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ABSENTEE OFFICIAL BALLOT ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION WINDHAM, NEW HAMPSHIRE MARCH 13, 2018

BALLOT 1 OF 2

Nicole Bottai 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.

ARTICLE 1. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.

Grid of ballot sections: BOARD OF SELECTMEN, TOWN CLERK, MODERATOR, TREASURER, TRUSTEE OF THE TRUST FUND, TRUSTEE OF THE CEMETERY, TRUSTEE OF THE LIBRARY, SUPERVISOR OF THE CHECKLIST, PLANNING BOARD, ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT.

ARTICLES

ARTICLE 4. By Petition of Wayne Morris and others, "To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Million and no 100ths (\$2,000,000.00) Dollars for the purpose of purchasing the property at 90 London Bridge Road, Tax Map 20-D-1200 (35.57 acres) as well as a property located off of Bear Hill Road, Tax Map 20-E-300 (24.97 acres), said lands, which have been approved as a twenty (20) lot subdivision, will be designated as conservation land under the control of the Conservation Commission, as well as payment of costs associated with the financing of said purchase; said sum to be in addition to any federal, state, local or private funds made available therefor, and to raise the same by issuance of not more than \$2,000,000.00 in bonds or notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA Chapter 33) and to authorize the Selectmen to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon, and to apply toward the cost any interest earned from the temporary investment of any bond or note and to take any other action as may be necessary to carry out and complete financing of this project. As part of this purchase, the owner of the above properties has committed to donating to the Town for conservation purposes, parcels 14-B-3450 (36.50 acres), 14-B-2604 (.08 acres), and 14-B-2601 (.05 acres) totaling 36.823 acres, as well as two right of ways: one connecting Bear Hill Road to the proposed land purchase and the other, connecting Winslow Road to the Gage Lands." (60% Majority Required)

YES NO

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 2-2-1

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ARTICLES CONTINUED

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**ARTICLE 5.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$50,000 to be added to the Property Maintenance Expendable Trust Fund.

YES

*Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0*

NO

**ARTICLE 6.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$30,000 to be added to the Earned Time Expendable Trust Fund.

YES

*Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0*

NO

**ARTICLE 7.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$100,000, said amount to be withdrawn from the balance in the previously established Town Facilities and Grounds Improvement Fund for the purpose of replacing the HVAC systems at both the Police and Fire Station buildings. Said systems to be replaced were originally put in as part of each building's construction in the late 1990's. This will be a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7, VI and will not lapse until the project is complete or for a period of two (2) years, whichever is less. Approval of this article will have no additional impact on the tax rate.

YES

*Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0*

NO

**ARTICLE 8.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$32,500, said amount to be withdrawn from the balance in the previously established Searles Special Revenue Fund for payment of both marketing related and maintenance related costs associated with the Searles Building. Approval of this article will have no additional impact on the tax rate.

YES

*Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0*

NO

**ARTICLE 9.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$40,000 for the purpose of hiring a consultant(s) to study and prepare preliminary design plans for a possible water line along Route 111 primarily in the area between Route 93 and Ledge Road. Said plans could be used in grant applications that the Town may be able to apply for from the State to aid in developing said water line. This will be a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7, VI and will not lapse until the project is complete or for a period of two (2) years, whichever is less.

YES

*Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 4-0-1*

NO

**ARTICLE 10.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$70,000 for the purpose of making any needed repairs to the Nesmith Library roof as well as replacing the roof shingles. This will be a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7, VI and will not lapse until the project is complete or for a period of two (2) years, whichever is less. This article is part of the Capital Improvement Program.

YES

*Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0*

NO

**ARTICLE 11.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$180,000 for the purpose of replacing and upgrading the Fire Department portable and mobile radios. This will be a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7, VI and will not lapse until the project is complete or for a period of two (2) years, whichever is less. This article is part of the Capital Improvement Program.

YES

*Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0*

NO

**ARTICLE 12.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$480,000 representing the costs associated with completing the repair or replacement of the Castle Hill Road Bridge #057/051 including, but not limited to, bid documentation, right of way, and construction expenses and oversight and to further authorize the Board of Selectmen to accept a State of New Hampshire Bridge Aid Grant of the same amount. This is a non-lapsing article per RSA 32:7(VI) and will not lapse until the project is complete or for a period of five (5) years, whichever is less. This article is part of the Capital Improvement Program. Approval of this article will have no additional impact on the tax rate. (SB 38 funds of \$120,000 received in 2017 will complete the \$600,000 project.) Should this article be approved, but the Town not receive State Bridge Aid reimbursement, this appropriation shall be null and void.

YES

*Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0*

NO

**ARTICLE 13.** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to accept a conveyance of land from the State of New Hampshire consisting of the former railroad right-of-way, now known as the "Greenway Trail" from North Lowell Road to Interstate Route 93 and to pay therefore the administrative fees typically charged by the State for such a conveyance, as well as standard closing costs, and to raise and appropriate a sum of One Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$1,500) for such costs. This will be a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7(VI) and will not lapse until the land is acquired or for a period of five (5) years, whichever is less.

YES

*Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0*

NO

**ARTICLE 14.** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to convey an easement in favor of the Crossing Life Church over a portion of the property known as the Greenway Trail, lot 2-A-650, in the area between North Lowell Road and I93, which is to be conveyed by the State to the Town, and to further authorize the Board to accept an easement from the Church for a portion of their property along North Lowell Road, from part of Map 2-A-700 and/or 2-A-700a. In addition to authorize the Selectmen to negotiate the terms of such easements as they shall deem appropriate as well as to take any other action related thereto. This article shall be deemed null and void should the land to be conveyed by the State to the Town under Article 13 not occur. The Selectmen's authority to complete the transactions contemplated in this article shall expire on December 31, 2022.

YES

*Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0*

NO

**GO TO NEXT BALLOT AND CONTINUE VOTING**



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BALLOT 2 OF 2

*Wanda Bottai*  
TOWN CLERK

**ARTICLES CONTINUED**

**ARTICLE 15.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$30,000 for the purpose of "blazing a trail", generally meaning the clearing of trees to allow passage, along an approximately 20' wide path, across the Windham Greenway Trail for approximately 1,100' from the eastern edge of the I93 Right of Way to North Lowell Road, including necessary work to cross a small wetland along the trail. This article is part of the Capital Improvement Program.

YES   
NO

*Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0*

**ARTICLE 16.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$25,000 for the purpose of developing engineering plans and design specifications for the Town Common Beautification Project. This article is part of the Capital Improvement Program.

YES   
NO

*Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0*

**ARTICLE 17.** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to convey the land and tower structure within the cul-de-sac on Enterprise Drive to Indian Rock Realty LLC for the sum of One (\$1) Dollar and upon such other terms and conditions as may be acceptable to the Board of Selectmen, to include but not limited to, right(s) to utility easements as well as easement reservations to allow the Town to perform highway maintenance and winter operations along Enterprise Drive.

YES   
NO

*Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0*

**ARTICLE 18.** To see if the Town will vote to discontinue the Senior Center Capital Reserve Fund created in 2003 (\$0 balance as of 12/31/17). Any funds within the account, with accumulated interest to date of withdrawal, are to be transferred to the town's general fund.

YES   
NO

*Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0*

**ARTICLE 19.** Shall the Town 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 \$14,387,516.36. Should this article be defeated, the operating budget shall be \$14,051,826.36 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.

YES   
NO

Town Officers' Salaries	\$3,330
Administration	709,535
Town Clerk Expenses	294,360
Tax Collector Expenses	147,280
Election and Registration	36,300
Cemeteries	41,450
General Gov't Buildings	417,305
Appraisal of Properties	189,790
Information Technologies	252,920
Town Museum	5,000
Searles Building	8,510
Legal Expenses	50,400
Retirement Service Charges	4,000
Insurance	352,780
Contracted Services	5
Police Department	3,233,350
Dispatching	475,110
Fire Department	3,404,995
Emergency Management	10,670
Community Development	522,250
Town Highway Maintenance	1,177,420
Street Lighting	18,890
Solid Waste Disposal	936,765
Health and Human Services	46,690
General Assistance	40,540
Library	1,151,010
Recreation	234,010
Historic District Commission	9,000
Conservation Commission	6,350
Senior Center	5,620
Cable TV Expenses	119,080
Interest Expenses (TANs)	500
Long Term Debt	182,301.36
(Principal \$161,512.62 and Interest \$20,788.74)	
Capital Outlay – Roads (Part of CIP)	300,000

*Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 4-1*

*\* Note: Warrant Article 19 (operating budget does not include appropriations proposed under any other warrant articles).*

**YOU HAVE NOW COMPLETED VOTING THIS BALLOT**