

SAMPLE BALLOT



1919 voted
€ 1795 (in person
124 absentee ballots)

BALLOT 1 OF 2

OFFICIAL BALLOT
ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION
EXETER, NEW HAMPSHIRE
MARCH 8, 2011

Linda Hartson
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>FOR TOWN MODERATOR</p> <p>Two Year Term Vote for not more than ONE</p> <p>CHARLES F. TUCKER 1,550</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><input type="radio"/></p> <p style="text-align: center;">(Write-in)</p>	<p>FOR TOWN TREASURER</p> <p>Three Year Term Vote for not more than ONE</p> <p>DONALD BRABANT 1,477</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><input type="radio"/></p> <p style="text-align: center;">(Write-in)</p>	<p>FOR TRUSTEES OF ROBINSON FUND</p> <p>Seven Year Term Vote for not more than ONE</p> <p>BARBARA "BUNNY" GAGNE 1423</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><input type="radio"/></p> <p style="text-align: center;">(Write-in)</p>
<p>FOR SELECTMEN</p> <p>Three Year Term Vote for not more than TWO</p> <p>MATTHEW "MATT" QUANDT 1,072</p> <p>JOHN T. CHILDS 559</p> <p>FRANCIS "FRANK" FERRARO 903</p> <p>RENEE O'BARTON 706</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><input type="radio"/></p> <p style="text-align: center;">(Write-in)</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><input type="radio"/></p> <p style="text-align: center;">(Write-in)</p>	<p>FOR SUPERVISOR OF CHECKLIST</p> <p>Three Year Term Vote for not more than ONE</p> <p>ROBERT "BOB" EASTMAN 1,440</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><input type="radio"/></p> <p style="text-align: center;">(Write-in)</p>	<p>FOR TRUSTEES OF SWASEY PARKWAY</p> <p>Three Year Term Vote for not more than ONE</p> <p>JAY PERKINS, SR. 1,451</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><input type="radio"/></p> <p style="text-align: center;">(Write-in)</p>
<p>FOR TOWN CLERK</p> <p>Three Year Term Vote for not more than ONE</p> <p>LINDA HARTSON 1,539</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><input type="radio"/></p> <p style="text-align: center;">(Write-in)</p>	<p>FOR TRUSTEES OF THE LIBRARY</p> <p>Three Year Term Vote for not more than THREE</p> <p>BARRY SANDBERG 723</p> <p>JAMES BATTLES 738</p> <p>FELICIA DONOVAN 1,007</p> <p>KIMBERLY BRISTOL MCCARTHY 862</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><input type="radio"/></p> <p style="text-align: center;">(Write-in)</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><input type="radio"/></p> <p style="text-align: center;">(Write-in)</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><input type="radio"/></p> <p style="text-align: center;">(Write-in)</p>	<p>FOR TRUSTEES OF TOWN TRUST FUNDS</p> <p>Three Year Term Vote for not more than ONE</p> <p>MARGARET "PEG" DUHAMEL 1,474</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><input type="radio"/></p> <p style="text-align: center;">(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: YES 903

Amend Article 3.2 Zoning Map by rezoning Tax Map/Lot # 88-3, #88-4 and # 88-5 from an R-1, Single Family Residential zoning district to an I-Industrial Zoning District. NO 737

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: YES 1,110

Amend Article 2.2.50 Multi-Use definition by clarifying the existing definition and adding density requirements for same within the C-2 and NP districts. NO 506

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: YES 1,131

Amend Article 5.3.1. by deleting subsection B. (Lot Merger Clause) in its entirety according to legislation that has recently passed which no longer allows for mandatory merging of non-conforming lots. NO 452

ARTICLES CONTINUED

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 5.7.7 and 5.7.8 of the Historic District Sign Regulations to further clarify the titles of each section by adding the phrase "Zoning Districts" to the end of each title.

YES 100
NO 536

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, SUPPLEMENTARY USE REGULATIONS, by adding a new section entitled: "6.18 Cemetery Regulations", in accordance with state regulations.

YES 293
NO 337

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 9.1.5 Permitted Uses, by adding to the list of allowances elevated, uncovered decks (including gazebo or garden-type structures), storage sheds and native non-invasive plantings.

YES 148
NO 476

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 Article 9.1. Wetlands Conservation District to make corrections and clarifications within sections 9.1.1.A, 9.1.3.F, 9.1.5.B, 9.1.6.A.3.

YES 182
NO 403

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 Section 9.3.4 Use Regulations – subsection C. Building Setbacks" to clarify and correct a reference.

YES 181
NO 392

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 Section 9.4 FLOODPLAIN DEVELOPMENT ORDINANCE by deleting the present Floodplain Development Ordinance in its entirety and replace it with a new ordinance tailored to the needs of the Town of Exeter.

YES 150
NO 435

Article 11: Zoning Amendment #10: Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment #10 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Amend Article 12.4 LIMITS OF APPROVAL by allowing the Zoning Board of Adjustment to grant one-year extensions to previously granted approvals.

YES 1062
NO 505

Article 12 Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of six-million three-hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$6,350,000) for the design and construction of a new groundwater treatment facility at Gilman Park or on property in the adjacent area to include land around the Lary Lane Well, equipping and upgrading the Lary Lane, Gilman Park, and Stadium Well facilities, together with necessary water main upgrades, and authorize the issuance of not more than (\$6,350,000) of bonds or notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA 33), and authorize the Board of Selectmen to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon; furthermore, authorize the Board of Selectmen to accept any state or federal grants related to the project? Debt service will be paid from the water fund. (A 3/5 ballot vote required for approval.) Recommended by the Board of Selectmen

DID NOT PASS

YES 082
NO 753

(NOTE: This project is eligible for 30% forgiveness from the principal and interest on an SRF loan from the New Hampshire DES that may range from 3.0 to 4.4 million dollars.)

59%

Article 13 Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of two million nine hundred thousand dollars (\$2,900,000) for the purpose of making water, sewer, and drainage improvements to the Jady Hill area, including replacement and repair of water and sewer lines to address inflow and infiltration problems to the Town's sewer system, and authorize the issuance of not more than (\$2,900,000) of bonds or notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA 33), and authorize the Board of Selectmen to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and determine the rate of interest thereon; furthermore, authorize the Board of Selectmen to accept any state or federal grants related to the project? Debt service will be paid \$2,650,000 from the sewer fund, \$250,000 from the general fund. (A 3/5 ballot vote required for approval.) Recommended by the Board of Selectmen

DID NOT PASS 4390

YES 789
NO 1049

Article 14 Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of (\$750,000) for the purpose of replacing water meters throughout the Town, and authorize the issuance of not more than seven hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$750,000) of bonds or notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA 33), and authorize the Board of Selectmen to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and determine the rate of interest thereon; furthermore, authorize the Board of Selectmen to accept any state or federal grants related to the project? Debt service will be paid from the water fund. (A 3/5 ballot vote required for approval.) Recommended by the Board of Selectmen

DID NOT PASS 49990

YES 905
NO 910

(NOTE: This project is eligible for 30% forgiveness from the principal and interest on an SRF loan from the New Hampshire of \$750,000.)



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Article 15 Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of five hundred seventy-five thousand dollars (\$575,000) for the purpose of replacing two aged and defective culverts over Norris Brook, and authorize the issuance of not more than (\$575,000) of bonds or notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA 33), and authorize the Board of Selectmen to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon; furthermore, authorize the Board of Selectmen to accept any state or federal grants related to the project? (A 3/5 ballot vote required for approval.) Recommended by the Board of Selectmen

YES 936
NO 843
DID NOT PASS 53%

Article 16 Shall the Town choose all necessary Town Officers, Auditors or Committees for the ensuing year, including the following: **BUDGET RECOMMENDATIONS COMMITTEE:** Carol Walker Aten, Donald Brabant, Daniel Chartrand, Allan Corey, Robert Kelly, Mark Leighton, Corey Stevens, Harry Thayer, Donald Woodward. **Measurer of Wood & Bark:** Douglas Eastman; **Weigher:** Jay Perkins, Sr.; **Fence Viewer:** Douglas Eastman

YES 1272
NO 453

Article 17 Shall the Town of Exeter not establish an official Budget Committee consistent with the Municipal Budget Law, RSA 32:14 and RSA 32:15? Further, shall the Town continue with the Budget Recommendations Committee currently in place, created by a vote of the 1857 Town Meeting with the said committee having not more than twelve (12) at large members?

YES 948
NO 644

Article 18 Shall the Town vote to have all members of the Municipal Budget Committee appointed by the Moderator?

YES 610
NO 997

Article 19 Shall the Town vote to recommend that the Board of Selectmen re-establish the Water and Sewer Advisory Committee with no more than seven (7) members to be chosen in accordance with the Board of Selectmen's policies governing appointments to volunteer boards, committees and commissions? To further recommend that the charge of this Committee be similar to that of the former Committee in that they should provide advice to the Board of Selectmen regarding the water and sewer systems for the Town of Exeter including rates, budget development, abatements and capital improvements?

YES 1270
NO 453

Article 20 Shall the Town upon the re-establishment of the Water and Sewer Advisory Committee, vote to have the Board of Selectmen appoint seven (7) members in accordance with the Board of Selectmen's policies governing board appointments to volunteer boards, committees and commissions within 45 days of passage?

YES 1136
NO 507

Article 21 Shall the Town confirm Article 37 of the 2010 Town Warrant for cable access?

YES 895
NO 833

Article 22 Shall the Town of Exeter establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1, known as the Highway Improvement Fund, for the purpose of improving town roads and to appoint the Selectmen as agents to expend from the fund? Further, shall the Town recommend to the Board of Selectmen that they should annually place an article on the Town Warrant to appropriate funds to the Highway Improvement Fund? Such appropriations should come from franchise fee revenue received from the Town's cable provider to the extent such revenue is not otherwise restricted or reserved by the action of the legislative body. The monies in the fund shall be allowed to accumulate from year to year and shall not be considered a part of the Town's general fund unreserved fund balance. Funds in the Highway Improvement Fund may be expended only for the purpose for which the fund was created.

YES 1128
NO 607

Article 23 Shall the Town of Exeter vote, to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Hundred (\$500) dollars and no cents to defray the expense of the annual Exeter Holiday Christmas Parade for the public under the direction of the Selectmen or a committee to be appointed to serve gratuitously for this purpose? (Majority vote required) Recommended by the Board of Selectmen

YES 1268
NO 560

Article 24 Shall the Town of Exeter 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 \$20,163,648? Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be \$19,960,113, 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. (Majority vote required) Recommended by the Board of Selectmen

YES 892
NO 899

ARTICLES CONTINUED

Article 25 Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate, through special warrant article, the sum of three-hundred fifty-four thousand, two-hundred dollars (\$354,200) for the purpose of purchasing a portion of the Goupil property (tax map 73, lot 276) (the 'old train station baggage building') on Lincoln Street, and converting it into a visitor's center and ticket office for the community? The total project cost is \$403,200, with a federal grant offset of \$282,240 funding 70% of the project, in-kind services from the Town Department of Public Works and other organizations funding \$49,000 of the project, and general taxation funding \$71,960 of the project. (Majority vote required) Recommended by the Board of Selectmen

YES 1127
NO 657

Article 26 Shall the Town vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into 7-year lease/purchase agreement(s) for the purpose of lease/purchasing each of the following pieces of equipment for the Department of Public Works:

Equipment	Principle	Interest	Total
Hwy 6-Wheel Dump Truck	\$150,614	\$27,111	\$177,725
Sidewalk Tractor	\$125,000	\$22,500	\$147,500
Total	\$275,614	\$49,611	\$325,225

and raise and appropriate the sum of \$51,776 in 2011, which represents the first of 7 annual payments (a total of \$325,225), for this purpose? These lease agreements shall contain an escape clause. (Majority vote required) Recommended by the Board of Selectmen

YES 853
NO 897

Article 27 Shall the Town vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into a 5-year lease/purchase agreement for the purpose of lease/purchasing SCBA (Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus) equipment for the Exeter Fire Department, and raise and appropriate the sum of \$62,843, which represents the first of 5 annual payments (a total of \$291,128), for this purpose? This lease agreement shall contain an escape clause. (Majority vote required) Recommended by the Board of Selectmen

YES 1079
NO 692

Article 28 Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of two-hundred fifty-thousand dollars (\$250,000), to be added to the Town's paving budget, for the purpose of paving town roads? (Majority vote required) Recommended by the Board of Selectmen

YES 1087
NO 657

Article 29 Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate, through special warrant article, the sum of one-hundred forty-seven thousand dollars (\$147,000) for the purpose of completing the final phase of structural repairs and improvements to the brick exterior of the Town Hall, as recommended in the 2001 structural engineering report completed for the Town by SEA Engineers? (Majority vote required) Recommended by the Board of Selectmen

YES 1017
NO 725

Article 30 Shall the Town vote to authorize the purchase of a conservation easement on the Rider Property located in both Exeter and Kensington, which easement will be acquired by both the Town of Exeter and the Town of Kensington, and raise and appropriate the sum of forty-thousand dollars (\$40,000), by special warrant article, to go toward that purchase? This sum will be combined with the \$32,000 available from the Exeter Conservation Bond approved by the 2003 Town Meeting and \$13,000 from the Exeter Conservation Fund to fund Exeter's 12.5% share of the total purchase price. The balance of the purchase price will come from the Town of Kensington (12.5%), from a Farm and Ranch Land protection grant (50%), and by donation from the landowner (25%). (Majority vote required) Recommended by the Board of Selectmen

YES 980
NO 757

Article 31 Shall the Town vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into a 3-year lease/purchase agreement for the purpose of lease/purchasing a utility dump truck for the Department of Public Works, and raise and appropriate the sum of \$20,329 in 2011, which represents the first of 3 annual payments (a total of \$58,569), for this purpose? This lease agreement shall contain an escape clause. (Majority vote required) Recommended by the Board of Selectmen

YES 776
NO 934

Article 32 Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate, through special warrant article, the sum of thirty-seven thousand dollars (\$37,000) for the purpose of completing two projects identified in the Raynes Farm Long Range Development Plan including the full replacement of the barn roof, and demolition of the silo connector and the rebuilding of the barn opening on the Town-owned barn located on the Town-owned Raynes Farm property on Newfields Road? (Majority vote required) Recommended by the Board of Selectmen

YES 661
NO 1,054

Article 33 Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate, through special warrant article, the sum of twenty-one thousand, six hundred ninety-five dollars (\$21,695), for the support of various Human Service agencies that will serve Exeter residents in 2011: Agencies: New Generation Shelter (\$2,000); Families First (\$3,000); New Outlook Teen Center (\$2,700); Great Bay Red Cross (\$800); Great Bay Kids (\$2,495); Seacoast Mental Health (\$8,500); RSVP (\$2,200)? (Majority vote required) Recommended by the Board of Selectmen

YES 1329
NO 431

Article 34 Shall we adopt the provisions of RSA 41-14:a which, if adopted, will authorize the Board of Selectmen to acquire or sell land, buildings, or both: provided it first complies with statutory requirements, including consultation with the planning board and conservation commission, and the holding of two duly noticed public hearings?

YES 961
NO 697

Article 35 Shall the Town vote to increase the current motor vehicle local option fee from \$2.50 to \$3.25 to fund transportation services for senior and disabled residents and transportation service needs consistent with RSA 261:153 VI? Proceeds from the fee will be deposited into the Town's Municipal Transportation Improvement Fund. This article will not impact the tax rate.

YES 1127
NO 626

YOU HAVE NOW COMPLETED VOTING