

# ELECTION RESULTS

*Erica Anthony*



## ABSENTEE BALLOT AND OFFICIAL BALLOT ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION PITTSFIELD, NEW HAMPSHIRE MARCH 9, 2021

BALLOT 1 OF 3

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TOWN CLERK

### INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS

- A. TO VOTE, completely fill in the OVAL to the RIGHT of your choice(s) like this: ●
- B. Follow directions as to the number of candidates to be marked for each office.
- C. To vote for a person whose name is not printed on the ballot, write the candidate's name on the line provided and completely fill in the OVAL.

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>SELECTMAN</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">VOTE FOR NOT 3 YEAR TERM MORE THAN TWO</p> <p><b>JAMES "JIM" ADAMS</b> 529 <input type="radio"/></p> <p><b>JAMES CONRAD ALLARD</b> 415 <input type="radio"/></p> <p>_____ (Write-in) <input type="radio"/></p> <p>_____ (Write-in) <input type="radio"/></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>TRUSTEE OF TRUST FUNDS</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">VOTE FOR NOT 3 YEAR TERM MORE THAN ONE</p> <p><b>KATIE L. BACHELDER</b> 619 <input type="radio"/></p> <p>_____ (Write-in) <input type="radio"/></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>PLANNING BOARD</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">VOTE FOR NOT 3 YEAR TERM MORE THAN TWO</p> <p><b>RAYMOND L. RAMSEY</b> 507 <input type="radio"/></p> <p><b>RANDY R. SEVERANCE</b> 439 <input type="radio"/></p> <p>_____ (Write-in) <input type="radio"/></p> <p>_____ (Write-in) <input type="radio"/></p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>TOWN CLERK / TAX COLLECTOR</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">VOTE FOR NOT 3 YEAR TERM MORE THAN ONE</p> <p><b>ERICA ANNE ANTHONY</b> 644 <input type="radio"/></p> <p>_____ (Write-in) <input type="radio"/></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>CEMETERY TRUSTEE</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">VOTE FOR NOT 3 YEAR TERM MORE THAN ONE</p> <p><b>CARA M. MARSTON</b> 629 <input type="radio"/></p> <p>_____ (Write-in) <input type="radio"/></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">VOTE FOR NOT 3 YEAR TERM MORE THAN TWO</p> <p><b>JOHN "PAT" HEFFERNAN</b> 478 <input type="radio"/></p> <p><b>ARTHUR ST. LAURENT</b> 483 <input type="radio"/></p> <p>_____ (Write-in) <input type="radio"/></p> <p>_____ (Write-in) <input type="radio"/></p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>SUPERVISOR OF THE CHECKLIST</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">VOTE FOR NOT 1 YEAR TERM MORE THAN ONE</p> <p><b>AMMY L. RAMSEY</b> 622 <input type="radio"/></p> <p>_____ (Write-in) <input type="radio"/></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>LIBRARY TRUSTEE</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">VOTE FOR NOT 3 YEAR TERM MORE THAN ONE</p> <p><b>LESLIE A. SCHUSTER</b> 608 <input type="radio"/></p> <p>_____ (Write-in) <input type="radio"/></p>	

### 2021 TOWN OF PITTSFIELD WARRANT ARTICLES

**Article 2 - proposed Pittsfield Zoning Ordinance amendment #1**  
Are you in favor of the adoption of amendment #1 as proposed by the Planning Board for the town zoning ordinance as follows:

ADD to Article 3. Zoning Districts, 3. Use Regulations, (6) Table of Uses and Districts:  
MANUFACTURED HOUSING:  
Urban & Commercial (N)  
Suburban, Rural, & Lt. Industrial/Commercial (Y)

The purpose of amendment #1 is to prohibit placing manufactured housing (mobile homes) in the concentrated downtown area.

(Recommended by the Planning Board 5-0-0)  
(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0)

457  
YES ●  
NO ○  
208

**TURN BALLOT OVER AND CONTINUE VOTING**

2021 TOWN OF PITTSFIELD WARRANT ARTICLES CONTINUED

**Article 3 - proposed Pittsfield Zoning Ordinance amendment #2**

Are you in favor of the adoption of amendment #2 as proposed by the Planning Board for the town zoning ordinance as follows:

Amend "Accessory dwelling unit" as defined in RSA 674:71, means a residential living unit that is within or attached to a single-family dwelling, and that provides independent living facilities for one or more persons, including provisions for sleeping, eating, cooking, and sanitation on the same parcel of land as the principal dwelling unit it accompanies.

"Detached dwelling unit" in RSA 674:73, units shall comply with the requirements of, and any municipal ordinances or regulations adopted pursuant to, RSA 674:72, IV through IX.

- 3. Requirement/Limitations
  - a. Building Permit is required.
  - b. Only one (1) accessory dwelling unit shall be allowed per principal single family dwelling unit and/or lot.
  - c. The accessory dwelling units shall be no greater than 1,000 sq. ft.
  - d. Detached Accessory Dwelling Units are allowed. These detached ADU's maybe combined with or part of garages or storage areas.
  - e. If an Accessory Dwelling Unit is Attached, an interior door shall be provided between the principal dwelling and the ADU, but it is not required to remain unlocked.
  - f. Maximum number of bedrooms allowed in the ADU is two (2).
  - g. Water supply and sewage disposal must comply with all town and state regulations.
  - h. Adequate off-street parking must be provided.
  - i. OWNER OCCUPIED: Owner of the property must occupy either principal dwelling or ADU.

The purpose of amendment #2 is to provide expanded housing opportunities and flexibility in household arrangements, accessory dwelling units/detached accessory units shall be permitted within or attached to an existing single-family home or as a separate housing unit on the single-family home's lot.

(Recommended by the Planning Board 5-0-0)  
(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0)

536  
YES   
NO   
159

**Article 4 - proposed Pittsfield Zoning Ordinance amendment #3 (inserted by voters' petition)**

Are you in favor of an amendment to the town zoning ordinance to restore the court-case citations that the 2020 annual town meeting removed via 2020 warrant article 2 at the request of the board of selectmen? (By petition)

(Not Recommended by the Planning Board 4-1-0)  
(Not Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0)

227  
YES   
NO   
432

**Article 5 - proposed Pittsfield Zoning Ordinance amendment #4 (inserted by voters' petition)**

Are you in favor of an amendment to the town zoning ordinance to permit two storage containers per lot throughout the town and to exempt storage containers throughout the town from the current requirements that all storage containers in any zoning district must be on a lot only temporarily and must have a permit from the zoning ordinance administrator? The proposed amendment makes these changes by (1) deleting article 14, section 3, paragraphs (c), (e), and (f), as shown below; (2) by deleting from article 14, section 3, paragraph (d), the words shown below in strikethrough; and (3) relettering old paragraph (d) as new paragraph (c) as shown below with underlining and strikethrough. The paragraphs below use underlining and strikethrough only to show what is added or deleted; the underlining and strikethrough are not included in the text of the revised paragraphs.

~~(c) No more than one STORAGE CONTAINER shall be on the LOT if the LOT is in the Urban District, the Suburban District, or the Rural District.~~

~~(d) (c) No more than two STORAGE CONTAINERS shall be on the LOT if the LOT is in the Commercial District or the Light Industrial/Commercial District.~~

~~(e) The sum of the time during which one or more STORAGE CONTAINERS are on any one LOT during any 15 month period shall be no more than 12 months.~~

~~(f) The owner of the LOT where the STORAGE CONTAINER will be put shall toll the zoning ordinance administrator the date when the STORAGE CONTAINER is proposed to be put on the LOT.~~

The zoning ordinance administrator shall issue a permit for the STORAGE CONTAINER, and the permit shall state the date when the STORAGE CONTAINER is proposed to be put on the LOT.

(By petition)

(Not Recommended by the Planning Board 4-1-0)  
(Not Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0)

237  
YES   
NO   
434

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**2021 TOWN OF PITTSFIELD WARRANT ARTICLES CONTINUED**

**Article 6 – Municipal Operating Budget**

Shall the town raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including the 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 \$4,782,825?

Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be \$4,714,812 which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the town 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.

Estimated tax impact is \$7.97 per thousand dollars of assessed value.  
(majority vote required)

(Recommended by the Budget Committee 12-0-0)  
(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0)

371  
YES ●  
NO ○  
322

**Article 7 – cost items for AFT-NH Local #6214 bargaining unit**

To see if the town will vote to approve the cost items included in the collective bargaining agreement reached between the Board of Selectmen and the Pittsfield Town Employees AFT-NH Local #6214, which calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits at the current staffing levels:

Budget Year	Wage Costs	Insurance Cost Sharing	Net Costs
2021	\$39,180	\$ 6,310	\$32,870
2022	\$44,020	\$10,302	\$33,718
2023	\$40,052	\$10,302	\$29,750

and further, to raise and appropriate \$32,870 for the current fiscal year, such sum representing the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits required by the new agreement over those that would be paid at current staffing levels.

Estimated tax impact is approximately \$0.10 per thousand dollars of assessed value.  
(majority vote required)

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0)  
(Recommended by the Budget Committee 11-1-0)

429  
YES ●  
NO ○  
259

**Article 8 – ability to call special meeting for cost items**

Shall the town of Pittsfield, if article 7 is defeated, authorize the governing body to call one special meeting, at its option, to address article 7's cost items only?  
(majority vote required)

431  
YES ●  
NO ○  
235

**Article 9 - Municipal Sidewalks improvement**

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$20,000 for the purpose of improvements to our municipal sidewalks and to authorize the withdrawal of \$20,000 to come from the Municipal Sidewalks Improvement Capital Reserve Fund created for that purpose. The balance collected in 2020 was \$28,415, which will be transferred to the Municipal Sidewalks Improvement Capital Reserve Fund in fiscal year 2021. The balance of the Municipal Sidewalks Improvement Capital Reserve Fund was \$10,025.59 on December 31, 2020. There is no estimated tax impact.  
(majority vote required)

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0)  
(Recommended by the Budget Committee 12-0-0)

555  
YES ●  
NO ○  
142

**Article 10 – raising matching funds for a Fire Department grant**

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$40,196 for the purchase of radios for the fire department, with a grant revenue offset of \$38,186 to come from an Assistance to Firefighters Grant from the Federal Emergency Management Agency, leaving \$2,010 required as matching funds and to authorize the withdrawal of \$2,010 from the Fire Department Small Equipment Capital Reserve Fund for the matching funds amount. The matching funds amount will be spent only if the grant is received.

This article is required to be written to show the entire appropriation and offsetting grant revenue, not just the net obligation, per the gross budgeting concept for transparency.

The balance of the Fire Department Small Equipment Capital Reserve Fund was \$3,054.30 on December 31, 2020.

There is no estimated tax impact.  
(majority vote required)

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0)  
(Recommended by the Budget Committee 12-0-0)

572  
YES ●  
NO ○  
125

**TURN BALLOT OVER AND CONTINUE VOTING**

2021 TOWN OF PITTSFIELD WARRANT ARTICLES CONTINUED

**Article 11 – police cruiser replacement**

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$45,000 for the purchase of a police cruiser, to authorize the withdrawal of \$15,000 to come from the Police Special Detail Fund created for this purpose, and to authorize the withdrawal of \$30,000 to come from the Police Cruiser Capital Reserve Fund created for this purpose.

The balance of the Police Special Detail Fund was \$15,216.37 on December 31, 2020.  
The balance of the Police Cruiser Capital Reserve Fund was \$30,002.58 on December 31, 2020.  
There is no estimated tax impact.  
(majority vote required)

500  
YES   
NO   
180

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0)  
(Recommended by the Budget Committee 12-0-0)

**Article 12 – backhoe replacement**

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$101,300 for the purchase of a backhoe for the public works department, and to authorize the withdrawal of \$101,300 to come from the Public Works Backhoe Capital Reserve Fund created for this purpose.

The balance of the Public Works Backhoe Capital Reserve Fund was \$119,171.00 on December 31, 2020.  
There is no estimated tax impact.  
(majority vote required)

495  
YES   
NO   
181

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0)  
(Recommended by the Budget Committee 11-1-0)

**Article 13 – add to the Police Cruiser Capital Reserve Fund**

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$30,000 to be added to the Police Cruiser Capital Reserve Fund previously established. The balance of the Police Cruiser Capital Reserve Fund was \$30,002.58 on December 31, 2020.

(majority vote required)  
Estimated tax impact is \$0.09 per thousand dollars of assessed value.

398  
YES   
NO   
281

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0)  
(Recommended by the Budget Committee 12-0-0)

**Article 14 – add to the Fire Department Small Equipment Capital Reserve Fund**

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,000 to be added to the Fire Department Small Equipment Capital Reserve Fund previously established. The balance of the Fire Department Small Equipment Capital Reserve Fund was \$3,054.30 on December 31, 2020.

Estimated tax impact is less than \$0.01 per thousand dollars of assessed value.  
(majority vote required)

490  
YES   
NO   
184

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0)  
(Recommended by the Budget Committee 12-0-0)

**Article 15 – add to the Fire Department Pumper Capital Reserve Fund**

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$50,000 to be added to the Fire Department Pumper Capital Reserve Fund previously established. The balance of the Fire Department Pumper Capital Reserve Fund was \$200,902.67 on December 31, 2020.

Estimated tax impact is approximately \$0.14 per thousand dollars of assessed value.  
(majority vote required)

395  
YES   
NO   
282

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0)  
(Recommended by the Budget Committee 12-0-0)

**Article 16 – add to the Fire Department Tanker Capital Reserve Fund**

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$24,000 to be added to the Fire Department Tanker Capital Reserve Fund previously established. The balance of the Fire Department Tanker Capital Reserve Fund was \$84,361.40 on December 31, 2020.

Estimated tax impact is approximately \$0.07 per thousand dollars of assessed value.  
(majority vote required)

406  
YES   
NO   
268

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0)  
(Recommended by the Budget Committee 12-0-0)

**Article 17 – add to the Fire Department Forestry Truck Capital Reserve Fund**

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000 to be added to the Fire Department Forestry Truck Capital Reserve Fund previously established. The balance of the Fire Department Forestry Truck Capital Reserve Fund was \$16,055.03 on December 31, 2020.

Estimated tax impact is approximately \$0.01 per thousand dollars of assessed value.  
(majority vote required)

441  
YES   
NO   
234

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0)  
(Recommended by the Budget Committee 12-0-0)

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**Article 18 – add to the Small Highway Truck Capital Reserve Fund**

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$25,000** to be added to the Small Highway Truck Capital Reserve Fund previously established. The balance of the Public Works Small Highway Truck Capital Reserve Fund was \$105,908.53 on December 31, 2020. Estimated tax impact is \$.07 per thousand dollars of assessed value. (majority vote required)

379

YES

NO

310

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0)  
(Recommended by the Budget Committee 12-0-0)

**Article 19 – add to the Dump Truck Capital Reserve Fund**

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$65,000** to be added to the Dump Truck Capital Reserve Fund previously established. There are currently **three dump trucks** in the Public Works Department that this Capital Reserve Fund supports. The balance of the Public Works Dump Truck Capital Reserve Fund was \$208,057.68 on December 31, 2020. Estimated tax impact is \$0.19 per thousand dollars of assessed value. (majority vote required)

344

YES

NO

345

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0)  
(Recommended by the Budget Committee 12-0-0)

**Article 20 – add to the Loader Capital Reserve Fund**

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$12,500** to be added to the Loader Capital Reserve Fund previously established. The balance of the Public Works Loader Capital Reserve Fund was \$55,758.31 on December 31, 2020. Estimated tax impact is \$0.04 per thousand dollars of assessed value. (majority vote required)

383

YES

NO

302

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0)  
(Recommended by the Budget Committee 12-0-0)

**Article 21 – add to the Grader Capital Reserve Fund**

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$30,000** to be added to the Grader Capital Reserve Fund previously established. The balance of the Public Works Grader Capital Reserve Fund was \$133,910.16 on December 31, 2020. Estimated tax impact is \$0.09 per thousand dollars of assessed value. (majority vote required)

370

YES

NO

317

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0)  
(Recommended by the Budget Committee 12-0-0)

**Article 22 – add to the Backhoe Capital Reserve Fund**

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$17,000** to be added to the Backhoe Capital Reserve Fund previously established. The balance of the Public Works Backhoe Capital Reserve Fund was \$119,171.00 on December 31, 2020. Estimated tax impact is \$0.05 per thousand dollars of assessed value. (majority vote required)

351

YES

NO

333

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0)  
(Recommended by the Budget Committee 12-0-0)

**Article 23 – add to the Sidewalk Tractor Capital Reserve Fund**

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$12,000** to be added to the Sidewalk Tractor Capital Reserve Fund previously established. The balance of the Public Works Sidewalk Tractor Capital Reserve Fund was \$24,653.08 on December 31, 2020. Estimated tax impact is \$0.03 per thousand dollars of assessed value. (majority vote required)

396

YES

NO

291

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0)  
(Recommended by the Budget Committee 12-0-0)

**Article 24 – add to the Floral Park Cemetery Fence Expendable Trust Fund**

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$500** to be added to the Floral Park Cemetery Fence Expendable Trust Fund previously established. This sum is the amount of a Select Board Member stipend that was designated to be donated to this Trust Fund which is in the general fund's unassigned fund balance as an unspent appropriation and no amount is to be raised by taxation. The balance of the Floral Park Cemetery Fence Expendable Trust Fund was \$1,634.08 on December 31, 2020. There is no estimated tax impact for this warrant article. (majority vote required)

537

YES

NO

151

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0)  
(Recommended by the Budget Committee 12-0-0)

YOU HAVE NOW COMPLETED VOTING THIS BALLOT