

SAMPLE BALLOT

Voters on checklist: 1994

New Voters: 70

Cast: 964

BALLOT 1 OF 2

OFFICIAL BALLOT
ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION
CANAAN, NEW HAMPSHIRE
MARCH 13, 2012

Ricky J. McAlister
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>SELECTMEN For three years <input type="radio"/> Vote for not more than (1) one <input type="radio"/></p> <p>ROBERT REAGAN 785 <input type="radio"/></p> <p>15 <input type="radio"/> (Write-in)</p>	<p>PLANNING BOARD MEMBER For three years <input type="radio"/> Vote for not more than (2) two <input type="radio"/></p> <p>ANDREW MUSZ 648 <input type="radio"/></p> <p>JOHN BERGERON 674 <input type="radio"/></p> <p>10 <input type="radio"/> (Write-in)</p>	<p>SUPERVISOR OF THE CHECKLIST For six years <input type="radio"/> Vote for not more than (1) one <input type="radio"/></p> <p>CAROL BERGERON 797 <input type="radio"/></p> <p>4 <input type="radio"/> (Write-in)</p>
<p>TREASURER For three years <input type="radio"/> Vote for not more than (1) one <input type="radio"/></p> <p>KENDRA WITHINGTON 810 <input type="radio"/></p> <p>5 <input type="radio"/> (Write-in)</p>	<p>PLANNING BOARD MEMBER For two years <input type="radio"/> Vote for not more than (1) one <input type="radio"/></p> <p>BARBARA L. DOLYAK 736 <input type="radio"/></p> <p>5 <input type="radio"/> (Write-in)</p>	<p>CEMETERY TRUSTEE For three years <input type="radio"/> Vote for not more than (1) one <input type="radio"/></p> <p>PHILIP CARTER 816 <input type="radio"/></p> <p>6 <input type="radio"/> (Write-in)</p>
<p>POLICE CHIEF For three years <input type="radio"/> Vote for not more than (1) one <input type="radio"/></p> <p>SAMUEL W. FRANK 782 <input type="radio"/></p> <p>24 <input type="radio"/> (Write-in)</p>	<p>LIBRARY TRUSTEE For two years <input type="radio"/> Vote for not more than (1) one <input type="radio"/></p> <p>SUSAN A. REMACLE 803 <input type="radio"/></p> <p>5 <input type="radio"/> (Write-in)</p>	<p>TRUSTEES OF THE TRUST FUNDS For three years <input type="radio"/> Vote for not more than (1) one <input type="radio"/></p> <p>CYNTHIA J. NEILY 809 <input type="radio"/></p> <p>3 <input type="radio"/> (Write-in)</p>
<p>HUMAN SERVICES DIRECTOR For three years <input type="radio"/> Vote for not more than (1) one <input type="radio"/></p> <p>NELSON THERRIALT 799 <input type="radio"/></p> <p>5 <input type="radio"/> (Write-in)</p>	<p>LIBRARY TRUSTEE For three years <input type="radio"/> Vote for not more than (1) one <input type="radio"/></p> <p>DENISE REITSMA 785 <input type="radio"/></p> <p>6 <input type="radio"/> (Write-in)</p>	<p>BUDGET COMMITTEE MEMBERS For three years <input type="radio"/> Vote for not more than (3) three <input type="radio"/></p> <p>DENIS SALVAIL 618 <input type="radio"/></p> <p>JOHN H. BERGERON 652 <input type="radio"/></p> <p>ELEANOR J. DAVIS 644 <input type="radio"/></p> <p>31 <input type="radio"/> (Write-in)</p> <p>(Write-in) <input type="radio"/></p> <p>(Write-in) <input type="radio"/></p>
<p>MODERATOR For two years <input type="radio"/> Vote for not more than (1) one <input type="radio"/></p> <p>Dale Barney 71 <input type="radio"/> (Write-in)</p>		

ARTICLES

Article 2

Shall the Town of Canaan vote to raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately except as indicated, 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 the sum of Two Million Nine Hundred Ninety Thousand Six Hundred Ninety Three Dollars (\$2,990,693.00).

Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be Two Million Nine Hundred and Ninety Nine Thousand Two Hundred and Thirty Seven Dollars (\$2,999,237.00), which is the same as last year, with certain adjustment required by previous action of the Town of Canaan 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.

The Board of Selectmen recommends this article 3-0
The Budget Committee recommends this article 8-2

YES 674
NO 165

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ARTICLES CONTINUED

Article 3

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Seventy One Thousand One Hundred Nine Dollars, (\$171,109.00) for Water and Sewer Operations for the Town of Canaan. These funds are raised by user fees and are not funded by property taxes.

The Board of Selectmen recommends this article 3-0
The Budget Committee recommends this article 8-0

737
YES
NO 168

Article 4

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum not to exceed Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000.00) to purchase a used crew cab truck and cap to replace the 2003 Ford used as a command and quick response vehicle and authorize the withdrawal of up to Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000.00) from the Fire Truck Capital Reserve Fund created for that purpose. The use of the Capital Reserve will require that no additional amount be raised from taxation.

The Board of Selectmen recommends this article 3-0
The Budget Committee recommends this article 8-0

671
YES
NO 244

Article 5

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the total sum of One Hundred Eleven Thousand, Two Hundred Seventy-five dollars (\$111,275.00) for the purchase of two items of equipment: a Backhoe Loader with 4WD, buckets, a thumb and multiple function hydraulics to replace the 2004 JCB Backhoe, and a 25 ton equipment trailer to replace the 1989 20 ton Eager Beaver Trailer; and further, of this total, to authorize the withdrawal of up to One Hundred Seven Thousand, Two Hundred Seventy-five Dollars (\$107,275.00) from the Highway Equipment Capital Reserve Fund, with the remaining Four Thousand Dollars (\$4,000.00) to come from the sale of the older Trailer, and with no amount to be raised by taxation.

The Board of Selectmen recommends this article 3-0
The Budget Committee recommends this article 8-0

648 - YES
264 - NO

Article 6

To see if the Town will vote to discontinue the position of elected Road Agent and to designate the position of appointed Road Agent as Highway Supervisor. If this article passes, then under state law (RSA 669:17-b) the existing elective position will remain in effect until Town Meeting of 2013, at which time the Selectmen will appoint a duly qualified Highway Department Supervisor.

The Board of Selectmen recommends this article 3-0

520 - YES
379 - NO

Article 7

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00) to be added to the previously established Revaluation Capital Reserve Fund and name the Governing Body (the Board of Selectmen) as Agents to Expend. This sum to come from the Unreserved Fund Balance as of December 31, 2011 (surplus) and will require that no additional amount be raised from taxation.

The Board of Selectmen recommends this article 3-0
The Budget Committee recommends this article 8-0

638 - YES
263 - NO

Article 8

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Forty Thousand Dollars (\$40,000.00) to be added to the previously established Fire Truck Capital Reserve Fund with the Legislative Body (the Voters) as Agents to Expend. This sum to come from the Unreserved Fund Balance as of December 31, 2011 (surplus) and will require that no additional amount be raised from taxation.

The Board of Selectmen recommends this article 3-0
The Budget Committee recommends this article 8-0

698 - YES
211 - NO

Article 9

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Eighty Thousand Dollars (\$80,000.00) to be added to the previously established Capital Reserve Fund for Highway Equipment with the Legislative Body (the Voters) as Agents to Expend. This sum to come from the Unreserved Fund Balance as of December 31, 2011 (surplus) and will require that no additional amount be raised from taxation.

The Board of Selectmen recommends this article 3-0
The Budget Committee recommends this article 8-0

657 - YES
249 - NO

GO TO NEXT BALLOT AND CONTINUE VOTING

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ARTICLES CONTINUED

Article 10

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty Four Thousand Dollars (\$24,000.00) to purchase a Ford Taurus AWD police cruiser to replace the 2006 Crown Victoria and to be used as a patrol vehicle. Twenty Four Thousand Dollars of this amount to come from the Unreserved Fund Balance as of December 31, 2011 (surplus) and will require that no additional amount be raised from taxation.

620 - YES

The Board of Selectmen recommends this article 3-0
The Budget Committee recommends this article 8-0

320 - NO

Article 11

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Forty Thousand Dollars (\$40,000.00) to fund additional legal representation and consultants for the Town of Canaan on a tax assessment abatement appeal by New Hampshire Electric Cooperative. Forty Thousand Dollars of this amount to come from the Unreserved Fund Balance as of December 31, 2011 (surplus) and will require that no additional amount be raised from taxation.

623 - YES

The Board of Selectmen recommends this article 3-0
The Budget Committee recommends this article 8-0

306 - NO

Article 12

To see if the voters will approve the cost item included in the collective bargaining agreement reached between the Town of Canaan and AFSCME Local 3657 Police Department Employees which calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits at the current staffing level:

Contract Year	Estimated Increase
2012	\$8,782
2013	.CPI* increase if possible without raising property taxes
2014	CPI* increase if possible without raising property taxes

*Consumer Price Index - a common measure of inflation

The additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits are INCLUDED in Article 2 and no additional appropriation is required.

599 - YES

The Board of Selectmen recommends this article 3-0
The Budget Committee recommends this article 8-0

338 - NO

Article 13

Are you in favor of the adoption of the Drinking Water Protection Ordinance as proposed by the planning board?

670
YES

The Board of Selectmen recommends this article 3-0

NO
260

Article 14

To see if the Town will vote to accept by deed the property owned by the estate of Catherine Bates at 49 NH Route 118, Tax Map 15A-67-00 in payment of deferred taxes and further authorize the Selectmen to sell said property by public sale.

807 - YES

The Board of Selectmen recommends this article 3-0

121 - NO

Article 15 - Petitioned Article

Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of Two Thousand One Hundred Dollars (\$2,100.00) to help support the crisis intervention and support services and community outreach and violence prevention programs at WISE (Women's Information Service) located in Lebanon, NH and serving the Town of Canaan as well as fourteen additional towns in the Upper Valley of Vermont and New Hampshire.

587 - YES

The Board of Selectmen does not recommend this article 2-1
The Budget Committee does not recommend this article 5-3

356 - NO

TURN BALLOT OVER AND CONTINUE VOTING

SAMPLE BALLOT

ARTICLES CONTINUED

Article 16 – Petitioned Article

We request that Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00) be raised and appropriated to Grafton County Senior Citizens Council, Inc. for services to Canaan residents in 2012. These services include congregate meals, home delivered meals, the town food pantry, transportation, adult in-home care, outreach support, Service Link support and more. In 2011, Grafton Senior Citizens Council, Inc. provided services for 252 Canaan residents and Service Link provided services for 89 Residents. The cost of providing these services was \$200,993.58.

The Board of Selectmen **recommends** this article 2-1
The Budget Committee **does not recommend** this article 5-3

708 -YES
189 - NO

Article 17 – Petitioned Article

We request that Eight Thousand Three Hundred and Sixty Dollars (\$8,360.00) be raised and appropriated to Advance Transit, Inc. to help support public transportation services in the Town of Canaan in 2012. In 2011, 10,021 passenger trips boarded Advanced Transit in Canaan. Advance Transit provided services to the Town of Canaan at a cost of \$100,700.

The Board of Selectmen **recommends** this article 2-1
The Budget Committee **does not recommend** this article 5-3

638 -YES
260 - NO

Article 18 – Petitioned Article

Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of Nine Thousand Seven Hundred Dollars (\$9,700.00) to help support the home health, maternal and child health, and hospice care provided in patients' homes and in community settings by the Visiting Nurse Association & Hospice of VT and NH. Last year, the VNA & Hospice of VT and NH made 1,488 homecare visits to Canaan residents.

The Board of Selectmen **recommends** this article 2-1
The Budget Committee **does not recommend** this article 5-3

648 -YES
247 - NO

Article 19 – Petitioned Article

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate Two Thousand One Hundred and Fifty Dollars (\$2,150.00) for the support of West Central Behavioral Health which provided 128 Canaan residents with \$16,167 in free or discounted mental health care in FY 2011 – July 1, 2010 thru June 30, 2011. As a state designated nonprofit community mental health center, West Central Behavioral Health provides high quality, research based mental health services for many of the most vulnerable people in our region, including residents of Canaan.

The Board of Selectmen **recommends** this article 2-1
The Budget Committee **does not recommend** this article 5-2 and 1 abstention

526 -YES
368 - NO

Article 20 – Petitioned Article

Will the voters raise and appropriate the sum of Two Thousand Nine Hundred Thirty Two Dollars (\$2,932.00) to support Mascoma Valley Health Initiative services to Canaan residents in 2012. Services include the Indian River Youth 2 Youth after school program, community substance abuse prevention, school based oral health programs and public health program development. In 2011, the Mascoma Valley Health Initiative provided services to 170 students in two schools.

The Board of Selectmen **does not recommend** this article 2-1
The Budget Committee **does not recommend** this article 5-2 and 1 abstention

552 - YES
344 - NO

Article 21 – Petitioned Article

To see if the Town of Canaan will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,606 for the support of the Tri-County Community Action Program – Upper Valley Contact Office. This represents a flat rate of \$18.75 per 299 Canaan households we assisted with Fuel Assistance, Electric Discount and Homeless Outreach in the fiscal year of 2010-2011. The total dollars directly spent on residents of the Town of Canaan during this same period is \$204,037 or an average of \$682 per household SAVINGS to the Town of Canaan.

The Board of Selectmen **recommends** this article 2-1
The Budget Committee **does not recommend** this article 5-3

566 -YES
328 - NO

YOU HAVE NOW COMPLETED VOTING