



Town of Gilford, New Hampshire

"Second Session" Election Results

March 08, 2022

The polls were readied by the crew from the Department of Public Works, with instructions in the booths and posting of sample ballots, instructions, and warrants. The 2021 Town Reports were available. Town Election Officials present throughout the day were: Moderator, Sandra McGonagle; Asst. Moderator, Lawrence Routhier; Selectmen, Kevin Hayes and Chan Eddy; Town Clerk, Danielle LaFond; School District Clerk, Kim Zyla Salanitro; Inspectors of Elections, Travis Cole (R), Ken Sterner (D), Kim Slattery (R) and Diane Tinkham (D); Supervisors of the Checklist, Mary Villaume, Irene Lachance and Miriam A. York; Deputy Police Chief, Kris Kelly, Corey O'Connor and Dustin Muzzey from the Police Department were present throughout the day.

One Accuvote tabulator machine was tested on Tuesday March 1, 2022 at 1:00 p.m. in Conference Room B at the Gilford Town Hall. Ballots were counted at the same time and put into sets of 25 for Election Day. Town Moderator Sandra McGonagle, Assistant Town Moderator Larry Routhier, Town Clerk-Tax Collector Danielle Lafond and Deputy Town Clerk-Tax Collector Sandra Beland conducted the testing and counted the ballots. The testing of the machine confirmed with the hand tally and was found to be 100% accurate.

The Inspectors of Elections were instructed to give a full set of ballots (three white town ballots, and one yellow school ballot) to each voter. Bruce Klinger verified that the two ballot boxes were empty prior to the start of the day and the elections result tape and counter both read zero. Moderator McGonagle signed a receipt for 90 absentee ballots and 2,390 Official ballots. Moderator McGonagle declared the polls open at 7:00 a.m. with the ringing of the Arthur Tilton Bells. The Moderator took a moment to thank the election officials and worker and explained the voting process. She also reminded everyone that there would be no electioneering allowed or campaigning within the polling area. McGonagle led the Pledge of Alliance. At 9:00 a.m. the Absentee Ballot process started. Shaw's Deli donated sandwiches, chips, water and cookies for our lunch.

At 7:00 p.m. the Moderator announced the polls closed and allowed the voters in the voting booths to finish voting. When the booths were emptied Sandra McGonagle and Danielle LaFond began running the results tape of the Accuvote machine. The voting boxes were emptied and the write in ballots were separated and counted. Hand counting was completed and the official election results were announced by the Moderator at 8:00 p.m.

The total number of registered voters at the opening of the polls was 5,769; at the close of the polls 29 newly registered voters were added to the list for a total of 5798 total registered voters. The numbers of ballots cast were 1,374 (including 90 absentee ballots). The results ended with a 23% voter turnout.

The Moderator read the results as follows:

ARTICLE 1: To choose the necessary Town Officers for the following year; to wit:

SELECTMAN THREE-YEAR TERM
VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN ONE:

GUS BENAVIDES – 1032 (ELECTED)

WRITE INS:

ANGELO FARRUGGIA
JIM WILSON
GERALDO FERNANDEZ
RICHARD GRENIER
DONALD TRUMP
ROGER WEEKS JR.
GEOFF RUGGLES
SKIP MURPHY
SEAN MURPHY
HARRY BEAN
DOROTHY PIQUADO
ALICE BOUCHER
JOE MANDRIN
TOM DAY
SUE KING
RICHARD FARQUHER

MODERATOR THREE-YEAR TERM
VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN ONE:

SANDRA MCGONAGLE-1196 (ELECTED)

WRITE INS:

SUSAN FERNANDEZ
HUTCH BEADLE
FICTICIOUS CHARACTER

SUPERVISOR OF THE CHECKLIST SIX YEAR TERM
VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN ONE

IRENE LACHANCE-1108 (ELECTED)

WRITE INS:

MARY VILLAUME
RICHARD FARQUHER

TRUSTEE OF TRUST FUND THREE-YEAR TERM
VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN ONE:

WILLIAN CHRIS RAY, JR. – 58 (ELECTED)

WRITE INS:

TRACEY BLANDFORD
ROGER SAWYER
CARLA MARSH
RONALD EGALKA
ANDY HOWE
ROBERT MORAN
CORY NAZAR
CATHERINE DAVIS
ELIZA LEADBEATER
SANDRA MCGONAGLE
HUCH BRADIE
DALE DORMODY
TONY SPRANO
SUE ALLEN
RICHARD FARQUHAR
RONALD EGALKA
ANDY HOWE
MARY VILLAUME
KIM SALANITRO
GREG DICKINSON
DOUG LAMBERT
PUAL ARDIZZONI II
KEN WILSON
JOHN MCGONAGLE
JOHN LYMAN
DAVID HORVATH
ROBIN BONAN
CARL CARDER
RICHARD HARTMAN

TRUSTEE OF PUBLIC LIBRARY THREE-YEAR TERM

VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN TWO:

ALEXIS JACKSON – 1002 (ELECTED)

MICHAEL "MIKE" MARSHALL – 935 (ELECTED)

WRITE IN:

RICHARD FARQUHER

CEMETERY TRUSTEE THREE-YEAR TERM

VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN ONE:

EVERETT PETER ALLEN-1071 (ELECTED)

WRITE IN:

CRAIG BEAN

SUSANNE LEACH

CHRIS RAY

FIRE ENGINEER THREE-YEAR TERM

VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN ONE:

JACK LYMAN – 1133 (ELECTED)

FIRE ENGINEER ONE-YEAR TERM

VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN ONE:

RONALD B. SKINNER-1075 (ELECTED)

BUDGET COMMITTEE THREE-YEAR TERM

VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN THREE:

JOHNNA-DEE DAVIS-761 (ELECTED)

GAYE FEDORCHAK- 671 (ELECTED)

STEPHEN PETERSON-473

DOROTHY PIQUADO-724 (ELECTED)

KEVIN E. SHEA-557

WRITE INS:

TOM DAY

JEFF CROWALL

DOUG LAMBERT

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 therein, totaling \$15,555,148? Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be \$15,032,234, 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.

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3 to 0)

(Recommended by the Budget Committee 10 to 0)

YES-983

NO-341

ARTICLE 3: Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of sixty thousand dollars, (\$60,000), to purchase a 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, 2023, whichever is sooner.

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3 to 0)

(Recommended by the Budget Committee 10 to 0)

YES-1045

NO-290

ARTICLE 4: Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of three hundred thousand dollars, (\$300,000), for Fire Station renovations? 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 project is completed or by December 31, 2023, whichever is sooner.

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3 to 0)

(Recommended by the Budget Committee 10 to 0)

YES-993

NO-340

ARTICLE 5: Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of thirty-six thousand dollars, (\$36,000), to convert to LED lighting in the Town Hall, Police Station, Fire Station and Library? This sum to come from surplus fund balance and no amount to be raised from new taxation, contingent upon the availability of grant funds for all other expenses. This will be a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7, VI and will not lapse until the project is completed or by December 31, 2023, whichever is sooner.
(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3 to 0)
(Recommended by the Budget Committee 10 to 0)

YES-1029 **NO-301**

ARTICLE 6: 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?
(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3 to 0)
(Recommended by the Budget Committee 10 to 0)

YES-1167 **NO-165**

ARTICLE 7: 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.
(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3 to 0)
(Recommended by the Budget Committee 10 to 0)

YES-944 **NO-375**

ARTICLE 8: Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of eleven thousand seven hundred sixty-seven dollars, (\$11,767), to be added to the Technology Capital Reserve Fund previously established in 2018? This sum to come from surplus fund balance using FY2021 cable television franchise technology grants that were deposited into the general fund and no amount to be raised from taxation.
(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3 to 0)
(Recommended by the Budget Committee 10 to 0)

YES-1120 **NO-202**

ARTICLE 9: 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.

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3 to 0)

(Recommended by the Budget Committee 10 to 0)

YES-978

NO-327

ARTICLE 10: Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of eighty-five thousand dollars, (\$85,000), 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.

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3 to 0)

(Recommended by the Budget Committee 10 to 0)

YES-954

NO-346

ARTICLE 11: 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.

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3 to 0)

(Recommended by the Budget Committee 10 to 0)

YES-1029

NO-279

ARTICLE 12: 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.

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3 to 0)

(Recommended by the Budget Committee 10 to 0)

YES-983

NO-314

ARTICLE 13: Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of fifty thousand dollars, (\$50,000), 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.

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3 to 0)

(Recommended by the Budget Committee 10 to 0)

YES-983

NO-316

ARTICLE 14: Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars, (\$25,000), 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 FY2021 Glendale Permit revenues that were deposited into the general fund and no amount to be raised from taxation.

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3 to 0)

(Recommended by the Budget Committee 10 to 0)

YES-949

NO-354

ARTICLE 15: Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred twenty-five thousand dollars, (\$125,000), 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.

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3 to 0)

(Recommended by the Budget Committee 10 to 0)

YES-995

NO-307

ARTICLE 16: Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of two hundred thousand dollars, (\$200,000), 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.

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3 to 0)

(Recommended by the Budget Committee 10 to 0)

YES-998

NO-302

ARTICLE 17: 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.

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3 to 0)

(Recommended by the Budget Committee 10 to 0)

YES-987

NO-300

ARTICLE 18: 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.

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3 to 0)

(Recommended by the Budget Committee 10 to 0)

YES-1112

NO-200

ARTICLE 19: 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 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. There are no fees for service. You don't have to be in crisis to call a crisis center. (Submitted by petition)

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3 to 0)

(Recommended by the Budget Committee 9 to 1)

YES-1029

NO-291

ARTICLE 20: Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty-three thousand five hundred dollars, (\$23,500), 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 4,085 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. (Submitted by Petition)

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3 to 0)

(Recommended by the Budget Committee 9 to 1)

YES-1049

NO-270

ARTICLE 21: Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty-one thousand dollars, (\$21,000), in support of the Lakes Region Mental Health Center (LRMHC) for the delivery of emergency mental health services? These services include access to Master's level clinicians and psychiatrists by individuals, police, fire, schools, hospitals and others, 24 hours per day, 7 days per week. New in 2022, residents will have access to our Mobile Crisis Response Team who 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 3,956 children, families, adults and elders in fiscal year 2021, 242 of whom were Gilford residents. LRMHC provided emergency services to 59 Gilford residents in fiscal year 2021. (Submitted by petition)
(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3 to 0)
(Recommended by the Budget Committee 8 to 1)

YES-1007

NO-317

ARTICLE 22: Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of ten thousand dollars, (\$10,000), to support the Laconia Area Center Community Action Program? The services that the area center provides include fuel and electric assistance, a food pantry and weatherization assistance. Last year Gilford residents received \$333,499.61 worth of services from the Community Action Program. (Submitted by petition)
(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3 to 0)
(Recommended by the Budget Committee 8 to 1)

YES-1007

NO-310

ARTICLE 23: Shall the Town vote to amend the existing Noise Ordinance as previously approved at the 2017 Annual Town Meeting, to add language to Section 17.3 to prohibit "unreasonably loud voices or yelling that disturbs a person of average sensibilities" and add language that would also prohibit "other sounds that constitute a breach of the peace as set forth in RSA 644:2, III, (a)"; change the "quiet hours" in Section 17.4 from 10pm-7am to 8pm-7am for machinery noises; change the exemption in Section 17.5.A for Meadowbrook from being totally exempt to having commercial entities exempt "during such times that activities are taking place in accordance with applicable site plan approval terms and conditions"; and delete the language in Section 17.5 that made unamplified human voices exempt from the Ordinance?

YES-745

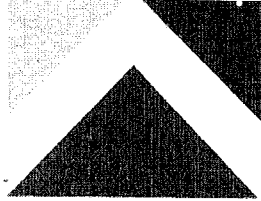
NO-549

ARTICLE 24: Shall the Town vote to allow the operation of Keno games within the Town of Gilford? (Submitted by petition)

YES-526

NO-760

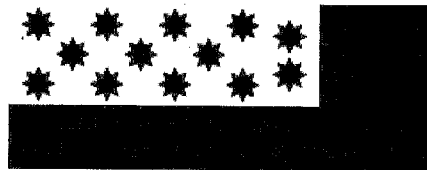
ARTICLE 25: Shall the Town vote to adopt an official Town Flag based upon the design as attached hereto? (Submitted by petition)



YES-409

NO-843

ARTICLE 26: Shall the Town vote to adopt the Guilford Courthouse Flag as the official Town Flag based upon its traditional and long-standing status as the unofficial Town Flag; in recognition of its historical significance as the banner flown during the Revolutionary War Battle of Guilford Courthouse, (March 15, 1781); whereupon a battle-weary Lieutenant Lemuel Mason put forth the proposed name for the new Town of Gilford, New Hampshire, (circa 1812), as a testament of said battle in which he fought with honor and distinction? If approved, this warrant article shall supersede and replace all other warrant articles heretofore adopted relating to the determination of an official Town Flag. (Submitted by petition)



YES-784

NO-457

Respectfully Submitted,

Danielle LaFond

Danielle LaFond

Town Clerk-Tax Collector