

REPORT OF THE TOWN CLERK

The mission of the Town Clerk's Office is to provide the residents and businesses of Fremont with efficient, friendly, timely services and to provide assistance in obtaining the information they seek. Although the total revenue number was down, many categories of services saw an increase in the total number of transactions processed. Along with providing the regular daily services within the office, attending training and certification classes and four (4) Elections, 2008 proved to be quite a busy year.

I am pleased to announce that the voter turnout in Fremont for the Primary in January and the General Election in November broke all previous town records. I am proud of all who took an active role in the election process. I would like to extend a sincere thanks to Dick Rand & Neal Janvrin for their never-ending help behind the scenes with the set up of the entire polling equipment. I would also like to extend a thank you to the Moderator, the Supervisors, the Selectmen, the Deputy Town Clerk and all election volunteers for their assistance in helping to make my job a little less stressful. I would also like to commend the Fremont Ballot Clerks. They are without a doubt the hardest-working, most dedicated, most reliable four people that I am fortunate to have the pleasure to work with. This fall, one of our most "experienced" ballot clerks, Ruth Anderson, passed away. She always greeted each voter with a smile, and was always the first one to offer her assistance if a voter needed help. She was like a Hoover vacuum cleaner with two legs, as she made her way through each of the voting booths making sure there was never any campaign material left behind by a voter. She is sorely missed.

The motor vehicle "renewal notices" program has proven to be a great success thus far. Approximately 35 percent of those receiving a renewal notice utilize the "mail-in" service. I am excited to report that I have begun discussions with a company that provides the "E-Reg" program to cities and towns. E-Reg is an on – line registration program which allows residents to renew their auto registrations via the Internet. It also captures e-mail addresses of citizens for future renewal notifications. This program will also allow residents to submit a change of address and give quotes on new vehicles or transfers. I'm anticipating this exciting new program's cost will be a part of my 2010 budget this fall. I believe this program will be a very successful / useful tool with residents.

I would like to encourage all dog owners to please license your dog(s) by April 30th of each year. By doing so, you prevent the initiation of a late penalty of \$1.00 per month per dog. You also prevent the initiation of a civil forfeiture fee of \$25.00 per dog. If you no longer have a dog(s) please contact the office so your name can be removed from the list so you are not assessed late fees and civil forfeiture fees. As required by RSA 466:1, all dogs must be licensed each year by April 30th. For your convenience, dog license(s) can be mailed directly to your home for a nominal additional fee of \$1.00 per dog.

The Newsletter and the Town website are both useful tools to provide you with the most up to date information regarding any of the services this office provides.

As a reminder, and if ever the need arises, both Kathy and I are Notaries and I am also a Justice of the Peace.

I would like to extend my gratitude and sincere thanks to my Deputy, Kathy and to all Town employees and Town departments with whom this office works with on a daily basis.

Your continued support and assistance is greatly appreciated. I would also like to express my deepest appreciation to you, the residents of Fremont. It is indeed a great pleasure and privilege to serve you. As always, you are encouraged to call the office at 895-8693 with any questions or concerns you may have before making a trip to the office. Calling will help ensure that you have the necessary documentation needed to allow us to serve you more efficiently.

Respectfully submitted,

Lori A Holmes
Town Clerk



Fremont Garden Club
Winter 2008
Greens Workshop

Held at the Fremont Safety Complex

Photo Courtesy of Carolyn Carr

"Don't waste life in doubts and fears; spend yourself on the work before you, well assured that the right performance of this hour's duties will be the best preparation for the hours and ages that will follow it."

~ Ralph Waldo Emerson