

Town of York, Maine
Budget Referendum
May 29th, 2009
Results

Bolded blue text indicates majority vote.

Article One:

To elect the following:

Town Clerk/Tax Collector, three year term, vote for no more than ONE:

Szeniawski, Mary-Anne M. **2,587**

Selectman and Overseer of the Poor, three year terms, vote for no more than TWO:

Andrews, Mary A. **2,095**

Jackson-McCarty, Tracy L. **1,263**

Macdonald, Torbert H. Jr. 1,205

Budget Committee Member, three year terms, vote for no more than THREE:

Tringale, Domenic A. **2,084**

Write-in: Weston, Ford **65**

Write-in: Allen, Jerry **46**

Write-in: Bartlett, Richard 11

Superintending School Committee Member, three year terms, vote for no more than TWO:

D'Aquila, John T. **1,777**

Fitzgerald, Timothy M. **1,855**

York Water District Trustee, five year term, vote for no more than ONE:

Belliveau, Andrew J. 618

Johnson, Dana C. 370

Moulton, Dana W., III **1,153**

York Sewer District Trustee, five year term, vote for no more than ONE:

Lucas, Rodney J. **2,107**

Article Two:

Shall the Town vote to require the first payment of taxes (1/2 of taxes) to be paid not later than forty-five days from date of mailing; second payment (1/2 of taxes) to be paid on February 5, 2010. Taxes not paid by these dates shall be charged interest at the rate of 9% per annum.

Board of Selectmen recommends approval (5-0). **Yes: 2,399** No: 382

Article Three:

Shall the Town set an interest rate of 5% per annum to reimburse taxpayers for taxes determined in FY 2010 to have been overpaid or abated?

Board of Selectmen recommends approval (5-0). **Yes: 2,626** No: 162

Article Four:

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate a sum not to exceed \$2,023,396 for the Town Manager's Department, Finance Department, Assessor's Department, Community Development, Town Clerk/Tax Collector's Department, Elections, Town Hall Operations and Maintenance, Printing and Records Management, Earned Account, Circuit Breaker, and Contingency and furthermore shall the Board of Selectmen adopt this line item of the Town Budget, as proposed by the Budget Committee?

A YES vote authorizes an expenditure of \$2,023,396. A NO vote authorizes the previous year's appropriation of \$2,088,620.

Budget Committee recommends approval (6-1).

Board of Selectmen recommends approval (5-0). **Yes: 2,598** No: 232

Article Five:

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate a sum not to exceed \$700 for Beach Profile Monitoring and furthermore shall the Board of Selectmen adopt this line item of the Town Budget, as proposed by the Budget Committee?

A YES vote authorizes an expenditure of \$700. A NO vote authorizes the previous year's appropriation of \$0.

Budget Committee recommends approval (7-0).

Board of Selectmen recommends approval (5-0). **Yes: 2,054** No: 734

Article Six:

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate a sum not to exceed \$301,102 for Debt Service and furthermore shall the Board of Selectmen adopt this line item of the Town Budget, as proposed by the Budget Committee?

A YES vote authorizes an expenditure of \$301,102. A NO vote authorizes the previous year's appropriation of \$158,120.

Budget Committee recommends approval (7-0).

Board of Selectmen recommends approval (5-0). **Yes: 1,862** No: 871

Article Seven:

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate a sum not to exceed \$20,000 for Rental of Office Space and furthermore shall the Board of Selectmen adopt this line item of the Town Budget, as proposed by the Budget Committee?

A YES vote authorizes an expenditure of \$20,000. A NO vote authorizes the previous year's appropriation of \$0.

Budget Committee recommends approval (6-1).

Board of Selectmen recommends approval (4-1). **Yes: 1,395** No: 1,350

Article Eight:

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate a sum not to exceed \$5,000 for Unemployment Costs and furthermore shall the Board of Selectmen adopt this line item of the Town Budget, as proposed by the Budget Committee?

A YES vote authorizes an expenditure of \$5,000. A NO vote authorizes the previous year's appropriation of \$0.

Budget Committee recommends approval (7-0).

Board of Selectmen recommends approval (5-0). **Yes: 1,963** No: 798

Article Nine:

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate a sum not to exceed \$394,000 for Property, Health, Liability and Workers' Compensation Insurance and furthermore shall the Board of Selectmen adopt this line item of the Town Budget, as proposed by the Budget Committee?

A YES vote authorizes an expenditure of \$394,000. A NO vote authorizes the previous year's appropriation of \$350,000.

Budget Committee recommends approval (7-0).

Board of Selectmen recommends approval (5-0). **Yes: 1,768** No: 893

Article Ten:

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate a sum not to exceed \$3,463,599 for the Police Department, Communications, Animal Control and Harbor Management and to authorize the Selectmen to expend any revenues received for dispatching and other Public Safety services and furthermore shall the Board of Selectmen adopt this line item of the Town Budget, as proposed by the Budget Committee?

A YES vote authorizes an expenditure of \$3,463,599. A NO vote authorizes the previous year's appropriation of \$3,354,275.

Budget Committee recommends approval (7-0).

Board of Selectmen recommends approval (5-0). **Yes: 1,838** No: 950

Article Eleven:

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate a sum not to exceed \$85,700 for the Vehicle Replacement Account for Police Vehicles, Academic Reimbursement and Cable Access TV and furthermore shall the Board of Selectmen adopt this line item of the Town Budget, as proposed by the Budget Committee?

A YES vote authorizes an expenditure of \$85,700. A NO vote authorizes the previous year's appropriation of \$85,700.

Budget Committee recommends approval (6-1).

Board of Selectmen recommends approval (5-0). **Yes: 2,249** No: 479

Article Twelve:

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate a sum not to exceed \$875,928 for the York Village and York Beach Fire Departments and for Volunteer Firefighter Training and furthermore shall the Board of Selectmen adopt this line item of the Town Budget, as proposed by the Budget Committee?

A YES vote authorizes an expenditure of \$875,928. A NO vote authorizes the previous year's appropriation of \$845,940.

Budget Committee recommends approval (7-0).

Board of Selectmen recommends approval (5-0). **Yes: 1,949** No: 868

Article Thirteen:

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate a sum not to exceed \$853,500 for Hydrants for Fire Protection and furthermore shall the Board of Selectmen adopt this line item of the Town Budget, as proposed by the Budget Committee?

A YES vote authorizes an expenditure of \$853,500. A NO vote authorizes the previous year's appropriation of \$797,095.

Budget Committee recommends approval (7-0).

Board of Selectmen recommends approval (5-0). **Yes: 1,711** No: 1,085

Article Fourteen:

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate a sum not to exceed \$40,000 for a one-year contract with the York Ambulance Association and furthermore shall the Board of Selectmen adopt this line item of the Town Budget, as proposed by the Budget Committee?

A YES vote authorizes an expenditure of \$40,000. A NO vote authorizes the previous year's appropriation of \$40,000.

Budget Committee recommends approval (7-0).

Board of Selectmen recommends approval (5-0). **Yes: 2,412** No: 336

Article Fifteen:

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate a sum not to exceed \$2,566,410 for General Maintenance of Town Roads and Bridges, Tree Care & Planting, Streetlights and Signals, Traffic Lights, White Goods Disposal, Solid Waste Disposal, and Household Hazardous Waste Disposal and expend any revenues received and furthermore shall the Board of Selectmen adopt this line item of the Town Budget, as proposed by the Budget Committee?

A YES vote authorizes an expenditure of \$ 2,566,410. A NO vote authorizes the previous year's appropriation of \$2,413,551.

Budget Committee recommends approval (7-0).

Board of Selectmen recommends approval (5-0). **Yes: 1,996** No: 856

Article Sixteen:

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate a sum not to exceed \$1,104,645 for FY10 Winter Maintenance and Snow Removal and to authorize the Board of Selectmen and Treasurer to transfer an amount not to exceed \$100,000 from the unappropriated Fund Balance any additional amounts necessary in the event winter weather conditions necessitate an over-expenditure of budgeted funds for the purpose of winter maintenance and furthermore shall the Board of Selectmen adopt this line item of the Town Budget, as proposed by the Budget Committee?

A YES vote authorizes an expenditure of \$1,104,645. A NO vote authorizes the previous year's appropriation of \$970,180.

Budget Committee recommends approval (7-0).

Board of Selectmen recommends approval (5-0). **Yes: 1,939** No: 886

Article Seventeen:

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate a sum not to exceed \$117,700 for a Heavy Duty Plow Truck and furthermore shall the Board of Selectmen adopt this line item of the Town Budget, as proposed by the Budget Committee?

A YES vote authorizes an expenditure of \$117,700. A NO vote authorizes an appropriation of \$0.

Budget Committee recommends approval (6-1).

Board of Selectmen recommends approval (5-0). **Yes: 1,575** No: 1,157

Article Eighteen:

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate a sum not to exceed \$24,000 for a Parks 4WD Pickup Truck and furthermore shall the Board of Selectmen adopt this line item of the Town Budget, as proposed by the Budget Committee?

A YES vote authorizes an expenditure of \$24,000. A NO vote authorizes an appropriation of \$0.

Budget Committee recommends approval (5-2).

Board of Selectmen recommends approval (5-0). **Yes: 1,048** **No: 1,664**

Article Nineteen:

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate a sum not to exceed \$25,000 for the continuing construction and paving of Bell Marsh Road and furthermore shall the Board of Selectmen adopt this line item of the Town Budget, as proposed by the Budget Committee?

A YES vote authorizes an expenditure of \$25,000. A NO vote authorizes the previous year's appropriation of \$25,000.

Budget Committee recommends approval (7-0).

Board of Selectmen recommends approval (5-0). **Yes: 1,909** No: 742

Article Twenty:

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate a sum not to exceed \$492,600 for the paving of Town Roads and furthermore shall the Board of Selectmen adopt this line item of the Town Budget, as proposed by the Budget Committee?

A YES vote authorizes an expenditure of \$492,600. A NO vote authorizes the previous year's appropriation of \$492,600.

Budget Committee recommends approval (7-0).

Board of Selectmen recommends approval (5-0). **Yes: 2,263** No: 397

Article Twenty-One:

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate a sum not to exceed \$117,840 for the Maintenance of School Grounds and Athletic Fields and furthermore shall the Board of Selectmen adopt this line item of the Town Budget, as proposed by the Budget Committee?

A YES vote authorizes an expenditure of \$117,840. A NO vote authorizes the previous year's appropriation of \$113,385.

Budget Committee recommends approval (7-0).

Board of Selectmen recommends approval (5-0). **Yes: 1,642** No: 1,107

Article Twenty-Two:

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate a sum not to exceed \$544,799 for the Maintenance of Town Buildings, Grounds and Beaches and furthermore shall the Board of Selectmen adopt this line item of the Town Budget, as proposed by the Budget Committee?

A YES vote authorizes an expenditure of \$544,799. A NO vote authorizes the previous year's appropriation of \$525,150.

Budget Committee recommends approval (6-1).

Board of Selectmen recommends approval (5-0). **Yes: 1,555** No: 1,187

Article Twenty-Three:

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate a sum not to exceed \$25,250 for the Mt. A Conservation Coordinator and furthermore shall the Board of Selectmen adopt this line item of the Town Budget, as proposed by the Budget Committee?

A YES vote authorizes an expenditure of \$25,250. A NO vote authorizes the previous year's appropriation of \$25,000.

Budget Committee recommends approval (7-0).

Board of Selectmen recommends approval (5-0). **Yes: 1,814** No: 914

Article Twenty-Four:

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate a sum not to exceed \$37,077 for Maintenance of the Short Sands Park Bathhouse and furthermore shall the Board of Selectmen adopt this line item of the Town Budget, as proposed by the Budget Committee?

A YES vote authorizes an expenditure of \$37,077. A NO vote authorizes the previous year's appropriation of \$35,915.

Budget Committee recommends approval (7-0).

Board of Selectmen recommends approval (5-0). **Yes: 1,532** No: 1,223

Article Twenty-Five:

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate a sum not to exceed \$428,793 for the Operation of the Library and furthermore shall the Board of Selectmen adopt this line item of the Town Budget, as proposed by the Budget Committee?

A YES vote authorizes an expenditure of \$428,793. A NO vote authorizes the previous year's appropriation of \$412,321.

Budget Committee recommends approval (7-0).

Board of Selectmen recommends approval (4-0-1). **Yes: 1,578** No: 1,273

Article Twenty-Six:

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate a sum not to exceed \$251,194 for the Senior Citizens' Center and General Assistance Program and furthermore shall the Board of Selectmen adopt this line item of the Town Budget, as proposed by the Budget Committee?

A YES vote authorizes an expenditure of \$ 251,194. A NO vote authorizes the previous year's appropriation of \$235,465.

Budget Committee recommends approval (6-1).

Board of Selectmen recommends approval (5-0). **Yes: 1,764** No: 1,047

Article Twenty-Seven:

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate a sum not to exceed \$30,000 for Senior Citizen Transportation and furthermore shall the Board of Selectmen adopt this line item of the Town Budget, as proposed by the Budget Committee?

A YES vote: 1) authorizes a tax appropriation of \$30,000 as proposed by the Budget Committee and 2) authorizes the expenditure of all revenues generated by the Senior Citizen Transportation Program in FY 2010, which are estimated to be \$10,500. A NO vote: 1) authorizes the previous year's tax appropriation of \$28,000 and 2) authorizes the expenditure of all FY 2009 revenues generated by the Senior Citizen Transportation Program, which were estimated to be \$11,500.

Budget Committee recommends approval (7-0).

Board of Selectmen recommends approval (5-0). **Yes: 1,963** No: 845

Article Twenty-Eight:

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate a sum not to exceed \$35,050 for Social Services and authorize the Board of Selectmen to reduce this amount if recommended by the Social Services Committee and furthermore shall the Board of Selectmen adopt this line item of the Town Budget, as proposed by the Budget Committee?

A YES vote authorizes an expenditure of \$35,050. A NO vote authorizes an appropriation of \$0.

Budget Committee recommends approval (7-0).

Board of Selectmen recommends approval (4-1). **Yes: 2,024** No: 779

Article Twenty-Nine:

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate a sum not to exceed \$42,160 for the Board of Selectmen, Veterans' Graves, Cemetery, Cable TV Regulatory Commission, Conservation Commission, Historic District Commission, Recycling Committee, Shellfish Commission, Appeals Board, Budget Committee, and Planning Board and furthermore shall the Board of Selectmen adopt this line item of the Town Budget, as proposed by the Budget Committee?

A YES vote authorizes an expenditure of \$42,160. A NO vote authorizes the previous year's appropriation of \$ 42,160.

Budget Committee recommends approval (7-0).

Board of Selectmen recommends approval (5-0). **Yes: 2,266** No: 398

Article Thirty:

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate a sum not to exceed \$122,402 for the Recreation Department and authorize the Selectmen to expend all revenues generated by the Recreation Programs and furthermore shall the Board of Selectmen adopt this line item of the Town Budget, as proposed by the Budget Committee?

A YES vote: 1) authorizes a tax appropriation of \$122,402 as proposed by the Budget Committee and 2) authorizes the expenditure of all revenues generated by the Recreation Programs in FY 2010, which are estimated to be \$415,835. A NO vote: 1) authorizes the previous year's tax appropriation of \$116,005 and 2) authorizes the expenditure of all FY 2009 revenues generated by the Recreation Programs, which were estimated to be \$383,820.

Budget Committee recommends approval (7-0).

Board of Selectmen recommends approval (5-0). **Yes: 1,594** No: 1,146

Article Thirty-One:

Shall the Town vote to appropriate all revenues generated by the Grant House at Goodrich Park, Mount Agamenticus, and Sohier Park, which are estimated to be \$262,200, for the operation and maintenance of the aforementioned properties and furthermore shall the Board of Selectmen adopt this line item of the Town Budget, as proposed by the Budget Committee?

A YES vote authorizes the expenditure of all revenues generated in FY 2010, which are estimated to be \$262,200. A NO vote authorizes the previous year's appropriation of all revenues, which were estimated to be \$199,100.

Budget Committee recommends approval (7-0).

Board of Selectmen recommends approval (5-0). **Yes: 1,923** No: 826

Article Thirty-Two:

Shall the Town vote to appropriate 4% of the revenues from parking meters, parking fines and parking permit stickers, to pay the cost of cleaning and maintaining the bathhouse at Harbor Beach and furthermore shall the Board of Selectmen adopt this line item of the Town Budget, as proposed by the Budget Committee?

A YES vote authorizes the expenditure of 4% of the revenues generated by parking meters, parking fines and parking permit stickers in FY2010, which are estimated to be \$14,135. A NO vote authorizes the previous year's appropriation of \$14,135.

Budget Committee recommends approval (7-0).

Board of Selectmen recommends approval (5-0). **Yes: 2,293** No: 388

Article Thirty-Three:

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate a sum not to exceed \$65,000 for the purpose of conducting a Mosquito Control Program for FY2010 and furthermore shall the Board of Selectmen adopt this line item of the Town Budget as proposed by the Budget Committee?

A YES vote authorizes an expenditure of \$65,000. A NO vote authorizes the previous year's appropriation of \$65,000.

Budget Committee recommends approval (7-0).

Board of Selectmen recommends approval (5-0). **Yes: 2,243** No: 429

Article Thirty-Four:

Shall the Town vote to appropriate up to \$100,000 from the Town's Fund Balance for the Supplementary Contingency Account if deemed necessary by the Board of Selectmen and furthermore shall the Board of Selectmen adopt this line item of the Town Budget, as proposed by the Budget Committee?

(article thirty-four, continued...) A YES vote authorizes an appropriation from the fund balance of up to \$100,000 if necessary to cover supplementary contingencies. A NO vote authorizes the previous year's appropriation from the fund balance of \$100,000 if necessary to cover supplementary contingencies.

Budget Committee recommends approval (7-0).

Board of Selectmen recommends approval (5-0). **Yes: 2,207**

No: 488

Article Thirty-Five:

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate a sum estimated to be \$4,628,950 consisting of the estimated revenues listed below for FY2010 and apply such funds to the FY 2010 Tax Commitment?

A YES vote authorizes the use of \$4,628,950 to reduce the tax commitment. A NO vote authorizes the use of the previous year's appropriation of \$4,937,450 to reduce the tax commitment.

Budget Committee recommends approval (7-0).

Board of Selectmen recommends approval (5-0). **Yes: 2,536**

No: 266

Article Thirty-Six:

Shall the Town vote to appropriate \$790,000 from the Fund Balance and apply these funds to the FY2010 Tax Commitment as a reduction in the amount to be raised from taxation, as proposed by the Board of Selectmen?

A YES vote authorizes an appropriation from the fund balance of \$790,000 to reduce the tax commitment. A NO vote authorizes the previous year's appropriation from the fund balance of \$550,000.

Budget Committee recommends approval (7-0).

Board of Selectmen recommends approval (4-1). **Yes: 2,061**

No: 690

Article Thirty-Seven:

Shall the Town vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to accept grants, donations and aid from State and Federal Agencies, as well as private sources, such as Foundations, Trusts and Individuals and furthermore shall the Board of Selectmen adopt this line item of the Town Budget, as proposed by the Budget Committee?

Board of Selectmen recommends approval (5-0). **Yes: 2,608**

No: 126

Article Thirty-Eight:

Shall the Town vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to make one of the following decisions for each Tax Lien Acquired Property:

1. To dispose of the property by allowing the immediate former owner, one generation, to buy back title to the property from the Town. Buy-back of the property shall require: payment of all taxes due plus interest and lien costs; payment of all other costs; and an amount determined by the Selectmen of up to ten (10%) percent of the then current assessed valuation as set by the Tax Assessor; and satisfaction of all other conditions established by the Selectmen.
2. To dispose of the property by public sealed bid auction or other public process.
3. To dispose of the property by conducting a limited public sale among the parties who own property that directly abuts this property.
4. To hold Town title to the property.

The decision of the Selectmen to use any of the above options shall adhere to the Selectmen Procedural Policy for the Disposition of Foreclosed Property.

Board of Selectmen recommends approval (5-0). **Yes: 2,544**

No: 203

Article Thirty-Nine:

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer to waive foreclosure of any tax lien during the 2009 and 2010 calendar years, said waiver, requiring approval of the Board of Selectmen. The Board of Selectmen shall grant said approval only in circumstances where foreclosures would prove injurious to the Town of York, such as, but not limited to, the presence of hazardous waste upon the property, or the presence on the property of one or more substandard structure(s) for which the cost of removal or repair would exceed the value of the property.

Board of Selectmen recommends approval (5-0). **Yes: 2,444**

No: 227

Article Forty:

Shall the Town (1) approve the acquisition of land for a new Public Safety Building (the "Project") (2) appropriate a sum not to exceed \$2,000,000 for the costs of the Project; and (3) to fund this appropriation (a) authorize the Treasurer and the Chairman of the Board of Selectmen to issue, at one time or from time to time, general obligation securities of the Town of York, Maine, including temporary notes in anticipation of the sale thereof, in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$2,000,000 with the discretion to fix the date(s), maturity(ies), denomination(s), interest rate(s), place(s) of payment, call(s) for redemption, form(s), and other details of said securities, including execution and delivery of said securities against payment therefore, and to provide for the sale thereof, to be delegated to the Treasurer and the Chairman of the Board of Selectmen?

Project Summary and Description: Approval of this article will allow the Board of Selectmen to enter into negotiations with the intent to purchase land suitable for a new Public Safety building. No bonds will be issued under this article until a proposed site is selected and the public is advised of the location.

Budget Committee recommends approval (6-1)

Board of Selectmen recommends approval (5-0) **Yes: 1,523**

No: 1,167

Article Forty-One:

Shall the Town (1) approve the design and construction of the Short Sands Beach Drainage Enhancement Project; (2) appropriate a sum not to exceed \$800,000 for the costs of the project; and (3) to fund this appropriation and authorize the Treasurer and the Chairman of the Board of Selectmen to issue, at one time or from time to time, general obligation securities of the Town of York, Maine, including temporary notes in anticipation of the sale thereof, in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$800,000 with the discretion to fix the date(s), maturity(ies), denomination(s), interest rate(s), place(s) of payment, call(s) for redemption, form(s), and other details of said securities, including execution and delivery of said securities against payment therefore, and to provide for the sale thereof, to be delegated to the Treasurer and the Chairman of the Board of Selectmen?

Project Summary and Description: This Project will replace old failing and undersized underground road drainage pipes and catch basins on Main Street, Bay Street, Franklin Street, Hawk Avenue, Railroad Avenue and Ocean Avenue in York Beach.

Budget Committee recommends approval (7-0)

Board of Selectmen recommends approval (5-0) **Yes: 1,972**

No: 742

Article Forty-Two:

Shall the Town (1) approve the design and construction of the Long Sands Beach Drainage Enhancement Project; (2) appropriate a sum not to exceed \$400,000 for the costs of the project; and (3) to fund this appropriation and authorize the Treasurer and the Chairman of the Board of Selectmen to issue, at one time or from time to time, general obligation securities of the Town of York, Maine, including temporary notes in anticipation of the sale thereof, in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$400,000 with the discretion to fix the date(s), maturity(ies), denomination(s), interest rate(s), place(s) of payment, call(s) for redemption, form(s), and other details of said securities, including execution and delivery of said securities against payment therefore, and to provide for the sale thereof, to be delegated to the Treasurer and the Chairman of the Board of Selectmen?

Project Summary and Description: This project involves constructing new more efficient water courses, cleaning out 2,800 feet of existing drainage ditches along Railroad Avenue Extension and adjacent to Long Beach Tennis Club, the removal and replacement of failing culverts, underground drainage pipes and culverts as well as installation of new culverts and catch basins along Long Beach Avenue.

Budget Committee recommends approval (7-0)

Board of Selectmen recommends approval (5-0) **Yes: 1,998**

No: 776

Article Forty-Three:

Shall the Town (1) approve the purchase of a York Fire Department Squad 1 replacement fire truck; (2) appropriate the sum of \$426,000 to fund the acquisition costs of this purchase; and (3) to fund this appropriation, authorize the Treasurer and the Chairman of the Board of Selectmen to issue, at one time or from time to time, general obligation securities of the Town of York, Maine, including temporary notes in anticipation of the sale thereof, in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$426,000 with the discretion to fix the date(s), maturity(ies), denomination(s), interest rate(s), place(s) of payment, call(s) for redemption, form(s), and other details of said securities, including execution and delivery of said securities against payment therefore, and to provide for the sale thereof, to be delegated to the Treasurer and the Chairman of the Board of Selectmen?

Statement of Fact: Squad 1 is the primary Fire Attack Engine for all fires in the York Village District, and also carries medical equipment, vehicle extrication tools (Jaws of Life), hazardous materials equipment and technical rescue gear. It is intended to replace a 1986 Mack 'Rescue-Pumper'.

Budget Committee recommends approval (7-0).

Board of Selectmen recommends approval (5-0). **Yes: 1,998**

No: 776

Article Forty-Four:

Shall the Town (1) approve the Rehabilitation of Town Dock #1; (2) appropriate the sum of \$950,000 to fund the construction costs of this project; and (3) to fund this appropriation, authorize the Treasurer and the Chairman of the Board of Selectmen to issue, at one time or from time to time, general obligation securities of the Town of York, Maine, including temporary notes in anticipation of the sale thereof, in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$950,000 with the discretion to fix the date(s), maturity(ies), denomination(s), interest rate(s), place(s) of payment, call(s) for redemption, form(s), and other details of said securities, including execution and delivery of said securities against payment therefore, and to provide for the sale thereof, to be delegated to the Treasurer and the Chairman of the Board of Selectmen?

Statement of Fact: Town Dock #1 is an extremely important Town facility supporting year-round activities of lobster boats, fishing boats and recreational boaters. Built in the mid-1950's, it has structural deficiencies and is functionally obsolete. The Harbor Board will be searching for other sources of funds to potentially offset the cost of this project.

Budget Committee recommends approval (7-0).

Board of Selectmen recommends approval (5-0). **Yes: 1,901** No: 832

Article Forty-Five:

Shall the Town (1) approve the lease/purchase of financial software to replace multiple software applications; (2) raise and appropriate the sum of \$38,500 for the first year cost of this lease-purchase?

A YES vote authorizes an expenditure of \$38,500. A NO vote authorizes an appropriation of \$0.

Budget Committee recommends approval (7-0).

Board of Selectmen recommends approval (5-0). **Yes: 1,871** No: 896

Article Forty-Six:

Shall the Town (1) approve the design and construction of Repairs to the Dam at Lake Carolyn; (2) appropriate the sum of \$110,000 to fund the construction costs of this project; and (3) to fund this appropriation, authorize the Treasurer and the Chairman of the Board of Selectmen to issue, at one time or from time to time, general obligation securities of the Town of York, Maine, including temporary notes in anticipation of the sale thereof, in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$110,000 with the discretion to fix the date(s), maturity(ies), denomination(s), interest rate(s), place(s) of payment, call(s) for redemption, form(s), and other details of said securities, including execution and delivery of said securities against payment therefore, and to provide for the sale thereof, to be delegated to the Treasurer and the Chairman of the Board of Selectmen?

Budget Committee recommends approval (7-0).

Board of Selectmen recommends approval (5-0). **Yes: 1,938** No: 771

Article Forty-Seven:

Shall the Town (1) approve the design, construction and equipping of renovations to the existing Town Hall at 186 York Street; (2) appropriate the sum of \$95,000 to fund the costs of this project; and (3) to fund this appropriation, authorize the Treasurer and the Chairman of the Board of Selectmen to issue, at one time or from time to time, general obligation securities of the Town of York, Maine, including temporary notes in anticipation of the sale thereof, in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$95,000 with the discretion to fix the date(s), maturity(ies), denomination(s), interest rate(s), place(s) of payment, call(s) for redemption, form(s), and other details of said securities, including execution and delivery of said securities against payment therefore, and to provide for the sale thereof, to be delegated to the Treasurer and the Chairman of the Board of Selectmen?

Budget Committee recommends approval (7-0)

Board of Selectmen recommends approval (5-0) **Yes: 1,982** No: 773

Article Forty-Eight:

Shall the Town approve the lease/purchase of a York Police Department replacement phone system (2) raise and appropriate the sum of \$6,732 for the first-year cost of this lease-purchase?

A YES vote authorizes an expenditure of \$6,732. A NO vote authorizes an appropriation of \$0.

Budget Committee recommends approval (7-0)

Board of Selectmen recommends approval (5-0) **Yes: 1,982** No: 773

Article Forty-Nine:

Shall the Town (1) approve the design and construction of improvements to the intersection at Ridge Road and Old Post Road; (2) appropriate the sum of \$95,000 to fund the Town's share of construction costs of this project; and (3) to fund this appropriation, authorize the Treasurer and the Chairman of the Board of Selectmen to issue, at one time or from time to time, general obligation securities of the Town of York, Maine, including temporary notes in anticipation of the sale thereof, in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$95,000 with the discretion to fix the date(s), maturity(ies), denomination(s), interest rate(s), place(s) of payment, call(s) for redemption, form(s), and other details of said securities, including execution and delivery of said securities against payment therefore, and to provide for the sale thereof, to be delegated to the Treasurer and the Chairman of the Board of Selectmen?

Budget Committee recommends approval (7-0)

Board of Selectmen recommends approval (5-0) **Yes: 1,886** No: 910

Article Fifty:

Shall the Town (1) approve a plan to develop alternative energy solutions for the Town and to create energy conservation projects to help achieve our energy efficiency and conservation goals; (2) appropriate the sum of \$100,000 to fund the costs of these projects; and (3) to fund this appropriation, authorize the Treasurer and the Chairman of the Board of Selectmen to issue, at one time or from time to time, general obligation securities of the Town of York, Maine, including temporary notes in anticipation of the sale thereof, in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$100,000 with the discretion to fix the date(s), maturity(ies), denomination(s), interest rate(s), place(s) of payment, call(s) for redemption, form(s), and other details of said securities, including execution and delivery of said securities against payment therefore, and to provide for the sale thereof, to be delegated to the Treasurer and the Chairman of the Board of Selectmen?

Budget Committee recommends approval (7-0)

Board of Selectmen recommends approval (5-0) **Yes: 1,861** No: 899

Article Fifty-One:

Shall the Town (1) approve the design and construction of York Beach Infrastructure Improvements; (2) appropriate the sum of \$100,000 to fund the costs of these projects; and (3) to fund this appropriation, authorize the Treasurer and the Chairman of the Board of Selectmen to issue, at one time or from time to time, general obligation securities of the Town of York, Maine, including temporary notes in anticipation of the sale thereof, in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$100,000 with the discretion to fix the date(s), maturity(ies), denomination(s), interest rate(s), place(s) of payment, call(s) for redemption, form(s), and other details of said securities, including execution and delivery of said securities against payment therefore, and to provide for the sale thereof, to be delegated to the Treasurer and the Chairman of the Board of Selectmen?

Budget Committee recommends approval (7-0)

Board of Selectmen recommends approval (5-0) **Yes: 1,720** No: 857

Article Fifty-Two:

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate a sum not to exceed \$28,000 for Bond Financing Costs and furthermore shall the Board of Selectmen adopt this line item of the Town Budget, as proposed by the Budget Committee?

A YES vote authorizes an expenditure of \$28,000. A NO vote authorizes an appropriation of \$0.

Budget Committee recommends approval (5-0).

Board of Selectmen recommends approval (5-0). **Yes: 1,787** No: 879

Article Fifty-Three:

Shall the Town vote to adopt the Five (5) Year Capital Improvements Plan as proposed by the Board of Selectmen?

Board of Selectmen recommends approval (5-0). **Yes: 2,190** No: 429

Article Fifty-Four:

Do you favor raising the levy limit of the Town of York municipal budget for the purpose of funding all of the preceding articles of the municipal budget approved by the voters hereunder?

A YES vote will allow the appropriation of all voter-approved articles. A NO vote may result in an appropriation less than what has been approved.

Board of Selectmen recommends approval (5-0). **Yes: 1,706** No: 987

Town of York, Maine
Special General Referendum
May 29th, 2009
Results

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Article One:

The Town hereby ordains amendments to the Zoning Ordinance, altering the definition of Variance, specifically amending: Article Two, Definitions, and Article Eighteen, Administration.

Statement of Fact: Passage of this amendment amends the current definition of Variance, which currently contains regulatory language rather than a precise definition. The amendment also adds the ability to receive a Minor Variance on frontage requirements, which is consistent with the Maine Revised Statutes definition of a Variance. This amendment is generally consistent with the Comprehensive Plan. It is expected to have no fiscal impact on Town administration.

Planning Board recommends approval (5-0)

Board of Selectmen recommends approval (5-0). **Yes: 2,334** No: 377

Article Two:

The Town hereby ordains amendments to the General Accessory Dwelling Unit Ordinance, specifically amending: Section C. 13.

Statement of Fact: Passage of this amendment removes the prohibition of General Accessory Dwelling Units on non-conforming lots of record east of Route One that are not served by Town sewer and water. The goal of the amendment is to provide greater opportunity for the creation of a variety of housing opportunities, consistent with the Ordinance's Purpose Statement. Comprehensive Plan Town Goal 4.2.7 recommends allowing one bedroom accessory apartments in residential areas as a way to help provide affordable housing. Though it suggests that water and sewer be required, this amendment is consistent with the intent of Town Goal 4.2, which recommends providing the opportunity to develop an adequate and affordable supply of housing, and with the intent of 4.2.7 specifically. It is expected to have no fiscal impact on Town administration.

Planning Board recommends approval (4-1)

Board of Selectmen recommends approval (4-1). **Yes: 1,865** No: 829

Article Three:

The Town hereby ordains amendments to the General Accessory Dwelling Unit Ordinance, specifically amending: Section C. 5.

Statement of Fact: Passage of this amendment increases the maximum total gross floor area allowed for a General Accessory Dwelling Unit, from 750 square feet to 900 square feet. The goal of the amendment is to provide greater flexibility for those wishing to build an Accessory Dwelling Unit. This amendment is generally consistent with the Comprehensive Plan. It is expected to have no fiscal impact on Town administration.

Planning Board recommends approval (4-1)

Board of Selectmen recommends approval (4-1). **Yes: 1,998** No: 696

Article Four:

The Town hereby ordains amendments to the Zoning Ordinance to allow the installation of Small Windmills, specifically amending; Article Two, Definitions, Article Eighteen, Administration, and creating Article Nine-A, Small Wind.

Statement of Fact: The goal of the amendment is to allow the installation of small windmills for renewable energy generation. Recognizing the importance of allowing citizens to invest in harnessing this abundant and renewable energy source, this amendment establishes a new accessory use of Small Windmills, and establishes the requirements for their installation and operation. This proposal is consistent with current State of Maine energy policy, such as the currently offered tax rebate program for Small Wind projects, and the development of a model wind ordinance for Maine communities. Article Two, Definitions, will be amended to include 4 new definitions. The performance standards of Article 9-A aim to allow this alternative energy source while protecting the surrounding environment in terms of noise, light, visual impact, and safety. Though the Comprehensive Plan does not specifically address alternative energy sources at this time, in its emphasis on conservation of natural resources and efficient delivery of services, this amendment is generally consistent with the Comprehensive Plan. It is not expected to have a significant impact on Town administration.

Planning Board recommends approval (5-0)

Board of Selectmen recommends approval (5-0). **Yes: 2,411** No: 357

Article Five: The Town hereby ordains amendments to the Zoning Ordinance to allow yard sale signs without requiring a permit, specifically amending: Article 16, Sign Standards.

Statement of Fact: The purpose of this amendment is to add an additional Sign Standard to Article Sixteen to address Yard Sale Signs. This amendment will result in Yard Sales, as a private, residential, short-term event, not being subject to the same permitting requirements as commercial signs, but still subject to Code Enforcement in regard to quantity, size, location, safety, and length of posting. The amendment is generally consistent with the Comprehensive Plan, and is expected to have no fiscal impact on Town administration

Planning Board recommends approval (5-0).

Board of Selectmen recommends approval (5-0). **Yes: 2,433** No: 347

Article Six:

The Town hereby ordains amendments to the Zoning Ordinance to prevent issuance of permits or approvals when a lot has been found to have a violation, specifically amending: Article 19, Enforcement and Violations.

Statement of Fact: The purpose of this amendment is to enhance the ability of the Town to enforce the Zoning Ordinance. If passed, this amendment would prohibit new permits or approvals from being granted when there is an existing, unresolved violation which has been cited by the Code Enforcement Officer. Currently there is no policy which allows existing violations to be considered. The amendment is generally consistent with the Comprehensive Plan, and is expected to have no fiscal impact on Town administration.

Planning Board recommends approval (5-0).

Board of Selectmen recommends approval (5-0). **Yes: 2,271** No: 377

Article Seven:

The Town hereby ordains amendments to the Supplemental Plumbing Ordinance, specifically amending: the definition of a Controlled System.

Statement of Fact: The purpose of this amendment is to ease the requirements for the replacement of some subsurface disposal systems. Adding the language below provides an exemption to the controlled system requirements for certain replacement systems. The reason for this exception is that we have found some situations where the controlled system requirements cause an unnecessary burden on an owner who is trying to replace their system, therefore providing a disincentive for replacement. We want to encourage the timely replacement of subsurface disposal systems. This is generally consistent with the Comprehensive Plan. It is expected to have no fiscal impact on Town administration.

Planning Board recommends approval (5-0).

Board of Selectmen recommend approval (5-0). **Yes: 2,407** No: 237

Article Eight:

The Town hereby ordains amendments to the Zoning Ordinance to edit the Shoreland Overlay District, specifically amending: Article 3, Establishment of Zoning Districts, and Article 8, Shoreland Overlay District.

Statement of Fact: This amendment is to correct two errors in the comprehensive changes to the administrative and substantive standards of the Shoreland Overlay District made in November 2008. The first is an error in the Shoreland Overlay District Maps. A small section in the vicinity of Little River was represented as part of the Mixed-Use Subdistrict on the final posting of map edits, when it should have been presented as remaining unchanged in the Limited Residential Subdistrict. The second correction is the addition of a clarifying first sentence to §8.3.9.1, dealing with Subsurface Sewage Disposal Standards. The changes are generally consistent with the Comprehensive Plan, and are consistent with State law. It is expected to have no fiscal impact on Town administration.

Planning Board recommends approval (5-0).

Board of Selectmen recommends approval (5-0). **Yes: 2,393** No: 225

Article Nine:

The Town hereby ordains amendments to the Wireless Communications Facilities (WCF) Ordinance and the Zoning Ordinance to allow the water and sewer districts which serve York to utilize small antennas without requiring excessive permitting, specifically amending: WCF Ordinance Section 1.4, Applicability; and Zoning Ordinance Article 18, Administration.

Statement of Fact: The purpose of this amendment is to allow the water and sewer districts to utilize small antennas to communicate with their remote pump stations. The districts run complex distribution and collection systems, utilizing a central

control system to manage everything, including remote facilities. They need an inexpensive, efficient, and reliable means of communication. Currently these small antennas are regulated in the same manner as a new commercial cell tower. This amendment would exempt the districts from the lengthy permitting requirements imposed on commercial carriers. This amendment is generally consistent with the Comprehensive Plan. It is expected to have no fiscal impact on Town administration.

Planning Board recommends approval (5-0).

Board of Selectmen recommends approval (5-0). **Yes: 2,436**

No: 224

Article Ten:

The Town hereby ordains amendments to the Residential Growth Ordinance to create a provision to alter the pattern of permit issuance in this time of economic difficulty without increasing the overall number of permits issued, and to provide more flexibility for people to use or delay use of their existing permits; specifically amending Section 8, Administration, and inserting a new Section 16, Safety Valve for 2009.

Statement of Fact: This amendment would afford greater flexibility for people choosing to defer the issuance of their growth permit and would create a new administrative framework to accomplish this. This amendment provides a safety valve which will allow a more concentrated allotment of growth permits to be issued during a time of economic stress. This amendment also allows a greater amount of time to finish a house for those who have taken permits before they were ready in order to preserve their position prior to this change. It is expected to have no fiscal impact on Town administration.

Planning Board recommends approval (5-0).

Board of Selectmen recommends approval (5-0). **Yes: 2,295**

No: 389

Town of York, Maine
School Budget Validation Referendum
May 29th, 2009
Results

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Article One:

Do you favor approving the York School budget for the upcoming school year that was adopted at the latest school budget meeting? M.R.S.A. 20-A Sec. 1486(3)(F)

Yes: 1,920

No: 939