

# Sample Ballot Municipal Election Gray, Maine June 13, 2023

Town Clerk  
Britt L Barton

## Instructions to Voters

- To vote, fill in the oval next to your choice, like this: ☒
- To vote for a person whose name is not printed on the ballot, write the candidate's name on the line provided and fill in the oval.
- Follow directions as to the number of candidates to be marked for each office.
- To have your vote count, do not erase or cross out your choice.
- If you make a mistake, ask for a new ballot.

<b>Town Council</b> 3-year term Vote for UP TO TWO	<b>School Administrative District #15</b> 3-year term Vote for UP TO TWO	<b>Gray Water District</b> 5-year term Vote for ONE
<input type="radio"/> <b>Hight, Matthew</b>	<input type="radio"/> <b>Meek, Lauren</b>	<input type="radio"/> <b>Sawyer, Bruce</b>
<input type="radio"/> <b>Maguire, Daniel</b>	<input type="radio"/> .....Write-in	<input type="radio"/> .....Write-in
<input type="radio"/> .....Write-in	<input type="radio"/> .....Write-in	
<input type="radio"/> .....Write-in	<b>School Administrative District #15</b> 1 balance of a 3-year term to expire June 2025 Vote for ONE	
	<input type="radio"/> <b>Monroe, Frances</b>	
	<input type="radio"/> .....Write-in	

SAMPLE

STATE OF MAINE  
MAINE SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE DISTRICT NO. 15  
DISTRICT BUDGET REFERENDUM  
SAMPLE BALLOT FOR THE TOWN OF GRAY  
JUNE 13, 2023

Chair School Board - MSAD 15

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|---------------------------|------------------|--|
| <input type="radio"/> Yes | <b>Article 1</b> | Do you favor approving the Maine School Administrative District 15 |
| <input type="radio"/> No  |                  | budget for the upcoming school year that was adopted at the last   |
|                           |                  | District budget meeting?   |

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**Sample Ballot  
Municipal Election  
Gray, Maine  
June 13, 2023  
BUDGET WARRENT ARTICLES**

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- ☐ Yes **Article 2.**  
Shall the Town vote to accept revenue and any Federal, State, and other sources of revenue and to appropriate the same to help fund the total Municipal Budget for FYE 2024 (detailed below) as recommended by the Town Council?
- ☐ No

- ☐ Yes **Article 3.**  
Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate \$12,741,976 to fund the FYE 2024 Municipal Budget, as recommended by the Town Council?
- ☐ No

(Administration: Clerk, HR, Elections, GA, Finance, Code Enforcement, Assessing, Planning, Comm. & Info. Tech.)	\$ 2,020,643
Municipal Expenses	\$ 4,651,974
Library and Parks & Recreation	\$ 474,772
Public Safety/Street Lights	\$ 1,813,722
Public Works	\$ 3,324,946
Council (legal), Boards and Committees	\$ 71,703
Law Enforcement	\$ 325,191
Community Service Agencies	\$ 59,025
<b>Total Budget FYE 2024</b>	<b>\$ 12,741,976</b>

*(Fiscal Note: If passed, this article shall only be effective if the voters also pass Article 12 below to increase the so-called LD 1 property tax levy limit.)*

- ☐ Yes **Article 4.**  
Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate \$10,500 for Town Council compensation for FYE 2024, as recommended by the Town Council?
- ☐ No

*(Note: This appropriation must be voted on as a separate article, pursuant to Art. II, Sec. 6 of the Town Charter.)*

- ☐ Yes **Article 5.**  
Shall the Town vote to appropriate \$3,116,356 from the Capital Reserve Fund for FYE 2024, for the following Capital Projects, as recommended by the Town Council?
- ☐ No

Road Resurfacing	\$ 710,000
Bridge Repair and Replacement	\$ 121,000
Parks and Recreation	\$ 10,000
Fire & Public Safety	\$ 0
Public Works, Town Vehicles & Equipment	\$ 148,000
Public Buildings	\$ 134,600
Technology	\$ 162,642
Library	\$ 18,000
Debt Service	\$ 1,347,114
Land Acquisition	\$ 50,000
FY25 Capital Project Reserve	\$ 325,000
Professional Services	\$ 90,000

**Total Capital Projects FYE 2024** **\$ 3,116,356**

<input type="radio"/> Yes	<b>Article 6.</b>
<input type="radio"/> No	Shall the Town vote to appropriate from the TIF Revenue Fund and authorize the Town Council to expend TIF Revenue in an amount not to exceed <b>\$626,753</b> for Gray Village and related road construction and utilities, planning, design, and engineering; stormwater/wastewater systems feasibility studies; and construction of sports fields to supplement Douglass Field, all in accordance with the TIF District Development Program documents, as recommended by the Town Council.
<input type="radio"/> Yes	<b>Article 7.</b>
<input type="radio"/> No	Shall the Town vote to accept and appropriate for their designated purposes all the various Town "enterprise account" funds (e.g., nonmajor special revenue funds, recreation enterprise funds) for FYE 2024, as recommended by the Town Council?
<input type="radio"/> Yes	<b>Article 8.</b>
<input type="radio"/> No	Shall the Town vote to place funds received from the disposition of Town-owned personal property with a value of \$100,000 or less in the Capital Reserve Fund, and to appropriate the same for capital projects, as recommended by the Town Council?
<input type="radio"/> Yes	<b>Article 9.</b>
<input type="radio"/> No	Shall the Town vote to accept all funds generated by donations and fund-raising activities on behalf of the Town's Recreation Department, the Dry Mills Schoolhouse, the Gray Public Library Association, the Gray Fire Rescue Association, and various Town Committees, and to appropriate the same for their intended purposes, as recommended by the Town Council?
<input type="radio"/> Yes	<b>Article 10.</b>
<input type="radio"/> No	Shall the Town vote to authorize the payment of tax abatements, including any interest due thereon, from the property tax overlay or, if necessary, from the unassigned fund balance, as recommended by the Town Council?
<input type="radio"/> Yes	<b>Article 11.</b>
<input type="radio"/> No	Shall the Town vote to authorize the Town Council to accept and appropriate funds on behalf of the Town, federal, state, and private funds received in the form of grants or gifts during the period from July 1, 2023, through June 30, 2024, as recommended by the Town Council?
<input type="radio"/> Yes	<b>Article 12.</b>
<input type="radio"/> No	Shall the Town vote to increase the Town of Gray's property tax levy limit established for FYE 2024 by State law to \$810,033 in the event that the municipal budget approved under the preceding articles will result in a tax commitment that is greater than that property tax levy limit, as recommended by the Town Council?
	<i>(Approval of the Municipal Budget requires approval of this Article.)</i>
<input type="radio"/> Yes	<b>Article 13.</b>
<input type="radio"/> No	Shall the Town vote to authorize the transfer of up to <b>\$417,000</b> from the Unassigned General Fund Balance into the Land Acquisition Fund, provided that in no event shall the Unassigned General Fund Balance be reduced as a result of such transfer to a level less than 2/12 of the Town's Net Assessment for Commitment; and authorize the transfer of up to an amount in excess of 3/12 of the Town's unassigned general fund balance at June 30, 2023 to the Capital Reserve Fund; and to appropriate up to said amounts from the Land Acquisition Fund and Capital Reserve Fund for costs associated with infrastructure improvements and acquisition of land necessary to achieve the open space and Gray Village development goals identified in the Town's Comprehensive Plan and the Gray Village Master Plan as the Town Council deems to be in the Town's best interest?
<input type="radio"/> Yes	<b>Article 14.</b>
<input type="radio"/> No	Shall the Town vote to authorize the issuance of up to <b>\$850,000</b> in general obligation bonds or notes of the Town to pay and/or reimburse the cost of improvements to the septic system that services multiple buildings on the Pennell Complex and the construction of additional public facilities and programmatic space for the Town Recreation Department and child-care program in the Manual Arts building, said bonds and notes hereby authorized and the proceeds thereof hereby appropriated for said purpose, with the details of such bonding (including provisions that the bonds may be prepaid or subject to call for redemption with or without premium) to be determined by the Town Council?
	<i>(Fiscal Note: Total estimated debt service of this bond issue is approximately \$983,152.91, of which principal is \$850,000 and estimated interest at 5.05% over five years is \$133,152.91.)</i>
<b>You have completed voting this ballot</b>	