

**TOWN OF STRATHAM**  
**TOWN ELECTION MINUTES**  
**MARCH 10, 2020**

The ballot clerks and election workers were sworn in at 7:55 am and 1:55 pm. Present were Moderator David Emanuel, Assistant Moderator Beth Dupell, Town Clerk/Tax Collector Joyce Charbonneau, Deputy Town Clerk/Deputy Tax Collector Deborah Bakie, and Select Board Joe Lovejoy, Michael Houghton, and Allison Knab. Supervisors of the Checklist present were Connie Aubin-Adams, and Melanie McGrail. Ballot clerks for the day were: Cheryl Ewart, Diana Alsterberg, Susan Canada, Susan Brett, Dianna Thompson, Roger Thompson, Lois Graham, Liz Chisholm, Patricia Hughes, Karen Cushing, Joan Gough, and Sara Lyn Doran.

It was a quiet day with 483 official Election Day ballots cast, with 15 of those being absentee ballots. There was 1 new voter registered on Election Day, making the total number of voters on the Checklist at 6581. This made it a 7.3% turnout for this election.

**Exeter Region Cooperative School District Ballot results for Stratham only are as follows:  
(\*Denotes the Winner)**

Cooperative School District Budget Committee: For Brentwood for three years, vote for one: Morgan Lois DeYoung, 335\*. For Exeter for three years, vote for one: Roy Morrisette 351\*. For Kensington for three years, vote for one: Jennifer Ramsay 353\*. For Exeter Cooperative School District Moderator, for one year, vote for one: Katherine Miller 363\*. Exeter Cooperative School Board: For Exeter for three years, vote for one: David Slifka 341\*. For Stratham for three years, vote for one: Travis Thompson 430\*. For East Kingston for three years, vote for one: Mary Kathleen (Kathy) McNeill 344\*.

**Stratham only results:**

**Article 1: ERCSD Operating Budget**

Yes: 311\* No: 141

**Article 2: Sale of Land**

Yes: 378\* No: 72

**Stratham Memorial School District Ballot results as follows:  
(\*Denotes the Winner)**

School Board Member for three years, vote for two: Carissa Magri 407\*. Erin Garcia de Paredes 396\*.

**Annual Town of Stratham Ballot results as follows:  
(\*Denotes the Winner)**

Select Board for three years, vote for one: Michael Houghton 421\*. Cemetery Trustee for three years, vote for one: Colin Lavery 432\*. Supervisor of the Checklist for six years, vote for one: Cathy Warner 435\*. Town Clerk/Tax Collector for three years, vote for one: Joyce L. Charbonneau 447\*. Town Moderator for two years, vote for one: David F. Emanuel 449\*. Trustee of the Trust Funds for three years, vote for one: Mikki Deschaine 426\*. Library Trustee for three years, vote for one: Kate Kim 429\*. Library Trustee for one year, vote for one: Susan Wilbur 429\*

**Article 2 – Are you in favor of adopting the following amendments to the Town of Stratham Zoning Ordinance as proposed by the Planning Board?**

To see if the Town will amend the Zoning Ordinance, Section II, Subsection 2.1.67 Structure to further clarify the definition as it relates to the permitting requirements and procedures related to septic tank installation.

*The Planning Board recommends this article by unanimous vote.*

**Yes: 374\* No: 79**

**Article 3 – Are you in favor of adopting the following amendments to the Town of Stratham Zoning Ordinance as proposed by the Planning Board?**

To see if the Town will amend the Zoning Ordinance, Section III, by amending to Section III, Subsection 3.5.1, and also to amend Section III, Subsection 3.6 *Table of Uses* to clarify the nomenclature and the permitting requirements and procedures for the various permitted land uses of the Zoning Ordinance, and also to amend the *Footnotes to Table 3.6* by adding footnote number 9, to clarify the permitting requirements and procedures for uses within the Industrial Zoning District.

*The Planning Board recommends this article by unanimous vote.*

**Yes: 358\* No: 93**

**Article 4 – Are you in favor of adopting the following amendments to the Town of Stratham Zoning Ordinance as proposed by the Planning Board?**

To see if the Town will amend the Zoning Ordinance, Section IV, by amending to Section IV, Subsection 4.3 (e) *Explanatory Notes*, to clarify the process for waiving the prescriptive height limitations within the zoning districts so permitted by Section IV, Subsection 4.2 *Table of Dimensional Requirements*, as provided by the Zoning Ordinance.

*The Planning Board recommends this article by unanimous vote.*

**Yes: 354\* No: 112**

**Article 5 – Are you in favor of adopting the following amendments to the Town**

**of Stratham Zoning Ordinance as proposed by the Planning Board?**

To see if the Town will amend the Zoning Ordinance, Section V, Section 5.4 Accessory Dwelling Units, Subsection 5.4.2 *Objectives*, 5.4.3 *Regulations*, and 5.4.4 *Additional Regulations* to clarify the permitting requirements and procedures for Accessory Dwelling Units.

***The Planning Board recommends this article by unanimous vote.***

**Yes: 346\* No: 122**

**Article 6 – Are you in favor of adopting the following amendment to the Town of Stratham Zoning Ordinance as proposed by the Planning Board?**

To see if the Town will amend the Zoning Ordinance, Section V, Subsection 5.14.4.1 *Exceptions* to modify the maximum height for ground mount installations.

***The Planning Board recommends this article by unanimous vote.***

**Yes: 360\* No: 108**

**Article 7 – Are you in favor of adopting the following amendment to the Town of Stratham Zoning Ordinance as proposed by the Planning Board?**

To see if the Town will amend Section XI, Subsection 11.3.2 b and amend Section XI, Subsection 11.5.3.b to further clarify the permitting requirements and procedures for development within the Wetlands Conservation District (Overlay).

***The Planning Board recommends this article by unanimous vote.***

**Yes: 360\* No: 110**

**ARTICLE 8: – Are you in favor of adopting the following amendment to the Town of Stratham Zoning Ordinance as proposed by the Planning Board?**

To see if the Town will amend Section XI, Subsection 11.4.1.a and d., add 11.4.1.f, amend 11.4.3, and amend Section XI, Subsection 11.5.3.d to further clarify the permitting requirements and procedures for development within the Wetlands Conservation District (Overlay).

***The Planning Board recommends this article by unanimous vote.***

**Yes: 353\* No: 109**

**Respectfully Submitted,  
Joyce L. Charbonneau/Town Clerk**

