MARCH 2012



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TOWN VOTING RESULTS

ARTICLE 1: To choose by ballot all necessary Town Officers for

the ensuing year.

Selectman: 1 for 3 years

Brett Hunter 384

Library Trustee: 1 for 3 years

Cheryl Rowell 302 Thomas Murdock 139

Cemetery Trustee: 1 for 3 yrs Richard E Rand 431

Supervisor of Cklist: 1 for 6 yrs

Ann Stackpole 8

Road Agent: 1 for 3 years

Mark Pitkin 433

Ttee of Tr Funds: 1 for 3 yrs

Thomas Murdock 4

Moderator: 1 for 2 yrs Michael Rydeen 435

Budget Comm: 2 for 3 yrs

Tricia Wlasuk 20 Joe Miccile 4

ARTICLE 2: Are you in favor of amending <u>ARTICLE IV-A</u> of the Fremont Zoning Ordinance (In-Law Accessory Apartments) as follows:

- Delete the second portion of the sentence in section G; "Any new entrances shall be located on the side or rear of the building and shall be at ground level". The Planning Board recommends this article.
- 2. Delete section H in its entirety; "All in-law/accessory apartments shall have accessible entrances and shall conform to dwelling unit Type-B construction, as specified in the International Residential Code (IRC). The Planning Board recommends this article.

YES 353 NO 135

ARTICLE 3: Are you in favor of amending <u>Article XI –E; 4 (d)</u> of the Fremont Zoning Ordinance (Aquifer Protection District) by adding "except for propane and natural gas". The Planning Board recommends this article.

YES 359 NO 126

ARTICLE 4: Are you in favor of amending <u>Article XIX, 1.3-C</u> of the Fremont Zoning Ordinance (Signs) - "For Sale Signs" by adding "and do not exceed six (6) square feet in size". The Planning Board recommends this article.

YES 314 NO 171

ARTICLE 5: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to enter into a long-term lease/purchase agreement to purchase a new Fire Truck at a cost of four hundred sixty-nine thousand six hundred twenty-eight dollars (\$469,628) and further to raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred twenty five thousand dollars (\$125,000) and authorize the withdrawal of one hundred twenty-five thousand dollars (\$125,000) from the Fire Truck Capital Reserve Fund for a down payment to lower the agreement amount to three hundred forty-four thousand six hundred twenty-eight dollars (\$344,628) payable over a term of

five (5) years. The agreement does not contain an escape clause. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation 3-0. The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation 7-0. (3/5 ballot vote required).

YES 299 **NO 203** 301 votes needed for 3/5

ARTICLE 6: Shall the Town of Fremont raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein, totaling \$2,563,725? Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be \$2,537,577 which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Town of Fremont or by law or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13, X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only. The Selectmen do not recommend this appropriation 3-0. The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation 7-0. (Majority vote required).

YES 230 NO 266

ARTICLE 7: To see if the Town will vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of Bridge Construction and Reconstruction, to appoint the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend from said Fund, and to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000) to be placed in this Fund. This sum to come from fund balance (surplus) and no amount to be raised from taxation. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation 3-0. The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation 5-1. (Majority vote required).

YES 328 NO 173

ARTICLE 8: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twelve thousand five hundred dollars (\$12,500) to be placed in the Police Cruiser Capital Reserve Fund. This sum to come from fund balance (surplus) and no amount to be raised from taxation. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation 3-0. The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation 5-1. (Majority vote required).

YES 293 NO 206

ARTICLE 9: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) to be placed in the Town Hall Renovations Capital Reserve Fund. This sum to come from fund balance (surplus) and no amount to be raised from taxation. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation 3-0. The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation 5-1. (Majority vote required).

YES 281 NO 214

2012 TOWN VOTING RESULTS CONT'D

ARTICLE 10: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000) to be placed in the Property Reassessment Capital Reserve Fund. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation 3-0. The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation 7-0. (Majority vote required).

YES 271 NO 221

ARTICLE 11: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) to be placed in the Fire Truck Capital Reserve Fund. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation 3-0. The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation 6-1. (Majority vote required).

YES 246 NO 231

ARTICLE 12: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) to be placed in the Highway Equipment Capital Reserve Fund. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation 3-0. The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation 6-1. (Majority vote required).

YES 247 NO 246

ARTICLE 13: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000) to purchase and equip a Police vehicle to be used as a Detective car for the Police Department; and further to authorize the withdrawal of twelve thousand five hundred dollars (\$12,500) from the Police Capital Reserve Fund created for this purpose. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation 3-0. The Budget Committee does not recommend this appropriation 6-1. (Majority vote required).

YES 152 NO 345

ARTICLE 14: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of six thousand three hundred eighty-five dollars (\$6,385) for the purchase of OHRV equipment; and further to authorize the withdrawal of six thousand three hundred eighty-five dollars (\$6,385) from the OHRV Special Revenue Fund created for this purpose. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation 3-0. The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation 6-1. (Majority vote required).

YES 212 NO 282

ARTICLE 15: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of forty-nine thousand five hundred fifty dollars (\$49,550) to continue the Public Health Mosquito Control Program. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation 3-0. The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation 6-0. (Majority vote required).

YES 341 NO 155

ARTICLE 16: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of six hundred dollars (\$600) to fund an increase in the Treasurer's Annual Stipend. (Current stipend of \$6,000 is included in the Town's operating budget). The Selectmen do not recommend this appropriation 3-0. The Budget Committee does not recommend this appropriation 5-1. (Majority vote required).

YES 119 **NO 375**

ARTICLE 17: To see if the Town will vote to establish an expendable trust fund under the provisions of RSA 31:19-a, to be known as the 250th Celebration Expendable Trust Fund for the purpose of funding the 250th anniversary celebration to be held in 2014 and to raise and appropriate ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) to be placed in this fund and further to name the Selectmen as agents to expend. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation 3-0. The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation 6-0. (Majority vote required).

YES 277 NO 215

ARTICLE 18: To see if the Town will vote to adopt a Conflict of Interest Ordinance as follows:

CONFLICT OF INTEREST ORDINANCE.

SECTION I: PURPOSE: Pursuant to RSA 31:39-(a), the activities of all officers, or employees of the Town, whether elected or appointed, shall be regulated as follows:

SECTION II: DEFINITIONS: <u>Conflict of Interest</u> shall be defined as a financial, pecuniary or other interest in any official vote, or any other action, transaction or activity undertaken by the Town or its officers, or the Boards or Commissions, which would result in a benefit to such officer or employee not shared by the public in general. The term "pecuniary interest" shall include gifts or consideration in the form of favors, money or services, or the receipt of anything of value whether present or future. The term "activity" shall include any hearing, debate, discussion or official Board vote. SECTION III: PROHIBITED ACTIVITY: No officer or employee of the Town shall engage in or participate in any Conflict of Interest as defined under Section II above.

SECTION IV: DISCLOSURE: All officers and employees of the Town shall disclose any potential or actual financial or other interest in any business, contract, public proceeding or transaction which involves the Town or any of its agencies. Such disclosure shall be made in writing to the Board of Selectmen.

SECTION V: CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION: No officer or employee shall disclose any confidential information regarding any other official, employee or member of any Board or Commission. The term "confidential information" shall mean any information, material date or thing which is not available to the public under the Right to Know Laws of the State of New Hampshire.

SECTION VI: EXEMPTIONS: This Ordinance shall not apply to election contributions given to any person running for public office. SECTION VII: EFFECTIVE DATE: This Ordinance shall not apply to any presently elected officer or appointed officer or employee of the Town for a period of forty-five (45) days from the date of the enactment of the Ordinance.

SECTION VIII: ENFORCEMENT: Any officer or employee subject to the provisions of this Ordinance shall be subject to removal proceedings before the Superior Court, as provided in RSA 31:39-a.

The Selectmen recommend this article 3-0. The Budget Committee recommends this article 5-2. (Majority vote required).

YES 288 NO 203

ARTICLE 19: Pursuant to RSA 41:45-a, are you in favor of having the office of Town Clerk combined with the office of Tax Collector, thereby creating a new office of Town Clerk-Tax Collector to be held by one individual, with a term of 3 years? The Selectmen recommend this article 3-0. The Budget Committee recommends this article 7-0. (Majority ballot vote required).

YES 236 NO 268

ARTICLE 20: To see if the Town will vote to appoint the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend from the Highway Building Capital Reserve Fund previously established in 1993. The Selectmen recommend this article 3-0. The Budget Committee recommends this article 6-1. (Majority vote required).

YES 279 NO 215

2012 SCHOOL VOTING RESULTS

ARTICLE 1: To choose by ballot all necessary Officers for the ensuing year.

Sch Bd Member: 2 for 3 years

Ida Keane 322 Greg Fraize 316 Sch Dist Moderator: 1 for 1 yr

Michael Rydeen 417

Sch Dist Clerk: 1 for 1 year Sherri Ficker 14 **Sch Dist Treasurer**: 1 for 1 yr Elizabeth J Stanley 428

ARTICLE 2: To see if the Fremont School District will vote to approve the cost items included in the Collective bargaining agreement reached between the Fremont School Board and the Ellis School Support Staff (AFT- Local #6223) which calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits at the current staffing level:

Fiscal year Estimated Increase 2012-2013 \$0 2013-2014 \$0

and further to raise and appropriate the sum of \$0 for the 2012-2013 fiscal year, such sum representing the additional costs attributable to the net increase in salaries and benefits required by the new agreement over those that would be paid at the current staffing levels if no new agreement were approved. (Recommended by the Fremont Budget Committee 7-0. Recommended by the Fremont School Board 5-0.)

YES 371 NO 131

ARTICLE 3: Shall the Fremont School District, if Article 2 is defeated, authorize the governing body to call one special meeting, at its option, to address article 2 cost items only? (Recommended by the Fremont Budget Committee, 7-0. Recommended by the Fremont School Board, 5-0.)

YES 287 NO 209

ARTICLE 4: Shall the Fremont School District raise and appropriate as an operating budget not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purpose therein set forth, totaling \$11,049,721. Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be \$11,048,753, which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Fremont School District or by law; or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13, X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only. (Majority vote required.) (Recommended by the Fremont Budget Committee 7-0. Recommended by the Fremont School Board, 5-0.)

YES 298 NO 201

ARTICLE 5: To see if the Fremont School District will vote to raise and appropriate up to the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00) to be added to the previously established expendable trust fund, known as the Ellis School Building and Grounds Maintenance Fund. This sum to come from the June 30, 2012 unreserved fund balance available for transfer on July 1, 2012. No amount to be raised by taxation. (Majority vote required.) (Recommended by the Fremont Budget Committee 5-1. Recommended by the Fremont School Board, 5-0.)

YES 303 NO 201

ARTICLE 6: To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate up to the sum of Sixty-Nine Thousand, Nine Hundred Ninety Dollars (\$69,990.00) for the employment of a foreign language teacher for the 2012-2013 school year. (Majority Vote required.) (Recommended by the Fremont Budget Committee 6-1. Recommended by the Fremont School Board, 4-1.)

YES 176 NO 329

RABIES CLINIC

The Fremont Police Association will sponsor its annual rabies clinic on Saturday, April 14 from 9 am to 1 pm at the Fremont Safety Complex, 425 Main Street.

Rabies shots and microchips are available. ResQ microchips from Bayer are universally read and have **Free** lifetime registration. Call 895 3425 to reserve your chip, supplies are limited. Dogs need to be leashed and cats need to be in carriers. Please present certification of previous vaccination; otherwise your animal will receive a one-year vaccine. David Smiley, DMV of Smiley Veterinary of Auburn will administer the vaccines and microchips. The Town Clerk will be available to issue dog licenses. The deadline is April 30 to license your dogs.

LIBRARY NEWS

<u>CHILDREN'S ROOM NEWS:</u> The Library is starting a monthly **Lego Club!** The first meeting is scheduled for **Saturday, March 17th, from 1-2 pm** in the **Community Room.** This club is open to ages 4 up. Legos will be provided by the Library (and stay in the Library afterwards). So come on, join in the fun and use your imagination as you participate in unique challenges using these way cool building bricks!

SPRING STORY TIMES: Registration for Spring Story Times begins the week of March 5th. Story Times begin the following week. You can register in person when you visit the Library; call the Library at 895-9543; or send "Miss Lynda" an email: lynda@fremontpubliclibrary.org.

The schedule is as follows:

<u>BOOKWORM BUDDIES</u> - a **POETRY and CRAFT** group for **ages 6** up. Thursdays, 3:30 pm.

Come share some spring poems; then make a craft to take home. Snack and materials provided.

<u>TEDDY BEAR TALES</u> - a PRESCHOOL STORY TIMES for ages 3-5. Fridays, 2:00 pm.

Bring your Teddy or other favorite animal and share some spring tales; then make a simple craft to take home. Materials provided.

These are six-week sessions. For information re: other Special Library Events, New Materials, etc. visit us online: *fremontpubliclibrary.org.*

PARKS & RECREATION SUMMER CAMP POSITION OPENINGS

The Fremont Parks & Recreation Commission is now accepting applications for paid summer positions at Camp Fremont! Currently we are looking to hire a **Sports and Games Specialist, Arts and Crafts/Drama Specialist, as well as Counselors**. Work hours could fall between 7:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m. Pay commensurate with experience.

Camp Fremont runs from 7/9- 8/17. All applications will be available soon at the Fremont Town Hall or on the web at:

http://fremont.nh.gov/fnhgparkrec1.shtml
Contact Camp Director, LeeAnne Hatch, at leanunh@yahoo.com
with questions.

Applications will be accepted until the positions are filled. Interviews will be conducted starting April 25, 2012.

CAMP FREMONT SUMMER PROGRAM

The Camp Fremont Summer Program will soon be accepting registrations for week-long camp sessions. Camp Fremont is a safe environment where your child can develop emotionally, socially, and physically for the summer. With a low camper-to-counselor ratio, your child will receive lots of individual attention. Campers will participate in a variety of physical and arts & crafts activities, as well as attend field trips and be entertained by educational presenters. Each session will be offered according to an overall theme which will ensure that you are signing your child up for activities that they will enjoy. Field trips costs and a free Camp Fremont t-shirt are included in the tuition costs. Come see how much fun Camp Fremont can be!

Who: Students graduating from grades 1-8. When: Monday- Friday; 9:00 am -3:00 pm

Before care from 7:30-9am and after care from 3-5:30pm

(\$30 a week)

Cost: \$95 a week, Family and multiple week discounts available

The following sessions are being offered (themes to be announced): July 9-13, July 16-20, July 23-27, July 30- Aug. 3, August 6-10, August 13-17

For your convenience, registration forms and camp information guides will soon be available at the Ellis School, Fremont Town Hall, Fremont Public Library, and online at

http://www.fremont.nh.gov/fnhgparkrec1.shtml.

Please email me with any questions at leanunh@yahoo.com. LeeAnne Hatch- Camp Fremont Summer Program Director

ANNUAL SPAGHETTI DINNER

The 8th grade class of Ellis School is hosting its annual Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser on Friday April 13, 2012 from 5-7pm at the school. Students will be serving an Italian feast of spaghetti & meatballs, hand tossed salad, fresh baked rolls, beverages, and assorted desserts. Tickets can be purchased from any 8th grade student, in the main office, or at the door. Raffle tickets will be available for many great items such as autographed Red Sox merchandise, tickets & passes to Story Land, Santa's Village, Pats Peak, the NH Fisher Cats, the Manchester Monarchs, gift cards & gift baskets from T-Bones, Texas Roadhouse BBQ, Wingate Salon, Cabot Cheese, and many more! Raffles will be displayed in the Ellis school lobby from April 2-13, 2012. Raffle tickets can be purchased in the main office or at the Spaghetti Dinner.

4H CLUB

Peppermint Ponies 4H Club, Fremont. Does your child love horses? Girls, boys 5 - 18 years are welcome to club meetings to learn more about horses, ponies, 4H group, hands-on activities. No experience or horse ownership necessary. Questions, contact Jan Brubacher, Leader 303-1584, j.brubacher@comcast.net, www.4hpeppermintponies.org, www.northroadfarm.com. Financial aid available. Stop by and visit the farm!

NEWSLETTERS

The 2012 budget proposal includes printed newsletters to be sent out quarterly. The Town still plans to prepare a newsletter, which will be placed on the website. With the new website, we also plan to set up a list-serve type subscription service. Please watch for more details in the coming months so you can sign up to receive information through the new website.

DOG LICENSE REMINDER

2012 dog license tags are available. A current rabies certificate is required for licensing your dog(s) as the Clerk's Office is required by law to retain a copy of the vaccination certificate. Please call the office to inquire if the rabies certificate on file is still valid. You must license your dog(s) by April 30th to prevent the initiation of a late penalty of \$1.00 per month. As required by RSA 466:1, all dogs must be licensed each year by April 30th. For your convenience, the license(s) can be mailed for an additional fee of \$1.00 per license, or you can license your dog(s) online by going to the Town Clerk page on the Town's website at www.Fremont.nh.gov and click E-Dog. If you no longer have your dog, please contact the Clerk's office at 895-8693 so we can update our records accordingly.

LINDA ZUKAS PRESENTS PROGRAM ON CONTAINER GARDENING

At the February 28th meeting of the Fremont Garden Club, Linda Zukas of Churchill's Gardens in Exeter, was the guest speaker. She presented a very interesting program on container gardening. Two guests were welcomed: Halcyon Springer and Margie Diggins.

During a short business meeting, President Mary Kaltenbach reminded members of some important dates coming up: March 13, town election day; March 27th meeting, nominees for FGC officers; April 21st Spring Clean Up and May 19th Annual Plant Sale. Donations were authorized for the Fremont Food Pantry.

The FGC is a member of the NH Federation of Garden Clubs, New England Regional Garden Clubs, and National Garden Clubs, Inc.

The next meeting will take place on March 27 at 7:00 pm at the Fremont Town Hall. Guests are always welcome to attend.



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Town Hall Office Hours Tel: 895 2226 ~ Fax: 895 3149 Selectmen's Office VM 10.11 Mon & Fri 8:30 am to 12 noon Tues & Wed 8:30 am to 4:00 pm Thurs 11:00 am to 5:00 pm

FremontTA@comcast.net FremontTownHall@comcast.net

Tax Collector 895 3200 X 14 Thursday 11:00 am to 2:00 pm FremontTax@comcast.net

Town Clerk 895 8693 VM 15.16 Mon, Tues & Wed 8:00 am to 3:00 pm Thurs 10:00 am to 7:00 pm Closed Friday FremontClerk@comcast.net

Bldg & Planning 895 3200 Building Inspector VM 18 Tues & Thurs 8:30 to 10:00 am; 1:00 to 4:30 pm; Weds eves 5:00 to 7:00 pm and by appointment FremontBI@comcast.net

Planning & Zoning VM 17 Tues, Weds, Thurs 8:30 am to 12:30 pm; Tues 1:00 - 4:30 pm FremontPZ@comcast.net

Health

Bob Meade 895 3200 x 18

Welfare by appt 895 3200 x 12

Town & Department Contacts

Police Department 895 2229 Fax 895 1116 Mon – Fri 8:00 am to 4:00 pm police@fremontnhpd.com

EMERGENCY dial 9 1 1

Fire Rescue Business 895 9634 Office Hours M/Th 5:00 to 7:00 pm Raymond Disp 895 4222 Non-Emerg

Highway Dept - Road Agent Mark Pitkin 300 7429

Fremont Public Library

Tel 895 9543 ~ Fax 895 0549 Mon noon – 6 pm / Tu & Th 1 to 8 pm Wed & Fri 9 am to 5 pm Sat 9 am to 2 pm

www.fremontpubliclibrary.org

Food Pantry Kathy 895 1162 Stephanie 895 4454

Ellis School 895 2511 sau83.org 432 Main Street **SAU #83** 895 6903 Fax 895 6905 5 Hall Road Suite 1 Fremont NH

Post Office 895 2094 Mon - Fri 8:30 - 11:30 am / 12:30 -4:30 pm Sat 8:30 to 11:00 am FAA fremontathletics@yahoo.com Trash Pickup & Recycling - Waste Management of NH - 800 847 5303

MEETING SCHEDULE Town Hall - Main Floor

Parks & Recreation 7:00 pm

Apr 10 Mav 8

Open Space May 8 7:00 pm Energy Comm Mar 20 250th Comm 8:00 pm 6:00 pm

Apr 25 Mar 21

Town Hall - Basement Mtg Room Cemetery Trustees 3:30 pm

Conservation Comm 7:00 pm

Apr 2 May 7

Apr 2

Planning Board 7:00 pm

Mar 21 Apr 4, 18 6:00 pm Selectmen

Mar 15, 22, 29 Apr 5, 12, 19

Zoning Board 7:30 pm Mar 27

Apr 24 www.Fremont.nh.gov

Fremont Public Library Library Trustees 4th Weds 7:00 pm Supervisors of Checklist 7:00 - 7:30 pm Apr 3 May 1 **Friends of Library** 1st Tues 7:00 pm pm Apr 3

MOVED TO TOWN HALL MAR 27 Garden Club 4th Tuesday 7:00 pm