# TOWN OF FREMONT NH 2013 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 2013 TOWN MEETING (THE DELIBERATIVE SESSION) SHALL BE HELD ON TUESDAY FEBRUARY 5, 2013 AT THE ELLIS SCHOOL AT 432 MAIN STREET IN FREMONT NEW HAMPSHIRE BEGINNING AT 7:00 PM. THE SNOW DATE FOR THIS SESSION IS THURSDAY FEBRUARY 7, 2013 BEGINNING AT 7:00 PM AT THE ELLIS SCHOOL.

THE SECOND SESSION (VOTING SESSION) SHALL BE HELD ON TUESDAY MARCH 12, 2013 AT THE ELLIS SCHOOL AT 432 MAIN STREET IN FREMONT 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.

## CONSIDER A ZONING ORDINANCE CHANGE

**ARTICLE 2:** Are you in favor of amending <u>ARTICLE XVIII</u> of the Fremont Zoning Ordinance by removing from the Corporate Commercial District the parcels located at Map 5 Lot 36 and Map 5 Lot 37, and update the Fremont New Hampshire Zoning District Map dated December 13, 2006 to reflect this amendment?

# The Planning Board recommends this article.

Rational: These are the only two parcels on the south side of Shirkin Road that are in the Corporate Commercial District with an overlay of Flexible Use Residential use that front on Beede Hill Road and the owners prefer their property not to be zoned as commercial.

## CONSIDER A ZONING ORDINANCE CHANGE

**ARTICLE 3:** Are you in favor of amending <u>Article XVIII</u> of the Fremont Zoning Ordinance by updating the Fremont New Hampshire Zoning District Map dated December 13, 2006 to reflect the following amendment.

1. Where a property falls within the Village District, Corporate Commercial District

or the Commercial Highway District and is also located on a red road which is zoned Flexible Use Residential, the applicable zoning regulations will be that of Village District, Corporate Commercial District or the Commercial Highway District.

2. Remove Shirkin Road west of Beede Hill Road from the list of Red Roads which are zoned Flexible Use Residential.

Rational: The purpose of this amendment is to alleviate confusion relative to use of a property when that property falls within more than one zoned district.

# The Planning Board recommends this article.

PURCHASE A NEW FIRE TRUCK – Long term lease/purchase arrangement with a \$175,000 withdrawal from the existing Capital Reserve Fund. There is no tax impact in 2013 for this article. Tax impacts will be seen in the subsequent lease/payment years, beginning with 2014.

**ARTICLE 4:** 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 seventy-one thousand three hundred eighty-five dollars (\$471,385) and further to raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred seventy five thousand dollars (\$175,000) and authorize the withdrawal of one hundred seventy-five thousand dollars (\$175,000) from the Fire Truck Capital Reserve Fund for a down payment to lower the agreement amount to two hundred ninety-six thousand three hundred eighty-five dollars (\$296,385) 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 8-0. 3/5 ballot vote required.

# **2013 OPERATING BUDGET**

**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 \$2,499,591? Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be \$2,543,795 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.

### CHANGE THE PURPOSE OF A CAPITAL RESERVE FUND PREVIOUSLY ESTABLISHED

**ARTICLE 6:** To see if the Town will vote to change the purpose of the existing Emergency Management Vehicle Capital Reserve Fund to the Emergency Management Equipment Capital Reserve Fund, and vote to appoint the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend from the Emergency Management Equipment Capital Reserve Fund.

The Selectmen recommend this article 3-0.
The Budget Committee recommends this article 8-0.
2/3 vote required.
There is no tax impact for this article.

### CONTRIBUTION TO THE BRIDGE 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 Bridge Construction and Reconstruction Capital Reserve Fund.

The Selectmen recommend this appropriation 3-0. The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation 8-0. Majority vote required.

## CONTRIBUTION TO THE POLICE CRUISER CAPITAL RESERVE FUND

**ARTICLE 8:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of sixteen thousand five hundred dollars (\$16,500) to be placed in the Police Cruiser Capital Reserve Fund.

The Selectmen recommend this appropriation 2-0.
The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation 8-0.
Majority vote required.

# CONTRIBUTION TO THE FIRE TRUCK CAPITAL RESERVE FUND

**ARTICLE 9:** 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 6-2. Majority vote required.

## CONTRIBUTION TO THE HIGHWAY BUILDING CAPITAL RESERVE FUND

**ARTICLE 10:** 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 Building Capital Reserve Fund.

The Selectmen recommend this appropriation 3-0. The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation 6-2. Majority vote required.

PURCHASE NEW BREATHING AIR EQUIPMENT FOR THE FREMONT FIRE DEPARTMET

**ARTICLE 11:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of forty-seven thousand eighty-eight dollars (\$47,088) to purchase eight Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA) for the Fremont Fire Rescue Department.

The Selectmen recommend this appropriation 3-0. The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation 8-0. Majority vote required.

REMOVAL OF MONEY FROM CAPITAL RESERVE TO PURCHASE A POLICE CRUISER - \$9,039 to be raised by taxation

**ARTICLE 12:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of thirty-three thousand thirty-nine dollars (\$33,039) to purchase and equip a Police cruiser; and further to authorize the withdrawal of twenty-four thousand dollars (\$24,000) from the Police Capital Reserve Fund created for this purpose.

The Selectmen recommend this appropriation 3-0. The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation 8-0. Majority vote required.

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

**ARTICLE 13:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of seven thousand eight hundred thirty-five dollars (\$7,835) for the purchase of OHRV equipment; and further to authorize the withdrawal of seven thousand eight hundred thirty-five dollars (\$7,835) from the OHRV Special Revenue Fund created for this purpose.

The Selectmen recommend this appropriation 3-0.
The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation 8-0.
Majority vote required.

There is no amount to be raised from taxation for this article. Passage of this article reduces the operating budget of the Police Department.

# FUNDING THE MOSQUITO CONTROL PROGRAM

**ARTICLE 14:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of fortynine 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 8-0. Majority vote required.

CONTRIBUTION TO THE TOWN EXPENDABLE TRUST FUND FOR THE  $250^{\mathrm{TH}}$  CELEBRATION OF FREMONT

**ARTICLE 15:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) to be placed in the 250<sup>th</sup> Celebration Expendable Trust Fund.

The Selectmen recommend this appropriation 3-0. The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation 7-1.

Majority vote required.

CONSIDER FUNDING FOR A NEW SOCIAL SERVICE AGENCY

**ARTICLE 16:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one thousand dollars (\$1,000) in support of Family Promise of Greater Rockingham County Inc, a new social service agency. If approved, this would become part of the annual operating budget for social service agencies.

The Selectmen recommend this appropriation 3-0. The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation 6-2. Majority vote required.

COMBINING THE OFFICES OF TOWN CLERK AND TAX COLLECTOR

**ARTICLE 17:** 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 8-0.

Majority ballot vote required.

If approved, an article shall be placed on the ballot at the next annual meeting (2014) to choose a Town Clerk-Tax Collector.

**ARTICLE 18:** To see if the Town will vote to designate as Town Forests, in accordance with NH RSA 31:110, the following parcels of land:

Smith Land (Acquisition to supplement Glen Oakes Town Forest) Map 4 Lots 086, 088, and 089

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

Given under our hands and seal this 10th day of January in the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand and Thirteen.

	A True Copy Attest:
/s/ Annmarie Scribner	/s/ Annmarie Scribner
/s/ Brett A Hunter	/s/ Brett A Hunter
/s/ Greta St Germain	/s/ Greta St Germain

**Selectmen** ~ **Town of Fremont New Hampshire**