



## TOWN OF FREMONT 2015 TOWN MEETING 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

**Cemetery Trustee: 1 for 3 years**

Richard Pinder 650  
Dan Therrien 3

**Library Trustee: 1 for 3 years**

Cheryl Rowell 598  
Matt Thomas 17  
Suzanne Wicks 11

**Selectman: 1 for 3 years**

Neal R Janvrin 384  
Brett A Hunter 366

**Budget Committee: 1 for 2 years**

Mark Kidd 596  
Sharon Girardi 3

**Library Trustee: 1 for 1 year**

Suzanne Wicks 78  
Matt Thomas 72

**Road Agent: 1 for 3 years**

Leon F Holmes Jr 685  
Mark Pitkin 4  
Ty Bolduc 3  
Costas Tonas 3

**Trustee of Trust Funds: 1 for 3 years**

Mary Anderson 3

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.*

(added text is in *italics*)

**The Planning Board recommends this article.**

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

YES    **484**

NO        273

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**ARTICLE 3:** Are you in favor of amending ARTICLE IX 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.*

(added text is in *italics*)

**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    **534**

NO        221

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**ARTICLE 4:** Are you in favor of amending ARTICLE XI 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.
  2. 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;
  - ☐ 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;
  - ☐ 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.

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

**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.*

**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        307                                      Blank 40**

**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        302                                      Blank    27**

**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                                      Blank    28**

**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**                      **Blank 38**

**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**                      **Blank 29**

**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**                      **Blank 32**

**ARTICLE 11:** 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 article 3-0.**

**The Budget Committee recommends this article 8-0.**

(Majority vote required)

**YES 385**                      **NO 383**                      **Blank 36**

**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                                      Blank   26**

**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       235                                      Blank   21**

**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)**

**YES    529                                      NO       234                                      Blank   41**

**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**                      **Blank   51**

**ARTICLE 17:** By Petition: Shall the Town of Fremont NH vote to rescind the authority granted to the Fremont Conservation Commission and the Fremont Board of Selectmen, at the 2006 Fremont Annual Town Meeting, (Article #5) to “raise & spend up to one million dollars (\$1,000,000) to purchase land and other property interests,” so that the Town is no longer liable for this “indebtedness” and the financial liability that the town incurred when it was passed in 2006?

**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**                      **Blank   47 (did not receive 3/5 majority)**

Nicole Cloutier  
Town Clerk

**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,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Nicole E. Cloutier', written in a cursive style.

Nicole E. Cloutier  
Town Clerk