

SAMPLE BALLOT



BALLOT 1 OF 3

**OFFICIAL BALLOT
ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION
LITTLETON, NEW HAMPSHIRE
MARCH 14, 2017**

Judson F. White
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>FOR SELECTMAN <small>(Vote for not more than ONE) (Three Year Term)</small></p> <p>FRANCO ROSSI 561 ○</p> <p>ADOLFO RUDY GELSI 190 ○</p> <p>RALPH HODGMAN 357 ○</p> <p>_____ <small>(Write-in)</small></p>	<p>FOR TRUSTEE OF TRUST FUNDS <small>(Vote for not more than ONE) (Three Year Term)</small></p> <p>STANLEY T. FILLION 1107 ○</p> <p>_____ <small>(Write-in)</small></p> <p>FOR PARK COMMISSIONER <small>(Vote for not more than ONE) (Three Year Term)</small></p> <p>DANIELLE LAFITTE COOK 1623 ○</p> <p>_____ <small>(Write-in)</small></p>	<p>FOR LIBRARY TRUSTEES <small>(Vote for not more than THREE) (Three Year Term)</small></p> <p>JOSEPH EVANS 813 ○</p> <p>JANICE (JANI) FILLION 975 ○</p> <p>Elizabeth Dean 47 ○</p> <p>Kim Delutis 41 ○</p> <p>Kathy Rasmussen 37 ○</p> <p>FOR LIBRARY TRUSTEE <small>(Vote for not more than ONE) (Two Year Term)</small></p> <p>Kim Delutis 61 ○</p> <p>_____ <small>(Write-in)</small></p>
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ARTICLES

Article 02: Amendment to Zoning Ordinance

Are you in favor of adopting the amendment to the Zoning Ordinance as proposed by the Planning Board to extend the boundaries of the Industrial Zone to include a 115 acre parcel of property which abuts the current Industrial Zone, which is owned by Littleton Industrial Development Corporation and identified as Map/Lot 102-77 The property is currently in the Rural Zone. (2/3 Vote Required).
No Tax Impact. Recommended by the Planning Board 5-1.

704
YES ○
NO ○
541

Article 03: Sewer Storm Water Roadway Project Bond 2018

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Million Dollars (\$2,000,000) for the purpose of Repair and Replacement of Sewer Lines within the existing wastewater collection system, and any other costs related thereto and to authorize the issuance of not more than \$2,000,000 of bonds or notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA 33) and to authorize the Selectmen to apply for, obtain and accept federal, state or other aid, if any, which may be available for said project. WITH THE AMOUNT OF SUCH BONDS OR NOTES TO BE REDUCED BY ANY GRANT FUNDING RECEIVED FOR THE PROJECT, and further to authorize the Selectmen to take any other action or to pass any other vote relative thereto. (3/5 Ballot Vote Required).
No Tax Impact In 2017.
Recommended by Selectmen 3-0. Recommended by Budget Committee 4-0.

945
YES ○
NO ○
290

Article 04: 2017 Operating Budget

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 \$8,730,879 (Eight Million Seven Hundred Thirty Thousand Eight Hundred Seventy Nine Dollars)? Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be \$8,668,801 Dollars (Eight Million Six Hundred Sixty Six Thousand Nine Hundred One 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.
Estimated Tax Impact \$7,588 Per Thousand.
Recommended by the Selectmen: 3-0. Recommended by the Budget Committee 4-0.

772
YES ○
NO ○
466

Article 05: Police Department Safety Equipment

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000 (Five Thousand Dollars), for the purpose of purchasing, installing and improving Police Cruisers with updated safety and communications equipment and to authorize the withdrawal of \$5,000 (Five Thousand Dollars) from the Special Detail Revenue Fund. And to further authorize the Police Chief to trade in or sell older equipment.
No Tax Impact. Recommended by Selectmen 3-0. Recommended by Budget Committee 4-0.

920
YES ○
NO ○
329

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Article 06: Highway Department Light Duty Truck (3 Year Lease)

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the selectmen to enter into a three (3) year lease agreement in the amount of \$100,000 (One Hundred Thousand Dollars) for the purpose of leasing a new or used Light Duty Truck for the Highway Department, and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$30,000 (Thirty Thousand Dollars) for the first year's payment for that purpose. This lease agreement has an escape clause.
 Estimated Tax Impact \$0.042 Per Thousand.
 Recommended by Selectmen 2-1. Recommended by Budget Committee 4-0.

704
 YES
 NO
 526

Article 07: Full Time Highway Employee (9 Months)

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$40,867 (Forty Thousand Eight Hundred Sixty Seven Dollars) for the purpose of increasing the current level of staffing for the Highway Department. The nine month estimated cost for 2017 is \$40,867, the full year cost is estimated to be \$54,711 and if approved the full cost will be added to the 2018 default and proposed budget.
 Estimated Tax Impact \$0.069 Per Thousand.
 Recommended by Selectmen 2-1. Recommended by Budget Committee 4-0.

629
 YES
 NO
 596

Article 08: Part Time Highway Department Summer Laborer

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000 (Ten Thousand Dollars) for the purpose of hiring a part time summer laborer in the Highway Department. If approved the part time summer laborer cost will be added to the 2018 default and proposed budget.
 Estimated Tax Impact \$0.014 Per Thousand.
 Recommended by Selectmen 2-1. Recommended by Budget Committee 4-0.

742
 YES
 NO
 483

Article 09: Road Improvements

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$150,000 (One Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars) for the purpose of Repairing and Improving various roads in Town. The road improvement planned for 2017 is parts of Mt. Eustis road. Any savings realized on this project will be used for and expended on other Town roads.
 Estimated Tax Impact \$0.208.
 Recommended by Selectmen 3-0. Recommended by Budget Committee 4-0.

983
 YES
 NO
 248

Article 10: Transfer Station Repair/Replacement/Equipment/Buildings

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$16,000 (Sixteen Thousand Dollars) to replace, fix, purchase and maintain Transfer Station equipment, buildings, containers, vehicles and the purchase of an additional supply of bags. And to authorize the withdrawal of \$16,000 (Sixteen Thousand Dollars) from the Transfer Station Special Reserve Fund created for the above purposes.
 No Tax Impact.
 Recommended by Selectmen 3-0. Recommended by Budget Committee 4-0.

1022
 YES
 NO
 214

Article 11: Transfer Station Baler and Conveyor

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the selectmen to enter into a three (3) year lease agreement in the amount of \$100,000 (One Hundred Thousand Dollars) for the purpose of leasing a new or used Baler and Conveyor System at the Transfer Station, and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$30,000 (Thirty Thousand Dollars) for the first year's payment for that purpose. This lease agreement contains an escape clause.
 Estimated Tax Impact \$0.042 Per Thousand.
 Recommended by Selectmen 2-1. Recommended by Budget Committee 4-0.

803
 YES
 NO
 422

Article 12: SEA (Police Department Collective Bargaining Agreement)

To see if the Town will vote to approve the cost item included in the collective bargaining agreement for two (2) years reached between the Board of Selectmen and the State Employees' Association, Local 1984, which calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits at the current staffing level:

Year	Estimate	
2017	\$7,281	
2018	\$21,529	
2019	\$6,392	

And further to raise and appropriate the sum of \$7,281 (Seven Thousand Two Hundred Eighty One Dollars) for the current fiscal year, such sum representing the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits over those of the appropriation at current staffing levels paid in the prior fiscal year.
 Estimated Tax Impact \$0.010.
 Recommended by Selectmen 3-0. Recommended by Budget Committee 4-0. 1 Abstained.

723
 YES
 NO
 504

Article 13: Special Town Meeting

Shall the Town of Littleton, if Article 12 is defeated, authorize the governing body to call one special meeting, at its option, to address Article 12 cost items only?
 No Tax Impact.
 Recommended by Selectmen 3-0. Recommended by Budget Committee 3-1.

849
 YES
 NO
 382

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Article 14: AFSCME Collective Bargaining Agreement

To see if the Town will vote to approve the cost item included in the two (2) year collective bargaining agreement reached between the Board of Selectmen and the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees Council 93, Local 1348 which calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits at the current staffing level:

2017 \$ 5,969
2018 \$12,670
2019 \$ 3,649

And further to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,969 (Five Thousand Nine Hundred Sixty Nine Dollars) for the current fiscal year, such sum representing the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits over those of the appropriation at current staffing levels paid in the prior fiscal year.

Estimated Tax Impact \$0.008.

Recommended by Selectmen 3-0. Recommended by Budget Committee 4-0.

710
YES
NO
516

Article 15: Special Town Meeting

Shall the Town of Littleton, if Article 14 is defeated, authorize the governing body to call one special, at its option, to address Article 14 cost items only?

No Tax Impact.

Recommended by Selectmen 3-0. Recommended by Budget Committee 4-0.

816
YES
NO
413

Article 16: Unexpended Conservation Commission Funds

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$210 (Two Hundred and Ten Dollars) to be placed in the Conservation Commission Capital Reserve Fund previously established. This amount represents the unexpended portion of the Conservation Commission's 2018 appropriation.

No Tax Impact.

Recommended by Selectmen 3-0. Recommended by Budget Committee 4-0.

1024
YES
NO
204

Article 17: Amend Lease Limit Amount

To see if the Town will amend the lease restrictions that were placed on the Town at the 2008 Town Meeting Warrant Article #35 a \$20,000 limit on leases. The amendment would increase the limit to \$65,000 (Sixty Five Thousand Dollars).

No Tax Impact.

Recommended by Selectmen 3-0. Recommended by Budget Committee 0-0.

716
YES
NO
504

Article 18: Opera House Energy Reduction Improvements

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$44,200 (Forty Four Thousand Two Hundred Dollars) for the purpose of demolition, construction, air sealing and insulating areas on the Littleton Opera House as identified in Energy Audit report to reduce energy usage, and to further authorize the Selectmen to apply for, accept and expend grants and other funds available for this purpose. And to authorize the Selectmen to accept a grant of \$20,637 as offsetting revenue for this article. Estimated savings to taxpayers is 3,789 (Three Thousand Seven Hundred Eighty Nine) gallons of propane per year.

Estimated Tax Impact \$0.030.

Recommended by Selectmen 2-1. Recommended by Budget Committee 5-0.

788
YES
NO
450

Article 19: Opera House Stage Rigging

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$15,000 (Fifteen Thousand Dollars) to install and/or replace the rigging on the stage at the Opera House as required per safety code NFPA 1983. And to further authorize the withdrawal of \$15,000 (Fifteen Thousand Dollars) from the Opera House Special Revenue Fund to offset this cost.

No Tax Impact.

Recommended by Selectmen 2-1. Recommended by Budget Committee 5-0.

819
YES
NO
417

Article 20: Remich Park Building Replacement Fund

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum \$20,000 (Twenty Thousand Dollars) for the purpose of placing into the already established in 2015 the Remich Park Building Replacement Fund Capital Reserve Fund.

Estimated Tax Impact \$0.028.

Recommended by Selectmen 2-1. Not Recommended by Budget Committee 4-1.

704
YES
NO
532

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Article 21: Petitioned Warrant Article Littleton Chamber of Commerce

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$15,000 (Fifteen Thousand Dollars) to support the Downtown Beautification efforts of the Littleton Chamber of Commerce.

Purchase Downtown Flowers \$4,250
 Watering Downtown Flowers \$3,500
 Downtown Piano Tuning & Covers \$5,000
 Purchase Downtown Umbrellas \$ 400
 Purchase Holiday Decorations \$1,850
 Estimated Tax Impact \$0.021 Per Thousand.

Recommended by Selectmen 3-0. Recommended by Budget Committee 6-1. 1 Abstained.

74
 YES
 NO

479

Article 22: Petitioned Warrant Article Glenwood Cemetery Association

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$12,000 (Twelve Thousand Dollars) to continue repairs of the cemetery wall on West Main Street.

Estimated Tax Impact \$0.020 per Thousand.

Recommended by Selectmen 3-0. Recommended by Budget Committee 8-0.

896
 YES
 NO

323

Article 23: Petitioned Warrant Article Littleton Community Center

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$15,000 (Fifteen Thousand Dollars) to support a donation to the Littleton Community Center Capital Reserve Improvement Fund towards the purchase and installation of new, energy efficient storm windows.

Estimated Tax Impact \$0.021 Per Thousand.

Not Recommended by Selectmen 3-0. Not Recommended by Budget Committee 4-0.

594
 YES
 NO

615

Article 24: Petitioned Warrant Article Library Building Improvement Fund

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$15,000 (Fifteen Thousand Dollars) to be placed in the "Library Building Improvement Fund," which was created at the 2014 Town Meeting, said funds to come from taxation.

Estimated Tax Impact \$0.021 per Thousand.

Not Recommended by Selectmen 3-0. Not Recommended by Budget Committee 4-0.

578
 YES
 NO

642

Article 25: Petitioned Warrant Article Grafton County Senior Center

Shall the voters raise and appropriate Thirty Four Thousand Dollars (\$34,000) to Grafton County Senior Citizens Council, Inc., through the Littleton Area Senior Center and the ServiceLink Resource Center for services for Littleton residents in 2017? These services include congregate meals, home delivered meals, transportation, outreach support services for 696 Littleton residents, and ServiceLink provided services for 106 residents. The cost of providing these services was \$403,151.85.

Estimated Tax Impact \$0.047 per Thousand.

Not Recommended by the Selectmen 3-0. Recommended by the Budget Committee 6-1. 1 Abstained.

858
 YES
 NO

363

Article 26: Petitioned Warrant Article Boys & Girls Club

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000 (Ten Thousand Dollars) to support the Boys & Girls Club of the North Country in order to provide a healthy, safe, and productive after school and vacation camp environment for children from Littleton and other area towns.

Estimated Tax Impact \$0.014 Per Thousand.

Not Recommended by Selectmen 3-0. Recommended by the Budget Committee 6-1. 1 Abstained.

702
 YES
 NO

518

Article 27: Petitioned Warrant Article Support Center at Burch House

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,080 (Three Thousand Eighty Dollars) for the Support Center at Burch House. These funds will support essential domestic and sexual violence prevention services and emergency shelter for victims and survivors in the community.

Estimated Tax Impact \$0.004 Per Thousand.

Not Recommended by Selectmen 3-0. Recommended by the Budget Committee 6-1. 1 Abstained.

715
 YES
 NO

509

Article 28: Petitioned Warrant Article Northern Human Services

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$9,696 (Nine Thousand Six Hundred Ninety Six Dollars) as the Town's contribution to the White Mountain Mental Health and Common Ground, programs of Northern Human Services, serving the mental health and developmental service needs of Littleton residents.

Tax Impact \$0.013.

Not Recommended by Selectmen 3-0. Recommended by Budget Committee 6-1. 1 Abstained.

693
 YES
 NO

531

Article 29: Petitioned Warrant Article Tri County Transit

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,000 (Four Thousand Dollars) in support of the Tri Town Public Bus Service.

Estimated Tax Impact \$0.015 Per Thousand.

Not Recommended by Selectmen 3-0. Recommended by Budget Committee 6-1. 1 Abstained.

778
 YES
 NO

442

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Article 30: Petitioned Warrant Article Tri-County Community Action

To see if the Town of Littleton will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$11,000 (Eleven Thousand Dollars) for Tri-County Community Action Grafton County for the purpose of continuing services of the Fuel Assistance Program for the residents of Littleton.
Estimated Tax Impact \$0.015 per Thousand.
Not Recommended by the Selectmen 3-0. Recommended by the Budget Committee 6-1. 1 Abstained.

746
YES
NO
478

Article 31: Petitioned Warrant Article Ammonoosuc Community Health Services

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000) for Ammonoosuc Community Health Services, Inc. (ACHS). ACHS is a non-profit community health center that provides primary preventive health care to anyone, regardless of their ability to pay. This will help ACHS continue to provide high quality care to 2,119 current Littleton patients, as well as reach more of those in need.
Estimated Tax Impact \$0.02 Per Thousand.
Not Recommended by Selectmen 3-0. Recommended by Budget Committee 6-1. 1 Abstained.

761
YES
NO
467

Article 32: Petitioned Warrant Article Caleb Caregivers

To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,000 (Two Thousand Dollars) for support of Caleb Caregivers Inc., a non-profit organization helping Seniors live independently.
Estimated Tax Impact \$0.010.
Not Recommended by Selectmen 3-0. Recommended by Budget Committee 6-1. 1 Abstained.

792
YES
NO
439

YOU HAVE NOW COMPLETED VOTING THIS BALLOT