TOWN OF CHATHAM STATE ELECTION November 2, 2010

This State Election, called by the Board of Selectmen as required by law on a Warrant duly posted by Constable John Proudfoot on October 21, 2010, was held on Tuesday, November 2, 2010 at the Chatham Community Center. The polls opened at 7:00 a.m.

Town Clerk Julie Smith, Warden Carol Barry, Assistant Town Clerk Paula Tobin and Town of Chatham Computer Specialist James Cuddy examined the ballot boxes, demonstrated the boxes were empty and showed the ballot counters to be registered at zero. The Optical Scan voting systems operated throughout the voting hours without incident.

Election workers Evelyn Ambriscoe, Joan Bagnell, Beverly Brown, Ann Eldredge, John Geiger, Nancy Geiger, Mary Griffin, Sandra Koski, Mary McDermott, Lillian McNulty, Reginald Nickerson, David Porter, Sandra Porter, Janine Scott, Jennifer Smith, and Carol Tautkus all contributed to the success of this election.

The polls closed at 8:00 p.m. At the time of this election there were 5,643 registered voters in Chatham. A total of 3,897 ballots were cast (69%).

PRECINCT 1	PRECINCT 2	TOTAL
764	899	1663
971	995	1966
96	111	207
18	20	38
1	1	2
10	11	21
1860	2037	3897
PRECINCT 1	PRECINCT 2	TOTAL
966	1089	2055
870	921	1791
0	1	1
24	26	50
1860	2037	3897
PRECINCT 1	PRECINCT 2	TOTAL
967	1118	2085
818	821	1639
35	34	69
0	2	2
40	62	102
1860	2037	3897
PRECINCT 1	PRECINCT 2	TOTAL
802	921	1723
1007	1054	2061
0	1	1
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Blanks Total	51 1860	61 2037	112 3897
AUDITOR	PRECINCT 1	PRECINCT 2	TOTAL
Suzanne M. Bump	701	778	1479
Mary Z. Connaughton	1014	1087	2101
Nathanael Alexander Fortune	60	72	132
Write-In	1	1	2
Blanks	84	99	183
Total	1860	2037	3897
REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS	PRECINCT 1	PRECINCT 2	TOTAL
William R. Keating	817	927	1744
Jeffrey Davis Perry	915	972	1887
Maryanne Lewis	72	69	141
Joe Van Nes	9	23	32
James A. Sheets	21	18	39
Write-In	1	3	4
Blanks	25	25	50
Total	1860	2037	3897
COUNCILLOR	PRECINCT 1	PRECINCT 2	TOTAL
Charles Oliver Cipollini	928	953	1881
Oliver P. Cipollini, Jr.	738	855	1593
Write-In	7	15	22
Blanks	187	214	401
Total	1860	2037	3897
SENATOR IN GENERAL COURT	PRECINCT 1	PRECINCT 2	TOTAL
James H. Crocker, Jr.	855	891	1746
Daniel A. Wolf	956	1092	2048
Write-In	2	1	3
Blanks	47	53	100
Total	1860	2037	3897
REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT	PRECINCT 1	PRECINCT 2	<u>TOTAL</u>
Sarah K. Peake	1025	1154	2179
David M. Dunford	768	791	1559
James A. Feeney	43	56	99
Write-In	0	1	1
Blanks	24	35	59
Total	1860	2037	3897
DISTRICT ATTORNEY	PRECINCT 1	PRECINCT 2	TOTAL
Michael O'Keefe	1430	1489	2919
Write-In	20	20	40
Blanks	410	528	938
Total	1860	2037	3897

SHERIFF	PRECINCT 1	PRECINCT 2	TOTAL
James M. Cummings	1389	1449	2838
Write-In	17	15	32
Blanks	454	573	1027
Total	1860	2037	3897
COUNTY COMMISSIONER	PRECINCT 1	PRECINCT 2	TOTAL
William Doherty	1387	1447	2834
Write-In	12	18	30
Blanks	461	572	1033
Total	1860	2037	3897
BARNSTABLE ASSEMBLY DELEGATES	PRECINCT 1	PRECINCT 2	TOTAL
Ronald J. Bergstrom	1372	1435	2807
Write-In	24	46	70
Blanks	464	556	1020
Total	1860	2037	3897

QUESTION 1: LAW PROPOSED BY INITIATIVE PETITION

Do you approve of a law summarized below, on which no vote was taken by the Senate or the House of Representatives before May 4, 2010?

SUMMARY

This proposed law would remove the Massachusetts sales tax on alcoholic beverages and alcohol, where the sale of such beverages and alcohol or their importation into the state is already subject to a separate excise tax under state law. The proposed law would take effect on January 1, 2011.

A YES VOTE would remove the state sales tax on alcoholic beverages and alcohol where their sale or importation into the state is subject to an excise tax under state law.

A NO VOTE would make no change in the state sales tax on alcoholic beverages and alcohol.

	PRECINCT 1	PRECINCT 2	<u>TOTAL</u>
YES	1012	1141	2153
NO	744	782	1526
Blanks	104	114	218
Total	1860	2037	3897

QUESTION 2: LAW PROPOSED BY INITIATIVE PETITION

Do you approve of a law summarized below, on which no vote was taken by the Senate or the House of Representatives before May 4, 2010?

SUMMARY

This proposed law would repeal an existing state law that allows a qualified organization wishing to build government-subsidized housing that includes low- or moderate-income units to apply for a single comprehensive permit from a city or town's zoning board of appeals (ZBA), instead of separate permits from each local agency or official having jurisdiction over any aspect of the proposed housing. The repeal would take effect on January 1, 2011, but would not stop or otherwise affect any proposed housing that had already received both a comprehensive permit and a building permit for at least one unit.

Under the existing law, the ZBA holds a public hearing on the application and considers the recommendations of local agencies and officials. The ZBA may grant a comprehensive permit that may include conditions or requirements concerning the height, site plan, size, shape, or building materials of the housing. Persons aggrieved by the ZBA's decision to grant a permit may appeal it to a court. If the ZBA denies the permit or grants it with conditions or requirements that make the housing uneconomic to build or to operate, the applicant may appeal to the state Housing Appeals Committee (HAC).

After a hearing, if the HAC rules that the ZBA's denial of a comprehensive permit was unreasonable and not consistent with local needs, the HAC orders the ZBA to issue the permit. If the HAC rules that the ZBA's decision issuing a comprehensive permit with conditions or requirements made the housing uneconomic to build or operate and was not consistent with local needs, the HAC orders the ZBA to modify or remove any such condition or requirement so as to make the proposal no longer uneconomic. The HAC cannot order the ZBA to issue any permit that would allow the housing to fall below minimum safety standards or site plan requirements. If the HAC rules that the ZBA's action was consistent with local needs, the HAC must uphold it even if it made the housing uneconomic. The HAC's decision is subject to review in the courts.

A condition or requirement makes housing "uneconomic" if it would prevent a public agency or non-profit organization from building or operating the housing except at a financial loss, or it would prevent a limited dividend organization from building or operating the housing without a reasonable return on its investment.

A ZBA's decision is "consistent with local needs" if it applies requirements that are reasonable in view of the regional need for low- and moderate-income housing and the number of low-income persons in the city or town, as well as the need to protect health and safety, promote better site and building design, and preserve open space, if those requirements are applied as equally as possible to both subsidized and unsubsidized housing. Requirements are considered "consistent with local needs" if more than 10% of the city or town's housing units are low- or moderate-income units or if such units are on sites making up at least 1.5% of the total private land zoned for residential, commercial, or industrial use in the city or town. Requirements are also considered "consistent with local needs" if the application would result, in any one calendar year, in beginning construction of low- or moderate-income housing on sites making up more than 0.3% of the total private land zoned for residential, commercial, or industrial use in the city or town, or on ten acres, whichever is larger.

The proposed law states that if any of its parts were declared invalid, the other parts would stay in effect.

A YES VOTE would repeal the state law allowing the issuance of a single comprehensive permit to build housing that includes low- or moderate-income units.

A NO VOTE would make no change in the state law allowing issuance of such a comprehensive permit.

	PRECINCT 1	PRECINCT 2	<u>TOTAL</u>
YES	651	742	1393
NO	1123	1195	2318
Blanks	86	100	186
Total	1860	2037	3897

QUESTION 3: LAW PROPOSED BY INITIATIVE PETITION

Do you approve of a law summarized below, on which no vote was taken by the Senate or the House of Representatives before May 4, 2010?

SUMMARY

This proposed law would reduce the state sales and use tax rates (which were 6.25% as of September 2009) to 3% as of January 1, 2011. It would make the same reduction in the rate used to determine the amount to be deposited with the state Commissioner of Revenue by non-resident building contractors as security for the payment of sales and use tax on tangible personal property used in carrying out their contracts.

The proposed law provides that if the 3% rates would not produce enough revenues to satisfy any lawful pledge of sales and use tax revenues in connection with any bond, note, or other contractual obligation, then the rates would instead be reduced to the lowest level allowed by law.

The proposed law would not affect the collection of moneys due the Commonwealth for sales, storage, use or other consumption of tangible personal property or services occurring before January 1, 2011.

The proposed law states that if any of its parts were declared invalid, the other parts would stay in effect.

A YES VOTE would reduce the state sales and use tax rates to 3%.

A NO VOTE would make no change in the state sales and use tax rates.

	<u>PRECINCT 1</u>	PRECINCT 2	<u>TOTAL</u>
YES	860	940	1800
NO	940	1041	1981
Blanks	60	56	116
Total	1860	2037	3897

QUESTION 4

Shall the revisions to the Barnstable County Charter proposed by the Assembly of Delegates be adopted?

SUMMARY

The revisions to the Barnstable County Charter proposed by the Assembly of Delegates would streamline the provisions of the Charter by deleting language that is contained in other administrative and regulatory codes and would modify certain procedural provisions relating to the Assembly of Delegates that would promote efficiency. The proposed revisions would also modify administrative provisions of county government that would promote the intent and purposes of the Charter. Lastly, the proposed revisions would delete transitional provisions of the Charter that are no longer needed.

	PRECINCT 1	PRECINCT 2	TOTAL
YES	1299	1435	2734
NO	237	262	499
Blanks	324	340	664
Total	1860	2037	3897

Respectfully Submitted, Julie S. Smith, MMC/CMMC Town Clerk