



12,729 Voters + 12 New Voters = 12,741
1653 total votes cast. 130% turnout

BALLOT 1 OF 2

OFFICIAL BALLOT
ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION
EXETER, NEW HAMPSHIRE
MARCH 14, 2017

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>FOR MODERATOR</p> <p style="text-align: right; font-size: small;">Vote for not more than ONE</p> <p>Two Year Term</p> <p>PAUL SCAFIDI 1220 ●</p> <p style="text-align: right;">(Write-in) ○</p>	<p>FOR TOWN TREASURER</p> <p style="text-align: right; font-size: small;">Vote for not more than ONE</p> <p>Three Year Term</p> <p>ALLAN W. COREY 367 ○</p> <p>SUSAN PENNY 784 ●</p> <p style="text-align: right;">(Write-in) ○</p>	<p>FOR TRUSTEE OF THE ROBINSON FUND</p> <p style="text-align: right; font-size: small;">Vote for not more than ONE</p> <p>Seven Year Term</p> <p>KATHERINE B. MILLER 617 ●</p> <p>LANGDON PLUMER 559 ○</p> <p style="text-align: right;">(Write-in) ○</p>
<p>FOR SELECTMEN</p> <p style="text-align: right; font-size: small;">Vote for not more than TWO</p> <p>Three Year Term</p> <p>KATHY CORSON 895 ●</p> <p>KELLY J. BERGERON 568 ○</p> <p>PAUL APPLE FLYNN 582 ○</p> <p>ANNE L. SURMAN 757 ●</p> <p style="text-align: right;">(Write-in) ○</p> <p style="text-align: right;">(Write-in) ○</p>	<p>FOR TRUSTEES OF THE LIBRARY</p> <p style="text-align: right; font-size: small;">Vote for not more than THREE</p> <p>Three Year Term</p> <p>STEPHANIE CANTY 679 ●</p> <p>LISA CHILDS-WILSON 718 ●</p> <p>SHERRY KOSTENBADER 491 ○</p> <p>ROBIN LENT 377 ○</p> <p>JAMES PESCHEL 494 ●</p> <p style="text-align: right;">(Write-in) ○</p> <p style="text-align: right;">(Write-in) ○</p> <p style="text-align: right;">(Write-in) ○</p>	<p>FOR TRUSTEE OF THE SWASEY PARKWAY</p> <p style="text-align: right; font-size: small;">Vote for not more than ONE</p> <p>Three Year Term</p> <p>FLORENCE RUFFNER 670 ●</p> <p>JOSEPH MIKULSKY 552 ○</p> <p>ESTHER OLSON-MURPHY 149 ○</p> <p style="text-align: right;">(Write-in) ○</p>
<p>FOR TOWN CLERK</p> <p style="text-align: right; font-size: small;">Vote for not more than ONE</p> <p>Three Year Term</p> <p>ANDREA J. KOHLER 1270 ●</p> <p style="text-align: right;">(Write-in) ○</p>		<p>FOR TRUSTEE OF TRUST FUNDS</p> <p style="text-align: right; font-size: small;">Vote for not more than ONE</p> <p>Three Year Term</p> <p>KATHLEEN MACDOUGALL 1167 ●</p> <p style="text-align: right;">(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: to allow accessory dwelling units as a Special Exception in the R-4 Multi-Family Residential Zoning District and to allow accessory dwelling units to be a minimum of seven hundred and fifty (750) square feet as required by the new state law that will become effective June 1, 2017 and to allow accessory dwelling units in all districts where they are currently allowed to be up to a maximum of nine hundred (900) square feet or 1/3 of the finished floor area, whichever is less?

1091
YES ●
NO ○
370

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: to require that all newly created building lots have frontage (a) on a public road or (b) shown on a subdivision plan approved by the Planning Board and constructed to Town specifications and for which surety has been posted to guarantee construction of all improvements required by the Planning Board? The minimum frontage required for all newly created building lots shall be the same as the minimum lot width required in the zoning ordinance.

1137
YES ●
NO ○
335

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: Deleting Section 6.8.3 of the zoning ordinance that requires an eighty-five (85) foot building setback and a seventy-five (75) foot parking setback in the commercial area of Epping Road between Industrial Drive and NH Route 101 and allowing the existing setback of fifty (50) feet set forth in Table 4.4 Schedule III of the zoning ordinance to control?

1034
YES ●
NO ○
431

TURN BALLOT OVER AND CONTINUE VOTING

ARTICLES CONTINUED

Article 5

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of two million eight hundred two thousand dollars (\$2,802,000) for the design and construction of road, sidewalk, streetscape, drainage, stormwater management, water and sewer improvements on Lincoln Street, Tremont Street, and Daniel Street, and to authorize the issuance of not more than \$2,802,000 of bonds or notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA 33); and further to authorize the Board of Selectmen to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon. Debt service will be paid from the general fund (\$1,702,000), the sewer fund (\$932,000) and the water fund (\$168,000). (3/5 ballot vote required for approval.) Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0.

1121
YES
NO
 428

Article 6

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one million five hundred thousand dollars (\$1,500,000) for the design and construction of drinking water system improvements to decrease the formation of trihalomethanes (THM's) and to authorize the issuance of not more than \$1,500,000 of bonds or notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA 33); and further to authorize the Board of Selectmen to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon. Debt service will be paid from the water fund. (3/5 ballot vote required for approval.) Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0.

1299
YES
NO
 264

Article 7

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one million three hundred eighty one thousand dollars (\$1,381,000) for the replacement of culverts and associated bridge reconstruction work on Court Street at Little River and to authorize the issuance of not more than \$1,381,000 of bonds or notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA 33); and further to authorize the Board of Selectmen to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon. Debt service will be paid from the general fund (\$1,336,000) and the water fund (\$45,000) (3/5 ballot vote required for approval.) Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0.

1107
YES
NO
 413

Article 8

To choose all other necessary Town Officers, Auditors or Committees for the ensuing year. **BUDGET RECOMMENDATIONS COMMITTEE:** Pat Ballantyne, Nancy Belanger, Len Benjamin, Rob Ficara, Nicholas Gray, Fran Hall, Bob Kelly, Peter Lennon, Niko Papakonstantis, Steve Ramsey, Judy Rowan, Christine Soutter
FENCE VIEWER: Doug Eastman; **MEASURER OF WOOD & BARK:** Doug Eastman; **WEIGHER:** Jay Perkins

1215
YES
NO
 193

Article 9

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 \$18,137,426. Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be \$17,908,273 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 3-2.

903
YES
NO
 597

Article 10

Shall the Town of Exeter 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 \$3,308,733. Should this article be defeated, the water default budget shall be \$3,254,972 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 Board of Selectmen 5-0.

1189
YES
NO
 347

Article 11

Shall the Town of Exeter 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 \$2,383,661. Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be \$2,350,970 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 Board of Selectmen 5-0.

1174
YES
NO
 356

Article 12

Shall the Town will vote to approve the cost items included in the collective bargaining agreement reached between the Board of Selectmen and the SEIU (Service Employees International Union) Local 1984 for FY17 and FY18 which calls for the following salaries and benefits at the current staffing levels:

Year	Estimated Salary/Benefits Increase		
	General Fund	Water Fund	Sewer Fund
FY17	\$13,730	\$10,502	\$10,024
FY18	\$36,093	\$12,516	\$9,781

1143
YES
NO
 371

And further, to raise and appropriate the sum of thirty-four thousand two hundred fifty six dollars (\$34,256) for the 2017 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 Board of Selectmen 5-0.

GO TO NEXT BALLOT AND CONTINUE VOTING



**OFFICIAL BALLOT
ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION
EXETER, NEW HAMPSHIRE
MARCH 14, 2017**

Andrea J. Kohler
TOWN CLERK

ARTICLES CONTINUED

Article 13

Shall the Town vote to approve the cost items included in the collective bargaining agreement reached between the Board of Selectmen and the Exeter New England Police Benevolent Association for FY17 which calls for the following salaries and benefits at the current staffing levels:

Year	Estimated Salary/Benefits Increase
FY17	\$7,879

1197

YES

NO

351

And further, to raise and appropriate the sum of seven thousand eight hundred seventy-nine dollars (\$7,879) for the 2017 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 Board of Selectmen 5-0.

Article 14

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of five hundred forty one thousand two hundred sixty one dollars (\$541,261) for the purpose of constructing sidewalks on a portion of Epping Road, a portion of Spring Street, and Winter Street, with \$108,252 coming from general taxation as a grant match; with the remaining \$433,009 to be funded through a NHDOT grant; furthermore, to authorize the Board of Selectmen 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 will be a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7, VI and will not lapse until the project is completed or December 31, 2020, whichever is later. (Majority vote required) Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0.

1174

YES

NO

397

Article 15

Shall the Town vote to amend Article 19 of the 2015 Town Meeting which raised funds for the Kingston Road Improvements, to extend the expiration date of the appropriation per RSA 32:7, VI from December 31, 2017 to December 31, 2020, or until the project is complete, whichever is sooner. (Majority vote required) Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0.

1186

YES

NO

357

Article 16

Shall the Town vote to amend Article 19 of the 2015 Town Meeting which raised funds for the Kingston Road Improvements, and to raise and appropriate an additional three hundred five thousand dollars (\$305,000) for the purpose of constructing sidewalks on a portion of Kingston Road in addition to widened shoulders (bike paths) on Kingston Road, with \$185,000 raised by taxation, with the remaining \$120,000 to be funded through approved NHDOT grant funds. This Article will not become effective unless Article 15 is approved. (Majority vote required) Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0.

1102

YES

NO

453

Article 17

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate via special warrant article the sum of one hundred thirty thousand dollars (\$130,000) for the purpose of replacing the current Town Hall staircase in the rear interior of the building with a code compliant fire rated staircase to meet applicable building, fire and life safety codes. (Majority vote required) Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3-2.

957

YES

NO

584

Article 18

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate via special warrant article the sum of sixty eight thousand dollars (\$68,000) for the purpose of designing a replacement water line on Washington Street from Front Street to Brentwood Road. This sum to come from water fees. (Majority vote required) Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0.

1205

YES

NO

345

Article 19

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) to be added to the Sick Leave Expendable Trust Fund previously established. This sum to come from general fund surplus. (Majority vote required) Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0.

1019

YES

NO

508

Article 20

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 general fund surplus. (Majority vote required) Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0.

1210

YES

NO

342

TURN BALLOT OVER AND CONTINUE VOTING

ARTICLES CONTINUED

Article 21

Shall the Town vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into a 5-year lease/purchase agreement for \$168,970 for the purpose of lease/purchasing a dump truck for the Exeter Highway Department to replace a 2004 dump truck, and to raise and appropriate the sum of thirty-three thousand seven hundred ninety four dollars (\$33,794), which represents the first of 5 annual payments for that purpose. This lease/purchase will contain an escape (non-appropriation) clause. (Majority vote required) Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0.

1119
YES
NO
356

Article 22

Shall the Town vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into a 5-year lease/purchase agreement for \$137,720 for the purpose of lease/purchasing a backhoe replacement for the Exeter Highway Department to replace a 2004 backhoe, and to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty seven thousand five hundred forty four dollars (\$27,544), which represents the first of 5 annual payments for that purpose. This lease/purchase will contain an escape (non-appropriation) clause. (Majority vote required) Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0.

1087
YES
NO
386

Article 23

Shall the Town name the Board of Selectmen as Cemetery Trustees pursuant to RSA 289:6 for cemeteries not under the care and custody of the Exeter Cemetery Association. (Majority vote required) Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0.

1260
YES
NO
182

Article 24

On petition of Paul Royal and other registered voters of the Town of Exeter NH to see if the Town will vote to authorize and direct the Board of Selectmen to eliminate section 102.2 of Chapter 1 of the Town Ordinances "Winter Parking Ban" and further eliminate the words "Winter parking ban is December 1 through March 15 each year" in section 101.3 of Chapter 1 of the Town Ordinances. The intent of this article is to eliminate the current winter parking plan and replace it with a requirement for town officials to declare a "Snow Emergency" between certain evening hours in order to ban parking within any public R-O-W when a weather forecast indicates that a storm sufficient to require DPW storm cleanup or storm preparation is likely. We, the undersigned, are concerned citizens who urge our leaders to act well prior to November 1, 2017 in order to address any issues related to the transition and allow time to inform the citizenry of Exeter as to any change to the current ordinance.

854
YES
NO
602

YOU HAVE NOW COMPLETED VOTING