

**ABSENTEE
OFFICIAL BALLOT
ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION
NOTTINGHAM, NEW HAMPSHIRE
MARCH 12, 2024**

BALLOT 1 OF 2

Lorraine Anderson
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>BOARD OF SELECTMEN</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Vote for not for 3 years more than Two</p> <p>BENJAMIN T. BARTLETT <input type="radio"/></p> <p>JOHN DECKER <input type="radio"/></p> <p>MATTHEW SHIRLAND <input type="radio"/></p> <p><input type="radio"/> (Write-in)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> (Write-in)</p>	<p>LIBRARY TRUSTEE</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Vote for not for 3 years more than One</p> <p>LYNN SOUCIE <input type="radio"/></p> <p><input type="radio"/> (Write-in)</p>	<p>SUPERVISORS OF THE CHECKLIST</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Vote for not for 6 years more than One</p> <p>RUTH ANNE FULLER <input type="radio"/></p> <p><input type="radio"/> (Write-in)</p>
<p>BUDGET COMMITTEE</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Vote for not for 3 years more than Three</p> <p>THOMAS BUTKIEWICZ <input type="radio"/></p> <p>DONNA DANIS <input type="radio"/></p> <p>JILLIAN ELDREDGE <input type="radio"/></p> <p>JEFFREY MORRISON <input type="radio"/></p> <p>BRENT TWEED <input type="radio"/></p> <p><input type="radio"/> (Write-in)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> (Write-in)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> (Write-in)</p>	<p>MODERATOR</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Vote for not for 2 years more than One</p> <p>DAWN FERNALD <input type="radio"/></p> <p><input type="radio"/> (Write-in)</p>	<p>TOWN CLERK</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Vote for not for 3 years more than One</p> <p>LORRAINE 'LORI' ANDERSON <input type="radio"/></p> <p><input type="radio"/> (Write-in)</p>
<p>CEMETERY TRUSTEE</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Vote for not for 3 year more than One</p> <p>CATHERINE D. BERSHTEIN <input type="radio"/></p> <p><input type="radio"/> (Write-in)</p>	<p>PLANNING BOARD</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Vote for not for 3 years more than Two</p> <p><input type="radio"/> (Write-in)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> (Write-in)</p>	<p>TRUSTEES OF THE TRUST FUNDS</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Vote for not for 3 years more than One</p> <p>JAMES PHELPS <input type="radio"/></p> <p><input type="radio"/> (Write-in)</p>
	<p>PLANNING BOARD</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Vote for not for 1 year more than One</p> <p>CHRISTOPHER EVANS <input type="radio"/></p> <p>DOUGLAS CUMMINGS <input type="radio"/></p> <p><input type="radio"/> (Write-in)</p>	<p>ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Vote for not for 3 years more than Two</p> <p>ROMEO DANAIS <input type="radio"/></p> <p>TERESA L. BASCOM <input type="radio"/></p> <p><input type="radio"/> (Write-in)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> (Write-in)</p>

ARTICLES

Article #02: 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 \$5,137,855 (Five Million One Hundred Thirty-Seven Thousand Eight Hundred Fifty-Five Dollars). Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be \$4,848,607 (Four Million Eight Hundred Forty-Eight Thousand Six Hundred Seven Dollars) 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. The estimated tax impact is \$3.14 per \$1,000 of property valuation.

YES
NO

The Select Board recommends this appropriation (5-0)
The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation (6-5)

TURN BALLOT OVER AND CONTINUE VOTING

ARTICLES CONTINUED

Article #03: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000 (Ten Thousand Dollars) to be added to the Police Technology Equipment Expendable Trust Fund previously established. Majority vote required. The estimated tax impact is \$0.01 per \$1,000 of property valuation.

YES
NO

The Select Board recommends this appropriation (5-0)
The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation (11-0)

Article #04: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$40,000 (Forty Thousand Dollars) for the purpose of purchasing the necessary fuel, supplies, equipment, and maintenance to run the ambulance and billing services for 2024; and to authorize the withdrawal of \$40,000.00 (Forty Thousand Dollars) from the Ambulance and Equipment Replacement Special Revenue Fund created for this purpose. Majority Vote Required. The estimated tax impact is \$0.00 per \$1,000 of property valuation.

YES
NO

The Select Board recommends this appropriation (5-0)
The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation (11-0)

Article #05: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$100,000 (One Hundred Thousand Dollars) to be added to the Fire Vehicle/SCBA Capital Reserve Fund previously established. Majority vote required. The estimated tax impact is \$0.12 per \$1,000 of property valuation.

YES
NO

The Select Board recommends this appropriation (5-0)
The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation (11-0)

Article #06: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$60,000 (Sixty Thousand Dollars) for the purpose of increasing the Fire Chief stipend for the remainder of 2024 with the estimated yearly stipend in 2025 to be \$71,440, and all future costs to be included in the annual budget and default budget going forward. This increase is based on the increased minimum mandated qualifications of Chief, as set forth by the Nottingham Fire Rescue Department (NFRD) Bylaws. Majority vote required. The estimated tax impact is \$0.07 per \$1,000 of property valuation.

YES
NO

The Select Board recommends this appropriation (5-0)
The Budget Committee DOES NOT recommend this appropriation (8-3)

Article #07: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$25,000 (Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars) for the purpose of replacing the flooring in the Community Center gymnasium. Majority vote required. The estimated tax impact is \$0.03 per \$1,000 of property valuation.

YES
NO

The Select Board recommends this appropriation (5-0)
The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation (11-0)

Article #08: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$40,000 (Forty Thousand Dollars) for the purpose of exploratory options and design for the relocation of the Police Department. Majority vote required. The estimated tax impact is \$0.05 per \$1,000 of property valuation.

YES
NO

The Select Board recommends this appropriation (5-0)
The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation (11-0)

Article #09: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$50,000.00 (Fifty Thousand Dollars) to begin work on the cleanup and renovations needed to the rear community center building. This is a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7 VI and will not lapse until the work is complete or not later than one year after the end of fiscal year 2024, whichever occurs earlier. Majority Vote Required. The estimated tax impact is \$0.06 per \$1,000 of property valuation.

YES
NO

The Select Board recommends this appropriation (5-0)
The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation (9-2)

Article #10: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$20,000 (Twenty Thousand Dollars) to begin work on the reconfigured parking lot at the library, and also address safety concerns such as parking lot lighting and improving walkways. Majority vote required. The estimated tax impact is \$0.02 per \$1,000 of property valuation.

YES
NO

The Select Board recommends this appropriation (5-0)
The Budget Committee DOES NOT recommend this appropriation (6-5)

Article #11: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$150,000 (One Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars) to be added to the Town Building Maintenance and Repair Expendable Trust Fund previously established. Majority vote required. The estimated tax impact is \$0.18 per \$1,000 of property valuation.

YES
NO

The Select Board recommends this appropriation (5-0)
The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation (11-0)

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ARTICLES CONTINUED

Article #12: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500,000 (Five Hundred Thousand Dollars) for highway reconstruction and maintenance on town roads to include but not limited to paving approaches on dirt roads throughout town as prioritized by the Highway Director, pave a section of Priest Road up to the rear access road to the Fire Station, and Stevens Hill Road from Deerfield Road to the existing pavement. The sum of \$150,300 (One Hundred Fifty Thousand Three Hundred Dollars) is to come from unassigned fund balance. The balance of \$349,700 (Three Hundred Forty-Nine Thousand Seven Hundred Dollars) to be raised by taxation. This is a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7 VI and will not lapse until the work is complete or not later than one year after the end of fiscal year 2024, whichever occurs earlier. Majority Vote Required. The estimated tax impact is \$0.42 per \$1,000 of property valuation.

YES
NO

**The Select Board recommends this appropriation (5-0)
The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation (6-5)**

Article #13: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$100,000 (One Hundred Thousand Dollars) to be added to the Highway Truck Capital Reserve Fund previously established. Majority vote required. The estimated tax impact is \$0.12 per \$1,000 of property valuation.

YES
NO

**The Select Board recommends this appropriation (4-1)
The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation (11-0)**

Article #14: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$20,000 (Twenty Thousand Dollars) to be added to the previously established Revaluation Capital Reserve Fund for the purpose of performing a statutory revaluation of property every five years. Majority Vote Required. The estimated tax impact is \$0.02 per \$1,000 of property valuation.

YES
NO

**The Select Board recommends this appropriation (5-0)
The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation (8-3)**

Article #15: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$24,375 (Twenty-Four Thousand Three Hundred Seventy-Five Dollars) to provide financial support to the following social service organizations that provide a service to the residents in the Town of Nottingham:

YES
NO

Cornerstone VNA	\$2,400
Lamprey Health Care	\$4,500
Seacoast Mental Health	\$1,000
Waypoint (Child & Family Services)	\$3,000
Haven	\$1,450
AIDS Response Seacoast	\$ 575
CASA	\$ 500
RSVP - Friends Program	\$ 100
SNHS Community Action Program	\$5,500
Rockingham County Nutrition/Meals on Wheels	\$1,500
Area Homecare/Family	\$1,100
Child Advocacy Cente	\$1,250
Ready Rides	\$1,500

Majority Vote Required.
The estimated tax impact is \$0.03 per \$1,000 of property valuation.
The Select Board recommends this appropriation (5-0)
The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation (8-2-1)

Article #16: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000 (Ten Thousand Dollars) to be added to the Invasive Species Prevention and Eradication Removal Expendable Trust Fund previously established. Majority vote required. The estimated tax impact is \$0.01 per \$1,000 of property valuation.

YES
NO

**The Select Board recommends this appropriation (5-0)
The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation (6-5)**

TURN BALLOT OVER AND CONTINUE VOTING

ARTICLES CONTINUED

Article #17: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000 (Five Thousand Dollars) for the purpose of conducting courtesy inspections of boats using the State Boat Launch at Fundy Boat Ramp and the Pawtuckaway State Park Boat Ramps on Pawtuckaway Lake and to request permission to remove suspicious materials and to educate the public on how to prevent the spread of exotic species from water body to water body. Majority Vote Required. The estimated tax impact is less than \$.01 per \$1,000 of property valuation.

YES
NO

The Select Board recommends this appropriation (5-0)
The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation (8-3)

Article #18: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$7,500 (Seven Thousand Five Hundred Dollars) for the purpose of purchasing a new ballot machine. The Town will be applying for aid to offset the cost of this purchase. The final amount used is subject to receipt of any state or federal grant or aid. If grant or other aid is not received, the total sum of \$7,500 is to be raised by taxation. Majority Vote Required. The estimated tax impact is \$0.01 per \$1,000 of property valuation.

YES
NO

The Select Board recommends this appropriation (5-0)
The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation (6-5)

Article #19: To see if the Town will vote to approve the readoption of the All Veteran's Tax Credit (RSA 72:28-b). The readoption of the All Veteran's Tax Credit, if approved would continue to offer a \$750.00 tax credit to all honorably discharged veterans that qualify under the current requirements and as of April 1, 2023, would expand the eligibility requirements to include those individuals that have not yet been discharged from active service. Majority vote required.

YES
NO

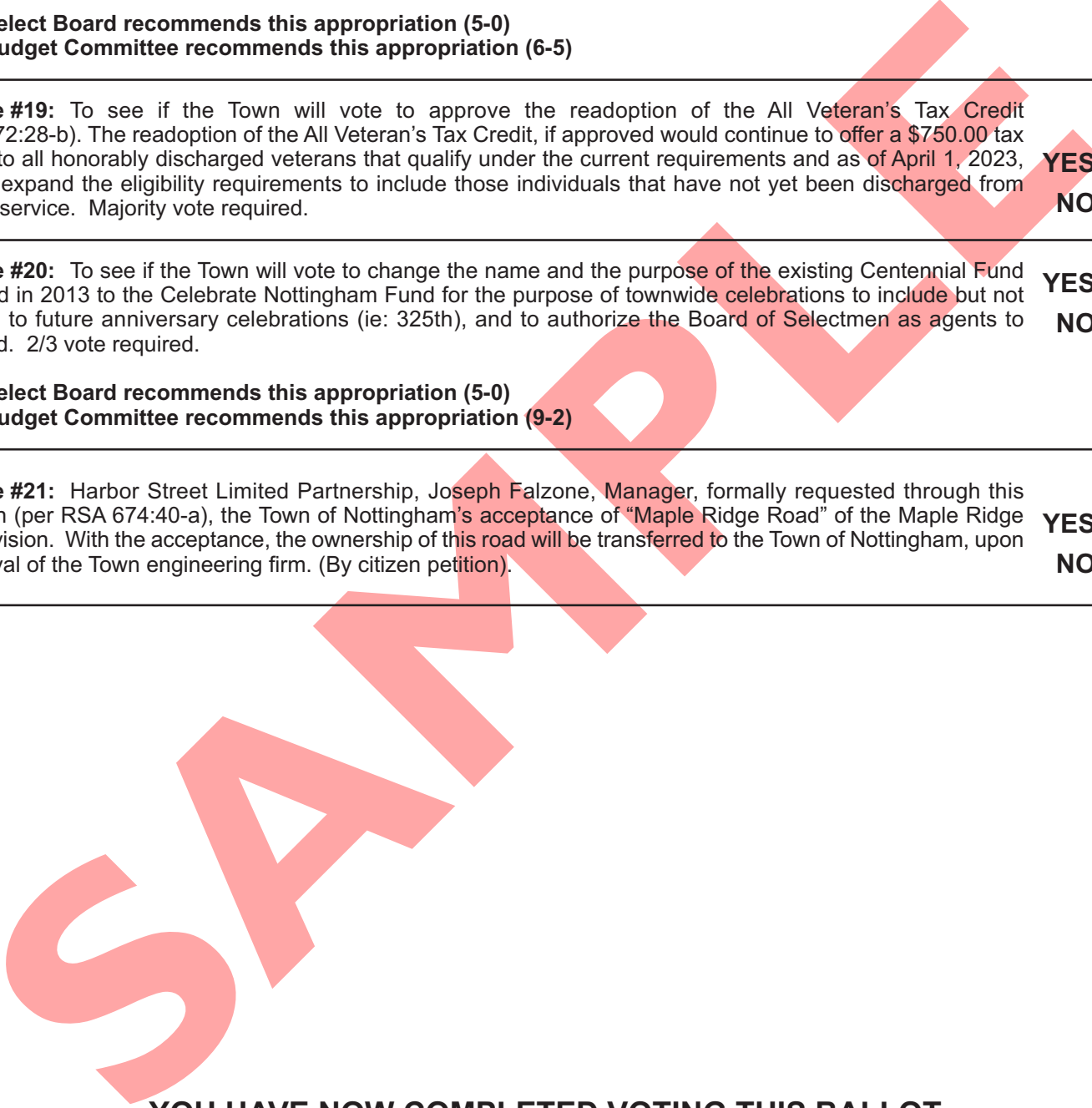
Article #20: To see if the Town will vote to change the name and the purpose of the existing Centennial Fund created in 2013 to the Celebrate Nottingham Fund for the purpose of townwide celebrations to include but not limited to future anniversary celebrations (ie: 325th), and to authorize the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend. 2/3 vote required.

YES
NO

The Select Board recommends this appropriation (5-0)
The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation (9-2)

Article #21: Harbor Street Limited Partnership, Joseph Falzone, Manager, formally requested through this petition (per RSA 674:40-a), the Town of Nottingham's acceptance of "Maple Ridge Road" of the Maple Ridge Subdivision. With the acceptance, the ownership of this road will be transferred to the Town of Nottingham, upon approval of the Town engineering firm. (By citizen petition).

YES
NO



YOU HAVE NOW COMPLETED VOTING THIS BALLOT