

May 23	Anton Jakob Stroms	Nashua	Mary McDonald Marc Stroms
July 23	Hugh Joseph Crory	Nashua	Theresa Stroms James Crory
July 23	Maryjo Katherine Crory	Nashua	Jean Crory James Crory
Oct. 7	Jenna Marie Brackett	Nashua	Jean Crory Mark Brackett
Oct. 7	Matthew James Brackett	Nashua	Nicole Brackett Mark Brackett
Oct. 24	Liam Jacob Daly	Nashua	Nicole Brackett Michael Daly
Nov. 1	Jackson McCaffrey Clark	Nashua	Louise Daly Rodney Clark
Nov. 28	Julia Catherine Greer	Nashua	Christine McCaffery Clark Thomas Greer Jennifer Greer



TOWN ELECTION MARCH 12, 2002 TOWN MEETING MARCH 13, 2002

The meeting was called to order by Moderator Catherine Schwenk. Polls were declared open at 11:02 A.M. Checklist total was 667. Polls were closed at 7:08 P.M. after 230 had voted. This included 2 absentee voters. Checklist total was now 682.

Results of the election were as follows:

Selectman for 3 years: Anne Richards 201
 Moderator for 2 years: Catherine Schwenk 202
 Town Clerk for 3 years: Charlotte N. Hastings 215
 Tax Collector for 3 years: Charlotte N. Hastings 213
 Town Treasurer for 3 years: Susan Wagoner (Write-ins) 16
 Auditor for 1 year: Patricia A. Greene 206
 Supervisor of the Checklist for 6 years: Joan Losee 218
 Library Trustee for 3 years: Linda Lamy 214
 Trustee of Cemeteries for 3 years: Arthur Rafter (Write-ins) 19
 Trustee of Trust Funds for 3 years: Robert Robb 209
 Trustee of Trust Funds for 2 years: no one elected

The Town Meeting was called to order by Moderator Catherine Schwenk at 7:38 P.M. She reviewed the procedure we would follow. Note was made of the fire and emergency exits. Thanks were expressed to all whom were involved in the election process. She introduced those who were sitting at the head table. Note was made of three long time residents who had passed away this past year, Cedric Valentine, George Cook and James Graham. Corrections to the Town Report were as follows: Page 5, Robert Robb's term expired 2002. Page 38, Article 7 should be 11 windows. Page 39, Article 7 should be 8 windows.

Cadet Troop # 2615 presented the colors. Kelly Brigham led us in the Pledge of Allegiance. Honor guards were Laura Demanche and Caittin Rollo.

Mr. Richard Eaton brought greetings from the legislature. He mentioned that this may be his last year as our representative, if the new redistricting goes through.

A motion was made and seconded to waive the reading of the Warrant. There were 86 registered voters present and 3 non-voters.

Article 2. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Nine hundred twenty-three thousand twenty dollars (\$923,020) which represents the operating budget. Said sum is exclusive of all Special or Individual Articles addressed.

Changes were as follows to the Town Budget. A motion was made and seconded to increase the Moderator's fees to \$400. On page 15, the interest on tax notes was decreased to \$14,000. It was suggested that a new heading be added for Town Common expenses.

Article 2. The Town voted to raise and appropriate the sum of Nine hundred twelve thousand two hundred twenty dollars (\$912,220) which represents the operating budget. Said sum is exclusive of all Special or Individual Articles addressed. This included the changes noted above. The vote was unanimous.

Article 3. The Town voted to establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of reconstructing paved roads, and to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirty-five thousand dollars (\$35,000) to be placed in this fund, and furthermore to appoint the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend from this fund. The vote was unanimous.

Article 4. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty five thousand dollars (\$25,000) to be added to the Highway Equipment Capital Reserve Fund previously established, or take any other action relative thereto.

A motion was made and seconded to postpone this article indefinitely. This motion passed and the vote was unanimous. Road Agent David Cook explained that they are looking into leasing a truck instead.

Article 5. The Town voted to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty-seven thousand dollars (\$27,000) to replace the present underground gasoline and diesel tanks at the Highway Department. The vote was unanimous.

Article 6. The Town voted to ratify and affirm the authority of the Selectmen to enter into that three year lease agreement, for the purpose of leasing a police cruiser for the Police Department, total cost of the new cruiser will be Twenty-eight thousand two hundred twenty-three dollars (\$28,223), and to raise and appropriate the sum of Nine thousand four hundred and eight dollars (\$9,408) for the first year's payment of the lease and four thousand nine hundred dollars (\$4,900) for the cost of equipping the new cruiser, appropriating a total of fourteen thousand three hundred eight dollars (\$14,308). The vote was unanimous.

Article 7. The Town voted to raise and appropriate the sum of Eight thousand dollars (\$8,000) to replace the fire pump and PTO on the tanker. The vote was unanimous.

Article 8. The Town voted to raise and appropriate the sum of Five thousand dollars (\$5,000) to be added to the Library Building Capital Reserve Fund previously established.

Article 9. The Town voted to raise and appropriate the sum of One thousand seven hundred dollars (\$1,700) for the purchase of a copier for the town office.

Article 10. The Town voted to raise and appropriate the sum of One thousand five hundred dollars (\$1,500) for the expenses incurred in the process of updating the Master Plan. This will be a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7 and will not lapse until the update is completed or by December 31, 2003, whichever is sooner. The vote was unanimous.

Article 11. The Town voted to raise and appropriate the sum of Six hundred fifty-one dollars (\$651) to be added to the Highway Equipment Capital Reserve Fund previously established and to authorize the use/transfer from December 31, 2001 Fund balance of that amount received from the 2001 sale of surplus Highway Department equipment for this purpose. The vote was unanimous.

Article 12. The Town voted to raise and appropriate the sum of Two hundred thirty-three dollars and thirty-four cents (\$233.34) to be added to the Cemetery Land Improvement Trust Fund previously established and to authorize the use/transfer from December 31, 2001 Fund balance of that amount received from the 2001 sale of cemetery lots for this purpose. The vote was unanimous.

Article 13. To see if the Town will vote to deposit fifty- percent (50%) of the revenues collected pursuant to RSA 79-A (the land use change tax) in the Land Protection Conservation Fund in accordance with RSA 36-A: 5 III as authorized by RSA 79-A: 25 II. (The land use change tax comes from property taken out of Current Use taxation for development or other non-conservation purposes.) This article was previously voted at 100% of the deposit of the revenues, at the March 2000 Town Meeting.

This article failed to pass.

There was some confusion about this article. If it had failed would Article 16 voted in at the March 15, 2000 Town Meeting, still be in effect. A long discussion was held in favor of retaining the full amount of the Land Use Change Tax in the Land Protection Conservation Fund. It was stressed that the Selectmen should check into the status of the March 15, 2000 vote of Article 16.

Article 14. The Town voted to authorize the Selectmen and the Road Agent to sell or dispose of surplus equipment from the Highway Department. The vote was unanimous.

Article 15. The Town voted to authorize the Selectmen and the Fire Chief to sell or dispose of surplus equipment from the Fire Department. The vote was unanimous.

Note was made that the Forestry Committee had not submitted a report.

More discussion was held on keeping the rural nature of Mason.

The Meeting was adjourned sine dai at 8:58 P.M.

Charlotte N. Hastings Town Clerk

STATE GENERAL ELECTION NOVEMBER 5, 2002

Moderator Catherine Schwenk reviewed the voting procedures. Polls were declared open at 11:06 am and were closed at 7:10 pm after 520 had voted. This included 27 absentee ballots.

Checklist total is 698, with 33 having registered on voting day. Turn out was 74%.

Results were as follows: