



**OFFICIAL BALLOT
ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION
WINCHESTER, NEW HAMPSHIRE
MARCH 14, 2023**

BALLOT 1 OF 3

Jason M. Tetreault
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.
 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 BOARD OF SELECTMEN</p> <p>THREE YEAR TERM VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN ONE</p> <p>BEN KILANSKI <input type="radio"/></p> <p><input type="radio"/></p> <p align="right">(Write-in)</p>	<p align="center">FOR CONANT PUBLIC LIBRARY TRUSTEE</p> <p>THREE YEAR TERM VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN THREE</p> <p>ANN GOODRICH BAZAN <input type="radio"/></p> <p>MARY GANNON <input type="radio"/></p> <p>THEA MARSH <input type="radio"/></p> <p><input type="radio"/></p> <p align="right">(Write-in)</p>
<p align="center">FOR BUDGET COMMITTEE</p> <p>THREE YEAR TERM VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN ONE</p> <p>MICHELLE DWIGHT <input type="radio"/></p> <p>NATHAN HOLMY <input type="radio"/></p> <p><input type="radio"/></p> <p align="right">(Write-in)</p>	<p align="center">FOR THAYER LIBRARY TRUSTEE</p> <p>THREE YEAR TERM VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN THREE</p> <p>AMANDA LUNT <input type="radio"/></p> <p>JENNIFER BELLAN <input type="radio"/></p> <p><input type="radio"/></p> <p align="right">(Write-in)</p>
<p align="center">FOR PLANNING BOARD</p> <p>THREE YEAR TERM VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN TWO</p> <p>RICHARD PRATT <input type="radio"/></p> <p>ROBERT BROWNE <input type="radio"/></p> <p><input type="radio"/></p> <p align="right">(Write-in)</p>	<p align="center">FOR MUSTERFIELD / CEMENTERY TRUSTEE</p> <p>ONE YEAR TERM VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN ONE</p> <p>JENNIFER RHODES <input type="radio"/></p> <p>STANLEY S. PLIFKA JR. <input type="radio"/></p> <p><input type="radio"/></p> <p align="right">(Write-in)</p>
<p align="center">FOR PLANNING BOARD</p> <p>TWO YEAR TERM VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN ONE</p> <p>JACK MARSH, JR. <input type="radio"/></p> <p>JEANNINE HADID <input type="radio"/></p> <p><input type="radio"/></p> <p align="right">(Write-in)</p>	<p align="center">FOR MUSTERFIELD / CEMENTERY TRUSTEE</p> <p>THREE YEAR TERM VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN ONE</p> <p>BRENDEN HUBBARD <input type="radio"/></p> <p><input type="radio"/></p> <p align="right">(Write-in)</p>
<p align="center">FOR TRUSTEE OF THE TRUST FUND</p> <p>THREE YEAR TERM VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN ONE</p> <p>STANLEY S. PLIFKA JR. <input type="radio"/></p> <p><input type="radio"/></p> <p align="right">(Write-in)</p>	

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ARTICLES

Article 2: Shall the Town of Winchester 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 \$4,404,127 (Four Million Four Hundred Four Thousand One Hundred Twenty-Seven Dollars). Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be \$4,150,895 (Four Million One Hundred Fifty Thousand Eight Hundred Ninety-Five dollars), which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Town of Winchester 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)

YES
NO

- Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0
- Recommended by the Budget Committee 3-2

Article 3: Shall the Town of Winchester raise and appropriate the sum of \$386,714 (Three Hundred Eighty-Six Thousand Seven Hundred Fourteen Dollars) for the operations of the Water Department, the funds to be raised by user fees, or act in a manner thereon. This article will not affect taxation. Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be \$349,379 (Three Hundred Forty-nine Thousand Three Hundred Seventy-Nine Dollars). If the appropriation proposed in the article is not approved, the default amount shall be deemed to have been approved. "With certain adjustments required by previous action of the Town of Winchester 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)

YES
NO

- Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0
- Recommended by the Budget Committee 3-1

Article 4: Shall the Town of Winchester raise and appropriate the sum of \$491,297 (Four Hundred Ninety-One Thousand Two Hundred Ninety-Seven Dollars) for the operations of the Sewer Department, the funds to be raised by user fees, or act in a manner thereon. This article will not affect taxation. Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be \$435,283 (Four Hundred Thirty-Five Thousand Two Hundred Eighty-Three Dollars). If the appropriation proposed in the article is not approved, the default amount shall be deemed to have been approved. "With certain adjustments required by previous action of the Town of Winchester 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)

YES
NO

- Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0
- Recommended by the Budget Committee 3-1

Article 5: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$16,522.00 (sixteen thousand five hundred and twenty-two dollars) to be placed in the existing non-lapsing Assessing & Revaluation Capital Reserve Fund established under Article 16 at the March 2006 Town Meeting for the purpose of performing the assessing update or revaluation of the real estate in the Town of Winchester scheduled for 2020-2025.

YES
NO

- Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0
- Recommended by the Budget Committee 4-0

Article 6: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000 (ten thousand dollars) to be placed into the existing non-lapsing Town Owned Building Upgrades Capital Reserve Fund for the purpose of upgrades for Town owned buildings?

YES
NO

- Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0
- Recommended by the Budget Committee 4-0

Article 7: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000 (Five thousand dollars) for the Town's share of State Road grant reconstruction costs for bridges and place it in the existing non-lapsing Bridge Reconstruction Capital Reserve Fund established at the March 2006 Town Meeting under Article 19 for that purpose.

YES
NO

- Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 4-1
- Not Recommended by the Budget Committee 3-0-1

Article 8: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$60,000 (sixty thousand dollars) to be placed into the existing non-lapsing Highway Equipment Capital Reserve Fund for the purpose of purchasing Highway equipment.

YES
NO

- Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0
- Recommended by the Budget Committee 4-0

Article 9: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$50,000 (fifty thousand dollars) to be placed into the existing non-lapsing Ambulance Capital Reserve Fund for the purpose of purchasing an Ambulance.

YES
NO

- Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0
- Recommended by the Budget Committee 3-1

Article 10: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$80,000 (eighty thousand dollars) to be placed into the existing non-lapsing Fire Apparatus Capital Reserve Fund for the purpose of purchasing Fire equipment.

YES
NO

- Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0
- Recommended by the Budget Committee 4-0

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ARTICLES CONTINUED

Article 11: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$20,000** (twenty thousand dollars) to be placed into the existing non-lapsing Police Cruiser Capital Reserve Fund for the purpose of updating the current Police fleet. YES
• Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0 NO
• Recommended by the Budget Committee 4-0

Article 12: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$10,000** (ten thousand dollars) to be placed into the existing non-lapsing Computer Capital Reserve Fund for the purpose of purchasing/maintenance of computers. YES
• Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0 NO
• Recommended by the Budget Committee 4-0

Article 13: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$30,000** (thirty thousand dollars) to be placed into the existing non-lapsing Culvert Repair Capital Reserve Fund for the purpose of repairs & maintenance. YES
• Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 4-1 NO
• Recommended by the Budget Committee 3-0-1

Article 14: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$10,000** (ten thousand dollars) to be placed into the existing non-lapsing Ashuelot Rail Trail Capital Reserve Fund for the purpose of repairs & maintenance to the trails. YES
• Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0 NO
• The vote by the Budget Committee on whether to recommend was 2 for 2 against

Article 15: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$10,000** (ten thousand dollars) to be placed into the existing non-lapsing Beach Ramp Capital Reserve Fund for the purpose of installing a ramp at the Town Beach. YES
• Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 4-0-1 NO
• Not Recommended by the Budget Committee 2-1-1

Article 16: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$3,000** (Three thousand dollars) to be placed into the existing non-lapsing Electronic Balloting device Capital Reserve Fund for the purpose of purchasing or repair/maintenance of the Electronic Balloting device. YES
• Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0 NO
• Recommended by the Budget Committee 4-0

Article 17: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the selectmen to enter into a 5-year lease/purchase agreement with a non-appropriation clause in the amount of \$191,493 (one hundred ninety-one thousand four hundred ninety-three dollars), for the purpose of purchasing a 2024 Freightliner M2106 dump truck. YES
Furthermore, to raise and appropriate the sum of \$43,008 (Forty-three thousand eight dollars) for the first year's payment. At the end of the 5-year lease agreement, the Town will buy and own the 2024 Freightliner M2106 dump truck for \$1.00 (one dollar). (Majority vote required) NO
• Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0
• The vote by the Budget Committee on whether to recommend was 2 for 2 against

Article 18: To see if the town will vote to establish a non-lapsing Wastewater Treatment Plant Solar Array Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of purchasing a solar array system at the Wastewater Treatment Plant and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$104,517 (One Hundred Four Thousand Five Hundred Seventeen Dollars) to be placed in this fund. Further, to name the Selectboard as agents to expend from said fund. Recommendations Required (Majority Vote Required) YES
• Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 4-0-1 NO
• Recommended by the Budget Committee 4-0

Article 19: Shall the Town of Winchester raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,000 (Four thousand dollars) to hire a company to manage the live streaming and video record all public board/committee meetings to provide transparency and accountability to the citizens and taxpayers. YES
• Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0 NO
• The vote by the Budget Committee on whether to recommend was 2 for 2 against

Article 20: Shall the Town vote to readopt the provisions of 72:28-b (previously approved in May 2021, Article 24), in accordance with RSA 72:27-a, previously adopted for an All-Veterans Tax Credit, at \$750.00 per year. If readopted and approved, this article shall take effect for the 2023 property tax year. (Majority vote required) YES
• Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 4-0-1 NO
• Recommended by the Budget Committee 3-0-1

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ARTICLES CONTINUED

Article 21: To determine if the Town of Winchester will appropriate the sum of \$40,000 (Forty Thousand Dollars) for the purpose of supporting yearlong youth activities with ACCESS. The monies support ACCESS to scholarship children throughout the year who might not otherwise be able to attend the program and supports obtaining resources for programming such as appropriate staffing, curriculum, enrichment materials and other programming needs. While at ACCESS, children receive homework assistance, and participate in enrichment clubs that foster lifelong learning the helps the youth be contributing members to their community. ACCESS provides mentorship and a safe, productive learning environment for the youth of Winchester and Ashuelot to take advantage of opportunities to learn, help their community, and have fun activities experiences with their peers. The monies will also assist with providing summer camp programming and activities.

YES
NO

Inserted by Petition

- Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 4-0-1
- Recommended by the Budget Committee 4-0

Article 22: To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$60,000 (Sixty thousand dollars) for the purpose of subsidizing recreation in the Town of Winchester to be paid to the E.L.M. Memorial Community Center on a contractual basis.

YES
NO

Inserted by Petition

- Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 4-0-1
- Recommended by the Budget Committee 4-0

Article 23: Shall the Town of Winchester raise and appropriate the sum of \$840.00 (Eight hundred and forty dollars) to support the annual Winchester Pickle Festival?

YES
NO

Inserted by Petition

- Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0
- Recommended by the Budget Committee 3-0-1

Article 24: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000 (Five thousand dollars) to be given to the Winchester Historical Society for the purpose of operating and maintaining the Sheridan House so that this museum may continue to preserve the history of Winchester for benefit of the public.

YES
NO

Inserted by Petition

- Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0
- Recommended by the Budget Committee 4-0

Article 25: When the Town of Winchester provides notice of a public meeting/hearing in compliance with RSA 91a, they are to also include a meeting agenda that contains the following criteria: Meeting start time, Meeting location, Topics to be presented, the scheduled presenters and times for their presentation, and Non-public session motion that covers the topics of the non-public session. *Currently an agenda is not required when notice of a public meeting is provided. * Public meetings are defined in RSA 91a.

YES
NO

*Non-public defined in RSA 91a. Advisory Only

Inserted by Petition

Article 26: Shall the Town of Winchester vote to discontinue the utilization of the Winchester School for Town Deliberative sessions and voting procedures and in turn use the Winchester Town Hall for all voting matters moving forward? A yes vote on this article will have the Town of Winchester hold its' future voting matters of Federal, State, County, School and Municipal (including elections) at the Town Hall located at 1 Richmond Rd, Winchester, NH 03470. This vote of discontinuance is in accordance with RSA 658:17.

YES
NO

Advisory Only

Inserted by Petition

Article 27: Are you in favor of Amendment #1 as proposed by the Planning Board? To amend Article XXI Definitions- Add "II" Manufacturing/Industrial: Establishments engaged in the manufacturing, assembly, compounding, processing/packaging, beverage bottling/distribution, warehouse and storage facilities, research and testing laboratories, treatment or distribution of products including primary product production from raw material. Establishments will employ reasonable technology to avoid undesirable and preventable elements of pollution (e.g.: noise, vibrations, electrical interference, smoke, soot, particulate matter, or any other discharges into the environment). Establishments will conform to all state and federal pollution control requirements and will maintain all necessary permits.

YES
NO

Article 28: Are you in favor of Amendment #2 as proposed by the Planning Board? To amend the Table of Usage to combine Light and Large Manufacturing/Industrial into Manufacturing/Industrial and have it permitted in the same districts?

YES
NO

Article 29: Are you in favor of Amendment #3 as proposed by the Planning Board? To amend Article XXI Definitions- Add "JJ" Breweries, Wineries, Distilleries and Cideries: A place where raw material is processed into liquids for consumption, with and without alcohol content. These places may also serve the product on site.

YES
NO

Article 30: Are you in favor of Amendment #4 as proposed by the Planning Board? To amend the Table of Usage by adding Breweries, Wineries, Distilleries and Cideries as permitted in the Central Business District, Commercial District and Highway Commercial District, and by Special Exception in the Agricultural District?

YES
NO

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ARTICLES CONTINUED

Article 31: Are you in favor of Amendment #5 as proposed by the Planning Board? To amend Article XXI Definitions- Add "KK" Self-Storage Unit Facility: A structure(s) containing separate storage spaces, which may be of various sizes, leased or rented on an individual basis.

YES
NO

Article 32: Are you in favor of Amendment #6 as proposed by the Planning Board? To amend the Table of Usage by adding Self-Storage Unit Facility as permitted in the Commercial District and the Highway Commercial District and by Special Exception in the Central Business District and the Agricultural District?

YES
NO

Article 33: Are you in favor of Amendment #7 as proposed by the Planning Board? To amend Article XXI Definitions- Add "LL" Truck Terminal: Either end of a carrier line having facilities for the handling of freight; a station that serves as a junction for the exchange of goods. The terminal cannot be used for permanent or long-term accessory storage for principal land use.

YES
NO

Article 34: Are you in favor of Amendment #8 as proposed by the Planning Board? To amend the Table of Usage to combine Motor Freight Terminals and Truck Terminal, and have it permitted in the same districts?

YES
NO

Article 35: Are you in favor of Amendment #9 as proposed by the Planning Board? To amend Article XXI Definitions- Add "MM" Distribution Center: A structure that stores a manufacturer's goods temporarily before they are transported to store or customers for sale, a specialized warehouse that serves as a hub to strategically store finished goods, streamline the picking and packing process and ship goods out to another location or final destination.

YES
NO

Article 36: Are you in favor of Amendment #10 as proposed by the Planning Board? To amend the Table of Usage by adding Distribution Center as permitted by Special Exception in the Commercial District and Highway Commercial District?

YES
NO

Article 37: Are you in favor of Amendment #11 as proposed by the Planning Board? To amend the Planned Residential Development Ordinance to expand housing opportunities for workforce housing by reducing minimum lot size requirements, ensuring architectural compatibility with the neighborhood, limiting the number of bedrooms, amending the density and allowable square footage per unit for development and limiting the number of units per year.

YES
NO

Article 38: Are you in favor of adopting the following amendment to the Winchester Zoning Ordinance, as proposed by citizen petition? To see if the voters will amend the Aquifer Protection District to include the Central Business District and the Commercial District.
Inserted by Petition
• Not recommended by the Planning Board 6-0

YES
NO

Article 39: Are you in favor of adopting the following amendment to the Winchester Zoning Ordinance, as proposed by citizen petition? Shall the town amend the Aquifer Protection District section 5: a. Special conditions., delete > the minimum lot size is three (3) acres, or four (4) acres for a two-family dwelling. If serviced by town water and sewer, lot size is as permitted in the underlying district. Insert "lot size is as permitted in the underlying district?"
Inserted by Petition
• Not recommended by the Planning Board 6-0

YES
NO

Article 40: Are you in favor of adopting the following amendment to the Winchester Zoning Ordinance, as proposed by citizen petition? Shall the town amend the Aquifer Protection District Section 5: b. 2. Multi-family residential development. Delete > "minimum lot size lot size is two acres per unit. If serviced by town water and sewer, lot size is as permitted in the underlying district." Insert "lot size is as permitted in the underlying district?"
Inserted by Petition
• Not recommended by the Planning Board 6-0

YES
NO

Article 41: Are you in favor of adopting the following amendment to the Winchester Zoning Ordinance, as proposed by citizen petition? To see if the voters will repeal the Aquifer Protection District that was adopted March 9, 2004.
Inserted by Petition
• Not recommended by the Planning Board 6-0

YES
NO

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ARTICLES CONTINUED

Article 42: To see if the Town will vote to accept and adopt the reports of the Selectmen, Auditors, and other Town Officers.

YES

NO

Article 43: To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

YES

NO

YOU HAVE NOW COMPLETED VOTING THIS BALLOT

SAMPLE