

**SAMPLE BALLOT
GENERAL REFERENDUM
TOWN OF YORK
NOVEMBER 7, 2017**

Unofficial Results

Instructions to Voters

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ONE: Shall the Town authorize the Board of Selectmen to dispose of the following unused Town properties pursuant to the Property Acquisition and Disposition Policy and to deposit any funds received from the disposition into a Municipal Building and Land Fund?

- 156 Long Sands Road (0039-0020-A)
- 3 Mountain Road (0097-0019)
- 179 Chases Pond Road (0094-0035-Z)
- 94 Witchtrot Road (0089-0036-B)

Statement of Fact: The Town owns property that is currently not in use and is not necessary for future town operations. The Selectmen would like to dispose of these properties and generate revenue that would be deposited into a municipal building and land fund.

Board of Selectmen recommends approval (5-0)

- YES *4107*
- NO *404*

TWO: The Town hereby ordains amendment of the **Zoning Ordinance** to amend Article 2 – Definitions.

Statement of Fact: The purpose of this amendment is to provide a definition of "driveway" in the zoning ordinance.

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

- YES *3963*
- NO *465*

THREE: The Town hereby ordains amendment of the **Zoning Ordinance** to amend Article 6 § 6.3.13.5, regarding performance standards for roof designs of new commercial buildings on Route One.

Statement of Fact: The purpose of this amendment is to encourage variations in roof design for proposed commercial buildings on Route One.

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

- YES *3864*
- NO *571*

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FOUR: The Town hereby ordains amendment of the **Zoning Ordinance** to define Short Term Residential Rentals and clarify parking requirements for that use.

Statement of Fact: The purpose of this ordinance is to define what a Short Term Residential Rental is and establish parking requirements for that particular use.

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

- YES *3743*
- NO *712*

FIVE: The Town hereby ordains amendment of the **Zoning Ordinance** to amend Article 8 – Shoreland Overlay District § 8.3.11.4, regarding expansion of structures that do not comply with shoreland setback requirements.

Statement of Fact: The purpose of this amendment is to clarify and refer to existing language for expansions of non-conforming structures in shoreland zones.

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

- YES *3687*
- NO *698*

SIX: The Town hereby ordains amendment of the **Public Road Acceptance Ordinance** to accept ownership of roads on the date of an affirmative public vote.

Statement of Fact: The purpose of this amendment is to accept roads on the date of the public vote rather than deferring to the next July 1st. The delayed acceptance was intended to prevent unanticipated budget impacts, but it did not do so.

Board of Selectmen recommends approval (5-0)

YES 3960
 NO 374

EIGHT: The Town hereby ordains amendment of the **Shellfish Conservation Ordinance**.

Statement of Fact: The purpose of this amendment is to incorporate ordinance revisions required by the Maine Department of Marine Resources (DMR) for York's Shellfish Conservation Ordinance, specifically requiring a survey of clam producing areas at least once every three years.

Board of Selectmen recommends approval (5-0)

YES 4067
 NO 272

TEN: The Town hereby ordains amendments to the **Comprehensive Plan** to incorporate into the plan The York Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan dated March 7, 2017, specifically amending: Volume 1: Policies, Capital Investment Plan, Regional Coordination Program and Implementation Program.

Statement of Fact: Passage of this amendment would incorporate by reference The York Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan. This plan is a road map to improve the ease and ability for residents and visitors to safely get around York either by foot or bicycle. This amendment would adopt the York Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan as a reference within Section 2 of Volume 1 of the Comprehensive Plan, specifically, Town Goal 2.4- "Provide a safe, efficient and well-maintained comprehensive transportation system including roads, pedestrian amenities and non-motorized vehicle trails." The amendment also repeals redundancies within that section of the Comprehensive Plan.

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

YES 3794
 NO 587

SEVEN: The Town hereby ordains amendment of the **Harbor Ordinance** to prohibit berthing of houseboats within the harbors, river systems, and near the beaches of York. Also, the added verbiage in Section 4 - Mooring Space Assignments, paragraph C-1 would allow new mooring space assignees more time to find and purchase a boat that meets their needs.

Statement of Fact: The purpose of this amendment is to prevent the addition of another vessel use. Houseboats could create additional burdens on fire departments, law enforcement, the school system, the environment, and much more. This resource is already in great demand by over 400 mooring holders within the recreational and commercial sectors, with waiting lists as long as 10 years. This amendment also seeks to provide more flexibility with Mooring Space Assignments.

Board of Selectmen recommends approval (5-0)

YES 3652
 NO 702

NINE: Shall the Town, pursuant to 23 MRSA § 3025, accept fee simple title to a road known as **Walt Kuhn Road and Forest Hill Lane** and described as shown on a plan entitled "As Built Plan of, Walt Kuhn Road Forest Hill Lane, York, Maine", dated December 6, 2016, subject to the recording of as built plan, execution of the warranty deed and all drainage easements?

Statement of Fact: The Department of Public Works inspected Walt Kuhn Road and Forest Hill Lane and determined that the street meets the Town's public roads standards. These roads are .5 mile long; the approximate annual cost for maintaining these roads as public ways is \$10,000.

Director of Public Works recommends approval
Board of Selectmen recommends approval (5-0)

YES 3450
 NO 856

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ELEVEN: The Town hereby ordains amendment to the **Comprehensive Plan** to add a new chapter to Volume 2-Inventory and Analysis Section titled "Energy Chapter" for the York Comprehensive Plan and adopt by reference, the strategy and summary of actions identified in the Energy Chapter, within Volume 1: Policies, Capital Investment Plan, Regional Coordination Program and Implementation Program.

Statement of Fact: Passage of this amendment to the Comprehensive Plan would add an Energy Chapter and associated appendix to the Inventory and Analysis Section of York's Comprehensive Plan. The purpose of this chapter is to provide a framework for implementing Comprehensive Plan Goal 1.4.1, which establishes a broad vision of sustainability as a basis for policy decisions, in particular wise energy use and renewable energy. The Inventory and Analysis Chapter provides an examination of York's energy needs and progress to date. It identifies local, regional, state and national resources that are required and are available. It also identifies the organizations and stakeholders in the community that are needed for implementation. The Energy Actions located in the Energy Chapter support goal 1.4.1 by listing specific initiatives that would help integrate the goal of sustainability and wise energy consumption in Town operations, within municipal departments and committees, as well as the community at large.

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

YES 3779
 NO 625

**TURN OVER TO VOTE
SPECIAL BUDGET
REFERENDUM**

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ONE: Shall the Town vote to appropriate additional funds in the amount of \$216,000 from the Municipal Building and Land Fund for the Long Sands Beach Bathhouse construction project?

Statement of Fact: The Long Sands Beach Bathhouse has reached the end of its useful life. Funds for construction of a new Long Sands Beach Bathhouse were approved by voters in May 2013. At that time it was expected to cost \$687,000. Funds have been spent to acquire additional land, and to obtain an approved design and all necessary permits; and \$574,839 remains unspent. The requested \$216,000 would supplement previously approved funds for construction. The Municipal Building and Land Fund is money from the sale of certain surplus properties; there would be no additional tax appropriation requested for this project. If approved, the new facility would be completed in time for the 2018 Summer Season.

Budget Committee recommends approval (6-0)
Board of Selectmen recommends approval (5-0)

- YES 3261
- NO 940

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State of Maine Sample Ballot
Referendum Election, November 7, 2017

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Question 1: Citizen Initiative

Do you want to allow a certain company to operate table games and/or slot machines in York County, subject to state and local approval, with part of the profits going to the specific programs described in the initiative?

- Yes 643
- No 394

Question 2: Citizen Initiative

Do you want Maine to expand Medicaid to provide healthcare coverage for qualified adults under age 65 with incomes at or below 138% of the federal poverty level, which in 2017 means \$16,643 for a single person and \$22,412 for a family of two?

- Yes 3149
- No 1404

Question 3: Bond Issue

Do you favor a \$105,000,000 bond issue for construction, reconstruction and rehabilitation of highways and bridges and for facilities or equipment related to ports, harbors, marine transportation, freight and passenger railroads, aviation, transit and bicycle and pedestrian trails, to be used to match an estimated \$137,000,000 in federal and other funds, and for the upgrade of municipal culverts at stream crossings?

Total estimated life time cost is \$133,875,000 representing \$105,000,000 in principal and \$28,875,000 in interest (assuming interest at 5.0% over 10 years).

- Yes 3835
- No 677

Question 4: Constitutional Amendment

Do you favor amending the Constitution of Maine to reduce volatility in state pension funding requirements caused by the financial markets by increasing the length of time over which experience losses are amortized from 10 years to 20 years, in line with pension industry standards?

- Yes 3302
- No 1009

You Have Completed Voting