



TOWN OF FREMONT 2019 TOWN MEETING VOTING RESULTS

Pursuant to NH RSA 40:13 II, the first session of the 2019 Town Meeting (the Deliberative Session) was held on Monday February 4, 2019 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 12, 2019 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 823 residents voted, 801 in person and 22 absentee. Thirteen (13) new voters were registered on Election Day.

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

Selectman: 1 for 3 years

Roger A Barham 671

Trustee of Trust Funds: 1 for 3 years

Patricia J Martel 637

Library Trustee: 1 for 3 years

Arlene Nuzzi 656

Treasurer: 1 for 3 years

Rachel Edwards 670

Budget Committee: 2 for 3 years

Patricia J Martel 274

Michael A Nygren 201

Steven Bonaccorsi 442

Mary Jo Holmes 365

Cemetery Trustee: 1 for 3 years:

Mike Nygren 6 write in

Cemetery Trustee: 1 for 2 years

Jeanne Nygren 659

ARTICLE 2: Are you in favor of the proposed amendment to Article 9 Section 908 of the Fremont Zoning Ordinance so that all lots shall be subject to the lot size and frontage requirements that existed at the time the lot was lawfully created? **The Planning Board recommends this article 6-0-0.** Majority vote required.

YES 610 NO 190

ARTICLE 3: Are you in favor of the proposed amendment to Article 11 Section 1101.7 of the Fremont Zoning Ordinance to delete this section? This section of the Zoning Ordinance allows for the reconstruction of destroyed buildings within one year of its destruction. This language already exists elsewhere in the Zoning Ordinance in Article 5 Section 502. **The Planning Board recommends this article 6-0-0.** Majority vote required.

YES 612 NO 181

ARTICLE 4: Are you in favor of the proposed amendments to Article 11 Section 1102 of the Fremont Zoning Ordinance so that an accessory dwelling unit is permitted without a Special Exception from the Zoning Board of Adjustment? This proposal would also allow accessory dwelling units to be one half of the size of the primary living unit, or 800 square feet, whichever is greater. **The Planning Board recommends this article 6-0-0.** Majority vote required.

YES 569 NO 216

ARTICLE 5: Are you in favor of the proposed amendments to Article 11 Section 1103 of the Fremont Zoning Ordinance to allow businesses that operate under the Home Occupation Ordinance to display signs as described in the Sign Ordinance, rather than being limited to a one square foot sign? This proposal would

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also allow beauty shops and barber shops to operate as home occupation businesses. Finally, this proposal would prohibit the delivery of materials to a home occupation business by commercial vehicles over twenty-six thousand (26,000) lbs GVWR more than one time a week. **The Planning Board recommends this article 6-0-0.** Majority vote required.

YES 587 NO 211

ARTICLE 6: Are you in favor of the proposed amendments to Article 4 of the Fremont Zoning Ordinance to add a definitions section? Some of the definitions already exist in the Zoning Ordinance and are simply being moved to this new section. Other definitions are new to the Zoning Ordinance. All definitions in this proposed section are intended to be used throughout the whole Zoning Ordinance. **The Planning Board recommends this article 6-0-0.** Majority vote required.

YES 604 NO 182

ARTICLE 7: Are you in favor of the proposed amendments to Article 7 of the Fremont Zoning Ordinance that include: (1) Changes to the district boundaries to appear on the Fremont, NH Zoning District Map (Article 7, Section 701-703). The extent of the changes can be viewed on the proposed Zoning District Map, (2) Renaming the Corporate-Commercial Zoning District to the Shirkin Road Commercial District, (3) Renaming the Commercial-Highway District to the Main Street District, (4) Including existing Conditional Use Permit criteria for certain uses in the Commercial- Highway and Corporate-Commercial Districts for clarity, (5) Expanding the Commercial-Highway District to extend onto portions of Red Brook Road, Danville Road, and on the northern side of Main Street towards the Brentwood/Fremont town line, (6) Addition of a "Residential District" that is currently undefined in the existing zoning. Allowed uses include residential uses and agricultural uses. The proposal includes a Conditional Use Permit requirement and criteria for establishing multi-family housing within the Residential District, (7) Addition of criteria for issuing a Conditional Use Permit for commercial uses within the Flexible Use District, (8) Better representing on the Zoning District Map which parcels are within the proposed Flexible Use District? **The Planning Board recommends this article 6-0-0.** Majority vote required.

YES 479 NO 283

ARTICLE 8: Are you in favor of the proposed amendment to Article 7 Section 708 and Article 8 of the Fremont Zoning Ordinance to: (1) Clarify which uses are permitted, permitted by Conditional Use Permit, or prohibited, (2) Rename the Zoning Districts as reflected in the proposed zoning district amendments, (3) Replace the existing table of uses with a simpler list of uses? **The Planning Board recommends this article 6-0-0.** Majority vote required.

YES 515 NO 249

ARTICLE 9: Are you in favor of the proposed amendment to Article 12 Section 1203 of the Fremont Zoning Ordinance to amend the Fremont Aquifer Protection Ordinance by allowing new, low-risk uses in the district while requiring commercial uses that use regulated or hazardous substances of five gallons or more to participate in an inspection program to ensure best management practices are being followed? **The Planning Board recommends this article 6-0-0.** Majority vote required.

YES 423 NO 353

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ARTICLE 10: 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 \$3,103,730? Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be \$3,033,630, 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. **The Selectmen recommend this appropriation 3-0. The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation 8-0.** Majority vote required.

YES 415 NO 372

ARTICLE 11: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of forty-one thousand three hundred eighty-six dollars (\$41,386) 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 2-6.** Majority vote required.

YES 332 NO 466

ARTICLE 12: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of sixty-six thousand dollars (\$66,000) to have the ability to fund Fire and EMS coverage at night and on weekends. This sum covers nine months of wages and benefits to create incentive for Fremont Fire Rescue Department personnel to be on call for evening and weekend hours. 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 recommends this appropriation 8-0.** Majority vote required.

YES 505 NO 293

ARTICLE 13: Article 13: To see if the Town will vote to establish a Computer Equipment Expendable Trust Fund per RSA 31:19-a, for the purpose of maintenance, repair or purchase of computer equipment and to raise and appropriate four thousand dollars (\$4,000) to put in the fund; and further to name the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend. **The Selectmen recommend this appropriation 3-0. The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation 5-3.** Majority vote required.

YES 401 NO 390

ARTICLE 14: 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 456 NO 338

ARTICLE 15: To see if the Town will approve the Board of Selectmen entering into a five (5) year contract through 12/31/2023 with Waste Management for the curbside collection, transport and disposal of solid waste and recyclables from the Town of Fremont with an annual increase of 3%. Based on the current price, this is estimated to be an average annual increase of \$8,923 over the life of the contract. The

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contract will require the Town to continue to use Waste Management and will require Waste Management to provide services at a guaranteed price. The 2019 cost of \$284,370 is included in the operating budget, Article 10, and no additional funds are raised by this Article for 2019. **The Selectmen recommend this appropriation 3-0. The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation 8-0.** Majority vote required.

YES 661 NO 137

ARTICLE 16: 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 387 NO 410

ARTICLE 17: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of two hundred thousand dollars (\$200,000) 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 7-0.** Majority vote required.

YES 446 NO 355

ARTICLE 18: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one dollar (\$1.00) to be placed in the Highway Equipment Capital Reserve Fund. **The Selectmen originally recommended this appropriation 3-0, but a separate vote was not taken after Deliberative Session. The Budget Committee originally recommended this article 8-0, but a separate vote was not taken after the amendment at Deliberative Session.** Majority vote required.

YES 505 NO 285

ARTICLE 19: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) to grind, reclaim and pave a portion of Chester Road and do associated shoulder work and driveway paving tie-ins. **The Selectmen originally recommended this appropriation 3-0. The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation 6-0.** Majority vote required.

YES 444 NO 360

ARTICLE 20: 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 7-1.** Majority vote required.

YES 486 NO 324

ARTICLE 21: To see if the Town will vote to designate as Town Forest, in accordance with NH RSA 31:110, the following parcels of land: 04-018 and 02-151-001. **The Selectmen recommend this article 3-0. The Budget Committee recommends this article 7-0-1. The Conservation Commission recommends this article 4-0.** Majority vote required.

YES 650 NO 158

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ARTICLE 22: To see if the Town will vote to establish a Cemetery Maintenance Trust Fund pursuant to RSA 31:19-a and RSA 289:2-a. The money received from the sale of cemetery lots in Fremont cemeteries shall be placed in the Fund and shall be used along with any interest thereon for the maintenance of cemeteries; and further to name the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend from this fund upon recommendation of the Cemetery Trustees. **The Selectmen recommend this article 3-0. The Budget Committee recommends this article 7-1.**

Majority vote required.

YES 620 NO 183

ARTICLE 23: By Petition: To see if the Town will vote to change the method of compensation (RSA 41:25) for the Town Clerk Tax Collector from salary to statutory fees. This article is in effect until rescinded by the legislative body at a future town meeting. **The Selectmen do not recommend this article 3-0. The Budget Committee does not recommend this article 7-0-1.** Majority vote required.

YES 143 NO 660

ARTICLE 24: By Petition: To see if the Town will vote, for increased accountability, are you in favor of changing the term of the tax collector/clerk from 3 years to one year, beginning at the end of the 3 year term of the tax collector/clerk elected 2 years ago? **The Selectmen do not recommend this article 3-0. The Budget Committee does not recommend this article 7-0-1.** Majority vote required.

YES 141 NO 664

ARTICLE 25: By Petition: To see if the Town will vote, pursuant to RSA 673:2, II(b), the planning board members shall be elected positions and shall be elected according to the procedure in RSA 673:2, II (b)(1) at the next town meeting. **The Selectmen do not recommend this article 3-0. The Budget Committee does not recommend this article 5-0-3.** Majority vote required.

YES 303 NO 494

ARTICLE 26: By Petition: To see if the Town will vote that the tax collector/clerk shall be compensated by a base annual salary of seventeen thousand dollars (\$17,000) and, in addition, the clerk shall submit a notarized invoice for fifty percent (50%) of statutory fees collected while present in the town office to the treasurer. A notarized invoice given to the treasurer for any statutory fees collected while the tax collector/clerk was not present in the town office of the tax collector shall be considered a theft of assets under RSA 41:16-c and grounds for removal of the tax collector/clerk. **The Selectmen do not recommend this article 3-0. The Budget Committee recommends this article 4-3-1.** Majority vote required.

YES 185 NO 618

A true copy of the voting results of the Town of Fremont. This document contains five (5) pages in total, reporting on the 26 Town Articles for 2019.

Nicole E Cloutier
Town Clerk