



**ABSENTEE  
OFFICIAL BALLOT  
ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION  
WINDHAM, NEW HAMPSHIRE  
MARCH 10, 2020**

BALLOT 1 OF 2

*Wanda 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.

<p align="center"><b>BOARD OF SELECTMEN</b></p> <p>For Three Years      Vote for ONLY Two</p> <p><b>MATTHEW ROUNDS</b>      449</p> <hr/> <p><b>JENNIFER SIMMONS</b>      1812</p> <hr/> <p><b>BRUCE R. BRETON</b>      1514</p> <hr/> <p><b>STEVEN PAWLYK</b>      732</p> <hr/> <p align="center">(Write-in)      <input type="radio"/></p> <hr/> <p align="center">(Write-in)</p>	<p align="center"><b>TRUSTEE OF THE CEMETERY</b></p> <p>For Three Years      Vote for ONLY One</p> <p><b>BARBARA A. COISH</b>      2210</p> <hr/> <p align="center">(Write-in)</p> <hr/> <p align="center"><b>TRUSTEE OF THE LIBRARY</b></p> <p>For Three Years      Vote for ONLY Two</p> <p><b>MARK BRANOFF</b>      1795</p> <hr/> <p><b>JAIME SLOCUM</b>      1926</p> <hr/> <p align="center">(Write-in)      <input type="radio"/></p> <hr/> <p align="center">(Write-in)</p>	<p align="center"><b>ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT</b></p> <p>For Two Years      Vote for ONLY One</p> <p><b>NEELIMA GOGUMALLA</b></p> <hr/> <p align="center">2110</p> <hr/> <p align="center">(Write-in)</p> <hr/> <p align="center"><b>ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT</b></p> <p>For Three Years      Vote for ONLY One</p> <p><b>NICHOLAS J. SHEA</b>      2047</p> <hr/> <p align="center">(Write-in)</p> <hr/> <p align="center"><b>SUPERVISOR OF THE CHECKLIST</b></p> <p>For Six Years      Vote for ONLY One</p> <p><b>ROY K. DENNEHY</b>      2044</p> <hr/> <p align="center">(Write-in)</p>
<p align="center"><b>TRUSTEE OF THE TRUST FUND</b></p> <p>For Three Years      Vote for ONLY One</p> <p><b>KEVIN EASTWOOD</b>      2122</p> <hr/> <p align="center">(Write-in)</p>	<p align="center"><b>PLANNING BOARD</b></p> <p>For Three Years      Vote for ONLY Two</p> <p><b>MARK GROSS</b>      483</p> <hr/> <p><b>RUTH-ELLEN POST</b>      1356</p> <hr/> <p><b>JACOB CROSS</b>      1282</p> <hr/> <p><b>PAUL GOSSELIN</b>      902</p> <hr/> <p align="center">(Write-in)      <input type="radio"/></p> <hr/> <p align="center">(Write-in)</p>	
<p align="center"><b>TOWN MODERATOR</b></p> <p>For Two Years      Vote for ONLY One</p> <p><b>PETER GRIFFIN</b>      2270</p> <hr/> <p align="center">(Write-in)</p>		

**ARTICLES**

**ARTICLE 5.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Nine Million Five Hundred Thousand and no 100ths (\$9,500,000.00) Dollars for the purpose of constructing a water line from the area of Route 111 and Range Road westerly along Route 111 to Ledge Road, for approximately 22,380 LF, to include cost of engineering, planning, bid documentation, right of way, and construction expenses, as well as payment of costs associated with the financing of said project; said sum to be in addition to any federal, state or private funds made available therefor, and to raise the same by issuance of not more than \$6,336,500.00 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, with the balance of \$3,163,500 to come from private contributions from users of the water line and / or grants from such sources as the NHDES Drinking Water and Groundwater Trust Fund. Should this article be approved but the grants and or private donations not be awarded or received, this article shall be considered null and void. The Town anticipates that its agreement with the franchisee who will operate the water service will include provisions to receive fees for connections to the water line over time, which will be applied to offset costs associated with bond payments. (60% Majority Required)

774  
**YES**  
**NO**  
1693

*Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 4-1*

**TURN BALLOT OVER AND CONTINUE VOTING**

**ARTICLES CONTINUED**

**ARTICLE 6.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Three Hundred Thousand and no 100ths (\$300,000) Dollars for the purpose of repairing the roof and stone exterior of the tower of the Searles Building and purchasing equipment, materials and furnishing of a lasting nature for said construction and payment of costs associated with the financing of said project, said sum to be in addition to any federal, state or private funds made available therefore, and to raise the same by issuance of not more than \$300,000 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 the project. The Town anticipates that the Searles Revenue Fund will be applied to offset up to half of the costs associated with annual bond payments. (60% Majority Required)

1823  
**YES**  
**NO**  
864

*Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0*

**ARTICLE 7.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Eighty Thousand, and no 100ths (\$180,000) Dollars for the purpose of repairing approximately 1800' of the Rockingham Recreational Rail Trail, including drainage, pavement improvements, and engineering planning associated with the construction and payment of costs associated with the financing of said project; any federal, state or private funds made available therefore shall be applied toward the cost of the project; and to raise the same by issuance of not more than \$80,000 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 furthermore to authorize the withdrawal of \$50,000 from the Rail Trail Non-Capital Reserve Fund established for this purpose, with the balance of \$50,000 to be raised by general taxation; and to take any other action as may be necessary to carry out and complete financing of this project. This article is part of the Capital Improvement Program. (60% Majority Required)

1815  
**YES**  
**NO**  
877

*Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 4-1*

**ARTICLE 8.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$75,000 to be added to the Property Maintenance Expendable Trust Fund.

1677  
**YES**  
**NO**  
955

*Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0*

**ARTICLE 9.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of up to \$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.

1991  
**YES**  
**NO**  
662

*Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0*

**ARTICLE 10.** To see if the Town will vote to approve the cost items included in the latest tentative bargaining agreement reached between the Selectmen and members of Local Union No. 1801 AFSCME (Municipal Union) and to further raise and appropriate the sum of \$29,220 representing the amount of the increased cost attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits to said members for the fiscal year 2020. Said contract to expire on March 31, 2023 with the additional cost for 2021 to be \$45,030, \$36,630 for 2022, and \$11,950 for 2023 at the current staffing level.

1797  
**YES**  
**NO**  
838

*Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0*

**ARTICLE 11.** To see if the Town will vote to approve the cost items included in the latest tentative bargaining agreement reached between the Selectmen and members of Local Union No. 2915 IAFF (Fire Union) and to further raise and appropriate the sum of \$63,790 representing the amount of the increased cost attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits to said members for the fiscal year 2020. Said contract to expire on March 31, 2023 with the additional cost for 2021 to be \$73,540, \$72,150 for 2022, and \$17,960 for 2023 at the current staffing level.

1881  
**YES**  
**NO**  
762

*Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0*

**ARTICLE 12.** To see if the Town will vote to approve the cost items included in the latest tentative bargaining agreement reached between the Selectmen and members of Local Union No. 213 NEPBA (Police Union) and to further raise and appropriate the sum of \$56,150 representing the amount of the increased cost attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits to said members for the fiscal year 2020. Said contract to expire on March 31, 2023 with the additional cost for 2021 to be \$67,860, \$65,890 for 2022, and \$15,560 for 2023 at the current staffing level.

1888  
**YES**  
**NO**  
747

*Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0*

**ARTICLE 13.** Shall the Town of Windham, if Article(s) #10, 11, or 12, are defeated, authorize the governing body to call one special meeting, at its option, to address Article(s) #10, 11, or 12, cost items only?

1782  
**YES**  
**NO**  
849

*Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0*

**GO TO NEXT BALLOT AND CONTINUE VOTING**



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TOWN CLERK

**ARTICLES CONTINUED**

**ARTICLE 14.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$93,770 for the purpose of paying the second of three lease payments associated with the Fire Department Ambulance leased in 2019. This article is part of the Capital Improvements Program.

2326  
**YES**

*Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0*

**NO**  
387

**ARTICLE 15.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$50,000 for the purpose of purchasing a new Rescue Tool (Jaws of Life) for the Windham Fire Department's Ladder Truck and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to contract for, accept and expend Federal Assistance to Firefighters Grant (AFG) funding in the amount of \$47,500 to be applied against said appropriation, with the balance of \$2,500 to come from general taxation. This will be a non-lapsing account per RSA 32:7, VI and will not lapse for a period of two (2) years. This article shall be deemed null and void if the AFG Grant is not approved.

2270  
**YES**

*Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0*

**NO**  
445

**ARTICLE 16.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$65,000 for the purpose of making any needed repairs to the Police Station roof as well as replacing the roof shingles and rubber membranes. 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.

2134  
**YES**

*Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0*

**NO**  
559

**ARTICLE 17.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$50,000 for the purpose of making improvements associated with Phase I of the Town Common Beautification project to include but not limited to installation of sidewalks and crosswalks along North Lowell Road in the area of the Town Center as well as improving the landscaping and utility of the Town Common area. 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 five (5) years, whichever is less. This article is part of the Capital Improvement Program.

1598  
**YES**

*Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0*

**NO**  
1095

**ARTICLE 18.** To see if the Town will vote, pursuant to RSA 162-K:1(II) to adopt the provisions of RSA 162-K "Municipal Economic Development and Revitalization Districts", authorizing the Town to establish one or more economic development and revitalization districts.

1444  
**YES**

*Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0*

**NO**  
1179

**ARTICLE 19.** "Shall we adopt the provisions of RSA 31:95-c to restrict 100% of the revenues from income derived from *collection of water source demand charges (MSDC) from water line users to expenditures for the purpose of paying the loan or other payments associated with the purchase of the towns allotment of gallons of water from the City of Manchester associated with the Regional Water Line Project?* Such revenues and expenditures shall be accounted for in a special revenue fund to be known as the *MSDC Special Revenue* fund, separate from the general fund. Any surplus in said fund shall not be deemed part of the general fund accumulated surplus and shall be expended only after a vote of the legislative body to appropriate a specific amount from said fund for a specific purpose related to the purpose of the fund or source of the revenue."

1700  
**YES**

*Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0*

**NO**  
866

**ARTICLE 20.** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to negotiate and execute a lease agreement between the Town and the Town of Salem for the use of a parcel of land consisting of an area of 90 +/- feet x 135 feet with 90+/- feet of frontage on the Northerly side of Northland Road situated on the Westerly side of a constructed access road as depicted on a certain plan entitled "Northland Road PRV/Chemical Feed Station" prepared by Weston & Sampson dated 2019. Said lease shall contain, but not be limited to the following terms:

1. An initial term of up to twenty five (25) years
2. The ability of the Board, in their discretion, and upon request, to extend the lease for up to two (2) additional twenty-five (25) year terms
3. Annual lease payment of \$1
4. The right for the Town of Salem to utilize the adjacent access road to provide access from the Easterly side of the demised premises to Northland Road.

1449  
**YES**

*Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 4-1*

**NO**  
1093

**TURN BALLOT OVER AND CONTINUE VOTING**

**RESULTS**

**ARTICLES CONTINUED**

**ARTICLE 21.** As authorized under RSA 72:35 (I-a), shall we modify the Tax Credit for Service-Connected Total Disability from property tax in the Town of Windham, for qualified taxpayers, from \$2,000 to \$4,000.

1989  
**YES**  
**NO**  
522

*Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0*

**ARTICLE 22.** By Petition of Earl Bartlett and others "This article is to respectfully ask for your consideration in a Yes vote to allow the Selectmen to remove deed restrictions placed on 13 Third Street (16-P-1004) and two small abutting lots (16-P-501 & 502). Allowing removal of the deed restrictions would make it possible for a structure on the property. This land is the same size or greater than the past and present lots being developed. The property was sold to the current owner in a public bid process for \$15,113 in 2013, a price commensurate with the deed restrictions placed on it.

856  
**YES**  
**NO**  
1670

*Not Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0*

**ARTICLE 23.** By Petition of David Johns and others "Shall we allow the operation of keno games within the Town of Windham"

1143  
**YES**  
**NO**  
412

**ARTICLE 24.** By Petition of John Gage and others "New Hampshire Resolution to Take Action on Climate Pollution: We the town of Windham hereby call upon our State and Federal elected representatives to enact carbon-pricing legislation to protect New Hampshire from the costs and environmental risks of continued climate inaction. To protect households, we support a Carbon Fee and Dividend approach that charges fossil fuel producers for their carbon pollution and rebates the money collected to all residents on an equal basis. Enacting a Carbon Cash-Back program decreases long-term fossil-fuel dependence, aids in the economic transition for energy consumers, and keeps local energy dollars in New Hampshire's economy. Carbon Cash-Back has been championed by US economists (Jan 17, 2019 WSJ) as the most effective and fair way to deliver rapid reductions in harmful carbon emissions at the scale required for our society.

We expect our representatives to lead in this critical moment for the health and well-being of our citizens and for the protection of New Hampshire's natural resources upon which we all rely.

The record of the vote approving this article shall be transmitted by written notice to Windham's State Legislators, to the Governor of New Hampshire, to Windham's Congressional Delegation, and to the President of the United States, informing them of the instructions from their constituents, by Windham's Select Board, within 30 days of this vote.

1294  
**YES**  
**NO**  
1185

**ARTICLE 25.** 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 \$16,035,134.45. Should this article be defeated, the operating budget shall be \$15,711,529.45 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.

<i>Town Officers' Salaries</i>	\$ 3,330	<i>Emergency Management</i>	12,470
<i>Administration</i>	784,770	<i>Community Development</i>	564,790
<i>Town Clerk Expenses</i>	361,125	<i>Town Highway Maintenance</i>	1,158,920
<i>Tax Collector Expenses</i>	173,970	<i>Street Lighting</i>	17,830
<i>Election and Registration</i>	51,140	<i>Solid Waste Disposal</i>	1,244,600
<i>Cemeteries</i>	41,450	<i>Health and Human Services</i>	50,475
<i>General Gov't Buildings</i>	408,670	<i>General Assistance</i>	45,540
<i>Appraisal of Properties</i>	203,515	<i>Library</i>	1,292,345
<i>Information Technologies</i>	265,560	<i>Recreation</i>	255,600
<i>Town Museum</i>	5,650	<i>Historic District Commission</i>	7,300
<i>Searles Building</i>	10,090	<i>Conservation Commission</i>	6,910
<i>Legal Expenses</i>	51,900	<i>Senior Center</i>	5,170
<i>Retirement Service Charges</i>	4,000	<i>Cable TV Expenses</i>	124,430
<i>Insurance</i>	340,645	<i>Interest Expenses (TANs)</i>	500
<i>Contracted Services</i>	5	<i>Long Term Debt</i>	429,089.45
<i>Police Department</i>	3,439,360	<i>(Principal \$351,037.15 and Interest \$78,052.30)</i>	
<i>Dispatching</i>	515,965	<i>Capital Outlay – Roads (Part of CIP)</i>	300,000
<i>Fire Department</i>	3,858,020		

1845  
**YES**  
**NO**  
750

*Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0*

**\*Note:** Warrant Article 25 (operating budget does not include appropriations proposed under any other warrant articles).

**YOU HAVE NOW COMPLETED VOTING THIS BALLOT**