

Rye March 14, 2017 Ballot Articles Table - Post Deliberative Town Meeting

Reference	Short Description	Yes Vote Means	No Vote Means
Article 1	Vote for Town Offices	Full Town Ballot	Full School Ballot
Article 2	Vote for School Offices	See RCL Presentation for additional Information	
Article 3	Add 0 Port Way to the Wireless District	Allows cell tower without a variance. Articles 3, 21-24 are all to prevent Verizon from fighting Rye in court to move forward with the Brackett Rd location if Bracket Rd site is denied.	Oppose cell tower at this location or want a town wide plan first
4 Amendment 1	Allow Planning Board to correct errors in land use ordinances without a town vote	Keeps error corrections off the ballot	Want voters to see all land use regulations changes
4 Amendment 2	Changes "Frontage" definition for multi-family dwelling lots	Support consistent definition for frontage	Inconsistent definition remains
4 Amendment 3	Clarifies that where the "Access to Lots" must be the same as the "Frontage"	Requires driveways to be on frontage meeting the minimum frontage requirements	Driveways may be on any lot frontage, not necessarily the one that also satisfies the minimum requirement.
4 Amendment 4	Clarifies which yard is which for corner lot setbacks	Clarifies ambiguity for setbacks on corner lots	Leaves regulations as they are.
4 Amendment 5	The main building is now always called the "Principal Building"	Provides consistency for how regulations refer to the primary building.	Leaves multiple words used for identifying the primary building.
4 Amendment 6	Makes consistent what is included in the lot coverage calculation	Tightens calculation to include areas that are typically impervious.	Leaves inconsistent wording as is.
4 Amendment 7	Makes the definition of "Driveways" in the Zoning Ordinance the same as Land Use Regulations	Supports consistency between Zoning and Land Use.	Leave regulations as they are.
Article 5	Adopt the new State Model Flood Plain Ordinance to replace the current 1998 ordinance.	Implements the more up-to-date ordinance.	The old ordinance will remain in place.
Article 6	Tear down Town Hall and build a new \$3.5MM Town Hall (\$5.9MM with interest over the 30 year bond)	Requires the demolition of the current Town Hall and new building construction.	Town Hall demolition will not happen in 2019.
Article 7	\$700K Salt Shed	Allows site work and construction of Salt Shed with five times the current capacity.	Prolongs use of current Salt Shed at the Transfer Station
Article 8	\$992K for a new pumper/ladder truck	Replaces current pumper/ladder with a new unit	Leaves town with a pumper/ladder truck that is not fully operational , but may be repaired for \$5-20K.
Article 9	\$9.7MM Town Budget	Support the current budget	Prefer the town works off the \$9.15MM default budget
Article 10	\$200K to pave Shoals View Drive	Paves one of seven gravel roads off Ocean Blvd.	Do not want the town paving this gravel road
Article 11	\$100K Highway Equipment Reserve Fund	Support yearly allocations for DPW equipment	Prefer the town borrows when we need to buy

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Article 12	\$100K Fire & Ambulance Fund	Support yearly allocations for these vehicles	Prefer the town borrows when we need to buy
Article 13	\$50K Town Accumulated Leave Fund	Helps the town catch up to the 50% of liabilities level	Want to see the town pay all of the expense the year it is incurred
Article 14	\$35K Town Municipal Building Maintenance	Provides maintenance funds, \$10K more than last year.	Do not want to allocate funds to a dedicated maintenance account
Article 15	Dissolve the Ambulance fund that is no longer used.	Support combined funds that may be used for either ambulance or fire equipment.	Would keep a separate Ambulance fund in case it is needed in the future.
Article 16	If the Ambulance fund is dissolved move the \$11K balance to the General Fund	Support moving the balance to the General Fund, then the Fire & Ambulance Fund	Feel the balance should stay in the General Fund
Article 17	\$10K for Library Employees accumulated leave fund	Support working towards the 50% funding goal	Feel the Library should pay out of the current year
Article 18	\$5K for Library Maintenance fund	Allocates funds for maintenance	Do not support adding to this fund
Article 19	Accept the builder's names for the two roads at the 420 South Rd development	Support these two roads becoming public roads	Do not want these to be public roads or do not like the names
Article 20	Allow Conservation Commission to purchase land outside of Rye unless and until repealed.	Support the purchase of land that extends into N. Hampton and any other land outside of Rye.	Do not want Rye owning land in N. Hampton or elsewhere outside of Rye.
Article 21	Ratify the \$24K/year lease entered into by the Select Board and Verizon for a cell tower off Port Way.	Support the Cell tower for Port Way (by Parsons Road). Improved cell phone coverage for this section of Rye.	Do not support this location or want a comprehensive Rye coverage plan first
Article 22	Town to take ownership of the 14 acres +/- at Port Way and transfer it to the Conservation Commission (subject to the Verizon lease on 10,000 sq. ft.)	Allows the town to use the tax deeded land and transfer it to the Conservation Commission	Do not support this location for a cell tower and would like the town to auction the tax deeded property.
Article 23	Create a town road so Verizon can access the proposed Port Way Cell tower, if needed	Allows for an access road for Verizon	Do not support this location for a cell tower
Article 24	\$4,000 for the taking of a slice of private property for the cell tower public road, if needed.	Support tax dollars contributing to support the cell tower	Oppose cell tower at this location or want a town-wide plan first
Article 25	Allow Portsmouth to extend their Sewer to serve Rt. 1 to Washington Rd.	Support developers covering the costs of Portsmouth extending their sewer line.	Prefer septic systems or preventing development in this area
Article 26	Dogs can't be on beaches until 9pm on Saturdays prior to Labor Day	Delays the time when dogs can be on the beach on summer Saturdays	Do not want to deprive dogs of summer beach time.
Article 27	Definitions for controlling dogs	Creates definitions for dogs under control	Do not support more specific dog control requirements.
Article 28	Only allow dogs on town property once owners have been trained. Note: Article does not discuss town costs of the program. See Select Board March 1st news letter	Support training people before they can bring dogs on town lands	Do not support this type of program for controlling dogs.

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Article 29	Allows roller blading or in-line skating in Rye	Support removing the ban on roller blading or in-line skating	Want to continue the ban.
Article 30	Requires Select Board to develop a cell coverage plan for all of Rye. Does not impede Town's plans for Port Way	Support developing a comprehensive plan for cell towers	Do not want the town acting on the Master Plan guidance
Article 31	Requires the Select Board to develop a Town Hall Renovation plan and to keep Town Hall at its current location. Note: Much different wording than the original intent of residents.	Requires the Select Board to develop a Town Hall renovation plan.	Upset at what happened at the Deliberative meeting or want the Town to utilize available space before looking at renovation plans.
Article 32	Requests the Planning Board to investigate regulations for clean fill	Asks the Planning Board to investigate ways for regulating fill brought into Rye	Do not want the town to monitor fill brought into town or uncomfortable with the potential burden for Town and developers
Article 33	Increase the amount for parking fines	Support higher parking fines	Feel the current levels are adequate
Article 34	Requires the Select Board to develop a plan to make the Beach Committee permanent	Helps assure the Beach Committee exists for one more year and encourages Select Board to make this a permanent committee	Prefer that this committee exist year-to-year, subject to annual Select Board approval
Article 35	Prohibit Porta-potties from Sawyers Beach	Do not want Porta Potties at Sawyers Beach	Do want the possibility of a Porta Potty at Sawyers Beach
Article 36	Investiage banning RV's from Ocean Blvd.	Do not want the Town to work with the State to ban RVs	Like Canadians or do not feel this is a safety hazard or a ban without an alternative.
Article 37	Allows Select Board to sell surplus equipment	Allows Select Board to sell surplus equipment	Do not want the Select Board selling surplus equipment without voter approval.
School 1	Operating budget of \$14.15MM	You want to appropriate the full \$14.15MM	The \$13.95MM default budget would apply.
School 2	Support staff contract, \$65K in first year	You approve of the new five-year contract	You want further negotiations regarding the support staff raises, benefits and other work rules.
School 3	Allows a special meeting if School 2 is defeated.	You would like another opportunity this year to agree to a contract.	You would prefer waiting another year.
Water District (not on ballot, vote at Mar. 30 meeting)			