

# 2010 Town Meeting Survey

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Note: does NOT include budget appropriations to support basic operations of conservation commissions

## Bonds & Appropriations (new funds)

Town	County	Category	Art. Number	\$ Amt Req	Vote Date	Pass/Fail	\$ Approved	Notes
Acworth	Sullivan	Approp	16	112,907	3/9	Pass	112,907	approp of new funds for easment on 83 acres abuting Gove Town Forest, total cost is \$138,500
Amherst	Hillsborough	Bond-general	23	2,250,000	3/9	Fail	0	replaces expiring 5-year auth of \$5.5M passed in 2005, needed 60%, 877 yes, 2,041 no (30/70)
Amherst	Hillsborough	Bond-project	24	625,000	3/9	Fail	0	petitioned article for purchase of land for recreational fields and open space, needed 60%, 737 yes, 2,249 no
Francestown	Hillsborough	Approp	4	30,000	3/13	Pass	30,000	approp to conservation fund
Goffstown	Hillsborough	Approp	19	390,000	3/9	Fail	0	Approp for purchase of easment on "Roberts Farm" property, needed 50%, ,1313 yes, 1356 no
Grantham	Sullivan	Approp	8	10,000	3/9	Pass	10,000	Approp to land preservation capital fund
Greenland	Rockingham	Approp	15	20,000	3/13	Pass	20,000	approp to conservation land capital reserve fund
Greenland	Rockingham	Bond-general	11	2,000,000	3/13	Fail	0	general bond, requires 2/3 to pass, 46 y 71 no (39/61)
Jaffrey	Cheshire	Approp	22	5,000	3/13	Pass	5,000	approp to land acqusition capital reserve fund
Kingston	Rockingham	Approp	22	28,000	3/9	Pass	28,000	petitioned article, approp to land acqusition capital reserve fund, needed 50%, passed 624-441
Lee	Strafford	Approp	22	25,000	3/9	Pass	25,000	Approp to the land acquisition capital reserve fund, 2 other articles for projects using existng funds. All three measures passed.
Lyman	Grafton	Bond-project	2	346,000	3/9	Fail	0	Bond to purchase town forest, \$346,000 in new town \$ + LCHIP etc.
Madbury	Strafford	Approp	7	50,000	3/9	Pass	50,000	Approp to the purchase or property and/or easements capital reserve fund
Millford	Hillsborough	Approp	18	15,000	3/9	Pass	15,000	approp to conservation land fund
Mont Vernon	Hillsborough	Approp	8	25,000	3/9	Fail	0	approp to conservation fund
New Durham	Strafford	Approp	18	25,000	3/10	Pass	25,000	approp to reimburse cons fund for prev. purchse of 1 acre adjacent to meeting house
New Durham	Strafford	Approp	22	10,000	3/10	Pass	10,000	approp to fund due diligemnce on Birch Ridge project
New Ipswich	Hillsborough	Approp	9	50,000	3/9	Fail	0	Approp to land conservation capital reserve fund - NOTE: article passed but was amended on floor to \$0 approp, so coded as "fail"
New London	Merrimack	Approp	18	25,000	3/10	Pass	25,000	petitioned art. approp to conservation comm land acqusition fund
Plaistow	Rockingham	Approp	P-10-G	5,000	3/9	Pass	5,000	\$5,000 to conservation fund
Plaistow	Rockingham	Approp	P-10-K	315,392	3/9	Fail	0	purchase of property at 148 Main Street, consisting of a home and 29 acres needed 50%, FAILED (419 yes, 508 no)
Sutton	Merrimack	Approp	5	20,000	3/10	Fail	0	Approp to conservation capital reserve fund - NOTE: article passed but was amended on floor to \$0 approp, so coded as "fail"
Swanzey	Cheshire	Approp	3	40,000	3/9	Pass	40,000	approp to conservation land acqusition capital reserve fund
Warner	Merrimack	Approp	10	20,000	3/10	Pass	20,000	approp to cons fund
				\$6,442,299			\$420,907	

### ANALYSIS

	Total Towns	Total Articles	Passed	Failed
All Measures	20	24	15	9
%			63%	38%
2009	21	22	18	4

**Allocation of Land Use Change Tax (LUCT)**

Town	County	Category	Number	\$ Amt	Vote Date	Pass/Fail	Notes
Acworth	Sullivan	LUCT-reaffirm	17		3/9	Pass	50% of LUCT to cons fund, remove 2K annual cap.
Barrington	Strafford	LUCT-reduce	?		3/9	Fail	reduce LUCT from 50% to ?%, art. was removed in deliberative session
Ashland	Grafton	LUCT-new	13		3/9	Pass	50% to cons fund
Cornish	Sullivan	LUCT-reduce	17		3/9	Fail	Reduce LUCT from 100 To 0%
Deering	Hillsborough	LUCT-reduce	10		3/9	Fail	reduce LUCT from 100% to 50%
Epping	Rockingham	LUCT-reduce	25		3/9	Fail	reduce LUCT from 100% to 50% w 75K annual cap, needed 50% 499 yes, 664 no
Hancock	Hillsborough	LUCT-reduce	9		3/13	Pass	reduce LUCT from 50% to 0% 102 y, 67 no
Londonderry	Rockingham	LUCT-reduce	15		3/13	Fail	reduce LUCT from 100% to 20%
Northwood	Rockingham	LUCT-reduce	19		3/13	Fail	reduce LUCT from 50% to 25%, article was not acted on
Nottingham	Rockingham	LUCT-reduce	13		3/13	Fail	reduce LUCT from 100% to 50% with \$100K annual cap
Raymond	Rockingham	LUCT-reduce	29		3/9	Pass	reduce LUCT to 0%. May be illegal per Carol A., needed 50%, 720 yes, 584 no
Sandown	Rockingham	LUCT-reduce	13		3/9	Fail	reduce LUCT from 100% to 50% , need 50%, 516 yes, 705 no

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	Total Articles	Passed	Failed
Establish new	1	1	0
%		100%	0%
2009	1	1	0
Re-affirm existing	1	1	0
%		100%	0%
2009	1	1	0
Increase existing	0	0	0
%		NA	NA
2009	0	0	0
Decrease existing	10	2	8
%		20%	80%
2009	7	2	5
Eliminate existing	0	0	0
%		NA	NA
2009	6	2	4