

# SAMPLE BALLOT



OFFICIAL BALLOT  
ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION  
GILFORD, NEW HAMPSHIRE  
MARCH 14, 2023

*Danielle Lafond*  
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><b>SELECTMAN</b> VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN ONE THREE YEAR TERM</p> <p>J. KEVIN HAYES <u>947</u> ○ ANGELO FARRUGGIA <u>163</u> ○ _____ (Write-in)</p>	<p><b>TRUSTEE OF TRUST FUNDS</b> VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN ONE THREE YEAR TERM</p> <p>RICK MOSES <u>917</u> ○ _____ (Write-in)</p>	<p><b>BUDGET COMMITTEE MEMBERS</b> VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN THREE THREE YEAR TERM</p> <p>PURVI PATEL <u>698</u> ○ VALERIE CHASE <u>787</u> ○ KERI A. RICCI <u>684</u> ○ DAVID TYLER <u>429</u> ○ _____ (Write-in) _____ (Write-in) _____ (Write-in)</p>
<p><b>TOWN CLERK-TAX COLLECTOR</b> VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN ONE THREE YEAR TERM</p> <p>DANIELLE LAFOND <u>1014</u> ○ _____ (Write-in)</p>	<p><b>LIBRARY TRUSTEE</b> VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN ONE THREE YEAR TERM</p> <p>RICHARD HARTMAN <u>239</u> ○ THOMAS R. FRANCOEUR <u>663</u> ○ _____ (Write-in)</p>	<p><b>BUDGET COMMITTEE MEMBER</b> VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN ONE ONE YEAR TERM</p> <p>Joshua Rutson <u>259</u> ○ _____ (Write-in)</p>
<p><b>TREASURER</b> VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN ONE THREE YEAR TERM</p> <p>KIMBERLY SALANITRO <u>968</u> ○ _____ (Write-in)</p>	<p><b>CEMETERY TRUSTEE</b> VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN ONE THREE YEAR TERM</p> <p>VALERIE CHASE <u>959</u> ○ _____ (Write-in)</p>	<p><b>FIRE ENGINEER</b> VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN ONE THREE YEAR TERM</p> <p>RONALD B. SKINNER <u>914</u> ○ _____ (Write-in)</p>

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BALLOT 1 OF 2

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TOWN CLERK

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## ARTICLES

**ARTICLE 2.1** Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment Number 1 as proposed by the Gilford Planning Board for the Gilford Zoning Ordinance as follows?

Create a new Article 22, Short-Term Rentals, to regulate the impact of short-term rental of dwelling units, establish a permitting system for short-term rentals, establish regulations related to their operation, occupant load, owner responsibilities, guest/tenant responsibilities, nuisance oversight, and life safety standards and to allow inspection of short-term rentals; to renumber the existing Article 22 and subsequent Articles as needed; and to amend Article 4, related to Permitted Uses and Regulations, and Section 21.1, to reference Conditional Use Permit requirements related to Short-Term Rentals. (An official copy of the entire proposal is on file at the Town Clerk's Office and on display at the meeting place on the date of the Town Meetings and may be viewed at [www.gilfordnh.org](http://www.gilfordnh.org).)

YES   
NO

933  
184

**ARTICLE 2.2** Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment Number 2 as proposed by the Gilford Planning Board for the Gilford Zoning Ordinance as follows?

Amend Section 10.2.4 by deleting the first sentence which says that, upon request, the Zoning Board of Adjustment may make interpretations of the Zoning Ordinance, as this is not a power granted by state law to boards of adjustment. (An official copy of the entire proposal is on file at the Town Clerk's Office and on display at the meeting place on the date of the Town Meetings and may be viewed at [www.gilfordnh.org](http://www.gilfordnh.org).)

YES   
NO

842  
217

**ARTICLE 2.3** Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment Number 3 as proposed by the Gilford Planning Board for the Gilford Zoning Ordinance as follows?

Amend Section 6.22, regarding excavation and filling of existing lots, in various ways including allowing excavation or filling of slopes greater than 15% but not greater than 25% without Planning Board approval in most cases provided that best management practices are followed, by deleting the existing Section 6.22.3 which prohibits excavation and filling of slopes greater than 25%, creating a new Section 6.22.3 to allow excavation or filling of slopes greater than 25% upon approval of a Conditional Use Permit, and creating a new Section 6.22.4 establishing requirements for applications for conditional use permits to excavate and fill slopes greater than 25% including submitting plans stamped and signed by a NH licensed professional engineer, and making other related changes. (An official copy of the entire proposal is on file at the Town Clerk's Office and on display at the meeting place on the date of the Town Meetings and may be viewed at [www.gilfordnh.org](http://www.gilfordnh.org).)

YES   
NO

819  
247

**ARTICLE 3:** 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 therein, totaling \$16,913,194? Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be \$15,804,596 which is the same as last year, except for certain adjustments required by previous action of the Town or by law; or the Board of Selectmen 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.

YES   
NO

806  
305

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen (3-0)  
Recommended by the Budget Committee (10-0)

**ARTICLE 4:** Shall the Town vote to approve the cost items included in the three year collective bargaining agreement reached between the Board of Selectmen and the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees, Local 534, on behalf of certain Public Works Department employees, which calls for the following increases in wages and benefit at the current staffing levels: year 1 (fiscal year 2023) at \$142,532, year 2 (fiscal year 2024) at \$146,096 and year 3 (fiscal year 2025) at \$149,748; and furthermore, vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred forty-two thousand, five hundred thirty-two dollars (\$142,532) for the current fiscal year, said sum representing the additional costs attributable to the increases in wages and benefits required by the new agreement over those that would have been paid at current staffing levels?

YES   
NO

913  
173

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen (3-0)  
Recommended by the Budget Committee (11-0)

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## ARTICLES CONTINUED

**ARTICLE 5:** Shall the Town vote to approve the cost items included in the two year collective bargaining agreement reached between the Board of Selectmen and the Teamsters Local 633 of New Hampshire, on behalf of certain Police Department employees, which calls for the following increases in wages and benefit at the current staffing levels: year 1 (fiscal year 2023) at \$195,046, and year 2 (fiscal year 2024) at \$199,923; and furthermore, vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred ninety-five thousand, forty-six dollars (\$195,046) for the current fiscal year, said sum representing the additional costs attributable to the increases in wages and benefits required by the new agreement over those that would have been paid at current staffing levels?

YES   
NO

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen (3-0)  
Recommended by the Budget Committee (11-0)

868  
192

**ARTICLE 6:** Shall the Town vote to establish a Town Beach Bathhouse Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the design and construction of a new multi-purpose facility at the Town Beach; and to raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred thousand dollars, (\$100,000), to be placed in this fund; and furthermore, to name the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend? This sum to come from surplus fund balance and no amount to be raised from new taxation.

YES   
NO

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen (2-1)  
Recommended by the Budget Committee (8-3)

765  
335

**ARTICLE 7:** Shall the Town vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into a five year lease-purchase finance agreement in the amount of up to six hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$650,000) for a new fire engine, contingent upon such an agreement having a non-appropriation clause in accordance with the provisions of RSA 33:7-e; and furthermore, to raise and appropriate the sum of two hundred thousand dollars (\$200,000) for the initial payment on the fire engine? This sum to come from surplus fund balance and no amount to be raised from new taxation.

YES   
NO

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen (3-0)  
Recommended by the Budget Committee (11-0)

812  
275

**ARTICLE 8:** Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred fifty-six thousand dollars, (\$156,000), to purchase a medium duty DPW pick-up truck with plow and accessories? This sum to come from surplus fund balance and no amount to be raised from new taxation. This will be a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7, VI and will not lapse until the purchase is completed or by December 31, 2024, whichever is sooner.

YES   
NO

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen (3-0)  
Recommended by the Budget Committee (11-0)

840  
254

**ARTICLE 9:** Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of seventy-five thousand dollars, (\$75,000), to purchase a DPW skid steer with accessories? This sum to come from surplus fund balance and no amount to be raised from new taxation. This will be a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7, VI and will not lapse until the purchase is completed or by December 31, 2024, whichever is sooner.

YES   
NO

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen (3-0)  
Recommended by the Budget Committee (11-0)

821  
270

**ARTICLE 10:** Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of two thousand nine hundred dollars, (\$2,900), to be added to the Police Dog and Training Capital Reserve Fund previously established in 2018? This sum to come from surplus fund balance and no amount to be raised from new taxation.

YES   
NO

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen (3-0)  
Recommended by the Budget Committee (11-0)

876  
219

**ARTICLE 11:** Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of ten thousand dollars, (\$10,000), to be added to the Sidewalk Capital Reserve Fund previously established in 2018? This sum to come from surplus fund balance and no amount to be raised from new taxation.

YES   
NO

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen (3-0)  
Recommended by the Budget Committee (11-0)

820  
269

**ARTICLE 12:** Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000), to be added to the Technology Capital Reserve Fund previously established in 2018? This sum to come from surplus fund balance and no amount to be raised from new taxation.

YES   
NO

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen (3-0)  
Recommended by the Budget Committee (11-0)

818  
266

**ARTICLE 13:** Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars, (\$25,000), to be added to the Building Repair Capital Reserve Fund previously established in 2007? This sum to come from surplus fund balance and no amount to be raised from new taxation.

YES   
NO

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen (3-0)  
Recommended by the Budget Committee (11-0)

849  
235

**GO TO NEXT BALLOT AND CONTINUE VOTING**

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BALLOT 2 OF 2

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*Danielle Lafond*  
TOWN CLERK

**ARTICLES CONTINUED**

**ARTICLE 14:** Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred thousand dollars, (\$100,000), to be added to the Public Works Building Capital Reserve Fund previously established in 2020? This sum to come from surplus fund balance and no amount to be raised from new taxation.

YES

NO

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen (3-0)  
Recommended by the Budget Committee (11-0)

833  
272

**ARTICLE 15:** Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars, (\$25,000), to be added to the Fire Water Supply Maintenance Capital Reserve Fund previously established in 2008 for town-wide fire suppression purposes? This sum to come from surplus fund balance and no amount to be raised from new taxation.

YES

NO

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen (3-0)  
Recommended by the Budget Committee (11-0)

878  
228

**ARTICLE 16:** Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars, (\$25,000), to be added to the Recreation Facilities Maintenance Capital Reserve Fund previously established in 2008? This sum to come from surplus fund balance and no amount to be raised from new taxation. A portion of these funds is intended to be used to convert the Village Field lights to LED.

YES

NO

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen (3-0)  
Recommended by the Budget Committee (11-0)

867  
240

**ARTICLE 17:** Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty thousand dollars, (\$20,000), to be added to the Glendale Boat and Launch Ramp Facilities Maintenance Capital Reserve Fund previously established in 2008? This sum to come from surplus fund balance using Glendale Permit revenues that were deposited into the general fund and no amount to be raised from new taxation.

YES

NO

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen (3-0)  
Recommended by the Budget Committee (11-0)

944  
163

**ARTICLE 18:** Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred thousand dollars, (\$100,000), to be added to the Fire Equipment Capital Reserve Fund previously established in 1989? This sum to come from surplus fund balance and no amount to be raised from new taxation.

YES

NO

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen (3-0)  
Recommended by the Budget Committee (11-0)

866  
242

**ARTICLE 19:** Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred thousand dollars, (\$100,000), to be added to the Highway Equipment Capital Reserve Fund previously established in 1990? This sum to come from surplus fund balance and no amount to be raised from new taxation.

YES

NO

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen (3-0)  
Recommended by the Budget Committee (11-0)

854  
250

**ARTICLE 20:** Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of three hundred thousand dollars, (\$300,000), to be added to the Bridge Replacement Capital Reserve Fund previously established in 2006? This sum to come from surplus fund balance and no amount to be raised from new taxation.

YES

NO

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen (3-0)  
Recommended by the Budget Committee (11-0)

861  
246

**ARTICLE 21:** Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of fifty-eight thousand dollars, (\$58,000), to be added to the Lakes Business Park Capital Trust Fund previously established pursuant to the terms of the Inter-Municipal Agreement that was approved under Article 18 of the 2001 Annual Town Meeting? This sum to come from surplus fund balance and no amount to be raised from new taxation.

YES

NO

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen (3-0)  
Recommended by the Budget Committee (11-0)

768  
329

**TURN BALLOT OVER AND CONTINUE VOTING**

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## ARTICLES CONTINUED

**ARTICLE 22:** Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of ten thousand dollars, (\$10,000), to be added to the Sewer Maintenance Capital Reserve Fund previously established in 2007? This sum to come from sewer fund balance and no amount to be raised from taxation.

YES   
NO

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen (3-0)  
Recommended by the Budget Committee (11-0)

960  
129

**ARTICLE 23:** Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of ten thousand dollars, (\$10,000), for the continuation of services to low income residents of Gilford through the Laconia Resource Center of the Community Action Program Belknap-Merrimack Counties, Inc.?

YES   
NO

(Submitted by petition)  
Recommended by the Board of Selectmen (3-0)  
Recommendation of the Budget Committee (11-0)

837  
244

**ARTICLE 24:** Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of two thousand, six hundred and sixty dollars, (\$2,660), in support of New Beginnings Without Violence & Abuse, the center in Belknap County for free and confidential crisis response, intervention, support and advocacy for those whose lives have been affected by domestic, sexual, trafficking and stalking violence? Services include access to crisis line, emergency shelter, information, referrals and resources. Staff and volunteer advocates available for services to individuals at schools, police departments, courts, hospitals and other systems.

YES   
NO

(Submitted by petition)  
Recommended by the Board of Selectmen (3-0)  
Recommendation of the Budget Committee (11-0)

874  
215

**ARTICLE 25:** Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty four thousand dollars, (\$24,000), to support the operations of Granite VNA, (formerly Central New Hampshire VNA & Hospice), a local agency that provides visiting nurse services, hospice care, and pediatric care to residents of the Town of Gilford, NH? This past year residents of Gilford received 4,372 home visits from Granite VNA. Town funds are used chiefly to support hospice care, pediatric care to children at medical or social risk, wellness clinics, bereavement support groups and immunization services.

YES   
NO

(Submitted by petition)  
Recommended by the Board of Selectmen (3-0)  
Recommendation of the Budget Committee (11-0)

887  
190

**ARTICLE 26:** Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty-one thousand dollars, (\$21,000), (a level funded request), to Lakes Region Mental Health Center (LRMHC) for the delivery of high-level access to mental health care? New in 2022, residents will have access to our Mobile Crisis Response Team that will report to a mental health emergency wherever the individual is located whether that be at home, work, school or elsewhere in the community. Services are provided to anyone in need, regardless of their ability to pay. LRMHC is designated by the State of New Hampshire as the community mental health center serving Belknap and southern Grafton Counties. We served 3,512 children, families, adults and elders in fiscal year 2022; 221 were Gilford residents. LRMHC provided \$18,040 in charitable care to Gilford residents.

YES   
NO

(Submitted by petition)  
Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3-0  
Recommendation of the Budget Committee (11-0)

885  
208

**ARTICLE 27:** Shall the Town vote to re-adopt the five hundred dollar (\$500) optional veteran's tax credit under RSA 72:28, II and the extension of the all veteran's tax credit of five hundred dollars (\$500) to honorably discharged veterans in accordance with RSA 72:28-b, to be effective as of April 1, 2023, provided that such vote shall continue indefinitely, unless rescinded or amended by a future vote of town meeting?

YES   
NO

996  
80

**YOU HAVE NOW COMPLETED VOTING THIS BALLOT**

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## OFFICIAL BALLOT ANNUAL SCHOOL ELECTION GILFORD, NEW HAMPSHIRE MARCH 14, 2023

*Kimberly Zyla Salanitro*  
School District Clerk

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<p style="text-align: center;"><b>SCHOOL BOARD</b></p> <p style="text-align: center; font-size: small;">VOTE FOR NOT THREE YEAR TERM MORE THAN ONE</p> <p>KYLE SANBORN <b>505</b> <input type="radio"/></p> <p>ROBERT McLEAN <b>603</b> <input type="radio"/></p> <p style="text-align: center; font-size: x-small;">(Write-in)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>SCHOOL DISTRICT CLERK</b></p> <p style="text-align: center; font-size: small;">VOTE FOR NOT ONE YEAR TERM MORE THAN ONE</p> <p>KIMBERLY ZYLA SALANITRO <input type="radio"/></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>950</b> <input type="radio"/></p> <p style="text-align: center; font-size: x-small;">(Write-in)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>SCHOOL DISTRICT MODERATOR</b></p> <p style="text-align: center; font-size: small;">VOTE FOR NOT ONE YEAR TERM MORE THAN ONE</p> <p>SANDRA T. McGONAGLE <input type="radio"/></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>998</b> <input type="radio"/></p> <p style="text-align: center; font-size: x-small;">(Write-in)</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>SCHOOL DISTRICT TREASURER</b></p> <p style="text-align: center; font-size: small;">VOTE FOR NOT ONE YEAR TERM MORE THAN ONE</p> <p>SUSAN JENSEN <b>929</b> <input type="radio"/></p> <p style="text-align: center; font-size: x-small;">(Write-in)</p>		

### ARTICLES

**Article 02 General Budget Funds**

Shall the Gilford 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 vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein, totaling \$27,475,567? Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be \$26,688,266, which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Gilford School District 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)

YES  NO

School Board Recommended 5-0 Budget Committee Recommended 11-0

836  
289

**Article 03 GEA MULTI-YEAR AGREEMENT**

To see if the school district will vote to approve the cost items included in the collective bargaining agreement reached between the Gilford School District and the Gilford Education Association which calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits at the current staffing level:

Fiscal Year	Estimated Increase
2023-2024	\$567,378
2024-2025	\$478,871
2025-2026	\$482,636

and further to raise and appropriate \$567,378 for the current fiscal year, such sum representing the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits required by the new agreement over those that would be paid at current staffing levels. Recommendations required. (Majority vote required)

YES  NO

School Board Recommended 5-0 Budget Committee Recommended 11-0

855  
270

**Article 04 SPECIAL MEETING ARTICLE 03**

Shall the school district, if (WARRANT ARTICLE #03) is defeated, authorize the governing body to call one special meeting, at its option, to address (WARRANT ARTICLE #03) cost items only? (Majority vote required)

YES  NO

School Board Recommended 5-0 Budget Committee Recommended 11-0

864  
243

VOTE BOTH SIDES OF THE BALLOT



# SAMPLE BALLOT

## ARTICLES CONTINUED

**Article 05 SCHOOL BUILDINGS AND MAINTENANCE CAPITAL RESERVE**  
Shall the school district vote to raise and appropriate the sum of up to Two Hundred Thousand Dollars \$200,000 to be added to the school buildings maintenance and improvement capital reserve fund established in 2017, this sum to come from June 30 unrestricted fund balance (surplus) available for transfer on July 1 of this year? (Majority vote required)

School Board Recommended 5-0                      Budget Committee Recommended 11-0

YES                       NO

872  
229

**Article 06 SCHOOL BUILDINGS ROOF MAINTENANCE CAPITAL RESERVE**  
Shall the school district vote to raise and appropriate the sum of up to Eighty Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars \$82,500 to be added to the school buildings roof maintenance capital reserve fund established in 2017, this sum to come from June 30 unrestricted fund balance (surplus) available for transfer on July 1 of this year? (Majority vote required)

School Board Recommended 5-0                      Budget Committee Recommended 11-0

YES                       NO

881  
221

**Article 07 SCHOOL BUILDINGS TECHNOLOGY INFRASTRUCTURE CAPITAL**  
Shall the school district vote to raise and appropriate the sum of up to Ten Thousand Dollars \$10,000 to be added to the school buildings technology infrastructure capital reserve fund established in 2017, this sum to come from June 30 unrestricted fund balance (surplus) available for transfer on July 1 of this year? (Majority vote required)

School Board Recommended 5-0                      Budget Committee Recommended 11-0

YES                       NO

883  
220

VOTE BOTH SIDES OF BALLOT