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THE NEXT ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION IS TUESDAY, May 17, 2022

Town Wide Officers are elected to staggered terms annually in May. The Town Bylaw requires the annual town election to be held the third Tuesday in May (Approved by the voters at the Annual Town Meeting of May 8, 2017 and approved by the Attorney General on September 11, 2017). Polls are open between Noon and 8:00 pm at the Dunstable Free Public Library.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION CONCERNING NOMINATION PAPERS

The Town Clerk shall not furnish blank forms for nomination of candidates for town office to any person other than a candidate seeking such nominations or a person presenting the signed authorization of a candidate to secure said forms on his/her behalf. (53:17). A minimum of 20 signatures from registered voters within the town are required though it is recommended you obtain more.

Each candidate shall file with the Town Clerk prior to obtaining blank nomination papers, a statement containing his/her name and address, and the office for which he/she intends to be a candidate. The candidate will supply name, address, phone, and sign for the papers. This information is a public record. No candidate for town office shall receive more blank nomination papers than will contain the number of signatures required to place his/her name in nomination, multiplied five. (53:9A)

No nomination paper shall be received or valid unless the written acceptance of the candidate thereby nominated shall be filed therewith. (53:9)

Town Office	Number of Members	Number to be Elected/Term	Term Expires
Board of Selectmen	3	1 – three-year term	May, 2025
Board of Assessors	3	1 – three-year term AND 1 – one-year term	May, 2025 May, 2024
Board of Health	3	1 – three-year term	May, 2025
Board of Road Commissioners	3	1 – three-year term	May, 2025
Trustee Public Library	3	1 – three-year term	May, 2025
Water Commissioner	3	1 – three-year term	May, 2025
Advisory Board	6	2 – three-year term	May, 2025
Cemetery Commissioner	1	1 – three-year term	May, 2025
Planning Board	5	1 – five-year term	May, 2027
Commissioner of Trust Funds	3	1 – three-year term	May, 2025
Constable	2	2 – one-year term	May, 2023

If the candidate intends to solicit funds or spend money on the campaign a committee must be formed in advance and campaign finance requirements must be followed. Please request a handbook and forms or see state Office of Campaign and Political Finance website for further information http://www.ocpf.net/guides/mun_office_2010.pdf

Elected members are considered Special Municipal Employees by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and must submit annual receipt of the Conflict of Interest Summary and Conflict of Interest Online Training every two years.