

725 VOTERS

RESULTS



ABSENTEE BALLOT AND OFFICIAL BALLOT
ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION
EPSOM, NEW HAMPSHIRE
MARCH 9, 2021

BALLOT 1 OF 2

Laura Searbo
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.

<p>SELECTMAN For 3 Years Vote for not more than ONE</p> <p>VIRGINIA J. DREW 622 ●</p> <p>(Write-in) ○</p>	<p>TREASURER For 1 Year Vote for not more than ONE</p> <p>PAULA SMITH 600 ●</p> <p>(Write-in) ○</p>	<p>BUDGET COMMITTEE For 3 Years Vote for not more than THREE</p> <p>PENNY GRAHAM 525 ●</p> <p>JOYCE HECK 498 ●</p> <p>MARY E. FRAMBACH 459 ●</p> <p>(Write-in) ○</p> <p>(Write-in) ○</p> <p>(Write-in) ○</p>
<p>TOWN CLERK / TAX COLLECTOR For 3 Years Vote for not more than ONE</p> <p>LAURA SCEARBO 408 ●</p> <p>(Write-in) ○</p>	<p>OVERSEER OF PUBLIC WELFARE For 1 Year Vote for not more than ONE</p> <p>PATRICIA L. HICKEY 589 ●</p> <p>(Write-in) ○</p>	<p>TRUSTEE OF TRUST FUNDS For 3 Years Vote for not more than ONE</p> <p>MARYLOU J. LAFLEUR-KEANE 585 ●</p> <p>(Write-in) ○</p>
<p>ROAD AGENT For 2 Years Vote for not more than ONE</p> <p>SCOTT ELLIOTT 488 ●</p> <p>GORDON ELLIS 725 ○</p> <p>(Write-in) ○</p>	<p>LIBRARY TRUSTEE For 3 Years Vote for not more than ONE</p> <p>ANDI AXMAN 545 ●</p> <p>(Write-in) ○</p>	<p>PLANNING BOARD For 3 Years Vote for not more than THREE</p> <p>KATHY L. DESROCHES 487 ●</p> <p>DAVID W. GOULET 490 ●</p> <p>ELIZABETH BOSIAK 508 ●</p> <p>(Write-in) ○</p> <p>(Write-in) ○</p> <p>(Write-in) ○</p>
<p>MODERATOR For 2 Years Vote for not more than ONE</p> <p>GARY R. MATTESON 607 ●</p> <p>(Write-in) ○</p>	<p>CEMETERY TRUSTEE For 3 Years Vote for not more than ONE</p> <p>(Write-in) ○</p>	
	<p>CEMETERY TRUSTEE For 2 Years Vote for not more than ONE</p> <p>(Write-in) ○</p>	

TOWN OF EPSOM WARRANT ARTICLES

ARTICLE 1: Shall the Town of Epsom 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 \$3,552,329. Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be \$3,531,446 which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Town of Epsom 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.

459
YES ●
NO ○
212

The operating budget is estimated to have a tax rate of \$3.83, .12 cents less than the 2020 Tax rate. The default budget is estimated to have a tax rate of \$3.79, .16 cents less than the 2020 Tax rate.

Recommended by the Selectmen 3-0 Recommended by the Budget Committee 12-0

TURN BALLOT OVER AND CONTINUE VOTING

TOWN OF EPSOM WARRANT ARTICLES CONTINUED

ARTICLE 2: Shall the Town vote to establish a contingency fund for the 2021 year for unanticipated expenses that may arise and further raise and appropriate the sum of twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000) from Unassigned Fund Balance to go into the fund? Any appropriation left in the fund at the end of the year will lapse to the general fund. Majority vote required. This Article and its appropriation are in addition to the operating budget.

545
 YES ●
 NO ○

Recommended by the Selectmen 3-0 *No tax impact*
Recommended by the Budget Committee 12-0

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ARTICLE 3: Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of eight hundred dollars (\$800) to be added to the previously established Cemetery Maintenance Expendable Trust Fund, with said funds to come from the Unassigned Fund Balance, which is equivalent to the total amount of cemetery plot sales from 2020? Majority vote required. This is a Special Warrant Article and its appropriation is in addition to the operating budget.

610
 YES ●
 NO ○

Recommended by the Selectmen 3-0 *No tax impact*
Recommended by the Budget Committee 12-0

78

ARTICLE 4: Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000) to be deposited into the Capital Reserve Fund previously established for the potential future expansion of the public water system? Majority vote required. This is a Special Warrant Article and its appropriation is in addition to the operating budget.

383
 YES ●
 NO ○

Recommended by the Selectmen 3-0 *Estimated tax impact is \$.04 per thousand*
Recommended by the Budget Committee 12-0

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ARTICLE 5: Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000) to be added into the Capital Reserve Fund previously established for a future Town Office with said funds to come from the Unassigned Fund Balance? Majority vote required. This is a Special Warrant Article and its appropriation is in addition to the operating budget.

492
 YES ●
 NO ○

Recommended by the Selectmen 3-0 *No tax impact*
Recommended by the Budget Committee 12-0

191

ARTICLE 6: Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000) to be added to the previously established Expendable Trust Fund for the Maintenance of Historic Town-Owned Buildings with said funds to come from the Unassigned Fund Balance? Majority vote required. This is a Special Warrant Article and its appropriation is in addition to the operating budget.

500
 YES ●
 NO ○
 183

Recommended by the Selectmen 3-0 *No tax impact*
Recommended by the Budget Committee 12-0

ARTICLE 7: Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) to be added to the previously established Government Buildings Maintenance Expendable Trust Fund with said funds to come from the Unassigned Fund Balance? Majority vote required. This is a Special Warrant Article and its appropriation is in addition to the operating budget.

496
 YES ●
 NO ○
 186

Recommended by the Selectmen 3-0 *No tax impact.*
Recommended by the Budget Committee 12-0

ARTICLE 8: Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$150,000) to be added to the Capital Reserve Fund previously established for the purpose of reconstruction and improvements to town roads? Majority vote required. This is a Special Warrant Article and its appropriation is in addition to the operating budget.

438
 YES ●
 NO ○
 244

Recommended by the Selectmen 3-0 *Estimated tax impact is \$.30 per thousand*
Recommended by the Budget Committee 12-0

ARTICLE 9: Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) to be added to the Capital Reserve Fund previously established for the purpose of purchasing motorized vehicles and equipment for the Highway Department? Majority vote required. This is a Special Warrant Article and its appropriation is in addition to the operating budget.

457
 YES ●
 NO ○

Recommended by the Selectmen 3-0 *Estimated tax impact is \$.02 per thousand*
Recommended by the Budget Committee 12-0

225

ARTICLE 10: Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000) to be added to the Capital Reserve Fund previously established for the purpose of bridge replacement and repair? Majority vote required. This is a Special Warrant Article and its appropriation is in addition to the operating budget.

462
 YES ●
 NO ○

Recommended by the Selectmen 3-0 *Estimated tax impact is \$.05 per thousand*
Recommended by the Budget Committee 12-0

219

ARTICLE 11: Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty-five thousand six hundred dollars (\$25,600) for the purpose of purchasing a Heart Monitor/Defibrillator for the Fire Department, and further authorize the withdrawal of the same amount of twenty-five thousand six hundred (\$25,600) from the Fire and Rescue Apparatus Fund for that purpose? Majority vote required. This is a Special Warrant Article and its appropriation is in addition to the operating budget.

603
 YES ●
 NO ○

Recommended by the Selectmen 3-0 *No tax impact*
Recommended by the Budget Committee 12-0

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GO TO NEXT BALLOT AND CONTINUE VOTING



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TOWN CLERK

TOWN OF EPSOM WARRANT ARTICLES CONTINUED

ARTICLE 12: Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of seventeen thousand dollars (\$17,000) for the purpose of purchasing a Portable Ventilator for the Fire Department, and further authorize the withdrawal of same amount of seventeen thousand (\$17,000) from the Fire and Rescue Apparatus Fund for that purpose? Majority vote required. This is a Special Warrant Article and its appropriation is in addition to the operating budget.

622

YES

NO

93

Recommended by the Selectmen 3-0

*No tax impact
Recommended by the Budget Committee 12-0*

ARTICLE 13: Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of six thousand dollars (\$6,000) for the purpose of purchasing an Electric Hoist for the Hose Tower for the Fire Department, and further authorize the withdrawal of the same amount six thousand (\$6,000) from the Fire Apparatus Fund for that purpose? Majority vote required. This is a Special Warrant Article and its appropriation is in addition to the operating budget.

596

YES

NO

117

Recommended by the Selectmen 3-0

*No tax impact
Recommended by the Budget Committee 12-0*

ARTICLE 14: Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred and twenty-five thousand dollars (\$125,000) for the purpose of purchasing a Forestry Truck for the Fire Department, and further authorize withdrawal of the same amount of one hundred and twenty-five thousand (\$125,000) from the Fire and Rescue Apparatus Fund for that purpose? Majority vote required. This is a Special Warrant Article and its appropriation is in addition to the operating budget.

535

YES

NO

177

Recommended by the Selectmen 3-0

*No tax impact
Recommended by the Budget Committee 12-0*

ARTICLE 15: Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of four thousand dollars (\$4,000) to be used by the Northwood Lake Watershed Association to control Milfoil in Northwood Lake? Majority vote required. This appropriation is in addition to the operating budget.

421

YES

NO

290

Recommended by the Selectmen 3-0

*Estimated tax impact is \$.01 per thousand
Recommended by the Budget Committee 12-0*

ARTICLE 16: By petition of 25 or more eligible voters of the town of Epsom to see if the town will vote to urge that the New Hampshire General Court, which is obligated to redraw the maps of political districts within the state following the federal census, will ensure fair and effective representation of New Hampshire voters without gerrymandering.

Additionally, these voters ask the town of Epsom to urge the NH General Court to carry out the redistricting in a fair and transparent way through public meetings, not to favor a particular political party, to include communities of interest, and to minimize multi-seat districts.

507

YES

NO

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Furthermore, as the New Hampshire State Constitution, Part 2, Article 11 allows towns of sufficient population (>3,300) to have their own state representatives, not shared with other towns, for the town of Epsom to petition the NH General Court for its own exclusive seat(s) in the NH House of Representatives, ensuring that State Representatives property represent the town's interests.

The record of the vote approving this article shall be transmitted by written notice from town officials to Epsom's state legislators, informing them of the demands from their constituents within 30 days of the vote.

YOU HAVE NOW COMPLETED VOTING THIS BALLOT