

SAMPLE BALLOT



OFFICIAL BALLOT
ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION
SALEM, NEW HAMPSHIRE
MARCH 12, 2013

BALLOT 1 OF 2

Susan M. Hall
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.

FOR SELECTMAN

For THREE Years ☐ Vote for not more than ONE

STEPHEN KELLY ☐

PATRICK HARGREAVES ☐

☐

(Write-in)

FOR BUDGET COMMITTEE

For ONE Year ☐ Vote for not more than ONE

STEVEN PLANTE ☐

RUSSELL FRYDRYCK ☐

☐

(Write-in)

FOR PLANNING BOARD

For THREE Years ☐ Vote for not more than TWO

ALBERT MACDONALD ☐

EDWARD DECLERCQ ☐

LINDA HARVEY ☐

☐

(Write-in)

(Write-in)

FOR BUDGET COMMITTEE

For THREE Years ☐ Vote for not more than TWO

PAUL WELCH ☐

JOSEF E BROWN ☐

STEPHAN COUFOS ☐

EUGENE M MORGAN ☐

MARTHA SPALDING ☐

☐

(Write-in)

(Write-in)

FOR LIBRARY TRUSTEE

For THREE Years ☐ Vote for not more than ONE

GENEVIEVE LORD ☐

MARTHA BREEN ☐

☐

(Write-in)

**FOR TRUSTEE OF
THE TRUST FUNDS**

For THREE Years ☐ Vote for not more than ONE

THOMAS LINEHAN ☐

HARLEY FEATHERSTON ☐

☐

(Write-in)

**FOR ZONING BOARD
OF ADJUSTMENT**

For THREE Years ☐ Vote for not more than ONE

ARTHUR NOBREGA ☐

JOHN J MANNING JR ☐

☐

(Write-in)

ARTICLES

Article #2 – Revise Conditional Use Permit Provisions in Wetlands Ordinance

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 1, as proposed by the Planning Board, to amend the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows: This amendment would revise the provisions for conditional use permits in the Wetlands Ordinance by consolidating two current provisions, revising criteria, and expanding applicability to include setbacks and buffers? **YES** ☐ **NO** ☐

Article #3 – Modify Wetlands Definition and Jurisdiction to Include Vernal Pools

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 2, as proposed by the Planning Board, to amend the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows: This amendment would include vernal pools (temporary water bodies which are essential amphibian breeding habitat) greater than 500 square feet in the definition of wetlands? **YES** ☐ **NO** ☐

Article #4 – Reorganize Wetlands Ordinance

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 3, as proposed by the Planning Board, to amend the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows: This amendment would revise the Wetlands Ordinance by reorganizing existing sections, adding new wording to clarify meaning, and exempting man-made wetlands such as roadside ditches and drainage swales and basins from jurisdiction? **YES** ☐ **NO** ☐

Article # 5 – Change Shed Setbacks

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 4, as proposed by the Planning Board, to amend the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows: This amendment would change the 30 foot setback requirements for sheds in the Rural District to match those in the Residential District (1-15', depending on shed size)? **YES** ☐ **NO** ☐

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ARTICLES CONTINUED

Article 6: Bridge Reconstruction Bond Issue \$1,189,909

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Million One Hundred Eighty-Nine Thousand Nine Hundred Nine Dollars (\$1,189,909) for the replacement of bridges at Bluff Street over Hittytity Brook and Providence Hill Road over Providence Hill Brook and to cover the costs associated with obtaining a bond issue, and to authorize the issuance of not more than \$1,189,909 of bonds or notes for such purposes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA 33); and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and determine the rate of interest thereon, and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to accept any and all State Aid or other revenue source that may become available and take any and all action necessary to carry out any vote hereunder or take any other action relative thereto, including acquiring or conveying interests in real property necessary to complete this work. Requires a 3/5 ballot vote.

YES ☐

NO ☐

Recommendations: Board of Selectmen: With Budget Committee: With

Article 7: 2013 Road Construction and Engineering Program \$5,336,899

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Million Three Hundred Thirty-Six Thousand Eight Hundred Ninety-Nine Dollars (\$5,336,899) (gross appropriation) for the improvement, reconstruction, maintenance, and engineering of roads and associated water improvements as outlined in the 10-Year Road Program and further authorize the Board of Selectmen to issue not more than Six Hundred Ninety-Two Thousand Eight Hundred Ninety-Nine Dollars (\$692,899) of that amount as bonds or notes for the portion of water main improvements beneath the effected roads, in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA 33); and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and determine the rate of interest thereon; and further to add the sum of Four Million Six Hundred Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$4,615,000) of that amount to the Roadway Capital Reserve Fund Previously established in 1990 for the purpose of repair and/or reconstruction of existing roads and associated drainage improvements, and engineering, with the remaining balance of Twenty-Nine Thousand Dollars (\$29,000) of that amount to come from the Demand and Benefit Assessment Reserve Revenues intended for this purpose, and further to authorize the Board of Selectmen to accept any and all state aid or other revenue source that may become available for this work and to take any other action relative thereto including acquiring or conveying interest in real property necessary to complete this work. Requires a 3/5th ballot vote.

YES ☐

NO ☐

Recommendations: Board of Selectmen: With Budget Committee: With

Article 8: 2013 Operating Budget \$37,482,302

Shall the Town vote to 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 the vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein, totaling \$37,482,302? Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be \$36,916,113 which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the town, or by law; or the Board of Selectmen may hold one special meeting in accordance with RSA 40:13, X and XVI to take up the issue of a revised budget only.

YES ☐

NO ☐

Recommendations: Board of Selectmen: With Budget Committee: With

Article 9: Winter Weather Operations \$250,000

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$250,000) to be placed in the Snow Expendable Trust Fund previously established in 1998 for the purpose of managing winter weather, including but not limited to plowing and removing snow, sanding and chemically treating streets, and otherwise responding to hazardous road conditions related to winter weather.

YES ☐

NO ☐

Recommendations: Board of Selectmen: With Budget Committee: With

Article 10: Bridge Engineering Design - Shannon Road \$125,000

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$125,000) for the purpose of engineering design, cost estimates, and bid documents, obtaining permits and easements as may be required, for the reconstruction of a bridge located on Shannon Road and further to authorize the use of \$125,000 from the December 31, 2012 General Fund Unassigned Fund Balance. No funds shall be raised by additional taxation.

YES ☐

NO ☐

This design is eligible for 80% reimbursement from the State of New Hampshire Bridge Aid Program.

Recommendations: Board of Selectmen: With Budget Committee: With

Article 11: Purchase an Ambulance \$250,000

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$250,000) for the purpose of purchasing an ambulance for the Fire Department.

YES ☐

NO ☐

Recommendations: Board of Selectmen: With Budget Committee: With

Article 12: Purchase Two Six Wheel Dump Trucks and 4x4 Pickup Truck \$354,708

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Three Hundred Fifty-Four Thousand Seven Hundred Eight Dollars (\$354,708) for the purpose of purchasing two six wheel dump trucks and a 4x4 pickup truck.

YES ☐

The Town of Salem will receive 80% reimbursement from the State of New Hampshire for the Two Six Wheel Dump Trucks.

NO ☐

Recommendations: Board of Selectmen: With Budget Committee: With

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Article 13: Fund Outside Human Service Agencies \$0

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifty-Eight Thousand One Hundred Fifty-Three Dollars (\$58,153) for the purpose of funding the following Outside Human Service Agencies: Rockingham Nutrition, Meals on Wheels (\$11,653), Retired Senior Volunteer Program (\$4,000), A Safe Place (\$2,000), Big Brother/Big Sisters (\$2,500), Bridges (\$1,000), Community Health Services (\$18,000), Salem Family Resources (\$4,000), and Greater Salem Caregivers (\$15,000). The money that had been previously appropriated for this article is now included in the Operating Budget, and therefore this article is listed as a zero value.

YES ☐

NO ☐

Recommendations: Board of Selectmen: With Budget Committee: With

Article 14: Sale of Town Property - Mary Foss School \$0

To see if the Town will authorize the Board of Selectmen to sell property located at 287 Lawrence Road, known as part of Map 151, Lot 142, on such terms and conditions as the Board of Selectmen determine are in the best interest of the Town. All funds raised by the sale of the Mary Foss School shall be used to reduce the tax rate by applying the funds against the approved bottom line.

YES ☐

NO ☐

Recommendations: Board of Selectmen: With Budget Committee: N/A

Article 15: Sale of Town Property Located on Keewaydin Drive \$0

To see if the Town will authorize the Board of Selectmen to sell property located on Keewaydin Drive, known as part of Map 106, Lot 7875, on such terms and conditions as the Board of Selectmen determine are in the best interest of the Town.

YES ☐

NO ☐

Recommendations: Board of Selectmen: With Budget Committee: N/A

Article 16: Kelley Library Employment Separation Trust Fund \$27,000

BY PETITION: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty-Seven Thousand Dollars (\$27,000) be placed in the Kelley Library Employment Separation Benefits Expendable Trust Fund previously established for the purpose of funding the buy-out of library employee benefits upon employee separation of employment.

YES ☐

NO ☐

Recommendations: Board of Selectmen: With Budget Committee: With

Article 17: The Upper Room, A Family Resource Center \$10,000

BY PETITION: To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000) for the purpose of supporting prevention and early intervention programs and services that strengthen children and families through The Upper Room, A Family Resource Center.

YES ☐

NO ☐

Recommendations: Board of Selectmen: Without Budget Committee: With

Article 18: Local Chapter of Family Promise \$5,000

BY PETITION: To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000) for the purpose of supporting Family Promise of Greater Rockingham County, the local chapter of the national non-profit that provides transitional housing and professional social worker guidance for multiple families with children throughout the year. The NH success rate is 77% for getting families into long term housing within 90 days. Contributing to Family Promise is cost effective. Salem Town Human Services usual option of placing a single homeless family in one motel room costs \$5,000 every 15 weeks.

YES ☐

NO ☐

Recommendations: Board of Selectmen: Without Budget Committee: With

Article 19: Local Chapter of Family Promise \$0

BY PETITION: To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000) for the purpose of contributing toward the 2013 budget for the local chapter of Family Promise, which provides transitional housing for homeless families with children while addressing the issues that made them homeless.

YES ☐

NO ☐

Recommendations: Board of Selectmen: Without Budget Committee: Without

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Article 20: Salem Youth Softball \$4,500
BY PETITION: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Four Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$4,500) for the purpose of purchasing equipment and materials that allows the Salem, NH Softball Program to repair and maintain town and/or school owned fields for the safety of the children that use them. **YES** ☐
NO ☐
Recommendations: Board of Selectmen: Without Budget Committee: With

Article 21: Boys and Girls Club \$10,000
BY PETITION: To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000) for the purpose of helping the Boys and Girls Club of Greater Salem fund our new initiative that will prepare at risk youth as identified by the Salem School District and the Division for Juvenile Justice to enter the work force. **YES** ☐
NO ☐
Recommendations: Board of Selectmen: Without Budget Committee: With

Article 22: Reconstruction of Field and Lyndale Avenues \$175,000
BY PETITION: To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Seventy-Five Thousand Dollars (\$175,000) for the purpose of installing drainage on Field Avenue near #9 in order to eliminate the flooding of the roadway and paving Field Avenue and Lyndale Avenue for their entire length. **YES** ☐
NO ☐
Recommendations: Board of Selectmen: Without Budget Committee: With

YOU HAVE NOW COMPLETED VOTING