

## The State of New Hampshire

To the Inhabitants of the Town of East Kingston in the [LS.] County of Rockingham in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified in accordance with SB-2, the first session of all business other than voting by official ballot shall be held on **SATURDAY**, February 5, 2022 at 10:00AM at the East Kingston Elementary School, 5 Andrews Lane, in said Town, East Kingston. The first session shall consist of explanation, discussion, and debate of each warrant article. Warrant Articles may be amended, subject to the following limitations:

- (a) Warrant Articles whose wording is prescribed by law shall not be amended.
- (b) Warrant Articles that are amended shall be placed on the official ballot for final vote on the main motion, as amended.

The second session of the annual meeting, to vote on questions required by law to be inserted on said official ballot, and to vote on all warrant articles from the first session on official ballot shall be held on **Tuesday, the Eighth Day of March 2022** with polls open from 8:00AM — 7:00PM at the East Kingston Elementary School, 5 Andrews Lane, in said Town, East Kingston to act upon the following:

### **ARTICLE 1:**

To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.

### **ARTICLE 2:**

Are you in favor of the adoption of the following zoning amendment to the existing town zoning ordinance as proposed by the Planning Board of East Kingston as follows:

Ordinance in *italics*, strike-through words deleted, new text in **bold**.

#### ARTICLE XIV - SEPTAGE/SLUDGE DISPOSAL FACILITIES (Adopted 3/91)

##### *B. Permit Required*

- b.1 Existing Septage/Sludge Disposal Facilities in existence prior to the adoption of this amendment may continue operations pursuant to maintaining compliance with all requirements of Article XIV.*

*In order to operate a septage/sludge disposal site, a five (5) year permit must be obtained*

*from the Board of Selectmen which shall run concurrently with the required State of New Hampshire permit. The Selectmen shall issue a septage/sludge disposal site permit after a public hearing (with notice as per RSA 675:7) provided the provisions of this section (and other applicable Town, State, and Federal regulations) are met. Application for a permit renewal must be submitted to the Selectmen's Office at least 60-days before the expiration of an existing permit. (Amended 3/94)*

**b.2 No new Septage/Sludge Disposal Facilities will be approved and/or allowed within East Kingston as of the adoption date of this amendment**

The East Kingston Planning Board supports this zoning amendment.

The East Kingston Board of Selectmen support this zoning amendment.

**ARTICLE 3:**

Are you in favor of the adoption of the following zoning amendment to the existing town zoning ordinance as proposed by the Planning Board of East Kingston as follows:

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*ARTICLE VIII - USES PERMITTED*

F. *Accessory Dwelling Units. (Adopted 3/05) (Amended 3/17)*

g. *Septic facilities and water. An accessory dwelling unit shall conform to all applicable water and sanitary standards for residential structures.*

***Prior to Special Exception approval by the Zoning Board of Adjustment for an Accessory Dwelling Unit, the owner shall provide evidence as part of the Special Exception application that septic facilities are adequate to serve both the principle dwelling and the accessory dwelling unit. This initial evidence shall be in the form of a replacement septic system design plan prepared by a state licensed Septic System Designer sized to accommodate both the primary dwelling and accessory dwelling. The Zoning Board of Adjustment Special Exception approval shall be conditional upon approval of the septic replacement plan by the NH Department of Environmental Services. Alternatively, if the existing septic system is state approved and adequately sized to accommodate both the primary dwelling and accessory dwellings and conforms to state and local requirements, an applicant may choose to submit a copy of the existing septic system plan and an inspection report by a state licensed Septic System Designer detailing the condition of the existing system.***

*Prior to a dwelling renovation or accessory dwelling unit construction, the owner shall provide evidence to the East Kingston Building Inspector that septic facilities (whether separate or combined) are adequate to serve both the principal dwelling unit and the accessory dwelling unit and obtain the*

*necessary Town and State permits. Such evidence shall be in the form of a replacement septic system plan prepared by a State of New Hampshire licensed septic system designer and approved by the State and the Town. The property owner shall have an existing septic system inspected by a licensed septic system inspector and provide a report of the inspection results. If the existing septic system is found to be not fully functional, the property owner shall install a replacement septic system according to the approved plan. The property owner shall provide evidence that there is adequate potable water (whether separate or combined) to serve both the principal dwelling and the accessory dwelling unit, according to State standards.*

The East Kingston Planning Board supports this zoning amendment.  
The East Kingston Board of Selectmen support this zoning amendment.

#### **ARTICLE 4:**

Are you in favor of the adoption of the following zoning amendment to the existing town zoning ordinance as proposed by the Planning Board of East Kingston as follows:

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#### *ARTICLE XI CONSERVATION SUBDIVISION DEVELOPMENT*

*Section I. The residential density within the area being developed shall not exceed six (6) dwelling units per acre. ~~The minimum lot size shall be determined based on the soil based lot sizing methodology in Standards for a High Intensity Soil Map of New Hampshire, Society of Soil Scientists of Northern New England, 2017 (as amended).~~ **The minimum lot size shall be determined based on the soil based minimum lot sizing criteria published in Soil Based Lot Sizing: Environmental Planning for Onsite Wastewater Treatment in New Hampshire (SSSNNE Special Publication No. 4 Version 1, 2003 as amended) by the New Hampshire Society of Soil Scientists of Northern New England available at <https://sssnne.org/sssnne-publications/>.***

The East Kingston Planning Board supports this zoning amendment.  
The East Kingston Board of Selectmen support this zoning amendment.

#### **ARTICLE 5:**

Shall the Town of East Kingston 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 \$3,362,268.50. Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be \$3,380,677.78, which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Town of East Kingston 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. This operating budget article does not contain appropriations contained in any other warrant articles.

MAJORITY VOTE REQUIRED.

The Board of Selectmen recommends approval of this article:   3   For,   0   Against,   0   Absent.

**ARTICLE 6:**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifty Thousand dollars (\$50,000) to be added to the existing Fire Apparatus Capital Reserve Fund established at the 1999 Town Meeting for the purpose of acquiring fire apparatus.

MAJORITY VOTE REQUIRED.

The Board of Selectmen recommends approval of this article:   3   For,   0   Against,   0   Absent.

**ARTICLE 7:**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifteen Thousand dollars (\$15,000) to be added to the existing cistern hydrant repair/replace Capital Reserve Fund established at the 2018 Town Meeting for the purpose of repairing or replacing existing cisterns or hydrants.

MAJORITY VOTE REQUIRED.

The Board of Selectmen recommends approval of this article:   3   For,   0   Against,   0   Absent.

**ARTICLE 8:**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Ten Thousand dollars (\$10,000) to be added to the existing Fire Department/Emergency Operations Center Land &/or Buildings Capital Reserve Fund established at the 2012 Town Meeting for the purpose of the acquisition of land and/or buildings or construction of building for a Fire Station/Emergency Operations Center.

MAJORITY VOTE REQUIRED.

The Board of Selectmen recommends approval of this article:   3   For,   0   Against,   0   Absent.

**ARTICLE 9:**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Ten Thousand dollars (\$10,000) to be added to the existing Building Preservation Capital Reserve Fund established at the 1993 Town Meeting for the purpose of the preserving Town owned buildings.

MAJORITY VOTE REQUIRED.

The Board of Selectmen recommends approval of this article:   3   For,   0   Against,   0   Absent.

**ARTICLE 10:**

To see if the Town will vote to accept the report of the Salary Review Committee and approve the following recommendations:

Supervisor of the Checklist	\$125 per election \$125 per purge of the Checklist	(1) (2)
Moderator	\$225 per election	(1)
Election Officers	\$10.50 per hour	(1)(2)
Bookkeeper of the Trust Funds	\$800 per year Actual Expenses	(3)
Treasurer	\$1,700 per year Actual Expenses	(3)
First Selectman	\$5,000 per year Actual Expenses	(3)
Second and Third Selectmen	\$4,000 each per year Actual Expenses	(3)
Town Clerk / Tax Collector	\$55,000 per year Actual Expenses	(4) (3)

1. Election pay includes any associated meetings until adjournment thereof.
2. Supervisors of the Checklist and Elected Officials shall be paid the greater of \$10.50 per hour or applicable minimum wage for hours worked outside of election meeting hours including for registration and checklist verification but excluding required purge of the checklist.
3. Expenses include actual expenses incurred with mileage reimbursed at the current IRS coded amount at the time of the requested reimbursement.
4. Salary is based on the Town Clerk/Tax Collector working a minimum of 35 hours per week. There shall be a minimum of 30 public office hours, including a minimum of five days per week and including one evening session of two hours. This salary recommendation applies only to the current office holder and is based on experience and years of service.

The following provisions shall also apply:

- All salaries are retroactive to January 1, 2022.
- The Town shall retain all fees collected by any elected official
- A Salary Review Committee shall be appointed by the Moderator in 2024 to make recommendations to the 2025 Annual Meeting of the Town.

**MAJORITY VOTE REQUIRED.**

The Board of Selectmen recommends approval of this article:   3   For,   0   Against,   0   Absent.

**ARTICLE 11:**

To see if the Town will vote to amend/modify the wording of the existing ambulance revolving fund established in 2007. The proposed amended wording is a result of changes to RSA 31:95-h.

Original article in *italics*, new text in **bold**.

*To See if the Town will vote to **amend the revolving fund pursuant to RSA 31:95-h, for the purpose of ambulance and/or fire services. All revenues received for ambulance or fire services will be deposited into the fund, and the money in the fund shall be allowed to accumulate from year to year and shall not be considered part of the Town's general fund balance. The Town Treasurer shall have custody of all moneys in the fund and shall pay out the same only upon order of the Fire Chief or his/her designee with review by the Selectmen, no other approval is required by the legislative body to expend. Such funds may be expended only for the purpose for which the fund was created. To ensure adequate funds to replace/repair the ambulance vehicle, no funds shall be expended that will drop the fund below \$100,000.00 unless an emergency arises***

MAJORITY VOTE REQUIRED.

The Board of Selectmen recommends approval of this article: \_\_\_ For, 2 Against, 1 Absent.

#### **ARTICLE 12:**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000) to be added to the existing Police Department Building Long Term Maintenance Costs Capital Reserve Fund established at 2016 Town Meeting for the purpose of funding long term maintenance costs for the Police Department Building.

MAJORITY VOTE REQUIRED.

The Board of Selectmen recommends approval of this article: 3 For, 0 Against, 0 Absent.

#### **ARTICLE 13:**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) to be added to the existing Police Department long term Equipment Replacement fund established at the 2016 Town Meeting for the purpose of funding long term equipment replacement costs for the Police Department.

MAJORITY VOTE REQUIRED.

The Board of Selectmen recommends approval of this article: 3 For, 0 Against, 0 Absent.