



ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION

OFFICIAL BALLOT **Sample Ballot**

HARVARD, MASSACHUSETTS Tuesday, April 9, 2024

TOWN CLERK

To vote for a candidate, fill in the oval to the right of the candidate's name. To vote for a person not on the ballot, write that person's name and residence in the blank space provided and fill in the oval.

SELECT BOARD

for three years vote for one

SusanMary Redinger 121 Ayer Road

WRITE-IN ONLY

MODERATOR

for three years vote for one

William K. Barton 328 Stow Road

Candidate for Re-Election

Bradford Carnahan Besse

9 Westcott Road

WRITE-IN ONLY

LIBRARY TRUSTEE

for three years vote for two

Jennifer Manell 273 Stow Road

Candidate for Re-Election

WRITE-IN ONLY

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SCHOOL COMMITTEE

for three years vote for two

Katharine Robbins Covino-Poutasse

160 Depot Road

Elizabeth MS Joyce 341 Ayer Road

WRITE-IN ONLY

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WARNER FREE LECTURE TRUSTEE

for three years vote for two

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QUESTION #1 - Department of Public Works Building Project

Shall the Town of Harvard be allowed to exempt from the provisions of Proposition Two and One-half, so-called, the amounts required to pay for the bond issued in order to fund the costs of the design, construction, and renovation of the DPW facility, and for the payment of all other costs incidental and related thereto?

Summary of ballot question: The Town previously appropriated funds for an analysis of the DPW facility. The subsequent phase further defined the components requiring code-compliant renovations, repairs, and improvements. Passage of this ballot question will allow the Town to borrow the funds (\$9,894,200, not including interest) appropriated at the April 6, 2024 Annual Town Meeting (Article 14) for the design, construction, project management and other incidental and related costs outside of the financial constraints of Proposition Two and One-half.

YES

NO

QUESTION #2 - General Override - 2 Tiers

(Questions 2A and 2B are separate questions. You may vote for or against each question independently. Each question requires a majority of those voting on that question to pass. If more than one question passes, the question with the highest dollar amount will prevail.)

2A. Shall the Town of Harvard be allowed to assess an additional \$423,902 in real estate and personal property taxes for the purpose of funding the operating budgets of both Municipal Departments (\$83,830) and Public Schools (\$340,072) for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2024?

YES

NO

2B. Shall the Town of Harvard be allowed to assess an additional \$752,964 in real estate and personal property taxes [which includes the amounts in Question 2A (\$423,902)] for the purpose of funding the Administrative Assistant position for the DPW (\$48,994), additional hours for the Board of Health Administrative Assistant (\$20,800), a Special Education Teacher (\$95,000) and an Athletic Director (\$100,000) for the Public Schools, and accompanying Benefits (\$64,268) for the positions listed in this question (2B), for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2024?

YES

NO

Summary of ballot question: Questions 2A and 2B are separate questions. You may vote for or against each question independently. Each question requires a majority of those voting on that question to pass. If more than one question passes, the question with the highest dollar amount will prevail. Question 2A provides for substantially the same services as provided in the current fiscal year (FY2024). Question 2B includes the level service in 2A plus allows the Town to add hours to one position and to fill another position, it allows the School Department to add two new positions, and it provides funding for the benefits for all of these positions.

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