534 ✓</p> <p>PAUL H. WALKER 474 ○</p> <p>(Write-in) ○</p>	<p>FOR TRUSTEES OF LIBRARY COMMITTEE</p> <p>Three Year Term Vote for not more than THREE</p> <p>LUCRETIA H. GANLEY 897 ✓</p> <p>DIANE JACKSON 911 ✓</p> <p>R. NEAL KIMBALL 567 ○</p> <p>MARY LAFRENIERE 653 ○</p> <p>GWENLLYN "GWEN" SNEEDEN 683 ✓</p> <p>RAWSON L. WEBB 454 ○</p> <p>(Write-in) ○</p> <p>(Write-in) ○</p> <p>(Write-in) ○</p>
<p>FOR TOWN TREASURER</p> <p>Three Year Term Vote for not more than ONE</p> <p>DONALD BRABANT 1729</p> <p>(Write-in) ○</p>	<p>FOR TRUSTEE OF TOWN TRUST FUNDS</p> <p>Three Year Term Vote for not more than ONE</p> <p>MARGARET "PEG" DUHAMEL 1666 ○</p> <p>(Write-in) ○</p>	<p>FOR TRUSTEE OF SWASEY PARKWAY</p> <p>Three Year Term Vote for not more than ONE</p> <p>JAY PERKINS, SR. 1237 ✓</p> <p>RAWSON L. WEBB 353 ○</p> <p>(Write-in) ○</p>

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:

Amend Article 3, Section 3.2 Zoning Map by expanding the current R-4 zoning district on Epping Road and rezone the back or rear portions of the following parcels from C-2 Highway Commercial to R-4 Multi-Family: Tax Map parcels: #63 -101, 63 -100, 55 -75, 55 -76, #55 - 3, 55-6; also rezone the rear portion of Tax Map parcel #54 -2 currently zoned Industrial to R-4 Multi-Family? Amend Article 4.2 - Permitted Uses, Schedule I by adding "Access to the R-4 Multi-Family district" as a permitted use in the C-2 (Highway Commercial) zoning district?

NOTE: The proposed zoning map change will expand the existing R-4, Multi-Family zoning district and allow for the infill of multi-family housing to the rear of the parcels referenced while maintaining commercial development on the front portions of those properties along Epping Road.

YES 1152
NO 896

Article 3: Zoning Amendment #2: Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment #2 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Amend Article 4, Section 4.3 Schedule II: Density & Dimensional Regulations - Residential, by adding Note #20 applicable to R-4, R-5 and R-6 zoning districts to read as follows: "None of the area within the 100 year flood plain and 50% of the areas defined as jurisdictional wetlands may be used to satisfy minimum lot area requirements for multi-family uses? Regulations regarding perimeter buffers (see Site Plan Review and Subdivision Regulation 9.6.1.2) shall apply." (Reference to this note shall be inserted under "Municipal Water & Sewer" within the "Minimum Lot Area" category.)

NOTE: The proposed amendment revises the method by which density is calculated for multi-family development in the referenced zoning districts by requiring consideration of property characteristics, such as wetlands and floodplains, in the calculation of density.

YES 428
NO 590

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ARTICLES CONTINUED

Article 4: Zoning Amendment #3: Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment #3 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Amend Article 4, Section 4.3 Schedule II: Density & Dimensional Regulations - Residential, by changing the allowable height in the RU district from 50 feet to 35 feet and amend Note #18 by removing the phrase "Multi-unit" so that the note reads: "Buildings may have a maximum height of 50 feet if a special exception is granted by the ZBA."

YES 1435
NO 577

NOTE: The proposed amendment provides further clarification of the change made last year with respect to the height regulations in the RU-Rural district.

Article 5: Zoning Amendment #4: Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment #4 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Amend Article 4, Section 4.3 Schedule II: Density & Dimensional Regulations - Residential, by adding Note #19 in the minimum lot area columns for both the RU and R1 zoning districts? Note #19 shall state: "For proposed subdivisions of an existing lot(s) of record having a total combined area of 20 or greater acres, open space development pursuant to Article 7 is required unless waived by the Exeter Planning Board."

YES 1592
NO 450

NOTE: The Open Space Committee initiated the proposed amendment in an effort to promote environmental-sensitive development.

Article 6: Zoning Amendment #5: Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment #5 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Amend Article 6, Section 6.10.3 - Home Occupations - "Extent of Use" by revising the first sentence of the existing section to read as follows: "Does not utilize more than twenty-five percent (25%) of the combined gross floor area of the dwelling unit and accessory structures located on the premise, except foster family care?"

YES 1375
NO 534

NOTE: The proposed amendment provides further definition of the 25% floor area requirement permitted to be utilized by a home occupation.

Article 7: Zoning Amendment #6: Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment #6 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Amend Article 7, Section 7.6.1 Small Scale Multi-Family Open Space Development by revising sections A and B?

- A. The minimum area for a small scale multi-family open space development shall not be less than five (5) acres of contiguous land and not more than 24.9 acres of contiguous land.
- B. Density calculations for small-scale multi-family open space development shall be in accordance with Article 7.7.1 Density and section 7.13 Yield Plan of the Site Plan Review and Subdivision Regulations. Small scale multi-family open space development permits the planned grouping of up to five (5) attached dwelling units per structure. On parcels proposed for development that are less than ten (10) acres in size, no more than three (3) attached dwelling units per structure are allowed. The planning board may allow additional dwelling units per structure for the purpose of conserving additional open space. Regulations regarding perimeter buffers (see Site Plan Review and Subdivision Regulation 9.6.1.2) shall apply.

YES 1310
NO 672

NOTE: The proposed amendment is an effort to make the required density calculations for the small-scale multi-family open space development user-friendly and to promote multi-family development where permitted.

Article 8: Zoning Amendment #7: Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment #7 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Amend Section 7.6.2 Large Scale Multi-Family Open Space Development by revising section C?

- C. Density calculations for large-scale multi-family open space development shall be in accordance with Article 7.7.1. Density and Section 7.13 Yield Plan of the Site Plan Review and Subdivision Regulations. A large scale multi-family open space development permits the planned grouping of a minimum of six (6) multi-family dwelling units per structure and a maximum of twelve (12) multi-family dwelling units per structure. The planning board may allow additional dwelling units per structure for the purpose of conserving additional open space. Regulations regarding perimeter buffers (see Site Plan Review and Subdivision Regulation 9.6.1.2) shall apply.

YES 1178
NO 789

NOTE: The proposed amendment is an effort to make the required density calculations for the large-scale multi-family open space development user-friendly and to promote multi-family development where permitted.

Article 9: Zoning Amendment #8: Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment #8 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Amend Article 7, Section 7.7.3 Open Space and Common Areas by inserting the following sentence after the first sentence in this section: "Reasonable efforts must be made to locate common open space adjacent to protected open space in adjoining property or properties to the satisfaction of the Planning Board?"

YES 1602
NO 470

NOTE: The proposed amendment advises Applicants proposing open space subdivisions to connect proposed common and/or open space land associated with existing abutting protected open space land wherever possible. This would allow for greater connectivity of protected lands within Town.

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Article 10: Zoning Amendment #9: Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment #9 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Amend Article 9, Section 9.4.2 - Floodplain Development Ordinance, by updating the reference to the FEMA maps and revising present language as follows: "The following regulations in this ordinance shall apply to all lands designated as special flood hazard areas by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) in its "Flood Insurance Study for the County of Rockingham, NH" dated May 17, 2005, together with the associated Flood Insurance Rate Maps dated May 17, 2005, which are declared to be a part of this ordinance and are hereby incorporated by reference."?

NOTE: The proposed amendment is required in accordance with the revisions made by the Federal Emergency Management Agency and is essential in order for the Town to remain enrolled in the Flood Management Program.

YES 1750
NO 286

Article 11: Shall the Town choose all other necessary Town Officers, Auditors or Committees for the ensuing year, including the following?

Budget Recommendations Committee (1-year term):

James Baron	David Burden	Gerard Hamei	R.Neal Kimball
J.Curtis MacKail	Justin Merrill	Mark Moeller	Christopher Moutis
Stuart Peeke	Leonard Pichini	Geoffrey Simard	Anne Surman

YES 1763

Fence Viewer: Peter Dow **Measurer of Wood and Bark:** Robert Eastman **Weigher:** Jay Perkins, Sr.

NO 237

Article 12: Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$17,100,000 for the purpose of constructing a new water treatment plant on Holland Way and associated facilities, by the issuance of bonds and notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (NH RSA Chapter 33), with the understanding that \$600,000 of this amount will be paid from a grant from the Federal Government, and authorize the selectmen to issue and negotiate such bonds and notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon, with all expenses to be paid from rate payer fees? (The Board of Selectmen recommends this appropriation.)

YES 1331
NO 920
did not pass by 19 votes

Article 13: Shall the Town of Exeter 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 \$15,760,121? Should this article be defeated, the operating budget shall be \$15,052,819, 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. (The Board of Selectmen recommends this appropriation.)

YES 1321
NO 823

Article 14: Shall the Town raise and appropriate, through special warrant article, the sum of \$170,000 to supplement line item "2582-Contracted Paving", as shown in the Town's operating budget, for the purpose of rebuilding and/or paving Town streets and roads? (The Board of Selectmen recommends this appropriation.)

YES 1640
NO 545

Article 15: Shall the Town raise and appropriate, through special warrant article, the sum of \$140,000 for the purpose of repairing exterior brick and brownstone at the Town Hall? (Three of the five members of the Board of Selectmen recommend this appropriation.)

YES 1002
NO 1147

Article 16: Shall the Town raise and appropriate \$192,415 from the general fund to be placed in the Ambulance Expendable Trust Fund? This amount is equal to the revenue raised in 2004 from ambulance transports specifically for the Ambulance Trust Fund. Passage of this article will not impact the tax rate.

YES 1720
NO 445

Article 17: Shall the Town raise and appropriate, through special warrant article, the sum of \$100,000 for the purchase of a portion of a parcel of land off the Epping Road, specifically referred to as Map 47, Lot 8, to be available as a site for construction of future Fire Department and/or other municipal facilities? (The Board of Selectmen recommends this appropriation.)

YES 1278
NO 915

Article 18: Shall the Town raise and appropriate, through special warrant article, the sum of \$100,000 for the purpose of a detailed study of building use options for the Town Office Building, to include remediation of lead and indoor air pollution, analysis of current functions, space needs, preliminary designs and cost estimates for suggested solutions, including possible use of the Town Hall? (The Board of Selectmen recommends this appropriation.)

YES 1093
NO 1085

Article 19: Shall the Town raise and appropriate, through special warrant article, the sum of \$80,000 to complete the replacement of storm windows at the Town Hall? (The Board of Selectmen recommends this appropriation.)

YES 1343
NO 840

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ARTICLES CONTINUED

Article 20: Shall the Town raise and appropriate, through special warrant article, the sum of \$77,000 for the purpose of purchasing a sidewalk plow to replace the Department of Public Works' 25-year old sidewalk plow? (Four of the five members of the Board of Selectmen recommend this appropriation.)	<input checked="" type="radio"/> YES 1280 <input type="radio"/> NO 873
Article 21: Shall the Town raise and appropriate, through special warrant article, the sum of \$72,080, to be added to the previously established Town Retirement Sick Leave Expendable Trust Fund, and authorize the Board of Selectmen to expend monies from said fund? (The Board of Selectmen recommends this appropriation.)	<input checked="" type="radio"/> YES 1118 <input type="radio"/> NO 968
Article 22: Shall the Town raise and appropriate, through special warrant article, the sum of \$55,000 for the purpose of constructing a fire-rated stairwell in the Town Hall and making repairs to the Town Hall floor and stage? (Three of the five members of the Board of Selectmen recommend this appropriation.)	<input checked="" type="radio"/> YES 922 <input type="radio"/> NO 1157
Article 23: Shall the Town raise and appropriate, through special warrant article, the sum of \$55,000, of which \$20,000 will be paid out of private funds, for the purpose of making improvements to the intersection of Hampton Road and Holland Way? (Four of the five members of the Board of Selectmen recommend this appropriation.)	<input checked="" type="radio"/> YES 974 <input type="radio"/> NO 1098
Article 24: Shall the Town raise and appropriate, through special warrant article, the sum of \$50,000 for the purpose of purchasing a Fire Department Command Car to replace the Department's seven year-old SUV? (Four of the five members of the Board of Selectmen recommend this appropriation.)	<input checked="" type="radio"/> YES 738 <input type="radio"/> NO 1329
Article 25: Shall the Town raise and appropriate, through special warrant article, the sum of \$44,000 for the purpose of purchasing a 1-ton truck with dump body and plow to replace the Parks and Recreation Department's 10-year-old 3/4 ton truck? (The Board of Selectmen recommends this appropriation.)	<input checked="" type="radio"/> YES 1259 <input type="radio"/> NO 864
Article 26: Shall the Town establish a Municipal Transportation Improvement Fund to assist the community in supporting, wholly or in part, improvements to the local and regional transportation system as set forth in RSA 261:153 VI? This will be a capital reserve fund whose proceeds are to be used to fund, or partially fund through matching grants, eligible local transportation projects such as parking improvements, public transportation, roadway improvements, traffic management, signal upgrades, and development of new bicycle paths and sidewalks. Furthermore, to name the Board of Selectmen as agents to make expenditures from this fund not to exceed \$25,000 per project.	<input checked="" type="radio"/> YES 1277 <input type="radio"/> NO 794
Article 27: Shall the Town raise and appropriate, through special warrant article, the sum of \$40,000 for the purpose of purchasing and installing three "pay and display" parking pay stations to be located in the Town Parking lot between Water and Bow Streets? Revenues from the parking pay stations are to be placed in the aforementioned Municipal Transportation Improvement Fund after the initial investment is reimbursed to the General Fund. (Four of the five members of the Board of Selectmen recommend this appropriation.)	<input checked="" type="radio"/> YES 981 <input type="radio"/> NO 1121
Article 28: Shall the Town raise and appropriate, through special warrant article, the sum of \$37,000 for the purpose of purchasing a "hotbox" for storing and transporting hot top to replace the Department of Public Works' 10-year-old hotbox? (The Board of Selectmen recommends this appropriation.)	<input checked="" type="radio"/> YES 1136 <input type="radio"/> NO 952
Article 29: Shall the Town raise and appropriate, through special warrant article, the sum of \$28,000 to repair the roof of the Town's Park and Recreation Building? (The Board of Selectmen recommends this appropriation.)	<input checked="" type="radio"/> YES 1590 <input type="radio"/> NO 535
Article 30: Shall the Town raise and appropriate, through special warrant article, the sum of \$25,000 to expand the parking at the Recreation Park? (The Board of Selectmen recommends this appropriation.)	<input checked="" type="radio"/> YES 1120 <input type="radio"/> NO 980
Article 31: Shall the Town raise and appropriate, through special warrant article, the sum of \$25,000, to redesign the entrance to the Public Safety Complex, to address problems of freeze and thaw damage to the roof, footings and metal supports for the glass at the entrance to the Complex? (Four of the five members of the Board of Selectmen recommend this appropriation.)	<input checked="" type="radio"/> YES 1066 <input type="radio"/> NO 996
Article 32: Shall the Town raise and appropriate, through special warrant article, the sum of \$19,944 for support of the Rockingham County Visiting Nurses Association and Hospice, an agency that provides at home nursing and hospice care to Exeter residents? (The Board of Selectmen recommends this appropriation.)	<input checked="" type="radio"/> YES 1802 <input type="radio"/> NO 336
Article 33: Shall the Town raise and appropriate, through special warrant article, the sum of \$10,500, for support of the Seacoast Regional Mental Health Center, an agency that provides mental health services to residents of Exeter? (The Board of Selectmen recommends this appropriation.)	<input checked="" type="radio"/> YES 1668 <input type="radio"/> NO 462
Article 34: Shall the Town raise and appropriate, through special warrant article, the sum of \$3,200, for support of the Retired Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP), an agency that provides community services at no charge to the elderly of Exeter? (The Board of Selectmen recommends this appropriation.)	<input checked="" type="radio"/> YES 1827 <input type="radio"/> NO 322
Article 35: Shall the Town raise and appropriate, through special warrant article, the sum of \$2,495, for support of Great Bay Kids Company, an agency that provides daycare for Exeter children? (The Board of Selectmen recommends this appropriation.)	<input checked="" type="radio"/> YES 1545 <input type="radio"/> NO 599

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Article 36: Shall the Town raise and appropriate, through special warrant article, the sum of \$800, for support of the Seacoast Chapter of the American Red Cross, an agency that provides emergency service and care to Exeter residents? (The Board of Selectmen recommends this appropriation.)

YES 1748
NO 447

Article 37: Shall the Town authorize the Board of Selectmen to appoint replacements to the Exeter Budget Recommendation Committee to fill unexpected vacancies during an elected term due to resignation or illness?

YES 1717
NO 405

Article 38: Shall the Town establish a Recreation Revolving Fund pursuant to NH RSA Chapter 35-B-2? The money received from fees and/or charges for recreational programs established by the Town of Exeter Parks and Recreation Department, and donations to it, shall be allowed to accumulate from year to year, and shall not be considered to be part of the Town's General Fund unreserved fund balance. The Town Treasurer shall have custody of all monies in the fund, and shall pay out the same only upon order of the Board of Selectmen. These funds may be expended only for recreation purposes as stated in NH RSA 35-B, and shall not require the expenditure of other Town funds, which have not been appropriated for these purposes.

YES 1599
NO 482

Article 39: On petition of Frank Manter and others, shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$45,000 toward the completion of the Swasey Park Pavilion which is to replace the existing stage for town events? This amount will be matched, in kind, by the Friends of Swasey Park Pavilion. (The Board of Selectmen does not recommend this appropriation.)

YES 747
NO 388

Article 40: On petition of Leslie Haslam and others, shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$500 for support of the Adult Tutorial Program of Rockingham County, an agency providing adult literacy, GED prep, adult basic education, and English as a second language instruction? (The Board of Selectmen does not recommend this appropriation.)

YES 1183
NO 966

Article 41: On petition of George M. Walker and others, shall the voters of Exeter vote to require the Board of Selectmen and all other Boards conducting public meetings or governmental meetings in Exeter, prior to the commencement of said meeting, recite the "Pledge of Allegiance"?

YES 882
NO 1259

Article 42: On petition of Lenore Badolato and others, shall the Town vote for support of Dragon Mosquito Control, an agency providing mosquito eradication?

YES 1171
NO 801

Article 43: On petition of Alan C. Bailey and others, shall the voters modify the Elderly Exemptions from property tax in the Town of Exeter, based on assessment for qualified taxpayers, to be as follows: for a person 65 years of age and up to the age of 75 years, \$145,000; for a person 75 years of age and up to the age of 80 years, \$175,000; for a person 80 years old or older, \$225,000? To qualify the person must have been a resident of New Hampshire for at least five (5) consecutive years preceding April 1 of the year in which the exemption is claimed, own the real estate individually or jointly, or if such person's spouse owns the real estate, they must have been married for at least five (5) years. In addition, the taxpayer must have a net income of not more than \$38,500 or, if married, a combined income of less than \$49,500; and own net assets not in excess of \$185,000 excluding the value of the person's residence.

YES 1226
NO 829

Article 44: On petition of Alan C. Bailey and others, shall the voters of Exeter vote that the individual property tax bills end of year mailing include a copy of the associated assessment record or "tax card" beginning in the year 2005?

YES 1354
NO 650

Article 45: On petition of Alan C. Bailey and others, shall the voters of Exeter vote to restore Clifford Street to two-way traffic?

YES 810
NO 1188

Article 46: On petition of Donald R. Clement and others, shall the Town vote to deposit 50%, up to a limit of \$50,000 a year, of the revenues collected pursuant to Revised Statutes Annotated 79-A (municipal use change tax allocation) into the conservation fund in accordance with Revised Statutes Annotated 36-A:5, III as authorized by Revised Statutes Annotated 79-A:25,II?

YES 913
NO 948

Article 47: On petition of Herbert Moyer and others, shall the Town vote to recommend the Board of Selectmen to join more than 365 other American communities and 4 states in publicly and formally reaffirming unconditional support of the U. S. Bill of Rights and the U. S. Constitution?

YES 1219
NO 821

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ARTICLES CONTINUED

Article 48: On petition of Judy Maudlin and others, shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,000 for the support of the New Outlook Teen Center, an agency providing recreational, educational and prevention programming for youths ages 11-18 and families in Greater Exeter? (The Board of Selectmen does not recommend this appropriation.)

YES 1202
NO 885

Article 49: On petition of Patricia Yosha and others, shall the Town vote to designate the Town's cable channel(s) Government, Education and Community Access; establish a Community Access Cable TV Committee with board representation from the various interest segments of the community charged with the responsibility for overseeing the appropriate programming, scheduling and channel access; and to allocate one third of the approximately \$24,000 annual cable company payment to the Town for the purpose of community access programming and broadcast?

YES 992
NO 983

YOU HAVE NOW COMPLETED VOTING