



**ABSENTEE
OFFICIAL BALLOT**
ANNUAL TOWN MEETING
TOWN OF
PELHAM, NEW HAMPSHIRE
March 13, 2012

Dorothy A. Marsden
DOROTHY A. MARSDEN, TOWN CLERK

INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS

1. To vote, fill in the oval(s) ☐ opposite your choice(s) like this ☒
2. To write-in a candidate not on the ballot, write the name on the line provided for the office and fill in the oval ☐ opposite the write-in line, like this ☒

TOWN OFFICIALS

For Selectmen

THREE YEARS Vote for not more than ONE:

EDMUND J. GLEASON 1543 ☐

VICTOR DANEVICH 1193 ☐

WRITE-IN ☐

For Budget Committee

THREE YEARS Vote for not more than THREE:

DAVE CATE 2179 ☐

WRITE-IN *GREGORY Smith* 110 ☐

WRITE-IN *DAVID CRONIN* 16 ☐

WRITE-IN ☐

For Budget Committee

TWO YEARS Vote for not more than ONE:

DARYLE HILLSGROVE 2155 ☐

WRITE-IN ☐

For Cemetery Trustees

THREE YEARS Vote for not more than TWO:

DAVID PROVENCAL 1607 ☐

NATE BOUTWELL 1506 ☐

RICHARD W. JENSEN 1044 ☐

WRITE-IN ☐

WRITE-IN ☐

For Library Trustee

THREE YEARS Vote for not more than ONE:

CAROLYN THOMPSON 2271 ☐

WRITE-IN ☐

For Town Moderator

TWO YEARS Vote for not more than ONE:

PHILIP R. CURRIER 2386 ☐

WRITE-IN ☐

For Trustee of Trust Funds

THREE YEARS Vote for not more than ONE:

MARY GLEASON 2268 ☐

WRITE-IN ☐

For Supervisor of Checklist
SIX YEARS Vote for not more than ONE:

LAURIE A. HOGAN 2256 ☐

WRITE-IN ☐

For Planning Board

THREE YEARS Vote for not more than TWO:

ROGER J. MONTBLEAU 1886 ☐

TIMOTHY J. DOHERTY 2065 ☐

WRITE-IN ☐

WRITE-IN ☐

**OFFICIAL BALLOT
TOWN WARRANT
QUESTIONS**

ARTICLE 2:

Shall the Town vote to 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 herein, totaling \$12,507,402? Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be \$12,427,207 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. (Majority Vote Required) (Recommended by the Budget Committee) YES 1965 ☐ NO 1159 ☐

ARTICLE 3:

Shall the Town vote to authorize the Selectmen to enter into a 3 year lease-purchase agreement for \$14,004 for the purpose of obtaining a new Ford Focus to replace the current Planning Department vehicle and to further raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,668 for the first year's payment for that purpose? This agreement will have a non-appropriation and non-replacement clause as prescribed by state statute. The current Planning vehicle, a former police cruiser, has over 150,000 miles and will not pass inspection. (Majority Vote Required) (Recommended by Selectmen) YES 1569 ☐ (Recommended by Budget Committee) NO 1596 ☐

ARTICLE 4:

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$210,000 for the purpose of purchasing a new, fully equipped ambulance and to authorize the withdrawal of \$87,440 from the Ambulance Capital Reserve Fund, \$90,000 from the Ambulance Replacement Revolving Account and \$32,560 from the FEMA account. No funds will be raised through taxation. (Majority Vote Required) (Recommended by Selectmen) YES 2468 ☐ (Recommended by Budget Committee) NO 909 ☐

ARTICLE 5:

Shall the Town vote to discontinue the Ambulance Capital Reserve Fund? Said funds with accumulated interest to date of withdrawal are to be transferred to the general fund. YES 1974 ☐ (Majority Vote Required) (Recommended by Selectmen) NO 1153 ☐

**TURN OVER TO
CONTINUE VOTING**

ARTICLE 6:
Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,900,000 for the purpose of constructing a fire station and to approve withdrawal of \$2,100,000 of unassigned residual fund balance to offset this cost. Additionally, \$423,393 will be withdrawn from the fire impact fee account, leaving a balance of \$1,376,607 to be raised by taxation.
(Majority Vote Required)
(Recommended by Selectmen) YES ☒ 2054
(Recommended by Budget Committee) NO ☒ 1164

ARTICLE 7:
Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$196,057 for the purpose of equipping and funding an additional police officer for three years with the condition the town must fully fund that officer in the fourth year? This appropriation of \$196,057 shall be totally offset by a Department of Justice Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) grant in the amount of \$196,057. (Majority Vote Required)
(Recommended by Selectmen) YES ☒ 1754
(Recommended by Budget Committee) NO ☒ 1426

ARTICLE 8:
Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$275,418 for repair, maintenance and upgrading of Town roads, to be offset by the State Grant for highway maintenance? This is a Special Warrant Article. (Majority Vote Required)
(Recommended by Selectmen) YES ☒ 2576
(Recommended by Budget Committee) NO ☒ 590

ARTICLE 9:
Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$21,350 from the Raymond Park Capital Reserve for the purpose of forest management, trail maintenance, security and other costs associated with the maintenance and care of Raymond Park? Funds requested come from the net revenues produced by timber harvesting. NO PORTION OF SAID AMOUNT TO BE RAISED BY LOCAL TAXES. This is a non-lapsing account per RSA 32:7.
(Majority vote required) YES ☒ 2400
(Recommended by Selectmen) YES ☒
(Recommended by Budget Committee) NO ☒ 775

ARTICLE 10:
Shall the Town vote to approve cost items included in the three year collective bargaining agreement ratified by the Board of Selectmen and the Pelham Public Works and Municipal Employees, Local 1801 of the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees (AFSCME), which calls for the following increases in salary and benefits and to further raise and appropriate the sum of \$27,407 to fund this year of the agreement? (The sum of \$32,359 (health and dental benefits) is required to be in the operating and default budgets as an ongoing contractual expense).
(Majority Vote Required)
(Recommended by Selectmen)
(Recommended by Budget Committee)

YEAR	COST	ACCUMULATED COST	
2012	\$59,766		YES <input checked="" type="radio"/> 1681
2013	\$38,476	\$ 98,242	
2014	\$64,856	\$163,098	NO <input checked="" type="radio"/> 1440

ARTICLE 11:
Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$25,000 to fund a professional study of the causes of the frequent flooding of Beaver Brook and the neighborhoods, homes, roads, and businesses in proximity to the brook? The study will identify those actions the Town and State or both should take to reduce flooding and estimate the costs of these actions. It will also identify those actions of the Town or State which contribute to the flooding and which the Town or State or both should modify or stop. This study is to be paid from the FEMA account and will have no impact on the tax rate.
(Majority Vote Required)
(Recommended by Selectmen) YES ☒ 1791
(Recommended by Budget Committee) NO ☒ 1359

ARTICLE 12:
Shall the Town vote to change the purpose of the existing Library Renovation - Americans with Disabilities Act Expendable Trust Fund to include any construction/ renovation at the Library and to appoint the Library Trustees as agents to expend. This warrant has no tax impact to the Taxpayers of Pelham.
(This Article requires a 2/3 majority vote per RSA 35:16.) YES ☒ 2107
NO ☒ 1022

ARTICLE 13:
Shall the Town vote to establish as Town Forests pursuant to RSA 31:110-113 the following parcels or add them to existing Town Forests as follows: Add tax map 8 lot 9-64 (formerly owned by Ivers) to the Kirby Town Forest and rename it the Kirby-Ivers Town Forest totaling approximately 87 acres; and establish the Cutler-Spalding Town Forest to be made up of tax map 26 lots 2-66, 2-67 and 2-76 and tax map 27 lots 2-65 and 2-77 and tax map 32 lot 1-145 totaling approximately 170 acres? No tax impact. (Majority Vote Required)
YES ☒ 2415
NO ☒ 674

ARTICLE 14:
Shall we adopt the provisions of RSA 40:14-b to delegate the determination of the town default budget to the municipal budget committee which has been adopted under RSA 32:14? (3/5 Majority Vote Required)
YES ☒ 1167
(Submitted by Petition) NO ☒ 1760

VOTING IS COMPLETE