# **APRIL 2015**



# THE FREMONT NEWSLETTER

We're Building Community

#### RABIES & MICROCHIP CLINIC

The annual Rabies Clinic will be held on Saturday, April 11 from 8:30 am to 1:00 pm at the Fremont Safety Complex, 425 Main St. Fremont NH. Services are not limited to residents, anyone may attend.

Rabies shots are \$14 and microchips, \$25. Datamars microchips are universally read and have **Free** lifetime registration. Call 895 3425 to reserve your chip supplies are limited. Dogs must to be leashed and cats must 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 to Fremont residents. Deadline is April 30 to license your dogs in NH.

#### ANNUAL SPAGHETTI DINNER

Please join us for the annual Ellis School event to benefit 8th grade students with their year end events.



Saturday April 11, 2015 5pm – 7pm Ellis School 432 Main Street Fremont NH

**Dinner** Includes spaghetti and meatballs, salad, drink , and desert
Family ~ \$12.00~ Couple ~ \$ 8.00~ Single ~ \$ 5.00

Also visit our Raffle Table with many wonderful items

#### **ELLIS SCHOOL BLOOD DRIVE**

The Fremont Education Association (FEA) and the Ellis School Support Staff is hosting a Spring Blood Drive with the American Red Cross on Wednesday April 15, 2015 from 2-7 pm in Pettingill Hall at the Ellis School. . A blood donation truly is a "gift of life" that a healthy individual can give to others in their community who are sick or injured. In one hour's time, a person can donate one unit of blood that can be separated into four individual components that could help save multiple lives. We are proud to be working with the Red Cross, and have set a goal of collecting 50 units of blood during this event.

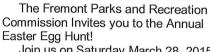
- Comfortable waiting area including an art display by Ellis students
- Refreshment table including offerings from Telly's Pizza, Starbucks Coffee, Popovers, and other local businesses
- Free babysitting!

Walk-ins are welcome, but to facilitate adequate staffing appointments are suggested. Appointments may be made in advance at <a href="https://www.redcrossblood.org">www.redcrossblood.org</a> or by calling 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767).

# **TOWN CLERK TAX COLLECTOR HOURS**

Monday 9:00 am to 12 noon Tuesday 7:30 am to 3:00 pm Wednesday 12 noon to 7:00 pm Thursday 9:00 am to 5:00 pm Friday 9:00 am to 12 noon

# **EASTER EGG HUNT**



Join us on Saturday March 28, 2015 at 10:00 am sharp at the Ellis School Playground, 432 Main Street in Fremont. Ages 0-10 welcome and will be grouped age

appropriate for safety. We will have light refreshments. Bring your baskets and join us!

For more information or to volunteer to help with setup, contact Nicole Cloutier by email at <a href="mailto:nicolecloutier725@yahoo.com">nicolecloutier725@yahoo.com</a>

## FREMONT COMMUNITY TV RETURNS

After a number of years of being dark, Fremont Community Television (FCTV) Channel 22; which serves Comcast subscribers in Fremont; is back on the air. Fremont resident and volunteer Bruce White began about 8 months ago with a community bulletin board. He then added local programs by recording concerts, parades, and other events during the Town's 250th Anniversary celebration. Recently he has recorded the Budget Committee Public Hearing and both the Town and School Deliberative Sessions. All three are playing on Ch. 22.

With the support of Fremont Town Administrator Heidi Carlson and some technical help from Raymond Community
Television Coordinator Kevin Woods, White approached the Fremont Selectmen with a plan to re-organize the community cable access channel. They approved a plan to use funds in the Cable TV Revolving Fund to upgrade the master control playback system, provide the Town with a digital camera/recorder and purchase equipment to allow live and recorded meetings from the Town Hall basement meeting room.

On Thursday night February 12th, FCTV broadcast its first Board of Selectmen's meeting live. With three robotically controlled cameras and four microphones everyone could be seen and heard clearly. According to Town Administrator Heidi Carlson, "This is the first step in bringing town government out to the residents of Fremont. It will provide a way for voters to be more aware of what is happening in their town". White has submitted a draft of a FCTV Policy Manual to the Selectmen. Woods says, "Having a formal set of policies that are approved by the Board of Selectmen gives the station structure. It defines it as a Public, Education, and Government Access channel and establishes procedures for the operation of the station."

The heart of any community activity is its volunteers. White and Carlson are looking for residents who would be interested in creating bulletin board slides, helping with government meetings, and recording local events or programs of their own. "Access television is the soapbox of this millennium" says Woods, "It is a way for residents to show off the great things happening in their community and schools, express their opinions, and see what their government officials are discussing". Those interested in leaning more about or volunteering for FCTV can contact Carlson and White at <a href="mailto:fremontctv@gmail.com">fremontctv@gmail.com</a> or by phone at 895-2226 x 10.

The winter parking ban remains in effect until April 15, 2015.

# VOLUNTEER POSITION OPENINGS BUDGET COMMITTEE MEMBERS

There are currently two vacancies for year long, volunteer, appointed positions to the Fremont Budget Committee, through the March 2016 Town Meeting. In general, the position requires attendance at 12-16 evening meetings per year, busiest during the budget season between August and January annually; and quarterly the rest of the year.

The Fremont Budget Committee is accepting letters of interest through April 22, 2015. Any Fremont resident who may have knowledge in financial matters or interest in such a position is encouraged to submit a letter of interest. A desire to serve the community and an interest in finances and budgetary matters of the Town and School District are a must. You must also be a registered voter in Fremont.

Interested candidates should address a letter to the Fremont Budget Committee as soon as possible, and send them by regular mail to: Fremont Budget Committee, PO Box 120, Fremont NH 03044-0120; or to FremontTA@comcast.net if sent by email. Please provide contact information and any background and personal information that you would like to share to introduce yourself to the Committee. Following the completion of this term in March, the positions return to elected terms of varying lengths, as of March 2016. The positions remain open until filled by appointment of the remaining Budget Committee members.

The Committee meets on Wednesday April 22, 2015 at 7:00 pm at the Fremont Town Hall at which time letters of interest will be reviewed. Interested candidates are encouraged to attend this meeting.

Questions can be directed to the Town Administrator Heidi Carlson at 895 2226 x 10. Minutes and budget reports can be viewed on the Town's website at www.Fremont.nh.gov.

#### FRIENDS OF THE FREMONT LIBRARY

Our Spring Fundraiser will be a raffle on several baskets of restaurant and local farm gift certificates and food items. The baskets will be on display at the Library in mid April with the drawings in June. Tickets are 1 for \$1 and 6 for \$5. Stop by and take a chance.

Don't forget you can take your family to one of the museums or local attractions and the Friends will reimburse you up to \$5 per ticket and \$25.00 total per family. This offer is good once per calendar year. Just bring in your receipts.

We still have old postcards and an old map of Fremont for sale at the Library. See the poster on display. Get yours while they last.

SAVE THE DATE: Thursday April 16 at 6:30 pm at the Library. Our own Matthew Thomas will present a program on the Powder Houses of New England and discuss his new book on the subject.

Plants and Books!! This year on Saturday May 16 the Fremont Garden Club will conduct their annual Plant Sale in front of the Fremont Library on Route 107. The Friends of the Fremont Library will conduct a book sale at the same time on the lawn.

The Friends welcomed Eric Abney, our new Library Director, at our February meeting. We discussed several decorating ideas with Eric and are working on making them happen. Eric has committed to attending our Friends meetings. We have in turn committed to have one or more of our Executive Committee attend the monthly Library Trustee meeting.

We are looking for two sturdy bookcases for the lobby area. They should be 60" long, no higher than 49", the shelves should be at least 9" and the distance between shelves 11". Please call Warren at 603-702-0120 if you have one or two to donate.

Another need is colored tablecloths in various sizes. If you have one or more you would like to donate please call Pat Gerety at 603 244-2205.

We will be conducting our membership drive over the next month. Individual membership is only \$10, family \$15 and corporations \$25. You can pick up a membership form at the Library or email us at friendsofthefremontlibrary@gmail.com and we can email one to you.

If you have an interest in helping your local library, we hope you will consider joining the Friends of the Fremont Library. We meet at the Library on the second Tuesday of each month at 7:00 pm. For more information call Warren Gerety 603 244-2205 or email us at friendsofthefremontlibrary@gmail.com.

### LIBRARY AIDE POSITION OPENING

The Town of Fremont is seeking energetic applicants for a part-time hourly position as a Library Aide. Position is approximately 20 hours per week, and is hourly, non-exempt with a \$10.00 per hour rate of pay. Position requires working in all parts of the Library with a variety of tasks, and reports to the Librarian. Job description is posted with the ad at town buildings and on the Town's website on the home page.

Interested candidates should submit a letter of interest and resume detailing interest and qualifications addressed to: Library Aide c/o Eric Abney, Librarian, 7 Jackie Bernier Drive, Fremont NH 03044 as soon as possible. Interested candidates encouraged to apply as soon as possible, with our desire to fill the position in a timely manner. The Town of Fremont is an EOE.

Questions regarding the position can be directed to Eric Abney at 895 9543 or by email at <a href="mailto:ericabney.fpl@gmail.com">ericabney.fpl@gmail.com</a>. Library employees are hired by the Library Trustees and follow all of the Town of Fremont Policies and Procedures.

# FREMONT FOOD PANTRY

The Pantry is preparing for Easter Baskets. If your family is in need, please contact Stephanie at 895 4454 to register for an Easter Basket. The deadline to sign up is March 23<sup>rd</sup>. Baskets will be distributed at 9:00 am on March 29<sup>th</sup>.

If you would like to help restock our shelves and get ready for Easter, the following items are need in Fremont:

Hams Pineapples
Fresh potatoes Fresh carrots
Fresh green beans Large tin pans
Butter Napkins
Salt Pepper
Pie crust Rolls

Gift certificates to Market Basket

Instant pudding (chocolate, banana cream, vanilla)
Soda Bags of candy
Chicken Pork
Hamburger Hamburger roll

Hamburger Hamburger rolls
Hot dogs Hot dog rolls
Steak Turkey
Bread Cheese

Eggs

# Do you have an interest in the Conservation Commission, Zoning Board of Adjustment or Open Space?

Volunteers are need to help provide live broadcasting on Fremont Community Television. Requires only one or two nights per month. Computer knowledge is helpful, hands-on training provided. Camera bugs or videographers also needed on occasion. Contact us as <a href="mailto:FremontCTV@gmail.com">FremontCTV@gmail.com</a>.

Additionally, the Town is looking for volunteers to serve as Members on the Zoning Board and Conservation Commission. If you have an interest, please contact Meredith Bolduc ASAP at 895 2226 x 17 or <a href="mailto:FremontPZ@comcast.net">FremontPZ@comcast.net</a>. We need you!

#### FREMONT SOUVENIR FLAGS

The Fremont Historical Society has received another order for the Fremont 250<sup>th</sup> Souvenir Flag. Get yours before they are all gone! To get yours, visit the Selectmen's Office, Library, or Police Station during business hours. The cost is \$35.00. Cash or check payable to the Fremont Historical Society.

Get yours as soon as possible! Once this batch is gone, they are gone for good!



#### FREMONT REVALUATION 2015

The Appraisal Firm of Vision Government Solutions has been contracted by the Town of Fremont to complete a Town wide Revaluation Project. The following is a general outline and explanation of each phase of the project.

Vision Government Solutions will be working with the Selectmen/Assessor's Office to make the process a successful one. There are four major phases to a municipal revaluation that are being utilized: Market Analysis, Valuation, Field Review, and Informal Hearings.

### **PHASE 1: MARKET ANALYSIS**

A variety of resources are used to analyze the real estate market. Appraisal personnel will be analyzing recent sales that took place over the last few years to determine which market factors influenced property values. Vision Government Solution's personnel visit all properties that have sold in the last 2 years. They will measure the exterior of all buildings and perform an interior inspection. Vision Government Solutions will also gather and use information from The Registry of Deeds, property managers, developers, and local real estate professionals. Once all the data is collected and reviewed for accuracy, the appraiser will determine land values and set Neighborhood codes that rate the desirability of locations throughout the Town. Sales data collection and analysis will take place from mid-March through early June.

In late March, letters will go out to commercial property owners to include any commercial/industrial uses as well as apartments. Vision is collection information on market rents and other cost factors to help determine value. Your input to this process as an owner is very important.

#### **PHASE 2: VALUATION**

Valuation is done using one of the three recognized methods: Replacement/Market Cost, Income Approach and Sales Comparison Approach. The Sales Comparison is the most widely used approach, and most easily explained to the taxpayer. During this phase, individual characteristics of the building are analyzed using information gathered in phase 1. Each property is compared to other comparable properties with similar characteristics. Then the market values of the improvements are added to the land value that was previously determined. This value is the final estimate for each parcel of property, building and land. This process will take place from late April through June.

**PHASE 3: FIELD REVIEW** 

Field Review is the method of checking and re-checking both the values that have been determined and the data. During this review, properties are viewed in the field by experienced appraisers who double-check for uniformity and accuracy of information. This process will take place in June and July.

#### PHASE 4: INFORMAL HEARINGS

Once the Field Review is completed, a Notice of New Values will be mailed to each property owner. At this time, anyone with questions concerning the revaluation process or about the data on their property has an opportunity to meet with a member of Vision's staff to discuss their property value. This will take place in late July or early August.

After all four phases are completed, all data, files, records, etc. used in the revaluation are then turned over to the Assessor's Office. This will allow the Town to maintain the data collected during the revaluation on a continual basis. The

If you have any questions during the process, which begn in mid-March 2015, please contact Heidi or Jeanne in the Selectmen's Office at  $895\ 2226\ x\ 10$  Heidi or  $x\ 11$  Jeanne.

# RESTORATION OF INVOLUNTARILY MERGED LOTS

In accordance with NH RSA 674:39-aa, any owner of lots merged by municipal action for zoning, assessing, or taxation purposes prior to September 18, 2010 and without the consent of the owner may request that the lots be restored to their premerger status.

Application for Restoration of Involuntarily Merged Lots Pursuant to RSA 674:39-aa can be found at the Fremont Town Hall and on the Town web site. The application must be completed and returned to the Board of Selectmen prior to December 31, 2016. Instructions and general information for lot restoration are included in the application form.

#### **CREDITS & EXEMPTIONS**

The deadline to file a credit or exemption application form in the Selectmen's Office for the 2015 tax year is 4:00 pm on Wednesday April 15, 2015. Forms will not be accepted if dropped off after 4:00 pm on April 15th but an April 15, 2014 postmark is acceptable. These applications are available in the Selectmen's Office or on the Town website as indicated above. Please be sure you submit all of the required documentation with your application form.

Contact Jeanne in the Selectmen's Office at 895 2226 x 11 with any questions regarding assessing, abatements, or exemption and credit applications. All forms need to be filed in the Selectmen's Office or mailed to Selectmen's Office, PO Box 120, Fremont NH 03044-0120.

### **FLOOD PREPAREDNESS**

Springtime is the time in NH when we are most likely to see damage from flooding. This winter particularly, we have had an extraordinary amount of snow, and the likelihood of spring rains will quickly be upon us.

Be sure that you are prepared for a flood, especially if you live in a flood-prone area adjacent to rivers, waterbodies or wetland areas. Make a plan and be prepared. Here are some basic tips:

- Make an emergency kit. Start with the basics and add on over time. Include things in a grab bag, which is ready to go quickly if you have to leave your home. Include things such as:
- a. one day's clothes and shoes for each family member
- b. personal care products such as toothbrushes, diapers, feminine hygiene products
- c. towel
- d. blanket or sleeping bag
- e. flashlight and extra batteries

- f. granola bars, trail mix
- g. extra set of car keys
- h. cash
- i. prepaid p[hone card
- j. copies of important documents such as birth certificates, passports, driver's licenses, insurance papers, banking information
- Make a Family Communications Plan. If you are separated and cannot get in touch with your family, each family member should call the same contact out-of-state. Have a plan ready that includes identifying an emergency contact in the local area, a contact out of state incase the emergency affects your local contact; and have a neighborhood meeting place.
- Make a Family Evacuation Plan. In an emergency you may need to leave your home quickly. If you think you might need to evacuate, listen to the radio for more information. Make sure everyone knows the best exits out of your home, a neighborhood meeting place, a local radio station, and the location of your grab bag, a fire extinguisher, and first aid kid. Also make a plan for your pets if you need to evacuate.

For more information about emergency preparedness, visit the following websites:

> www.ready.gov www.fema.gov www.cdc.gov www.redcross.org www.nhoem.state.nh.us www.dhhs.nh.gov

# PART-TIME TEMPORARY LABOR/MAINTENANCE POSITION

The Town of Fremont is seeking a dedicated and energetic applicant for a part-time, temporary, non-exempt general labor and maintenance position within the Town. Position is approximately 20 hours per week and includes all cleaning, care and maintenance of Town Buildings including the Town Hall and Safety Complex, and winter/summer exterior maintenance at the Library, and summer maintenance at Memorial Fields and Park Facilities; seasonal winter duties include, but are not limited to snow shoveling, operating a snowblower, maintenance for snow and ice conditions at buildings and adjacent walkways; and summer duties include, but are not limited to lawn care, mowing, trimming, tree pruning, raking, and general groundskeeping as assigned. There are other duties as assigned related to general maintenance and upkeep of town buildings, grounds, and equipment.

The ideal candidate will be a true self-starter and able to work with minimal direct supervision. Must be reliable in all seasons, and able to work a flexible schedule to meet the varying seasonal demands. Position is primarily supervised by the Town Administrator.

Experience working with the public is preferred. Successful candidate will be required to submit to a complete background check. Experience in building or related trades is preferable, but a combination of experience and trade skill will be considered. Strong interpersonal or customer service skills are required. Interested candidates should submit a resume, three references, and cover letter of interest to Board of Selectmen, PO Box 120, Fremont NH 03044-0120 as soon as possible.

Questions can be directed to the Heidi Carlson at 895 2226 x 10 or by email at FremontTA@comcast.net. The job description is available at the Fremont Selectmen's Office or on line (RFP & Job Postings section) at www.Fremont.nh.gov. The Town's desire is to fill the position as soon as possible, but it will remain open until a suitable candidate is found. EOE.

### TOWN REPORTS ARE IN!

The print version of the Fremont Annual Report for 2014 is available! Get yours today during open office hours at the Town Hall, Fremont Public Library, and Safety Complex. There are a lot of great reports and related to Fremont's 250<sup>th</sup> Birthday included!

### GET YOUR DOG LICENSED BY APRIL 30

2015 dog licenses 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 30<sup>th</sup>. 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. Questions can also be emailed to the Clerk at FremontClerk@comcast.net.

# FREMONT SCHOOL DISTRICT STRATEGIC PLAN

From Superintendent Dr Betsey Cox-Buteau: The Fremont School District Strategic Plan includes the formation of a Committee to discuss this question: "Are we offering the best opportunity for learning at the Ellis School and if not, how might we do better?"

If you are interested in joining the discussion, please call the SAU Office at 895 6903 and leave your name in contact information." We look forward to hearing from you!

# FREMONT SCHOOL DISTRICT 2015 VOTING RESULTS

**ARTICLE 1:** 

School Board member - 2 for 3 years

Ida Keane 252 **Greg Fraize** 402 278

Jennifer Brown 430 Sharon Girardi

School District Moderator - 1 for 1 year Victor Sokul

School District Clerk - 1 for 1 year Patricia Coulombe

School District Treasurer - 1 for 1 year Elizabeth J. Stanley

ARTICLE 2. To see if the school district will vote to approve the cost items included in the collective bargaining agreement reached between the Fremont School District and the Fremont Education Association which calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits at the current staffing level:

Fiscal year **Estimated Increase** 2016 \$71,063

and further to raise and appropriate \$71,063 for the current fiscal year, such sum representing the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits required by the new agreement over those that would be paid at current staffing levels.

(Recommended by the Fremont School Board 5 - 0) (Recommended by the Fremont Budget Committee 6 - 0)

YES 462

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NO

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ARTICLE 3: Shall the Fremont School District, if Warrant Article 2 is defeated, authorize the governing body to call one special meeting, at its option, to address Warrant Article 2 cost items only? (Recommended by the Fremont School Board, 4-1) (Recommended by the Fremont Budget Committee, 5-1) YES 425 NO 357 Blank 22

**ARTICLE 4.** To see if the school district will vote to approve the cost items included in the collective bargaining agreement reached between the Fremont School District and the Ellis School Support Staff (AFT – Local #6223) which calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits at the current staff level:

Fiscal year Estimated Increase 2016 \$ 25,182 2017 \$ 24,757 2018 \$ 24.964

and further to raise and appropriate \$25,182 for the current fiscal year, such sum representing the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits required by the new agreement over those that would be paid at current staffing levels.

(Recommended by the Fremont School Board 5 - 0)

(Recommended by the Fremont School Board 5 - 0) (Recommended by the Fremont Budget Committee 6 - 0)

**YES 480** NO 301 Blank 23

ARTICLE 5: Shall the Fremont School District, if Warrant Article 4 is defeated, authorize the governing body to call one special meeting, at its option, to address Warrant Article 4 cost items only? (Recommended by the Fremont School Board 5 - 0) (Recommended by the Fremont Budget Committee 5 - 1)

**YES 425** NO 354 Blank 25

**ARTICLE 6.** To see if the Fremont School District will vote to raise and appropriate the budget committee's recommended amount of \$11,701,213 for the support of schools, for the payment of salaries for the school district officials and agents, and for the payment for statutory obligations of the district. This article does not include appropriations contained in special or individual articles addressed separately. Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be \$11,717,436 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. (Recommended by the Fremont School Board 5 - 0)

(Recommended by the Fremont Budget Committee 7 - 1)

YES 569 NO 204 Blank 31

**ARTICLE 7.** To see if the Fremont School District will vote to raise and appropriate up to the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000) to be added to the Ellis School Building and Grounds Maintenance Fund. An expendable trust fund previously established. This sum is to come from the June 30, 2015 fund balance available for transfer on July 1, 2015. No amount to be raised by taxation.

(Recommended by the Fremont School Board 5 - 0) (Recommended by the Fremont Budget Committee 6 - 0)

YES 553 NO 229 Blank 22

**ARTICLE 8.** To see if the school district will vote to establish an Out of District Tuition Fund, an Expendable Trust Fund per RSA 198:20-c, for the purpose of providing funds for unanticipated out-of-district tuition expenses and to vote to raise and appropriate up to the sum of One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000) from the Fiscal Year 2015 fund balance available for transfer on July 1, 2015 to be placed in the fund; further to name the school board as agents to expend from the fund. No amount to be raised by taxation.

(Recommended by the Fremont School Board 5 - 0) (Recommended by the Fremont Budget Committee 6 - 0)

YES 479 NO 294 Blank 3<sup>-</sup>

# TOWN OF FREMONT 2015 VOTING RESULTS

Pursuant to NH RSA 40:13 II, the first session of the 2015 Town Meeting (the Deliberative Session) was held on Wednesday February 4, 2015 at the Ellis School at 432 Main Street in Fremont NH at 7:00 pm.

The second session (voting session) was held on Tuesday March 10, 2015 at the Ellis School at 432 Main Street in Fremont NH with polls open from 7:00 am to 8:00 pm. All articles were voted upon by official ballot, with amendments as made at the Deliberative Session. A total of 813 ballots were cast, 799 regular and 14 absentee. Ten (10) new voters were registered on Election Day.

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

**Budget Committee: 2 for 3 years** 

Mike Nygren 4 Ida Keane 4

Budget Committee: 1 for 2 years

Mark Kidd 596

Cemetery Trustee: 1 for 3 years Richard Pinder 650

Richard Finder 650

Library Trustee: 1 for 1 year

**Suzanne Wicks 83**Matt Thomas 75

Library Trustee: 1 for 3 years

Cheryl Rowell 598

Road Agent: 1 for 3 years Leon F Holmes Jr 685

Selectman: 1 for 3 years Neal R Janvrin 384 Brett A Hunter 366

Trustee of Trust Funds: 1 for 3 years

Mary Anderson

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See the Town Clerk for additional write-in data.

ARTICLE 2: Are you in favor of amending ARTICLE III of the Fremont Zoning Ordinance by adding a new Section 6 to read as follows:

#### **NEW: Article III Section 6**

Camper trailer/ Motor Home/ Trailer coach

Definitions:

Camper trailer/ Motor Home/ Trailer coach: Any vehicle used or intended to be used for living and/or sleeping purposes which is or

may be equipped with wheel or wheels or similar devices for the purpose of transporting the unit.

#### Use:

- 1. A Camper trailer/ Motor Home/Trailer Coach may be stored unoccupied at the owners premises or permanent domicile in any zone in the Town of Fremont for any period of time.
- 2. A Camper trailer/ Motor Home/ Trailer Coach may be occupied for camping in all zones of the Town of Fremont for up to ninety (90) days of the year providing the Camper trailer/ Motor Home/ Trailer Coach presents no threat to public health and safety.
- 3. A Camper trailer/ Motor Home/ Trailer Coach shall not be occupied as a permanent dwelling at any time in the Town of Fremont.

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#### The Planning Board recommends this article.

**Rationale:** This Article will allow for regulation of camper trailers used for long term living purposes.

YES 484

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NO 273

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<u>ARTICLE 3</u>: Are you in favor of amending <u>ARTICLE IX</u> of the Fremont Zoning Ordinance by changing Section H 2 to read as follows:

#### H.2: Wetland and Watershed Protection District

Dredging, filling, drainage in compliance with RSA 485:A:17 or otherwise altering the surface configuration of the land; streets, roads and other access ways and utility rights if essential to the productive use of land if so located and constructed as to minimize any detrimental impact of such uses upon the wetland and watershed protection areas. Exception: No Special Exception is required for temporary disturbance such as installing a well with associated water lines.

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#### The Planning Board recommends this article.

Rationale: This amendment would alleviate the need for a special exception for temporary disturbance within the 100' wetland buffer by adding an exception.

YES 53

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NO

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**ARTICLE 4:** Are you in favor of amending <u>ARTICLE XI</u> of the Fremont Zoning Ordinance by changing Section E 6 to read as follows:

# Article XI: Aquifer Protection District Section E 6. Special Exceptions

- 6.-Special-Exceptions Conditional Use Permit A. The following uses are permitted as Special Exceptions with a Conditional Use Permit (in compliance with Town Zoning Ordinance):
- 1. Industrial and commercial uses not otherwise prohibited in Section E.4. of this article.
- Multi-family residential development. (Minimum lot size to be determined by using Article IV Section 3 and substituting three (3) acres instead of two (2) acres).
- 3. Sand and gravel excavation and other mining provided that such excavation or mining is not

carried out within eight (8) vertical feet of the seasonal high water table and that periodic inspections are made by the Planning Board or its agent to determine compliance.

B. The **Board of Adjustment** Planning Board may grant a **special exception** Conditional Use Permit for those uses listed above only after written findings of fact are made that all of the following are true:

- □ the proposed use will not detrimentally affect the quality of the groundwater contained in the aquifer by directly contributing to pollution or by increasing the long-term susceptibility of the aquifer to potential pollutants;
- □ the proposed use will not cause a significant reduction in the long-term volume of water contained in the aquifer or in the storage capacity of the aquifer;
- under the proposed use will discharge no waste water on site other than that typically discharged by domestic waste water disposal systems and will not involve on-site storage or disposal of toxic or hazardous wastes as herein defined;
- u the proposed use complies with all other applicable sections of this Article.

The Board of Adjustment Planning Board may require that the applicant provide data or reports prepared by a professional engineer or hydrologist to assess any potential damage to the aquifer that may result from the proposed use. The Board of Adjustment Planning Board shall engage such professional assistance as it requires to adequately evaluate such reports and to evaluate, in general, the proposed use in light of the above criteria. Costs incurred shall be the responsibility of the applicant.

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# The Planning Board recommends this article.

Rationale: This amendment would put businesses, multi-family residential development, and sand and gravel excavation that are not prohibited by the ordinance and that would not be likely to impact the Aquifer Protection District, under the purview of the Planning Board in conjunction with Site Plan Review process rather than the Zoning Board of Adjustment. The same conditions would apply.

YES 515

NO

224

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ARTICLE 5: 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 \$2,548,921? Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be \$2,494,498 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.

Note: This operating budget warrant article does not include appropriations contained in ANY other warrant articles.

The Selectmen recommend this appropriation 3-0.

The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation 8-0.

(Majority vote required)

YES 458

NO 30

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ARTICLE 6: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of four hundred seventy thousand four hundred fifty-five dollars (\$470,455) for the purchase of a fire truck, and further to authorize the withdrawal of one hundred seventy-five thousand dollars (\$175,000) from the Fire Truck Capital Reserve Fund for this purchase. The balance of \$295,455 to be raised by taxation.

The Selectmen recommend this appropriation 3-0. The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation 6-0. (Majority vote required)

YES

476

NO

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ARTICLE 7: 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 Fremont Public Library Maintenance Expendable Trust Fund for the purpose of funding needed repairs and maintenance to the Fremont Public Library and to raise and appropriate three thousand five hundred dollars (\$3,500) to be placed in this fund and further to name the Library Trustees as agents to expend.

The Selectmen recommend this article 3-0. The Budget Committee recommends this article 8-0. (Majority vote required)

YES 523

NO 253

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ARTICLE 8: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to accept and hold in trust gifts, legacies and devises made to the Town for any legal public purpose. This authorization, in accordance with RSA 31:19 shall remain in effect indefinitely.

The Selectmen recommend this article 3-0. The Budget Committee recommends this article 6-0. (Majority vote required)

**YES** 577

NO

189

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ARTICLE 9: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000) to be placed in the Bridge Construction and Reconstruction Capital Reserve Fund.

The Selectmen recommend this article 3-0. The Budget Committee recommends this article 8-0. (Majority vote required)

YES 527

NO

248

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ARTICLE 10: 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.

The Selectmen recommend this article 3-0. The Budget Committee recommends this article 8-0. (Majority vote required)

YES

433

NO

339

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The Selectmen recommend this article 3-0. The Budget Committee recommends this article 8-0. (Majority vote required)

YES 385

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ARTICLE 12: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000) to be placed in the Highway Equipment Capital Reserve Fund.

The Selectmen recommend this article 3-0. The Budget Committee recommends this article 7-1. (Majority vote required)

YES 461

NO

317

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ARTICLE 13: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000) to be placed in the Emergency Management Equipment Capital Reserve Fund.

The Selectmen recommend this article 3-0. The Budget Committee recommends this article 8-0. (Majority vote required)

YES 426 NO 353 Blank 25

ARTICLE 14: To see if the Town will authorize an increase in the Road Agent's annual administrative salary by three hundred dollars (\$300) to be a total of forty-five hundred dollars (\$4,500).

The Selectmen recommend this article 3-0. The Budget Committee recommends this article 6-0. (Majority vote required)

YES 548 NO

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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 article 3-0. The Budget Committee recommends this article 8-0. (Majority vote required)

NO

YES 529

234

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ARTICLE 16: Resolved that the State of New Hampshire provide a comprehensive meaningful system of funding for State Education needs. To see if the Town will vote to ask our Governor and our State Legislators to reform state funding for education with that reform to be directed to significant reduction of property taxes. The record of the vote approving this article shall be transmitted by written notice from the Select Board to the Governor and State Legislators informing them of the instructions from their constituents within 30 days of the vote.

The Selectmen recommend this article 3-0. The Budget Committee does not recommend this article 7-1. (Majority vote required)

YES 558

NO

195

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The Selectmen do not recommend this article 3-0.
The Budget Committee does not recommend this article 4-2.
(3/5 Majority vote required)

YES 384 NO 373 (did not receive 3/5 majority)

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#### TOWN OF FREMONT NH MINUTES OF 2015 RECOUNT

On Thursday, March 12, 2015 at 4:00 pm, the Town Clerk received a petition requesting a recount of ballots for Town Warrant Article 1 for the position of Library Trustee 1 year.

On Saturday, March 14, 2015 the Town website was updated to post the recount for Wednesday March 18, 2015 at 6:00 pm. Notices were also posted at the Town Hall and the Post Office on Monday March 16, 2015.

Members of the Board of Recount were Selectmen Eugene Cordes, Neal R. Janvrin and Leon Holmes Sr., Town Moderator Michael Rydeen, Town Clerk Nicole Cloutier and Inspector of Elections Mary Anderson.

The recount began at 6:00 pm. The seal on the box that contained the cast ballots was broken and the counting of ballots began. All 813 cast ballots from the Tuesday, March 10, 2015 Election were individually inspected and counted in two "teams" of counters and recorders. The first team consisted of Town Clerk Nicole Cloutier and Selectmen Eugene Cordes and Leon Holmes Sr. The second team consisted of Moderator Michael Rydeen, Selectman Neal R. Janvrin and Inspector of Elections Mary Anderson. Teams were seated across from each other at separate tables. The procedure went as follows: Leon Holmes Sr. first inspected Team 1's ballot, called out the name written in or "blank", Eugene Cordes then inspected that same ballot and called out the same result as Nicole Cloutier tallied. The same system applied to Team 2 as Neal Janvrin first inspected the ballot in hand, second inspection by Michael Rydeen and recorded by Mary Anderson.

The recount ended at 7:10 pm. The results are as follows:

Matthew (Sandy) Thomas: 75 Suzanne Wicks (Maloof): 83 BLANK: 634 Miscellaneous: 21

Moderator Rydeen declared that Suzanne Wicks had the most votes for Library Trustee for 1 year.

The ballots were then placed back in the original box and resealed at 7:15 pm. The Selectmen, the Moderator and the Town Clerk signed the seal. The ballots will be kept for 60 days from the date of recount.

Respectfully submitted,

Nicole E. Cloutier Town Clerk

### PEPPERMINT PONIES 4H HORSE CLUB

Does your child love horses? Girls, boys 5 - 18 years are welcome to club meetings to learn more about horses, ponies, 4-H group & hands-on activities. No experience or horse ownership necessary. Questions, contact Jan Brubacher, Leader at 603 303 1584, j.brubacher@comcast.net, www.4hpeppermintponies.org, www.northroadfarm.com. Financial Aid available. Stop by and visit the horses and ponies! Peppermint Ponies 4-H Club is a registered non-profit organization affiliated with the UNH Cooperative Extension, Brentwood, NH est. 2004

# FREMONT ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION ADULT SOFTBALL

Fremont Athletic Association is hosting their Annual Adult (30+) softball league that runs from June-September. Open to Fremont residents only, if interested contact Doug Brown at <a href="dougbrown86@gmail.com">dougbrown86@gmail.com</a>.

Selectmen's Office VM 10, 11
Tel: 895 2226 ~ Fax: 895 3149
Mon & Fri 8:00 am to 12 noon
Tues & Wed 8:00 am to 4:00 pm
Thurs 11:00 am to 5:00 pm
FremontTA@comcast.net
FremontTownHall@comcast.net

Tax Collector / Town Clerk 895 8693 VM 16

Mon & Fri 9:00 am to 12 noon Tues 7:30 am to 3:00 pm Weds 12 noon to 7:00 pm Thurs 9:00 am to 5:00 pm FremontClerk@comcast.net

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

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

 Health
 Bob Meade
 895 3200 x 18

 Welfare
 By appt
 895 3200 x 12

 Food Pantry
 Stephanie
 895 4454

**Town & Department Contacts**Police Department 895 2229
Fax 895 1116
Mon – Fri 8:00 am to 4:00 pm

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 Leon Holmes Jr 603 300 7430

Fremont Public Library
Tel 895 9543 ~ Fax 244 1724
Mon noon to 6 pm / Tu & Th 1 to 7 pm
Wed & Fri 9 am to 5 pm
Sat 9 am to 2 pm

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 8:00 - 11:30 am / 2:00 - 4:30 pm Sat 8:00 to 11:00 am Lobby open 8-4:30 wkdays / 8-11 Sat

Trash Pickup & Recycling – Waste Management of NH - 800 847 5303

FAA fremontathletics@yahoo.com

MEETING SCHEDULE Town Hall – Main Floor

Parks & Recreation 7:00 pm
Apr 14 May 12

Open Space 7:00 pm
May 5

Budget Committee 7:00 pm Apr 22

Town Hall - Basement Mtg Room Cemetery Trustees 4:00 pm Apr 7 May 5 Conservation Comm 7:00 pm Apr 6 May 4 Planning Board 7:00 pm Apr 1, 15 May 6, 20 Selectmen 6:00 pm Mar 26 Apr 2\*, 9, 16\*, 23\*, 30 \* denotes worksession / no appts Zoning Board 7:30 pm Mar 24 Apr 28

Fremont Public Library
Library Trustees 4th Weds of the
month 7:00 pm
Supervisors of Checklist
Apr 7 May 5 7-7:30 pm
Friends of Library 2nd Tues of the
month 7:00 pm
Garden Club 4th Tues of the month
at 7:00 pm Sept through April only

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