

OFFICIAL SAMPLE

BALLOT

WARRANT ARTICLES

NEWFOUND AREA
SCHOOL DISTRICT

March 9, 2021

Sample

To vote for any candidate, mark (X) in the square opposite the name. If you wish to vote for a candidate whose name does not appear on this ballot, write in the name on the blank line under the correct office and then mark an (X) in the square opposite the name you have written.

Article 1 To choose all necessary School District Officials for the year ensuing.

FOR SCHOOL BOARD

Vote for not more than one from each town

Danbury 3-year term:

Melissa Suckling _____

Molly White _____

(Write-in)

Groton 3-year term:

Britta Matthews _____

(Write-in)

Hebron 3-year term

Thomas M. Edwards _____

(Write-in)

DISTRICT MODERATOR for 1 year:

Vote for not more than one
Edward "Ned" Gora _____

(Write-in)

FOR BUDGET COMMITTEE

Vote for not more than one from each town

Bridgewater 1-year term:

Erick Piper _____

(Write-in)

Danbury 3-year term:

(Write-in)

Groton 3-year term:

Virginia H. Parker _____

(Write-in)

Hebron 3-year term:

Jennifer Larochelle _____

(Write-in)

To vote, mark an (X) in the square opposite Yes or No.

ARTICLE 2

YES NO

ARTICLE 2: EXPENDABLE TRUST FUND: BUILDING MAINTENANCE: Shall the Newfound Area School District will vote to raise and appropriate up to the sum of Three Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$350,000) to be added to the Expendable Trust Fund: Building Maintenance, and to authorize the use/transfer in that amount from the undesignated fund balance available July 1, 2021 for this purpose?

(This article is not included in Article 3– Operating Budget).

(The School Board voted to recommend this article by a vote of 6-0-0-1.)

(The Budget Committee voted to recommend this article by a vote of 7-0-0-1.)

ARTICLE 3

YES NO

ARTICLE 3: OPERATING BUDGET: Shall the Newfound Area School District will vote to 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 Twenty-Five Million, Five Hundred Eighty-Four Thousand, Four Hundred Twenty-Six Dollars (\$25,584,426)? Should this article be defeated, the Default Budget shall be Twenty-Five Million, Two Hundred Twenty-Six Thousand, Thirty-Eight Dollars (\$25,226,038) which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Newfound Area School 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.

(The School Board voted to recommend this article by a vote of 6-1-0-0.)

(The Budget Committee voted to recommend this article by a vote of 7-0-0-1.)

ARTICLE 4

YES NO

ARTICLE 4: CONTINGENCY FUND: Shall the District vote in accordance with RSA 198:4-b, II to increase, indefinitely until rescinded, the retention of any unused portion of the year-end unassigned general funds from the preceding fiscal year from the current percentage of 2.5% to 5% of the current fiscal year's net assessment under RSA 198:5 for the purpose of having funds on hand to use in subsequent fiscal years? (Majority vote required)

(The School Board voted to recommend this article by a vote of 6-0-0-1.)

(The Budget Committee voted to recommend this article by a vote of 4-3-0-1.)

ARTICLE 5

YES NO

ARTICLE 5: BY PETITION: Shall we modify the tax cap adopted under the provisions of RSA 32:5-b at the 2012 Annual Meeting to change the 2% tax cap to 3%? If this Article is adopted the governing body (or budget committee) shall not recommend a budget that increases the amount to be raised by local taxes based on the prior year's actual amount of local taxes raised, by more than 3%.

(Passage requires a 3/5 majority ballot vote)

ARTICLE 6

YES NO

ARTICLE 6: BY PETITION: TAX CAP RESCISSION: Shall we rescind the provision of RSA 32:5-b, known as the tax cap, as adopted by the Newfound Area School District on March 13, 2012, so that there will no longer be a limit on increases to the recommended budget in the amount to be raised by local taxes?

(3/5 Majority required)