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ABSENTEE BALLOT AND OFFICIAL BALLOT
ANNUAL TOWN MEETING
TOWN OF
PELHAM, NEW HAMPSHIRE
March 9, 2021

Dorothy G. Anderson
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 OFFICES

Selectmen

THREE YEARS Vote for not more than ONE

DOUGLAS VIGER

(WRITE-IN)

Budget Committee

THREE YEARS Vote for not more than THREE

GREGORY G. SMITH

MEG BRESSETTE

AMBER CAPONE

PAUL M. GRANT

(WRITE-IN)

(WRITE-IN)

(WRITE-IN)

Cemetery Trustee

THREE YEARS Vote for not more than ONE

(WRITE-IN)

Library Trustee

THREE YEARS Vote for not more than ONE

DIANE M. CHUBB

BECKY KAY REUSE HOPKINSON

(WRITE-IN)

Trustee of Trust Funds

THREE YEARS Vote for not more than ONE

EDMUND J. GLEASON

(WRITE-IN)

Planning Board

THREE YEARS Vote for not more than TWO

DANIELLE MASSE QUINN

ROGER J. MONTBLEAU

GREGORY ESTEVEZ

(WRITE-IN)

(WRITE-IN)

TOWN WARRANT ARTICLES

Article 2

Are you in favor of Zoning Amendment No. 1 as proposed by the Pelham Planning Board to add to Pelham zoning an entirely new ordinance, Article XV RESIDENTIAL OPEN SPACE SUBDIVISION BY SPECIAL PERMIT? The purpose of this ordinance is to promote the conservation of undeveloped land, limit the length of new roads to minimize the impact of their future and ongoing maintenance, preserve the rural character of the town, provide an alternative option for landowners to conserve open space from development while minimizing impacts on environmental resources, to provide for connected corridors of open land, to conserve scenic views and to provide design flexibility. This ordinance requires a yield plan that limits the number of homes in any Open Space subdivision to the number of homes that would be allowed in a conventional subdivision with no allowance for additional homes beyond the density determined in the yield plan. Lot size would be a minimum of 30,000 square feet with 125 feet of frontage required on interior roads and 40% of the land area kept as open space. (Recommended by the Planning Board).

YES

NO

Article 3

Are you in favor of Zoning Amendment No. 2 as proposed by the Pelham Planning Board to clarify the allowed uses as shown in Section 307-25-3, table of allowed uses in the existing MUZD ordinance? The added language clarifies that only one single-family, duplex or multi-family residential structure is allowed per lot and that multiple mixed-use (business and residential) structures are allowed per lot. The new language also identifies the ordinance as an innovative land use ordinance that gives the Planning Board broad approval authority to consider mixed-use projects submitted under this ordinance. (Recommended by the Planning Board).

YES

NO

Article 4

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 Eighteen Million, One Hundred and Fifty-six Thousand, Eight Hundred and Eighty-Nine Dollars (\$18,156,889)? Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be Eighteen Million, One Hundred and Fifteen Thousand, Three-Hundred and Thirty-Six Dollars (\$18,115,336) 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. (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen) (Recommended by the Budget Committee).

YES

NO

VOTE BOTH SIDES OF BALLOT

Article 5

Shall the Town vote to add the following two (2) parcels to the Cutler Spalding Town Forest pursuant to RSA 31:110-113: Map 32 Lot 2-69-3, Map 32 Lot 2-69 totaling approximately 16.62 acres? No Tax impact. (Majority Vote Required). (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen) (Recommended by the Conservation Commission).

YES
NO

Article 6

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Hundred and Ninety-Five-Thousand Dollars (\$295,000) for the purpose of purchasing and equipping an ambulance and to authorize the Selectmen to withdraw Two Hundred Ninety-Five-Thousand Dollars (\$295,000) from the Ambulance Replacement Revolving Fund established by the 2006 Town Meeting and amended in 2014 by Town Meeting for this purpose. No amount will be raised through taxation. (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen) (Recommended by the Budget Committee).

YES
NO

Article 7

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Three Hundred Twenty Thousand, Seven Hundred Sixty-Eight Dollars (\$320,768) for repair, maintenance, purchase of equipment and upgrading of Town roads, to be offset by the State Highway Grant? This will be a non-lapsing account per RSA 32:7, IV. No money to be raised by taxation. (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen) (Recommended by the Budget Committee).

YES
NO

Article 8

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$200,000) to be placed in the Compensated Absence Trust Fund for the purpose of distributing accrued time (annual earned and paid time off) to terminating employees as required by law or negotiated contracts? (Majority Vote Required). (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen) (Recommended by the Budget Committee).

YES
NO

Article 9-Citizens Petition

Are you in favor of repealing, in its entirety, the provision of RSA 41:14-b, that was created by Article 21 of the 2017 Town Warrant, passed at the March 2017 Town election, "which authorizes the Selectmen to establish and amend certain Town codes and ordinances after they hold 2 public hearings on the establishment or amendment of the ordinance or code, provided however, upon the written petition of 50 registered voters presented to the Selectmen prior to their vote on the establishment or amendment to the ordinance or code, the issue shall instead be inserted as an article on the warrant at the next Town meeting. The authority to establish or amend Town ordinances or building codes, which are governed by the adoption rules RSA 675?" a yes vote would remove this language and give any and all voting rights back to the Town. (Not Recommended by the Board of Selectmen).

YES
NO