

**Sample Ballot**  
**General and Special General Referenda**  
**Town of York, Maine**  
**Tuesday, November 5, 2013**

Total Votes Cast  
3103

**Instructions to Voters**

- To vote for the candidate of your choice, fill in the oval to the left, like this:
- To vote for a write-in candidate, fill in the oval to the left of the write-in space and write in the person's name.
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**Member Budget Committee**  
 Term Expiring May 2015  
 Vote for One (1)

GRAVES, LAWRENCE A.  
 1034

HARROD, JAMES G.  
 959

.....Write-in

**ONE**

The Town hereby ordains amendment of the **Firearms Safety Ordinance** to establish new no-discharge zones on and around Lake Carolyn and Phillips Pond, and to adopt written descriptions of each zone.

**Statement of Fact:** The purpose of this amendment is primarily to establish zones on and around Lake Carolyn and Phillips Pond because these areas are too close to roads and houses to safely allow firearms discharge. Secondly, the maps showing the various discharge zones are supplemented with written descriptions in the text of the Ordinance to help people interpret the maps.

Board of Selectmen recommends approval (5-0)

YES 2700

NO 346

**TWO**

The Town hereby ordains amendment of the **Street Opening and Culvert Ordinance** to allow certain utility work adjacent to streets to occur without a permit, and to alter the financial responsibilities and physical standards for paving after excavations into Town streets, specifically amending: Section 2, Applicability; and Section 5, Street Openings.

**Statement of Fact:** The purpose of this amendment is to alter the street opening procedures and standards to better facilitate coordination between the Department of Public Works and the various water and sewer utility districts which serve York.

Board of Selectmen recommends approval (5-0)

YES 2756

NO 255

**THREE**

The Town hereby ordains amendment to the **Zoning Ordinance**, specifically amending: Article Seven, Special Provisions.

**Statement of Fact:** The purpose of this amendment is to amend the cluster subdivision standards currently in place in Article Seven, Special Provisions. The amendments include changes to the review process, a requirement for a yield plan to graphically depict a conventional subdivision layout for comparison to the cluster subdivision proposal, inclusion of feedback from the Conservation Commission early in the process, changes to easement/open space holder requirements, and a mandatory conceptual phase that includes a site visit to the property and allows for early Planning Board input into the overall design. This amendment is specifically consistent with the Comprehensive Plan and is not expected to have a significant impact on the cost of Town administration.

Board of Selectmen recommends approval (5-0)  
 Planning Board recommends approval (3-0)

YES 2570

NO 414

**PLEASE VOTE BOTH SIDES OF  
 BALLOT**

**FOUR**

The Town hereby ordains amendment to the **Zoning Ordinance**, specifically amending: Article Fourteen, Conversion of Seasonal Dwellings.

**Statement of Fact:** The purpose of this amendment is to amend the seasonal dwelling conversion standards. Current standards may encourage property owners to tear down their seasonal dwelling and build a new year-round residential structure rather than maintaining existing structures. The proposed amendment seeks to remove any incentive to tear down existing structures, and it is not anticipated that it will create any more year-round dwellings than are currently allowed to be built. It also adds a density standard for lots with more than one seasonal dwelling seeking to convert to year-round dwellings. This amendment is generally consistent with the Comprehensive Plan and is not expected to have a significant impact on the cost of Town administration.

Board of Selectmen recommends approval (4-1)  
Planning Board recommends approval (3-0)

- YES 2347
- NO 640

**FIVE**

The Town hereby ordains amendment to the **Zoning Ordinance** to clarify on-premise sign standards, specifically amending: Article Sixteen, Sign Standards.

**Statement of Fact:** The purpose of this amendment is to clarify that on-site business signs shall be placed on the property of the business being advertised. This is stated clearly in the purpose statement of the article, but could use clarification elsewhere. This amendment is generally consistent with the Comprehensive Plan, and is not expected to have a significant impact on the cost of Town administration.

Board of Selectmen recommends approval (3-2)  
Planning Board recommends approval (3-0)

- YES 2284
- NO 667

**SIX**

The Town hereby ordains amendment to the **Zoning Ordinance**, specifically amending: Article Three, Establishment of Zoning Districts, and the accompanying zoning overlay map.

**Statement of Fact:** This amendment proposes to add a new property to the Farm Enterprise Overlay District. The only change to the text of the Zoning Ordinance is the reference date on the accompanying map depicting the properties in the overlay zone. A new zoning map with updated parcels is proposed, as well. No changes to the Farm Overlay standards are proposed. This amendment is specifically consistent with Comprehensive Plan Town Goal 3.1: To promote a sound economic base and economic development that is consistent with York's small town coastal character, Town Goal 8.1: Encourage continued use of suitable lands for agriculture and forestry, and Future Land Use Area #16, to safeguard the State's agricultural and forest resources from development which threatens those resources. It is expected to have no fiscal impact on Town administration.

Board of Selectmen recommends approval (5-0)  
Planning Board recommends approval (3-0)

- YES 2719
- NO 249

**SEVEN**

The Town hereby ordains amendment to the Inventory & Analysis Section and the Policy Section of the **Comprehensive Plan** to provide more detailed information about anticipated sea level rise, and to establish policies related to this issue.

**Statement of Fact:** This amendment provides new information and a policy framework for the Town to begin addressing sea level rise. There are 4 parts to this amendment. First, the Introduction Chapter is amended to list the new report about sea level rise. Second, the Natural Resources Chapter is amended to remove the existing statements about sea level rise and beach erosion. Third, the new "Adaptation to Sea Level Rise Chapter" is adopted. And Fourth, new policies are inserted into the Policy Section of the Plan.

Board of Selectmen recommends approval (5-0)  
Planning Board recommends approval (4-0)

- YES 2561
- NO 417

**PLEASE VOTE BOTH SIDES OF BALLOT**

**EIGHT**

The Town hereby ordains amendment to the Policy Section of the **Comprehensive Plan** to establish new policies about compliance with the Clean Water Act's Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) mandates.

**Statement of Fact:** This amendment establishes new policies about the Clean Water Act's Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) mandates which apply in York as of July 1, 2013.

Board of Selectmen recommends approval (5-0)  
Planning Board recommends approval (4-0)

- YES 2717
- NO 243

**NINE**

The Town hereby ordains amendment to the Policy Section of the **Comprehensive Plan**, specifically amending: Section Two, Town Goal 2.4; Provide a safe, efficient and well-maintained comprehensive transportation system including roads, pedestrian amenities and non-motorized vehicle trails.

**Statement of Fact:** The purpose of this amendment is to add reference to York's membership in the Kittery Area Comprehensive Transportation System (KACTS). This amendment identifies KACTS as an important organization for transportation planning and funding in York.

Board of Selectmen recommends approval (5-0)  
Planning Board recommends approval (4-0)

- YES 2659
- NO 299

**TEN**

Shall the Town vote to authorize the Selectmen to negotiate and enter into an agreement, if feasible, to lease a portion of town-owned land on Bog Road to the Friends of Greater York Recreational Complex for the purpose of allowing construction of a recreational complex including indoor swimming, fitness and multi-purpose gymnasium facilities?

**Statement of Fact:** The Board of Selectmen received a petition from the Friends of Greater York Recreational Complex requesting that their proposal be presented to the voters. If approved by the voters, the Selectmen will negotiate a lease with the Friends of Greater York Recreational Complex. The negotiated agreement would allow the Friends of Greater York Recreational Complex to proceed with plans to construct the recreational complex at the Bog Road site.

Board of Selectmen recommend a NO vote (3-2)

- YES 1075
- NO 1994

State of Maine Sample Ballot  
November 5, 2013, Referendum Election

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Fill in the oval next to your **Yes** or **No** choice, like this: 

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**1. Bond Issue**

Do you favor a \$14,000,000 bond issue to provide funds for the State's share of maintenance, repair, capital improvement, modernization and energy efficiency projects for Maine Army National Guard readiness centers and support facilities and the purchase of land for training and to draw down federal matching funds?

Total estimated lifetime cost is \$17,080,000 representing \$14,000,000 in principal and \$3,080,000 in interest (assuming interest at 4% over 10 years)

Yes 1982

No 1009

**2. Bond Issue**

Do you favor a \$15,500,000 bond issue to enhance educational and employment opportunities for Maine citizens and students by updating and improving existing laboratory and classroom facilities of the University of Maine System statewide?

Total estimated lifetime cost is \$18,910,000 representing \$15,500,000 in principal and \$3,410,000 in interest (assuming interest at 4% over 10 years).

Yes 2192

No 828

**3. Bond Issue**

Do you favor a \$100,000,000 bond issue for reconstruction and rehabilitation of highways and bridges and for facilities or equipment related to ports, harbors, marine transportation, freight and passenger railroads, aviation and transit, to be used to match an estimated \$154,000,000 in federal and other funds?

Total estimated lifetime cost is \$122,000,000 representing \$100,000,000 in principal and \$22,000,000 in interest (assuming interest at 4% over 10 years).

Yes 2475

No 544

**4. Bond Issue**

Do you favor a \$4,500,000 bond issue to provide funds for a public-private partnership for a building project for a new science facility at the Maine Maritime Academy to be matched by other funds?

Total estimated lifetime cost is \$5,490,000 representing \$4,500,000 in principal and \$990,000 in interest (assuming interest at 4% over 10 years)

Yes 1956

No 1048

**5. Bond Issue**

Do you favor a \$15,500,000 bond issue to upgrade buildings, classrooms and laboratories on the 7 campuses of the Maine Community College System in order to increase capacity to serve more students through expanded programs in health care, precision machining, information technology, criminal justice and other key programs?

Total estimated lifetime cost is \$18,910,000 representing \$15,500,000 in principal and \$3,410,000 in interest (assuming interest at 4% over 10 years).

Yes 2267

No 766

**You Have Now Finished Voting**