

**MINUTES OF THE TOWN OF EAST KINGSTON  
SECOND SESSION – 2011 ANNUAL TOWN MEETING  
VOTING SESSION – MARCH 8, 2011**

The polls were opened from 8:00AM until 7:00PM at the East Kingston Elementary School, 5 Andrews Lane, to choose the following officers and vote, by ballot, on the town official ballot, articles 2-28, school district ballot, articles 1-2, and the Exeter Cooperative School District ballot, articles 1-3. We had 570 voters participate, giving us a 34% voter turnout.

**Results of election of Town Officials**

Selectman, 3 Yr. Term

David R. Pendell, Jr.	91
Mark A. Cook	455

Selectman, 2 Yr. Term

Richard S. Poelaert	392
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Road Agent, 1 Yr. Term

Matthew L. Gallant	480
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Trustee of the Cemetery, 3 Yr. Term

Henry F. Lewandowski, Jr.	489
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Trustee of Public Library, 3 Yr. Term

Amy J. Robbins	419
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Trustee of Public Library, 3 Yr. Term

Marie R. Paling	319
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Trustee of Trust Fund, 3 Yr. Term

Vanda Moore	214
James Roby Day	257

Supervisor of the Checklist, 1 Yr. Term

(write-in) Laura Walstad	19
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2. Shall the Town of East Kingston 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 \$2,449,000. Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be \$2,475,605, which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Town of East Kingston

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 435      NO 110**

3. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) to be added to the existing Revaluation Capital Reserve Fund established at Town Meeting 1991 for the purpose of the next revaluation of the Town, as required every five years by NH RSA75:8-a.  
MAJORITY VOTE REQUIRED

**YES 357      NO 187**

4. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of six thousand eight hundred dollars (\$6,800) to be added to the existing Library Building Maintenance expendable trust fund established at 2010 Town Meeting for the purpose of funding long-term maintenance for the library building.  
MAJORITY VOTE REQUIRED

**YES 294      NO 255**

5. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) to be added to the existing Fire Apparatus Capital Reserve Fund established at the 1999 Town Meeting for the purpose of acquiring fire apparatus.  
MAJORITY VOTE REQUIRED

**YES 300      NO 254**

6. To see if the Town will vote to establish a Fire Department/Emergency Operations Center Land &/or Building Capital Reserve Fund under the provision of RSA 35:1, for the purpose of the acquisition of land and/or building or construction of building for a Fire Station/Emergency Operations Center and to raise and appropriate the sum of one thousand dollars (\$1,000) to be placed in this fund, and to further vote to appoint the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend from this fund and no further approval is required by the legislative body to expend.  
MAJORITY VOTE REQUIRED

**YES 261      NO 290**

7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) for the purpose of performing repairs, including, but not limited to, replace existing culvert pipe with upgraded box culvert for York Brook to Giles Road, as specified by the Town Engineer.  
MAJORITY VOTE REQUIRED

**YES 269      NO 278**

8. To see if the Town will vote to establish an Agricultural Commission pursuant to RSA 674:44-e in accordance with RSA 673. The Board of Selectmen shall appoint three (3) regular members and three (3) alternate members.

**MAJORITY VOTE REQUIRED**

**YES 319      NO 226**

9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000) for the purpose of improving Foss Wasson Field's safety and usability for the children and adults of East Kingston.

**MAJORITY VOTE REQUIRED**

**YES 303      NO 253**

10. On the petition of Martha Cashins and 34 other registered voters in East Kingston, shall the Town of East Kingston vote to raise and appropriate \$6,750 to be joined with \$3,000 from the Conservation Committee's budget to treat the Milfoil on the Powwow Pond. Permit fees of \$2,500 and re-notification fee of \$1,150 to be paid for by the Powwow Pond Council, Inc. The Town of Kingston will pay for their portion of the pond.

**MAJORITY VOTE REQUIRED**

**YES 311      NO 239**

11. On the petition of Bonnie Terrill and 34 other registered voters in East Kingston, shall the Town of East Kingston vote to see if the voters of East Kingston, NH will vote that warrant articles must be written so that voting "NO" means the article fails, and voting "YES" means the article passes. It cannot be confusing to the voters, it has to be clear, so that when you vote "No" it doesn't mean that you're voting something new in. Passage of this article will be advisory only.

**MAJORITY VOTE REQUIRED**

**YES 391      NO 152**

12. To see if the Town will vote to vest in the Board of Selectmen to determine which days the town offices will be open.

**MAJORITY VOTE REQUIRED**

**YES 294      NO 237**

13. To see if the Town will vote to vest in the Board of Selectmen, the authority to determine what hours the staff will work.

**MAJORITY VOTE REQUIRED**

**YES 286      NO 238**

14. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to explore options for producing a town report, including, but not limited to, electronically.  
MAJORITY VOTE REQUIRED

**YES 334      NO 198**

15. To see if the Town will vote to require notice of all public meetings to be posted and published in accordance with the law.  
MAJORITY VOTE REQUIRED

**YES 433      NO 102**

16. To request that the Board of Selectmen include the end of year vendor report in the annual report.  
MAJORITY VOTE REQUIRED

**YES 397      NO 133**

17. Shall the voters of East Kingston vote to provide budget worksheets be printed in the annual report.  
MAJORITY VOTE REQUIRED

**YES 367      NO 165**

18. To vote to see if the Town of East Kingston will allow the Board of Selectmen to manage the existing budgeting process.  
MAJORITY VOTE REQUIRED

**YES 278      NO 248**

19. To see if the voters of East Kingston will authorize the Board of Selectmen to continue correct accounting practices.  
MAJORITY VOTE REQUIRED

**YES 361      NO 158**

20. To see if the Town will vote to continue to follow the current process for hiring full-time and part-time employees.  
MAJORITY VOTE REQUIRED

**YES 315      NO 200**

21. To see if the voters of East Kingston will vote to continue holding public hearings as is required by law.

MAJORITY VOTE REQUIRED

**YES 437      NO 93**

22. To see if the voters of East Kingston continue to pay off the town's outstanding debt.

MAJORITY VOTE REQUIRED

**YES 366      NO 161**

23. To see if the Town will vote to continue current retirement practices.

MAJORITY VOTE REQUIRED

**YES 274      NO 240**

24. To see if the voters of East Kingston will authorize the Board of Selectmen to continue reviewing all wage increases.

MAJORITY VOTE REQUIRED

**YES 357      NO 174**

25. To see if the voters of East Kingston will authorize the Board of Selectmen to continue reviewing all salaries.

MAJORITY VOTE REQUIRED

**YES 357      NO 173**

26. To see if the Town will vote to allow a 0% deduction from property tax when payment is made within 30 days of billing.

MAJORITY VOTE REQUIRED

**YES 289      NO 216**

27. To see if the Town will vote to advise the Board of Selectmen to discontinue the practice of providing bonuses to town employees in the year 2011.

MAJORITY VOTE REQUIRED

**YES 399      NO 137**

28. To see if the voters of East Kingston, NH will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$600.00 and disburse it in a timely manner in one lump sum to Barbara Clark who for the last 15 years has been our Tax Collector and Town Clerk.

MAJORITY VOTE REQUIRED

**YES 304      NO 249**

**Results of election of School District officials**

School Board Member, 3 Yr. Term  
Korrine D. Bork 454

School Board Member, 1 Yr. Term  
Christina Cassano Pelletier 462

School District Treasurer, 1 Yr. Term  
Ellsworth "Toby" Russell 476

School District Clerk, 1 Yr. Term  
Amy J. Robbins 482

School District Moderator, 1 Yr. Term  
Keri J. Marshall 491

School District Auditor, 1 Yr. Term

1. Shall the School District 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 \$2,573,636? Should this article be defeated, the operating budget shall be \$2,575,395 which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the District 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 revised operating budget only.  
MAJORITY VOTE REQUIRED.

**YES 400      NO 130**

2. Shall the School District raise and appropriate the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000) for the repair of the Multi-Purpose Room Floor?  
MAJORITY VOTE REQUIRED.

**YES 299      NO 237**

**Results of election of Exeter Region Cooperative School District officers (East Kingston results only)**

East Kingston Member on Cooperative School Board, for term ending 2014 election:  
David G. Miller 488

Exeter Member on Cooperative School Board, for term ending 2014 election:  
Kate Segal 418

Kensington Member on Cooperative School Board, for term ending 2014 election:  
Joni Reynolds 401

Stratham Member on Cooperative School Board, for term ending 2014 election:  
Mark Portu 402

Cooperative School District Moderator, for term ending 2012 election:  
Charles F. Tucker 422

Brentwood Member on Cooperative School District Budget Committee, for term ending 2014 election:  
Elyse Gallo Seeley 399

Exeter Member on Cooperative School District Budget Committee, for term ending 2014 election:  
Roy E. Morrisette 424

Kensington Member on Cooperative School District Budget Committee, for term ending 2014 election:  
Janice Miller 410

1. Shall the District 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 \$48,922,530? Should this article be defeated, the operating budget shall be \$48,922,530, which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the District 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.

**YES 382 NO 118**

2. Shall the District approve the cost items included in the collective bargaining agreement reached between the Exeter Region Cooperative School Board and the Exeter Education Association covering the three year period from September 1, 2011 to August 31, 2014 which calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits at the current staffing levels:

Year	Estimated Increase
2011-12	\$449,365
2012-13	\$499,641
2013-14	\$595,017

and further raise and appropriate the sum of \$449,365 for the 2011-12 fiscal year, such sum representing the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits over those of the appropriation at current staffing levels paid in the prior fiscal year? Pursuant to RSA 273-A:12, if approved, the terms of this collective bargaining agreement, including the pay plan, but excluding cost of living increases, will continue in force and effect until a new agreement is executed.

**YES 192 NO 312**

3. Shall the District raise and appropriate to the expendable trust fund known as the "Maintenance Fund" (established by the 2001 District meeting under RSA 198:20-c for the purpose of funding long term and/or unexpected maintenance/repair projects of school buildings

and grounds) the sum of the amount of the June 30, 2011 undesignated fund balance (surplus) up to \$40,000?

**YES 315      NO 189**

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara A. Clark, Town Clerk