

**TOWN OF FREMONT NH  
2011 TOWN MEETING WARRANT**

**To the inhabitants of the Town of Fremont in the County of  
Rockingham in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:**

**PURSUANT TO RSA 40:13 II, THE FIRST SESSION OF THE 2011 TOWN MEETING  
(THE DELIBERATIVE SESSION) SHALL BE HELD ON TUESDAY FEBRUARY 8, 2011  
AT THE ELLIS SCHOOL AT 432 MAIN STREET IN FREMONT NEW HAMPSHIRE  
BEGINNING AT 7:00 PM. THE SNOW DATE FOR THIS SESSION IS  
WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 9, 2011 BEGINNING AT 7:00 PM AT THE ELLIS SCHOOL.**

**THE SECOND SESSION (VOTING SESSION) SHALL BE HELD ON TUESDAY  
MARCH 8, 2011 AT THE FREMONT SAFETY COMPLEX AT 425 MAIN STREET IN  
FREMONTE NEW HAMPSHIRE WITH POLLS OPEN FROM 7:00 AM to 8:00 PM.**

**ALL ARTICLES WILL BE VOTED UPON BY OFFICIAL BALLOT WITH ANY  
AMENDMENTS AS MADE AT THE DELIBERATIVE SESSION.**

**ELECTION OF TOWN OFFICERS**

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

PURCHASE A NEW FIRE TRUCK – Long term lease/purchase arrangement with a \$100,000 withdrawal from the existing Capital Reserve Fund. There is no tax impact in 2011 for this article. Tax impacts will be seen in the subsequent lease/payment years.

**ARTICLE 2:** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to enter into a seven year long-term lease/purchase agreement in the amount of four hundred sixty-five thousand dollars (\$465,000) for the purchase of a 2011 KME Fire Truck; and to raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) for the down payment; and further to authorize the withdrawal of one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) from the Fire Truck Capital Reserve Fund for said down payment. The lease 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).

**2011 OPERATING BUDGET**

**ARTICLE 3:** 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 \$2,599,038?

Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be \$2,452,659 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 2-1. The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation 5-0. (Majority vote required).

CONTRIBUTION TO THE HIGHWAY BUILDING CAPITAL RESERVE FUND – No amount to be raised by taxation

**ARTICLE 4:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000) to be placed in the Highway Department Equipment Capital Reserve Fund. This sum to come from unreserved fund balance 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).

CONTRIBUTION TO THE POLICE CRUISER CAPITAL RESERVE FUND – No amount to be raised by taxation

**ARTICLE 5:** 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 unreserved fund balance and no amount to be raised from taxation. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation 3-0. The Budget Committee recommends the appropriation 6-0. (Majority vote required).

CONTRIBUTION TO THE TOWN HALL RENOVATIONS CAPITAL RESERVE FUND – No amount to be raised by taxation

**ARTICLE 6:** 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 Town Hall Renovations Capital Reserve Fund. This sum to come from unreserved fund balance and no amount to be raised from taxation. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation 3-0. The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation 6-0. (Majority vote required).

CONTRIBUTION TO THE REVALUATION CAPITAL RESERVE FUND

**ARTICLE 7:** 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 6-0. (Majority vote required).

CONTRIBUTION TO THE FIRE TRUCK CAPITAL RESERVE FUND

**ARTICLE 8:** 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 Fire Truck Capital Reserve Fund. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation 3-0. The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation 6-0. (Majority vote required).

CONTRIBUTION TO THE HIGHWAY MAINTENANCE BUILDING CAPITAL RESERVE FUND

**ARTICLE 9:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000) to be placed in the Highway Maintenance Building Capital Reserve Fund. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation 3-0. The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation 4-2. (Majority vote required).

CONTRIBUTION TO THE HISTORIC MUSEUM CAPITAL RESERVE FUND – No amount to be raised by taxation

**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 Historic Museum Capital Reserve Fund. This sum to come from unreserved fund balance and no amount to be raised from taxation. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation 3-0. The Budget Committee does not recommend this appropriation 5-1. (Majority vote required).

REMOVAL OF MONEY FROM CAPITAL RESERVE TO PURCHASE A POLICE CRUISER – A partial amount to be raised by taxation (\$2,996)

**ARTICLE 11:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty-six thousand nine hundred ninety-six dollars (\$26,996) to purchase and equip a Police Cruiser for the Police Department; and further to authorize the withdrawal of twenty-four thousand dollars (\$24,000) from the Police Cruiser Capital Reserve Fund created for this purpose. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation 3-0. The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation 6-0. (Majority vote required). There is \$2,996 to be raised by taxation for this article.

REMOVAL OF MONEY FROM OHRV SPECIAL REVENUE FUND TO PURCHASE OHRV EQUIPMENT – No amount to be raised by taxation

**ARTICLE 12:** 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 6-0. (Majority vote required). There is no amount to be raised from taxation for this article.

REMOVAL OF MONEY FROM CAPITAL RESERVE TO FUND RENOVATIONS TO THE FREMONT HIGHWAY SHED/GARAGE – No amount to be raised by taxation

**ARTICLE 13:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred twelve thousand dollars (\$112,000) to renovate the Fremont Highway shed to a maintenance garage and build a salt and sand pole barn storage area; and further to authorize the withdrawal of one hundred twelve thousand dollars (\$112,000) from the Highway Building Capital Reserve Fund created for this purpose. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation 3-0. The Budget Committee recommends this

appropriation 5-2. (Majority vote required). There is no amount to be raised from taxation for this article.

#### FUNDING THE MOSQUITO CONTROL PROGRAM

**ARTICLE 14:** 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 4-2. (Majority vote required).

ESTABLISHING A CABLE ACCESS REVOLVING FUND – No amount to be raised by taxation. This fund will be used to support local cable access.

**ARTICLE 15:** To see if the Town will vote to establish a revolving fund pursuant to RSA 31:95-h, for the purpose of Cable Access, and to raise and appropriate twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000) from cable franchise fees, to be placed in said fund. All revenues received from cable franchise fees will be deposited into the fund, and the money in the fund shall be allowed to accumulate from year to year, and shall not be considered part of the Town's General Fund unreserved fund balance. The Town Treasurer shall have custody of all monies in the fund, and shall pay out the same only upon order of the governing body and no further approval is required by the legislative body to expend. Such funds may be expended only for the purpose for which the fund was created. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation 3-0. The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation 6-0. (Majority vote required). There is no amount to be raised from taxation for this article.

#### FUNDING AN INCREASE IN THE ROAD AGENT STIPEND

**ARTICLE 16:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of five thousand two hundred dollars (\$5,200) for an increase in the Road Agent Salary. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation 3-0. The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation 4-2. (Majority vote required).

#### CONVERTING THE ELECTED ROAD AGENT TERM FROM ONE TO THREE YEARS

**ARTICLE 17:** To see if the Town will vote to change the term of elected Road Agent from one (1) to three (3) years. The Selectmen recommend this article 3-0. The Budget Committee recommends this article 6-0. (Majority vote required).

#### COMBINING THE OFFICES OF TOWN CLERK AND TAX COLLECTOR

**ARTICLE 18:** 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 6-0. (Majority ballot vote required).

#### AUTHORIZING THE CONSERVATION COMMISSION WITH REGARD TO PROPERTY INTERESTS

**ARTICLE 19:** To see if the Town will vote to adopt the provisions of NH RSA 36-A:4-a, I (b) to authorize the Conservation Commission to expend funds for contributions to qualified organizations for the purchase of property interests, or facilitating transactions related thereto, where the property interest is to be held by the qualified organization and the Town will retain no interest in the property. The Selectmen recommend this article 3-0. The Budget Committee does not recommend this article 5-1. (Majority vote required).

#### APPOINTING SELECTMEN AS AGENTS OF CAPITAL RESERVE FUND PREVIOUSLY ESTABLISHED

**ARTICLE 20:** To see if the Town will vote to appoint the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend from the Radio Communications Capital Reserve Fund previously established in 1998. The Selectmen recommend this article 3-0. The Budget Committee recommends this article 6-0. (Majority vote required).

#### AUTHORIZING THE SELECTMEN TO ACQUIRE OR SELL LAND OR BUILDINGS WITHIN PARAMETERS OUTLINED BY NH RSA 41:14-a.

**ARTICLE 21:** To see if the Town will vote to adopt the provisions of NH RSA 41:14-a in accordance with NH RSA 41:14-c to authorize the Selectmen to sell land, buildings, or both, which have been acquired by tax deed. The Selectmen recommend this article 3-0. The Budget Committee recommends this article 7-0. (Majority vote required).

#### PETITION ARTICLE TO ELIMINATE THE FRANCHISE FEE FROM CABLE SUBSCRIBER BILLS.

**ARTICLE 22: By Petition:** "Shall the Town of Fremont vote to eliminate the \$3.19 "franchise fee" (tax) that has been placed on all Comcast subscribers bills by the Fremont Selectmen?" The Selectmen do not recommend this article 3-0. The Budget Committee does not recommend this article 7-0. (Majority vote required).

#### PETITION ARTICLE TO RESCIND THE ADOPTION OF THE BUDGET COMMITTEE

**ARTICLE 23: By Petition:** "Shall the Town vote to rescind the adoption of an Official Budget Committee in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Budget Act (NH RSA Chapter 32:14)? The Selectmen do not recommend this article 3-0. The Budget Committee does not recommend this article 7-0. (Majority vote required).

#### PETITION ARTICLE TO CREATE AN ORDINANCE TO RESTRICT ACCESS TO PRIVATE PROPERTY AND PROVIDE CERTAIN NOTICE REQUIREMENTS

**ARTICLE 24: By Petition:** "To see if the Town of Fremont NH will vote to approve the following ordinance:

All entrance onto private property for non-recreational purposes, including but not limited to bio-diversity studies, endangered species or habitat survey's sampling,

delineation, and other data gathering projects, whether or not authorized by municipal agencies, boards, or commissions, shall require prior, written notification to the property owner(s) and prior written permission from the property owner(s).

Such notification shall include a specific and complete description of:

1. The purpose or reason for accessing the property;
2. The date and duration of the requested access;
3. Species, land, or environmental features that are being evaluated;
4. The way information collected will be recorded and retained;
5. The method or methods by which information will be shared with government boards, agencies, other third parties and/or the general public.

Information gathered without permission shall not be recorded, made public, or used for studies and/or grants. Data gathered without permission shall invoke a fine of \$250 per tax parcel payable to the Town of Fremont. The requirements of this ordinance shall not apply to federal, state, or local law enforcement, emergency fire and ambulatory services, local assessment officials, boundary surveys, customary utility activities, or emergency response related to public health or animal control."

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

**Given under our hands and seal this 19th day of January in the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand and Eleven.**

A True Copy Attest:

/s/ Brett A Hunter

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