

## TOWN OF FREMONT 2018 TOWN MEETING VOTING RESULTS

Pursuant to NH RSA 40:13 II, the first session of the 2018 Town Meeting (the Deliberative Session) was held on Monday February 5, 2018 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 13, 2018 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, and there were no amendments made at the Deliberative Session. A total of 594 ballots were cast, 543 regular and 51 absentee. Nineteen (19) new voters were registered on Election Day.

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

Budget Committee: 2 Mary Anderson Jonathan Starr	for 3 years 447 312	Budget Committee: 1 Mario Gutierrez Joe Miccile	for 2 years 189 235
Cemetery Trustee: 1 for 3 years		Library Trustee: 1 for 3 years	
Dennis Acton	4	Cheryl Rowell	505
Selectman: 1 for 3 years		Trustee of Trust Funds: 1 for 3 years	
Dennis Acton	247	Mary Anderson	497
Neal R Janvrin	314	-	
Road Agent: 1 for 3 years		Moderator: 1 for 2 years	
Leon Holmes Jr	515	Michael Rydeen	520
Supervisor of Checklist: 1 for 6 years Catherine R Murdock 504		See the Town Clerk for additional write-in data.	

**ARTICLE 2:** Are you in favor of the proposed amendment to Article VII Section 707 of the Fremont Zoning Ordinance (Table of Uses) so that "light manufacturing" is a permitted use in the Corporate Commercial District and in the Commercial Highway District? This article would also allow "Light Manufacturing" in the Flexible Use Residential District after obtaining a Conditional Use Permit from the Planning Board. Finally, this article will amend the Zoning Ordinance by defining "light manufacturing." The Planning Board recommends this article (majority vote required).

YES 438 NO 139

**ARTICLE 3:** Are you in favor of the proposed amendment to Article X Section 1002 of the Fremont Zoning Ordinance (Village District Ordinance) so that the amount of square footage permitted for a retail shop in the Village District will be increased from 7,000 to 10,000 square feet? This article will also amend the Fremont Zoning Ordinance by allowing "light manufacturing" in the Village District provided that there is no outside material storage associated with the business. The Planning Board recommends this article (majority vote required).

## YES 431 NO 143

**<u>ARTICLE 4</u>**: Are you in favor of the proposed amendment to Article XII Section 1202 of the Fremont Zoning Ordinance so that the Floodplain Development Ordinance complies with the National Flood Insurance Program? The Planning Board recommends this article (majority vote required).

YES 438 NO 128

**ARTICLE 5:** Are you in favor of the proposed amendment to Article XIII Section 1301.2 of the Fremont Zoning Ordinance by changing the limit of total number of elderly housing units permitted so that it does not exceed fifteen (15) percent of the total dwelling units in the Town of Fremont? This article will also amend the Zoning Ordinance so that determining the total number of dwelling units in the Town of Fremont (for the purpose of calculating the permitted amount of elderly housing units) is based on the NH Office of Strategic Initiatives (OSI) most recent estimates. The Planning Board recommends this article (majority vote required).

# **YES 411** NO 161

**ARTICLE 6:** Are you in favor of the proposed amendment to Article XI Section 1101 of the Fremont Zoning Ordinance (Accessory Dwelling Units) submitted by petition so that an accessory dwelling unit is permitted without a Special Exception from the Zoning Board of Adjustment? This article will also amend the Zoning Ordinance so that detached accessory dwelling units are prohibited except if the structure has had an occupancy permit for more than five (5) years or was built before January 2010. This article will also amend the Zoning Ordinance so that the living area of an accessory dwelling unit can be a maximum of one half the primary living unit or eight hundred (800) square feet, whichever is greater. This article will also amend the Zoning Ordinance so that the language, "Variances to this special exception may not be granted" is no longer in the Ordinance. The Planning Board's motion to recommend this Ordinance change did not pass. The final vote was 2-3 (Majority vote required).

YES 218 NO 329

**<u>ARTICLE 7</u>**: Are you in favor of the proposed amendment to Article XVI of the Fremont Zoning Ordinance submitted by petition so that the current Sign Ordinance is replaced with entirely new language? The Planning Board recommends this article 3-2 (Majority vote required).

**YES 355** NO 184

**ARTICLE 8:** 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 \$2,962,671? Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be \$2,893,632 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 364 NO 199

**ARTICLE 9:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of thirty-seven thousand two hundred seventy-two dollars (\$37,272) to hire a new full-time police officer. This sum covers five months of wages and benefits and necessary gear, equipment and required testing for the officer. If approved, this funding will remain as part of the operating and default budget in future years. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation 3-0. The Budget Committee does not recommend this appropriation 6-2. (Majority vote required)

YES 283 NO 286

**<u>ARTICLE 10</u>**: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) to be placed in the Library Building Maintenance Expendable Town Trust Fund. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation 3-0. The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation 8-0. (Majority vote required)

YES 366 NO 197

**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 8-0. (Majority vote required)

YES 324 NO 240

**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 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)

YES 409 NO 151

**<u>ARTICLE 13</u>**: 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 8-0. (Majority vote required)

**YES 393** NO 172

**ARTICLE 14:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of two hundred thirteen thousand ninety-four dollars (\$213,094) to grind, shim and pave the Town portion of Beede Hill Road (3,620 feet) and tie in to the North Road work, and do associated shoulder work and driveway paving tie-ins. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation 3-0. The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation 8-0. (Majority vote required)

YES 448 NO 123

**ARTICLE 15:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred sixty-two thousand seven hundred ten dollars (\$162,710) to reclaim, do extensive drainage work, and pave Red Brook Road (3,580 feet) and do associated shoulder work and driveway paving tie-ins. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation 3-0. The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation 5-3. (Majority vote required)

**YES 312** NO 253

**<u>ARTICLE 16</u>**: 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 8-0. (Majority vote required)

**YES 421** NO 156

**ARTICLE 17:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000) to be placed in the Historic Museum Renovation Capital Reserve Fund. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation 3-0. The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation 6-2. (Majority vote required)

YES 243 NO 326

**ARTICLE 18**: To see if the Town will vote to designate the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend from the Historic Museum Renovation Capital Reserve Fund established in 2008. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation 3-0. The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation 6-2. (Majority vote required)

YES 304 NO 258

**ARTICLE 19:** To see if the Town will vote under the provisions of RSA 72:39-a to modify the elderly exemptions from property tax in the Town of Fremont based on assessed value, for qualified taxpayers, to be as follows: for a person 65 years of age up to 75 years \$60,000; for a person 75 years of age up to 80 years \$80,000; for a person 80 years of age or older \$100,000. To qualify, the person must have been a new Hampshire resident for at least 3 consecutive years, own the real estate individually or jointly, or if the real estate is owned by such person's spouse, they must have been married to each other for at least 5 consecutive years. In addition, the taxpayer must have a net income in each applicable age group of not more than \$30,000 or, if married, a combined net income of less than \$40,000; and own net assets not in excess of \$50,000 excluding the value of the person's residence. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation 3-0. The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation 7-1. (Majority vote required)

## **YES 472** NO 105

**ARTICLE 20:** Shall the Town of Fremont adopt the provisions of RSA 72:28-b, All Veterans' Tax Credit? If adopted, the credit will be available to any resident, or the spouse or surviving spouse of any resident, who served not less than 90 days on active service in the armed forces of the United States and was honorably discharged or an officer honorably separated from services and is not eligible for and is not receiving a credit under RSA 72:28 or RSA 72:35. If adopted, the credit granted will be \$500, the same amount as the standard or optional veterans' tax credit voted by the Town under RSA 72:28. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation 3-0. The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation 8-0. (Majority vote required)

#### **YES 486** NO 88

**ARTICLE 21:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of two thousand eight hundred dollars (\$2,800) to support One Sky Community Services, a new social service agency request. If approved, this agency would become one of the agencies approved annually within the operating budget for the Town. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation 3-0. The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation 7-1. (Majority vote required)

#### YES 317 NO 245

**ARTICLE 22:** By Petition: Shall the Voters of the Town of Fremont, New Hampshire, vote to require that a "list" of any and ALL, current, ongoing or SETTLED – Law Suits, Litigations, Legal Actions, Legal Proceedings, Legal Cases, Legal Claims, Legal Actions, or "out of Court Settlements" that have been filed AGAINST and/or BY, the Town of Fremont N.H., during any part of the Town Budget Year, (January 1st – December 31st), be Published in every "Annual Report" of the Town of Fremont N.H. and, that the "list" shall conform with all New Hampshire "Right to Know Laws," and "Freedom of Information Act" (F.O.I.A.) request Laws? (Majority vote required)

## YES 432 NO 134

A true copy of the voting results of the Town of Fremont. This document contains four pages in total, reporting on the 22 Town Articles for 2018.

Nicole E Cloutier Town Clerk