

899 Votes Cast

2632 Voters

34% Turnout



OFFICIAL BALLOT
ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION
SUNAPEE, NEW HAMPSHIRE
MARCH 8, 2005

Part 1

Betty H. Ramsport
TOWN CLERK

INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTER

- 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.

FOR SELECTMAN

(One-Year Term) (Vote for not more than ONE)

RICHARD C. LEONE 792 ☐
(Write-In) ☐

FOR LIBRARY TRUSTEE

(Two-Year Term) (Vote for not more than ONE)

ALLAN DAVIS 691 ☐
(Write-In) ☐

FOR ZONING BOARD ADJUSTMENT

(Three-Year Term) (Vote for not more than ONE)

DON WEATHERSON 672 ☐
(Write-In) ☐

FOR SELECTMAN

(Three-Year Term) (Vote for not more than ONE)

STEPHEN WHITE 610 ☐
(Write-In) ☐

FOR LIBRARY TRUSTEE

(Three-Year Term) (Vote for not more than TWO)

JOHN R. MAPLEY 584 ☐
SARAH (SALLY) T. SOUTHARD 627 ☐
(Write-In) ☐
(Write-In) ☐

FOR WATER/SEWER COMMISSION

(Two-Year Term) (Vote for not more than ONE)

HELEN CHARPENTIER 272 ☐
RAY DIGIOVANNI 155 ☐
TRACY L. NANGERONI 246 ☐
(Write-In) ☐

FOR TOWN TREASURER

(One-Year Term) (Vote for not more than ONE)

ALAN W. DOHERTY 748 ☐
(Write-In) ☐

FOR TRUSTEE OF TRUST FUNDS

(Three-Year Term) (Vote for not more than ONE)

(Write-In) ☐

FOR WATER/SEWER COMMISSION

(Three-Year Term) (Vote for not more than TWO)

DAVID MONTAMBEAULT 660 ☐

JOHN B. WHEELER 557 ☐

(Write-In) ☐

(Write-In) ☐

FOR FIRE ENGINEER

(Four-Year Term) (Vote for not more than ONE)

DAVID M. WILLIAMS 778 ☐
(Write-In) ☐

FOR PLANNING BOARD

(Two-Year Term) (Vote for not more than ONE)

ALLAN DAVIS 663 ☐
(Write-In) ☐

FOR PLANNING BOARD

(Three-Year Term) (Vote for not more than TWO)

PEGGY CHALMERS 634 ☐

BARBARA HOLLANDER 647 ☐

(Write-In) ☐

(Write-In) ☐

FOR CEMETERY COMMISSION

(Two-Year Term) (Vote for not more than ONE)

(Write-In) ☐

FOR CEMETERY COMMISSION

(Three-Year Term) (Vote for not more than ONE)

ROBERT M. HASELTON, JR. 750 ☐
(Write-In) ☐

Article 2: Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment #1, proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Amend the Floodplain Development Ordinance by changing the effective date of the Flood Insurance Rate Maps to May 15, 1991 and as amended?

Pass

611 YES ☐

174 NO ☐

Article 3: Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment #2, proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Amend the Floodplain Development Ordinance to include a definition of Recreational Vehicle?

Pass

614 YES ☐

197 NO ☐

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Article 4: Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment #3, proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Amend the Floodplain Development Ordinance to specify what conditions must be met in order to place a Recreational Vehicle in Flood Zones A, A1-30, AH, and AE?

Pass

607 YES ☐
212 NO ☐

Article 5: Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment #4, proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Amend Article III, Section 3.40 (e) – Additional Requirements – by increasing the parking requirements an additional ½ parking space per bedroom for new or enlarged single-family homes with 5 or more bedrooms and two-family homes with 9 or more bedrooms?

Pass

568 YES ☐
275 NO ☐

Article 6: Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment #5, proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Amend Article XI – Definitions & Explanations – by making reference to the definition of “Wetland” as found in State Statutes?

Pass

635 YES ☐
176 NO ☐

Article 7: Are you in favor of the Town raising and appropriating up to the sum of Three Million Three Hundred Ninety Thousand Dollars (\$3,390,000) for the design, construction, equipping, and furnishing of a Public Safety building, to be erected on the site formerly occupied by the Highway Garage and Fire Station (Sargent Road and Rt. 11, Map 129, Lots 36 & 37), and to further authorize the issuance of not more than Three Million Three Hundred Ninety Thousand Dollars (\$3,390,000) of bonds and/or notes, in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (NH RSA, Chapter 33), and to authorize the Selectmen to issue, negotiate and regulate such bonds and/or notes, and to determine the rates of interests thereon? The estimated breakdown of the total appropriation includes Two Million Eight Hundred Ninety Thousand Dollars (\$2,890,000) for the Construction of Building and Site Work, Two Hundred Fourteen Thousand Dollars (\$214,000) for the Owners Contingency, Two Hundred Sixteen Thousand Dollars (\$216,000) for the Architect and Engineering, and Seventy Thousand (\$70,000) for Communications, Security and Owners Expenses. (3/5 majority vote required-SB2)
Recommended by the Board of Selectmen and Budget Advisory Committee

Passed 66%

580 YES ☐
296 NO ☐

Article 9: Are you in favor of the Town raising and appropriating, as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles nor other appropriations voted separately, the amounts as 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 \$4,340,081? Should this article be defeated, the operating budget shall be \$4,300,933 which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by the previous action of the Town of Sunapee 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 and Budget Advisory Committee

Pass

610 YES ☐
247 NO ☐

Article 10: Are you in favor of the Town raising and appropriating the sum of \$27,000 to purchase and equip a new 4WD and authorizing the withdrawal, for that purpose, of up to \$27,000 from Police Patrol Vehicles Capital Reserve Fund, as established by Article 12 of the 2002 Town Meeting? This will be a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7, VI, and will not lapse until the vehicle is purchased or December 31, 2006, whichever occurs first.
Recommended by the Board of Selectmen and Budget Advisory Committee

Pass

553 YES ☐
316 NO ☐

Article 11: Are you in favor of the Town raising and appropriating the sum of \$76,000 to be added to the Property Revaluation Capital Reserve Fund as formed by Article 48 of the 1996 Town Meeting and amended by Article 23 of the 2002 Town Meeting, and to designate the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend?
Recommended by the Board of Selectmen and Budget Advisory Committee

Pass

514 YES ☐
333 NO ☐

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A. TO VOTE, completely fill in the OVAL to the RIGHT of your choice(s), like this: 

Article 12: Are you in favor of the Town raising and appropriating the sum of \$15,000 to be added to the Police Patrol Vehicles Capital Reserve Fund, as established by Article 12 of the 2002 Town Meeting?
Recommended by the Board of Selectmen and Budget Advisory Committee

Pass

564
318

YES ☐

NO ☐

Article 13: Are you in favor of the Town raising and appropriating the sum of \$90,000 to be added to the Highway and Transfer Station Equipment Capital Reserve Fund, as established by Article 29 of the 1989 Town Meeting and as amended by Article 14 of the 2004 Town Meeting?
Recommended by the Board of Selectmen and Budget Advisory Committee

Pass

562
312

YES ☐

NO ☐

Article 14: Are you in favor of the Town raising and appropriating the sum of \$25,000 to be added to the Town Bridges Capital Reserve Fund, as established by Article 25 of the 2001 Town Meeting?
Recommended by the Board of Selectmen and Budget Advisory Committee

Pass

622
242

YES ☐

NO ☐

Article 15: Are you in favor of the Town raising and appropriating the sum of \$35,000 to be placed in the Capital Reserve Fund as established by Article 19 of the 2003 Town Meeting for the purpose of paving dirt roads throughout the Town?
Recommended by the Board of Selectmen and Budget Advisory Committee

Pass

521
357

YES ☐

NO ☐

Article 16: Are you in favor of the Town raising and appropriating the sum of \$24,000 for the paving of Sunny Lane, and authorizing the withdrawal, for that purpose, of up to \$24,000 from the Paving of Dirt Roads Capital Reserve Fund, as established by Article 19 of the 2003 Town Meeting? This will be a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7, VI, and will not lapse until the road is paved, or December 31, 2010, whichever occurs first.
Recommended by the Board of Selectmen and Budget Advisory Committee

Failed

416
453

YES ☐

NO ☐

Article 17: Are you in favor of the Town raising and appropriating the sum of \$14,000 for the paving of Gardner Bay Road, and authorizing the withdrawal, for that purpose, of up to \$14,000 from the Paving of Dirt Roads Capital Reserve Fund, as established by Article 19 of the 2003 Town Meeting? This will be a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7, VI, and will not lapse until the road is paved, or December 31, 2010, whichever occurs first.
Recommended by the Board of Selectmen and Budget Advisory Committee

Failed

415
455

YES ☐

NO ☐

Article 18: Are you in favor of the Town raising and appropriating the sum of \$124,000 to purchase and equip a new truck for the Highway Department, authorizing the sale or trade-in of the existing 1994 truck, authorizing the withdrawal of up to \$124,000 from the Highway and Transfer Station Capital Reserve Fund, as established by Article 29 of the 1989 Town Meeting and as amended by Article 14 of the 2004 Town Meeting, and authorizing the use of said trade-in or sale to reduce the amount withdrawn from said fund? (It is expected that the Town will receive \$15,000 for the trade-in or sale.) Recommended by the Board of Selectmen and Budget Advisory Committee

Pass

599
279

YES ☐

NO ☐

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Article 19: Are you in favor of the Town raising and appropriating the sum of \$60,000 to be added to the Fire Apparatus Capital Reserve Fund, as established by Article 33 of the 1984 Town Meeting?
Recommended by the Board of Selectmen and Budget Advisory Committee

Pass

642 YES ☐
217 NO ☐

Article 20: Are you in favor of raising and appropriating \$10,000 to be added to the Sunapee Beautification Fund (an expendable trust fund under the provisions of RSA 31:19-a) for Harbor improvements?
Recommended by the Board of Selectmen and Budget Advisory Committee

Pass

515 YES ☐
339 NO ☐

Article 21: Are you in favor of the Town raising and appropriating the sum of \$7,500 to be placed in the Conservation Commission Fund, to be used for the acquisition and improvement of property, easements, and other interests in land within the Town, for the benefit of present and future generations, all in accordance with RSA 36-A? Recommended by the Board of Selectmen and Budget Advisory Committee

Pass

597 YES ☐
251 NO ☐

Article 22: Are you in favor of the Town raising and appropriating the sum of \$15,000 to be added to the Library Capital Reserve Fund, as established by Article 11 of the 1999 Town Meeting, and establishing the Library Trustees as agents to expend? Recommended by the Board of Selectmen and Budget Advisory Committee

Pass

526 YES ☐
324 NO ☐

Article 23: Are you in favor of increasing the Town of Sunapee's Veteran's Tax Credit from \$100 to \$300? (New maximum per RSA 72:28 is \$500. This increase would be the first of two phases at \$200 each. The second phase will be voted on at Town Meeting in 2006.)

Pass

728 YES ☐
120 NO ☐

Article 24: Are you in favor of increasing the Town of Sunapee Disabled Veteran's Tax Credit from \$1,400 to \$2,000? (New maximum per RSA 72:35 is \$2,000.)

Pass

749 YES ☐
103 NO ☐

Article 25: Are you in favor of the Board of Selectmen leasing to the M. V. Kearsarge a place at the Town Dock? The Kearsarge currently has a lease through November of 2005. This article is non-binding and intended to give the Board of Selectmen direction for use of the Town Dock.

Pass

609 YES ☐
237 NO ☐

Article 26: Shall we modify the elderly exemptions from property tax in the Town of Sunapee, based on assessed value, for qualified taxpayers, to be as follows: for a person 65 years of age up to 75 years, Thirty Five Thousand Dollars (\$35,000); for a person 75 years of age up to 80 years, Fifty Five Thousand Dollars (\$55,000); for a person 80 years of age or older, Seventy Five Thousand Dollars (\$75,000)? To qualify, the person must have been a New Hampshire resident for at least 5 years, own the real estate individually or jointly, or if the real estate is owned by such person's spouse, they must have been married for at least 5 years. In addition, the taxpayer must have a net income of not more than Thirteen Thousand Four Hundred Dollars (\$13,400) or, if married, a combined net income of less than Twenty Thousand Four Hundred Dollars (\$20,400), and own net assets not in excess of Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000), excluding the value of the person's residence. This article shall take effect for the 2005 property tax year.

Pass

720 YES ☐
128 NO ☐

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A. TO VOTE, completely fill in the OVAL to the RIGHT of your choice(s), like this: 

Article 27: Are you in favor of adopting the following ordinance to abolish the current Water and Sewer Commission and place the Water and Sewer Department under the authority of the Board of Selectmen and the Town Manager, with an Advisory Water and Sewer Board. A 3/5ths majority of those present and voting is required for this Article to pass:

"Pursuant to the authority conferred to the Town of Sunapee by NH Laws 1996, Chapter 91 and as authorized under House Bill 1139 of that date, the Town of Sunapee Ordains as follows:

1. From and after the effective date of this Ordinance, the Board of Selectmen shall have control and direction over the water and sewer systems of the Town and Chapters 39 and 149-I, as well as any special authority conferred by NH Laws 1901, Chapter 197, as amended by NH Laws 1973, Chapter 465. The Water and Sewer Commission created under NH Laws 1973, Chapter 465, is hereby abolished and all authority previously exercised by it is hereby transferred to the Board of Selectmen.
2. The operational management of the Water and Sewer Department shall be conducted by the Superintendent of the Water and Sewer Department, under the supervision of the Town Manager, in accordance with the Manager's authority as set forth in RSA 37:5 and 6, VII(a) and (e).
3. An Advisory Water and Sewer Board is hereby created. It shall consist of 5 members who shall be elected, beginning at the Annual Town Meeting in 2006, to staggered terms of 3 years, so that no more than 2 members shall be elected to full terms in any one year. During the period from the effective date of this Ordinance, to the Annual Town Meeting in 2006, the membership of this Board shall be appointed by the Board of Selectmen. First consideration for such appointments shall be given to current members of the Water and Sewer Commission holding office immediately prior to the effective date of this Ordinance, if they wish to be so appointed. Any subsequent vacancies in the Advisory Water and Sewer Board shall be filled through appointment by the Board of Selectmen until the next Annual Town Meeting, when these vacancies will be filled by elections. The Advisory Water and Sewer Board shall have such duties and responsibilities as the Board of Selectmen may determine, subject to provisions of Sections 1 and 2 of this Ordinance.
4. This Ordinance shall take effect on April 1, 2005."

By petition.

Tabled 55%

470 YES ☐
381 NO ☐

Article 28: Are you in favor of the Town raising and appropriating the sum of \$1,500 to the Community Alliance of Human Services for the purpose of servicing families who are residents of the Town of Sunapee.

By petition.

Not recommended by the Board of Selectmen and the Budget Advisory Committee

Tabled

413 YES ☐
460 NO ☐

YOU HAVE NOW COMPLETED VOTING