

**TOWN OF FREMONT NH  
2014 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 2014 TOWN MEETING  
(THE DELIBERATIVE SESSION) SHALL BE HELD ON WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 5,  
2014 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 6, 2014 BEGINNING AT 7:00 PM AT THE ELLIS SCHOOL.

THE SECOND SESSION (VOTING SESSION) SHALL BE HELD ON TUESDAY  
MARCH 11, 2014 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 ARTICLE XVIII of the Fremont Zoning Ordinance by changing Section 10.10 (a) to read as follows:

Article XVIII Section 10.10 (a) Standards for Building Lots and Site Design

Lot Shape and Size: House lots and building envelopes should generally be square or rectangular in shape and contain adequate upland area to accommodate average-sized houses and typical amenities such as garages, pools and sheds, including reasonable areas for expansion of these buildings. The minimum lot size shall be no less than three quarters ( $\frac{3}{4}$ ) of an acre or thirty two thousand six hundred and seventy (32,670) square feet per dwelling unit.

*At least one half ( $\frac{1}{2}$ ) of an acre or twenty one thousand seven hundred and eighty (21,780) square feet of contiguous land of every lot laid out (after the adoption of this amendment) for residential use shall be buildable land with soils dry enough to permit for installation and use of facilities for disposal of sanitary waste(s) disposal facilities and shall not have slopes exceeding twenty percent (20%).*

(added text is in *italics*)

**The Planning Board recommends this article.**

CONSIDER A ZONING ORDINANCE CHANGE

**ARTICLE 3:** Are you in favor of amending ARTICLE XVIII of the Fremont Zoning Ordinance by changing Section 10.11 (e) to read as follows:

Article XVIII Section 10.11 (e) Open Space Standards

*"Landscaping: Landscaping of common areas (such as community greens, cul-de-sac islands, and along both sides of new streets) shall be landscaped with deciduous shade trees may be required by the Planning Board".* The minimum caliper of trees along roadways shall be three (3) inches measured at a point six (6) inches above the root ball, and spaced every one hundred (100) feet along the road right-of-way. Species *shall be deciduous shade trees and* shall be salt tolerant.

(added text is in *italics*, deleted text lined out)

**The Planning Board recommends this article.**

CONSIDER ADOPTION OF AN ORDINANCE REGULATING HORSES, FARM ANIMALS & POULTRY

**ARTICLE 4:** To see if the Town will vote to adopt the following Ordinance:

**TOWN OF FREMONT**

**REGULATION OF HORSES, FARM ANIMALS AND POULTRY**

Pursuant to the authority conferred by the New Hampshire Revised Statutes Annotated Chapter 31:39, I (b) in order to promote the general welfare of the citizens of the Town of Fremont, the following Ordinance is hereby enacted:

**SECTION 001. REGULATION**

1.1 It shall be unlawful for the owner or keeper of any horse, farm animal or poultry to either willfully or negligently allow such animal to run at large in public places. "Run at large" shall be construed to mean off the property of the owner or keeper and not under the control of the owner or keeper by leash, cord, chain, or otherwise.

1.2 Any horse, farm animal or poultry found in a public place, and not under the control of its owner or keeper, may be taken into custody by the Fremont Animal Control Officer or a Fremont Police Officer. The Officer shall make reasonable efforts to notify the owner or keeper of the animal, before seizing it.

1.3 Any horse, farm animal or poultry that is seized by the Fremont Animal Control Officer or a Fremont Police Officer in a public place, where the owner or keeper cannot be identified or located, shall be held by the Town at a Town approved facility. The owner or keeper of the animals shall be responsible for all damages and expenses incurred in the capturing, transporting and holding of the escaped animal, boarding costs, and any medical care required by the holding facility.

## **SECTION 002. PENALTIES**

2.1. Any owner or keeper of a horse, farm animal or poultry who willfully or negligently permits such animals to run at large in public places, may be subject to a penalty not exceeding \$1,000 for each offense. Any fine or penalty collected under this Ordinance shall be paid to the Town of Fremont.

2.2. In addition to any penalty, in conjunction with any penalty, or as an alternative to any penalty imposed under this Ordinance, the Town of Fremont may request that the Court require the owner or keeper of the horse, farm animal or poultry which has been impounded for running at large, to pay for the boarding and impoundment fees established by the animal shelter or holding facility and any reasonably necessary medical expenses incurred during the impoundment of the animal regardless of whether the owner or keeper retrieves the animal.

**The Selectmen recommend this article 3-0.**  
**Budget Committee recommends this article 4-2.**  
(Majority vote required)

**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 2014.** Tax impacts would be seen in the subsequent lease/payment years.

**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-one thousand seven hundred seventy-five dollars (\$461,775) 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 eighty-six thousand seven hundred seventy-five dollars (\$286,775) 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 6-0.**  
(3/5 ballot vote required)

## 2014 OPERATING BUDGET

**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 \$2,505,364? Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be \$2,504,378 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 6-0.**  
(Majority vote required)

## APPOINT SELECTMEN AS AGENTS OF A CAPITAL RESERVE FUND PREVIOUSLY ESTABLISHED

**ARTICLE 7:** To see if the Town will vote to appoint the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend from the Police Cruiser Capital Reserve Fund, previously established in 1984.

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

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

**The Selectmen recommend this appropriation 3-0.**  
**The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation 5-1.**  
(Majority vote required)

## CONTRIBUTION TO THE TOWN HALL RENOVATIONS CAPITAL RESERVE FUND

**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.

**The Selectmen recommend this appropriation 3-0.**  
**The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation 5-1.**  
(Majority vote required)

CONTRIBUTION TO THE REVALUATION CAPITAL RESERVE FUND

**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 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 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 5-1.**  
(Majority vote required)

CONTRIBUTION TO THE HIGHWAY EQUIPMENT CAPITAL RESERVE FUND

**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 appropriation 3-0.**  
**The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation 4-2.**  
(Majority vote required)

CONTRIBUTION TO THE EXPENDABLE TOWN TRUST FUND FOR BUILDING REPAIRS AND MAINTENANCE – No amount to be raised by taxation

**ARTICLE 13:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of up to ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) to be placed in the Town Expendable Trust Fund for building repairs and maintenance. 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)

PURCHASE NEW BREATHING AIR EQUIPMENT FOR THE FREMONT FIRE DEPARTMENT – Part two of a two year equipment replacement plan

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

FUNDING IMPROVEMENTS TO WHITTIER DRIVE

**ARTICLE 15:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) to reconstruct approximately 3,000 feet of Whittier Drive.

**The Selectmen recommend this appropriation 3-0.**  
**The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation 3-2-1.**  
(Majority vote required)

FUNDING THE MOSQUITO CONTROL PROGRAM

**ARTICLE 16:** 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 5-1.**  
(Majority vote required)

CONTRIBUTION TO THE TOWN EXPENDABLE TRUST FUND FOR THE 250<sup>TH</sup> CELEBRATION OF FREMONT

**ARTICLE 17:** 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 for the June 2014 Celebration.

**The Selectmen recommend this appropriation 3-0.**  
**The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation 4-2.**  
(Majority vote required)

CONSIDER RESCINDING THE PREVIOUSLY ESTABLISHED SPECIAL REVENUE FUND FOR OHRV AND TOWN ORDINANCE FINES (TO BE CONVERTED TO A REVOLVING FUND FOR THE SAME PURPOSE). There is no tax impact of this article.

**ARTICLE 18:** Shall the Town rescind the provisions of RSA 31:95-c to restrict all of the revenues from Police Department OHRV and Town Ordinance fines and forfeitures, to expenditures for the purpose of Purchasing OHRV Safety and Enforcement Equipment? Such revenues and expenditures shall be accounted for in a special revenue fund to be known as the Police Department OHRV Safety and Enforcement Equipment Fund, separate from the general fund. Any surplus in said fund shall not be deemed part of the general fund accumulated surplus and shall be expended only after a vote by the legislative body to appropriate a specific amount from said fund for a specific purpose related to the purpose of the fund or the source of the revenue. Should Article 19 fail, this article shall be null and void.

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

CREATE A REVOLVING FUND FOR OHRV AND TOWN ORDINANCE FINES. There is no tax impact of this article.

**ARTICLE 19:** Shall the Town vote to establish a revolving fund pursuant to RSA 31:95-h for the purpose of providing public safety services. All revenues received from the Police Department's OHRV fines and forfeitures and Town Ordinance fines 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 moneys in the fund, and shall pay out the same only upon order of the Board of Selectmen and Police Chief and no further approval is required by the legislative body to expend. Said funds may be expended for purchasing OHRV safety gear and enforcement equipment, and to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000) to be deposited into this fund and further to authorize this amount from the Unreserved Fund Balance. The name of the Revolving Fund will be the Police Department Safety and Enforcement Revolving Fund. Should this Article fail then Article 18 shall be null and void. Should Article 18 fail, then this Article also fails.

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



CREATE A REVOLVING FUND FOR POLICE SPECIAL DETAILS. There is no tax impact of this article.

**ARTICLE 20:** Shall the Town vote to establish a revolving fund pursuant to RSA 31:95-h for the purpose of police special detail wages, benefits, administrative costs, supplies, equipment, and cruisers and to raise and appropriate the sum of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) to be deposited into the fund. Further, all revenues received for police special details 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 Board of Selectmen and no further approval is required by the legislative body to expend. After payment of police special detail wages, benefits, administrative costs, supplies and other equipment, the fund may also be used for the purpose of purchasing new cruisers for police special details. 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)

CONTRIBUTION TO THE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT EQUIPMENT CAPITAL RESERVE FUND

**ARTICLE 21:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) to be placed in the Emergency Management Equipment Capital Reserve Fund.

**The Selectmen recommend this appropriation 3-0.**  
**The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation 4-2.**  
(Majority vote required)

CONSIDER RESCINDING THE PROVISIONS OF NH RSA 40:13, SB2

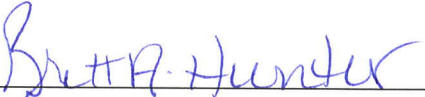
**ARTICLE 22:** Shall we rescind the provisions of RSA 40:13 (Known as SB2), as adopted by the Town of Fremont, NH on 3-13-2007, so that the official ballot will no longer be used for voting on all questions, but only for the election of officers and certain other questions for which the official ballot is required by state law? (By petition)

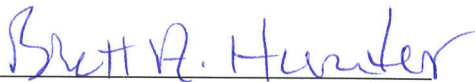
**The Selectmen recommend this appropriation 3-0.**  
**The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation 4-1.**  
(3/5 ballot vote required)

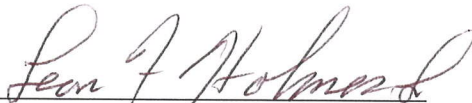



Given under our hands and seal this 16th day of January in the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand and Fourteen.

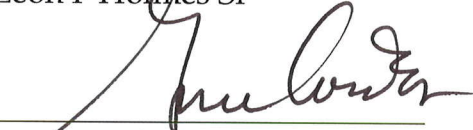
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