

## ABSENTEE

BALLOT 1 OF 2

## OFFICIAL BALLOT

## ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION

## NOTTINGHAM, NEW HAMPSHIRE

MARCH 12, 2024

*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.

## BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Vote for not  
more than Two  
for 3 years

BENJAMIN T. BARTLETT	447	<input type="radio"/>
JOHN DECKER	698	<input checked="" type="radio"/>
MATTHEW SHIRLAND	688	<input type="radio"/>
Jaye Vilchok	321	<input type="radio"/>
	(Write-in)	<input type="radio"/>
	(Write-in)	<input type="radio"/>

## BUDGET COMMITTEE

Vote for not  
more than Three  
for 3 years

THOMAS BUTKIEWICZ	459	<input type="radio"/>
DONNA DANIS	692	<input checked="" type="radio"/>
JILLIAN ELDREDGE	605	<input type="radio"/>
JEFFREY MORRISON	625	<input type="radio"/>
BRENT TWEED	493	<input type="radio"/>
	(Write-in)	<input type="radio"/>
	(Write-in)	<input type="radio"/>
	(Write-in)	<input type="radio"/>

## CEMETERY TRUSTEE

Vote for not  
more than One  
for 3 years

CATHERINE D. BERSHTEIN	985	<input checked="" type="radio"/>
	(Write-in)	<input type="radio"/>
	(Write-in)	<input type="radio"/>

## LIBRARY TRUSTEE

Vote for not  
more than One  
for 3 years

LYNN SOUCIE	995	<input checked="" type="radio"/>
	(Write-in)	<input type="radio"/>

## MODERATOR

Vote for not  
more than One  
for 2 years

DAWN FERNALD	989	<input checked="" type="radio"/>
	(Write-in)	<input type="radio"/>

## PLANNING BOARD

Vote for not  
more than Two  
for 3 years

Drew Stevens	104	<input type="radio"/>
Grant Seavers	20	<input type="radio"/>
Christopher Evans	20	<input checked="" type="radio"/>

## PLANNING BOARD

Vote for not  
more than One  
for 1 year

CHRISTOPHER EVANS	431	<input type="radio"/>
DOUGLAS CUMMINGS	443	<input checked="" type="radio"/>

## 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.

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

574  
YES   
NO   
602

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.

865  
 YES  
 NO  
 387

**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.

1043  
 YES  
 NO  
 216

**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.

786  
 YES  
 NO  
 472

**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.

494  
 YES  
 NO  
 755

**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.

809  
 YES  
 NO  
 445

**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.

560  
 YES  
 NO  
 692

**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.

717  
 YES  
 NO  
 531

**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.

594  
 YES  
 NO  
 662

**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.

709  
 YES  
 NO  
 544

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

**GO TO NEXT BALLOT AND CONTINUE VOTING**

# END OF NIGHT RESULTS OFFICIAL RESULTS

## ABSENTEE

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MARCH 12, 2024

BALLOT 2 OF 2

*Lorraine Anderson*

TOWN CLERK

## 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.

607

YES

NO

648

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.

654

YES

NO

594

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.

538

YES

NO

693

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:

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

516

YES

NO

362

Majority Vote Required.

The estimated tax impact is \$.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.

769

YES

NO

478

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.

778  
YES   
NO   
441

**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.

712  
YES   
NO   
503

**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.

1002  
YES   
NO   
214

**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.

866  
YES   
NO   
339

**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).

583  
YES   
NO   
590

**YOU HAVE NOW COMPLETED VOTING THIS BALLOT**

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

*Michael A. Bots*  
SCHOOL DISTRICT 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.
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<b>SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER</b>		<b>SCHOOL DISTRICT CLERK</b>
For Three Years	Vote for not more than Two	
<b>CAROLINE GANIER</b>	<b>772</b>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>
<b>MELISSA BIELAT</b>	<b>810</b>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>
	(Write-in)	<input type="radio"/>
	(Write-in)	<input type="radio"/>

**ARTICLES**

**ARTICLE #2**

Shall the Nottingham School District 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 the vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein, totaling Sixteen Million, Seven Hundred Four Thousand, Two Hundred Two Dollars (\$16,704,202)? Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be Sixteen Million, Five Hundred Seventeen Thousand, One Hundred Seventy-Two Dollars (\$16,517,172), which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Nottingham School Board 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. (Majority vote required)

*The operating budget warrant does not include appropriations contained in any other warrant articles.*

*The School Board recommends this appropriation by a 4 – 0 vote.  
The Budget Committee does not recommend this appropriation by a 5 – 6 vote.  
The estimated tax impact if this article passes is \$15.52 per \$1,000.  
The estimated tax impact if this article does not pass is \$15.31 per \$1,000.*

609  
YES   
NO

651

**ARTICLE #3**

To see if the Nottingham School District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000) to be added to the Building Repair Capital Reserve Fund previously established. Current balance on 12/31/23 is \$266,648.37. (Majority vote required)

(\*Anticipated deposit of \$80,885.65 from FY23 unreserved fund balance and an anticipated withdrawal of \$138,810.21 for the replacement of the Nottingham School Gymnasium and Cafeteria flat roof, making the anticipated balance as of 6/30/2024 \$208,723.81).

*The School Board recommends this appropriation by a 5-0 vote.  
The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation by a 10-1 vote.  
The estimated tax impact if this article passes is \$ 0.06 per \$1,000.  
The tax impact if this article does not pass is \$0.00 per \$1,000.*

831  
YES   
NO

430

**VOTE BOTH SIDES OF BALLOT**

## ARTICLES CONTINUED

### ARTICLE #4

To see if Nottingham School District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of up to Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000) to be added to the Textbook Capital Reserve Fund previously established? This sum is to come from June 30, 2024 unassigned fund balance available for transfer on July 1, 2024. No additional amount to be raised by taxation. Current balance on 12/31/23 is \$11,925.96. (Majority vote required)

*The School Board recommends this appropriation by a 5-0 vote.  
The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation by a 7-4 vote.  
There is no additional tax impact if this article passes.*

827  
YES   
NO   
427

### ARTICLE #5

To see if the Nottingham School District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of up to Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000) to be added to the Special Education Capital Reserve Fund previously established? This sum is to come from June 30, 2024 unassigned fund balance available for transfer on July 1, 2024. No additional amount to be raised by taxation. Current balance on 12/31/23 is \$173,394.88. (Majority vote required)

*The School Board recommends this appropriation by a 5-0 vote.  
The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation by an 11-0 vote.  
There is no additional tax impact if this article passes.*

928  
YES   
NO   
327

### ARTICLE #6

To see if the Nottingham School District will vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1-c to be known as the Tuition Capital Reserve Fund for the purpose of unanticipated student tuition costs and further raise and appropriate the sum of up to Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000) to be placed in the fund, with such amount to be funded from the June 30, 2024 year-end unassigned fund balance available for transfer on July 1, 2024 and further to appoint the School Board as agents to expend from the fund. (Majority vote required)

*The School Board recommends this appropriation by a 5-0 vote.  
The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation by a 10-1 vote.  
There is no additional tax impact if this article passes.*

843  
YES   
NO   
407

**VOTE BOTH SIDES OF BALLOT**



Town of  
**NOTTINGHAM**  
New Hampshire

I, the undersigned, do hereby certify that the information provided in this Return of Votes is true and complete to the best of my information, knowledge, and belief:

Donna Anderson 3/15/24  
Signature of Town Clerk Date

