

SAMPLE BALLOT



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

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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 style="text-align: center;">FOR SELECT BOARD</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Vote for not For Three Years more than ONE</p> <p>STEVEN WHITLEY <input type="radio"/></p> <p>_____ <input type="radio"/></p> <p style="text-align: center;">(Write-in)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">FOR SUPERVISOR OF THE CHECKLIST</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Vote for not For Six Years more than ONE</p> <p>LYNN CLARK <input type="radio"/></p> <p>ROBERT H. WARDELL <input type="radio"/></p> <p>_____ <input type="radio"/></p> <p style="text-align: center;">(Write-in)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">FOR LIBRARY TRUSTEE</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Vote for not For Three Years more than TWO</p> <p>JIM O'ROURKE <input type="radio"/></p> <p>AMY STONE <input type="radio"/></p> <p>_____ <input type="radio"/></p> <p style="text-align: center;">(Write-in)</p> <p>_____ <input type="radio"/></p> <p style="text-align: center;">(Write-in)</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">FOR MODERATOR</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Vote for not For Two Years more than ONE</p> <p>SARA PERSECHINO <input type="radio"/></p> <p>_____ <input type="radio"/></p> <p style="text-align: center;">(Write-in)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">FOR BUDGET COMMITTEE MEMBER</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Vote for not For Three Years more than TWO</p> <p>CHARLES CUMMINGS <input type="radio"/></p> <p>CHRISTA SCURA <input type="radio"/></p> <p>_____ <input type="radio"/></p> <p style="text-align: center;">(Write-in)</p> <p>_____ <input type="radio"/></p> <p style="text-align: center;">(Write-in)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">FOR CEMETERY TRUSTEE</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Vote for not For Three Years more than ONE</p> <p>LYNN CLARK <input type="radio"/></p> <p>_____ <input type="radio"/></p> <p style="text-align: center;">(Write-in)</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">FOR TOWN CLERK/ TAX COLLECTOR</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Vote for not For One Year To Fill Term more than ONE</p> <p>CHRISTINE JOHNSON <input type="radio"/></p> <p>_____ <input type="radio"/></p> <p style="text-align: center;">(Write-in)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">FOR LIBRARY TRUSTEE</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Vote for not For One Year To Fill Term more than ONE</p> <p>SARA WHEATLEY <input type="radio"/></p> <p>_____ <input type="radio"/></p> <p style="text-align: center;">(Write-in)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">FOR TRUSTEE OF TRUST FUNDS</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Vote for not For Three Years more than ONE</p> <p>STEVE LUX, JR. <input type="radio"/></p> <p>_____ <input type="radio"/></p> <p style="text-align: center;">(Write-in)</p>

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ARTICLES

Article 2: Zoning Amendments

To see what action the town will take with respect to the following proposed amendments to the Hopkinton Zoning Ordinance by ballot vote upon the following questions:

1. *Are you in favor of the adoption of **Amendment No. 1** as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:*

Amend Zoning Ordinance Section II, Definitions, by omitting the last sentence in the definition of "Lot Line, Front." This change ensures that corner lots facing multiple streets will have those lot lines designated as front lot lines, requiring compliance with the front yard setback. Simultaneously, within Section II, substitute the current Setback Graphic with a new illustration that provides clarity on front, side, and rear yard setbacks. This amendment addresses a conflict between the definition and the Setback Graphic within the Zoning Ordinance.

YES
NO

2. *Are you in favor of the adoption of **Amendment No. 2** as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:*

Amend Zoning Ordinance Section V, specifically 5.2.1, Use of a Nonconforming Lot. Add the original month and year (March 1964) of the enactment of zoning in this section. Remove the inquiry about whether the owner(s) of a nonconforming lot own additional contiguous land, as well as the requirement for owners with contiguous land to merge the lots in order for a nonconforming lot to be built upon. This amendment is intended to further align with NH RSA 674:39-a, Restoration of Involuntarily Merged Lots.

YES
NO

3. *Are you in favor of the adoption of **Amendment No. 3** as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:*

Amend Zoning Ordinance Section XV, Zoning Board of Adjustment, so that it aligns with the powers and duties specifically granted under NH RSA 674:33. The purpose of the amendments is to provide clarity in understanding the Board's powers, membership, rules, application criteria and filing period. Also addressed is the timing for hearing notices, meeting minutes, action on applications, requests for rehearings, and reapplications. The amendments also introduce provisions for conditions of approval, incorporate requirements for additional findings in alignment with the Floodplain Development Ordinance, include stipulations related to authorization, and recognize appeals of decisions made by the Planning Board.

YES
NO

4. *Are you in favor of the adoption of **Amendment No. 4** as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:*

Amend Zoning Ordinance Section XVII, Floodplain Development Ordinance, as necessary to align with the requirements of the National Flood Insurance Program. The identified amendments were a result of a review conducted by the NH Office of Planning and Development. The amendments include where reference is made to specific dates, the North American Vertical Datum, the special flood hazard areas, base flood elevation, NH RSA 482-A:3, Wetlands Bureau, requirements for hydrologic and hydraulic analyses, the building inspector's utilization of floodway data, regulations concerning recreation vehicles, and guidelines for maintaining and reporting variances. As a result, language within Section XVII will be rephrased, added, or omitted as necessary.

YES
NO

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