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<p>Article #2 – Revise Building Permit Timeframe 3365</p> <p>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 reference State law for the timeframe of building permit denials?</p> <p>YES <input checked="" type="radio"/> NO <input type="radio"/></p> <p>Article #3 – Revise Home Occupation Ordinance 3178</p> <p>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 allow home occupations in any residential dwellings?</p> <p>YES <input checked="" type="radio"/> NO <input type="radio"/></p> <p>Article #4 – Revise Sign Ordinance 3213</p> <p>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 allow the Planning Board to grant conditional use permits to allow electronic price change signs for gas stations?</p> <p>YES <input checked="" type="radio"/> NO <input type="radio"/></p>																																																																																																																										
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Article #5 – Increase Size of Accessory Apartments

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 4, as proposed by petition of the voters of this Town, to amend the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows: This amendment would increase the maximum allowed size of accessory apartments to 950 sq. ft.?

The Planning Board recommends approval of this amendment.

3113
YES

NO

1171

Article #6 – Allow Sports Betting

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 5, as proposed by petition of the voters of this Town, to amend the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows: This amendment would allow sports betting as a permitted use?

The Planning Board recommends approval of this amendment.

3921
YES

NO

1389

ARTICLES

Article 7: Land Acquisition (Bond)

\$2,300,000

Needed
3591 votes
to pass
53.6%

2216
YES

NO

2051

Recommendations: Board of Selectmen: With

Budget Committee: With

Article 8: Land Acquisition (Bond)

\$1,200,000

Needed
368 votes
to pass
54%

3313
YES

NO

1961

Recommendations: Board of Selectmen: With

Budget Committee: With

Article 9: West Duston Road Neighborhood Water and Sewer (Bond)

\$1,600,000

Needed
3555 votes
to pass
60.12%

2560
YES

NO

1698

Recommendations: Board of Selectmen: With

Budget Committee: With

Article 10: Policy Brook Flood Hazard Mitigation (Bond)

\$4,230,000

Needed
2540 votes
to pass
62%

2628
YES

NO

1604

Recommendations: Board of Selectmen: With

Budget Committee: With

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ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION		TOWN CLERK <i>Susan M. Hall</i>
SALEM, NEW HAMPSHIRE		
MARCH 10, 2020		
ARTICLES CONTINUED		
Article 11: Stormwater Planning Project (CWSRF Loan) Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Seven-Five Thousand Dollars (\$75,000) for the purpose of stormwater planning work relative to management of the municipal storm drain system in accordance with the 2017 NH Small MS4 General Permit, and to authorize the issuance of not more than \$75,000 of bonds or notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA 33, as amended); to authorize the Board of Selectmen to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon, and to further authorize the Board of Selectmen to offset a portion of said appropriation by applying for a Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF) loan, it being understood that repayment of the loan may include up to 100% principal forgiveness. This project is contingent upon approval of a CWSRF loan application. Requires a 3/5 ballot vote.		\$75,000 3142 YES <input checked="" type="radio"/> NO <input type="radio"/> 1146
Recommendations: Board of Selectmen: With	Budget Committee: With	
Article 12: Wastewater Asset Management (CWSRF Loan) Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$30,000) for the purpose of planning work relative to management of the municipal wastewater pump station system through the previously established Asset Management Plan development project, and to authorize the issuance of not more than \$30,000 of bonds or notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA 33, as amended); to authorize the Board of Selectmen to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon, and to further authorize the Board of Selectmen to offset a portion of said appropriation by applying for a Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF) loan, it being understood that repayment of the loan may include up to 100% principal forgiveness. This project is contingent upon approval of a CWSRF loan application. Requires a 3/5 ballot vote.		\$30,000 3301 YES <input checked="" type="radio"/> NO <input type="radio"/> 114
Recommendations: Board of Selectmen: With	Budget Committee: With	
Article 13: 2020 Operating Budget 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 \$52,477,166? (\$2,648,000 to come from unassigned fund balance as a revenue offset). Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be \$49,120,792 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.		\$52,477,166 3611 YES <input checked="" type="radio"/> NO <input type="radio"/> 1121
Recommendations: Board of Selectmen: With	Budget Committee: With	
Article 14: 2020 Road Construction and Engineering Program Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Four Million Seven Hundred Thirty Thousand Six Hundred Seventy-Seven Dollars (\$4,730,677) to be added 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? Shall the Town further 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 interests in real property necessary to complete the work? The funds will be used for the improvement, reconstruction, maintenance, crack sealing, and engineering of roads as outlined in the 10-year road program.		\$4,730,677 3212 YES <input checked="" type="radio"/> NO <input type="radio"/> 1154
Recommendations: Board of Selectmen: With	Budget Committee: With	
Article 15: Traffic Signal System Optimization Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$1,500,000) for traffic signal system optimization with One Million Two Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$1,200,000) to come from a grant from the New Hampshire Department of Transportation, and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to apply for, accept, and expend, without further action by the town, unanticipated money from a state, federal, or other governmental unit or a private source, 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. This project is contingent upon receiving the grant award from New Hampshire Department of Transportation.		\$1,500,000 3108 YES <input checked="" type="radio"/> NO <input type="radio"/> 1290
Recommendations: Board of Selectmen: With	Budget Committee: With	
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Article 16: Salem Administrative and Technical Employees Union (SEA) Collective Bargaining Agreement		
Shall the Town vote to approve the cost items included in the collective bargaining agreement reached between the Board of Selectmen and the members of the State Employees Association (SEA), Local 1984, which call for the following changes to salaries and benefits at the current staffing level:		\$36,864
Fiscal Year Estimated Increase/Decrease Explanation		
2020	\$36,864	1.9% Salary Adjustment Effective April 1, 2020
and further to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirty-Six Thousand Eight Hundred Sixty-Four Dollars (\$36,864) such sum representing the anticipated increase in salaries and benefits required by the new agreement from what would be paid under the current agreement at current staffing levels? Shall the Town, if article is defeated, authorize the governing body to call one special meeting, at its option, to address article cost items only?		389.3 YES <input checked="" type="radio"/> NO <input type="radio"/> 1219
Recommendations: Board of Selectmen: With		Budget Committee: With
Article 17: Establishment of an OPEB Trust		
Shall the Town vote to authorize the establishment of an OPEB Trust (pursuant to RSA Chapter 31:19-c) for the purpose of paying for other post-employment benefits to employees and their beneficiaries after their termination of service as provided in law and administrative expenses and to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000) towards this purpose, and to designate the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend?		\$50,000 314 YES <input checked="" type="radio"/> NO <input type="radio"/> 1946
Recommendations: Board of Selectmen: With		Budget Committee: With
Article 18: Change Elderly Exemption Threshold		
Shall the Town vote to modify the elderly exemption from property tax in the Town of Salem under RSA 72:39-a, based on assessed value, for qualified taxpayers, to be as follows: for a person 65 years of age up to 75 years \$82,000; for a person 75 years of age up to 80 years \$122,900; for a person 80 years of age or older \$163,800? To qualify, the person must have been a New Hampshire resident for at least three (3) years, own the real estate individually or jointly, or if the real estate is owned by such person's spouse, they must have been married for at least five (5) years. In addition, the taxpayer must have a net income of not more than \$36,150 or, if married, a combined net income of less than \$48,200; and own net assets not in excess of \$72,400 excluding the value of the person's residence.		3363 YES <input checked="" type="radio"/> NO <input type="radio"/> 827
Recommendations: Board of Selectmen: With		Budget Committee: N/A
Article 19: Change Disable Exemption Threshold		
Shall the Town vote to modify the disabled exemption on the principal place of abode of a disabled person in the amount of \$24,000, in accordance with RSA 72:37-b? No exemption shall be allowed unless the person applying for such exemption has, in the calendar year preceding April 1, a net income from all sources of less than \$36,150 for a single person, or less than \$48,200 for married persons. Further, no exemption shall be allowed where net assets, excluding the actual residence, are in excess of \$72,400. All applicants for the exemption must have been a New Hampshire resident for at least five (5) years.		3358 YES <input checked="" type="radio"/> NO <input type="radio"/> 838
Recommendations: Board of Selectmen: With		Budget Committee: N/A
Article 20: Remove Conservation Land Designation from Portions of Town Parcels		
Shall the Town vote to remove Conservation Land designation from portions of Town-owned parcels of land as follows:		
A. A 15 foot offset along the Emery Road right-of-way on #2 Emery Road (Map 70, Lot 4516), #6 Emery Road (Map 70, Lot 4515), and #8 Emery Road (Map 70, Lot 4514);		3049 YES <input type="radio"/> NO <input checked="" type="radio"/> 3024
B. A 20 foot offset along the Canobie Avenue right-of-way on #2 Emery Road (Map 70, Lot 4516);		
C. A 50 foot offset along the Emery Road right-of-way for a distance of 110 feet running westerly from the northeast corner of #26 Lake Shore Road (Map 79, Lot 4522);		
D. A 40 foot offset along the Lake Shore Road right-of-way of #26 Lake Shore Road (Map 79, Lot 4522)?		
Recommendations: Board of Selectmen: With		Budget Committee: N/A
Article 21: Retain Town-Owned Property (Map 8, Lot 5900)		
Shall the Town vote, pursuant to RSA 80:80 (IV), to retain the following one (1) parcel of land for public uses, and further designate it as Conservation Land subject to the jurisdiction of the Conservation Commission in accordance with RSA 36-A:4?		3338 YES <input checked="" type="radio"/> NO <input type="radio"/> 165
• Off Partridge Circle, Map 8, Lot 5900		
Recommendations: Board of Selectmen: With		Budget Committee: N/A

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TOWN CLERK

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Article 22: Change Tax Collector Position from Elected to Appointed

Shall the powers and duties of the office of collector of taxes be transferred from said office to that of town manager?

1741

YES

NO

2562

Recommendations: Board of Selectmen: With

Budget Committee: N/A

Article 23: Allow Sports Betting in Town of Salem

By petition: Shall we allow the operation of sports book retail locations within the Town of Salem?

3817

YES

Recommendations: Board of Selectmen: With

Budget Committee: N/A

NO

1554

Article 24: Fund Kelley Library Employees' Economic Benefits

By Petition: Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate a sum of Twenty Thousand Three Hundred Twenty-Two Dollars (\$20,322) being a 2.8% increase, such sum representing the cost of increased economic benefits for the employees of the Kelley Library, the amount being set by the cost of living increase determined by the Social Security Administration?

\$20,322

YES

NO

3548

Recommendations: Board of Selectmen: With

Budget Committee: With

816

Article 25: Discontinue a Portion of Ash Street

By Petition: Shall the Town vote to discontinue the following described right-of-way or highways: A portion of Ash Street running from its western terminus approximately 130.7 feet to the western sideline of Ash Street, as shown on Property Tax Map 80?

2911

YES

NO

1189

Recommendations: Board of Selectmen: With

Budget Committee: N/A

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