



OFFICIAL BALLOT
ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION
PETERBOROUGH, NEW HAMPSHIRE
MAY 10, 2016

Linda M. Guyette
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.

Grid of ballot sections including: SELECTMAN, CEMETERY TRUSTEE, PLANNING BOARD, TRUSTEE OF THE TRUST FUNDS, BUDGET COMMITTEE, ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT, LIBRARY TRUSTEE, RECREATION COMMITTEE, SUPERVISOR OF THE CHECKLIST, and another ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT.

734 voted of
5167 on checklist
14.2% voter turnout

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ZONING AMENDMENTS

Article 2. Zoning Amendment – Amendments A through L

Planning Board Amendment A:

Are you in favor of the adoption of **Amendment A** as proposed by the Planning Board for the Peterborough Zoning Ordinance as follows:

YES 583

NO 94

To amend §245-12 "Shoreland Conservation Zone" by replacing the requirement of obtaining a Special Exception from the Zoning Board of Adjustment for crossings and other uses, with a requirement of obtaining a Conditional Use Permit from the Planning Board based on the same criteria as currently exists.

The purpose of this amendment is to make the procedures required for obtaining a Shoreland Conservation Zone approval consistent with those required for the Wetland Protection Overlay Zone approval. This will simplify and streamline the application process while maintaining the same level of protection for the lands within Shoreland Conservation Zone.

Planning Board Amendment B:

Are you in favor of the adoption of **Amendment B** as proposed by the Planning Board for the Peterborough Zoning Ordinance as follows:

YES 606

NO 82

To amend §245-24.1 "Accessory Dwelling Unit" (sometimes referred to as an "in-law apartment") by updating the definition of Accessory Dwelling Unit (ADU) and replacing the entire existing ordinance, making the ADU an allowed use by right, subject to standards set forth in the ordinance, and eliminating the requirement of obtaining a Special Exception. Changes to standards include allowing the maximum size of an ADU to be up to 750 square feet or 30% of the size of the single-family dwelling, whichever is larger, and allowing not more than three (3) bedrooms.

The effect of this amendment will be to bring the ordinance into compliance with recently adopted changes to the State statute, the purpose of which is to "increase the supply of affordable housing opportunities...with minimal negative impact." The amendment also seeks to addresses specific housing needs identified during the recent update of the Master Plan Vision Chapter.

Planning Board Amendment C:

Are you in favor of the adoption of **Amendment C** as proposed by the Planning Board for the Peterborough Zoning Ordinance as follows:

YES 572

NO 121

To clarify the definition of "Bed and Breakfast Establishment" which is permitted within an owner-occupied single-family dwelling, and allow the use by Conditional Use Permit in the Family District, General Residence District and Rural District. This replaces the existing requirement of obtaining a special exception in the General Residence District. The ordinance also establishes a maximum of 12 guest bedrooms, and gives the Planning Board the authority to limit the number of bedrooms based on the compatibility of the proposal with the surrounding neighborhood. The Conditional Use Permit criteria would be the same as was previously established for Bed and Breakfast Establishments associated with Agricultural Business Enterprise Uses in the Rural District.

The intent of this amendment is to expand opportunities for lodging establishments in Peterborough as identified during the recent update of the Master Plan Vision Chapter, streamline the application process, and clarify the criteria and standards needed to provide appropriate protections to existing neighborhoods.

Planning Board Amendment D:

Are you in favor of the adoption of **Amendment D** as proposed by the Planning Board for the Peterborough Zoning Ordinance as follows:

YES 571

NO 88

To amend §245-2 "Applicability" by adding a paragraph addressing "Severability".

The purpose of the amendment is to make it clear that if any provision of the Zoning Ordinance is declared to be invalid by a final court decision, the validity of the Ordinance as a whole will not be affected.

Planning Board Amendment E:

Are you in favor of the adoption of **Amendment E** as proposed by the Planning Board for the Peterborough Zoning Ordinance as follows:

YES 591

NO 67

To add and modify definitions to §245-4 "Definitions" for "Dwelling, Two-family", "Impervious Surface", "Impervious Cover", and "Subdivision". The definitions for "Impervious Surface" and "Subdivision" both exist either elsewhere in the Zoning Ordinance or in the Planning Board Regulations.

The effect of this amendment will improve clarity in the Zoning Ordinance.

Planning Board Amendment F:

Are you in favor of the adoption of **Amendment F** as proposed by the Planning Board for the Peterborough Zoning Ordinance as follows:

YES 603

NO 69

To amend §245-5 "Districts Established" by adding a paragraph to clarify regulatory requirements for new condominium developments and condominium conversions of existing buildings.

The purpose of this amendment is to make it clear that condominium proposals must comply the zoning ordinance and are subject to applicable Subdivision and Site Plan Regulations and approvals.

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Planning Board Amendment G:

Are you in favor of the adoption of **Amendment G** as proposed by the Planning Board for the Peterborough Zoning Ordinance as follows:

To amend § 245-6 "Family District" by adding language to clarify that the existing minimum lot size standard of 50,000 square feet for siting a new two-family home also applies to the conversion of an existing single family home to a two-family home. YES 576
NO 114

The purpose of this amendment is to improve clarity of the ordinance.

Planning Board Amendment H:

Are you in favor of the adoption of **Amendment H** as proposed by the Planning Board for the Peterborough Zoning Ordinance as follows:

To amend § 245-14.B. "Ground Water Protection Overlay District" by adding examples to the existing definition of "Impervious Surface." YES 604
NO 61

The purpose of this amendment is to increase the clarity of the definition and make it consistent with a definition that is proposed to be added in Amendment E to § 245-4 "Definitions."

Planning Board Amendment I:

Are you in favor of the adoption of **Amendment I** as proposed by the Planning Board for the Peterborough Zoning Ordinance as follows:

To amend § 245-15 "Wetlands Protection Overlay District" to add "Restoration of a previously disturbed area within the District" as a permitted use subject to conditional use permit. YES 580
NO 89

The purpose of this amendment is to allow restoration activities in the Wetlands Protection Overlay District without needing to obtain a variance.

Planning Board Amendment J:

Are you in favor of the adoption of **Amendment J** as proposed by the Planning Board for the Peterborough Zoning Ordinance as follows:

To amend § 245-24.3.D.1.e "Wireless Communication Regulations" by correcting a citation to the State Statute related to regional notification requirements. YES 647
NO 33

The purpose of this amendment is to correct an error in the ordinance.

Planning Board Amendment K:

Are you in favor of the adoption of **Amendment K** as proposed by the Planning Board for the Peterborough Zoning Ordinance as follows:

To amend § 245-33.D.5 "Lighting and Glare" to add "LED" as a permitted type of light source for exterior lighting. YES 626
NO 66

The purpose of this amendment is to update the ordinance to reflect changes in technology.

Citizen Petition Amendment L:

Are you in favor of the adoption of **Amendment L** as proposed by Citizen Petition for the Peterborough Zoning Ordinance as follows:

To rezone land consisting of one (1) Parcel numbered "R003-024-000" located on the east side of Route 202 south, from General Residence District to Business/Industrial District. YES 544
NO 118

This land was previously within the Business/Industrial District and was rezoned by petition to General Residence District in 2012. The Planning Board supports this petition.

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ARTICLES

Article 3. Budget for Fiscal Year 2017 - \$13,927,031

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **Thirteen Million Nine Hundred Twenty Seven Thousand Thirty One Dollars (13,927,031)** for the support of General Government, Water, and Wastewater. This represents the fiscal year 2017 budget period, July 1, 2016 to June 30, 2017. This article does not include appropriations in special or individual articles addressed separately.

YES 582

NO 102

The Select Board recommends this appropriation by a vote of 3-0
The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation by a vote of 5-0

Article 4. Financial Management Software/Hardware Capital Reserve Fund - \$43,113

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **Forty Three Thousand One Hundred Thirteen Dollars (\$43,113)** to be placed in the previously established "Financial Management Software/Hardware Capital Reserve Fund" for the purpose of the orderly replacement and/or upgrades of the present outdated Financial Management Software/Hardware Systems. This amount is partially paid by the water and sewer funds in the amount of \$18,152.

YES 581

NO 102

The Select Board recommends this appropriation by a vote of 3-0
The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation by a vote of 5-0

Article 5. Geographic Information System Capital Reserve Fund - \$5,000

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000)** to be placed in the previously established "Geographic Information System Capital Reserve Fund" for the purpose of upgrading and maintaining the aerial maps and planimetric data.

YES 564

NO 115

The Select Board recommends this appropriation by a vote of 3-0
The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation by a vote of 5-0

Article 6. Study of the Withdrawal from the Contoocook Valley Regional School District

To see if the Town will vote to direct the School Board to conduct a study of the feasibility and suitability of the withdrawal of one or more member districts from the Contoocook Valley Regional School District.

YES 328

NO 376

Petition Warrant Article
The Select Board recommends this article by a vote of 3-0
The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation by a vote of 3-2

Article 7. Financial Support to Review the Withdrawal Study of the Town from Contoocook Valley Regional School District - \$20,000

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000)** for the purpose of contractual services to support the Town of Peterborough's review of the study of the feasibility and suitability of the withdrawal of one or more member districts from Contoocook Valley Regional School District.

YES 314

NO 391

The Select Board recommends this appropriation by a vote of 3-0
The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation by a vote of 4-1

YOU HAVE NOW COMPLETED VOTING