



**ABSENTEE
OFFICIAL BALLOT
ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION
GILMANTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE
MARCH 12, 2024**

BALLOT 1 OF 3

M. Smith
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 align="center">BOARD OF SELECTMAN</p> <p align="center">VOTE FOR NOT THREE YEARS MORE THAN ONE</p> <p>EVAN COLLINS <input type="radio"/></p> <p>_____ <input type="radio"/></p> <p align="center">(Write-in)</p>	<p align="center">TRUSTEE OF THE TRUST FUNDS</p> <p align="center">VOTE FOR NOT THREE YEARS MORE THAN TWO</p> <p>NEIL R. ROBERTS <input type="radio"/></p> <p>FREDERIC A. BUCHHOLZ, JR <input type="radio"/></p> <p>_____ <input type="radio"/></p> <p align="center">(Write-in)</p> <p>_____ <input type="radio"/></p> <p align="center">(Write-in)</p>	<p align="center">PLANNING BOARD</p> <p align="center">VOTE FOR NOT THREE YEARS MORE THAN TWO</p> <p>JACOB DALZELL <input type="radio"/></p> <p>MARTY MARTINDALE <input type="radio"/></p> <p>GRACE L. SISTI <input type="radio"/></p> <p>_____ <input type="radio"/></p> <p align="center">(Write-in)</p> <p>_____ <input type="radio"/></p> <p align="center">(Write-in)</p>
<p align="center">TOWN CLERK TAX COLLECTOR</p> <p align="center">VOTE FOR NOT THREE YEARS MORE THAN ONE</p> <p>ELISE N. SMITH <input type="radio"/></p> <p>_____ <input type="radio"/></p> <p align="center">(Write-in)</p>	<p align="center">TRUSTEE OF THE LIBRARY</p> <p align="center">VOTE FOR NOT THREE YEARS MORE THAN ONE</p> <p>SUZANNE CHRISTIE <input type="radio"/></p> <p>_____ <input type="radio"/></p> <p align="center">(Write-in)</p>	<p align="center">SUPERVISOR OF THE CHECKLIST</p> <p align="center">VOTE FOR NOT SIX YEARS MORE THAN ONE</p> <p>VIRGINIA SAPIRO <input type="radio"/></p> <p>_____ <input type="radio"/></p> <p align="center">(Write-in)</p>
<p align="center">TRUSTEE OF CEMETERIES</p> <p align="center">VOTE FOR NOT THREE YEARS MORE THAN ONE</p> <p>CANDACE DAIGLE <input type="radio"/></p> <p>_____ <input type="radio"/></p> <p align="center">(Write-in)</p>	<p align="center">BUDGET COMMITTEE</p> <p align="center">VOTE FOR NOT THREE YEARS MORE THAN TWO</p> <p>ANNE KIRBY <input type="radio"/></p> <p>ALEC BASS <input type="radio"/></p> <p>_____ <input type="radio"/></p> <p align="center">(Write-in)</p> <p>_____ <input type="radio"/></p> <p align="center">(Write-in)</p>	<p align="center">SUPERVISOR OF THE CHECKLIST</p> <p align="center">VOTE FOR NOT TWO YEARS MORE THAN ONE</p> <p>CLAUDIA J. FERBER <input type="radio"/></p> <p>_____ <input type="radio"/></p> <p align="center">(Write-in)</p>

ZONING WARRANT ARTICLES

Article 02 Zoning Ordinance Amendment #1

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment #1 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town of Gilmanon as follows: To amend Article VI by adding Paragraph 9 titled -Manufactured Housing- In the Residential Lake Zone, Storage and Parking: to allow for the storage and parking of one recreational vehicle in the Residential Lake Zone and to not require the storage or parking of the recreational vehicle meet setbacks or be parked in a driveway? **YES** **NO**

Recommended by the Planning Board: Yes

Article 03 Zoning Ordinance Amendment #2

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment #2 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town of Gilmanon as follows: to amend Article XVI. Definition of "Structure" to exclude a fence as a structure and do not require a fence to meet setbacks? **YES** **NO**

Recommended by the Planning Board: Yes

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WARRANT ARTICLES CONTINUED

Article 04 2024 Operating Budget

Est tax impact \$5.505

Shall the Town 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 within the warrant or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purpose set forth therein totaling Five Million, Seven Hundred and Eighty-Two Thousand, Three Hundred and Seventy-Seven Dollars (\$5,782,377.00). Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be Five Million, Four Hundred and Twenty-Eight Thousand, and Seventy-Eight Dollars (\$5,428,078.00), which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by the previous action of the Town 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

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen: Yes
Recommended by the Budget Committee: Yes

Article 05 Deposit into EFT & CRF Funds

Est. tax impact \$0.230

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One-Hundred and Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$130,000.00) to be deposited in the previously established Non-Capital Expendable Trust Funds (ETF) and Capital Reserve Funds (CRF) identified below. This amount to come from taxation. (Majority vote required)

Highway Equipment	(CRF)	\$70,000.00
Highway Vehicle Equip/Repair	(ETF)	\$10,000.00
Recycling & Transfer Facility Improvement	(CRF)	\$30,000.00
Recycling Equipment	(CRF)	\$15,000.00
Transfer Station Vehicle & Equip Rep	(ETF)	\$5,000.00
		TOTAL \$130,000.00

YES
NO

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen: Yes
Recommended by the Budget Committee: Yes

Article 06 Exterior Painting & Rot Repair Academy

Est. tax impact \$0.209

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred and Eighteen Thousand Dollars (\$118,000.00) for the exterior painting and rot repair at the Academy Building Town Offices. This amount to come from taxation. (Majority vote required)

YES
NO

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen: Yes
Recommended by the Budget Committee: Yes

Article 07 Deposit Funds into ETF Infrastructure

Est. tax impact \$0.177

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000.00) to be deposited in the Infrastructure Repairs and Upgrades Non-Capital Reserve Fund previously established by the 2022 Town Meeting. This amount to come from taxation. (Majority vote required)

YES
NO

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen: Yes
Recommended by the Budget Committee: Yes

Article 08 Purchase Police Cruiser

Est. tax impact \$0.133

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Seventy-Five Thousand (\$75,000.00) to purchase, equip, and prepare for service a new Police cruiser. This special warrant article will be a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7 VI and will not lapse until the purchase of the Police Cruiser is complete or until December 21, 2025, whichever comes first. This amount to come from taxation. (Majority vote required)

YES
NO

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen: Yes
Recommended by the Budget Committee: Yes

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Article 09 Deposit into ETF Welfare Fund

Est. tax impact \$0.027

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000.00) to be deposited in the Welfare ETF Non-Capital Expendable Trust Fund previously established by the 2001 Town Meeting. This amount to come from taxation. (Majority vote required) **YES**
NO

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen: Yes
Recommended by the Budget Committee: Yes

Article 10 Purchase Forestry Truck for Fire Department

Est. tax impact \$0.203

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred and Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$115,000.00) for the purpose of a Forestry pickup truck equipped with a fire pump skid tank and snow plow package. This special warrant article will be a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7 VI and will not lapse until the purchase of the equipment is complete or until December 21, 2025, whichever comes first. This amount to come from taxation. (Majority vote required) **YES**
NO

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen: Yes
Recommended by the Budget Committee: Yes

Article 11 Deposit Funds into the Replace Ambulance A1 Fund

Est. tax impact \$0.044

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000.00) to be deposited in the Replace Ambulance A1 Capital Reserve Fund previously established by the 2001 Town Meeting. This amount to come from taxation. (Majority vote required) **YES**
NO

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen: Yes
Recommended by the Budget Committee: Yes

Article 12 Deposit Funds into CRF SCBA Replacement

Est. tax impact \$0.018

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00) to be deposited into the Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus Replacement Capital Reserve Fund established by the 2011 Town Meeting. This amount to come from taxation. (Majority vote required) **YES**
NO

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen: Yes
Recommended by the Budget Committee: Yes

Article 13 Deposit Funds into CRF Radio Replacement

Est. tax impact \$0.018

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00) to be deposited into the Fire Radio Replacement Capital Reserve Fund, previously established by the 2015 Town Meeting. This amount to come from taxation. (Majority vote required) **YES**
NO

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen: Yes
Recommended by the Budget Committee: Yes

TURN BALLOT OVER AND CONTINUE VOTING

WARRANT ARTICLES CONTINUED

Article 14 Elected Official Pay

No Tax Impact

To see if the Town will vote to require that any alteration to the compensation for an elected official to be approved by the vote of the Town Meeting by an individual warrant article. Further, to see if the Town will vote to allow elected officials to participate in the Town-provided health insurance benefits for a single-person plan or up to a family plan and in the New Hampshire Retirement System, if otherwise eligible under RSA chapter 100-A, provided that such official meets all requirements for a full-time employee as defined in the Town of Gilmanton Personnel Policies and Procedures Manual and maintains time cards reflecting such hours worked. Effective on Passage.

YES

NO

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen: Yes
Recommended by the Budget Committee: Yes

Article 15 Increase the Number of Cemetery Trustees

No Tax Impact

To see if the Town will vote, pursuant to RSA 289:6,I, to increase the number of Cemetery Trustee Board members from three members to five members. If approved, two additional trustees shall be appointed by the Board of Selectmen, one for one year and one for two years. Thereafter, subsequent trustees shall be elected by ballot at the annual town meeting to replace those whose terms expire. (Majority vote required)

YES

NO

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen: Yes
Recommended by the Cemetery Trustees: Yes

Article 16 Deposit Funds into EFT Town Building Repair/Maint

Est. tax impact \$0.035

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000.00) to be deposited into the Town Building Repair and Maintenance Non-Capital Reserve Fund, previously established by the 2010 Town Meeting, and to further name the Board of Selectmen agents to expend from said fund. This amount to come from taxation. (Majority vote required)

YES

NO

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen: Yes
Recommended by the Budget Committee: Yes

Article 17 Establish a Town Forest Fund

No Tax Impact

To see if the Town will vote to establish a special forest maintenance fund, pursuant to RSA 31:113, and to authorize the placement of any proceeds from the management of the Town forests, up to a total balance amount of \$25,000.00, into said fund. Said monies to be allowed to accumulate from year to year and to name the Conservation Commission as the agent to expend from such fund.

YES

NO

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen: Yes
Recommended by the Budget Committee: Yes
Recommended by the Conservation Commission: Yes

Article 18 Establish an ETF for the Mgmt/Control of Invasive Species

Est. tax impact \$0.032

To see if the Town will vote to establish an Expendable Trust Fund pursuant to RSA 31:19-a for the purpose of the management, control, and remediation of aquatic invasive species, to be known as the Public Water Body Reclamation Expendable Trust Fund, and to raise and appropriate the sum of Eighteen Thousand Dollars (\$18,000.00) to put into this fund, with this amount to come from taxation; further, to name the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend from such fund. (Majority vote required)

YES

NO

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen: Yes
Recommended by the Budget Committee: Yes

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Article 19 By PETITION - Rescind Public Works Director

No Tax Impact

We, the undersigned registered voters of Gilmanton, NH, vote to change the title of appointed Public Works Director to appointed Road Agent. The vote would additionally rescind the one or more additional duties pursuant to RSA 231:63. If approved, this article shall be effective as of the date of the 2024 Town Meeting.

YES
NO

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen: No
Recommended by the Budget Committee: No

Article 20 By PETITION Support Gilmanton Year-Round Library

Est. tax impact \$0.083

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Forty-Seven Thousand, One Hundred Dollars (\$47,100.00) for partial funding of operating expenses of the Gilmanton Year-Round Library for Fiscal Year 2024. This amount to come from taxation. (Majority vote required)

YES
NO

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen: Yes
Recommended by the Budget Committee: Yes

Article 21 Support the Gilmanton 4th of July Association

Est. tax impact \$0.011

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Six Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$6,500.00) to support the Gilmanton 4th of July Association, a community organization, for the continuation of Gilmanton's 4th of July Parade, Fireworks, and other events. This amount to come from taxation. (Majority vote required)

YES
NO

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen: Yes
Recommended by the Budget Committee: Yes

Article 22 Support Gilmanton Youth Organization

Est. tax impact \$0.010

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$5,500.00) for the purpose of supporting the Gilmanton Youth Organization (GYO), a recognized 501C(3) charitable organization that is operated for the express purpose of organizing and administering high-quality sports programs for the school-aged children of the Town of Gilmanton, as well as the continued operation, maintenance, and development of GYO Park. This amount to come from taxation. (Majority vote required).

YES
NO

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen: Yes
Recommended by the Budget Committee: Yes

Article 23 Support the Gilmanton Snowmobile Association

Est. tax impact \$0.007

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Four Thousand Dollars (\$4,000.00) for the purpose of supporting the Gilmanton Snowmobile Association, for the purpose of maintaining trails that are open to the public in a safe condition for use by snowmobilers, hikers, cross-country skiers, and equestrians in the Town of Gilmanton. This amount to come from taxation. (Majority vote required)

YES
NO

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen: Yes
Recommended by the Budget Committee: Yes

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WARRANT ARTICLES CONTINUED

Article 24 Support the Gilmanton Iron Works Private Library

Est. tax impact \$0.002

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) for the purpose of supporting the Gilmanton Iron Works Library, a recognized 501(c)(3) charitable organization. This amount to come from taxation. (Majority vote required)

YES
NO

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen: Yes
Recommended by the Budget Committee: Yes

Article 25 Support the New Beginnings Without Violence & Abuse

Est. tax impact \$0.002

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) for the purpose of supporting New Beginnings Without Violence & Abuse, which provides 24-hour crisis support, operates a shelter, and provides counseling for domestic/sexual assault victims. This amount to come from taxation. (Majority vote required)

YES
NO

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen: Yes
Recommended by the Budget Committee: Yes

Article 26 Support the Community Action Plan

Est. tax impact \$0.009

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00) for the continuation of services to the low-income residents of Gilmanton through the Laconia Area Center of Community Action Program Belknap-Merrimack Counties, Inc. This amount to come from taxation. (Majority vote required)

YES
NO

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen: Yes
Recommended by the Budget Committee: Yes

Article 27 Support Lakes Region Mental Health Center

Est. tax impact \$0.013

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Seven Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$7,500.00) to support the Lakes Region Mental Health Center (LRMHC), formerly known as Genesis, which provides integrated mental and physical health care to area residents with mental illness. This amount to come from taxation. (Majority vote required)

YES
NO

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen: Yes
Recommended by the Budget Committee: Yes

Article 28 Support Court-Appointed Special Advocates (CASA)

Est. tax impact \$0.002

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) for the purpose of supporting the Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) of NH which provides, recruits, trains, and supervises volunteers to serve as advocates for abused and neglected children in the New Hampshire court system. This amount to come from taxation. (Majority vote required)

YES
NO

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen: Yes
Recommended by the Budget Committee: Yes

YOU HAVE NOW COMPLETED VOTING THIS BALLOT