TOWN OF NEW LONDON

TOWN MEETING – MARCH 13TH AND MARCH 14TH, 2018

BALLOT VOTING MARCH 13, 2018
WHIPPLE MEMORIAL TOWN HALL AT 7:00 AM

Moderator W. Michael Todd called the meeting to order at 7:00 am and swore in the Supervisors of the Checklist. As per RSA 659:49, absentee ballots were to be called at 1:00 pm. Upon closing of the polls, Moderator Todd announced that the Town Meeting would reconvene at 7:00 pm, Wednesday, March 14, 2018, at the Kearsarge Learning Campus to act upon Warrant Articles 2 – 20.

A motion was made and seconded to act on Article 1:

A. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year.
B. To vote by Ballot on the following amendments to the New London Zoning Ordinance.

VOTE IN AFFIRMATIVE

Moderator Todd closed the polls at 7:00 PM, and the results were called at 7:02 PM.

Linda Nicklos, Town Clerk

Attest:

ARTICLE 1A: Results of Non-Partisan Balloting for Town Officials

626 Ballots were cast, including 97 Absentee Ballots. Total Registered Voters: 3485

Selectman (For 3 Years) – Vote for not more than One

Janet R Kidder	547
Write-Ins	14

Town Clerk (For 3 Years) – Vote for not more than One

Barbara Vaughn	70
William F. Kidder III	270
Linda K. Nicklos	270

Treasurer (For 3 Years) – Vote for not more than One

Stephan R. Theroux	560

Town Moderator (For 2 Years) – Vote for not more than One

W. Michael Todd	523
Write-Ins	16

Budget Committee Member (For 3 Years) – Vote for not more than Three

Mark Christensen	227
Kim P. Ilg	188
Robert Prohl	355
Tacee Walker	131
Tyler Beck	218
Lauren S. Chadwick, Esq.	271

Budget Committee Member (For 1 Year) – Vote for not more than One

John Raby	118
Gerald Coogan	248
Bruce Hudson	176
Write-Ins	2

Cemetery Commissioner (For 3 Years) - Vote for not more than One

Thomas A. Ginter	535
Write-Ins	2

Tracy Memorial Library Trustee (For 3 Year) - Vote for not more than Three

Gordon Terwilliger	454
Wendy Dumais	470
Eula L. Kozma	431

Trustee of Trust Funds (For 3 Years) – Vote for not more than One

Write-In Total:	94
Andrew Hager	39

Supervisor of the Checklist (For 6 Years) – Vote for not more than One

Kristin Hubbard	526
Write-Ins	4

B. To vote by ballot on the following amendments to the New London Zoning Ordinance:

1. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 1 as proposed by the Planning Board for the New London Zoning Ordinance? **YES _X_** NO ___

   The Planning Board proposes to create a Bike Rack Ordinance. The ordinance adds bike racks to accessory structure in Article II, f. and provides governing language.

2. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 2 as proposed by the Planning Board for the New London Zoning Ordinance? **YES _X_** NO ___

   The Planning Board proposes to amend Article XXV, Section B. Procedures for Review Sections 1, 2 & 3, addition of Section C Definitions, amend Section C 1, 2 & 3, Section D, Section E and Section F. The current language on Small Wind Energy Systems will be replaced with the proposed amendment language and moved to Accessory Structures in Article II, f.

3. Are you in favor of the adoption of Petition Amendment No. 3 as proposed by the Planning Board for the New London Zoning Ordinance? The Planning Board approves this petition.
   YES_X_ NO___

   The Planning Board proposes to combine the current three Institutional Districts (Articles X, XI & XII) into a single article, Article X. Additionally, the board proposes adding an Institutional Theater District to the article. The Theater District would include properties 073-042-000 & 073-040-000, owned by New London Barn Playhouse Inc.

ARTICLE 2
To see if the Town will vote to suspend the reading of the individual Articles in the Warrant and to refer to them by number. (Majority vote required) **VOTE IN AFFIRMATIVE**

ARTICLE 3
To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **five hundred thousand dollars ($500,000)** for the purchase of land that may be used in the future as a site for a municipal building(s), not to include a Transfer Station, and further to authorize the issuance of **five hundred thousand dollars ($500,000)** of bonds or notes in accordance with the provisions of RSA 33 and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon. ***The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this article.*** (2/3 ballot vote required)
YES 77 NO 154

ARTICLE 4
To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **one million three hundred forty-two thousand four hundred twenty dollars ($1,342,420)** for **GENERAL GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS.** ***The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.*** (Majority vote required)
VOTE IN AFFIRMATIVE

	FY2018	**FY2019**
Executive	284,056	**296,998**
Elections, Registrations & Vitals	65,820	**69,823**
Financial Administration	267,243	**275,486**
Reassessment of Property	97,308	**99,214**
Legal	25,500	**25,500**
Personnel Administration	99,930	**103,766**
Planning and Zoning	99,469	**140,615**
Cemeteries	28,963	**31,886**
Insurance (not otherwise allocated)	105,204	**104,419**
Advertising & Regional Associations	18,414	**18,473**
General Government Buildings	178,835	**176,240**
TOTAL	$1,270,742	**$1,342,420**

ARTICLE 5
To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **one million nine hundred ninety-three thousand nine hundred twenty-four dollars ($1,993,924)** for **PUBLIC SAFETY.** ***The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.*** (Majority vote required)
VOTE IN AFFIRMATIVE

	FY2018	**FY2019**
Police Department	1,112,221	**1,168,621**
Fire Department	393,154	**407,138**
Firewards	270	**270**
Emergency Management	10,040	**5,040**
Communications Department	383,478	**412,855**
TOTAL	$1,899,163	**$1,993,924**

ARTICLE 6
To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **two million five hundred sixteen thousand ninety-four dollars ($2,516,094)** for **HIGHWAYS & STREETS & SANITATION.** ***The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.*** (Majority vote required)
VOTE IN AFFIRMATIVE

	FY2018	**FY2019**
Highway Administration	907,845	**917,978**
Highways & Streets/Repair & Maintenance	494,100	**495,600**
Street Lighting	8,500	**8,500**
Transfer Station Admin. & Operations	387,296	**397,010**
Solid Waste Cleanup	21,000	**18,000**
Sewage Collection & Disposal (Sewer Dept.)	676,358	**679,006**
TOTAL	$2,495,099	**$2,516,094**

ARTICLE 7
To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **two hundred forty-eight thousand nine hundred sixty-four ($248,964)** for **HEALTH AND WELFARE DEPARTMENTS.** ***The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.*** (Majority vote required)
VOTE IN AFFIRMATIVE

	FY2018	**FY2019**
HEALTH DEPARTMENT		
Health Administration	5,332	**5,337**
Lake Sunapee Region Visiting Nurse Association	12,566	**12,556**
Kearsarge Council on Aging	35,000	**35,000**
New London Hospital Ambulance	165,264	**170,222**
Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA)	500	**500**
WELFARE DEPARTMENT		
Welfare Administration	3,326	**3,349**
Intergovernmental Welfare (CAP)	6,000	**6,000**
Welfare/Vendor Payments	16,000	**16,000**
TOTAL	$243,988	**$248,964**

ARTICLE 8
To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **seven hundred sixty-seven thousand five hundred thirty-eight dollars ($767,538)** for **RECREATION AND CULTURE AND CONSERVATION.** ***The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.*** (Majority vote required) **VOTE IN AFFIRMATIVE**

	FY2018	**FY2019**
Recreation Department	180,799	**184,412**
Tracy Memorial Library	501,900	**540,670**
Patriotic Purposes	300	**300**
Other Culture, History and Archives	1,000	**1,000**
Conservation Administration	15,663	**16,306**
Energy Committee	450	**450**
Other-Care of Trees & Milfoil	25,200	**24,400**
TOTAL	$725,312	**$767,538**

ARTICLE 9

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **five hundred ninety-six thousand five hundred eighteen dollars ($596,518)** for the payment of **PRINCIPAL AND INTEREST OF LONG-TERM DEBT.** ***The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.*** (Majority vote required) **VOTE IN AFFIRMATIVE**

	FY2018	**FY2019**
Principal -Bonds and Notes	449,058	**457,981**
Interest - Bonds and Notes	142,737	**138,538**
TOTAL	$591,795	**$596,519**

ARTICLE 10

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **six hundred twenty-three thousand five hundred ten dollars ($623,510) from the following sources: six hundred three thousand five hundred ten dollars ($603,510) from general taxation and twenty thousand dollars ($20,000) from the sewer fund,** to be placed in previously established **CAPITAL AND NON-CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS (CRF)**, as follows. ***The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.*** (Majority vote required) **VOTE IN AFFIRMATIVE**

	FY2018	**FY2019**
Sidewalk Project	30,000	**30,000**
Fire Department Radios	0	**30,000**
Fire Breathing Apparatus	0	**20,000**
Town Vehicles & Equipment CRF	12,000	**0**
Fire Vehicle CRF	150,000	**75,000**
Gravel Road Upgrades & Paving	50,000	**50,000**
Highway Equipment Replacement CRF	269,510	**269,510**
Master Plan Update CRF	5,000	**10,000**
Tracy Library Improvements	35,000	**35,000**
Communications Equipment	34,000	**34,000**
Town Building Maintenance	50,000	**50,000**
Sewer Department CRF	20,000	**20,000**
TOTAL	$655,510	**$623,510**

ARTICLE 11
To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **eighteen thousand dollars ($18,000)** for the purchase an asphalt roller, and to authorize funding of this amount by withdrawal of **eighteen thousand dollars ($18,000)** from the Highway Equipment Capital Reserve Fund created for that purpose. ***The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.*** (Majority vote required)
VOTE IN AFFIRMATIVE

ARTICLE 12
To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of sixteen thousand five hundred dollars ($16,500) for the purchase of fire department mobile radios, and to authorize funding of this amount by withdrawal of sixteen thousand five hundred dollars ($16,500) from the Fire Department Radios Capital Reserve Fund created for that purpose. ***The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.*** (Majority vote required)
VOTE IN AFFIRMATIVE

ARTICLE 13
To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **ninety-eight thousand six hundred twenty-five dollars ($98,625)** for paving of gravel roads and to authorize funding this purchase by withdrawal of **ninety-eight thousand six hundred twenty-five dollars ($98,625)** from the Gravel Road Paving Capital Reserve Fund created for that purpose. ***The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.*** (Majority vote required) **VOTE IN AFFIRMATIVE**

ARTICLE 14
To see if the town will vote to discontinue the following Capital Reserve Funds: (a) Police Vehicle, (b) Pleasant Lake Dam and (c) Intersection Improvement. Said funds and accumulated interest to date of withdrawal, are to be transferred to the municipality's general fund. (Majority vote required)
VOTE IN AFFIRMATIVE

ARTICLE 15
To see if the Town will vote to appoint the Selectmen as agents to expend from the Transfer Station Improvement Capital Reserve Fund previously established in 2002. (Majority vote required)
VOTE IN AFFIRMATIVE

ARTICLE 16
To see if the town will vote to rescind the vote to adopt the system of quarterly collection of taxes and return to semi-annual collection of taxes pursuant to RSA 76:15-a. (Majority vote required)
YES 74 NO 109

ARTICLE 17
To see if the town will vote to authorize a permanent conservation easement, to be held by Ausbon Sargent Land Preservation Trust, on town property described as Lot 074/47/000, consisting of approximately 26.38 acres, located on the east side of Pleasant Street, commonly referred to as the Kidder/Cleveland property. (Majority vote required) **VOTE IN AFFIRMATIVE**

ARTICLE 18
To see if the town will vote to approve and adopt RSA 72:28-b which extends the property tax credit to all veterans who have served a minimum 90 days of active service in the United States armed forces and have been honorably discharged. The current tax credit under RSA 72:28 in New London is $500.00 for veterans who have served during enumerated conflicts or wars. ***Petitioned Warrant Article.*** (Majority vote required) **YES 119 NO 28**

ARTICLE 19
Noting its own work towards energy efficiency and conservation,
Keeping in mind the damage caused by hurricanes Harvey, Irma, Jose, Maria, Nate and Ophelia in the fall of 2017,
Concerned about the resulting suffering in Houston and Puerto Rico,
Recognizing the EPA's report that two-thirds of the energy used in the US to generate electricity is heated waste released into the atmosphere, and only seven percent comes from renewable sources,
Recalling Eversource's report that the Oct. 30, 2017 storm in New Hampshire was the fourth worst in state history,
Attentive to the Delaware and Rhode Island sized breakups in the Antarctic ice sheet during that continent's winter, the record wildfires in California in autumn 2017, and the ongoing and accelerating effects of global warming,
Aware that a number of municipalities, educational institutions, non-profits, and businesses across the nation procure all their electricity from renewable fuel sources,
Cognizant of efforts in the US Senate to move the nation to complete clean energy use,
Remembering that Colby-Sawyer College achieved a 43 percent reduction in greenhouse emissions by converting to fully renewable electricity in 2010,
And mindful of Colby-Sawyer College's pledge to achieve carbon neutrality by 2050,
The Town of New London pledges itself to 100 percent renewable sources of electricity by 2030, to 100 percent renewable fuel sources for heating and transportation by 2050, and to helping local institutions, businesses, and residents reach the same goals for themselves. ***Petitioned Warrant Article.*** (Majority vote required) **VOTE IN AFFIRMATIVE**

ARTICLE 20
To hear the reports of agents, auditors, and committees heretofore chosen, to pass any vote relating thereto, and to transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting. (Majority vote required)
VOTE IN AFFIRMATIVE

There being no further business to be conducted at the meeting, a motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting at 10:43 PM. **AFFIRMATIVE VOTE FOR ADJOURNMENT**

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Nicklos

Linda Nicklos, Town Clerk

Linda Nicklos

True Copy Attest: Linda Nicklos, Town Clerk