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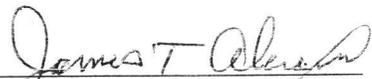
Relative to Parking on Stage Road and Raymond Road During the Deerfield Fair

Whereas RSA 47:17 empowers Towns to regulate parking on roads and other Town property, and, whereas the Board of Selectmen has determined that such regulation will have a salutary affect on conditions during the four (4) days the Deerfield Fair is in operation,

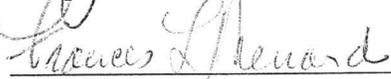
No person or persons shall park any automobile, truck or other motor vehicle, attended or unattended, along either side of Stage Road, also known as Route 43, from the intersection of Raymond Road, also known as Route 107, up to the North Entrance of the fairgrounds, and, no person shall park any automobile, truck, or other motor vehicle, attended or unattended, along the West side of Raymond Road, also known as Route 107, from the intersection of Stage Road, also known as Route 43, in a Northerly direction up to the bridge.

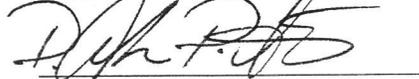
Any person violating the provisions of this ordinance shall be subject to a fine of Fifty Dollars (\$50.00) for each offense.

This Ordinance was adopted by the Deerfield Board of Selectmen on March 4, 2002.


James T. Alexander


Joseph E. Stone


Frances L. Menard

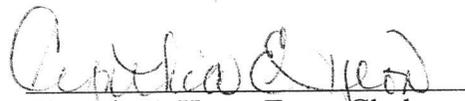

R. Andrew Robertson

Paul P. Dinneen

This is to certify that on the 4th day of March, 2002, the above Ordinance was filed and recorded with the records of the Town Clerk of Deerfield, New Hampshire.

Witness my hand this 4th day of March, 2002.

A True Record,
Attest:


Cynthia E. Heon, Town Clerk

**RSA 658:31 Counting Ballots
Town/School/Zoning Election
March 8, 2002**

10:10AM Assembled for the counting of the Town/School/Zoning Election Ballots
were: Jeanette L. Foisy, Deputy Town Clerk/Tax Collector and Debra Tibbetts,
Registered Voter.

10:15AM Counting of Ballots Began

10:30AM Moderator Jack Hutchinson and Chairman James Alexander ran
the pre-election test for the ballot machine

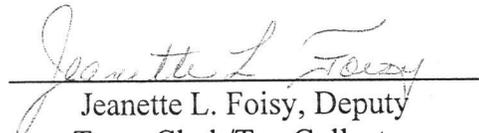
11:00AM Counting of Ballots Ended

1992 Results of Counting

9 Ballots used for testing ballot machine

11:30AM Sealed Box

A True Record,
Attest:



Jeanette L. Foisy, Deputy
Town Clerk/Tax Collector

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Deerfield, in the County of Rockingham, in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Deerfield Town Hall in said Deerfield, on Tuesday, the twelfth of March, next at 7 of the clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.
2. By Petition: To see if the Town will vote to repeal Article II, Section 213 relative to the Senior Housing Overlay District in the Agricultural Zone: repeal Article VI, Section 602, eliminating the definition of "senior housing"; and amend Article II, Section 204, by eliminating as a permitted use senior housing up to twenty (20) units and permitting senior housing over twenty (20) units by special exception. (The Planning Board has voted to disapprove this petitioned Article.)

(The proposed amendment and petition are available for inspection at the offices of the Town Clerk and Selectmen during business hours of Monday 8:00AM to 7:00PM and Tuesday through Friday from 8:00AM to 2:30PM.)

*THE POLLS ARE TO OPEN AT 7:00AM AND WILL CLOSE NOT EARLIER
THAN 7:00PM.*

*THE BUSINESS PORTION OF THE TOWN MEETING WILL BE HELD ON SATURDAY,
MARCH 23, 2002, AT THE DEERFIELD COMMUNITY SCHOOL BEGINNING AT 9:00AM.*

Given under our hands and seal, this 25th day of February, in the year of our Lord
Two Thousand Two.

James T. Alexander
James T. Alexander

Joseph E. Stone
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Selectmen

of

R. Andrew Robertson

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Deerfield

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THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

TO THE INHABITANTS OF THE TOWN OF DEERFIELD in the County of Rockingham in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Deerfield Community School in said Deerfield, on Saturday, the 23rd day of March, next at nine of the clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirty Nine Thousand Nine Hundred Eleven Dollars (\$39,911) to purchase a 2002 Ford F450 Truck for the Highway Department.
Recommended by the Selectmen Recommended by the Budget Committee
2. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty One Thousand Seven Hundred Eighty Three Dollars (\$21,783) to purchase Police Department radios.
Recommended by the Selectmen Recommended by the Budget Committee
3. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Eighteen Thousand Eight Hundred Eighty Four Dollars (\$18,884) to replace the shingles at the Central Fire Station.
Recommended by the Selectmen Recommended by the Budget Committee
4. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000) to purchase a compactor for the Transfer Station.
Recommended by the Selectmen Recommended by the Budget Committee
5. By Petition:
To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000) for the purpose of helping to fund a children's playground. The Selectmen have granted permission to locate the playground on the grounds near the Gazebo. *This is a special warrant article.*
Recommended by the Selectmen Recommended by the Budget Committee
6. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twelve Thousand Four Hundred Forty Five Dollars (\$12,445) for the purpose of Town employee raises for salaries and wages. (This represents a 2.6% cost of living increase for all full time and part time employees.)
Recommended by the Selectmen Recommended by the Budget Committee
7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Eight Thousand Eight Hundred Fifty Eight Dollars (\$8,858) to complete the bandstand.
Recommended by the Selectmen Recommended by the Budget Committee
8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Eight Thousand Dollars (\$8,000) for an electrical upgrade at the Transfer Station to include a phase converter.
Recommended by the Selectmen Recommended by the Budget Committee

March 23, 2002

We hereby certify that we gave notice to the inhabitants within named, to meet at the time and place and for the purpose within mentioned, by posting up an attested copy of the within Warrant at the place of meeting (Deerfield Community School) within named, and a like attested copy at the Blue Bowl Store, the Town Hall and George B. White Building, being public places in said Town, on the 25th day of February 2002.

Given under our hands and seal, this 23rd day of March, in the year of our Lord
Two Thousand Two.

9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Six Thousand Two Hundred Thirty Dollars (\$6,230) for the purchase of two PC's to include networking {\$2,500 Police Department and \$2,500 Town Offices}; reconfigure and network Gateway Laptops {equipment transfer from the Police Department to the Town Offices} \$225; to reconstruct Police Department and Town Office Computers by using parts from retired PC's labor of \$160; install four network connections \$400; Establish Web Page on Internet \$445.
Recommended by the Selectmen Recommended by the Budget Committee
10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Six Thousand Dollars (\$6,000) for protective gear for the members of the Fire Department.
Recommended by the Selectmen Recommended by the Budget Committee
11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Four Thousand Four Hundred and Fifty Dollars (\$4,450) to purchase an in-cruiser video recording system.
Recommended by the Selectmen Not Recommended by the Budget Committee
12. By Petition
To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$1,500) to be used by Northwood Lake Watershed Association to control the Milfoil problem.
Recommended by the Selectmen Recommended by the Budget Committee
13. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000) to be applied to the purchase of a Moving Police Radar unit.
Recommended by the Selectmen Not Recommended by the Budget Committee
14. To see if the Town will vote to discontinue the Revaluation Capital Reserve Fund. Said funds with accumulated interest to date of withdrawal are to be transferred to the Town's General Fund.
Recommended by the Selectmen Recommended by the Budget Committee
15. By Petition
To see if the Town will vote to accept and maintain (snow removal, road repairs, storm drain upkeep & etc.) the following roads located in Cottonwoods Estates: Bliss Rd., Companion Rd., Harmony Rd., Homestead Rd., Prospect Rd and the Fire Pond access road.
16. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray Town Charges for the ensuing year and make appropriations of same.
17. By Petition
To see if the Town will vote to establish an Ethics Committee of five (5) Deerfield residents, to be elected during the next Town election for staggered three-year terms. During the first election, two seats will be for a term of three years, two seats for a term of two years, and one seat for a term of one year.

The first purpose of this committee will be to establish legally binding guidelines for ethical standards of conduct for all Town and School officials (elected or appointed) and employees, defining those actions that are incompatible with the best interests of the town, and requiring that these officials and employees fully disclose any private financial or other interests in matters affecting the town. An ethics code will be adopted by the Ethics Committee after a public hearing at which time they will receive citizens' comments.

A secondary purpose is to provide a forum for Deerfield citizens to submit written complaints of ethical violations by Town officials or employees. The Ethics Committee shall be responsible to the voters to conduct appropriate investigations, issue findings and recommend appropriate actions.

No members of the Code of Ethics Committee may be a public official (either employed, appointed, or elected), nor may they be a linear relative (to third generation) of said public officials according to inheritance rules.

18. To see if the Town will adopt the following resolution:
 -Whereas a new Town road becomes property of the Town and does not remain the property of an individual and
 -Whereas the name assigned to a public way will become a permanent fixture in the Town of Deerfield and
 -Whereas such a permanent fixture should not be chosen to satisfy a short term marketing need and
 -Whereas there are many persons, places and things specific to the Town that are worthy of honoring with a form of permanent remembrance;
 Therefore, be it resolved that it shall be the policy of the Board of Selectmen to assign names to public rights of way that are geographically specific to the Town of Deerfield or historically significant to the Town, State, or Nation provided, however, that the assignment of such names shall be consistent with, and not interfere with, the naming of streets and roads for purposes of 911 emergency identification.
19. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to convey the following property:
 Map 415 Lot 79 - Mountain Road
- In furtherance of the foregoing, the Selectmen are further authorized to convey such property by deed either pursuant to a public action or sale by advertised sealed bids.
20. To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

Given under our hands and seal, this 25th day of February, in the year of our Lord Two Thousand and Two.

A True Copy,
 Attest:

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 Joseph E. Stone
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Selectmen

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R. Andrew Robertson

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STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION
MUNICIPAL SERVICES DIVISION
P.O. BOX 487, CONCORD, NH 03302-0487
(603)271-3397



BUDGET OF THE TOWN/CITY

OF: DEERFIELD

BUDGET FORM FOR TOWNS WHICH HAVE ADOPTED
THE PROVISIONS OF RSA 32:14 THROUGH 32:24

Appropriations and Estimates of Revenue for the Ensuing Year January 1, 2002 to December 31, 2002

or Fiscal Year From _____ to _____

IMPORTANT:

Please read RSA 32:5 applicable to all municipalities.

1. Use this form to list the entire budget in the appropriate recommended and not recommended area. This means the operating budget and all special and individual warrant articles must be posted.
2. Hold at least one public hearing on this budget.
3. When completed, a copy of the budget must be posted with the warrant. Another copy must be placed on file with the town clerk, and a copy sent to the Department of Revenue Administration at the above address.

We Certify This Form Was Posted on (Date): 02-25-2002

BUDGET COMMITTEE

Please sign in ink.

Charles D. [Signature]
[Signature]
[Signature]
Michael D. Williams
Walter G. [Signature]
[Signature]

[Signature]
[Signature]
[Signature]

THIS BUDGET SHALL BE POSTED WITH THE TOWN WARRANT

Budget - Town of Deerfield

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Acct #	Purpose of Appropriations (RSA 32:3,V)	Warr Art.#	Appropriation Prior Year as Approved DRA	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	Selectmen's Appropriations Ensuing Fiscal Year Recommend	Not Recommend	Budget Committee's Approp Ensuing Fiscal Year Recommend	Not Recommend
GENERAL GOVERNMENT								
4130-4130	Executive		219,218.00	208,908.00	236,725.00		236,725.00	
4140-4140	Election, Reg & Vital Statistics		9,700.00	9,151.00	7,575.00		7,575.00	
4150-4151	Financial Administration		16,115.00	14,980.00	21,544.00		21,544.00	
4152	Revaluation of Property		29,100.00	27,772.00	35,038.00		35,038.00	
4153	Legal Expenses		20,000.00	29,116.00	20,000.00		20,000.00	
4155-4155	Personnel Administration		34,400.00	40,123.00	40,647.00		40,647.00	
4191-4193	Planning & Zoning		30,920.00	19,882.00	31,069.00		31,069.00	
4194	General Government Buildings		117,412.00	104,698.00	116,926.00		116,926.00	
4195	Cemeteries		8,600.00	8,576.00	8,800.00		8,800.00	
4196	Insurance		121,167.00	121,171.00	167,340.00		167,340.00	
4197	Advertising & Regional Assoc.		2,112.00	2,112.00	2,220.00		2,220.00	
4199	Other General Government							
	PUBLIC SAFETY		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	
4210-4214	Police		350,487.00	334,094.00	390,752.00		390,752.00	
4215-4219	Ambulance		5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00		5,000.00	
4220-4229	Fire		37,825.00	40,280.00	43,645.00		43,645.00	
4240-4249	Building Inspection		39,250.00	30,102.00	50,231.00		50,231.00	
4290-4299	Emergency Management		4,220.00	4,201.00	7,520.00		7,520.00	
4299	Other (Including Communications)							
	AIRPORT/AVIATION CENTER		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	
4301-4309	Airport Operations							
	HIGHWAYS & STREETS		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	
4311	Administration		122,094.00	121,895.00	128,498.00		128,498.00	
4312	Highways & Streets		434,407.00	402,124.00	438,106.00		438,106.00	
4313	Bridges		500.00		500.00		500.00	

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			Prior Year as Approved DRA	Actual Expenditures Prior Yr	Ensuing Fiscal Year Recommend	Not Recommend	Ensuing Fiscal Year Recommend	Not Recommend
	HIGHWAYS & STREETS continued							
4316	Street Lighting							
4319	Other							
	SANITATION		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4321	Administration		31,000.00	30,964.00	36,500.00		36,500.00	
4323	Solid Waste Collection		23,150.00	16,226.00	22,150.00		22,150.00	
4324	Solid Waste Disposal		121,301.00	132,078.00	128,751.00		128,751.00	
4325	Solid Waste Clean-up							
4326-4329	Sewage Collection, Disposal & Other							
	WATER DISTRIBUTION & TREATMENT		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4331	Administration							
4332	Water Services							
4335-4339	Water Treatment, Conserv. & Other							
	ELECTRIC		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4351-4352	Administration & Generation							
4353	Purchase Costs							
4354	Electric Equipment Maintenance							
4359	Other Electric Costs							
	HEALTH/WELFARE		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4411	Administration							
4414	Pest Control (ACO)		26,084.00	21,593.00	25,984.00		25,984.00	
4415-4419	Health Agencies & Hospital & Other		21,607.00	21,529.00	19,784.00		19,784.00	
4441-4442	Administration & Direct Assistance		24,000.00	9,694.00	24,000.00		24,000.00	
4444	Intergovernmental Welfare Payments							
4445-4449	Vendor Payments & Other							

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	CULTURE & RECREATION							
4520-4529	Parks & Recreation		30,730.00	26,898.00	73,351.00		73,351.00	
4550-4558	Library		48,961.00	44,407.00	55,959.00		55,959.00	
4583	Patriotic Purposes		2,800.00	2,558.00	1,000.00		1,000.00	
4589	Other Culture & Recreation							
	CONSERVATION		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4611-4612	Admin & Purchase of Natural Resources		4,000.00	4,000.00	2,000.00		2,000.00	
4619	Other Conservation		1,956.00	1,956.00	1,632.00		1,632.00	
4631-4632	REDEVELOPMENT & HOUSING							
4651-4659	ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT							
	DEBT SERVICE		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4711	Principal-Long Term Bonds & Notes		190,000.00	190,000.00	100,000.00		100,000.00	
4721	Interest-Long Term Bonds & Notes		36,788.00	36,788.00	28,125.00		28,125.00	
4723	Interest on Tax Anticipation Notes		3,000.00		3,000.00		3,000.00	
4790-4799	Other Debt Service		6,200.00	10,971.00	12,000.00		12,000.00	
	CAPITAL OUTLAY		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4901	Land							
4902	Machinery, Vehicles & Equipment							
4903	Buildings							
4909	Improvements other than Buildings							
	OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4912	To Special Revenue Fund							
4913	To Capital Projects Fund							
4914	To Enterprise Fund							
	Sewer							
	Water							

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Special Warrant Articles

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Special warrant articles are defined in RSA 32:3, VI, as appropriatins 1) in petitioned warrant articles; 2) appropriations raised by bonds or notes; 3) appropriations to a separate fund created pursuant to law, such as capital reserve funds or trust funds; or 4) an appropriation designated on the warrant as a special article or as a nonlapping or nontransferable article.

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Acct	Purpose of Appropriations (RSA 32:3, V)	Warr Art #	Appropriation		Selectmen's Appropriations		Budget Committee's Appropriations	
			Prior Year as Approved DRA	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	Ensuing Fiscal Year Recommend	Not Recommend	Ensuing Fiscal Year Recommend	Not Recommend
	Children's Playground*	5			15,000.00		15,000.00	
	Northwood Lake Milfoil*	12			1,500.00		1,500.00	
	Subtotal 2 Recommended		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	16,500.00	XXXXXXXXXX	16,500.00	XXXXXXXXXX
	*Petitioned Articles							

Individual Warrant Articles

Individual warrant articles are not necessarily the same as "special warrant articles." An example of an individual warrant article might be negotiated cost items for labor agreements or items of a one time nature you wish to address individually.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Acct	Purpose of Appropriations (RSA 32:3, V)	Warr Art #	Appropriation		Selectmen's Appropriations		Budget Committee's Appropriations	
			Prior Year as Approved DRA	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	Ensuing Fiscal Year Recommend	Not Recommend	Ensuing Fiscal Year Recommend	Not Recommend
	Highway Truck	1			39,911.00		39,911.00	
	PD Radios	2			21,783.00		21,783.00	
	FD Central - Shingles	3			18,884.00		18,884.00	
	Transfer Station Compactor	4			15,000.00		15,000.00	
	Employees 2.6% COLA	6			12,445.00		12,445.00	
	Bandstand	7			8,858.00		8,858.00	
	Subtotal 3 Warrant Articles 2002		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	116,881.00	XXXXXXXXXX	116,881.00	XXXXXXXXXX

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Individual Warrant Articles continued

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Acct	Purpose of Appropriations (RSA 32:3,V)	Warr Art #	Appropriation Prior Yr as Approv DRA	Actual Expenditures Prior Yr	Selectmen's Appropriations Ensuing Fiscal Year Recommend	Not Recommend	Budget Committee's Approp Ensuing Fiscal Year Recommend	Not Recommend
	Transfer Station - Electrical	8			8,000.00		8,000.00	
	TAPD Computer Upgrades	9			6,230.00		6,230.00	
	FD Protective Gear	10			6,000.00		6,000.00	
	PD In-Cruiser Video	11			4,450.00			4,450.00
	PD Moving Radar	13			1,000.00			1,000.00
	Total 3 Recommended				142,561.00		137,111.00	5,450.00
	2001 Warrant Articles							
	Special/Non Lapsing	1	293,991.00	152,642.00				
	Police Cruiser	2	24,976.00	24,971.00				
	PD MVC/Recorder/Gr	3	4,200.00	4,200.00				
	Moving PD Radar/Gr	4	3,600.00					
	PD Moving Sticks/Gr	5	WA Failed	WA Failed				
	FT DTC/REC Director	6	14,818.00	8,801.00				
	Employee 3.4% COLA	7	13,644.00					
	Tabulating Machine	8	6,250.00	6,250.00				
	TH/Town Shed Water	9	6,000.00	5,828.00				
	ZBA Ord/PB Sub Reg	10	5,000.00					
	PD Module Tele Sys	11	3,660.00	3,660.00				
	Elec/Network PD/TA	12	2,600.00	2,305.00				
	TS Hazardous Matrl	13	5,000.00					
	CC Fund/Open Space	14	50,000.00	50,000.00				
	Total Warrant Articles 2001		433,739.00	258,657.00				

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Budget - Town of Deerfield

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Acct #	Source of Revenue	Warr Art #	Estimated Revenues Prior Year 2001	Actual Revenues Prior Year 2001	Estimated Revenues Ensuing Year 2002
TAXES					
3120	Land Use Change Taxes		40,000.00	51,353.00	45,000.00
3180	Resident Taxes				
3185	Timber Taxes		25,000.00	32,249.00	25,000.00
3186	Payment in Lieu of Taxes				
3189	Other Taxes				
3190	Interest & Penalties on Deliquent Taxes		45,000.00	50,659.00	45,000.00
	Inventory Penalties		3,000.00		3,000.00
3187	Excavation Tax (\$.02 cents per cu yd)		400.00	496.00	400.00
3188	Excavation Activity Tax		3,100.00	1,557.00	1,500.00
	LICENSES, PERMITS & FEES		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3210	Business Licenses & Permits		19,600.00	13,523.00	15,000.00
3220	Motor Vehicle Permit Fees		450,000.00	561,784.00	500,000.00
3230	Building Permits		25,000.00	31,465.00	25,000.00
3290	Other Licenses, Permits & Fees		11,000.00	13,281.00	11,000.00
3311-3319	FROM FEDERAL GOVERNMENT		27,300.00	16,546.00	
	FROM STATE		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3351	Shared Revenues		39,719.00	19,859.00	19,859.00
3352	Meals & Rooms Tax Distribution		81,157.00	95,841.00	80,000.00
3353	Highway Block Grant		100,075.00	100,075.00	102,087.00
3354	Water Pollution Grant				
3355	Housing & Community Development				
3356	State & Federal Forest Land Reimbursement		4,237.00	2,876.00	2,876.00
3357	Flood Control Reimbursement				
3359	Other (Including Railroad Tax)		84,887.00	37,438.00	17,370.00
3379	FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTS		13,463.00	9,544.00	8,500.00
	CHARGES FOR SERVICES		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3401-3406	Income from Departments		48,000.00	63,045.00	60,000.00
3409	Other Charges				
	MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3501	Sale of Municipal Property		5,000.00	3,105.00	10,000.00
3502	Interest on Investments		50,000.00	201,594.00	50,000.00
3503-3509	Other		75,500.00	115,097.00	75,500.00
	INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS IN		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3912	From Special Revenue Funds		35,000.00	22,201.00	40,000.00
3913	From Capital Projects Funds				

Budget - Town of Deerfield

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Acct #	Source of Revenue	Warr Art #	Estimated Revenues Prior Year 2001	Actual Revenues Prior Year 2001	Estimated Revenues Ensuing Year 2002
INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS IN continued					
3914	From Enterprise Funds				
	Sewer - (Offset)				
	Water - (Offset)				
	Electric - (Offset)				
	Airport - (Offset)				
3915	From Capital Reserve Funds		16,125.00	16,126.00	
3916	From Trust & Agency Funds		8,600.00	7,910.00	8,800.00
	OTHER FINANCING SOURCES		XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX
3934	Proc. From Long Term Bonds & Notes				
	Amts VOTED from F/B ("Surplus")		293,991.00		
	Fund Balance ("Surplus") to Reduce Taxes				
	TOTAL ESTIMATED REVENUE & CREDITS		1,505,154.00	1,467,624.00	1,145,892.00

BUDGET SUMMARY

	Selectmen's Recommended Budget	Budget Committee's Recommended Budget
Subtotal 1 Appropriations Recommended (from page 5)	2,286,372.00	2,286,372.00
Subtotal 2 Special Warrant Articles Recommended (from page 6)	16,500.00	16,500.00
Subtotal 3 "Individual" Warrant Articles Recommended (from page 6&6A)	142,561.00	137,111.00
Total Appropriations Recommended	2,445,433.00	2,439,983.00
Less: Amount of Estimated Revenues & Credits (from above, column 6)	1,145,892.00	1,145,892.00
Estimated Amount of Taxes to be Raised	1,299,541.00	1,294,091.00

Maximum Allowable Increase to Budget Committee's Recommended Budget per RSA 32:18: _____
 (See Supplemental Schedule with 10% Calculation)

TOWN OF DEERFIELD
Town Meeting--Election Portion
March 12, 2002

Moderator, Jonathan Hutchinson, gave instructions and made the following announcements: The Checklist was in place, Ballot Clerks present, Sample Ballots posted, Absentee Ballots to be cast at 1:00PM, procedures for voting and registering on Election Day, no electioneering within the prescribed areas.

Moderator, Hutchinson ran the pre election test on the Accu-Vote Ballot Machine. The Voting Machine was shown to be empty and a zero tape was printed. The Ballot Box was locked.

Moderator, Jonathan Hutchinson, stated if a ballot is spoiled return the ballot to the Ballot Clerks for a new ballot.

Election Officials present were: Moderator, Jonathan Hutchinson, Assistant Moderator, James County; Town Clerk/Tax Collector, Cynthia E. Heon; Deputy Town Clerk/Tax Collector, Jeanette Foisy; Election Assistants, Debra Tibbetts and Barbara Sundstrom; Inspectors of Elections, Irene Shores, Barbara Daley, Ella Sawyer and Suzanne Sherburne-Irene Shores and Barbara Daley were designated Ballot Clerks; Supervisors of the Checklist, Harriet Cady - Chairman, George Owen and Cherie Sanborn; Board of Selectmen, James Alexander-Chairman, Joseph Stone-Vice Chairman; Frances Menard, R. Andrew Robertson and Paul Dinneen, Selectmen.

Gatekeeper for this Election was Police Chief, Robert Wunderlich.

7:00AM The Moderator declared the Polls open and balloting began.

1:10PM Processing the Absentee Ballots Began

1:30PM All Absentees Ballots received, to this point, were processed.

5:10PM Absentee Ballots from the day's mail completed.

7:00PM Moderator, Jonathan Hutchinson, declared the polls closed.

The counting of the Ballots began Immediately.

Serving as Inspectors of Elections to count ballots were: Kevin Barry, Philip Bilodeau, Richard Boisvert, Paul Campelia, Ginger Demers, Judith Hartgen, Roger Hartgen, Rebecca Hutchinson, George Keech, Robert Knoettner, Violet Knoettner, Mark Lamontagne, Barbara Letourneau and Joan Mountford.

The Moderator announced the following dates of importance:

March 15	Last Day to Request a Recount
March 16	School District Meeting 9:00AM Deerfield Community School
March 19	Last Day to Request a Recount of a Ballot Question
March 23	Town Meeting--Business Portion 9:00AM Deerfield Community School

March 12, 2002 Election Statistics

2646	Registered Voters
1102	Regular Ballots Cast
42	Absentee Ballots Cast
10	Cancelled
43%	Voter Turnout

7:15PM Moderator Jonathan Hutchinson read the unofficial results of the Election for the Officers. The unofficial results were posted in the hall.

For Selectmen for Three Years (Vote for Two)

Paul A. Asselin	296		
Stephen R. Barry	498		
Timothy Godbois	159		
Peter J. Onksen	259		
Joseph E. Stone	611		
		Write-Ins	
Harriet Cady	4	Don Gorman	1
Donald Smith	3	Stephen Phillips	1
James Alexander	1	Paul Smith	1
Diane Blade	1	Rod Swanson	1
Wade Brazelton	1	Jonathan Winslow	1

For Moderator for Two Years (Vote for One)

Jonathan "Jack" W. Hutchinson	931		
		Write-Ins	
Harriet Cady	5	Doug Leavitt	2
Gavin Quill	3	Donald S. Daly	1

For Supervisors of Checklist for Six Years (Vote for One)

Harriet E. Cady	354
Donald J. Daley	172
Katharyn E. Williams	521
	Write-Ins
Sarah Davitt	1

For Town Treasurer for Three Years (Vote for One)

Cynthia E. Tomilson 983

Write-Ins

Harriet Cady 1
Ann Daly 1

James Nelson 1

For Highway Agent for Three Years (Vote for One)

Keith L. Rollins 677

David P. Twombly 285

Waldo "Wally" H. Twombly 73

Write-Ins

Ray Heon 22
Fred Palmer 6Paul Smith 1
Mark Young 3

For Trustee of Trust Funds for Three Years (Vote for One)

Donald "Don" Gorman 706

Write-Ins

Dwight Barnes 4
Howard Maley 4
Joe Stone 4
T. True 3
Don Daley 2
Paul Graham 2
Walt Hooker 2
George Humphrey 2
P. Murphy 2
J. Alexander 1
K. Barry 1
Steve Barry 1
D. Briggs 1
Patrick Brochu 1
Eric Gross 1
George Kelley 1C. Kelsey 1
Kim Kilgore 1
Matt Kimball 1
J. Menard 1
Dino Mokus 1
J. Muller 1
James Nelson 1
Peter Onksen 1
Luz Quill 1
Keith Rollins 1
Jack Sherburne 1
Cynthia Tomilson 1
Donald Tordoff 1
D. Twombly 1
Wally Twombly 1

For Trustee of Philbrick James Library for Three Years (Vote for Two)

Anne K. Deely 520

Luz "Rachel" Quill 459

Claudia "Renee" Rivard 479

Write-Ins

Laura Guinan 3
Paul Asselin 1
Melissa Graykin 1
Cindy Heon 1Sylvia Maley 1
Edie Markson 1
Charlene McCarron 1
Joan Tuck 1

For Overseer of Welfare for One Year (Vote for One)

Claudia "Renee" Rivard 788

Write-Ins

Liz Wunderlich	26	Donald Daley	1
Harriet Cady	6	Gigi Klipa	1
illa Houle Tyler	2	Peter Onksen	1
James Alexander	1	Sue Pollock	1

For Planning Board for Three Years (Vote for One)

Joseph A. Coronati 255

George H. Thompson, Jr. 638

Write-Ins

Chris Hatfield	5	Don Daley	1
Phil Bilodeau	2	Peter Onksen	1
Dan Briggs	1	Jack Sherburne	1

For Municipal Budget Committee for One Year (Vote for One)

Kevin R. Chalbeck 646

Sonia P. Rogers 321

Write-Ins

Erick Berglund	4	Howard Maley	1
Donald Daley	2	Ken McCarron	1
Paul Asselin	1	Dino Mokas	1
Warren Billings III	1	Paul Murphy	1
Patrick Brochu	1	Gary Roberge	1
Kevin Chalbeck	1	Ernie Robert	1
Ray Cote	1	Andrew Robinson	1
George Humphry	1	Waldo H Twombly	1

For Municipal Budget Committee for Three Years (Vote for Four)

Elbert I. Bicknell 522

Raymond W. Cote 607

Thomas P. Dillon 556

Stephen P. Phillips 537

Write-Ins

Erick Berglund	9	H. Cady	2
Tom True	7	Don Daley	2
George Humphrey	5	B. Davitt	2
Kevin Webber	5	Charles Kelsey	2
Dino Mokas	4	Ken McCarron	2
C. Kelsey	4	Sonia Rogers	2
Paul Murphy	4	Joe Stone	2
Howard Maley	3	Jim Alexander	1
Steven Barry	2	Susan Aubrey	1
Warren Billings III	2	Kevin Barry	1

P. Brochu	1	Sue Lassins	1
Kevin Chalbeck	1	J. Muller	1
Donald Daley	1	John Richards	1
K. Davitt	1	Gary Roberge	1
Joe Dubiansky	1	Ernie Roberts	1
Carolyn Emerson	1	Nellie Rollins	1
Tim Godbois	1	Willis Rollins, Jr.	1
Don Gorman	1	Paul Smith	1
David Hansen	1	Sue Strickler	1
Lynn Hapke	1	Rod Swanson	1
Paul Hussey	1	Don Tordoff	1
Rebecca Hutchinson	1	Peter VanBerkum	1
G. Kelley	1	Greg Williams	1
Larry Lassins	1	J. Williams	1

For Water Commissioner for One Year (Vote for One)

		Write-Ins	
Steve Cruikshank	35	Thomas Dillon	1
David O'Neal	6	Timothy Godbois	1
David Twombly	6	Martin Guardia	1
Carlyn Bosworth	5	K. Hartnett	1
Donald Smith	5	Steve Hussey	1
John Dubiansky	4	Wayne Hussey	1
Keith Rollins	4	Charles Kelsey	1
Mark Tibbetts	4	Dennis Kimball	1
Waldo Twombly	4	Chris Knight	1
Harriet Cady	3	Kevin Knowlton	1
Steve Barry	2	Janet Kwiatkowski	1
Don Daly	2	Willis Rollins, Jr.	1
Anthony DiMauro	2	J. McGrath	1
George Keech	2	Fran Menard	1
Howard Maley	2	D. Mokus	1
Fred Palmer	2	Vicky Motz	1
D. Wyman	2	A. Odea	1
Glen Young	2	Bill O'Neal	1
Kevin Barry	1	Peter Onksen	1
Kevin Bell	1	C. Sanborn	1
Warren Billings III	1	Chuck Sargent	1
Colby Boutwell	1	P. Smith	1
W. Brazelton	1	J. Stone	1
Al Cappello	1	B. VanHassel	1
Ray Cote	1	Donald Watts	1

For Water Commissioner for Three Years (Vote for One)

		Write-Ins	
Steve Cruikshank	21	Ray Cote	1
Waldo Twombly, Jr	6	Don Daly	1
Joe Stone	5	B. Fisher	1
Carlyn Bosworth	4	Don Gorman	1
David O'Neal	4	Steve Gregory	1
John Dubiansky	3	C. Guardia	1
Martin Guardia	3	Kate Hartnett	1
Willis Rollins, Jr.	3	Chris Hatfield	1
Don W. Smith	3	Janet Kwiatkowski	1
Mark Tibbetts	3	Charles Kelsey	1
Harriet Cady	2	Mathew Kimball	1
Tim Godbois	2	Dick Knowlton	1
Fred Palmer	2	Ed Mahoney	1
Donald Smith	2	J. McGrath	1
Paul Smith	2	John Miller	1
Dave Twombly	2	Frank Mitchell	1
Jim Alexander	1	D. Mokas	1
Paul Asselin	1	V. Motz	1
Steve Barry	1	James Nelson	1
Kevin Bell	1	Bill O'Neal	1
Phil Bilodeau	1	Peter Onksen	1
L. Brazelton	1	Keith Rollins	1
A. Cappello	1	B. VanHassel	1
Pat Cassier	1	Don Watts	1
Jeff Cook	1	Don Williams	1
Alex Cote	1	Mark Young	1

For School Board Member for Three Years (Vote for Two)

Timothy Godbois	163		
Donald "Don" Gorman	449		
Colleen C. Guardia	367		
Kevin A. Webber	347		
Judith "Judy" Williams	497		
		Write-Ins	
Harriet Cady	2	Stephen Phillips	1
Kevin Fisher	1	Gavin Quill	1
Howard Maley	1		

For School District Moderator for One Year (Vote for One)

Douglas Leavitt	644
Gavin F. Quill	381
	Writ-Ins
J. Hutchinson	1

For School District Treasurer for One Year (Vote for One)

Cynthia E. Tomilson	950		
	Write-Ins		
Harriet Cady	2	Robin Sargent	1
Don Gorman	1		

For School District Clerk for One Year (Vote for One)

Harriet E. Cady	590		
	Writ-Ins		
Lisa Brochu	16	Gay Brearley	1
Laura Guinan	14	Evelyn Cronyn	1
C. Tomilson	10	Bob Davitt	1
Colleen Guardia	7	Kandy Davitt	1
Suzie Sherburne	7	Sarah Davitt	1
Mary Spindell	7		
Mary Mahoney	3	Tim Godbois	1
Beth Mokas	3	Paul Graham	1
Tom True	3	Cindy Heon	1
Steve Barry	2	Linda Heon	1
Mary County	2	Deb Kelley	1
Don Daley	2	Doug Leavitt	1
Sonia Rogers	2	Janice Lenehan	1
Kay Williams	2	Howard Maley	1
Paul Asselin	1	Gavin Quill	1
Sue Aubrey	1	Luz Quill	1
Joann Bradbury	1	Robin Sargent	1
Cheryl Brosnahan	1		

1. ARE YOU IN FAVOR OF THE ADOPTION OF AMENDMENT NO. 1, PROPOSED BY PETITION FOR THE TOWN ZONING ORDINANCE AS FOLLOWS:

Repeal Article II, Section 213 relative to the Senior Housing Overlay District in the Agricultural Zone; repeal Article VI, Section 602, eliminating the definition of "senior housing"; and amend Article II, Section 204, by eliminating as a permitted use senior housing up to twenty (20) units and permitting senior housing over twenty (20) units by special exception. (The Planning Board has voted to disapprove this petitioned Article.)

YES 438 NO 674

The Town/School/Zoning Ballots Box was sealed at 8:30PM. The Moderator declared the Meeting Adjourned.

A True Record,
Attest:



Cynthia E. Heon
Town Clerk/Tax Collector

**TOWN OF DEERFIELD
TOWN MEETING -- BUSINESS PORTION
March 23, 2002**

At 9:00AM, Moderator Jonathan Hutchinson welcomed everyone and called the Business Portion of the Town Meeting to Order.

For the safety of all those in attendance, the Moderator pointed out the emergency exits, where a telephone was available and noted smoking was not allowed anywhere on the grounds of the Deerfield Community School.

The Moderator led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Moderator Jonathan Hutchinson introduced the officials seated on the platform as follows: Selectman Paul P. Dinneen, Selectman R. Andrew Robertson, Selectman Frances L. Menard, Vice Chairman of the Board of Selectmen, Joseph Stone and Chairman of the Board of Selectmen, James T. Alexander; Town Clerk/Tax Collector, Cynthia Heon; Douglas Leavitt, Assistant Moderator; Deputy Town Clerk/Tax Collector, Jeanette Foisy; Election Assistant, Debra Tibbetts; and other Officials at the Meeting were: Chairman of the Supervisors of the Checklist, Harriet Cady, Supervisors of the Checklist, Cherie Sanborn and George Owen; Ballot Clerks, Irene Shores, Ella Sawyer, Barbara Daley and Suzanne Sherburne; Inspectors of Elections, (Ballot Counters) Kevin Barry, George Keech, Stephen Barry, George Clark, Peter Onksen, Gary Roberge and Rachael Stuart.

Announcements

As part of the Earth Day celebration, the Deerfield Solid Waste Committee is selling composting bins for \$30 of which \$5 goes to the Bandstand Construction Fund.

Town Meeting-March 12, 2002-Election Results

Results of the March 12th Election were read and those who stood for election were recognized for the work they will do as it is often thankless and criticized. The Moderator stated that immediately following adjournment of this meeting, the newly elected officials should come forward and take the Oath of Office. Moderator Hutchinson announced the petitioned amendment to repeal a previously adopted Zoning Ordinance permitting senior housing was defeated.

Recognition/James T. Alexander

The Moderator recognized Town Clerk, Cynthia Heon and Vice Chairman of the Board of Selectmen/Representative to the General Court, the Honorable Joseph Stone for the purpose of making presentations.

Mrs. Heon was honored to share in the recognition of an individual who served as Selectman for eighteen years, eight of those as Chairman of the Board of Selectmen and asked that James T. Alexander come forward. Mrs. Heon presented Chairman Alexander with a memento of his last three years in office, which had been more than eventful. Having requested his dollar-filing fee back, on numerous occasions, a dollar (not Town funds) and a copy of the receipt, appropriately framed were returned to Chairman Alexander. In addition to this, and on behalf of the citizens of the community, a banner signed by the citizens on this past Election Day and a Certificate of Appreciation were presented for his dedication to this community. There was a standing ovation.

Chairman Alexander thanked the assembly saying that it was a pleasure and honor to serve the Town and it was somewhat sad to step down but it was time for new blood and new ideas and thanked the citizens for their confidence over the years.

Vice Chairman of the Board of Selectmen/Representative and Honorable Joseph Stone addressed the assembly stating it was a pleasure to be able to honor Chairman Alexander for his service to the community. Vice Chairman Stone reviewed the events that had taken place during Chairman Alexander's tenure in

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Office-1984 to the present day. Having served many years as Chairman of the Board of Selectmen, Vice Chairman Stone said it was only fitting the gavel Chairman Alexander used be presented to him. There was a round of applause.

Representative Stone then presented Chairman Alexander with a Resolution from the General Court publicly recognizing and granting its hearty and sincere congratulations for exemplary and dedicated service to Deerfield. The Speaker of the House, Representative Joseph Stone and Representative Kevin Chalbeck signed the Resolution. There was a round of applause.

During the presentation of the gavel, the gavel left the hand of Vice Chairman Stone and landed on the floor which provided Moderator Hutchinson with the opportunity to tell the assembly that Vice Chairman Stone, in his day was a great ball player-which is true.

Recognition/Erick Berglund

The Moderator recognized Selectman R. Andrew Robertson for the purpose of making presentations.

Selectman Robertson began by saying the Board of Selectmen and women wish to recognize an individual for his service and commitment to Town government and asked that Erick Berglund come forward. For 24 years of service to the Municipal Budget Committee (MBC) which equates to hundreds of meetings, serving as Chairman of the MBC and in keeping with the Town name and stature of the recipient Selectman Robertson presented Mr. Berglund with the official Old Buck of Deerfield Award. Selectman Robertson then presented a more respectful Certificate of Appreciation and a small gift. A round of applause.

Mr. Berglund said this was a very big surprise and appreciated. He noted that he could not sum up everything in one word but told the assembly that if anyone wanted to find out how the Town and School work consider running for the MBC. Certainly, Mr. Berglund said, it had been "fun", and a lot of other things too, and now it was time for something else. A round of applause.

Recognition/James T. Alexander

Selectman Robertson stated that although Chairman Alexander had been recognized it didn't seem right to let him go without receiving an Old Buck of Deerfield Award. In the eighteen years of service and that of Chairman, he surpassed the 1,000 meeting mark and a number of after hours phone calls. This kind of commitment deserves recognition. Selectman Robertson noted that, as any good woodsman knows old bucks only get to be old bucks because they know when to get out of the line of fire. Certainly Chairman Alexander earned the right to get out of the line of fire and Selectmen Robertson thanked him for his service to the community. A round of applause.

Recognition/Deerfield Fair Association

The Moderator recognized Parks and Recreation Director, Joe Manzi. Mr. Manzi wished to acknowledge, and inform the Town, that the Town and the Deerfield Fair Association share a close relationship. The two entities were close to reaching an agreement to locate athletic fields at the Fairgrounds. This is also being accomplished with the assistance of the Parks and Recreation Commission consisting of Jonathan Hutchinson, Jeff Shute, Richard Pelletier and Dwight Barnes. Mr. Manzi publicly thanked the Deerfield Fair Association for their generosity.

Rules and Procedures

The rules and procedures as set forth by Moderator Hutchinson for this meeting are as follows: Each member is to pass through the voter checklist and receive a voting card and sheet of ballots; Non-registered voters have a designated area in which to be seated and may participate in debate but not vote; The meeting will be governed by Roberts Rules as modified by the Moderator and in accordance with the laws of the State of New Hampshire; Each article will be read, a motion and second entertained; The maker of the

motion will speak first and then the floor opened to all; Members will be recognized at microphones in turn; Remarks are recorded for the purpose of an accurate record; Remarks are confined to merit of pending question, order or privilege and everything is to pass through the Chair; A member is to state their name and is allowed three minutes to express his or her views; All must have a first turn before any has a second; The overriding principal is fairness; A speaker may address the pending question or may move to close debate but may not do both in the same turn; Five members may request a secret ballot in writing and must be for a specific vote; The secret ballot exists to offer secrecy and not intended as a tactic for delay; Secret Ballots are requested by approaching a microphone, and when recognized, make the request then pass a written request to the Moderator; the vote will be by a show of voting cards; If the vote is not clear there will be a division of the house, a count of raised cards, requested by a member or the Moderator; Seven members who question any non-ballot vote may request a written vote immediately after the vote is announced; If the margin of the vote is narrow, the Moderator may also request a written vote; Five voters may also request a recount of a written ballot vote provided the vote margin is not more than 10% of the total votes cast and the recount will take place immediately following the public announcement of that vote; If uncertain of how to accomplish something, rise to Point of Inquiry; The role of the Moderator is to fairly organize and regulate the meeting with rules agreeable to the members; Rules of the Moderator are subject to appeal by any member and the procedure of appeal is explained which results in the Moderator being sustained or the ruling reversed.

Moderator Jonathan Hutchinson turned to the business of the day, the Warrant.

ARTICLE 1

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirty Nine Thousand Nine Hundred Eleven Dollars (\$39,911) to purchase a 2002 Ford F450 Truck for the Highway Department.

Chairman of the Board, James Alexander moved Article 1 be adopted as printed. Seconded by Vice Chairman Stone.

Chairman Alexander explained this vehicle would replace the one ton Highway Department Truck, which is not capable of doing the job. By piggybacking with the State Bid, the Town can get the lowest possible price.

George Humphrey Co-Chair of the Municipal Budget Committee (MBC) was recognized. Mr. Humphrey stated that he and Tom Foulkes Co-Chair of the MBC shared the position during the past year and Mr. Humphrey will work with the Town Budget today.

The MBC's position on Article 1 was 6 in Favor-2 Opposed. Mr. Humphrey explained that three members (11 Member Board) were absent on the evening the votes were taken.

VOTE: The Moderator called for the vote to adopt **ARTICLE 1** as printed. It was a **HAND VOTE** in the **AFFIRMATIVE** and so declared. Article 1 is adopted in the amount of **\$39,911**.

ARTICLE 2

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty One Thousand Seven Hundred Eighty Three Dollars (\$21,783) to purchase Police Department radios.

Chairman of the Board, James Alexander moved Article 2 be adopted as printed. Seconded by Selectman Frances Menard.

Chairman Alexander deferred to Chief of Police, Robert Wunderlich. Chief Wunderlich said the amount represented the purchase of seven portable radios, (\$2,800 each). Included in this amount are batteries,

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carrying cases and microphones. During the last year, the State has initiated a new digital radio system statewide making the current system obsolete. The State received a 7 1/2 million dollar grant to equip all Police Departments. Deerfield received \$22,000 and installed mobile radios in the cruisers. The funds from Article 2 will pay for some additional radios that are needed. The portable radios are the Officer's lifeline when the Officer is out of the cruiser.

Co-Chair Humphrey stated the MBC concurred with the Selectmen and voted 8-0 on Article 2.

Peter Onksen questioned if the portable radios would have enough range to cover every area of Deerfield. Because it is a statewide microwave system, Chief Wunderlich believed all of Deerfield would be covered.

VOTE: The Moderator called for the vote to adopt **ARTICLE 2** as printed. It was a **HAND VOTE** in the **AFFIRMATIVE** and so declared. Article 2 is adopted in the amount of **\$21,783**.

ARTICLE 3

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Eighteen Thousand Eight Hundred Eighty Four Dollars (\$18,884) to replace the shingles at the Central Fire Station.

Chairman of the Board, James Alexander moved Article 3 be adopted as printed. Seconded by Vice Chairman, Joseph Stone.

Chairman Alexander deferred to Fire Chief, Mark Tibbetts. Chief Tibbetts explained that after twenty-two years, the shingles on the Library side of the Central Fire Station were showing wear. The quote included removing shingles, installing an ice and water shield, flashing, remove old shingles and clean up around the building.

Co-Chair Humphrey said the MBC questioned the value of Article 3 if the Fire Department was going to move into a new complex. It was learned the building would be used for something and did need a roof. The vote was 8-0.

Raymond Cote wanted to know if the amount in Article 3 included labor. Chief Tibbetts answered that labor was included and the project would go out to bid.

VOTE: The Moderator called for the vote to adopt **ARTICLE 3** as printed. It was a **HAND VOTE** in the **AFFIRMATIVE** and so declared. Article 3 is adopted in the amount of **\$18,884**.

ARTICLE 4

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000) to purchase a compactor for the Transfer Station.

Chairman of the Board, James Alexander moved Article 4 be adopted as printed. Seconded by Selectman Paul Dinneen.

Chairman Alexander deferred to Transfer Station Manger, Eugene "Gino" Edwards. Speaking to the growth in Deerfield, Mr. Edwards said the purchase of this equipment would allow the storage of more trash on site and begin the process of the Town owning equipment as opposed to leasing as is done now.

Co-Chair Humphrey said the MBC concurred with the logic set forth and approved Article 4 on an 8-0 Vote.

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VOTE: The Moderator called for the vote to adopt **ARTICLE 4** as printed. It was a **HAND VOTE** in the **AFFIRMATIVE** and so declared. Article 4 is adopted in the amount of **\$15,000**.

ARTICLE 5 (By Petition)

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000) for the purpose of helping to fund a children's playground. The Selectmen have granted permission to locate the playground on the grounds near the Gazebo. This is a special warrant article.

Petitioner Maryann Clark moved Article 5 (By Petition) as printed. Seconded by Jean Cumings.

Mrs. Clark explained that a group of citizens formed a Playground Committee out of the desire to build a playground in the area of the Gazebo. The committee looked at six communities (including Auburn and Candia) who have spent between \$40,000 and \$75,000 on their playgrounds. The Committee met with five playground equipment vendors, which confirmed Deerfield's cost of a complete playground to be \$40,000. Article 5 asks the Town to raise \$15,000 and the remainder to be raised through grants, fundraising and sponsorships. The playground will be designed for children between the ages of two and twelve and constructed of steel and plastic. Mrs. Clark stated the playground at the Deerfield Community School (DCS) is not available to younger children during school hours and not age appropriate. Mrs. Clark saw this project as a community-binding project in that families, who attended Church, came to the Community Center, Town Hall, Library or new Senior Housing could use the playground. Beyond that, it meshed well with the PLAN NH Charrette.

Co-Chair Humphrey said that this petitioned article came to the MBC with the recommendation of the Selectmen and after discussion was recommended on a 6-2 vote.

As a Selectman in Candia, Peter Onksen experienced this process. It was a lot of work for the volunteers but a very worthwhile project. Bruce Graham, having been part of the group of people who built the current playground at DCS, wanted to see two thirds of the money raised before the committee asked the Town for funds. Responding to this comment, Mr. Onksen noted that Candia would have been more successful in obtaining major sponsorships if the Town had already appropriated funds. Agreeing with Mr. Graham, Christine Allen wanted to know what funds were obtained already to show that an effort has been put forth.

Point of Order

Moderator Hutchinson asked Harriet Cady to come forward as she had submitted a written request for a Secret Ballot on Article 5. The Moderator instructed Mrs. Cady to strike the language in her request for a Secret Ballot "or any amendment thereto".

Mrs. Clark said the project would be in two phases. Phase One--The \$15,000 from Warrant Article 5 would allow for the installation of playground equipment, wood chips, site work and fencing for a total cost of \$20,000 to be completed by August of 2002. Phase Two--May of 2003 playground equipment totaling \$20,000 will be installed. Letters have been mailed for sponsorships and grants. To date, \$2,000 has been raised from fundraisers.

Having worked on the Gazebo, and a member of the MBC, Steve Robinson believed in the PLAN NH Charrette and what the Town is trying to accomplish. This project is in concert with the plan for the center of Town and he supported it moving forward.

Terressa Roberge, of FOCUS, told the members of the meeting they should not worry about this project being accomplished, as the group in her words were "movers". The group is under the blanket of FOCUS and Mrs. Roberge described a list of grants that have been applied for.

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As for corporate sponsorships, Mrs. Roberge announced that Avitar Associates of NE, Inc. would be the first to say they will give \$2,000 to the project and she hoped others who will benefit will do the same.

Chairman of the original playground committee, Jeff Shute recalled two things that hurt that committee. One was obtaining grants and the other was Deerfield didn't have a full time Parks and Recreation Department. Funds requested from the Town were not raised. Mr. Shute supported Article 5, as he believed it would allow the committee to be more successful.

Raymond Cote presented another point of view. While he found the project worthwhile, he didn't see a guarantee the committee would not return for more money as the bandstand project has this year.

Co-Chair of the Playground Committee, Beth Cook stated that the committee would not come back for more money but will fundraise until they get enough to complete the project. The committee has twenty members and individuals in the community are interested in donating time and supplies to complete the project.

Strongly in favor of the project, Emily Moore talked about the commitment that the group has; who are willing to raise \$25,000 for the public good. Mrs. Moore said the Town should be grateful for the committee's efforts and pointed out they were asking for less than half the money needed.

Vice Chairman of the Board of Selectmen, Joseph Stone recalled when the group came before the Selectmen he was the only Selectman not in favor of the project. The request was to have a playground near the Gazebo and they would not be requesting money from the Town. Then the request came for funding. Following this, Vice Chairman Stone heard the group left no stones unturned, and asked the pun be excused, to seek funds. If the vote were before the Selectmen today, he would vote in favor.

MOTION TO CLOSE DEBATE

Donald Gorman made a motion to Close Debate and Move the Question. Seconded by Anthony DiMauro.
VOTE: The Moderator called for the vote to **CLOSE DEBATE AND MOVE THE QUESTION**. It was a **HAND VOTE** in the **AFFIRMATIVE** and so declared.

SECRET BALLOT VOTE

The Moderator went directly to the vote on **ARTICLE 5** and declared the vote would be by Secret Ballot. He asked the Ballot Counters to come forward. The Ballot Boxes were shown as empty. The Moderator designated **BALLOT "A"**, as the Ballot to use for Article 5. Instructions were given and balloting began.
(The results of the Vote on Article 5, by Secret Ballot, are recorded following Article 6)

Secret Ballot Challenged

Timothy Godbois challenged the legality of the Secret Ballot because the petition requesting the Secret Ballot was altered.

Point of Order

According to the rules established for this Meeting, Peter Aubrey thought Harriet Cady should have voiced the request for a Secret Ballot at a microphone.

Moderators Ruling

Moderator Hutchinson stated his interpretation of the legality of the forms requesting the Secret Ballots which are pre-signed, and do not reflect an article on them when they are executed, are not legitimate. Having a set of forms and then putting the articles in, by one person, is not legitimate. The people should all know they are requesting a Secret Ballot on a specific thing before they sign. The request should be for one question.

ARTICLE 6

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twelve Thousand Four Hundred Forty Five Dollars (\$12,445) for the purpose of Town employee raises for salaries and wages. (This represents a 2.6% cost of living increase for all full time and part time employees.)

Chairman of the Board, James Alexander moved Article 6 be adopted as printed. Seconded by Selectman Frances Menard.

AMENDMENT: Chairman Alexander moved to amend **ARTICLE 6** and change the amount from **\$12,445 to \$16,786**. Seconded by Frances Menard.

Chairman Alexander explained that when the Selectmen first offered the 2.6% COLA increase, it was based on the Federal rate for this coming year. After that, it was brought to the Board's attention that several employees (ten) who have family plans or two person plans for health insurance coverage would see their hourly rate decrease due to the significant increase in the cost of health insurance. The \$4,368 is to be distributed amongst the ten people who are enrolled in multi-person health coverage. The Town currently pays 100% for an individual employee and 80% for multi-person coverage.

Point of Clarification

The Moderator did not believe the difference was calculated correctly. It was determined the correct amount reflecting the difference between Article 6 and the total request is \$4,341. The **AMENDMENT** would increase **ARTICLE 6** from **\$12,445 by \$4,341 to \$16,786**.

Co-Chair Humphrey speaking for the Municipal Budget Committee (MBC) stated the MBC did not know of the amendment but did recommend the original warrant article in the amount of \$12,445 on an 8-0 vote.

Harriet Cady thought it might be better to have this included in the raises, for those ten employees, under the Merit Line. She said the cost of living increase (COLA) given to those on social security, and those in manufacturing, is 2.6% and includes such things as medical care, health insurance, groceries, cars and so forth. Presently, according to Chairman Alexander employees on family plans lose about \$.15 cents an hour if only the 2.6% is granted. Mrs. Cady didn't believe her question was answered and restated her question of why not take the increase, for the ten employees, out of the Merit Line. Chairman Alexander stated the Merit Line is strictly for employees deserving of a meritorious raise for work that is above average. Giving a bigger COLA increase to some employees and not others, according to Mrs. Cady, was not fair.

Point of Inquiry

Elizabeth Wunderlich sought direction on how to amend Article 6 to double the amount in the article in an effort to keep employees and in the long run save money. Moderator Hutchinson said once the amendment on the floor was dealt with he would recognize Mrs. Wunderlich.

VOTE: Moderator Jonathan Hutchinson called for the vote on the **AMENDMENT** to change the amount of **ARTICLE 6** from **\$12,445 to \$16,786** an **INCREASE OF \$4,341**. It was a **HAND VOTE** in the **AFFIRMATIVE** and so declared.

Back to the Main Motion, Article 6, as amended in the amount of \$16,786.

AMENDMENT: Elizabeth Wunderlich moved to amend **ARTICLE 6** from **\$16,786 to \$24,890** and add the word "all" after "of" and before "Town". Seconded by Gary Roberge.

Mrs. Wunderlich followed up on her previous comments that in the long run it would save the Town money because good employees would stay and not so much would be spent in training. Mrs. Wunderlich outlined

the cost of training and providing the proper equipment for a Police Officer and estimated the cost for one Officer to be approximately \$10,000. Mrs. Wunderlich pointed out that the Town of Raymond starts an officer at \$31,000 compared to Deerfield at \$26,000. She then commented that the Office Staff is also experienced the same problems with training employees only to have them leave. It was Mrs. Wunderlich's theory if appreciation is shown through an increase in pay the employees would stay.

Vice Chairman Joseph Stone did not recommend adopting the amendment. Vice Chairman Stone stated the Police Chief has come to the Selectmen requesting raises for the Officers to be brought up to a comparable rate with the communities around Deerfield. The Selectmen have adopted a salary schedule for Police Officers, which is comparable. The Chief of Police and Mrs. Heon put a lot of thought into the new schedules that were adopted. Vice Chairman Stone wasn't clear on how the funds would be distributed if the amendment passed. It was his hope the assembly would recognize the Selectmen do address the issue and within the wishes of the Department Heads.

Speaking to the amendment, Peter Onksen said that Town employees should have their salaries reviewed by the Selectmen, and appropriate Department Head, whose responsibility it is to come up with an appropriate schedule. The Police Department should do the same, which apparently they have so the turnover would not be as great. Within the Town Budget, Mr. Onksen found areas where there were increases in salaries, which apparently covered an increase in pay. He believed the intent Article 6 is only for COLA and not a general redoing of the whole pay scale.

Gary Roberge could not speak to the Police Department but in his opinion, the Office Staff, in most cases, is underpaid. Mr. Roberge asked the Selectmen if they were comfortable that the Office Staff is paid fairly considering surrounding towns and was the Board suggesting defeating the amendment because they would rather see it in the Merit Line or did the Selectmen find no adjustment necessary.

Vice Chairman Stone explained that the Selectmen act on requests for increases in wages based on the discussions with each department manager when they come before the Board asking for a merit raise for an employee. If the Town employees were not comparable, the Selectmen would hear from Mrs. Heon and they would be brought up to where they need to be.

Gary Roberge wondered if the other Selectmen agreed. Selectman Robertson commented that various places in the budget reflect salary increases, a new Personnel Policy has been ratified with specific salary ranges for various positions including Police Officers. There will be a motion to increase the Merit Line later in the meeting. This being Selectman Robertson's first year, and even though not familiar with municipal employee pay scales, he believed if the wages were not comparable, they were close and a good effort is being made to accomplish that.

Speaking in favor of the amendment, Donald Gorman said Mrs. Wunderlich clearly explained what was necessary for training and educating a Police Officer. Once the Officer returns to the community certified, they then have an opportunity to shop around. Mr. Gorman found this an opportunity for the Selectmen to discharge the requests of department heads when they offer their recommendations.

Mrs. Wunderlich questioned what amount was in the Merit Line. Chairman Alexander replied \$4,000 and an amendment to increase the line to \$8,000 will be brought forward during discussion on the budget. Chairman Alexander stated the Selectmen have recognized the needs of employees. He further stated that the terms of employment for a Police Officer includes a wage increase upon completion of the Academy and an increase following six months of active duty. Mrs. Wunderlich asked for the number of Town employees. Selectman Robertson replied 32.

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MOTION TO CLOSE DEBATE

Christine Allen made a motion to Close Debate and Move the Question. Seconded by Steve Barry. **VOTE:** The Moderator called for the vote to **CLOSE DEBATE AND MOVE THE QUESTION**. It was a **HAND VOTE** in the **AFFIRMATIVE** and so declared.

VOTE: Moderator Jonathan Hutchinson called for the vote on the **AMENDMENT** to increase the amount of **ARTICLE 6** from **\$16,786 to \$24,890** and add the word "all" to the phrase "of all Town employees salaries and wages". It was a **HAND VOTE** in the **NEGATIVE** and so declared and the motion does not carry.

Back to the Main Motion, Article 6, as amended, in the amount of \$16,786.

Looking over the budget Peter Onksen observed that the COLA increase for the prior year appeared not to be spent but wondered if it was reflected within the budget line items. Chairman Alexander explained because of the current software program, which the Town is looking to replace, the money couldn't be transferred from one line to another. He noted on Page 37 there was a total amount expended shown under the Warrant Article and the budget as presented in 2002 incorporates the increase granted at the 2001 meeting.

VOTE: The Moderator called for the vote to adopt **ARTICLE 6, AS AMENDED**. It was a **HAND VOTE** in the **AFFIRMATIVE** and so declared. Article 6, as amended, is adopted in the amount of **\$16,786**.

VOTE ON ARTICLE 5

The Moderator read the results of the **SECRET BALLOT VOTE** on Article 5.

YES 184 NO 68

It was a vote in the **AFFIRMATIVE** and so declared. Article 5 is adopted as printed in the amount of **\$15,000**.

ARTICLE 7

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Eight Thousand Eight Hundred Fifty Eight Dollars (\$8,858) to complete the bandstand.

Chairman of the Board, James Alexander moved Article 7 be adopted as printed. Seconded by Selectman Frances Menard.

Chairman Alexander deferred to Richard Pelletier for the explanation. Mr. Pelletier stated that following a few meetings the people who attended wanted a more functional and usable bandstand than originally planned for. After visiting bandstands in North Hampton, Kittery and Plaistow (costs ranged from \$70,000 to \$130,000) it was decided to move forward with the more functional bandstand. Unfortunately, the money appropriated was not sufficient to build a bandstand of that size. The underground power and electrical work was not taken into consideration previously.

Co-Chair Humphrey said the MBC concurred with the Selectmen and voted 8-0.

Steve Robinson, who has worked on the Gazebo, asked if these funds would bring the project to completion. Mr. Pelletier believed volunteers would continue to work on the project. Joe Sears, who has also worked on the project, talked about the support for the project and the fact the bandstand has already been used and it appears to be very functional.

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VOTE: The Moderator called for the vote to adopt **ARTICLE 7** as printed. It was a **HAND VOTE** in the **AFFIRMATIVE** and so declared. Article 7 is adopted in the amount of **\$8,858**.

ARTICLE 8

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Eight Thousand Dollars (\$8,000) for an electrical upgrade at the Transfer Station to include a phase converter.

Chairman of the Board, James Alexander moved Article 8 be adopted as printed. Seconded by Vice Chairman Stone.

Chairman Alexander deferred to Transfer Station Manager, Eugene "Gino" Edwards. Mr. Edwards said the Transfer Station does not have three-phase power and when a piece of equipment is purchased a phase converter has to be purchased. A multi-verter will allow running up to five motors and instead of purchasing one at a cost of \$4,000 the multi-verter can purchased for \$8,000.

Point of Inquiry

Jolene Smith wanted to know how to return to Article 6. The Moderator advised Mrs. Smith she could do that between articles.

Co-Chair Humphrey said the MBC recommended the Article on a vote of 8-0.

Josh Freed asked if as the Transfer Station grows and the Town gets bigger if anyone investigated the utility company bringing in three phase power to the site. Mr. Edwards did not think that option was explored but it could be.

Looking to a less expensive way to solve the problem, Bruce Graham recommended a diesel generator as an alternative. Mr. Edwards indicated a diesel generator was not looked at nor was the option researched.

Wadsworth Winslow was in favor of Article 8, as it will allow for more trash to be bailed, and sold, and less to be sent to Penacook to be burned.

Point of Inquiry

Harriet Cady asked if an amendment was made to allow the Selectmen to explore the options for future growth, whichever is most feasible, would it change the intent. The Moderator suggested striking the final phrase "to include a phase converter".

AMENDMENT: Harriet Cady moved to amend **ARTICLE 8 TO STRIKE "to include a phase converter"**. Seconded by Raymond Cote.

Harriet Cady said that by striking this phrase it would allow the Selectmen and Mr. Edwards to accomplish bringing three phase power to the Transfer Station but not be bound to buying a phase converter.

Point of Clarification

Transfer Station Manager, Eugene "Gino" Edwards asked if the dollar limit remained at \$8,000. The Moderator replied yes.

VOTE: Moderator Jonathan Hutchinson called for the vote on the **AMENDMENT** to **ARTICLE 8** to strike the phrase "to include a phase converter". It was a **HAND VOTE** in the **AFFIRMATIVE** and so declared, the phrase "to include a phase converter" is struck.

Back to the Main Motion, Article 8, as amended.

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George Humphrey asked if there was anyone who could speak to what could be accomplished for \$8,000. Maureen Mann said it cost \$2,400 to bring three phase to Stage Road. Richard Pelletier, Code Enforcement Officer stated he has seen costs of \$6,000 to \$10,000 for a third of a mile to half of a mile line extension.

VOTE: The Moderator called for the vote to adopt **ARTICLE 8 AS AMENDED**. It was a **HAND VOTE** in the **AFFIRMATIVE** and so declared. Article 8, as amended is adopted in the amount of **\$8,000**.

Point of Inquiry

Jolene Smith asked to return to Article 6 because it was her opinion the employees were being overlooked and instead money was being spent on a playground and gazebo. She further noted that last week substantial increases for teachers and aides were voted and it didn't seem fair the Town employees should only get 2.6%, whether they work for the School or the Town. The Moderator advised Mrs. Smith that if she wished to revisit Article 6 there would have to be a motion for Reconsideration by the prevailing side.

MOTION FOR RECONSIDERATION

Jolene Smith moved **RECONSIDERATION of ARTICLE 6** for the purpose of reconsideration of an amendment to Article 6. Seconded by Barbara Raymond.

Point of Information

George Humphrey questioned if it was necessary to reconsider the amendment in order to discuss the amount. The Moderator stated this would be taken one step at a time.

Point of Clarification

Vice Chairman Stone asked if I do not wish to vote to bring the Article up again I would vote no and if I want to bring it up again I vote yes. The Moderator indicated that was correct.

Point of Clarification

The Moderator stated for clarity, voting "yes" and reconsidering Article 6 reopens the article and sets aside the previous vote and voting "no" leaves Article 6 as adopted.

VOTE: The Moderator called for the Vote to **RECONSIDER ARTICLE 6**. It was a **HAND VOTE** in the **NEGATIVE** and so declared. The motion for reconsideration fails.

ARTICLE 9

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Six Thousand Two Hundred Thirty Dollars (\$6,230) for the purchase of two PC's to include networking {\$2,500 Police Department and \$2,500 Town Offices}; reconfigure and network Gateway Laptops {equipment transfer from the Police Department to the Town Offices} \$225; to reconstruct Police Department and Town Office Computers by using parts from retired PC's labor of \$160; install four network connections \$400; Establish Web Page on Internet \$445.

Chairman of the Board, James Alexander moved Article 9 be adopted as printed. Seconded by Selectman Paul Dinneen.

Chairman Alexander deferred to Selectman Robertson. Selectman Robertson described this Warrant Article as particularly difficult to present to the MBC because virtually everyone had an opinion on where the best and cheapest computer could be purchased. Chief Wunderlich and Mrs. Heon worked with a computer consultant to come up with solutions. The Town is relying on computers purchased in 1999 with some minor upgrades and occasional replacement of pieces. The Town will see increased computer usage due to going on-line with the State Department of Motor Vehicles (essentially becoming a registry substation),

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expanding Town Offices hours and the possibility of being able to offer vital statistics. The Article is not just the purchase of new computer equipment but also refurbishing Police Department laptops no longer suitable in the cruisers. Components of other computers will be used to upgrade existing computers.

Co-chair Humphrey commented that Selectman Robertson stated it quite well when he said everybody on the MBC is a computer expert with lots of opinions. The Vote was 5 in Favor, 1 Opposed and 2 abstentions.

Joe Sears was in favor of this and wanted to know if the Town would allow advertisers to use it and if so couldn't they pay part of the cost. Selectman Robertson does not believe there is any intent to allow advertising with regard to the web site or Town computer. The Town has had some generous offers from volunteers with regard to this.

VOTE: The Moderator called for the vote to adopt **ARTICLE 9** as printed. It was a **HAND VOTE** in the **AFFIRMATIVE** and so declared. Article 9 is adopted in the amount of **\$6,230**.

ARTICLE 10

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Six Thousand Dollars (\$6,000) for protective gear for the members of the Fire Department.

Chairman of the Board, James Alexander moved Article 10 be adopted as printed. Seconded by George Keech.

Chairman Alexander deferred to Fire Chief, Mark Tibbetts. Chief Tibbetts informed the assembly that in 1991 new protective gear was purchased for the Fire Department. The past few years, the Fire Department has replaced gear on their own. The funds from this warrant article will buy five sets of gear, boots and helmets. Next year another request will be made for another five sets.

Co-Chair Humphrey stated there wasn't a better deal than the Deerfield Fire Department. Following a round of applause, Mr. Humphrey commented that the feelings of the community were obvious. With little discussion, the MBC voted 8-0.

Harriet Cady wanted to be assured that all of the firemen have the gear necessary to do their job. The gear is checked once a year according to Chief Tibbetts. He assured Mrs. Cady the Fire Department had the gear necessary to protect all firefighters.

VOTE: The Moderator called for the vote to adopt **ARTICLE 10** as printed. It was a **HAND VOTE** in the **AFFIRMATIVE** and so declared. Article 10 is adopted in the amount of **\$6,000**.

ARTICLE 11

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Four Thousand Four Hundred and Fifty Dollars (\$4,450) to purchase an in-cruiser video recording system.

Chairman of the Board, James Alexander moved Article 11 be adopted as printed. Seconded by Vice Chairman Joseph Stone.

Chairman Alexander deferred to Chief of Police, Robert Wunderlich. Chief Wunderlich explained that last year there was a State grant that paid for part of the camera system. Unable at last year's meeting to receive funding to purchase all the necessary equipment, not receiving a grant this year and having two cameras not repairable, the funds would be used to replace one of the older cameras and put a camera in the fourth car.

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Co-Chair Humphrey noted that this article generated more discussion than the computer article and in the end the MBC did not recommend Article 11 on a vote of 2 in Favor, 5 Opposed and 1 abstention.

VOTE: The Moderator called for the vote to adopt **ARTICLE 11** as printed. The **HAND VOTE** was **UNCLEAR**. The Moderator declared there would be a Division of the House and the votes would be counted. The Moderator declared the results of the **HAND VOTE-COUNTED: YES 95 NO 74**
Article 11 is adopted in the amount of \$4,450.

Request for Secret Ballot - Article 11

The Moderator read the names of those requesting a Secret Ballot on Article 11-Harriet E. Cady, William J. O'Neal, Carroll Pinkham, Alfred Simmons, Robert Paradise, Brenda Wilson, Eleanor Ambrose and Elisabeth S. Thacher.

Point of Order

Peter Aubrey recalled at the beginning of the meeting, the Moderator notified the assembly that in order to call for a Secret Ballot the individual was to approach the microphone, be recognized, make the motion and then forward the list. The Moderator stated that would be the procedure before the vote is taken but following the vote seven voters can request a Secret Ballot. The request had eight voters and the Moderator deemed the request legitimate.

Point of Order

It was George Humphrey's understanding that after the vote, there should be a Division of the House not a Secret Ballot unless the Secret Ballot Vote was requested in advance. Moderator Hutchinson said the law is subsequent to the announcement of a vote; seven members may request a Secret Ballot.

Point of Order

Selectman Robertson believed a vote could be reconsidered with seven signatures for the purpose of a Division of the House but didn't believe the vote could be reconsidered for the purpose of redoing the vote as a Secret Ballot. Moderator Hutchinson stated that if the results are questioned a written ballot can be requested. Selectman Robertson said it wasn't the result that was questioned instead it was stated there was a request for a Secret Ballot. The Moderator ruled that if the members whose names he read were satisfied that they would like a Secret Ballot, then that is what will be done.

Point of Order

Harriet Cady said that because the Moderator ruled that a Secret Ballot has to be in writing, even though the law doesn't require it, that is why it was presented. Mrs. Cady quoted the law saying that five members request previous to the vote and seven members after the vote. She told the Moderator if the request didn't have to be in writing someone could simply go to the microphone and request a Secret Ballot. Moderator Hutchinson agreed but clarified for everyone that as a citizen if you sign a petition, it should not signed if it is not completely filled out. There should be no blank spaces to be filled in by somebody later, that is not legitimate.

Overrule the Moderator's Decision

George Humphrey made a motion to Overrule the Moderator's Decision. Moderator, Jonathan Hutchinson declared he was not going to allow the Meeting to vote on the Challenge of the Moderator's Decision, as the meeting has to follow the law. If this went forward and the law was broken, the meeting would not be legal. Moderator Hutchinson noted rulings that are interpretations, or opinions of the Moderator, could be changed but not the law. The law states if seven voters request it, you do it, and this meeting will have to do it.

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Point of Clarification

Ruth Kletnick asked why a Secret Ballot after the article has been voted on. The Moderator explained the Legislature made the procedure part of the law governing Town Meetings. Members of the meeting have a right to a Secret Ballot. In the Moderator's judgment when Secret Ballots are received they should be executed expeditiously so there is the least possible delay and the best possible democracy. The Moderator had a legitimate request for a Secret Ballot that follows the law and directed the meeting to move forward.

SECRET BALLOT VOTE

The Moderator went directly to the vote on **ARTICLE 11** and declared the vote would be by Secret Ballot. He asked the Ballot Counters to come forward. The Ballot Boxes were shown as empty. The Moderator designated **BALLOT "B"** as the Ballot to use for Article 11. Instructions were given and balloting began. *(The results of the Vote on Article 11, by Secret Ballot, are recorded following Article 12)*

Point of Information

Moderator, Jonathan Hutchinson read RSA 40:4-b. This statute speaks directly to what action is required before a vote is taken and following the vote.

ARTICLE 12 (By Petition)

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$1,500) to be used by Northwood Lake Watershed Association to control the Milfoil problem.

Petitioner David Lambert moved Article 12 as written. Seconded by Chairman Alexander.

Mr. Lambert, as a member of the Board of Directors of the Northwood Lake Watershed Association, thanked the Selectmen and the Municipal Budget Committee (MBC) for recommending the passage of this article. Northwood Lake is one of 52 lakes that have a Milfoil problem. The aquatic weed can choke a lake and eventually turn it into a swamp. Northwood Lake has worked on controlling Milfoil for 10 years and this funding allows for the Lake to be treated in 2002.

Co-Chair Humphrey said the MBC concurred with an 8-0 Vote.

Joe Sears, Co-Chair of the Deerfield Conservation Commission (DCC) recommended approval even though there wasn't a big problem yet, but the potential is there.

George Keech spoke of his travels throughout New England and noted other states have heavy fines. Because of the potential spread of Milfoil, people who do not clean their motors and boats are fined.

George Humphrey referred to Mr. Sears' comment that Deerfield didn't have a problem yet. He observed that parts of Northwood Lake are in Deerfield so Deerfield does have a responsibility.

VOTE: The Moderator called for the vote to adopt **ARTICLE 12** as printed. It was a **HAND VOTE** in the **AFFIRMATIVE** and so declared. Article 12 is adopted in the amount of **\$1,500**.

VOTE ON ARTICLE 11

The Moderator read the results of the **SECRET BALLOT VOTE** on Article 11.

YES 111 NO 135

It was a vote in the **NEGATIVE** and so declared. Article 11 is defeated.

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ARTICLE 13

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000) to be applied to the purchase of a Moving Police Radar unit.

Chairman of the Board, James Alexander moved Article 13 be adopted as printed. Seconded by Vice Chairman Joseph Stone.

Chairman Alexander deferred to Chief of Police, Robert Wunderlich. Chief Wunderlich explained the money appropriated last year for the moving radar was offset by a State grant, which was not received. Deerfield is no longer eligible for the grant funds and last year's appropriation has been encumbered to be combined with the funds from this article to replace one of the old units.

Co-Chair Humphrey digressed for a moment to thank Mrs. Cady for her persistence. Even though he disagreed with the methodology, the vote supported the MBC's position. With regards to Article 13 the MBC did not find Article 13 appropriate as the Police Department could have looked to raise the funds another way. The vote was 1 in Favor- 7 Opposed.

VOTE: The Moderator called for the vote to adopt **ARTICLE 13** as printed. It was a **HAND VOTE** in the **NEGATIVE** and so declared. The Article 13 is defeated.

ARTICLE 14

To see if the Town will vote to discontinue the Revaluation Capital Reserve Fund. Said funds with accumulated interest to date of withdrawal are to be transferred to the Town's General Fund.

Chairman of the Board, James Alexander moved Article 14 be adopted as printed. Seconded by Vice Chairman Joseph Stone.

Chairman Alexander stated that since Revaluation has been completed the remaining funds in the Capital Reserve Fund would be returned to the General Fund. The question of how much was in the fund was answered. As of December 31, 2001 the balance was \$6,521.70.

Co-Chair Humphrey said the MBC did not have an opinion on Article 14, as it did not involve raising money.

Peter Onksen questioned since the Town was in a cycle of continual revaluation doing one quarter of the Town each year to meet State standards was the current contract sent out for open bid. The budgeted amount is approximately \$32,000. Chairman Alexander replied there wasn't a bid process. When the Town entered into the original agreement, it was for Avitar to do a complete revaluation and to supply software to the Town. Under guidelines from the State, and to avoid a major revaluation cost in the future, the five-year agreement with Avitar is to do 25% of the Town each year and in the fifth year the results will be tabulated to see where Deerfield stands. Mr. Onksen asked if this was an in-town firm. Chairman Alexander answered Avitar is headquartered out of Chichester and has a second office in Milan.

VOTE: The Moderator called for the vote to adopt **ARTICLE 14** as printed. It was a **HAND VOTE** in the **AFFIRMATIVE** and so declared. Article 14 is adopted and the Revaluation Capital Reserve Fund will be closed including interest and the money returned to the General Fund.

ARTICLE 15 (By Petition)

To see if the Town will vote to accept and maintain (snow removal, road repairs, storm drain upkeep & etc.) the following roads located in Cottonwoods Estates: Bliss Rd., Companion Rd., Harmony Rd., Homestead Rd., Prospect Rd. and the Fire Pond access road.

Petitioner, Michael Corriveau moved Article 15 (By Petition) as written. Seconded by William Venn.

As fellow residents of Deerfield, Mr. Corriveau said the petitioners were asking the Town to accept the roads in Cottonwood Estates as Town Roads. Residents of the community enjoy using the roads in the development because they are safe roads. The rural environment is what drew many of the residents to the quiet settlement. According to Mr. Corriveau when the homes were purchased, many real estate agents, developers and certain Town employees told them when the final paving is done, the Town would accept the roads. The final paving has been done and the Petitioners request the Town accept the roads. Another question asked of real estate agents, developers and Town personnel was were the roads supposed to be private and was there supposed to be an association. The answer received was no. If the answer had been yes, they may not have purchased their homes in Cottonwood Estates.

Mr. Corriveau quoted the language of the titles the homeowners had to their properties, which summed up reflects the rights of pass and repass until the Town accepts the roadways. The Planning Board has informed the residents that something should have been written into their titles that they as homeowners own the roads. This did not seem to be an oversight of title searchers or misrepresentation. It simply was not written into the plans. The residents of Cottonwood Estates were seeking the help of the Town Meeting by requesting the Town accept the roads.

Joe Sears, Co-Chair of the DCC asked how many residents were in Cottonwood Estates and if there was any interest in forming an association. Mr. Corriveau said there are 35 occupied homes and there are no plans to set up an association.

Fred McGarry, Chairman of the Planning Board, spoke on behalf of the Planning Board. The subdivision was approved under the open space development section of the Zoning Ordinance. That section states that the roads, and open space itself, shall be maintained and owned by the homeowners association. Mr. McGarry said that Mr. Corriveau was correct that the developer never advised the residents that a homeowners association was necessary. Consequently there is an issue between the Town, the people who bought into the development and the original developer who did not disclose this information to the individuals who were buying the property.

With regard to the road, Mr. McGarry said the final layer of pavement was put down in the fall of last year. The Planning Board requires a road to be in place for one year before the planning board relinquishes the bond on that road. This allows for the discovery of any deficiencies that may exist in the roadway itself after it endures one winter and one spring season. The roads have not passed the one-year time period. In addition to this, the final layer of pavement was put down without the Town engineer present. The engineer received a call at 6AM on the day the pavement was to be put down which did not allow enough time for the engineer to be present. The Planning Board has not worked out with the developer how it will be determined if the final one-inch layer of hot top was properly placed and the proper thickness. Even if the Town Meeting sympathizes with the petitioners, the Planning Board finds this petition one year premature and does not recommend passage of Article 15.

In terms of this being an issue between the Town and the owners, Gary Roberge disagreed. He found it to be an issue between the developers and the owners. Mr. Roberge's question to Mr. McGarry was has the Planning Board accepted the roads as being to Town specifications. Mr. McGarry reiterated that the one-year period is to pass before final acceptance of the roadway can be considered and that period has not elapsed yet.

Jason Ball thought the bond should cover the concerns raised for waiting one year. Mr. McGarry explained the bond is to cover any costs that might be incurred. According to Mr. McGarry, there is the possibility of some deficiencies that could exceed the value of the bond currently held which is in the vicinity of \$57,000.

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If the costs exceed the bond the Town would be responsible for bearing those costs to make up the difference.

Walter Hooker requested an opinion from the Selectmen, or the Highway Department, as to the annual cost to care for the roads in Cottonwood Estates. Chairman Alexander said a number provided to the Selectmen for the 2000-2001 winter season was approximately \$6,000.

William Miholovich disagreed with the \$6,000 number as his calculations showed the cost of maintaining the roads would be less than one percent of the total budget, approximately \$3,715.63.

An objection was raised by Jonathan Winslow to moving forward with these roads when the current roads are not maintained and to add to that, it isn't known if the roads in Cottonwood Estates are up to Town specifications.

Point of Inquiry

Martha Humphrey questioned if Article 15 was valid as written because there is no monetary cost tied to it and would require an amendment in order to be part of this year's budget.

Peter Onksen stated he was familiar with Planning Boards and the rules they operate under. If the developer does not pass the information on to the people purchasing the properties, there is a problem. It was Mr. Onksen's opinion the homeowners should form an association and approach the developer. Association or not the warrant article is the correct thing to do. Mr. Onksen expressed concern over whether or not the drainage problems that existed in the development were ever corrected.

Marc Ruggiero read from Deerfield's Subdivision Regulations, Article 1, Section 4 pertaining to standards for health, safety, fire protection and other public services required. He noted that as homeowners, they pay the same taxes as everyone else but they are not reaping the same rewards. Mr. Ruggiero quoted from the Planning Board Minutes of April 23, 1997 where Kenneth Briggs submitted a draft of the Association Bylaws, which the Planning Board claims they never received.

Harriet Cady wanted to believe the residents of this Town were fair. It was her observation that the Planning Board's engineer did not do the job the Town is paying them for and perhaps it was time for a new engineering firm. Personally she was not happy to pay more taxes for road maintenance but anyone who is paying the full taxes should receive that benefit. Being in a private subdivision, she did not believe the tax assessment should reflect as receiving road maintenance. Mrs. Cady urged the Planning Board to look at the zoning ordinance and the engineering firm as she recalled a similar situation last year concerning the land the school purchased.

MOTION TO CLOSE DEBATE

Jean Cumings made a motion to Close Debate and Move the Question. Seconded by Donald Smith.

VOTE: The Moderator called for the vote to **CLOSE DEBATE AND MOVE THE QUESTION**. It was a **HAND VOTE** in the **AFFIRMATIVE** and so declared.

VOTE: The Moderator called for the vote to adopt **ARTICLE 15** as printed. It was a **HAND VOTE** in the **NEGATIVE** and so declared. The motion does not carry.

11:42AM The Moderator declared a Recess.

12:05PM The Moderator called the Meeting to Order.

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Point of Inquiry

Julie O'Brien asked how Reconsideration of Article 15 could be achieved as she did not vote on the prevailing side but would like to ask someone from the floor to move Reconsideration for the purpose of making an amendment and providing additional information. The Moderator stated that someone who voted in the negative would have to move Reconsideration, then the decision on Article 15 would be set aside if Reconsideration was voted in the affirmative.

MOTION FOR RECONSIDERATION

Emily Moore moved **RECONSIDERATION of ARTICLE 15** for the purpose of hearing the full argument in terms of fire protection and the other side of the argument setting precedence. Seconded by Katherine Williams.

VOTE: The Moderator called for the vote to **RECONSIDER ARTICLE 15**. It was a **HAND VOTE** in the **NEGATIVE** and so declared. The motion for Reconsideration fails.

ARTICLE 16-BUDGET ARTICLE

To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray Town Charges for the ensuing year and make appropriations of same.

MOTION: George Humphrey, Co-Chair of the Municipal Budget Committee (MBC) moved **ARTICLE 16** in the amount of **\$2,444,324**, which **INCLUDES ALL** action taken in previous **WARRANT ARTICLES**. Seconded by Harriet Cady.

Co-Chair Humphrey said the MBC deliberated between 15 and 20 hours, which included six meetings. The MBC agreed with the Selectmen as far as the Operating Budget was concerned. The total the MBC voted on was \$2,439,983, which was increased by the vote on Article 6. The vote was 9-0.

Request for Secret Ballot-Article 16

Harriet Cady approached the microphone and requested a Secret Ballot for Article 16 noting that she also had it in writing. The Moderator questioned if she had written Article 16 on the petition. Mrs. Cady replied yes, she had done everything he wanted.

Executive/Board of Selectmen

Merit Increase/Employee #01-4130.10-120

AMENDMENT: Chairman Alexander moved to **AMEND** the **MERIT INCREASE FROM \$4,000 TO \$8,000**. Seconded by Vice Chairman Stone.

Chairman Alexander explained the increase was for all the reasons stated under the warrant Article that addressed cost of living increase (COLA).

VOTE: The Moderator called for the vote on the **AMENDMENT** to increase the Merit Line from \$4,000 to \$8,000. It was a **HAND VOTE** in the **AFFIRMATIVE** and so declared.

Merit Increase/Employee #01-4130.10-120 is now \$8,000.

Executive/Town Administration

Town Report #01-4130.20-550

AMENDMENT: Chairman Alexander moved to **AMEND** the **TOWN REPORT LINE FROM \$4,800 TO \$6,400**. Seconded by Vice Chairman Stone.

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Chairman Alexander requested this amendment because the cost of publishing the Town Report was considerably higher than anticipated. The School Board has offered to reimburse the Town the sum of \$1,600 to help defray the costs, which is the amount of the amendment.

Peter Onksen noticed \$4,800 was spent last year and wondered why it was higher this year. Vice Chairman Stone responded to the question stating that at last Saturday's School District Meeting the supply of Town Reports ran out. Mr. Onksen wanted to know how many were printed last year and Vice Chairman Stone answered 1,000. Continuing to question why more were needed, Vice Chairman Stone told Mr. Onksen there were 700 people at the meeting the week before and people pick up reports at the Town Offices. Mr. Onksen surmised that some people might leave their reports at home and get another copy at the meeting.

VOTE: The Moderator called for the vote on the **AMENDMENT** to increase the Town Report Line from \$4,800 to \$6,400. It was a **HAND VOTE** in the **AFFIRMATIVE** and so declared. **Town Report #01-4130.20-550 is now \$6,400.**

Executive/Town Administration

Copy Service/Newsletter #01-4130.20-620

AMENDMENT: Chairman Alexander moved to **AMEND** the **COPY SERVICE/NEWSLETTER LINE FROM \$4,500 TO \$6,200.** Seconded by Vice Chairman Stone.

Chairman Alexander explained the increase in this line was due to a request by the Cooperative School Study Committee that the Town include a lengthy section in the last Town Newsletter. Reimbursement was offered in the amount of \$700 to offset the cost of postage and printing and the line is to be increased by that amount.

Point of Clarification

Moderator Hutchinson was made aware the number was incorrect. An amendment to reduce the amount to \$5,200 will be required.

AMENDMENT TO THE AMENDMENT: Apologizing for his math error, Chairman Alexander moved to **AMEND** the **COPY SERVICE/NEWSLETTER LINE FROM \$4,500 TO \$5,200.** Seconded by Vice Chairman Stone.

UNANIMOUS CONSENT

The Moderator stated if there was no objection the amount of the **COPY SERVICE/NEWSLETTER LINE** will be \$5,200 by **UNANIMOUS CONSENT.** Hearing **NO OBJECTION** the Moderator declared the amount of the **AMENDMENT TO AMENDMENT** is to be **\$5,200.**

Back to the Amendment, which is now in the amount of \$5,200 for Copy Service/Newsletter.

Helen Tomilson was confused by the cooperative paying \$700 and the Town raising \$700. Chairman Alexander explained that in municipal accounting the line would show an over-expenditure if the money were not added to the budget.

VOTE: The Moderator called for the vote on the **AMENDMENT** to increase the Copy Service/Newsletter from \$4,500 to \$5,200. It was a **HAND VOTE** in the **AFFIRMATIVE** and so declared. **Copy Service/Newsletter #01-4130.20-620 is now \$5,200.**

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Public Safety/Police Department
Training/Seminars#01-4210.10-240
Ammunition/Firearms#01-4210.10-353

AMENDMENT: Bruce Graham moved to **AMEND** the **TRAINING AND SEMINARS LINE FROM \$3,500 TO \$5,500 AND AMMUNITION/FIREARMS FROM \$3,500 TO \$4,500.** Seconded by DJ Delorie.

Mr. Graham said the practice has been for the Police Officers to qualify with firearms each year. With tensions building in the world, Mr. Graham thought young Police Officers should train in the simulator room available at the State. Firing a weapon at night is different than during the day and the additional money could provide training in this area. Being prepared is important because once a bullet leaves the muzzle of the gun the Town owns whatever it hits.

The questions Vice Chairman Stone wanted answered were: (1) Did Chief Wunderlich consider this when putting together the 2002 Budget; (2) Are funds set aside for these purposes. Chief of Police, Robert Wunderlich said there were funds for training but not for the simulator. The Moderator asked Mr. Graham to explain what was different in the proposed amendment than what was included in the Police Budget. Mr. Graham explained the funds would provide for more than the State minimum of eight hours of training and more ammunition because it would be needed.

Selectman Robertson stated that under firearms, in addition to the standard ammunition, there was a little over \$1,600 for simunitions training which, as he understood it was live fire involving vehicles. Last year, simunitions training took place at the Deerfield Fairgrounds and gives a realistic approach to training.

VOTE: The Moderator called for the vote on the **AMENDMENT** to increase the Training/Seminars Line from \$3,500 to \$5,500 and increase Ammunition/Firearms from \$3,500 to \$4,500. It was a **HAND VOTE** in the **NEGATIVE** and so declared. The amendment is defeated.

Point of Information

Harriet Cady stated that she has asked a question many times, went to MBC Hearings, attended Selectmen's Meetings and now at the Town Meeting she could finally get an answer. Mrs. Cady requested the salary of the Town Clerk, Deputy Town Clerk and the persons that work in that Office. The Moderator and Selectmen conferred about the information listed in the Town Report on wages and salaries. Mrs. Cady said it wasn't yearly totals she wanted but the wages for each individual.

Selectman Robertson read the information from a breakdown, which he stated, was provided to several citizens and the Municipal Budget Committee (MBC). Selectmen Robertson provided the following verbally: Town Administrator - \$20.19 per hour/\$29,400 annually; the same individual as Town Clerk-\$20.19/\$12,600 annually; the Deputy Town Clerk - \$27,040 annually. The positions are split between Town Administration and Town Clerk with the same people handling multiple tasks. The Moderator stated the Town employee roster referred to earlier is on Page 68 of the Town Report.

Highways and Streets

Claudia Libis wanted to know what was planned for road upgrades this year. Selectman Robertson listed the roads considered for asphalt paving prefacing the remarks with the actual cost is unknown. The roads are: Mountain from the beginning to the paved hill; 3/4 of a mile of Mount Delight Road, 1/2 mile of Middle Road and 3/4 of a mile of Nottingham Road.

Ms. Libis wondered if paving would be enough to fix Mount Delight Road. Vice Chairman Stone spoke of coming to the Town each year, for the past several years, with a plan. The plan was for the feeder roads throughout Town, which was completed by finishing Birch Road and paving Range Road. Mount Delight

Road and the deteriorating condition of that road, has prompted a plan to work on portions of the road over a three to four year period. Mountain Road is not a feeder road but the traffic flow is heavy. Another section of Mountain Road will be funded next year. The ten to fifteen million dollars estimated to do all the roads would mean getting a bond and the Town is not in a position to do that and that is why the roads are worked on piecemeal. Ms. Libis returned to her question on what the plan was for Mount Delight Road, just hot top or underlying maintenance. Selectman Robertson replied there was a budgeted amount for reclamation.

Point of Inquiry

Claudia Libis asked for assistance on amending the Highway Budget to add funds to fix Haynes Road. Haynes Road now being a traveled way from the Candia end of Deerfield to North Road on the other side of Deerfield. She considered one section of Haynes Road impassible. The Moderator suggested Ms. Libis work on an amount while others spoke.

A resident of Mountain Road, Peter Aubrey, wanted to understand what was going to be done with Mountain Road. Concerns about the lack of drainage, no real roadbed and a conversation with the Highway Agent led Mr. Aubrey to believe pavement would be put down, which he considered a Band-Aid approach and not a solution.

Vice Chairman Stone said the plan for Mount Delight Road was to reclaim, put the base down, install culverts, make ditches and put down a one-inch overlay. The plan for Mountain Road is to reclaim the gravel, put down a new base, install culverts, make ditches and put down a base coat of pavement. Mr. Aubrey reminded the Selectmen about the spring on Mountain Road and the promise of diverting the water so the road would not wash away. Vice Chairman Stone said the Highway Agent would look at the area and recommend how to cure the problem.

Highways and Streets/Road Reconstruction

AMENDMENT: Claudia Libis moved to **AMEND ROAD RECONSTRUCTION** to add \$20,000 for reconstructing *one half mile of Haynes Road* and change the total **FROM \$206,990 to \$220,990**.
Seconded by Helen Tomilson.

Ms. Libis brought forth the amendment because it was reasonable to expect that driving 20MPH would not completely demolish a car.

Harriet Cady requested the Impact Fees offset the costs of these roads. Vice Chairman Stone directed Mrs. Cady to Page 23, which had a list reflecting the offsite money to be used this year. Impact Fees versus Offsite Fees were discussed. Selectman Menard said when the first impact fees were started the Town was divided into quadrants and the practice has been to apply those fees when possible. Mrs. Cady commented that somewhere along the way \$40,000 was taken for Haynes Road and now the money is not there for the repairs. Harriet Cady asked for a better accounting in the books as to where the Impact Fee money is applied.

Chairman Alexander referred to Page 23 and the detail of Offsite Fees for 2002 and commented Haynes Road was not in the Selectmen's Budget this year therefore not included in the report.

Specifying a half-mile of work on Haynes Road was a concern to Peter Onksen. There was always the possibility the \$20,000 would not be enough. Vice Chairman Stone suggested adding the words "up to". Chairman Alexander said this body could not advise the Selectmen to do Haynes Road but it would be a stupid Board that didn't listen to the voters if their wishes were to spend it on Haynes Road. Mr. Onksen wanted assurance that no more than \$20,000 would be spent. Vice Chairman Stone, as one member, would assume he could only go up to \$20,000.

VOTE: The Moderator called for the vote on the **AMENDMENT** to increase Road Reconstruction from \$206,990 to \$226,990 for the purpose of making improvements to Haynes Road. The **HAND VOTE** was **UNCLEAR**. The Moderator declared there would be a Division of the House. The Moderator ruled based on what happened last time and because the vote appeared close this vote will be by **SECRET BALLOT**. He asked the Ballot Counters to come forward. The Ballot Boxes were shown as empty. The Moderator designated **BALLOT "C"**. Instructions were given and balloting began.

(The results of the Vote on the Amendment to Road Reconstruction-Haynes Road, by Secret Ballot, are recorded following the vote on the Amendment to Road Reconstruction-Griffin Road)

Highways and Streets/Road Reconstruction

AMENDMENT: Jonathan Winslow moved to **AMEND ROAD RECONSTRUCTION** to **ADD \$50,000** for reconstructing and resurfacing approximately *one half mile of Griffin Road* from the intersection of Old Center Road, North to the residence of Tom and Gert Fowkes on Griffin Road. Seconded by Jane Miller.

While this might seem like a lot of money to some, Mr. Winslow asked all to believe the section needed repairs. If some of the bad areas are continually ignored, complete reconstruction will be required rather than a section at a time. Mr. Winslow did not see this increase as having an impact on the tax rate.

Wadworth Winslow spoke of the trucks that travel Griffin Road nine months out of the year to go to a local business. He mentioned an area by the Dwight Stevens residence that was deplorable.

VOTE: The Moderator called for the vote on the **AMENDMENT** to increase Road Reconstruction by \$50,000 for the purpose of reconstructing a portion of Griffin Road. It was a **HAND VOTE** in the **NEGATIVE** and so declared. The Amendment is defeated.

VOTE ON AMENDMENT--Road Reconstruction

The Moderator announced the results of the **SECRET BALLOT VOTE** on the Amendment to add \$20,000 to the Road Reconstruction Budget for reconstructing a portion of Haynes Road.

YES 61 NO 124

It was a vote in the **NEGATIVE** and so declared. The Amendment is defeated.

MOTION TO CLOSE DEBATE

Timothy Godbois made a motion to Close Debate and Move the Question. Seconded by Peter Onksen.

VOTE: The Moderator called for the vote to **CLOSE DEBATE AND MOVE THE QUESTION**. It was a **HAND VOTE** in the **AFFIRMATIVE** and so declared. With the debate closed the Moderator stated the assembly would go directly to the Secret Ballot Vote on Article 16 the Budget Article once the Bottom Line was determined.

SECRET BALLOT VOTE

Co-Chair Humphrey stated that the bottom line was \$2,450,624. The Moderator stated the vote was on **ARTICLE 16-THE BUDGET ARTICLE** in the amount of **\$2,450,624**, which **INCLUDES ALL** action taken in previous **WARRANT ARTICLES**. The Moderator asked the Ballot Counters to come forward. The Ballot Boxes were shown as empty. The Moderator designated **BALLOT "D"**. Instructions were given and the balloting began.

(The results of the vote on Article 16-The Budget Article, by Secret Ballot, are recorded following Article 18)

ARTICLE 17 (By Petition)

To see if the Town will vote to establish an Ethics Committee of five (5) Deerfield residents, to be elected during the next Town election for staggered three-year terms. During the first election, two

seats will be for a term of three years, two seats for a term of two years, and one seat for a term of one year.

The first purpose of this committee will be to establish legally binding guidelines for ethical standards of conduct for all Town and School officials (elected or appointed) and employees, defining those actions that are incompatible with the best interests of the town, and requiring that these officials and employees fully disclose any private financial or other interests in matters affecting the town. An ethics code will be adopted by the Ethics Committee after a public hearing at which time they will receive citizens' comments.

A secondary purpose is to provide a forum for Deerfield citizens to submit written complaints of ethical violations by Town officials or employees. The Ethics Committee shall be responsible to the voters to conduct appropriate investigations, issue findings and recommend appropriate actions. No members of the Code of Ethics Committee may be a public official (either employed, appointed, or elected), nor may they be a linear relative (to third generation) of said public officials according to inheritance rules.

Petitioner Raymond Cote moved Article 17 as printed. Seconded by Brenda Wilson.

Today, Raymond Cote said the Town would look at something new for Deerfield although it is not new in other towns (Atkinson, Dover, Dunbarton). Mr. Cote explained that a Code of Ethics Committee can provide residents, and newly elected Officials, with a forum should they have ethical questions. Businesses of today have a Code of Ethics for senior management supervisors and employees. Governor Jeanne Shaheen created a Code of Ethics for all executive branch employees.

For the same reasons he brought forward at the School District Meeting, Gary Roberge raised the same arguments. He was not against the concept but against the way it was written because it did not include training, which is a must. Ethical laws that already exist govern a good portion of Deerfield's elected officials and there are methods to remove people from their positions.

Helen Tomilson found this created yet another layer of government. If there are questions on the conduct of Deerfield's elected officials, they could be presented to the School Board or the Selectmen.

Point of Clarification

Fred McGarry questioned the wording. He pointed out it called for standards for school officials and he did not believe the Town Meeting had any authority over the school officials. The Moderator asked if Mr. McGarry wanted to strike the language. Mr. McGarry left that up to the petitioners.

Harriet Cady requested Mr. Roberge provide her with the laws backing the statements he made. Mrs. Cady was interested in having the information because many people have come to her and asked if it was unethical for Mr. Roberge, as an assessor, who sets the values for the Town, to also set values so he can get the Cooperative School amount up to where a bond can be acquired. Mrs. Cady wanted to be able to answer the question asked of her.

Selectman Robertson was not sure of the exact rules to unseat Selectmen or Budget Committee Members but pointed out people who serve on these committees are volunteers. He has yet to see any unethical thing that would need attention. (A round of applause) Selectman Robertson recalled someone mentioning answering to a higher authority. When you take the Oath of Office in the Town of Deerfield, Selectman Robertson noted the Oath of Office is taken to God, which seems like a fairly high authority and with that, Selectman Robertson was comfortable. (A round of applause)

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Gay Brearley took offense to the comments concerning Gary Roberge. Mrs. Brearley stated that Mr. Roberge has given many hours of his personal time to this Town and the speaker should be ashamed. (A round of applause) The Moderator ruled that Mrs. Brearley's comments were Out of Order. Mrs. Brearley apologized. Mrs. Brearley spoke to Article 17 saying she objected to an elected Ethics Committee that will make its own rules.

Raymond Cote reiterated the Ethics Committee could provide guidance for new members since there has been a changing of the guard this year and more to come next year. Times are changing Mr. Cote said and an Ethics Committee should be established.

Jonathan Barry wanted to know if the Code of Ethics would be approved by a Town vote or would there just be a time for citizens to make comments and the comments taken into consideration when the a code of ethics is formed. From the way he understands it, Mr. Cote said the Town would accept the Code of Ethics at a Town Meeting.

MOTION TO CLOSE DEBATE

Madeline Foulkes made a motion to Close Debate and Move the Question. Seconded by Steve Barry. **VOTE:** The Moderator called for the vote to **CLOSE DEBATE AND MOVE THE QUESTION.** It was a **HAND VOTE** in the **AFFIRMATIVE** and so declared.

Point of Order

Martha Humphrey did not see how the Town Meeting could vote on something that is binding for the school, as the petitioner did not amend the language. The Moderator ruled Article 17, by Petition, could be voted on and the legal pieces will fall where they may. Article 17, by Petition was on the Warrant with this language, it hasn't been modified, and that might weaken it, but not enough is known to say that the meeting can't vote.

VOTE: The Moderator called for the vote on the **ARTICLE 17, by Petition, to establish an Ethics Committee** as printed in the Town Report and as read earlier. It was a **HAND VOTE** in the **NEGATIVE** and so declared. Article 17 is defeated.

ARTICLE 18

To see if the Town will adopt the following resolution:

- Whereas a new Town road becomes property of the Town and does not remain the property of an individual and**
- Whereas the name assigned to a public way will become a permanent fixture in the Town of Deerfield and**
- Whereas such a permanent fixture should not be chosen to satisfy a short term marketing need and**
- Whereas there are many persons, places and things specific to the Town that are worthy of honoring with a form of permanent remembrance;**

Therefore, be it resolved that it shall be the policy of the Board of Selectmen to assign names to public rights of way that are geographically specific to the Town of Deerfield or historically significant to the Town, State, or Nation provided, however, that the assignment of such names shall be consistent with, and not interfere with, the naming of streets and roads for purposes of 911 emergency identification.

Vice Chairman, Joseph Stone moved Article 18 be adopted as printed. Seconded by Gary Roberge.

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Last fall, Vice Chairman Stone received a letter as President of Deerfield Historical Association from the Weare Historical Association regarding the naming of roads and streets, which he shared, with the Board of Selectmen. Developers are naming roads after people who have no relationship or historical significance to the Town. Of the most concern, is what might happen in some cases if there were an emergency 911 call.

The example Vice Chairman Stone used was naming a series of roads with similar names, e.g., Stone Road, Stone Gate, Stone Wall, Stone Alley, and so on. The rationale for Article 18 was for historic reasons and safety reasons.

Fred McGarry, Planning Board Chairman asked how the Planning Board should deal with developers when they come before the Planning Board. Would the developer propose names for the roads and forward them to the Selectmen for approval or would the Selectmen dictate to the developer what the names should be? Vice Chairman Stone said the developer would bring forward the names forward to the Selectmen for approval.

VOTE: The Moderator called for the vote on the **ARTICLE 18** as printed in the Town Report and as read earlier. It was a **HAND VOTE** in the **AFFIRMATIVE** and so declared. The Resolution is passed.

SECRET BALLOT VOTE

The Moderator announced the results of the Secret Ballot Vote on **ARTICLE 16-THE BUDGET ARTICLE** in the amount of \$2,450,624, which **INCLUDES ALL** action taken in previous **WARRANT ARTICLES**.

YES 164 NO 20

It was a vote in the **AFFIRMATIVE** and so declared. Article 16-The Budget Article is adopted in the amount of **\$2,450,624**.

ARTICLE 19

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to convey the following property:

Map 415 Lot 79 - Mountain Road

In furtherance of the foregoing, the Selectmen are further authorized to convey such property by deed either pursuant to a public action or sale by advertised sealed bids.

Chairman of the Board, James Alexander moved Article 19 be adopted as printed. Seconded by Selectman Frances Menard.

AMENDMENT: Chairman Alexander moved to amend **ARTICLE 19 to replace the word "action" with the word "auction"**. Seconded by Vice Chairman Stone.

UNANIMOUS CONSENT

The Moderator stated if there was no objection the **AMENDMENT to ARTICLE 19 to replace the word "action" with the word "auction"** would be adopted by Unanimous Consent. Hearing **NO OBJECTION**, the Moderator declared the **AMENDMENT to ARTICLE 19** to replace the word "action" with the word "auction" is **ADOPTED BY UNANIMOUS CONSENT**.

Back to the Main Motion, Article 19, as amended.

Chairman Alexander said the request came to the Selectmen from an abutter who wanted to acquire this parcel of land. The Selectmen informed the individual only Town Meeting can approve disposal of Town owned property.

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Donald Gorman requested the location of the parcel. Selectman Menard described the parcel as beyond the top of the hill on Mountain Road, on the right side of the road just beyond the Aubrey residence.

The Deerfield Conservation Commission (DCC) Co-Chair, Joe Sears, said that in 1998 the Town Meeting voted that any town lands being sold would first have to be reviewed by the DCC, the Planning Board and the Parks and Recreation Commission.

The value of the parcel to the DCC is a footpath to the Lamprey River. The recommendation of the DCC is to transfer it to the abutters and offer a Conservation Easement to bring the property taxes down. Kevin Webber was in favor of preserving access to the Lamprey River.

Helen Tomilson asked for the acreage of the parcel. Chairman Alexander replied 3.19 acres.

Harriet Cady wanted to know if it was a buildable lot. Selectman Menard said it met the zoning requirements of Deerfield's three acres, 200 feet of frontage and was part of a previously approved subdivision. It was not known if any percolation tests were taken. Mrs. Cady found conflict on one hand giving the DCC money so there would not be development and then recommends the sale of a buildable lot.

Joseph Manzi, Parks and Recreation Director reported the Commission members did not find any practical recreational purpose for a lot this size.

Generally in a bidding process, Peter Onksen noted there is a standard phrase that the Selectmen can reject any or all bids. He wondered how the Selectmen would handle the process. Chairman Alexander said the normal bid process the Board has followed would reserve the right to accept or reject a bid in the best interest of the Town. If the abutter were the successful bidder, perhaps a condition of the sale would be that the lots are combined. Discussion continued on what might be an acceptable bid and whether or not selling a buildable lot was in the best interest of the Town.

Fred McGarry, Chairman of the Planning Board was not sure if this matter came before the Planning Board at the last meeting, as he was absent. Mr. McGarry said if the intent is not to create an additional lot then the Purchase and Sales Agreement should indicate it is to be combined with the existing lot.

George Humphrey pointed out Article 19 is not written that one lot would be combined with another lot. He wanted to hear the Selectmen say combining lots is the way it would be. Vice Chairman Stone stated he was not in favor of Article 19.

Frances Menard did not believe the lot provided access to the Lamprey River. Gary Roberge urged the Town to maintain access to the Lamprey River or hold onto the lot for future use. The Moderator advised the assembly that after looking at a map, the property did not extend to the river. Joe Sears, DCC Co-Chair commented the river is not on the property.

Donald Gorman could not speak for everyone on Mountain Road but didn't think another buildable lot was needed. Beyond that, he didn't see how the high bid could be refused.

Point of Order

Martha Humphrey referred to an amendment Harriet Cady was attempting to propose for Article 19 to invoke deed restrictions. Mrs. Humphrey thought using the word structure would help as opposed to just referring to a building lot.

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AMENDMENT: Harriet Cady moved to amend **ARTICLE 19 to add after "convey" the phrase "with a deed restriction not to allow human habitation"**. There was a second to the motion.*

Harriet Cady explained the rationale for the amendment was if the Town wanted to sell the property and put it on the tax roles, but didn't want it used as a building lot, a deed restriction could not be changed by the Zoning Board of Adjustment (ZBA).

Anthony DiMauro, Chairman of the ZBA questioned if the lot was combined with another lot, with a house and humans in it, would that nullify the language? Fred McGarry, Chairman of the Planning Board said he would assume having a deed restriction on this parcel would exclude habitation on those 3.1 acres.

Recently Joe Stone visited with former Selectman, Roger King who told him for many years attempts were made to get land donated to the Town and now the Town was trying to sell something they were trying to obtain.

Joel Hughes asked if the individual interested in the property was at the Meeting. The individual was not present. Mr. Hughes asked the Selectmen what the person wanted to use the property for. Selectman Menard read a paragraph from the letter written to the Board, which expressed interest in the parcel to add to the property already owned and to insure a peaceful and quiet setting.

MOTION TO CLOSE DEBATE

Timothy Godbois made a motion to Close Debate and Move the Question. Seconded by George Keech.

VOTE: The Moderator called for the vote to **CLOSE DEBATE AND MOVE THE QUESTION**. It was a **HAND VOTE** in the **AFFIRMATIVE** and so declared.

VOTE: The Moderator called for the vote on the **AMENDMENT to ARTICLE 19 to add after "convey" the phrase "with a deed restriction not to allow human habitation"**. The **HAND VOTE** was **UNCLEAR**. The Moderator called for the Vote again. The **SECOND HAND VOTE** was **UNCLEAR**.

The Moderator declared there would be a Division of House and the votes counted. The results of the

HAND VOTE-COUNTED: YES 67 NO 60

It was a **VOTE** in the **AFFIRMATIVE** and so declared. The amendment to Article 19 is adopted.

Back to the main motion, Article 19, as amended

Peter Onksen wanted to know if the land was acquired by donation. Chairman Alexander stated the land was acquired by Tax Deed. Mr. Onksen asked what the value of the parcel was. Chairman Alexander read the assessed value of \$34,000 off a copy of the property card. Mr. Onksen inquired as to whether or not the Selectmen would accept a bid for less than \$34,000 but the Selectmen could not answer the question at this time.

MOTION TO CLOSE DEBATE

Timothy Godbois made a motion to Close Debate and Move the Question. Seconded by Donald Smith.

VOTE: The Moderator called for the vote to **CLOSE DEBATE AND MOVE THE QUESTION**. It was a **HAND VOTE** in the **AFFIRMATIVE** and so declared.

VOTE: The Moderator called for the vote on **ARTICLE 19, as amended**. It was a **HAND VOTE** in the **NEGATIVE** and so declared. Article 19, as amended is defeated.

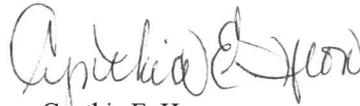
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ARTICLE 20

To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

Jonathan Winslow motioned to Adjourn. Seconded by Peter Onksen. Moderator Jonathan Hutchinson called for the Vote. It was a **VOICE VOTE** in the **AFFIRMATIVE**. Moderator Hutchinson declared the Town Meeting--Business Portion held on the 23rd day of March in the Year Two Thousand and Two adjourned at 2:05PM.

A True Record,
Attest:


Cynthia E. Heon
Town Clerk/Tax Collector

* Maker of the Motion Unknown

Registered Voters	2676
Voters Present at this Meeting	277

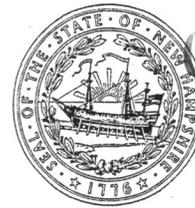
Immediately following the Meeting the following Officials elected on March 12, 2002 came forward and took the Oath of Office administered by Moderator, Jonathan Hutchinson:

Stephen R. Barry
Katharyn E. Williams
Keith Rollins
Thomas P. Dillon
Raymond W. Cote
Stephen P. Phillips
Anne K. Deely

Selectman
Supervisor of the Checklist
Highway Agent
Municipal Budget Committee Member
Municipal Budget Committee Member
Municipal Budget Committee Member
Trustee of the Philbrick James Library



NEW HAMPSHIRE STATE PRIMARY



0053

NOTICE TO VOTERS

THE STATE PRIMARY VOTING WILL BE HELD AT THE
FOLLOWING LOCATION Historic Town Hall

POLLING PLACE

Tuesday, September 10, 2002

Beginning at 7:00AM o'clock

Closing no earlier than 7:00PM o'clock

For the nomination of Candidates for the following Offices:

Declarations of
Candidacy to be
filed with
Secretary of State

Governor
United States Senator
Representative in Congress
Executive Councilor
State Senator
County Officer

Declarations of
Candidacy to be
filed with Town
or City Clerks

State Representative
Delegate to the Republican State Convention (Election)

Declarations of Candidacy, Declarations of Intent and Petitions to be filed with the
Secretary of State no earlier than June 5, nor later than June 14, 5 p.m.

Declarations of Candidacy and Petitions to be filed with the Town and City Clerks
no earlier than June 5, nor later than June 14, 5 p.m.

Date May 14, 2002 (05-17-02)

Cynthia P. Yeak

Clerk



THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION



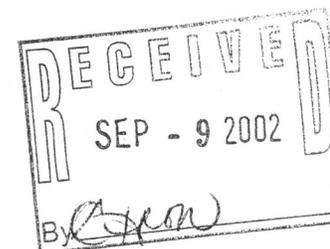
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September 3, 2002

COLA. MURRAY
Commissioner

GILBERTS. ROGERS
Assistant Commissioner

Cynthia Heon, Town Clerk
PO Box 159
Deerfield NH 03037



Dear Ms. Heon:

Re: Parking Regulation

Enclosed please find a Parking Regulation. This is forwarded to you to be filed in your records as Town Clerk.

Sincerely,

William R. Lambert, P.E.
Administrator, Bureau of Traffic

By: Robert D. Lang
Traffic Maintenance Supervisor

WRL:RDL:maw
Encl.

c.c. Chief Robert Wunderlich

Note: Temporary/Seasonal No Parking Signs for the Deerfield Fair.
Signs installed and removed by Town forces.
Town Ordinance of 01-2002

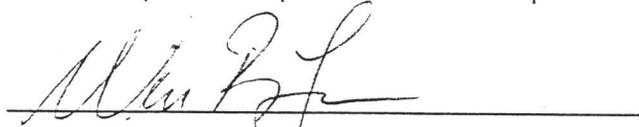
STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

PARKING REGULATION

In accordance with RSA 265:71 and RSA 236:1 a section of Route NH 43 in the Town of Deerfield, New Hampshire, beginning at a point on both sides of the highway at the intersection of Route NH 107 south and extending in a southerly direction a distance of approximately 2250 feet on Route NH 43 and beginning at a point on the west side of the highway at the intersection of Route NH 43 south and extending in a northerly direction a distance of approximately 850 feet on Route NH 43 and 107 is hereby restricted and within the areas so described the parking of vehicles of any type is prohibited at any time from September 15 to October 15.

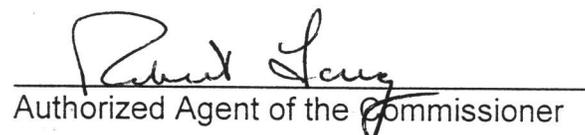
Given under my hand this 23rd day of August, 2002

New Hampshire Department of Transportation



Administrator, Bureau of Traffic
for Director of Operations

In accordance with Revised Statutes Annotated 236:2 I have caused to be filed a copy thereof in the records of the New Hampshire Department of Transportation and with the Clerk of the Town of Deerfield, New Hampshire.


Authorized Agent of the Commissioner

Date 9-3-02

**RSA 658:31 Counting Ballots
Accu-Vote Test and Set-Up
New Hampshire State Primary
September 5, 2002**

10:10AM Assembled for the counting of the NH State Primary Election Ballots and the testing of the Accu-Vote Machine were: Moderator, Jonathan Hutchinson, Assistant Moderator, James Alexander; Town Clerk/Tax Collector, Cynthia E. Heon; Deputy Town Clerk/Tax Collector, Jeanette L. Foisy; Registered Voter, Debra Tibbetts; Board of Selectmen, Frances L. Menard-Chairman.

10:10AM Counting of Accu-Vote Ballots Began

10:15AM Moderator Jack Hutchinson and Assistant Moderator James Alexander ran the pre-election test for the ballot machine

3:00PM Counting of the NH State Senate and the Representative Ballots began

4:00PM Counting of Ballots Ended

Results of Counting Accu-Vote Ballots

800 Republican
415 Democratic
30 Ballots used for testing ballot machine

State Representative Paper Ballots

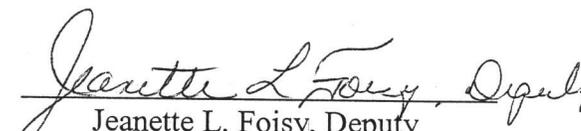
800 Republican
400 Democratic

State Senate Paper Ballots

800 Republican
400 Democratic

4:15PM Sealed Box

A True Record,
Attest:


Jeanette L. Foisy, Deputy
Town Clerk/Tax Collector

**TOWN OF DEERFIELD
NEW HAMPSHIRE STATE PRIMARY ELECTION
September 10, 2002**

Moderator, Jonathan Hutchinson opened with the following remarks: He stated that new residents could vote today if they registered with the Supervisors of the Checklist. An Independent voter may change back to Independent status after voting by returning to the Supervisors of the Checklist. The Ballots were delivered, counted and certified. The Instructions to the Voters and Statutes were posted in the Hall. Two Ballot Boxes were inspected and resealed. Instructions were given to the voters. There are three ballots in this election. If a voter makes an error on a ballot, they were instructed to return it to the Inspectors of Election to declare it "spoiled" and to re-vote. Voters were instructed to place their ballot in the Voting Machine and to give other two to the Election Official. Under RSA 664:17 no signs are to be posted in the public Right-of-Way. The warrant was read.

Election Officials present were: Moderator Jonathan Hutchinson, assisted by Assistant Moderators, James County and James T. Alexander; Town Clerk/Tax Collector, Cynthia E. Heon; Deputy Town Clerk/Tax Collector, Jeanette L. Foisy and Election Assistants, Barbara Sundstrom and Debra Tibbetts; From the Inspectors of Elections, Irene Shores and Barbara Daley were designated Ballot Clerks; Assisted by Inspectors of Elections, Ella Sawyer and Suzanne Sherburne; Supervisors of the Checklist, Cherie Sanborn, Chairman, George Owen and Kathayrn Williams; Board of Selectmen, Frances L. Menard, Chairman; Paul Dinneen; and Stephen R. Barry, Selectmen.

Gatekeeper for this Election was Police Lieutenant, Michael Greeley.

7:06AM The Polls were declared open by Moderator Hutchinson and the balloting began.

1:00PM Absentee Ballots were begun.

29	Absentee Ballots Mailed
25	Absentee Ballots Returned
25	Absentee Ballots Cast
171	Absentee Ballots Not Sent

1:55PM Absentee Ballots Completed.

7:00PM Moderator, Jonathan Hutchinson, declared the polls closed.

The Counting of the Ballots began Immediately.

Serving as Inspectors of Elections to count ballots were: Kevin Barry, Richard Boisvert, Elizabeth Buzzell, Bernadette Cameron, Debra Clark, Karen Cote, Joseph Dubiansky, Elaine Gardner, Jeffrey Gottwald, Judith Hartgen, Roger Hartgen, William Hartigan, Rebecca Hutchinson, George Keech, Barbara Letourneau, Amy Marquis, Roger Marquis, Joan Mountford, Frederick Robertson, Nancy Robertson, Janet Swanson, Rodney Swanson, George H. Thompson, Jr. Robert Van Winkle.

Statistics

2726	Registered Voters
915	Regular Ballots Cast
25	Absentee Ballots Cast
24	Newly Registered Voters
34%	Voter Turnout

The Moderator read the results of the New Hampshire State Primary Election.

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
RETURN OF VOTES

0059

DEERFIELD
DEMOCRATIC
STATE PRIMARY ELECTION

September 10, 2002

At the Primary in

Deerfield
(Town or City)

(Ward _____)

County of

Rockingham

the votes of inhabitants present and qualified to vote were as follows:

INSTRUCTIONS: Indicate the number of votes received by each candidate next to their name.

Record all write-ins on **separate** return.

For Governor

Vote for not more than ONE:

"BEV" HOLLINGWORTH

98

MARK FERNALD

113

WRITE-IN

For United States Senator

Vote for not more than ONE:

JEANNE SHAHEEN

197

WRITE-IN

For Representative in Congress

Vote for not more than ONE:

MARTHA FULLER CLARK

191

SEAN PATRICK DEAN

19

WRITE-IN

For Executive Councilor

Vote for not more than ONE:

JOHN D. SHEA

159

WRITE-IN

For Sheriff

Vote for not more than ONE:

WRITE-IN

For County Attorney

Vote for not more than ONE:

WRITE-IN

For County Treasurer

Vote for not more than ONE:

DAVID E. AHEARN

139

WRITE-IN

For Register of Deeds

Vote for not more than ONE:

RAYMOND "RAY" WILL

139

WRITE-IN

For Register of Probate

Vote for not more than ONE:

WRITE-IN

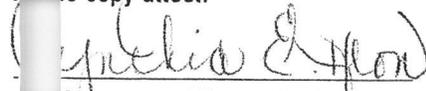
For County Commissioner

Vote for not more than ONE:

WRITE-IN

Vote September 10, 2002

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Signature of Town/City Clerk

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For State Representatives

Vote for not more than FIVE (5):

"TOM" CHASE

111

ANN S. FRIEND

135

WRITE-IN

WRITE-IN

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WRITE-IN

0060

**STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
RETURN OF VOTES**

**STATE PRIMARY ELECTION
September 10, 2002**

DEMOCRATIC

At the Primary in Deerfield (Ward) County of Rockingham
(Town or City)

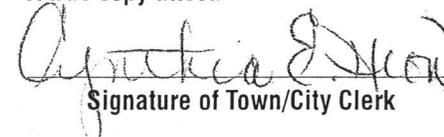
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Vote September 10, 2002

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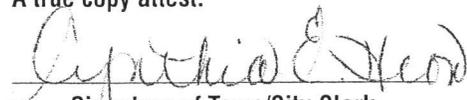
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DEERFIELD

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Vote September 10, 2002

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For State Senator

Vote for not more than ONE:

WRITE-IN

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
RETURN OF VOTES

STATE PRIMARY ELECTION
September 10, 2002

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DEERFIELD

For SHERIFF

For COUNTY ATTORNEY

For COUNTY TREASURER

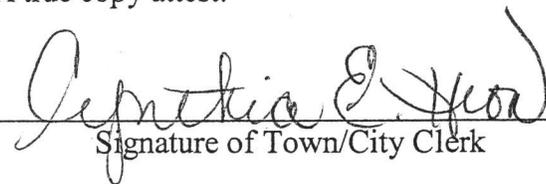
For REGISTER OF DEEDS

For REGISTER OF PROBATE

For COUNTY COMMISSIONER
(Indicate District No. if applicable)

**DEMOCRATIC WRITE-IN VOTES
CONTINUED....**

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Signature of Town/City Clerk

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Secretary of State and retain one copy)**

2002 State Primary Election

0064

Democratic
Write-In Votes**For Governor**

Bruce Keough	2
Elizabeth Bedard	1
Mary Brown	1
Gordon Humphry	1
John Sununu	1

For United States Senator

Bob Smith	2
John Sununu	1

For Representative in Congress

Bic Bicknell	1
Harriet Cady	1

For Executive Councilor**For State Senator**

Mary Brown	46
Jeanne Shaheen	9
Rebecca Hutchinson	5
Martha Fuller Clark	3
John Sununu	3
Jack Barnes	2
Harriet Cady	2
Bob Smith	2
Rachell Stuart	2
Tom Chase	1
Mark Fernald	1
James Hadley	1
Bev Hellingsworth	1
John Kacrnas	1
Howard Maley	1
Beth Mokas	1
John Richards	1
Suzie Sherburne	1
Joe Stone	1

For State Representative

Rebecca Hutchinson	13
Joe Stone	13
Tom St Martin	8
Harriet Cady	5
Elbert Bicknell	3
F. Donald Hersey	3
Robt Van Winkle	3
Cynthia Billings	1
Warring Billings III	1
Joann Bradbury	1
Mary Brown	1
Martha Fuller Clark	1
Bernie Cameron	1
Roy Decota	1
Alicia Dunstan	1
Chris Dunstan	1
Kate Hartnett	1
Geege Klipa	1
Rudy Kobel	1
Larry Lassins	1
Ernie Robert	1
Rachel Stuart	1
Craig Wood	1

For Sheriff

Brian Cash	2
Kevin Bell	1
Warren Cash	1
Steve Cruikshank	1
Ben Jean	1
Charles Kelsey	1
Donna Tracy	1
Wayne	1

For County Attorney

Kevin Bell	1
Jerome Blanchard	1
Sharon Buchanan	1
Joe Dubiansky	1
Peter McDonough	1
Deno Mokas	1

2002 State Primary Election
Democratic
Write-In Votes

0065

For County Treasurer

For Registry of Deeds

For Register of Probate

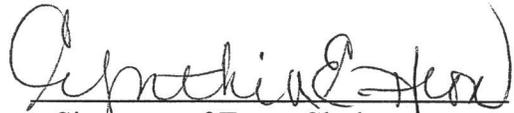
Bernie Cameron	3
Kevin Bell	1
Jeff White	1

For County Commission

(Indicate District No. if applicable)

Rebecca Hutchinson	3
Kevin Bell	1
Mark Johnson	1
Linda Mommsen	1

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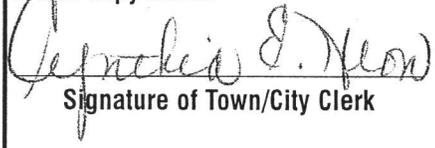
STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
 RETURN OF VOTES
 DEERFIELD
 REPUBLICAN
 STATE PRIMARY ELECTION
 September 10, 2002

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For Governor Vote for not more than ONE:		For Executive Councilor Vote for not more than ONE:		For Register of Deeds Vote for not more than ONE:	
BRUCE KEOUGH	245	PETER J. SPAULDING	518	CATHY STACEY	511
ROBERT KINGSBURY	1		WRITE-IN		WRITE-IN
ROBERT HOWARD KROEPPEL	1	For Sheriff Vote for not more than ONE:		For Register of Probate Vote for not more than ONE:	
CRAIG BENSON	198	J. "DAN" LINEHAN	526	ANDREW CHRISTIE, JR.	494
JOSEPH S. HAAS	7		WRITE-IN		WRITE-IN
GORDON J. HUMPHREY	251	For County Attorney Vote for not more than ONE:		For County Commissioner Vote for not more than ONE:	
	WRITE-IN	JAMES M. REAMS	511	ERNEST P. BARKA	497
For United States Senator Vote for not more than ONE:			WRITE-IN		WRITE-IN
KENNETH SCOT STREMSKY	14	For County Treasurer Vote for not more than ONE:		For Delegate to the State Convention Vote for not more than ONE:	
JOHN E. SUNUNU	353	EDWARD R. BUCK III	496	KEVIN R. CHALBECK	538
"BOB" SMITH	341		WRITE-IN		WRITE-IN
	WRITE-IN	<p>Vote September 10, 2002 A true copy attest:  Signature of Town/City Clerk</p> <p>One copy to be Returned ELECTION NIGHT to the Secretary of State</p> <p>Write-in votes on attached sheet</p>			
For Representative in Congress Vote for not more than ONE:					
SEAN MAHONEY	133				
JOHN A. STEPHEN	162				
FRANCINE "FRAN" WENDELBOE	60				
WAYNE BARROWS	51				
"BOB" BEVILL	6				
JEB BRADLEY	198				
VIVIAN CLARK	35				
RY SCOTT HOFFMAN	6				
	WRITE-IN				

For State Representatives

Vote for not more than FIVE (5):

0067

ELBERT BICKNELL	359
HARRIET E. CADY	332
ROBERT A. JOHNSON	311
DOLPH J. KOBEL	253
ROTHY NAZARIAN	219
"JOE" STONE	483

WRITE-IN

WRITE-IN

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**STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
RETURN OF VOTES**

STATE PRIMARY ELECTION

September 10, 2002

REPUBLICAN

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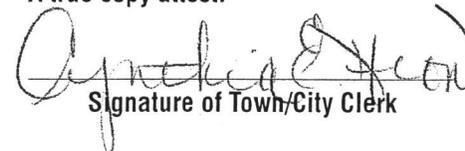
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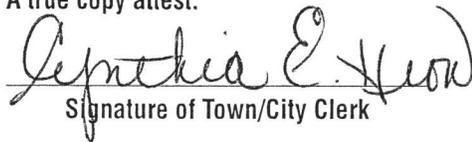
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DEERFIELD

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Vote September 10, 2002

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For State Senator

Vote for not more than ONE:

JOHN S. "JACK" BARNES, JR.

580

WRITE-IN

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
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STATE PRIMARY ELECTION
September 10, 2002

REPUBLICAN

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DEERFIELD

See attached
Write-in Sheet

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**2002 STATE PRIMARY ELECTION
REPUBLICAN
WRITE-IN VOTES**

Please indicate the name and number of votes received FOR EACH PERSON receiving write-in votes on **REPUBLICAN** ballots. Do not list fictional characters. Indicate write-ins for county offices on reverse side of this form. *Use additional sheets if necessary.*

For GOVERNOR

For UNITED STATES SENATOR

For REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS

For EXECUTIVE COUNCILOR

For STATE SENATOR

For STATE REPRESENTATIVE

For DELEGATE TO THE STATE CONVENTION

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TURN OVER - COUNTY WRITE-INS

For SHERIFF

For COUNTY ATTORNEY

For COUNTY TREASURER

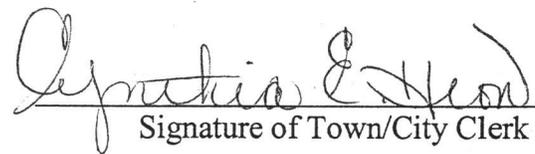
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For REGISTER OF PROBATE

For COUNTY COMMISSIONER
(Indicate District No. if applicable)

**REPUBLICAN WRITE-IN VOTES
CONTINUED....**

A true copy attest:



Signature of Town/City Clerk

**(Send one copy ELECTION NIGHT to
Secretary of State and retain one copy)**

2002 State Primary Election
Republican
Write-In Votes

0071

For Governor

John Babiarz

1

For United States Senator

Jeanne Shaheen

2

For Representative in Congress

For Executive Councilor

Harriet Cady

1

Jeff Kelly

1

For State Senator

Mary Brown

3

Harriet Cady

3

Joe Stone

2

AJ Cappello

1

Tom Chase

1

Rebecca Hutchinson

1

Richard Moore

1

Jeanne Shaheen

1

Bob Smith

1

Tom St. Martin

1

For State Representative

Rebecca Hutchinson

2

Andy Robertson

2

Erick Berglund

1

AJ Capello

1

Tom Chase

1

Ray Cote

1

Lois Ferguson

1

Friend

1

Thomas Foulkes

1

Erik Gross

1

Coleen Guardia

1

George Humphry

1

Ken McGann

1

Emily Moore

1

Paul Murphy

1

Peter Onksen

1

John Richards

1

Thomas True

1

Judy Williams

1

For Delegate to the State Convention

Harriet Cady

2

Jack Sherburn

1

For Sheriff

Chuck Veilleux

1

For County Attorney

For County Treasurer

Harriet Cady

1

For Registry of Deeds

For Register of Probate

For County Commission

(Indicate District No. if applicable)

Joe Pantelkos

1

A true copy attest:



Signature of Town Clerk

Two Ballot Boxes were sealed at 8:30PM. The Moderator declared the Meeting adjourned at 8:31PM.

A True Record,
Attest:


Cynthia E. Heon
Town Clerk/Tax Collector

Town Seal

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

0073

To the inhabitants of the Town/City (Ward) of Deerfield in the County of Rockingham, New Hampshire.

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall, 8 Old Center Road South on Tuesday, the fifth day of November, 2002. The polls will be open between the hours of 7a.m. and 7p.m. to act upon the following subjects:

To bring in your votes for Governor, United States Senator, United States Representative, Executive Councilor, State Senator, State Representative and County Officers.

To bring in your votes on a Question Relating to a Constitutional Amendment as proposed by the 2002 general court.

To bring in your votes on a Question Proposed pursuant to Part II, Article 100 of the New Hampshire Constitution.

Given under our hands and seal, this 21st day of October, in the year of Our Lord two thousand two.

Francis L. Menard
Joseph E. Elko
P. J. Potts
Paul P. Dignam
Stephen R. Berry

Selectmen of Deerfield, NH

October 21, 2002

We hereby certify that we gave notice to the inhabitants within named, to meet at the time and place and for the purpose within mentioned, by posting an attested copy of the above Warrant at the place of meeting and at the office of the Town or City Clerk or City Hall on the 21st day of October, 2002.

Francis L. Menard
Paul P. Dignam
P. J. Potts
Stephen R. Berry
Joseph E. Elko

Selectmen of Deerfield, NH

0074



November 5, 2002
Notice given 10-21-2002

Francis L. Monard

John R. B...

Joseph E. Stone

**RSA 658:31 Counting Ballots
Accu-Vote Test and Set-Up
New Hampshire General Election
October 29, 2002**

8:00AM Assembled for the counting of the NH General Election Ballots and the testing of the Accu-Vote Machine were: Moderator, Jonathan Hutchinson, Assistant Moderators, James Alexander and James County; Town Clerk/Tax Collector, Cynthia E. Heon; Deputy Town Clerk/Tax Collector, Jeanette L. Foisy; Registered Voter, Debra Tibbetts; Board of Selectmen, Frances L. Menard-Chairman.

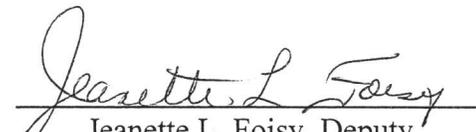
8:00AM Counting of Accu-Vote Ballots Began
10:15AM Moderator Jack Hutchinson and Assistant Moderators James Alexander and James County ran the pre-election test for the ballot machine
8:45AM Counting of Ballots Ended

Results of Counting Accu-Vote Ballots

2028 General Election Ballots
10 Ballots used for testing ballot machine

9:00AM Sealed Box

A True Record,
Attest:


Jeanette L. Foisy, Deputy
Town Clerk/Tax Collector

**TOWN OF DEERFIELD
NEW HAMPSHIRE STATE GENERAL ELECTION
November 5, 2002**

Moderator, Jonathan Hutchinson opened with the following remarks: He stated that new residents could vote today if they registered with the Supervisors of the Checklist. The Ballots were delivered, counted and certified. The Instructions to the Voters and Statutes were posted in the Hall. The Ballot Box was inspected and resealed. Instructions were given to the voters. If a voter makes an error on a ballot, they were instructed to return it to an Election Official to declare it "spoiled" and to re-vote. Voters were instructed to place their ballot in the Voting Machine. Under RSA 664:17 no signs are to be posted in the public Right-of-Way. The warrant was read.

Election Officials present were: Moderator Jonathan Hutchinson, assisted by Assistant Moderators, James County and Kathleen Berglund; Town Clerk/Tax Collector, Cynthia Heon; Deputy Town Clerk/Tax Collector, Jeanette Foisy and Election Assistants, Debra Tibbetts, Barbara Sundstrom and Melissa Bemis; From the Inspectors of Elections, Ella Sawyer and Barbara Daley were designated Ballot Clerks; Assisted by Inspectors of Elections, Janet Swanson and Suzanne Sherburne; Supervisors of the Checklist, Cherie Sanborn, Chairman, Kathayrn Williams and Diane Valade; Board of Selectmen, Frances L. Menard, Chairman; Joseph E. Stone, Vice-Chairman; Paul Dinneen, R. Andy Robertson, Selectman; Stephen R. Barry, Selectman.

Gatekeeper for this Election was Police Chief, Robert Wunderlick.

7:00AM The Polls were declared open by Moderator Hutchinson and the balloting began.

1:00PM Absentee Ballots were begun.

83	Absentee Ballots Mailed
76	Absentee Ballots Returned
74	Absentee Ballots Cast
2	Absentee Ballots Cancelled
167	Absentee Ballots Not Sent

1:55PM Absentee Ballots Completed.

5:15PM 1 Absentee Ballot Cast.

7:00PM Moderator, Jonathan Hutchinson, declared the polls closed.

The Counting of the Ballots began Immediately.

Serving as Inspectors of Elections to count ballots were: Kevin Barry, Joseph Dubiansky, Judith Hartgen, Roger Hartgen, George Keech, Rodney Swanson.

Statistics

2825	Registered Voters
1652	Regular Ballots Cast
76	Absentee Ballots Cast
102	Newly Registered Voters
61%	Voter Turnout

The Moderator read the results of the New Hampshire State General Election.



MODERATOR'S CERTIFICATE

2002 STATE GENERAL ELECTION

To the Town or Ward Clerk:

This is to certify that in accordance with RSA 658:32, the ballots forwarded by the Secretary of State to this town or ward have been examined and counted and I find that the total number of **OFFICIAL STATE GENERAL ELECTION BALLOTS** (excluding Absentee Ballots) is:

2028

and that all are for the use of the town or ward of Deerfield

Debra Tibbetts

Witness

[Signature]

Moderator

A true copy Attest:

[Signature]

Town or Ward Clerk

Nov. 5, 2002

Date

(To be retained for the MODERATOR'S records)



2002 STATE GENERAL ELECTION
BALLOTS CAST/NAMES ON CHECKLIST

Section 1:

Number of REGULAR Ballots Cast 1652Number of ABSENTEE Ballots Cast 74

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Section 2:

Total Number of Registered REPUBLICANS on Checklist 1174Total Number of Registered DEMOCRATS on Checklist 553Total Number of Registered UNDECLARED on Checklist 1098

Number of registered voters by party on checklist AT THE END OF THE DAY including those who registered on election day.

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Section 3:

Number of citizens who registered to vote on Election Day: 102

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Town/City (Ward) of Deerfield

Attest:

County Rockingham

Cherie A. Sanborn
Chairman, Supervisor of the Checklist

(Send one copy to Secretary of State on ELECTION NIGHT and retain one copy)

See attached Sheet

0080

Town/City (Ward) Deerfield

**November 5, 2002 STATE GENERAL ELECTION
WRITE-IN VOTES**

Please indicate names of any and all write-ins (regardless of whether they are known to you) and the number of votes received by each in the appropriate space. Use additional sheets if necessary.

For GOVERNOR

For STATE SENATOR

For UNITED STATES SENATOR

For STATE REPRESENTATIVE

For REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS

For EXECUTIVE COUNCILOR

TURN OVER TO RECORD WRITE-IN VOTES

FOR COUNTY OFFICERS

(Send one copy ELECTION NIGHT to Secretary of State and retain one copy)

Please indicate names of any and all write-ins (regardless of whether they are known to you) and the number of votes received by each in the appropriate space. Use additional sheets if necessary.

For SHERIFF

For COUNTY ATTORNEY

For COUNTY TREASURER

For REGISTER OF DEEDS

For REGISTER OF PROBATE

For COUNTY COMMISSIONER (Indicate appropriate district No. if applicable)

(Send one copy ELECTION NIGHT to Secretary of State and retain one copy)

2002 State General Election
Write-In Votes

0082

For Governor

Bruce Keocgh 3
Gordon Humphrey 1

For United States Senator

Bob Smith 7
Charles Bass 2

For Representative in Congress

For Executive Councilor

For State Senator

For State Representative

Rebecca Hutchinson 8
Kevin Chalbeck 2
Dwight Barnes 1
Scott Brulot 1
Tyke Frost 1
Renee Gosselin 1
Beth Mokas 1
Deno Mokas 1
Paul Murphy 1
Thomas True 1

For Sheriff

Paul Asselin 1
Paul Dinneen 1
Mike Gayhardt 1
Ken McCaron 1
Christian Stevens 1
Joe Stone 1
Richard Strickler 1
Wayne Vetter 1

For County Attorney

Mike Gayhardt 1
David Ruflo 1

For County Treasurer

For Registry of Deeds

For Register of Probate

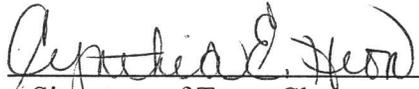
RA Johnson 1

For County Commission

(Indicate District No. if applicable)

Joe Pantelkos 3
William Benne 1
Harriet Cady 1
RA Johnson 1

A true copy attest:



Signature of Town Clerk

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
RETURN OF VOTES
 OFFICIAL BALLOT FOR
DEERFIELD
 GENERAL ELECTION
 November 5, 2002

At the General Election in Deerfield
 (Town or City)

(Ward _____)

County of Rockingham

the votes of inhabitants present and qualified to vote were as follows:

INSTRUCTIONS: Indicate the number of votes received by each candidate next to their name.

Record all write-ins on separate return.

Vote November 5, 2002
 A true copy attest:

[Signature]
 Signature of Town/City Clerk

One copy to be Returned
 ELECTION NIGHT
 to the Secretary of State

For Governor

Vote for not more than ONE:

CRAIG BENSON REPUBLICAN	1035
MARK FERNALD DEMOCRATIC	595
JOHN J. BABIARZ LIBERTARIAN	72
WRITE-IN	

For United States Senator

Vote for not more than ONE:

JOHN E. SUNUNU REPUBLICAN	951
JEANNE SHAHEEN DEMOCRATIC	705
"KEN" BLEVENS LIBERTARIAN	46
WRITE-IN	

For Representative in Congress

Vote for not more than ONE:

JEB BRADLEY REPUBLICAN	1030
MARTHA FULLER CLARK DEMOCRATIC	601
"DAN" BELFORTI LIBERTARIAN	72
WRITE-IN	

For Executive Councilor

Vote for not more than ONE:

PETER J. SPAULDING REPUBLICAN	986
JOHN D. SHEA DEMOCRATIC	539
WRITE-IN	

For State Senator

Vote for not more than ONE:

JOHN S. "JACK" BARNES, JR. REPUBLICAN	1082
MARY BROWN DEMOCRATIC	505
WRITE-IN	

For State Representatives

Vote for not more than FIVE (5):

ELBERT BICKNELL REPUBLICAN	808
HARRIET E. CADY REPUBLICAN	779
ROBERT A. JOHNSON REPUBLICAN	747
RUDOLPH J. KOBEL REPUBLICAN	683
"JOE" STONE REPUBLICAN & DEMOCRATIC	1186
"TOM" CHASE DEMOCRATIC	464
ANN S. FRIEND DEMOCRATIC	577
WILLIAM "BILL" NETISHEN DEMOCRATIC	371
"TOM" ST. MARTIN DEMOCRATIC	411
MARK L. EDWARDS INDEPENDENT	474
WRITE-IN	

For Sheriff

Vote for not more than ONE:

J. "DAN" LINEHAN REPUBLICAN & DEMOCRATIC	1,335
WRITE-IN	

For County Attorney

Vote for not more than ONE:

JAMES M. REAMS REPUBLICAN & DEMOCRATIC	1297
WRITE-IN	

For County Treasurer

Vote for not more than ONE:

EDWARD R. BUCK III REPUBLICAN	870
DAVID E. AHEARN DEMOCRATIC	569
WRITE-IN	

For Register of Deeds

Vote for not more than ONE:

CATHY STACEY REPUBLICAN	1003
RAYMOND "RAY" WILL DEMOCRATIC	447
WRITE-IN	

For Register of Probate

Vote for not more than ONE:

ANDREW CHRISTIE, JR. REPUBLICAN & DEMOCRATIC	1297
WRITE-IN	

For County Commissioner

Vote for not more than ONE:

ERNEST P. BARKA REPUBLICAN & DEMOCRATIC	1216
WRITE-IN	

**Question Relating to a
 Constitutional Amendment
 Proposed by
 the 2002 General Court**

"Are you in favor of amending article 73-a of the second part of the constitution to read as follows: [Art.] 73-a. [Supreme Court Administration.] The chief justice of the supreme court shall be the administrative head of all the courts. The chief justice shall, with the concurrence of a majority of the supreme court justices, have the power by rule to regulate the security and administration of; and the practice, procedure, and rules of evidence in, all courts in the state. The rules so adopted shall have the force and effect of law. The general court may also regulate these matters by statute provided that the general court shall have no authority to abridge the necessary adjudicatory functions for which the courts were created. In the event of a conflict between a statute and a rule, the statute shall supersede the rule, if not contrary to the provisions of the constitution." (Passed by the N.H. House 290 Yes 48 No; Passed by State Senate 16 Yes 7 No) CACR 5

YES 854
 NO 522

**Question Proposed pursuant to
 Part II, Article 100 of the
 New Hampshire Constitution**

"Shall there be a convention to amend or revise the constitution?"
 YES 692
 NO 737

Two Ballot Boxes were sealed at 7:55PM. The Moderator declared the Meeting adjourned at 7:56PM.

A True Record,
Attest:


Cynthia E. Heon
Town Clerk/Tax Collector

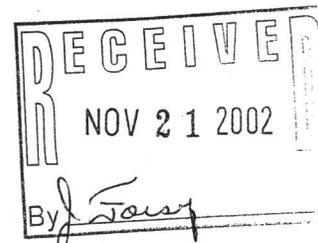
Town Seal

Recording fee: \$25.00 (Note 1)
 Use black print or type.
 Leave 1" margins both sides.

Form No. NP 3
 RSA 292:5 & 7

AFFIDAVIT OF AMENDMENT

OF
EQUALTY PRESS
 A NEW HAMPSHIRE NONPROFIT CORPORATION



I, ANTHONY R. AIKEN, the undersigned, being the
DIRECTOR (Note 2) of the above named New Hampshire nonprofit
 corporation, do hereby certify that a meeting was held on Oct. 27, 02,
 in PORTSMOUTH, NH (Note 3), for the purpose of amending the articles
 of agreement and the following amendment(s) were approved by a majority vote
 of the corporation's BY-LAWS. (Note 4)

and CHANGE of ADDRESS

[If more space is needed, attach additional sheet(s).]

A true record, attest:

[Signature]
 (Signature)

Dated

OCTOBER 27, 02

- Notes: 1. Make check payable to N.H. Secretary of State.
 2. Clerk, secretary or other officer.
 3. Town/city and state.
 4. Enter either "Board of Directors" or "Trustees".

Mail \$25.00 STATE FEE and DUPLICATE ORIGINALS (ORIGINAL SIGNATURES ON BOTH)
 to: Secretary of State, State House, Room 204, 107 North Main Street,
 Concord, NH 03301-4989

File a copy with Clerk of the town/city of the principal place of business.

AGREEMENT TO AMEND

As a part of our application for recognition of exemption from federal income tax, we agree to make the following amendment to our organizing document. Since we are incorporated, the amendment will be filed with and approved by the appropriate State official. The actual approved copy of the Amendment to our Articles of Incorporation will be forwarded to the Internal Revenue Service when we receive it.

EQUALITY PRESS
Name of Organization

A. A.
Signature of Officer or Person
Holding Power of Attorney

OCT. 27, 2002
Date

- a) The organization is organized exclusively for charitable, religious, educational, and/or scientific purposes under section 501(c)(3) of the internal Revenue Code.
- b) No part of the net earnings of the organization shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to its members, trustees, officers, or other private persons, except that the organization shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purposes set forth in the purpose clause hereof. No substantial part of the activities of the organization shall be the carrying on of propoganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and the organization shall not participate in, or intervene in (including the publishing or distribution of statements) any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office. Notwithstanding any other provision of this document, the organization shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on (a) by an organization exempt from federal income tax under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code or (b) by an organization, contributions to which are deductible under section 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code.
- c) Upon the dissolution of the organization, assets shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or shall be distributed to the federal government, or to a state or local government, for a public purpose.

Board of Directors of Equality Press

Anthony Aiken, PO Box 1347, Portsmouth, NH 03802
Director

Chloe Levreault, 127 English Village RD #302, Manchester, NH 03102
Secretary

David Orgaz, 650 Turnpike RD, Greenville, NH 03048
Treasurer

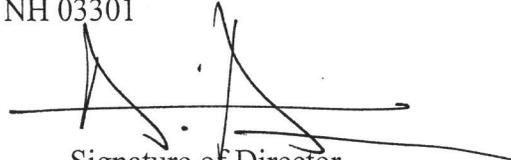
John T Liston, PO Box 2097, Hillsborough, NH 03244
Board of Director

Christine Sarandopolis, PO Box 1388, Concord, NH 03048
Board of Director

Equality Press
Agreement to Amend

On October 27th, 02 the approval of the change of address was passed with
majority vote. The new address:

Equality Press
26 South Main St. PMB 145
Concord, NH 03301



Signature of Director

10.27.2002
Date

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

TO THE INHABITANTS OF THE TOWN DEERFIELD, in the County of Rockingham, in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Historic Town Hall in said Deerfield, on Tuesday, the eleventh of March, next at 7 of the clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.

2. To see if the Town will vote to adopt amendments to the existing Town Zoning Ordinance as proposed by the Planning Board. (The amendments are posted with the Warrant and are available for inspection at the offices of the Town Clerk and Selectmen during business hours of 8:00am to 7:00pm Mondays, and from 8:00am to 2:30pm Tuesday through Friday.) The sections to be amended and a topical description of each amendment are as follows:

(1.) Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 1 as proposed by the Deerfield Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Amend Section 213 "Senior Housing Overlay District" "Purpose and Intent" to change the age from fifty five (55) years to sixty two (62) years so that the Section now reads:

Purpose and Intent: The provisions relating to senior housing are established to promote affordable housing for the senior population, provide for the efficient use of land and utilities consistent with the needs of the senior population sixty two (62) years of age and over and to preserve open space.

(2.) Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 2 as proposed by the Deerfield Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Amend Section 213:9 "Assurances of Senior Residency" to change the age from fifty five (55) years to sixty two (62) years so that the first sentence of the Section reads as follows:

The applicant (developer) shall provide deed restrictions, use limitations, covenants or some other legally enforceable instrument which shall permanently restrict occupancy of the senior housing to families in which at least one member is over the age of sixty two (62) years.

(3.) Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 3 as proposed by the Deerfield Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Amend Article VI, Section 602 "Term Definitions" by replacing "Senior Housing" with the following new definition:

Senior Housing: Housing principally used, designed or adapted for use by senior citizens, sixty two (62) years of age and older, and complying with the design requirements of the "Architectural Barrier Free Design Code for the State of New Hampshire", as amended, and licensed by the appropriate state agencies.

(4.) Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 4 as proposed by the Deerfield Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Amend Section 316 "Expansion of a Nonconforming Use" by adding the following new sentence:

The expansion of structures on sub-standard size lots is permitted, but only so long as said expansion occurs within the yard dimensions for the district in which the lot is located, subject to Section 307 and all other applicable requirements of this Ordinance.

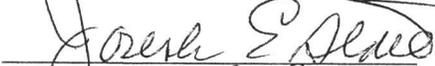
THE POLLS ARE TO OPEN AT 7:00AM AND WILL CLOSE NOT EARLIER THAN 7:00PM.

THE BUSINESS PORTION OF THE TOWN MEETING WILL BE HELD ON SATURDAY, MARCH 15, 2003, AT THE DEERFIELD COMMUNITY SCHOOL BEGINNING AT 9:00AM.

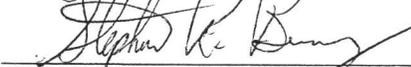
Given under our hands and seal, this 24th day of February, in the year of our Lord Two Thousand Three.



 Frances L. Menard, Chairman



 Joseph E. Stone, Vice Chairman



 Stephen R. Barry

 R. Andrew Robertson

 Paul P. Dinneen

Board

of

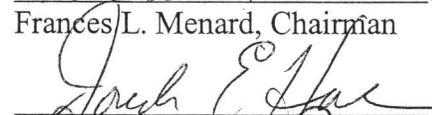
Selectmen

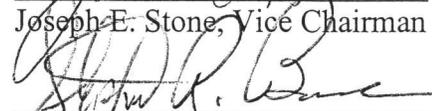
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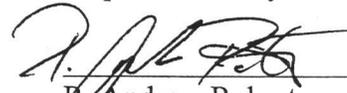
We hereby certify that we gave notice to the inhabitants within named, to meet at the time and place and for the purpose within mentioned, by posting up an attested copy of the within Warrant at the place of meeting (Historic Town Hall) within named, and a like attested copy at the Town Offices (George B. White Building) and the Deerfield Community School, being public places in said Town, on the 24th day of February 2003.

Given under our hands and seal, this 11th day of March, in the year of our Lord Two Thousand Three.


Francis L. Menard, Chairman


Joseph E. Stone, Vice Chairman


Stephen R. Barry


R. Andrew Robertson

Board

of

Selectmen

Paul P. Dinneen

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

TO THE INHABITANTS OF THE TOWN OF DEERFIELD in the County of Rockingham in said State qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Deerfield Community School in said Deerfield, on Saturday, the 15th day of March, next at nine of the clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

Article 1

Passage of this article shall override the 10 percent limitation imposed on this appropriation due to the non-recommendation of the Municipal Budget Committee.

- a. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Million Five Hundred Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$2,530,000) (gross budget) for the construction and original equipping of a new Safety Services Complex (Police/Fire/Rescue/Emergency Management) and;
- b. To authorize the issuance of not more than Two Million Five Hundred Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$2,530,000) of bonds or notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA 33) and amendments thereto enabling for the purpose of defraying the cost of the foregoing and to authorize the municipal officials to determine the time and place of payment and the rate of interest on such notes or bonds and to take such other actions as may be necessary to effect the issuance and sale of such bonds and notes; and
- c. To authorize the Selectmen to apply for, negotiate, contract for, seek and do all other things necessary to obtain such Federal and State grant-in-aid, contributions and assistance as may be available for the construction of the Safety Services Complex (Police/Fire/Rescue/Emergency Management), and to adopt any vote relating thereto; and
- d. To authorize the Selectmen to do all things necessary or convenient to carry the foregoing into effect, including, without limitations, the employment of engineers and the execution in the name of the Town of a contract or contracts for the construction of the Safety Services Complex (Police/Fire/Rescue/Emergency Management).
- | | |
|------------------------------|---|
| 2/3 Ballot Vote Required. | This is a Special Warrant Article. |
| Recommended by the Selectmen | Not Recommended by the Budget Committee |

Article 2

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate Seventeen Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$17,500) for engineering design services for Intersection Improvements to the intersection of New Hampshire Routes 43 and 107 located in the vicinity of the George B. White Building.

Recommended by the Selectmen	Not Recommended by the Budget Committee
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Article 3

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty Two Thousand Dollars (\$22,000) for the purpose of replacing the stainless steel tank on the primary Fire Department Tanker (the 1987 Ford Tank Truck).

Recommended by the Selectmen	Recommended by the Budget Committee
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Article 4

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Thousand and Thirty Six Dollars (\$5,036) for the purpose of acquiring four sets of protective gear for the Deerfield Volunteer Firefighters (4 pairs of boots, 4 pairs of pants, 4 coats, 12 pairs of gloves). This protective gear will replace worn gear.

Recommended by the Selectmen	Recommended by the Budget Committee
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Article 5

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Ten Thousand Eight Hundred Sixty Dollars (\$10,860) for replacing the T-111 siding from the roof to the overhangs at doorways of the George B. White Building (\$8,900) and pressure washing, scraping, priming and painting (two coats) the exterior of the George B. White Building (\$1,960).

Recommended by the Selectmen	Recommended by the Budget Committee
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Article 6

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Six Thousand Seven Hundred Eighty Dollars (\$6,780) for a new file server to be installed in the Town Offices. The purchase is to correct network problems. The old file server will remain in use in the Police Department.

Recommended by the Selectmen Recommended by the Budget Committee

Article 7

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifty Eight Thousand Dollars (\$58,000) for building renovations, the construction and installation of a composting toilet system, drainage improvements and an educational display at Veasey Park; and to accept a grant from NHDES Watershed Assisted Grants under sect. 319 of the Federal Clean Water Act in the amount of \$25,000. The balance of \$33,000 shall be raised through taxation.

Recommended by the Selectmen Recommended by the Budget Committee

Article 8

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Four Thousand Eight Hundred Dollars (\$4,800) to wash, scrape, prime and apply two coats of paint, to the front exterior of the Historic Town Hall.

Recommended by the Selectmen Recommended by the Budget Committee

Article 9

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000) for the purchase of one trash containment unit (previously rented) to be housed at the Transfer Station.

Recommended by the Selectmen Recommended by the Budget Committee

Article 10

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirteen Thousand Five Hundred Seventy Seven Dollars (\$13,577) for the purpose of Town employee raises for salaries and wages (This represents a 2.6% cost of living increase for all full time and part time employees.).

Recommended by the Selectmen Not Recommended by the Budget Committee

Article 11

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$30,000) for the purpose of funding a portion of the costs of installing an elevator in the Town Hall. The remainder of the costs would be raised through other means. (By Petition)

Recommended by the Selectmen Not Recommended by the Budget Committee

Article 12

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,000 (\$2,000 raised through taxation and \$2,000 in matching State grant funds) to serve as required local match for a regional groundwater study to be undertaken by the United States Geological Survey (USGS) and the Department of Environmental Services (DES). This study, "Sustainability of Groundwater Resources in the Southeastern Region of New Hampshire", encompasses 42 communities in southeastern New Hampshire and will investigate the supply of groundwater available in the region.

Recommended by the Selectmen Not Recommended by the Budget Committee

Article 13

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum not to exceed Seven Thousand Dollars (\$7,000) for engineering design services for traffic management through the Deerfield Center area from the Routes 107/43, Candia Road, Old Center Road intersection westerly to and including the planned road improvements associated with the Senior Housing Construction Project.

Recommended by the Selectmen Not Recommended by the Budget Committee

Article 14

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Million Four Hundred Sixty Eight Thousand Nine Hundred Thirty Three Dollars (\$2,468,933) which represents the Town Operating Budget. Said sum does not include special or individual articles addressed.

The Selectmen Recommend \$2,523,423.

The Municipal Budget Committee Recommends \$2,468,933.

Article 15

To see if the Town will vote to accept the conveyance of Map 414 Lot 97-1, Plan D-29947 formerly belonging to Roger C. King in accordance with RSA 31:3.

Article 16

Shall we adopt the provisions of RSA 72:37 for the exemption for the blind from the assessed value of residential real estate for property tax purposes? This statute provides that every inhabitant who is legally blind shall be exempt each year, for the property tax purposes, from the assessed value on a residence to the value of \$15,000. (Ballot Vote Required)

Article 17

To see if the Town of Deerfield will vote to rescind NH RSA 32:14-23, relative to the Municipal Budget Committee adopted at Town Meeting in March, 1973. (By Petition)

Article 18

If the preceding article is adopted, to see if the Town of Deerfield will vote pursuant to RSA 32:24, to establish an Advisory Budget Committee (ABC), to consist of 5 members (one member appointed by the Board of Selectmen, one member appointed by the School Board, and three members elected). This article is contingent upon the preceding article, abolishing the Municipal Budget Committee, and if both articles are approved, replacing the Municipal Budget Committee (MBC) with an Advisory Budget Committee (ABC). (By Petition)

Article 19

To see if the Town will vote that the Annual Inventory Blanks for purposes of inventorying your taxable property now being mailed yearly to taxpayers will cease as of the vote at this Town Meeting. (By Petition)

Article 20

We the residents of Cottonwoods Estates are petitioning the Town of Deerfield, NH to accept and maintain (snow removal, repairs, storm drain upkeep & etc.) the following roads as town roads: Bliss Rd., Companion Rd., Harmony Rd., Prospect Rd., and Fire Pond access road, Homestead Rd. (By Petition)

Article 21

To see if the Town will vote to ask the Parks and Recreation Commission to present to the 2004 Town Meeting a plan and budget for a team sports facility to be built on Deerfield Fairground property under the 10 year renewable agreement between the Town and the Fair Association. The Parks and Recreation Commission estimates the total cost of this project between \$200,000 and \$500,000 and a 2004 request of \$100,000. The Commission would also undertake private fundraising and the sports programs (baseball, softball and soccer) may contribute. This is an advisory article.

Article 22

To see if the Town will act on the following resolution submitted by New Hampshire for Health Care.

Whereas, New Hampshire residents pay the 12th highest cost for insurance in the country; and

Whereas, the cost of health insurance premiums for families has increased by 45% over the past three years; and

Whereas, 100,000 New Hampshire residents have no health coverage and 77% of them have a full-time worker at home; and

Whereas, due to these rising costs almost half of New Hampshire's small business cannot afford health coverage for their employees, therefore be it resolved

That we, the citizens of Deerfield, New Hampshire, call on our elected officials from all levels of government, and those seeking office, to work with consumers, businesses, and health care providers to ensure that:

- Everyone, including the self-employed, unemployed, un-and underinsured, and small business owners, has access to an affordable basic health plan similar to what federal employees receive;
- Everyone, including employers, consumers, and the state, local and federal government makes a responsible and fair contribution to finance the health care system;
- Everyone receives high quality care that is cost efficient and medically effective; and
- That these efforts help control the skyrocketing cost of health care. (By Petition)

Article 23

To see if the Town will vote to send the following resolution to the New Hampshire General Court: Resolved, in its first two years of operation, the Land and Community Heritage Investment Program (LCHIP) has helped communities throughout New Hampshire preserve their natural, cultural and historic resources and, therefore, the State of New Hampshire should maintain funding for LCHIP in its next biennial budget.

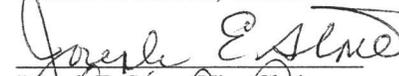
Article 24

To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

Given our hands and seal, this 24th day of February, in the year of our Lord Two Thousand and Three.



Frances L. Menard, Chairman



Joseph E. Stone, Vice Chairman



Stephen R. Barry

Board

of

Selectmen

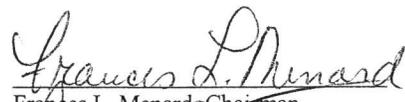
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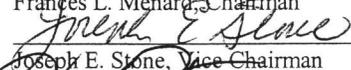
March 15, 2003

We hereby certify that we gave notice to the inhabitants within named, to meet at the time and place and for the purpose within mentioned, by posting up an attested copy of the within Warrant at the place of meeting (Deerfield Community School) within named, and a like attested copy at the Historic Town Hall and the Town Offices (George B. White Building), being public places in said Town, on the 24th day of February 2003.

Given under our hands and seal, this 11th day of March, in the year of our Lord Two Thousand Three.



Francis L. Menard, Chairman



Joseph E. Stone, Vice Chairman



R. Andrew Robertson



Paul P. Dimmeen



Stephen R. Barry

Board

of

Selectmen

BUDGET OF THE TOWN/CITY**OF: DEERFIELD**

BUDGET FORM FOR TOWNS WHICH HAVE ADOPTED
THE PROVISIONS OF RSA 32:14 THROUGH 32:24

Appropriations and Estimates of Revenue for the Ensuing Year January 1, 2003 to December 31, 2003

or Fiscal Year From _____ to _____

IMPORTANT:

Please read RSA 32:5 applicable to all municipalities.

1. Use this form to list the entire budget in the appropriate recommended and not recommended area. This means the operating budget and all special and individual warrant articles must be posted.
2. Hold at least one public hearing on this budget.
3. When completed, a copy of the budget must be posted with the warrant. Another copy must be placed on file with the town clerk, and a copy sent to the Department of Revenue Administration at the address below.

This is to certify that this budget was posted with the warrant on the (date) February 24, 2003.

BUDGET COMMITTEE

Please sign in ink.

Elmer B. Bredell
Walter A. Hooker
Thomas P. Bond
Raymond Cote
Harriet D. Cady

[Signature]

THIS BUDGET SHALL BE POSTED WITH THE TOWN WARRANT

FOR DRA USE ONLY

NH DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION
COMMUNITY SERVICES DIVISION
MUNICIPAL FINANCE BUREAU
P.O. BOX 487, CONCORD, NH 03302-0487
(603)271-3397

MS-7 Budget - Town of Deerfield FY 2003

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
ACCT. #	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3.V)	Warr. Art. #	Appropriations		SELECTMEN'S APPROPRIATIONS		BUDGET COMMITTEE'S APPROPRIATIONS	
			Prior Year As Approved DRA	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	Ensuimg Fiscal Year (Recommended)	Ensuimg Fiscal Year (Not Recommended)	Ensuimg Fiscal Year Recommended	Ensuimg Fiscal Year Not Recommended
	OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT continued							
	Electric-							
	Airport-							
4915	To Capital Reserve Fund							
4916	To Exp Tr Fund except #4917							
4917	To Health Maintenance Trust Fund							
4918	To Nonexpendable Trust Fund							
4919	To Agency Funds							
	Subtotal 1		2,292,672	2,220,042	2,523,423	0	2,468,933	54,990

If you have a line item of appropriations from more than one warrant article, please use the space below to identify the make-up of the line total for the ensuing year.

MS-7 Budget - Town of Deerfield

FY 2003

2002 **SPECIAL WARRANT ARTICLES**

Special warrant articles are defined in RSA 32:3, VI, as appropriations: 1) in petitioned warrant articles; 2) appropriations raised by bonds or notes; 3) appropriations to a separate fund created pursuant to law, such as capital reserve funds or trust funds; or 4) an appropriation designated on the warrant as a special article or as a nonlapsing or nontransferable article.

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ACCT. #	Warr. Art. #	Art. #	Art. #	Prior Year	(Recommended)	(Not Recommended)	Recommended	Not Recommended
		5	15,000	15,000				
	Children's Playgournd	12	1,500	1,175				
	Northwood Lake Milfoil							
	SUBTOTAL 2 RECOMMENDED		16,500	16,175	XXXXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXXXX

2002 **INDIVIDUAL WARRANT ARTICLES**

"Individual" warrant articles are not necessarily the same as "Special Warrant Articles." An example of an individual warrant article might be negotiated cost items for labor agreements, leases or items of a one time nature you wish to address individually.

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ACCT. #	Warr. Art. #	Art. #	Art. #	Prior Year	(Recommended)	(Not Recommended)	Recommended	Not Recommended
	Highway Truck	1	39,911	32,351				
	PD Radios	2	21,783	15,414				
	FD Central Shingles	3	18,884	13,855				
	Transfer Station Compactor	4	15,000	0				
	Employees 2.6% COLA	6	16,786	0				
	Bandstand	7	8,858	8,190				
	Transfer Station-Electrical	8	8,000	0				
	TAPD Computer Upgrades	9	6,230	4,563				
	FD Protective Gear	10	6,000	5,998				
	PD In-Cruiser Video	11	0	0				
	PD Moving Radar	13	0	0				
	SUBTOTAL 3 RECOMMENDED		141,452	80,371	XXXXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXXXX

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FY 2003

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ACCT. #	(RSA 32:3,V)	Warr. #	Prior Year As Approved DRA	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	(Recommended)	Ensuing Fiscal Year (Not Recommended)	Recommended	Not Recommended
	Safety Services Complex	1			2,530,000			2,530,000
	Historic Town Hall Elevator	11			30,000			30,000
			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	2,560,000	XXXXXXXXXX	0	XXXXXXXXXX
SUBTOTAL 2 RECOMMENDED								

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ACCT. #	(RSA 32:3,V)	Warr. #	Prior Year As Approved DRA	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	(Recommended)	Ensuing Fiscal Year (Not Recommended)	Recommended	Not Recommended
	Rte 43 - 107	2			17,500			17,500
	Tank for FD	3			22,000		22,000	
	Protective Gear	4			5,036		5,036	
	GBW Building	5			10,860		10,860	
	Computer Service	6			6,780		6,780	
	Compost Toilets	7			58,000		58,000	
	Paint Town Hall	8			4,800		4,800	
	Trash Container	9			5,000		5,000	
	COLA Raise	10			13,577			13,577
	Ground Water	12			4,000			4,000
	Traffic Common	13			7,000			7,000
SUBTOTAL 3 RECOMMENDED			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	154,553	XXXXXXXXXX	112,476	XXXXXXXXXX

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MS-7 Budget - Town of Deerfield FY 2003

1	2	3	4	5	6
ACCT. #	SOURCE OF REVENUE	Warr. Art. #	Estimated Revenues Prior Year	Actual Revenues Prior Year	Estimated Revenues Ensuing Year
	TAXES		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3120	Land Use Change Taxes		45,000.00		0.00
3180	Resident Taxes				
3185	Timber Taxes		25,000.00	11,340.00	10,000.00
3186	Payment in Lieu of Taxes				
3189	Other Taxes				
3190	Interest & Penalties on Delinquent Taxes		45,000.00	57,355.04	45,000.00
	Inventory Penalties		3,000.00	0.00	0.00
3187	Excavation Tax (\$.02 cents per cu yd)		400.00	0.00	400.00
3188	Excavation Activity Tax		1,500.00		
	LICENSES, PERMITS & FEES		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3210	Business Licenses & Permits		15,000.00	27,908.32	20,000.00
3220	Motor Vehicle Permit Fees		500,000.00	619,656.50	600,000.00
3230	Building Permits		25,000.00	31,159.65	25,000.00
3290	Other Licenses, Permits & Fees		11,000.00	11,706.58	11,000.00
3311-3319	FROM FEDERAL GOVERNMENT			2,651.64	
	FROM STATE		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3351	Shared Revenues		19,859.00	39,502.60	19,859.00
3352	Meals & Rooms Tax Distribution		80,000.00	111,592.52	80,000.00
3353	Highway Block Grant		102,087.00	102,086.73	109,122.00
3354	Water Pollution Grant				
3355	Housing & Community Development				
3356	State & Federal Forest Land Reimbursement		2,876.00	3,693.58	3,600.00
3357	Flood Control Reimbursement				
3359	Other (Including Railroad Tax)		17,370.00	17,370.82	41,000.00
3379	FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTS		8,500.00	9,101.13	7,000.00
	CHARGES FOR SERVICES		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3401-3406	Income from Departments		60,000.00	83,361.28	95,000.00
3409	Other Charges				
	MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3501	Sale of Municipal Property		10,000.00	7,271.00	0.00
3502	Interest on Investments		50,000.00	42,659.12	45,000.00
3503-3509	Other		75,500.00	57,182.66	49,000.00
	INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS IN		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3912	From Special Revenue Funds		40,000.00	25,739.86	27,337.00
3913	From Capital Projects Funds				

MS-7 Budget - Town of Deerfield FY 2003

1	2	3	4	5	6
ACCT. #	SOURCE OF REVENUE	Warr. Art. #	Estimated Revenues Prior Year	Actual Revenues Prior Year	Estimated Revenues Ensuing Year
INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS IN cont.					
3914	From Enterprise Funds				
	Sewer - (Offset)				
	Water - (Offset)				
	Electric - (Offset)				
	Airport - (Offset)				
3915	From Capital Reserve Funds			6,545.64	
3916	From Trust & Agency Funds		8,800.00	8,575.75	8,800.00
	OTHER FINANCING SOURCES		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3934	Proc. from Long Term Bonds & Notes				
	Amts VOTED from F/B ("Surplus")				
	Fund Balance ("Surplus") to Reduce Taxes				
	TOTAL ESTIMATED REVENUE & CREDITS		1,145,892.00	1,276,460.42	1,197,118.00

****BUDGET SUMMARY****

	Prior Year Adopted Budget	Selectmen's Recommended Budget	Budget Committee's Recommended Budget
SUBTOTAL 1 Appropriations Recommended (from pg. 5)	2,292,672.00	2,523,423.00	2,468,933.00
SUBTOTAL 2 Special Warrant Articles Recommended (from pg. 6&6A)	16,500.00	2,560,000.00	0.00
SUBTOTAL 3 "Individual" Warrant Articles Recommended (from pg. 6&6A)	141,452.00	154,553.00	112,476.00
TOTAL Appropriations Recommended	2,450,624.00	5,237,976.00	2,581,409.00
Less: Amount of Estimated Revenues & Credits (from above)	1,145,892.00	1,197,118.00	1,197,118.00
Estimated Amount of Taxes to be Raised	1,304,732.00	4,040,858.00	1,384,291.00

Maximum Allowable Increase to Budget Committee's Recommended Budget per RSA 32:18: _____
(See Supplemental Schedule with 10% Calculation)

**RSA 658:31 Counting Ballots
Accu-Vote Test and Set-Up
Town/School/Zoning Election
March 4, 2003**

8:00AM Assembled for the counting of the Town/School/Zoning Ballots and the testing of the Accu-Vote Machine were: Moderator, Jonathan Hutchinson, Assistant Moderator, James Alexander; Town Clerk/Tax Collector, Cynthia E. Heon; Deputy Town Clerk/Tax Collector, Jeanette L. Foisy; Registered Voter, Melissa Bemis.

9:00AM Counting of Accu-Vote Ballots Began

10:15AM Moderator Jack Hutchinson and Assistant Moderator James Alexander ran the pre-election test for the ballot machine

11:45AM Counting of Ballots Ended

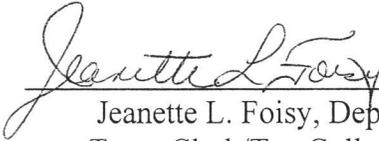
Results of Counting Accu-Vote Ballots

1731 Town/School/Zoning Ballots

11 Ballots used for testing ballot machine

11:50AM Sealed Box

A True Record,
Attest:



Jeanette L. Foisy, Deputy
Town Clerk/Tax Collector

TOWN OF DEERFIELD
Town Meeting--Election Portion
March 11, 2003

Moderator, Jonathan Hutchinson, gave instructions and made the following announcements: The Checklist was in place, Ballot Clerks present, Sample Ballots posted, Absentee Ballots to be cast at 1:00PM, procedures for voting and registering on Election Day, no electioneering within the prescribed areas.

6:55AM The Ballot Boxes were opened, shown to be empty and resealed.

Moderator, Jonathan Hutchinson, stated if a ballot is spoiled return the ballot to the Ballot Clerks for a new ballot.

Election Officials present were: Moderator, Jonathan Hutchinson, Assistant Moderators, James County and James Alexander; Town Clerk/Tax Collector, Cynthia E. Heon; Deputy Town Clerk/Tax Collector, Jeanette Foisy; Inspectors of Elections, Irene Shores, Ella Sawyer and Suzanne P. Sherburne; Irene Shores was designated Ballot Clerk; Supervisors of the Checklist, Cherie Sanborn -Chairman, George Owen and Kathayrn Williams; Board of Selectmen, Frances Menard-Chairman, Joseph Stone-Vice Chairman; R. Andrew Robertson, Paul P. Dinneen and Stephen R. Barry, Selectmen; School District Clerk, Kevin J. Barry.

Gatekeeper for this Election was Police Chief, Robert Wunderlich.

7:00AM The Moderator declared the Polls open and balloting began.

1:00PM Processing the Absentee Ballots Began

1:20PM All Absentee Ballots received, to this point, were processed.

5:07PM Absentee Ballots received in day's mail processed.

5:08PM Absentee Ballots completed.

7:00PM Moderator, Jonathan Hutchinson, declared the polls closed.

The counting of the Ballots began immediately.

Serving as Inspectors of Elections to count ballots were: Philip B. Bilodeau, Richard A. Boisvert, Joseph M. Dubiansky, Judith Hartgen, Roger P. Hartgen and Barbara A. Letourneau.

The Moderator announced the following dates of importance:

March 14	Last Day to Request a Recount
March 15	Town Meeting--Business Portion 9:00AM Deerfield Community School
March 18	Last Day to Request a Recount of a Ballot Question
March 22	School District Meeting 9:00AM Deerfield Community School

March 11, 2003 Election Statistics

2784	Registered Voters
586	Regular Ballots Cast
33	Absentee Ballots Cast
0	Cancelled
21%	Voter Turnout

7:05PM Moderator Jonathan Hutchinson read the unofficial results of the Election for the Officers. The unofficial results were posted in the hall.

For Selectmen for Three Years (Vote for Not More than One)

Frances "Fran" L. Menard	419
Stephen J. Robinson	136

Write-Ins

Harriet Cady	1	Dwight Stevens	1
Donald Smith	1		

For Town Clerk/Tax Collector for Three Years (Vote for Not More than One)

Cynthia E. Heon	529
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Write-Ins

Harriet Cady	2	Matt Kimball	1
Walter Hooker	1	Cherie Sanborn	1

For Trustee of Trust Funds for Three Years (Vote for Not More than One)

Donald "Don" Gorman 375

Write-Ins

Howie Maley	3	Walt Hooker	1
Harriet Cady	2	Charles Kelsey	1
Mark Tibbetts	2	Ed Mahoney, Sr.	1
Dwight Barnes	1	Dino Mokas	1
Steve Barry	1	Beth McDonald	1
Erick Berglund	1	Andy Robertson	1
Jo Ann Bradbury	1	Marie Smith	1
Carley Bosworth	1	Rodney Swanson	1
Donald Daley	1	Tom True	1
Kandy Davitt	1		

For Trustee of The Philbrick James Library for Three Years (Vote for Not More than Two)

Bonita "Bonnie" Beaubien 391

Donald "Don" Williams 452

Write-Ins

Carley Bosworth	1	James Walker	1
Harriet Cady	1	Kay Williams	1

For Water Commissioner for Two Years (Vote for Not More than One)

Robert E. Kilham, Jr. 453

Write-Ins

Kate Hartnett	5	John Muller	1
Robert Kilham	2	David O'Neal	1
Tom Barry	1	Barbie Raymond	1
Jo Ann Bradbury	1	Mark Tibbetts	1
Gerry Gill	1	Tom True	1

For Water Commissioner for Three Years (Vote for Not More than One)

George H. Thompson, Jr. 414

For Planning Board for Three Years (Vote for Not More than Two)

Katherine Hartnett	399
Frederick J. McGarry	420

Write-Ins

Harriet Cady	5	Dave O'Neal	1
Rodney Swanson	4	Stephen J. Robinson	1
Dan Briggs	3	George Thompson, Jr.	1
Don Gorman	2	Tom True	1
Dennis Pollock	2	David Twombly	1
John Garland	1	Kevin Webber	1

For Municipal Budget Committee for Three Years (Vote for Not More than Three)

Donald J. Daley	344
Walter C. Hooker	239
Rebecca C. Hutchinson	439
Stephen J. Robinson	143
Charles "Chuck" Sargent	222

Write-Ins

Harriet Cady	2	Joe Dubiansky	1
Daniel Briggs	1	Dino Mokas	1

For Overseer of Welfare for One Year (Vote for Not More than One)

Rodney P. Swanson	463
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Write-Ins

Mickey Southmayd	3	Cynthia Heon	1
Jo Ann Bradbury	1	Barbara Raymond	1
Don Gorman	1	Liz Wunderlich	1

For School Board Member for Three Years (Vote for Not More than Two)

John Harrington, Jr.	384
Stephen J. Robinson	138
Kevin Webber	409

Write-Ins

Elbert Bicknell	1	David O'Neal	1
Don Gorman	1	Kathy Shigo	1

For School District Moderator for One Year (Vote for Not More than Three)

Douglas Leavitt	471
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Write-Ins

Harriet Cady	4	Don Gorman	1
Jack Hutchinson	3	Steve Robinson	1
Cynthia Billings	2		

For School District Treasurer for One Year (Vote for Not More than One)

Cynthia E. Tomilson	517
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For School District Clerk for One Year (Vote for Not More than One)*Write-Ins*

Harriet Cady	6	Don Gorman	1
Linda Heon	3	Jay Grealey	1
Stephen Robinson	3	Colleen Guardia	1
Cynthia Heon	2	Laura Guinan	1
Walter Hooker	2	Lynn Hapke	1
Connie Stone	2	Dianne Kimball	1
Bruce Turnquist	2	Steve Lafond	1
Kevin Barry	1	Beth McDonald	1
Steve Barry	1	Cindi McHugh	1
Vickie Bedard	1	Jeanne Menard	1
Cynthia Billings	1	Dino Mokas	1
Deb Black	1	Paul Murphy	1
Jo Ann Bradbury	1	Steven Phillips	1
Julie Costa	1	Keith Rollins	1
Irene Cruickshank	1	Sue Sherburne	1
Don Daley	1	Kathy Shigo	1
Kandy Davitt	1	Joseph Starkey	1
Alacia Dunstan	1	Rod Swanson	1
Diane Eaton	1	Sandra Watson	1

1. ARE YOU IN FAVOR OF THE ADOPTION OF AMENDMENT NO. 1 AS PROPOSED BY THE DEERFIELD PLANNING BOARD FOR THE TOWN ZONING ORDINANCE AS FOLLOWS:

AMEND SECTION 213 "SENIOR HOUSING OVERLAY DISTRICT"
"PURPOSE AND INTENT" TO CHANGE THE AGE FROM FIFTY FIVE (55)
YEARS TO SIXTY TWO (62) YEARS SO THAT THE SECTION NOW READS:

Purpose and Intent: The provisions relating to senior housing are established to promote affordable housing for the senior population, provide for the efficient use of land and utilities consistent with the needs of the senior population sixty two (62) years of age and over and to preserve open space.

Yes 365 **No** 190

2. ARE YOU IN FAVOR OF THE ADOPTION OF AMENDMENT NO. 2 AS PROPOSED BY THE DEERFIELD PLANNING BOARD FOR THE TOWN ZONING ORDINANCE AS FOLLOWS:

AMEND SECTION 213:9 "ASSURANCES OF SENIOR RESIDENCY" TO
CHANGE THE AGE FROM FIFTY FIVE (55) YEARS TO SIXTY TWO (62)
YEARS SO THAT THE FIRST SENTENCE OF THE SECTION READS AS
FOLLOWS:

The applicant (developer) shall provide deed restrictions, use limitations, covenants or some other legally enforceable instrument which shall permanently restrict occupancy of the senior housing to families in which at least one member is over the age of sixty two (62) years.

Yes 361 **No** 196

3. ARE YOU IN FAVOR OF THE ADOPTION OF AMENDMENT NO. 3 AS PROPOSED BY THE DEERFIELD PLANNING BOARD FOR THE TOWN ZONING ORDINANCE AS FOLLOWS:

AMEND ARTICLE VI, SECTION 602 "TERM DEFINITIONS" BY
REPLACING "SENIOR HOUSING" WITH THE FOLLOWING NEW
DEFINITION:

Senior Housing: Housing principally used, designed or adapted for use by senior citizens, sixty two (62) years of age and older, and complying with the design requirements of the "Architectural Barrier Free Design Code for the State of New Hampshire", as amended, and licensed by the appropriate state agencies.

Yes 368 **No** 183

4. ARE YOU IN FAVOR OF THE ADOPTION OF AMENDMENT NO. 4 AS PROPOSED BY THE DEERFIELD PLANNING BOARD FOR THE TOWN ZONING ORDINANCE AS FOLLOWS:

AMEND SECTION 316 "EXPANSION OF A NONCONFORMING USE" BY ADDING THE FOLLOWING NEW SENTENCE:

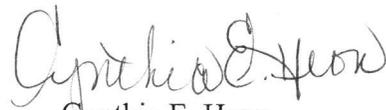
The expansion of structures on sub-standard size lots is permitted, but only so long as said expansion occurs within the yard dimensions for the district in which the lot is located, subject to Section 307 and all other applicable requirements of this Ordinance.

Yes 310

No 229

8:00PM The Town Ballot Box was sealed. The Moderator declared the Meeting Adjourned.

A True Record,
Attest:



Cynthia E. Heon
Town Clerk/Tax Collector

**TOWN OF DEEFIELD
TOWN MEETING -- BUSINESS PORTION
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MINUTES**

Prior to opening the Meeting, Town Moderator, Jonathan Hutchinson reminded everyone they should have passed through the area of the voter checklist, received a sheet of yes/no ballots (green) and a voting card (green). The voting card is to be signed and remain with the voter throughout the meeting. The emergency exits and access to a telephone were pointed out and it was noted there was no smoking in the building.

On Saturday, March 15th, at 9:06AM, Moderator Hutchinson called the Business Portion of the Town Meeting to Order and stated the Honor Guard would now post the colors. The colors were posted. The Moderator led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

The officials seated before the meeting were introduced by Moderator, Jonathan Hutchinson and included: Chairman of the Board of Selectmen, Frances L. Menard; Vice Chairman of the Board of Selectmen, Joseph E. Stone; Selectmen, R. Andrew Robertson, Paul P. Dinneen and Stephen R. Barry; Assistant Moderator, James T. Alexander; Assistant Moderator on the Floor, Douglas Leavitt; Town Clerk/Tax Collector, Cynthia E. Heon; Deputy Town Clerk/Tax Collector, Jeanette L. Foisy; Assistant to the Clerk, Donna Cisewski.

Other Election Officials present were: Supervisors of the Checklist, Cherie Sanborn, Chairman; Diane Valade (appointed for the day) and Katherine Williams; Ballot Clerks, Irene Shores, Ella Sawyer, Suzanne Sherburne and Rebecca Hutchinson; Inspectors of Elections, Donald Watts, Karen Mailhot, George Clark, Jonathan Winslow and Tom Foulkes.

Expressing appreciation for the willingness, to serve the community, of those candidates that stood for election on March 11, 2003, Moderator Hutchinson wished them wisdom and patience. He instructed the newly elected officials to come forward immediately following adjournment to be sworn in and officially assume their positions. The Moderator read the results of the Elections and the amendments to the Zoning Ordinance.

Presentation of The Sherburne Award

Tom Foulkes was recognized for the purpose of presenting The Sherburne Award. The annual award is presented to a Deerfield citizen who demonstrates what it means to be a member of the community. The individual must be dependable, committed and an inspiration to others.

Mr. Foulkes stated that this years' recipient could not be more deserving. In past years, he has served as a coach, organizer of youth soccer and basketball programs in Town as well as volunteering at the Teen Center. Friends and neighbors who nominated him commented on the person's consistently positive attitude, his readiness to look at solutions to problems, fairness, honesty and dependability. This individual has also spent countless hours caring for, and nurturing, local families in need of Hospice care. As one nominator stated, "Those who have never been in this situation will never know how important a person like this is. Even the smallest of gestures means everything to a family in need."

The majority of Deerfield citizens recognize the individual from his most high profile service--a Moderator for the School District Meeting and the Moderator of this Meeting. Mr. Foulkes has known Jonathan "Jack" Hutchinson since his arrival, in Town, as the community's second grade teacher at the G. B. White Elementary School. Currently, Mr. Hutchinson serves as an instructor who constantly inspires students to achieve their full potential at the institution where Mr. Foulkes works.

Mr. Foulkes presented The Sherburne Award to Jonathan "Jack" Hutchinson. There was a round of applause. Mr. Hutchinson thanked everyone and quipped that there wouldn't have been a recognition if he had known in advance what it was and again thanked everyone.

Purpose, Rules and Decorum of the Meeting

Moderator Jonathan Hutchinson reviewed the purpose, rules and decorum of the meeting. He stated the rules are there to make it easy for everyone who wants to participate, to say what they think, to hear others and maintain this as a civil affair where no one is intimidated, or afraid to participate, but everyone is treated with respect and their opinion can be expressed.

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Voters must check in with the Ballot Clerks and receive a voting card and a sheet of yes/no ballots. Non-registered voters are to sit in the designated area and will be permitted to participate in debate but not to vote. The rules of the meeting will be Roberts Rules of Order as modified by the Moderator and in accordance with the laws of the State of New Hampshire.

The business of the day is the Town Warrant. Each article will be read, the Moderator will seek a motion and a second, the maker of the motion will speak first and then the floor is opened to all. To address the meeting, proceed to a microphone where the Moderator will recognize speakers in turn. Remarks are recorded so that the Clerk can make an accurate record of the meeting. Remarks must be confined to the merits of the pending question, or to questions of order or privilege, and must be addressed to the Chair. Once recognized, the member should state their name and express his or her views. All who wish to speak will have a first turn before any has a second turn. The over-riding principal being fairness. A rule adopted years ago, and with the support of this meeting will be followed, is that a member may rise to address the question, or move to close debate, but cannot advocate a position and close debate in the same turn.

A secret ballot exists to offer secrecy and is not intended to be a tactic of delay. It can be requested by five members, in writing, prior to a hand vote, but must be for a specific vote, not for all votes in the meeting. Otherwise, the votes are by a show of voting cards. If the Chair cannot judge a clear majority, he will move to a division of the house (a count of raised cards). If a member is not satisfied the result is correct, he or she should request a division.

Seven members who question any non-ballot vote immediately after it is announced may request a written ballot vote or the Moderator, if the margin is narrow, may move to a ballot vote. Five voters may request a recount of a written ballot vote provided the margin is not more than 10% of the votes cast, such recount taking place immediately following the vote.

If a member wishes to accomplish something, they should approach a microphone and request a Point of Inquiry or approach someone during a recess. The role of the Moderator is to fairly organize and regulate the meeting by rules agreeable to the members. Rulings of the Moderator are subject to appeal. Appeals are made immediately following a ruling, a second is required, the procedure is explained and members vote to sustain or reverse the Moderator's ruling.

Moderator Jonathan Hutchinson directed the meeting to the business of the day, the Town Warrant.

ARTICLE 1

Passage of this article shall override the 10 percent limitation imposed on this appropriation due to the non-recommendation of the Municipal Budget Committee.

- a. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Million Five Hundred Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$2,530,000) (gross budget) for the construction and original equipping of a new Safety Services Complex (Police/Fire/Rescue/Emergency Management) and;
- b. To authorize the issuance of not more than Two Million Five Hundred Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$2,530,000) of bonds or notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA 33) and amendments thereto enabling for the purpose of defraying the cost of the foregoing and to authorize the municipal officials to determine the time and place of payment and the rate of interest on such notes or bonds and to take such other actions as may be necessary to effect the issuance and sale of such bonds and notes; and
- c. To authorize the Selectmen to apply for, negotiate, contract for, seek and do all other things necessary to obtain such Federal and State grant-in-aid, contributions and assistance as may be available for the construction of the Safety Services Complex (Police/Fire/Rescue/Emergency Management), and to adopt any vote relating thereto; and
- d. To authorize the Selectmen to do all things necessary or convenient to carry the foregoing into effect, including, without limitations, the employment of engineers and the execution in the name of the Town of a contract or contracts for the construction of the Safety Services Complex (Police/Fire/Rescue/Emergency Management). 2/3 Ballot Vote Required. This is a Special Warrant Article. Recommended by the Selectmen/Not Recommended by the Budget Committee

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Chairman of the Board, Frances Menard moved Article 1 be adopted as written. Seconded by Selectman Stephen Barry.

Chairman Menard stated the Board of Selectmen is on record as being in favor of the Safety Services Complex because the need for the facility is recognized. With the current interest rates, it is unlikely the Town's borrowing potential can be more favorable in the foreseeable future. Chairman Menard deferred to James Alexander who has served as the liaison between the Board of Selectmen, The H. L. Turner Group and Department Heads during the design process.

MOTION TO SUSPEND THE RULES: James Alexander requested a suspension of the Rules of Order for the meeting asking the initial presentation be allowed to exceed three minutes but not 10 minutes. Seconded by Anthony DiMauro. Moderator Hutchinson asked the assembly if there was any objection to the motion. Hearing **NO OBJECTION** the **SUSPENSION OF THE RULES ADOPTED BY UNANIMOUS CONSENT.**

James Alexander introduced Ron Bourcier, Senior Civil Engineer and Dave Brignati, Architect of The H. L. Turner Group who will make a presentation and be available to answer questions. Mr. Alexander explained the facility agreed upon will serve Deerfield's needs for the next thirty years and house all emergency services (Police, Fire, Emergency Management and Rescue) under one roof. The idea was to have a facility that would not require any future additions. Several side affects resulted from the design, a large meeting room, and exercise-physical fitness room, which will be available to the entire Town. With the potential of the Parks and Recreation Department scheduling events in the physical fitness room, a small amount of income could be realized. This is a self-standing, self-sufficient facility, which would house people in the event of an emergency. It comfortably holds 100 people and should there be a severe calamity, by removing the apparatus, as many as 500 people could be housed there. Mr. Alexander deferred to Ron Bourcier and Dave Brignati for the presentation.

Ron Bourcier, of The H. L. Turner Group, stated the background work for Deerfield's proposed Safety Services Complex has been done and asked the meeting to follow along, in their handouts, which coincided with the Power Point presentation.

The first page reflects a view of the building coming down State Route 107 in a southerly direction. There are three distinct entrances to the building, the Police Department, a common area and a Fire Department entrance.

The reverse side of the page is the site plan showing the intersection of Candia Road and Church Street (Old Center Road, South). The Town owns the parcel, approximately nine acres, of which somewhere around four and one half acres would be used for the Safety Services Complex.

For clarity, Mr. Bourcier pointed out the money appropriated under Article 2, for the realignment and reconstruction of State Route 107, and Article 1, the proposed Safety Services Complex are two separate projects. A possible change in alignment, of Route 107, would require a small piece of land from the parcel for that purpose. The Turner Group accounted for both projects by incorporating the change into the plans.

To achieve a read on what the soil was like, eight preliminary test pits were dug. A wetlands analysis led to the discovery that the southerly portion of the lot contained some wetlands. The existing slope is level to the road and slopes downward to the south. The facility is placed on the site with the Police Department facing directly north. The building is positioned to provide for good solar orientation.

There are two entrances, which are also exits, one located off Candia Road and one off Raymond Road. The structure is built on two levels. Areas designated for parking were pointed out with explanation that the graveled area on the perimeter provides for overflow parking. Other benefits are a connecting path to the ball fields.

A gravity flow septic system is planned for and there is sufficient area to accommodate the well and well radius. Drainage flows north to south and off the site. Another feature is a 10,000 gallon water storage tank which will fill tanker trucks during the night or refill them at the end of a response should they have two fires in a row.

David Brignati, of The H. L. Turner Group, presented the floor plan. The building was designed with the New England style in mind, pitched roofs and clapboard siding. The view from the street, on the Route 107 side, reflects the building as a one-story building. Mr. Brignati described the areas for each department (Police, Fire, Emergency Management and Rescue) indicating the number of square feet for each. The building itself contains 18,000 square feet.

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The Police Department is secured from rest of the building. While the Police Department has its own locker rooms, and facilities, kitchen space is shared with the rest of the building. A Dispatch Room and an Emergency Management Room are incorporated into the plan. The lower floor plan has a 10-bay apparatus bay with entrances from either side making it a drive through arrangement. The height allows the Fire Department to accomplish what needs to be done on top of, or to the sides, of trucks.

Point of Order -- Moderator Jonathan Hutchinson recognized Timothy Godbois. Mr. Godbois pointed out, by his watch, the time allowed for the presentation had exceeded the 10 minutes and that he had heard this presentation previously. The Moderator asked The H. L. Turner Group if sufficient time was allowed or would they want to request more time. The time was considered sufficient and The Turner Group and Mr. Alexander were prepared to take questions.

Robert Davitt spoke in favor of allowing more time, as he, for one, had not previously heard the presentation on the proposed Safety Services Complex.

Selectman R. Andrew Robertson explained the project did not come about because the Selectmen wanted an attractive New England style building in the center of Town but out of concerns. It is more than just a casual need. The Selectmen looked at the Fire Department's lack of space and the safety issues of moving equipment in and out of the current building. The Police Department also lacks space. When Inspectors have reviewed the Police Department, the lack of a safe containment area has been mentioned along with the fact that it is in the same building with a large nursery school facility.

Point of Inquiry -- Harriet Cady asked the Moderator's advice as to how to achieve a Sense of the Meeting to instruct the Selectmen to seek grants for solar assistance to the heating and water system. At the Public Hearing, Mrs. Cady learned water would be heated for the washing of fire trucks and police cars. Since the location provides for the possibility of solar energy, it could be achieved at no cost if there is proper diligence in seeking any available solar grants.

Chairman Menard said Mrs. Cady brought this issue to the Board's attention. The Board's response was positive as being something to pursue. The Moderator asked Mrs. Cady if the response was satisfactory or did she want a Sense of the Meeting. Mrs. Cady wanted assurance that the people wanted to pursue this because it could cost more money up front and she believed the people should make the choice.

Sense of the Meeting

Harriet Cady made a motion to achieve a Sense of the Meeting to see if the people would like to see solar energy savings sought if there is construction of the building mentioned in Article 1. Seconded by Jonathan Winslow.

VOTE: The Moderator called for the Vote relative to the Sense of the Meeting (Advisory Motion) that the Selectmen seek solar energy savings for the building under consideration in Article 1. The Moderator declared the **HAND VOTE** overwhelmingly **IN FAVOR**. The Sense of the Meeting has been achieved.

Harriet Cady questioned whether the Town seeking its own bonding, at a cost of \$30,000, versus going to a bonding company would save money. Selectman R. Andrew Robertson stated the Selectmen looked carefully at the cost between seeking a commercial bond, a government bond through commercial banks or the Town seeking its own bond. The Selectmen discovered a 1% lower interest rate, for a bond, could be procured. The only cost identified is approximately \$30,000, in administrative costs, for the preparation of the prospectus. Selectman Robertson deferred to James Alexander for further information.

Mr. Alexander said there was discussion of borrowing from the Bond Bank and the Bank of New Hampshire. Representatives from the Bank of New Hampshire brought forward the idea the Town could issue their own bonds. The percentage rate was 3.5% (self-issuance) versus 4.5% to 5.5% (Bond Bank or Bank of New Hampshire). The expenditure of \$30,000 to issue the bond results in a savings, over the life of the 10-year bond, of approximately \$85,000.

David O'Neal wanted to know if the State Route 107 relocation was only because of the Safety Services Complex or could the relocation be done if the Complex was not. Vice Chairman Stone answered the relocation of State Route 107

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is a separate item and approval for that project depends on this body. Mr. O'Neal followed up with the question of whether or not the Town was still liable for one third of the cost and asked for the total cost. Vice Chairman Stone explained the project requires a one-third (Town funds)/two-thirds (State funds) match. The exact cost is not known at this time.

Point of Order -- John Richards requested a Sense of the Meeting as to if more discussion was necessary. Mr. Richards stated that no matter what all the details are it is still an expenditure in excess of \$2,000,000. Moderator Hutchinson declared that debate is the right thing, and until debate is closed, or there are no more speakers, Article 1 will not go to a vote. The vote determines the people's interest. That is the legislative process.

Emily Moore didn't question the need for more emergency support within the Town but could not assess if this project met the need in a reasonable way or it is the deluxe version. She wanted more concrete information regarding the common rooms. Were these common rooms, which are in addition to those already in Town, needed and have there ever been two fires back to back to justify a 10,000-gallon tank.

Chairman of the Board of Selectmen, Frances Menard deferred to James Alexander. Mr. Alexander said needs for both the Fire Department and the Police Department were looked at from the perspective, their minimum needs plus the needs of the Rescue Squad and Emergency Management, for the foreseeable future, meaning 30 years. Many other towns have built Safety Services Complexes for less and subsequently returned to the voters for additional funding to complete the project. Mr. Alexander's position on the committee was to get the biggest bang for the buck. While everyone might have liked a few more things, everyone still had to look at the taxpayers. Part of the criteria of the committee was to keep the price at \$2,500,000. The Turner Group was sent back to the drawing board, on several occasions, because the committee would not support anything higher than \$2,500,000.

To address the question of the 10,000-gallon water tank, Mr. Alexander explained the tank was not there solely for the purpose of filling trucks but also provides water to the sprinkler system for the entire building. He drew on personal experience as a former firefighter that not only has there been back-to-back fires but simultaneous fires. Having stood at water holes, ponds and lakes, in the winter, going through eighteen inches of ice to get water, he personally would look for a larger water tank but the committee was trying to stay within the minimum requirements.

Elbert Bicknell rose in opposition to the proposal for this Safety Services Complex but not the need. As a citizen he is aware the Fire Department needs more room and the Police Department is not in compliance with the Statutes. His objection is the amount and described the facility as a Taj Mahal. He and Kevin Chalbeck visited seven towns and looked at the safety complexes constructed in the past two or three years. From Madbury, Barrington and Raymond to Wakefield none of the costs to build exceeded \$1,500,000.

Fielding a question from Debbie Boisvert as to whether or not the fire trucks can be accommodated in the current fire station, Fire Chief, Mark Tibbetts described the lack of space in the apparatus bays. When picking up the most recent fire truck, in 1993, a call was made back to Deerfield to have the building measured before the truck was driven to Deerfield. The new vehicle cleared by one inch on each side.

To Christine Allen, it appeared the Police Department did not have ample area for police vehicles. Mr. Bourcier, of The Turner Group said the design took into consideration that the Police vehicles are not parked at the Police Station all the time but out on patrols.

MOTION TO CLOSE DEBATE

Raymond Cote made a motion to Close Debate and Move the Question. Seconded by David O'Neal.

VOTE: The Moderator called for the vote to **CLOSE DEBATE AND MOVE THE QUESTION.**

The **HAND VOTE** was **UNCLEAR.** The Moderator called for the vote to be counted. The results of the

COUNTED HAND VOTE were: **YES 162 NO 108**

The Moderator declared that the two-thirds vote was not achieved and **DEBATE REMAINS OPEN.**

Robert Davitt asked if Article 1 passed what the cost to the taxpayer would be and when the building would be occupied. Using calculations based on the current equalized valuation of the Town, Mr. Alexander quoted an estimated cost of \$1.34 per thousand, for the Year 2004, which is the most costly year. It is anticipated the equalized

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valuation would go up reducing the cost by a few cents, and then costs would decline each year thereafter. Occupancy is projected for this time next year. Selectman R. Andrew Robertson added the calculation was based on a 10-year bond with the assumption the rate is 3.5%.

Erick Gross requested a summary of the effect of this bond on the Town's total borrowing limit and wondered if any consideration was given to the high school issue. Selectman R. Andrew Robertson did not have the specifics on borrowing limits but could get them. Speaking personally, and as a Selectman, any actions taken would be on what is found to be in the best interest of the Town. Potential high school building projects were not part of the equation when the proposed Safety Services Complex project was explored. Responding to a follow-up question from Mr. Gross as to what extent this project is part of the master planning, Selectman Robertson answered he could not speak directly to the Master Plan.

Selectman Stephen Barry responded to the comment equating the proposed facility to the Taj Mahal stating it wasn't a Taj Mahal, a bare bones version or a deluxe version. Selectman Barry learned from his experience, with the very building the meeting is taking place in, that bare bones leads to having to expand in a few years. He noted that the Deerfield Community School has been added to twice. The proposed Safety Services Complex is everything that the Town needs for the next 30 years to prevent returning to ask for a little more of this or a little more of that.

Gary Lenehan supported the proposed Safety Services Complex because he saw the need for the building in the community. At prior meetings, the topic has been debated. Between 1997-2000, two additions were put on the Deerfield Community School, a kindergarten and a cafeteria followed by four classrooms because the children of the community needed the space. This year, Mr. Lenehan believed the community should support the Safety Services Complex, as the Fire Department and Police Department are the people who protect and serve the community. Mr. Lenehan urged passage of Article 1 because there are no major building issues surrounding the Deerfield School District, bond rates are at the lowest in 30 years, the time is right and the need is there.

Richard Mailhot asked for someone to share how the existing buildings would serve the Town in the future. If the Police Department vacated the space, in the G. B. White Building, would that area be rented or would it be office space. By the Town procuring their own bonds, Mr. Mailhot wondered if the door would be open that will save money in the future.

Chairman Menard deferred to James Alexander. Mr. Alexander spoke to possible ideas for the Central Fire Station stressing nothing was firm. The space is suitable for expansion of the Philbrick James Library, a senior citizens center, and a meeting place for groups such as the Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, Cub Scouts and a home for Meals on Wheels. Many groups have been displaced since the sale of the Community Center.

Selectman R. Andrew Robertson commented that while there are no hard and fast plans for the spaces those familiar with the PLAN NH Charrette know of suggested uses as mentioned by Mr. Alexander. If the Selectmen continued to be landlords, Selectman Robertson believed the Board of Selectmen would indeed rent the space if the Police Department moved.

Speaking to the self-issued bonds, Selectman Robertson understood that once you obtain a self-issued bond you receive a bond rating. The rating will be for that particular bond issue. On a go forward basis, for similar projects, there is some savings. A prospectus is still required but not at the full \$30,000 and bond rating would be in place when the need arose for other Town or School projects.

Victor Motz mentioned the statement on the bottom of Article 1 that the Municipal Budget Committee (MBC) did not approve Article 1 and asked someone from the MBC to speak to that.

Elbert Bicknell, Chairman of the MBC said the MBC did not recommend Article 1 because of the tax impact to the voters on \$2,500,000. The MBC took into consideration the senior citizens and the new people who have moved to the community. Senior citizens will receive a 1.4% cost of living increase, which equates to \$15 a month while the Town employees are getting 2.6%. New residents do not make six figure incomes. As Chairman of the MBC, Mr. Bicknell believed all the people of the Town should be looked after, not just ones who can afford a Taj Mahal. He further stated this is Deerfield, New Hampshire not Boston Massachusetts. There was a round of applause. Mr. Motz requested the MBC vote on Article 1. Mr. Bicknell referred to a vote, taken at a January meeting, of 2 in favor and 9 opposed to not recommend Article 1.

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Raymond Cote spoke of living within ones means. He asked for everyone to stay united which would keep the Town united in these uncertain financial times. In 1999, the Baker Property Study Committee was formed and it was a great group of well-rounded citizens. Planning included the emergency services and the Town Offices, under one roof, for a cost of \$1,500,000. The building in Article 1 is a nicely designed building but too far out there for these times. Mr. Cote wanted to see a facility designed with everything in it.

Selectman R. Andrew Robertson stated the Selectmen considered the numbers of a couple years ago and talked to the engineers. While not having figures for a building that would house everything (Police, Fire and Town Offices), Selectman Robertson assured the assembly a building could not be constructed, Taj Mahal or otherwise, or locations changed from across the road to the Baker property, for \$1.5 million or less.

If Article 1 is Tabled, or doesn't pass, Leo Preston wanted to know if he was correct in assuming the work done on this project could be revived two or three years from now. Selectman Robertson replied that the Town paid for the engineering services and they will not go away because Article 1 does not pass.

A member of the MBC, Walter Hooker, who originally voted against the Safety Services Complex, changed his mind after speaking with the Police Chief and the Fire Chief. According to Mr. Hooker's rough calculations, using a home appraised at \$200,000 would equate to a .73-cent increase, per day, in taxes.

William Carbonneau wondered how much it would cost, in tax dollars, if everything the Town wanted and everything the school wanted was approved. He didn't find this information in the Town Report, which led him to believe someone wasn't doing his or her job. He compared the omission of data to the lack of planning as how many chairs would be needed in the hall this morning. Mr. Carbonneau requested the increase on the tax rate for the Town and School separately. If the Selectmen were doing everything they could for the people of this Town, Mr. Carbonneau thought the Newsletter should contain information to assist the townspeople in making better decisions.

Selectman R. Andrew Robertson could not speak to exactly what the tax rate is going to be based on the Town Budget or School Budget, as it isn't known what will be voted at Town or School Meetings. Selectman Robertson realized that not everyone was familiar with how the tax rate is set. He assured the members of the meeting the Selectmen do the best they can, as past history shows, to stabilize the tax rate. A number of factors go into the tax rate, surplus and overlay being a part of it. As a general rule of thumb, by taking the total budget numbers, and considering the Town's property valuation, for every \$250,000 spent, \$1 is added to the tax rate. Broken down into increments, \$25,000 equals .10 cents and \$2,500 equals one penny.

William Carbonneau reiterated this information should be published ahead of meetings, along with the budgets, in the Town of Deerfield Newsletter. Because the two budgets come together to form the tax rate, he as a citizen may want to choose something from one budget, or the other, and the information would help taxpayers make decisions.

William O'Neal didn't see a problem with finding uses for vacant buildings. When the PLAN NH Charrette was done, a museum was recommended. He, for one, is in favor of a museum as his trust contains a sum of money to be given to the Town along with all of his things, which are of museum quality. There was an enthusiastic round of applause. Mr. O'Neal mentioned museums people could visit to see the advantage of having one. He noted it is a good educational tool and the children of Deerfield need a good education.

While this is Deerfield, and not Boston, Gile Beye pointed out that it is rapidly become a suburb of Concord and Manchester. There are plenty of people who do commute to Boston. Given the proposed expansion of I-93, Deerfield will most likely grow again and there will be more needs for police and fire services. Ms. Beye saw the proposed plan for the Safety Services Complex as visionary, and addressing impending growth.

MOTION TO CLOSE DEBATE

Gavin Quill made a motion to Close Debate and Move the Question. Seconded by Gary Clark.

VOTE: The Moderator called for the vote to **CLOSE DEBATE AND MOVE THE QUESTION**. It was a **HAND VOTE** in the **AFFIRMATIVE** and so declared. The motion carries and debate is closed.

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With debate closed, Moderator Jonathan Hutchinson moved to the vote on Article 1. The Moderator gave instructions as follows: All voters are to pass through the checklist, state their name, be checked off the checklist, receive a green ballot specific to Article 1, mark the ballot yes or no and deposit the ballot in the ballot box. Voting booths are provided for the voters if privacy is required. Once everyone in the hall has had an opportunity to vote, the meeting will resume. The polls will remain open for one hour as is legally required. When the polls are closed, the ballots will be counted.

The Moderator re-read **ARTICLE 1** stating the question before the Meeting is the adoption of Article 1 as written. The Moderator declared the **POLLS OPEN** at **10:23AM**.

The results of the vote on Article 1 are recorded following the vote on Article 4.

10:24AM Moderator Hutchinson declared the meeting in Recess.
11:00AM Moderator Hutchinson called the Meeting to Order.
 Moderator Hutchinson noted the Polls (Article 1) would be open for another 20 minutes.
 The Moderator reminded voters of the procedure for Article 1 and noted that anyone in the hall wishing to vote should come forward.

MOTION TO SUSPEND THE RULES: Vice Chairman of the Board of Selectmen, Joseph "Joe" Stone requested a suspension of the Rules of Order to take Article 15 out of order at this time. Seconded by Selectman Stephen Barry. Vice Chairman Stone said the reason for the request is to discuss Article 15, which concerns a generous donation of land, to the Town, by Roger King while the majority of the voters are present.

VOTE: The Moderator called for the vote to suspend the rules and take up Article 15 at this time. It was a **HAND VOTE** in the **AFFIRMATIVE**. **SUSPENSION OF THE RULES IS ADOPTED**
 Article 15 will be taken up at this time.

ARTICLE 15

To see if the Town will vote to accept the conveyance of Map 414 Lot 97-1, Plan D-29947 formerly belonging to Roger C. King in accordance with RSA 31:3.

Vice Chairman of the Board, Joe Stone moved Article 15 be adopted as written. Seconded by Rodney Swanson.

Moderator Hutchinson stated that Vice Chairman Stone would be speaking with Roger King, from his hospital room, via the telephone, during the discussion of Article 15. Because of Mr. King's long history of contributions to this Town, the Moderator found it appropriate for the meeting to accommodate this.

Vice Chairman Stone began by saying Mr. King was in his left ear and the townspeople in his right ear. Vice Chairman Stone moved to Deerfield in 1969. It was at that time he became acquainted with Roger King and today it gives him great pleasure to speak to Article 15. Vice Chairman Stone stated Mr. King has been a Selectman, President of the Deerfield Fair Association and a Legislator for nine terms (18 years). It was important for the Selectmen to bring before the townspeople that the land was donated on behalf of Roger King and his late wife Margaret "Peg" King to be used, by the Town, as a park for hiking, picnicking and general use. The process of acquiring the land has taken place and the parcel deeded to Town.

Vice Chairman Stone asked Mr. King if he wanted to say anything. Mr. King, through Vice Chairman Stone, stated: "He appreciated all that the people are doing and that was about all he could say. He hoped Peg would agree with him." There was a round of applause.

Chairman of the Board, Frances Menard stated the Town Park would be known as "Peg King Park". There was another round of applause.

Selectman Stephen Barry requested a voice vote for the benefit of Roger King. It was determined there was no longer a telephone connection with Mr. King.

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VOTE: The Moderator called for the vote to adopt **ARTICLE 15** as written. It was a **UNANIMOUS HAND VOTE** in the **AFFIRMATIVE** and so declared. The motion carries. There was a round of applause.

MOTION TO SUSPEND THE RULES: Raymond Cote made a motion to suspend of the Rules of Order to take Article 17 (By Petition) out of order at this time. Seconded by David Gattuso. Mr. Cote wanted Article 17 (By Petition) taken up while a larger number of voters were present.

VOTE: The Moderator called for the vote to suspend the rules and take up Article 17 (By Petition) at this time. It was a **HAND VOTE** in the **AFFIRMATIVE**. **SUSPENSION OF THE RULES IS ADOPTED** Article 17 will be taken up at this time.

ARTICLE 17

To see if the Town of Deerfield will vote to rescind NH RSA 32:14-23, relative to the Municipal Budget Committee adopted at Town Meeting in March, 1973. (By Petition)

Petitioner Colleen Guardia moved Article 17 (By Petition) as written. Seconded by John Richards.

Colleen Guardia asked Moderator Hutchinson if Article 17 could be discussed along with Article 18 as they were written in conjunction with each other. Moderator Hutchinson asked if the adoption of one precluded the other. Mrs. Guardia replied the adoption of Article 17 is necessary in order to adopt Article 18. Discussion on Article 17 and Article 18 will occur simultaneously.

Colleen Guardia explained that Article 17 was written with the intention of restructuring the current Municipal Budget Committee (MBC) to an Advisory Budget Committee (ABC). To avoid ending up with an MBC, and an ABC, the MBC has to be legally abolished and a subsequent vote taken to create the ABC. The articles were written separately to provide clarity for the voters. The proposed ABC would consist of a five-member committee, not eleven members as it is now. Following the structure of the ABC created in the 1970's, in Deerfield, Mrs. Guardia stated that it is more in line with the current Board of Selectmen, and School Board, which each have five members. The thought is the citizens should be able to vote on the budgets the Selectmen and the School Board bring forward and not vote on the budgets the MBC brings forward. Mrs. Guardia observed that the Selectmen and School Board, along with their other duties, spend most of the year creating appropriate budgets for the Town. Mrs. Guardia clarified that a vote "yes" on Article 17 and "yes" on Article 18 replaces the current MBC with an ABC; a "yes" on Article 17 and "no" on Article 18 results in no MBC or any kind; a vote "no" on both Article 17 and Article 18 leaves things as they are.

Peter Onksen saw a risk in voting "yes" on Article 17, dissolving what is in place and leaving the Town without a budget committee if there is a "no" vote on Article 18. It would then only be the Selectmen and School Board that would create budgets. The budget now shows what the boards presented to the MBC and what the MBC proposes. If citizens want to spend more money than is recommended by the MBC, the numbers are in front of them. Residents receive the information a week or two in advance of the Meeting, whereas, the MBC spends a fair amount of time looking at the budgets.

Raymond Cote recalled the good experience of the Baker Property Study Committee. Pulling a sentence from the minutes, which spoke about "a well rounded group of citizens", Mr. Cote believed "well rounded" is how it should stay. To Mr. Cote, eleven individuals provided representation of a good part of Deerfield because members are spread all over Town and can hear citizens concerns and react to things brought up in conversation. The long hours and dedication of the members is also important to note.

Harriet Cady shared with the assembly, she did not approve of the recommendations written beneath each Warrant Article and noted a previous statement was inaccurate that only MBC recommended budget is reflected as both amounts are printed. Moderator Jonathan Hutchinson understood the speaker to say the MBC Budget is the number the meeting starts from. Mrs. Cady questioned how long Mrs. Guardia has lived in Deerfield and requested the names of the petitioners. The Moderator stated the Petition is available but the years of residency is not relevant.

Erick Berglund heard the petitioner's intent but wanted to know why. Colleen Guardia explained that many of the petitioners have attended MBC meetings for several years and are concerned about the process. At the beginning of this year's process, there were many comments, by the MBC, about having to cut budgets extensively. Initially, the Town Budget was cut by thousands of dollars. This petition was put in place and in the final meetings monies were put back. The concern is coming to Town Meeting beginning with what the MBC recommends and should that be cut by

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30%, or 30% added, by law only a 10% adjustment could be made. Mrs. Guardia stated that the citizens elect the Selectmen and the School Board and they are trusted to do a good job. They do a good job creating budgets that are fair, reasonable and sound. As citizens, they wanted to adjust the budgets without concern for the 10% limitation if that is what the voting body decides.

Point of Order -- David O'Neal raised a question on the 10% limitation as to whether Colleen Guardia had explained it correctly. Selectman Robertson provided his understanding of the 10% limitation, as being the budget cannot be increased by more than 10% of the overall MBC Budget excluding bonded items. Moderator Hutchinson asked if there was anything that spoke to restricting the amount the meeting can cut. Selectman Robertson did not know of anything.

Elbert Bicknell, Chairman of the Municipal Budget Committee (MBC) spoke in opposition to Article 17. The MBC operates under RSA 32 and it is not their responsibility to cut but to look at the Town and School Budgets and estimated revenues. If the voters wish to put money back, it is their right to do so. Personally he didn't want to be part of any committee that took a budget, the Selectmens or the Schools, and cut it to the point they could not operate. The MBC cut to the Town Budget this year was less than 2%.

Stephen Robinson, former Chairman of the MBC, spoke about not wanting budgets rubber-stamped. He believed the MBC provides the checks and balances because it puts reality into the recommendations of the Town and the School Budgets. Mr. Robinson noted that in the past the MBC's cuts have been overruled at Town Meeting.

Vice Chairman Joseph "Joe" Stone was in favor of people expressing themselves but stood against Article 17. In 1969 when he moved to Deerfield, an Advisory Budget Committee (ABC) was in place. In the middle to late 70's, the eleven member MBC was formed. Vice Chairman Stone said the petition came forward based on what took place during December and January when resentment grew about the way the process was going. During the tumultuous years of the late 80's, when the school and townspeople had many heated debates, the process endured and everyone shook hands and went away friends and neighbors. Vice Chairman Stone believed the best way to handle the situation is at the polls. Each year three members are elected, or re-elected to the MBC. The first step was taken this year, with the past election, when the voters elected two members and re-elected one. Next year the same opportunity will present itself. If the townspeople are not satisfied, they can search out suitable candidates for the office and vote someone in or out. To Vice Chairman Stone, the heat of the battle brought the petition about and he quoted an old adage, "if it isn't broken why fix it".

Terressa Roberge wasn't part of the heated battle this year but this is a subject her family has talked about for some time. She recalled a year where there was a large item and the MBC had voted no. Mrs. Roberge went to the hearing and pleaded with the MBC to allow it to go forward to the voters. Her reasoning was the townspeople take their Saturdays to come here and listen to the information so it is important for everything to be presented. That year, the MBC changed their votes and the item went forward. Mrs. Roberge favored Article 17 and Article 18, as she believed the groundwork done by the committee was helpful and provides an extra set of eyes and ears.

The Moderator recognized Eric Gross who deferred to Erick Berglund. Mr. Berglund said there is a process in place today and if the results brought forward by the MBC aren't favorable, the option is run for office or elect people who will hear what you will say. He urged defeat of both articles.

Robert Davitt wondered if there was a way to get around not being able to surpass the MBC Budget by 10%. The only way Selectman Robertson knew of was the method used in Article 1 that applies to bonds. Mr. Davitt observed a high level of frustration occurs if not enough people run for office. A person can get in with one vote and if it is an individual who says no to everything, and they are on the committee, it can lead to a situation like what occurred this year. Mr. Davitt would advise the members of the MBC not to say no to everything but to use common sense, and reason, then it won't be necessary to present articles like these.

Point of Order -- Harriet Cady reminded the Moderator the names on the petition had not been read. Because the names were not clear to the Moderator, the list was being transcribed. Mrs. Cady had a problem with this process because when her petitions are before the meeting they are read immediately. Her petitions are in compliance because there is a printed name and a signature. She found the process unfair because not everyone is treated the same. Moderator Hutchinson stated that something was learned today and future petitions will have the names printed next to signatures.

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Donald Gorman attended a lot of MBC meetings as a citizen and as a School Board Member. Because of the different dynamics of everyone, sometimes there was quite a ruckus and at times people were out of order. With the economic poor times, which are beyond anyone's control, the School Board challenged every line of the budget before the School Budget went to the MBC. He opposed Article 17 because the system in place is a good system.

ARTICLE 1

11:43AM Moderator Hutchinson stated **THE POLLS** had been open, for voting on Article 1, over an hour. He called for anyone present in the hall that had not voted. Seeing no one approach the polls, The Moderator **DECLARED** the Polls **CLOSED**. He directed the ballots to be counted.

MOTION TO CLOSE DEBATE

Timothy Godbois, Municipal Budget Committee (MBC) Member made a motion to Close Debate and Move the Question.

Point of Order -- The Moderator stated that before Mr. Godbois' motion is honored he would read the names on the Petition for Article 17, as previously requested. He reminded the body people could sign petitions because they want to bring something to the floor. The names of the petitioners were read.

Point of Order -- Brenda Wilson reminded Moderator Hutchinson there wasn't a second to the motion to close debate.

MOTION TO CLOSE DEBATE - SECOND

Brenda Wilson seconded the motion to close debate.

VOTE: The Moderator called for the vote to **CLOSE DEBATE AND MOVE THE QUESTION**. It was a **HAND VOTE** in the affirmative and so declared.

ARTICLE 17 (By Petition)

VOTE: The Moderator stated the vote on Article 17 (By Petition) would be by **SECRET BALLOT VOTE**.

Point of Order -- Philip Bilodeau requested the names on the Petition for the Secret Ballot be read. The names were read.

SECRET BALLOT VOTE

The Moderator re-read Article 17 (By Petition) and gave instructions on voting. He designated **BALLOT "B"** from the sheet of Yes/No Ballots for this purpose and instructed the Ballot Clerks to collect the ballots. Assistant Moderator on the Floor, Douglas Leavitt stated Article 17 would be counted prior to Article 1. The results of the Secret Ballot Vote on **ARTICLE 17 (By Petition)** were:

YES	81	NO	230
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It is a **VOTE** in the **NEGATIVE** and so declared. The motion does not carry.

MOTION TO SUSPEND THE RULES: Chairman of the Board, Frances Menard made a motion to suspend of the Rules of Order to take Article 3 out of order at this time. Seconded by Selectman Stephen Barry. Chairman Menard requested Article 3 be taken up because the meeting does not have the results of the vote on Article 1. It was thought people would want the results of Article 1 prior to taking up Article 2.

Point of Order -- Colleen Guardia wanted to know if Article 18 should be withdrawn. The Moderator indicated that would not be necessary as it was contingent on the passage of Article 17, which failed.

VOTE: Moderator Hutchinson asked the assembly if there was any objection to taking up Article 3 out of order, before Article 2, because the results of Article 1 were not available. Hearing **NO OBJECTION**, the **SUSPENSION OF THE RULES IS ADOPTED BY UNANIMOUS CONSENT**.

Point of Order -- Raymond Cote asked if it was appropriate to place a motion on the floor to Restrict Reconsideration on Article 17 (By Petition). The Moderator stated he would entertain Mr. Cote's request immediately following Article 3.

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ARTICLE 3

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty Two Thousand Dollars (\$22,000) for the purpose of replacing the stainless steel tank on the primary Fire Department Tanker (the 1987 Ford Tank Truck). Recommended by the Selectmen/Recommended by the Budget Committee

Chairman of the Board of Selectmen, Frances Menard moved Article 3 be adopted as written. Seconded by Selectman Stephen Barry.

Chairman Menard deferred to Fire Chief, Mark Tibbetts. Chief Tibbetts explained that last summer it was noticed the tank on the primary tank truck was leaking. Research indicated improper materials were used and there were no warranties. Valley Apparatus looked at the tank and said if welded the life expectancy could only be four years. Chief Tibbetts obtained replacement costs for a new poly tank and then met with the Selectmen to acquire funding. When funding could not be found in the Town Budget, Chief Tibbetts approached the Fire Department Association who agreed to spend \$22,000. The purpose of Article 3 is to reimburse the Association. Chief Tibbetts stated the actual cost of the replacement was \$23,500 and the new tank is guaranteed for life.

Selectman R. Andrew Robertson said the Selectmen are grateful to the Firemen's Association for saving budgeting hassles and keeping the Town safe. The Association was under no obligation to do this but willingly did when the need arose.

Elbert Bicknell supported Article 3 noting the outstanding work the Fire Department does using their own money for training and equipment.

VOTE: The Moderator called for the vote to adopt **ARTICLE 3** as written. It was a **HAND VOTE** in the **AFFIRMATIVE** and so declared. The motion carries and Article 3 is adopted in the amount of **\$22,000**.

MOTION TO RESTRICT RECONSIDERATION

The Moderator returned to the request to Restrict Reconsideration of **ARTICLE 17 (By Petition)**. Raymond Cote made the motion to Restrict Reconsideration of Article 17 (By Petition). Seconded by Kathy Shigo. The Moderator explained what the adoption of the motion to Restrict Reconsideration meant.

VOTE: The Moderator called for the vote to Restrict Reconsideration of Article 17 (By Petition). It was a **HAND VOTE** in the **AFFIRMATIVE** and so declared. The motion carries.

MOTION TO SUSPEND THE RULES: Frances Menard made a motion to suspend of the Rules of Order to take Article 4 out of order at this time. Seconded by Steve Barry. Chairman Menard requested Article 4 be taken up because the meeting does not have the results of the vote on Article 1.

Point of Order -- Christine Allen wanted to know why other articles are being moved in front of Article 2. At meetings she has attended, Article 1 and Article 2 are not inter-related. Moderator Hutchinson said he was honoring a request of voters who would like to know the outcome of Article 1 before voting on Article 2.

VOTE: Moderator Hutchinson asked the assembly if there was any objection to taking up Article 3 out of order, before Article 2, because the results of Article 1 were not available. Hearing **NO OBJECTION**, the **SUSPENSION OF THE RULES IS ADOPTED BY UNANIMOUS CONSENT**.

ARTICLE 4

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Thousand and Thirty Six Dollars (\$5,036) for the purpose of acquiring four sets of protective gear for the Deerfield Volunteer Firefighters (4 pairs of boots, 4 pairs of pants, 4 coats, 12 pairs of gloves). This protective gear will replace worn gear. Recommended by the Selectmen/Recommended by the Budget Committee

Chairman of the Board, Frances Menard made a motion Article 4 be adopted as written. Seconded by Selectman Stephen Barry.

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Chairman Menard deferred to Fire Chief, Mark Tibbetts. Chief Tibbetts explained the purpose of the article is to replace gear, originally purchased in 1991, that is showing age. Last year four sets were replaced. This article allows four more sets to be replaced.

VOTE: The Moderator called for the vote to adopt **ARTICLE 4** as written. It was a **HAND VOTE** in the **AFFIRMATIVE** and so declared. The motion carries and Article 4 is adopted in the amount of **\$5,036**.

ARTICLE 1- BOND ARTICLE - SAFETY SERVICES COMPLEX

The Moderator announced the results of the **SECRET BALLOT VOTE** on Article 1-- a 2/3-majority vote is required.

YES 150 NO 223

It is a **VOTE** in the **NEGATIVE** and so declared. The motion does not carry.

ARTICLE 2

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate Seventeen Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$17,500) for engineering design services for Intersection Improvements to the intersection of New Hampshire Routes 43 and 107 located in the vicinity of the George B. White Building.

Recommended by the Selectmen/Not Recommended by the Budget Committee

Vice Chairman of the Board of Selectmen, Joseph "Joe" Stone moved Article 2 be adopted as written. Seconded by Selectman Stephen Barry.

Chairman Menard explained that engineering is already in progress. There is a one-third (Town funds), two-thirds (State funds) match available to the Town because \$60,000 has been encumbered towards the reconstruction.

Vice Chairman Stone provided the history of the reconstruction of South Road and the Selectmen coming to the Town asking for funds 30,000 (Town funds), \$60,000 (State funds). When the South Road project was completed, and not all funds used, the funds were encumbered at the Town and State level. At the time, Vice Chairman Stone and then Chairman James Alexander met with Robert Barry of the Department of Transportation to ask if the funds could be used to resolve problems with the intersection of State Routes 43 and 107 where it meets Old Center Road, South (Church Street). The PLAN NH Charrette considered this intersection in need of reconstruction. In addition to that, there is a heavy traffic flow through the intersection.

Having worked for the New Hampshire Department of Transportation (NHDOT) and appraised projects similar to these on State roads, Harriet Cady wanted to know if the Board of Selectmen have petitioned the Executive Counselor, the Governor and NHDOT to repair Route 107. Vice Chairman Stone answered the Executive Counselor was not contacted. The Town followed the process outlined by NHDOT. Harriet Cady informed Vice Chairman Stone the correct process is to petition NHDOT that there is an unsafe State highway and ask for it to be put on the repair list. This assures the project is put on the plan.

Joe Sears said when he was younger this area saw little traffic but today it is a different. At one point, there was a plan to take the sugar maples down but that did not happen. The current plans to widen the curve will make it a safer intersection.

Hearing of the reduction in accidents on that corner, David O'Neal wondered what the number of the accidents that have occurred was. Chief of Police, Robert Wunderlich didn't have an exact number but stated there have been accidents, some serious, and a lot of near misses. Mr. O'Neal thought Gulf Road, where it comes out on State Route 107, should be looked at as it and other areas may have worse problems.

Raymond Cote asked if defeated, would the encumbered money return to the taxpayers. Vice Chairman Stone replied yes the Town portion would return and the request withdrawn from the State.

Richard Boisvert did not dispute there are other bad corners. He believed this corner was dangerous as it goes into the center of Deerfield where the library and churches are. One can barely see oncoming traffic in some situations even in the summer.

Kathy Shigo asked how this would change the look of Downtown Deerfield. Vice Chairman Stone deferred to James Alexander. Mr. Alexander stated there would be no impact on the center of Town. Most of the impact is restricted to

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Town owned land basically across from the G. B. White Building. An island is being considered to provide an orderly flow of traffic onto Old Center Road, South (Church Street). Mrs. Shigo wanted to know if a light wouldn't do the same thing as she saw wider and better meaning faster and asked this be considered. Mr. Alexander said the idea is to control the flow of traffic and eliminate a bad intersection and a dangerous curve. People driving southbound often find themselves in the opposing lane of traffic. If the turning radius is changed, and the roadway moved over about sixty feet, the turn can be negotiated safely.

Selectman R. Andrew Robertson explained the funds, in Article 2, focus on an engineering design study of which some has been done. The Selectmen contracted The H. L. Turner Group for this purpose. Several scenarios have been presented of what could happen, specific dimensions and consideration to a traffic island. Selectman Robertson said the engineering study needs to be completed to provide the Selectmen with a clear idea of what is best for the center of Town.

VOTE: The Moderator called for the vote to adopt **ARTICLE 2** as written. It was a **HAND VOTE** in the **AFFIRMATIVE** and so declared. The motion carries and Article 2 is adopted in the amount of **\$17,500**.

MOTION TO SUSPEND THE RULES: Kate Hartnett made a motion to suspend of the Rules of Order to take Article 13 out of order at this time. Seconded by Christine Allen. Ms. Hartnett stated the reason for doing this is Article 13 relates to pedestrian traffic and bicycle traffic in the vicinity of Deerfield Center and Routes 43 and 107. This connects to the previous discussion in Article 2.

VOTE: Moderator Hutchinson asked the assembly if there was any objection to taking up Article 13 out of order, at this time. Hearing **NO OBJECTION**, the **SUSPENSION OF THE RULES IS ADOPTED BY UNANIMOUS CONSENT**.

ARTICLE 13

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum not to exceed Seven Thousand Dollars (\$7,000) for engineering design services for traffic management through the Deerfield Center area from the Routes 107/43, Candia Road, Old Center Road intersection westerly to and including the planned road improvements associated with the Senior Housing Construction Project.

Recommended by the Selectmen/Not Recommended by the Budget Committee

Chairmen of the Board, Frances Menard moved Article 13 be adopted as written. Seconded by Selectman Stephen Barry.

Chairman Menard deferred to Katherine Hartnett. Ms. Hartnett said the reason the article came forward is time has been spent on the Safety Services Complex and the issue of the State highway. This article addresses the needs of the individuals at the Senior Housing Project, the folks at the Sharon Home and studies pedestrian and bicycle connections in the Center of Deerfield and along Bicentennial Field to the Post Office.

Chairman Menard stated the Selectmen thought it important to consider the two design projects together.

Point of Order -- Claudia Libis asked to be recognized. Ms. Libis believed the Moderator did not see her and she wished to ask a question.

Claudia Libis wanted to know if the two projects were combined would the Town save money. Kate Hartnett explained the purpose of the \$7,000 is to hire a separate independent consultant to look at the entire project area. Currently no one is looking at all the projects--Senior Housing, Deerfield Center, Potential Safety Services Complex, Reconstruction of Routes 43 and 107. The individual hired would look at how the flow of people connects to the flow of vehicles and present the needs to the New Hampshire Department of Transportation (NHDOT).

Donald Gorman questioned if the two articles were combined would there be a one-third, two-thirds match from the State. Vice Chairman Stone replied no.

Selectman Robertson did not originally have a position on Article 13 but what changed his thinking was the recollection of soccer and baseball seasons and the pedestrian traffic in the area.

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A resident asked for the vote of the Municipal Budget Committee (MBC). Elbert Bicknell, Chairman of the MBC said the vote was 4 in Favor, 6 opposed to not recommend Article 13.

Dennis Walsh asked if there were any drawings of what was to be done in this area. Selectman Robertson deferred to Katherine Hartnett. Ms. Hartnett explained the \$7,000 would allow the Town to learn what the needs of the people are and develop a design by working with NHDOT.

VOTE: The Moderator called for the vote to adopt **ARTICLE 13** as written. The **HAND VOTE** was **UNCLEAR**. The Moderator asked for a **COUNT** of the **RAISED CARDS**. The vote was: **YES 149 NO 106**. It was a vote in the **AFFIRMATIVE** and so declared. The motion carries and Article 13 is adopted in the amount of **\$7,000**.

ARTICLE 5

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Ten Thousand Eight Hundred Sixty Dollars (\$10,860) for replacing the T-111 siding from the roof to the overhangs at doorways of the George B. White Building (\$8,900) and pressure washing, scraping, priming and painting (two coats) the exterior of the George B. White Building (\$1,960). Recommended by the Selectmen/Recommended by the Budget Committee

Chairman of the Board, Frances Menard moved Article 5 be adopted as written. Seconded by Selectman Stephen Barry.

Chairman Menard deferred to Mark Tibbetts. Mr. Tibbetts explained funds from Article 5 would be used to replace the T111 on the overhangs in the back section of the G. B. White Building. The areas that require paint will be scraped and painted--eaves, overhangs, the front and rear of the building.

Joe Sears asked if any money is made from the rental units in the G. B. White Building. Reading from the profit and loss statement for the G. B. White Building, Selectman Robertson explained the Town uses a little over 7,000 square feet at a rate of \$4 per square foot. Going to the bottom line and looking at the \$38,000 the Town is in the negative and offsetting that with the amount the Town space is worth leaves a net loss of \$10,000.

Elbert Bicknell commented that regardless of whether or not the Town should be leasing land and buildings it was his thought the property should be treated as if it were a residence and kept in repair.

VOTE: The Moderator called for the vote to adopt **ARTICLE 5** as written. It was a **HAND VOTE** in the **AFFIRMATIVE** and so declared. The motion carries and Article 5 is adopted in the amount of **\$10,860**.

MOTION TO SUSPEND THE RULES: Timothy Godbois made a motion to suspend of the Rules of Order to take Article 20 out of order at this time. Seconded by Elbert Bicknell. Mr. Godbois' rationale for bringing Article 20 forward at this time was based on the last vote count, versus the vote count on Article 1, 120 voters have left the meeting. **VOTE:** Moderator Hutchinson called for the vote. It was a **HAND VOTE** in the **AFFIRMATIVE** and so declared. **THE RULES ARE SUSPENDED** and Article 20 will be taken up at this time.

ARTICLE 20

We the residents of Cottonwoods Estates are petitioning the Town of Deerfield, NH to accept and maintain (snow removal, repairs, storm drain upkeep & etc.) the following roads as town roads: Bliss Rd., Companion Rd., Harmony Rd., Prospect Rd., and Fire Pond access road, Homestead Rd. (By Petition)

Petitioner Mark Ruggiero moved Article 20 as written. The Moderator recognized a second to the motion but the name was unknown. Mr. Ruggiero requested a Secret Ballot Vote and handed a signed Petition to the Moderator.

Mark Ruggiero came before the meeting to ask the Town of Deerfield to accept and maintain the roads in Cottonwood Estates. According to Mr. Ruggiero, residents of the development purchased their homes because they found it to be an appealing community. They were unaware of the history, or outstanding issues, which resulted in failure to enforce regulations necessary to complete the neighborhood.

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The most glaring issue was to learn there wasn't an association in place to maintain the roads. Mr. Ruggiero stated before houses were built, and sold, an association, with by-laws, should have been approved by the Town and registered with the State. Because this never occurred, there is no documentation, or restrictions, relative to an association in the deeds. There was no reference even if homeowners asked about an association during the buying process. As a result, no homeowner was legally obligated to join an association after the home was purchased. The developer has absorbed the cost of snow removal but wrote to the homeowners stating it is the last winter he will plow snow. Mr. Ruggiero said this leaves homeowners with unsafe conditions and he expressed concern for the 33 families comprised of over 40 children and an elderly couple.

In Mr. Ruggiero's opinion, the reason for having subdivision regulations is to create conditions favorable to health and safety. If a neighbor had an emergency and the ambulance could not reach him because of non-maintained road conditions, the Town is open to liability. The maintenance of the 3/4 of a mile of roadway would result in a less than 1% increase on taxes. Mr. Ruggiero believed as taxpayers the homeowners deserve equal treatment with regards to the services the Town provides. Mr. Ruggiero urged voters to think of the 33 homeowners caught in the middle of a situation they have no control over, to put themselves in their place, and think of them as neighbors, when deciding whether or not to accept the roads in Cottonwood Estates.

Christopher Beeso spoke on behalf of his three daughters, and their safety, asking the voters to think of the children in the development. He wanted to know what the Town would do next winter if one of his children had an accident and he could not transport the child to a hospital. Mr. Beeso and his wife specifically asked, during the buying process, if there was an association. The residents of Cottonwood Estates aren't asking for more than they have paid for through taxes.

Cherie Gauthier stated residents in Cottonwood Estates are the Town's volunteer health care providers, ambulance person, educators, business owners, day care providers and school volunteers. Mrs. Gauthier said residents are part of the community and want to be included fully.

Richard Mailhot has watched Cottonwood Development through its entire process going back to when it was a gravel pit. If possible, he wanted to hear from a Planning Board member if the roads were constructed to the Town standards when they were built. He asked if adjustments, to the assessment, were made, on each of the homes, because they are in a private development and not subject to the amount of road frontage everyone else has in Deerfield. Mr. Mailhot commented that safety concerns could be addressed by forming a homeowners association, and maintaining their roads, as was agreed to by their developer.

Katherine Hartnett, Vice Chairman of the Deerfield Planning Board, was recognized. Ms. Hartnett stated that Cottonwood Estates, and the roads, has been a Planning Board issue for extensive discussion for a number of years. At present, the Planning Board does not know if the roads are built to Town standards because the Planning Board hasn't received the as-built plans that show the actual physical configuration of the roads as they exist now. The Planning Board has plans from before construction.

Moderator Hutchinson asked if anyone could address the valuation of the properties from the aspect of property on Town roads versus private roads. The Town Assessor, Gary Roberge, of Avitar Associates of N. E., Inc. was not present. Selectman Robertson wasn't familiar with the tax cards belonging to properties in Cottonwood Estates but remembered hearing about factors used for road quality, condition, type and recalling it does affect valuation.

Point of Order -- Mr. Ruggiero said he has a letter from Honor and Mason, the developer, indicating the as-built plans were sent in August.

Timothy Godbois, of Kettlerock Road has lived with this scenario since he moved to Deerfield. He was told Kettlerock Road was a Class V Road and it turned out to be a Class VI Road. Mr. Godbois wanted to know if the Cottonwood Estates homeowners signed a liability waiver recognizing they were not on a Town maintained road. In unison, they replied no. Mr. Godbois asked for the Board of Selectmen's thoughts on the Warrant Article.

Chairman Menard clarified that liability waivers are only for Class VI Roads, not development roads. Speaking as Selectmen's Representative to the Planning Board, Chairman Menard stated the Selectmen take direction from the Planning Board. As-built plans were presented to the Planning Board in August.

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When the engineers reviewed the as-built plans, there were a number of issues that had to be addressed none of which to Chairman Menard's knowledge had been. Chairman Menard deferred to Kate Hartnett.

Katherine Hartnett, Vice Chairman of the Planning Board confirmed the Planning Board did receive the as-built plans last August. They submitted them to Keech-Nordstrom, the Town Engineer, with a full set of comments. The comments were referred to the developers. To date, there has been no response.

Selectman Robertson found it premature for the Selectmen to take a position on the matter, as the Selectmen will look to the Planning Board for a decision on the plans.

Raymond Cote used the example of a split level home on Haynes Road and an identical one in Cottonwood Estates. If they were paying the same taxes, it would prompt a look at the assessment. Mr. Cote believed the residents of Cottonwood Estates should receive the same services as other residents. There was a round of applause.

Stating he was the newest resident, David Wallace bought the house in good faith last year without encumbrances on his deed to do with an association or road maintenance. Mr. Wallace asked if the early vision for Cottonwood Estates included an association were steps verifiable, and specific, to insure people, builders and realtors were informed when they purchased a home in Cottonwood Estates.

Katherine Hartnett mentioned a draft set of articles for the homeowner's association that were sent to the Attorney General's Office for review. There were never any final articles. In the draft, it was clear the responsibility lay with the developer to meet all the requirements--engineering, construction of the road and the as-builts. The homes were built under the Open Space Ordinance and have a list of requirements including a homeowners association and road maintenance plan.

Granted permission by the Moderator, Katherine Hartnett, Vice Chair of the Planning Board, read a statement from the Planning Board. The Planning Board did not take a formal position on the Warrant Article. The as-built plans for the road have not yet been approved. If approved, the outstanding bond for construction of the roads will be discharged. This development was approved under Section 325 of the Open Space Development of the Zoning Ordinance. Section 325.4 states "all maintenance and upkeep for internal service roads shall be the responsibility of the developer and/or homeowners association". The Planning Board has been advised by the Town Attorney that acceptance of these roads under this article would violate the Zoning Ordinance.

David Wallace returned to his question of what mechanism was in place to make the homeowners aware of possible extra expenses or a required association. Moderator, Jonathan Hutchinson said the answer that can be given at this meeting has been provided. The Moderator explained Town Meeting is not a perfect information environment because whatever is brought forward has to be dealt with. Sometimes the right person to ask is here and sometimes not. David Wallace encouraged the citizens of Town to accept Cottonwood Estates and welcome the homeowners of Cottonwood as each resident here at the meeting, and ancestors for generations, were welcomed.

Brenda Wilson recalled voting on the same article last year. Phillip Milholovich referred to the minutes of last year's Town Meeting, which indicated the road had to be laid down for a year before it could be accepted.

AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE 20

Phillip Milholovich moved to amend Article 20 by adding at the end of Article 20 the following statement:
"On the condition that either these roadways are deemed to be in acceptable condition by the Planning Board as a direct result of the developer's action or the developer refuses to comply with the Planning Board's requirements relative to the construction of the roads causing the Planning Board to retain the remaining bond monies to fund the completion of the roadway work." Seconded by Mark Ruggiero.

Julie O'Brien favored the Amendment to Article 20. Mrs. O'Brien read a portion of the deed to her property as follows: "the right in common with others to pass and re-pass on the roadways as shown on the plan until such time as the roads are accepted by The Town of Deerfield as public roadways". Mrs. O'Brien held a copy of the approved subdivision plan in her hands, which reflected the signatures of the Planning Board. She did not find anywhere on the plan reference to an association needing to be formed. There was no mention of it at their closing and she and her husband researched it at the Registry of Deeds because they did not want to belong to an association. Mrs. O'Brien did not see where they were asking for any more than they should be receiving as is documented.

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William Laveroni said it took him 15 years to find this nice community to live in. With regards to the situation at Cottonwood Estates, he has talked to members of the Planning Board, went to Planning Board Meetings, read minutes and so on. A lot of coordination between the developer, State and Town were required. Mr. Laveroni said simply stated the Planning Board represents the Town of Deerfield, and the townspeople, and it is their responsibility to provide proper oversight when these developments are put in. The developer has responsibilities according to the Zoning Laws. Mr. Laveroni expects elected officials to exercise diligence and oversight.

Continuing, William Laveroni stated at some point the developer got together with the Town to create the neighborhood and that was followed by people looking for a nice place to live who decided Deerfield is the place. Now they are caught in the crossfire because maybe some things were done that should not have been done. Whether or not the roads are in a condition today to meet the Planning Board regulations, by amending Article 20, the petitioners are saying the roads are completed by the developer, or if he walks away, and he might, it is the petitioners hope the Town would take the \$50,000 in the bond and repair and accept these roads. The homeowners are looking for a remedy to the problem. For whatever reason the normal process was not followed, preparation of the association document and legalization through registration with the State did not occur. It could not have shown up on title searches because there wasn't a public record of an established association. To Mr. Laveroni, the problem is between the Planning Board and the developer. The request today is to accept the 3/4 of a mile of roadway.

Point of Clarification -- Harriet Cady asked if the bond was still in place on the road. The answer was yes.

Harriet Cady didn't understand why, during the approval process, the Planning Board didn't ask for a recorded copy of the homeowner's association document, which should have been recorded at the Registry of Deeds. The process has to have a beginning, and end, with the end being the Planning Board has to know the association is in place before Town gives out building permits. A round of applause.

Harriet Cady having been trained in assessing provided an explanation to a previous question. Mrs. Cady said the assessing process is based on market analysis of highest value received, whatever was paid in that association for the homes, more than likely the assessor has taken the neighborhood prices, figured a square foot value and that becomes the assessed value. The unfortunate part is as landowners who thought they were buying on a maintained road, may have paid more than if they were in a homeowners association and responsible for costs. The title company couldn't have made the mistake because it wasn't recorded.

Suzanne Sears, who has lived in Deerfield for 28 years, stated she has three children and was concerned for their safety the number of years they lived here. It is understood there was a mistake, and maybe the Town had a piece of the mistake, but Mrs. Sears believed it was really the developer's mistake. She did not think it was appropriate for the residents of Cottonwood Estates to ask the townspeople to take care of the mistake. Mrs. Sears thought they should return to the developer and if no more satisfaction is received than the Town got since last August, then the 33 homeowners could sue the developer.

Suzanne Sears said being asked to be kind, understanding and vote for this as a good neighbor, she as a good neighbor, had to first think about being a good moral person. What is being asked of her is to break the law. Mrs. Sears said Ms. Hartnett quoted Section 325.4 under which the development was approved as an Open Space Development of the Zoning Ordinance. Mrs. Sears referred to Section 325.4 noting, "all maintenance and upkeep for internal service roads shall be the responsibility of the developer or homeowners association". The Town Attorney advised the Planning Board acceptance of these roads would violate the Zoning Ordinance, violating the Zoning Ordinance means breaking the law and Mrs. Sears, for one, did not want to vote to break the law.

When the residents of Cottonwood Estates approached the Town last year, Peter Onksen told them Candia had the same problem with a development and open land commonly owned. His suggestion then was to form an association which might give them some clout when approaching the Town or suing the developer. Mr. Onksen said his suggestion again this year would still be form an association.

Richard Mailhot found retaining the money to complete the road a good thing. Mr. Mailhot thought the homeowners had to be aware they were in an association, of some kind, because of the large tract of land they jointly own. Mr. Mailhot attended many hearings as an abutter. Concerns were raised about the unfairness of granting a subdivision with homes having 100 feet of frontage and less than one acre per house when all others are required to have three

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acres and 200 feet of frontage. The developer reduced frontages, and acreage, in order to place the houses in a cluster shape. Being a subdivision tied to open space, the developer saved the costs of constructing roads in exchange for the roads staying private roads.

Richard Mailhot recalled when there was heated debate on lot size and acreage, the Planning Board gallantly stood up and made the statement that Cottonwood Estates was proposing a subdivision which will preserve open space for which they receive special consideration through the Zoning Ordinance, i.e., exchanging being able to cluster the houses for maintenance of the roads forever. Mr. Mailhot believed there are a number of other cluster subdivisions in the Town of Deerfield, approved under the same regulations, operating without any difficulty.

MOTION TO CLOSE DEBATE

Jonathan Winslow made motion to Close Debate and Move the Question. Seconded by Barbara Mathews.

VOTE: The Moderator called for the vote to **CLOSE DEBATE AND MOVE THE QUESTION**. It was a **HAND VOTE** in the **AFFIRMATIVE** and so declared. Debate is closed.

AMENDMENT ARTICLE 20 (By Petition)

VOTE: The Moderator called for the vote to **AMEND ARTICLE 20** to add at the end of the Warrant Article, "On the condition that either these roadways are deemed to be in acceptable condition by the Planning Board as a direct result of the developer's action or the developer refuses to comply with the Planning Board's requirements relative to the construction of the roads causing the Planning Board to retain the remaining bond monies to fund the completion of the roadway work.". It was a **HAND VOTE** in the **NEGATIVE** and so declared. The motion does not carry.

Back to the Main Motion, Article 20 (By Petition) as written.

Point of Order -- Timothy Godbois was recognized for a Point of Order. Mr. Godbois heard it mentioned that passing this Warrant Article could be violating the law. Being an upstanding citizen he suggested voting against Article 20 because he didn't want to break the law. The Moderator declared that Mr. Godbois statement was not a Point of Order and would not be considered as such.

MOTION TO CLOSE DEBATE

Walter Hooker made motion to **CLOSE DEBATE AND MOVE THE QUESTION**. Seconded by Brenda Wilson.

Point of Order -- Thomas O'Brien requested a counted vote on the Amendment to Article 20, as he believed it was a close vote. Moderator Hutchinson indicated it was a good request but should have been done immediately following the vote. The Moderator granted Mr. O'Brien's request for a counted vote on the Amendment to Article 20.

COUNTED VOTE/AMENDMENT/ARTICLE 20

The Moderator called for the Counted Vote on the Amendment to Article 20 to add at the end of the Warrant Article, "On the condition that either these roadways are deemed to be in acceptable condition by the Planning Board as a direct result of the developer's action or the developer refuses to comply with the Planning Board's requirements relative to the construction of the roads causing the Planning Board to retain the remaining bond monies to fund the completion of the roadway work.".

Point of Information

Julie O'Brien wanted to share with the members of this meeting that she didn't believe they would be breaking the law if the law had not been fulfilled because the association was not formed or the ordinance satisfied.

VOTE: The Moderator read the results of the **COUNTED HAND VOTE** on the **AMENDMENT** to **ARTICLE 20** as follows: **YES 69** **NO 148**

Back to the Main Motion Article 20 (By Petition) written.

MOTION TO CLOSE DEBATE

With a motion to **CLOSE DEBATE AND MOVE THE QUESTION (Article 20 (By Petition))** on the floor, Moderator Hutchinson called for the **VOTE**. It was a **HAND VOTE** in the **AFFIRMATIVE** and so declared.

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Point of Order -- Sylvia Miholovich found it unfair debate had closed. She understood speakers could only talk to the amendment and she wanted to speak to the actual issue. A number of people stepped back because the Moderator said they could only speak to the Amendment. Moderator Hutchinson stated part of the process of the meeting is that the body can decide to close debate regardless of if people are waiting to speak. It is a risk the speaker takes and a reason for speaking early. It is appropriate to keep the conversation on the amendment. Mrs. Miholovich said she would follow everyone else's lead next time and not do what the Moderator asks.

MOTION TO RECONSIDER

There was a request from an unknown individual for **RECONSIDERATION** of the **AMENDMENT** to **ARTICLE 20 (By Petition)**. The Moderator **RULED** the motion was **INAPPROPRIATE**, as debate had closed. A person who voted on the prevailing side would have to request Reconsideration.

ARTICLE 20 (By Petition)

VOTE: The Moderator called for the **SECRET BALLOT VOTE** on **ARTICLE 20** as written. The Moderator designated **Ballot "C"**. The results of the Secret Ballot Vote were **YES 67** **NO 200**. It was a **VOTE** in the **NEGATIVE** and so declared. The motion does not carry.

ARTICLE 6

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Six Thousand Seven Hundred Eighty Dollars (\$6,780) for a new file server to be installed in the Town Offices. The purchase is to correct network problems. The old file server will remain in use in the Police Department. Recommended by the Selectmen/Recommended by the Budget Committee

Chairman of the Board, Frances Menard moved Article 6 be adopted as written. Seconded by Selectman Stephen Barry.

Chairman Menard deferred to Selectman R. Andrew Robertson. Selectman Robertson explained Article 6 came forward because presently the Police Department and Town Offices share a file server. It is somewhat dated and the cause of a number of network crashes because it cannot handle the traffic and the level of use it is receiving. By removing some of the traffic from the old server, it will still be functional for use by the Police Department. Having the Police Department on a separate server is seen as a better plan for security reasons. Selectman Robertson indicated the amount was arrived at from spec sheets, which have a best guess estimate.

Tom O'Brien questioned the comment "a best guess". Selectman Robertson clarified it wasn't a "guess" but was specked out and the server would more than likely go out to bid. There wasn't a hard and fast price at this point.

VOTE: The Moderator called for the vote on **ARTICLE 6** as written. It was a **HAND VOTE** in the **AFFIRMATIVE** and so declared. The motion carries. Article 6 is adopted in the amount of **\$6, 780**.

Article 7

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifty Eight Thousand Dollars (\$58,000) for building renovations, the construction and installation of a composting toilet system, drainage improvements and an educational display at Veasey Park; and to accept a grant from NHDES Watershed Assisted Grants under sect. 319 of the Federal Clean Water Act in the amount of \$25,000. The balance of \$33,000 shall be raised through taxation. Recommended by the Selectmen/Recommended by the Budget Committee

Chairman of the Board, Frances Menard moved to adopt Article 7 as written. Seconded by Selectman Stephen Barry.

Chairman Menard deferred to Donald Williams of the Veasey Park Commission. Mr. Williams explained that during the summer of 2001 the septic system failed. As a short term solution, port-a-potties were brought in for a cost of about \$1,000 a season. Installing a new leach field was looked at, put out to bid and the bids came in at about \$25,000. With that method sewage had to be pumped up hill, an area of the woods clear cut and no renovations to bathhouse were included in the price.

Mr. Williams and Paula McCoy looked into the composting toilet system and visited places that were using the system. They found it to be cost effective, more of a long term remedy and it did not impact the environment because nothing

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could leach into the groundwater or Pleasant Lake. Because a building is required that is where the cost of this system comes in. Kate Hartnett located grants from the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services (NHDES) and wrote one for the Veasey Park Commission in the amount of \$25,000. The grant was awarded to Deerfield. As part of this project, a new building will be erected and some minor work will be done to alleviate the remainder of the drainage issues on the beach. The drainage/erosion issue has been worked on through several projects and the corrective measures scheduled for this year should complete that phase of the work at Veasey Park. Under a conventional system, Mr. Williams said the drainage issue would not have been covered.

Joe Sears expressed concern about vandals. Mr. Williams said Architect, Michael Greene has volunteered to design a building that is functional and Mr. Sears concerns could be addressed in that design.

Brenda Wilson pointed out that whatever system was installed it would require the proper maintenance by a company that knows how to take care of it.

VOTE: The Moderator called for the vote on **ARTICLE 7** as written. It was a **HAND VOTE** in the **AFFIRMATIVE** and so declared. The motion carries. Article 7 is adopted in the amount of **\$58,000** (\$25,000 in Grant Funds and \$33,000 to be raised through taxation).

ARTICLE 8

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Four Thousand Eight Hundred Dollars (\$4,800) to wash, scrape, prime and apply two coats of paint, to the front exterior of the Historic Town Hall. Recommended by the Selectmen/Recommended by the Budget Committee

Chairman of the Board, Frances Menard moved to adopt Article 8 as written. Seconded by Selectman Stephen Barry.

Chairman Menard deferred to Mark Tibbetts. Mr. Tibbetts explained that in 1995 the entire building was painted. The front of the building is starting to peel and painting it now was thought to be the prudent thing to do rather than wait until the entire building needs to be done.

Darrell Bosworth questioned the difference in the cost of painting the G. B. White Building and the cost of painting just the front of the Historic Town Hall. Mark Tibbetts defined the costs associated with Article 5 as not just painting but the replacement of the T-111 on the overhangs as well as painting and scraping all applicable sections of the G. B. White Building.

VOTE: The Moderator called for the vote on **ARTICLE 8** as written. It was a **HAND VOTE** in the **AFFIRMATIVE** and so declared. The motion carries. Article 8 is adopted in the amount of **\$4,800**.

ARTICLE 9

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000) for the purchase of one trash containment unit (previously rented) to be housed at the Transfer Station. Recommended by the Selectmen/Recommended by the Budget Committee

Chairman of the Board, Frances Menard moved Article 9 be adopted as written. Seconded by Vice Chairman, Joseph "Joe" Stone.

Chairman Menard deferred to Eugene "Gino" Edwards, Transfer Station Manager. Mr. Edwards explained the Transfer Station rents eight roll-off containers. Since 1995, Mr. Edwards estimated the Town has probably paid for six containers and that is what prompted Article 9.

Peter Onksen wanted to know the outcome of last year's vote concerning an electrical upgrade and a piece of equipment for the Transfer Station as no funds were expended. Mr. Edwards said the compactor has been purchased but not installed. Mr. Edwards said he and Richard Pelletier, Code Enforcement Officer are working on the final stages of design for the electrical upgrade and then it will go out for bid. The funds have been encumbered.

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VOTE: The Moderator called for the vote on **ARTICLE 9** as written. It was a **HAND VOTE** in the **AFFIRMATIVE** and so declared. The motion carries. Article 9 is adopted in the amount of **\$5,000**.

ARTICLE 10

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirteen Thousand Five Hundred Seventy Seven Dollars (\$13,577) for the purpose of Town employee raises for salaries and wages (This represents a 2.6% cost of living increase for all full time and part time employees.).

Recommended by the Selectmen/Not Recommended by the Budget Committee

Chairman of the Board, Frances Menard moved Article 10 be adopted as written. Seconded by Selectman Stephen Barry.

Chairman Menard deferred to Elbert Bicknell, Chairman of the Municipal Budget Committee (MBC). Mr. Bicknell explained the caption "Not Recommended by the Budget Committee" was a misprint due to miscommunication. The MBC does in fact recommend Article 10.

VOTE: There was no discussion. The Moderator called for the vote on **ARTICLE 10** as written. It was a **HAND VOTE** in the **AFFIRMATIVE** and so declared. The motion carries. Article 10 is adopted in the amount of **\$13,577**.

ARTICLE 11

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$30,000) for the purpose of funding a portion of the costs of installing an elevator in the Town Hall. The remainder of the costs would be raised through other means. (By Petition)

Recommended by the Selectmen/Not Recommended by the Budget Committee

Petitioner Janet Swanson moved Article 11 as written. Seconded by Selectman Stephen Barry.

Elbert Bicknell, Chairman of the Municipal Budget Committee (MBC) said the caption "Not Recommended by the Budget Committee" was a misprint due to miscommunication. The MBC does in fact Recommend Article 11

Janet Swanson spoke for the petitioners indicating they believe it is important that Article 11 pass. The museum space on the second floor, which the Historical Society has been working towards, and the large hall upstairs are not handicapped accessible. It is difficult for someone with even a slight problem to negotiate the stairs.

Kathleen Berglund asked about the remainder of the cost that would be raised by other means and did that mean applying for grants. Mrs. Swanson said grants would be applied for and there would be donations of services.

The Moderator recognized Rodney Swanson, who was on crutches. Moderator Hutchinson noted Mr. Swanson was an advertisement for an elevator. Mr. Swanson replied that he hoped approval would be forthcoming so he could throw his props away. Mr. Swanson acknowledged the work of Architect, Michael Greene who provided the drawings in the room today. Care was taken to make certain the historical integrity remained while increasing the functionality of the building.

Carol Richards was excited about the possibility of an elevator because when her husband was injured three years ago, there were a lot of places they couldn't go. She found Article 11 to be what Deerfield is about—community support.

ARTICLE 11 (By Petition)

VOTE: The Moderator called for the **SECRET BALLOT VOTE** on **ARTICLE 11** as written. The Moderator designated **Ballot "D"**. He asked the Ballot Counters to come forward and collect the ballots.

ARTICLE 12

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,000 (\$2,000 raised through taxation and \$2,000 in matching State grant funds) to serve as required local match for a regional groundwater study to be undertaken by the United States Geological Survey (USGS) and the Department of Environmental Services

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(DES). This study, "Sustainability of Groundwater Resources in the Southeastern Region of New Hampshire", encompasses 42 communities in southeastern New Hampshire and will investigate the supply of groundwater available in the region. Recommended by the Selectmen/Not Recommended by the Budget Committee

Chairman of the Board, Frances Menard moved Article 12 be adopted as written. Seconded by Selectman Stephen Barry.

Chairman Menard deferred to Katherine Hartnett. Ms. Hartnett explained that Deerfield has a small part in a large regional study currently being undertaken about groundwater and underground water in New Hampshire. This amount is Deerfield's share of expenses to learn how much groundwater is in the ground. It is the first step in achieving the big picture of determining the extent and quantity of ground water resources in the State of New Hampshire. Joe Sears, Conservation Commission Co-chair stated the Conservation Commission supports the study.

Steve Robinson questioned the definition of groundwater and did it mean surface water versus the water people have to drill for because surface water would fluctuate depending on how much rainfall there was. To Ms. Hartnett's understanding, it was the water drilled for that is located in the sand, gravel and the cracks in the rocks. Ms. Hartnett said the survey was not directly related to the controversy regarding the USA Springs Development in Barrington but that did raise the question and this is the first step in getting some answers.

VOTE: The Moderator called for the vote on **ARTICLE 12** as written. It was a **HAND VOTE** in the **AFFIRMATIVE** and so declared. The motion carries. Article 12 is adopted in the amount of **\$4,000** (\$2,000 in Grant Funds and \$2,000 to be raised through taxation).

ARTICLE 11 (By Petition)

VOTE: The Moderator read the results of the Secret Ballot Vote, Ballot "D", on Article 11 (By Petition). The results were:

YES 141 NO 79

It was a **VOTE** in the **AFFIRMATIVE** and so declared. The motion carries in the amount of **\$30,000**.

2:16PM The Moderator declared a Recess.

2:32PM The Moderator called the Meeting to Order.

ARTICLE 14

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Million Four Hundred Sixty Eight Thousand Nine Hundred Thirty Three Dollars (\$2,468,933) which represents the Town Operating Budget. Said sum does not include special or individual articles addressed. The Selectmen Recommend \$2,523,423. The Municipal Budget Committee Recommends \$2,468,933.

Elbert Bicknell, Chairman of the Municipal Budget Committee (MBC) moved to adopt Article 14 in the amount of the MBC's recommended number of \$2,468,933. Seconded by Walter Hooker, MBC Member.

Mr. Bicknell spoke of the many long hours the MBC deliberated, at public meetings and hearings, and the work the members took home with them to research and agonize over. It is now presented to this meeting to vote up or down. The system is not intended to cut anyone's taxes but rather, to create an efficient budget the Town could run on.

AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE 14

Rodney Swanson moved to amend Article 14 by increasing the MBC's budget by \$54,490 making the total \$2,523,423. Seconded by Selectman Stephen Barry.

Mr. Swanson explained that while there were several reasons for doing this, he believed it was the cleanest, easiest and most expeditious way of processing the budget. It will give the legislative body the opportunity of saying to the Board of Selectmen that we have confidence in the budget they submitted. It also says to the MBC we appreciate and understand the hard work you went through but the members of the meeting believe the budget submitted by the Board of Selectmen more closely represents the needs of the Town. The voters have the opportunity to increase or decrease this figure.

Steve Robinson stated this was a good example of checks and balances not being applied. He pointed out the amount quoted by Mr. Swanson was the exact amount that the Board of Selectmen submitted to the MBC. He saw this

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maneuver as laying aside the work of the MBC and working around the MBC, which has gone on for years both at the Town Meeting and the School Meeting. The idea of an Advisory Budget Committee (ABC) is another attempt to limit the checks and balances. Mr. Robinson did not find this to be the democratic way to run the Town.

Selectman R. Andrew Robertson clarified for the record the School Board and the Board of Selectmen have not worked around the democratic process. Selectman Robertson chaired the MBC for years and served on the MBC prior to that. Selectman Robertson wasn't sure the previous speaker had as many years experience to draw a prospective from. Of all the Boards and Committees Selectman Robertson has served on, none have worked around the democratic process. Moderator Jonathan Hutchinson stated that the meeting is using the democratic process and directed the conversation to the Town Budget.

Peter Onksen asked the Board of Selectmen if they could live with the 2% reduction in the Town Budget.

Selectman R. Andrew Robertson answered no. The biggest area of concern is in Town Administration/Town Clerk/Tax Collector's budgets where \$27,500 was cut out of the positions. It is Selectman Robertson's and the Board of Selectmen's belief the funds are needed to effectively provide services to the Town through the Town Offices. Some other items might not be as necessary such as cuts made of \$200 or \$300 here and there. Selectman Robertson stated he whole-heartedly supported putting the \$54,490 back to the Selectmen's Budget.

Point of Order -- Erick Berglund wanted to present an amendment to the amendment on Article 14. Moderator Hutchinson ruled the meeting would first take this amendment and Mr. Berglund's would follow.

Harriet Cady commented with regards to the democratic process that less than 200 people out of a checklist of over 2,800 people would decide the tax bill for the Town. Mrs. Cady stated that from now on, every year, she would submit a petition for the Town of Deerfield to go to SB2 because the majority of the voters will then see what they are voting for. Mrs. Cady referred to comments Selectman Robertson made at MBC meetings, such as "slashing and trashing", when referring to MBC budget cuts, as undemocratic. The Moderator reminded Mrs. Cady to stay on the amendment. Mrs. Cady said she had a video of how the Selectmen developed their budget. The Moderator ruled Mrs. Cady out of order asking her to refrain from any further comment at this time.

Helen Tomilson stated that everyone makes a choice to be here. If you are here, you have made the choice to vote. Moderator Hutchinson asked Mrs. Tomilson to speak to the amendment only. Mrs. Tomilson wanted a clarification as to whether or not the salary of the Town Clerk was cut because if that is what happened, she didn't find it appropriate.

Selectman Robertson explained that the MBC can make cuts, and they can indicate where they think they should come from, but it is the Selectmen's job to figure out how to juggle things around once that cut has been made. If the MBC recommends a cut to a particular department, it doesn't necessarily mean the department will be cut. It is not a specific cut to the Town Clerk's salary. It came down to how the switching of positions between the Town Clerk/Tax Collector and Town Administration was looked at by the MBC. The MBC didn't see the need for one of the positions.

MOTION TO CLOSE DEBATE

Jonathan Winslow made a motion to Close Debate and Move the Question. Seconded by Jeff Shute

VOTE: The Moderator called for the vote to **CLOSE DEBATE AND MOVE THE QUESTION**. It was a **HAND VOTE** in the **AFFIRMATIVE** and so declared. The motion carries and debate is closed.

AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE 14

VOTE: The Moderator called for the vote **TO INCREASE** the amount in **ARTICLE 14** from MBC's recommended budget to the Selectmen's recommended budget by the amount of \$54,490. It was a **HAND VOTE** in the affirmative and so declared. The Amendment to Article 14 in the amount of \$54,490 is adopted.

SECRET BALLOT VOTE

Harriet Cady requested a Secret Ballot. The Moderator ruled he would go to a Division of the House. Harriet Cady again requested a Secret Ballot Vote with seven people to stand. The Moderator asked if there were seven people who would stand to request a Secret Ballot Vote. Seven voters stood and were counted. The Moderator moved to the Secret Ballot Vote on the **AMENDMENT to ARTICLE 14** and designated **BALLOT "E"** as the ballot to use. The Ballot Clerks were asked to collect the ballots.

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Gavin Quill wanted to know what percentage the Town Budget had increased over last year and absolute dollar amount with the articles added in from today. Selectman Robertson said the Town Operating Budget is up slightly over 8% from last year. The difference between the Selectmen's Budget and the MBC Budget was the \$54,490, which was roughly a 2% difference. The total amount, including warrant articles, will be provided later.

AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE 14

VOTE: The Moderator read the results of the **SECRET BALLOT VOTE (Ballot "E")** to increase Article 14 by \$54,490 to the Selectmen's Budget. The results were: **YES 110 NO 68.** The Amendment to Article 14 is adopted.

Back to the Main Motion, Article 14, as amended, in the amount of \$2,523,423.

Point of Clarification -- Erick Berglund requested a clarification on Page 42 of the Town Budget, Line #01-4619.10-709, Open Space Committee, was the \$500 included in the MBC Budget also included in the \$54,490. Selectmen R. Andrew Robertson stated the \$500 was not in the budget as it now stands.

AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE 14 (as previously amended)

Erick Berglund moved to amend Article 14 to increase the amount of the Town Operating Budget by \$500 to restore the \$500 for the Deerfield Open Space Committee (DOSC). The Moderator recognized a second to the motion but the name was not known.

Point of Order

Harriet Cady understood that the previous amendment added all the money back into the Selectmen's Budget that was cut by the MBC. Moderator Hutchinson said the conclusion was the \$500 wasn't there.

Erick Berglund explained that the DOSC was formed out of a Town Meeting a few years ago. The committee works in conjunction with the Deerfield Conservation Commission (DCC) to protect open space. Mr. Berglund drew everyone's attention to the handout, Conservation Corner, which explains what the DOSC is working on. As activity picks up, expenses will be incurred. Up until now, the DOSC has been supported by the DCC. The aerial photographs of the Town's geographic features, which locate where conservation lands are is one example of what has been done. Mr. Berglund said that if anyone notices rare species, or particular views they would want preserved, they should contact the DOSC.

AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE 14 (as previously amended)

Moderator Hutchinson called for the vote to increase the Town Operating Budget by \$500, the Open Space Committee Line Item, bringing Article 14 the Town Operating Budget to be \$2,523,923.

Donald Smith questioned if the amount of \$500 should be added in given the action taken on the previous amendment. The Moderator referred Mr. Smith to the budget detail and noted the prior amendment restored the Selectmen's Budget. This item existed in the MBC's Budget but not in the Selectmen's Budget. If an itemized detail of the amounts added back into the Town Budget is required, Rodney Swanson has a copy of the changes.

VOTE: The Moderator called for the vote on the **AMENDMENT to ARTICLE 14** to increase the Town Operating Budget by **\$500** to open a line for the Open Space Committee. It was a **HAND VOTE** in the **AFFIRMATIVE** and so declared. The Amendment is adopted in the amount of \$500.

Back to the Main Motion, Article 14, as amended, in the amount of \$2,523,923.

Michael Corriveau commented the proposed budget is an increase of 8%, the Federal Government is saying the inflation rate is less than 2%, the company he works for budgeted salary increases of 3% and cut back the amount of the health care benefit they cover, therefore, he did not see how a 10% increase could be justified and urged the budget be defeated. Moderator Hutchinson advised Mr. Corriveau that voting no would achieve the results and noted that the meeting cannot end until a number is agreed upon.

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MOTION TO CLOSE DEBATE

Jonathan Winslow made a motion to Close Debate and Move the Question. Seconded by Glenda Gonnella.
VOTE: The Moderator called for the vote to **CLOSE DEBATE AND MOVE THE QUESTION**. It was a **HAND VOTE** in the **AFFIRMATIVE** and so declared. The motion carries and debate is closed.

ARTICLE 14 AS AMENDED

The Moderator called for the vote on Article 14, as amended, in the amount of \$2,523,923.
VOTE: It was a **HAND VOTE** in the **AFFIRMATIVE** and so declared. Article 14, **TOWN OPERATING BUDGET**, as amended, is adopted in the amount of **\$2,523,923**.

MOTION TO RESTRICT RECONSIDERATION

Robert Davitt made a motion to Restrict Reconsideration of **ARTICLE 14 (Town Operating Budget)**.
 The Moderator recognized a second to the motion but the name is not known. The Moderator explained the vote to Restrict Reconsideration of Article 14.
VOTE: The Moderator called for the vote to Restrict Reconsideration of Article 14 (Town Operating Budget). It was a **HAND VOTE** in the **AFFIRMATIVE** and so declared. The motion carries.

Point of Information -- Selectman R. Andrew Robertson asked to provide an earlier speaker with the information that was requested. This year's budget including warrant articles as voted is \$2,708,476 and the budget including warrant articles last year was \$2,450,624. This equates to a 9.4% increase.

ARTICLE 16

Shall we adopt the provisions of RSA 72:37 for the exemption for the blind from the assessed value of residential real estate for property tax purposes? This statute provides that every inhabitant who is legally blind shall be exempt each year, for the property tax purposes, from the assessed value on a residence to the value of \$15,000. (Ballot Vote Required)

Chairman of the Board, Frances Menard moved to adopt Article 16 as written. Seconded by Selectman Stephen Barry.

Chairman Menard stated that the Department of Revenue Administration (DRA) Monitor brought this to the attention of the Board of Selectmen as the Town had not adopted this exemption.

There was no further discussion. Moderator, Jonathan Hutchinson gave instructions to the voters to pass by the Ballot Clerks, show their voting card, the voting card will be stamped next to the signature and the voter will be handed a ballot specific to this vote. The Moderator said voters would not have to pass through the checklist. Once everyone in the hall voted the polls on Article 16 were declared closed.

ARTICLE 18

If the preceding article is adopted, to see if the Town of Deerfield will vote pursuant to RSA 32:24, to establish an Advisory Budget Committee (ABC), to consist of 5 members (one member appointed by the Board of Selectmen, one member appointed by the School Board, and three members elected). This article is contingent upon the preceding article, abolishing the Municipal Budget Committee, and if both articles are approved, replacing the Municipal Budget Committee (MBC) with an Advisory Budget Committee (ABC). (By Petition)

Moderator Hutchinson explained that Article 17 was defeated. Therefore, Article 18 was not meaningful.

ARTICLE 19

To see if the Town will vote that the Annual Inventory Blanks for purposes of inventorying your taxable property now being mailed yearly to taxpayers will cease as of the vote at this Town Meeting. (By Petition)

Selectman Stephen Barry moved Article 19 be adopted as written. Seconded by Selectman Paul Dinneen.
 Selectman Barry said that while this was a petitioned warrant article, the Selectmen supported passage of Article 19.

Harriet Cady explained this was her petitioned article which she put in because it costs the Town approximately \$800 a year to mail the forms and they are not useful to anyone because there are building permits and the Selectman can easily find out what is new and put it through the assessment process. Many taxpayers were being fined \$50 for not

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filing the form when they had just purchased a house and a previous owner kept the form. Mrs. Cady thought the Inventory Forms should be gotten rid of and save hassle and waste.

VOTE: The Moderator called for the vote on **ARTICLE 19** as written. It was a **HAND VOTE** in the **AFFIRMATIVE** and so declared. Article 19 is adopted as printed.

Point of Order -- Moderator Jonathan Hutchinson being a member of the Parks and Recreation Commission turned the Chair over to Assistant Moderator, James Alexander.

ARTICLE 21

To see if the Town will vote to ask the Parks and Recreation Commission to present to the 2004 Town Meeting a plan and budget for a team sports facility to be built on Deerfield Fairground property under the 10 year renewable agreement between the Town and the Fair Association. The Parks and Recreation Commission estimates the total cost of this project between \$200,000 and \$500,000 and a 2004 request of \$100,000. The Commission would also undertake private fundraising and the sports programs (baseball, softball and soccer) may contribute. This is an advisory article.

Vice Chairman of the Board of Selectmen, Joseph "Joe" Stone moved Article 21 as written. Seconded by Selectman Stephen Barry.

Vice Chairman Stone, as a person who has been very much involved with Little League and Babe Ruth, drew reference to the Fair Association before there was even a ball field being used at the Fairgrounds. He told of a funnier side asking if there were any former ballplayers in attendance today who remembered the hill in the middle of the parking lot. There was one individual that did. Vice Chairman Stone said the Fair Association has always been generous to the Town with the use of their facilities and bent over backwards to help the Town's youth. This petitioned article came about by many of the volunteers here in Town today.

Jonathan "Jack" Hutchinson wanted to bring forward the history of the contract between the Town and Fair Association and get the townspeople's opinion on the terms and learn what they considered important.

At present, there are 250 children involved in youth soccer and 200 children involved in baseball and softball. Soccer players over 12 years of age do not have a home field, as there is no minimal soccer field in Deerfield. The participation in team sports has grown because it helps children to develop socially, reduces drug use and teen pregnancy, and helps depression and eating disorders. It is important not to overemphasize winning. It is important to emphasize learning to compete, participating and to have a team to be on. Sports opportunities are good for the children in the community as is adult recreation. At present, Deerfield has the highest participation, and the least facilities, of any town in the area. The programs are exceptionally well run, and popular, but lack sufficient space to practice and play.

Mr. Hutchinson continued saying that for the last 10 years several possibilities have been looked at for team sports but none as inexpensive to develop as the Deerfield Fairgrounds. The access road and parking lot are in place. There are no trees or stumps to be removed and no ledge. Given the need, and opportunity, the Board of Selectmen and the Deerfield Fair Association signed a memorandum of understanding to allow the Town to develop sports facilities on Fair Association property.

Tom True, Chuck Sergeant, Jeff White, Jeff Shute, and others have worked on the development of the fields. Drawings are available for viewing that show the layout of fields for softball, Little League, Babe Ruth and two or three full sized soccer fields. Eventually the fields would be irrigated to sustain use and lighted to extend the hours they would be available. The danger of vehicles and crossing the road to get to a field would be eliminated.

The cost of the project is in the vicinity of \$500,000 half of which Mr. Hutchinson said would be raised through donations, volunteer work and participation in sports programs. Before pursuing fundraising, it was thought best to consult with Town Meeting. The agreement currently has a term of 10 years from date signed, renewable in five-year installments as agreed to by both parties. The Town is to pay for improvements and the Fair Association will retain the benefits of the upgrades. The property must be available a full week before the Deerfield Fair for exclusive use by the Deerfield Fair. The fields would need to be constructed in such a way that if on the Saturday of the Fair, when the

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weather is good, vehicles could park there. Mr. Hutchinson was looking for the sense of the meeting if the terms of agreement are something people would like to see happen or would people prefer a change in the agreement.

Joe Sears favored the agreement but assumed there would be a provision to repay the Town through ticket sales. Mr. Hutchinson did not know how the numbers would work. He is familiar with the sports programs and the costs associated with them. The programs currently contribute to maintenance costs for Bicentennial Field and the Tordoff Field. Joe Sears asked if participants from out of Town would be helping to raise some of the money. Mr. Hutchinson believed tournament proceeds would pay for the fields.

Leslie Van Berkum supported the idea of more facilities on the Deerfield Fairgrounds. She heard the renewable contract was reduced from 20 years to 10 years and wondered if that could be addressed. Mrs. Van Berkum would not want a lot of money spent there only to find out later the Town would not have the use of the fields. Vice Chairman Stone said the agreement is for 10 years and during recent discussions, while looking at Article 21, the Board decided Selectman Stone and Selectman Robertson would return to the Fair Association to see if the terms of the agreement could be extended.

Having children on travel teams, Terressa Roberge was in favor of more fields. Mrs. Roberge wasn't sure parking vehicles would work on nice fields. Mr. Hutchinson said it was thought parking would only extend to that area of the Fairgrounds if the weather were good. The soils would be engineered to support parking.

Richard Mailhot said that while no one thinks of a fair going out of business, the City of Lewiston, Maine had a long-standing fairgrounds in the middle of their city and now it is gone. Mr. Mailhot wondered if the discussions taking place could include the potential purchase of the property should the Deerfield Fair Association dispose of the property. The Town should have the first option for the portion of land for which the Town is making a substantial investment. While Mr. Mailhot supported the project, he wanted to see the Town have as much security as it could for the investment it was making. People have diligently looked for a place to develop fields for eight or ten years and to wait any longer will not make the situation better.

Assistant Moderator Alexander reminded the meeting this is an advisory motion and the committee and the Board of Selectmen will use all advice and information that comes forward.

Harriet Cady referred to Richard Mailhot's statement. Mrs. Cady said the Articles of Agreement of the Fair Association are that should the Deerfield Fair cease to exist all the assets would go to the Town of Deerfield - land and buildings. Because the fairgrounds have grown, and with that an increase in attendance, Mrs. Cady wanted to know if the fields would be needed by the Town and Fair at the same time. Mrs. Cady didn't know if there was a part of the gravel pit, off Cotton Road, that could be used as she had seen something similar done in Raymond.

Judith Bush wasn't against the proposal but wondered about the expense for only six months use.

Leo Preston suggested expanding the idea to include a track as well. Mr. Hutchinson said the committee has thought of using these fields for field sports that do not require permanent construction. The committee is looking to have bathroom facilities, a place to sell refreshments and safe parking. A Lacrosse field has also been considered.

Helen Tomilson mentioned using the facility in the winter for cross-country skiing and snowshoeing. Mr. Hutchinson believed there are trails developed, for those sports, within the community. Mr. Hutchinson said other uses thought of were Old Home Days could be held there, the Old Home Days Softball game, Highland Games, flying glider aircraft and anything else appropriate to a grassy field.

VOTE: Seeing no further discussion, Assistant Moderator, James Alexander called for the vote on **ARTICLE 21**. Assistant Moderator Alexander reminded the meeting this was an advisory motion and no money was being committed at this year's meeting. It is a **HAND VOTE** in the **AFFIRMATIVE**, almost unanimously in favor. The Sense of the Meeting has been achieved.

Point of Order -- Assistant Moderator, James Alexander turned the Meeting over to Moderator, Jonathan Hutchinson.

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ARTICLE 16 - Blind Exemption

VOTE: The Moderator declared the results of the **SECRET BALLOT VOTE** on **ARTICLE 16**, the Blind Exemption, as follows: **YES 120 NO 34**. It was a vote in the **AFFIRMATIVE** and the motion carries. The blind exemption is adopted.

Article 22

To see if the Town will act on the following resolution submitted by New Hampshire for Health Care.
 Whereas, New Hampshire residents pay the 12th highest cost for insurance in the country; and
 Whereas, the cost of health insurance premiums for families has increased by 45% over the past three years; and
 Whereas, 100,000 New Hampshire residents have no health coverage and 77% of them have a full-time worker at home; and
 Whereas, due to these rising costs almost half of New Hampshire's small business cannot afford health coverage for their employees, therefore be it resolved

That we, the citizens of Deerfield, New Hampshire, call on our elected officials from all levels of government, and those seeking office, to work with consumers, businesses, and health care providers to ensure that:

- Everyone, including the self-employed, unemployed, un- and underinsured, and small business owners, has access to an affordable basic health plan similar to what federal employees receive;
- Everyone, including employers, consumers, and the state, local and federal government makes a responsible and fair contribution to finance the health care system;
- Everyone receives high quality care that is cost efficient and medically effective; and
- That these efforts help control the skyrocketing cost of health care. (By Petition)

Richard Boisvert moved to adopt Article 22 as written. Seconded by Barbara Mathews.

Mr. Boisvert spoke to Article 22 saying that this was a tiny step in sending encouragement towards the larger picture. It is clear that health care costs are a problem and to bring the best minds together to solve the problem is a good thing. It might not happen overnight but if each town takes this step, they are saying something needs to be done and it will encourage officials to take the next step.

VOTE: The Moderator called for the vote on **ARTICLE 22** as written. It was a **HAND VOTE** in the **AFFIRMATIVE** and so declared. The motion carries. Article 22 is adopted as written.

ARTICLE 23

To see if the Town will vote to send the following resolution to the New Hampshire General Court: Resolved, in its first two years of operation, the Land and Community Heritage Investment Program (LCHIP) has helped communities throughout New Hampshire preserve their natural, cultural and historic resources and, therefore, the State of New Hampshire should maintain funding for LCHIP in its next biennial budget.

Chairman of the Board of Selectmen Frances Menard moved Article 23 as written. Seconded by Selectman Stephen Barry.

Chairman Menard deferred to Joe Sears, Conservation Commission Co-chair. Mr. Sears stated that the Deerfield Conservation Commission supported Article 23.

Representative/Vice Chairman Stone spoke about the Committee he Chairs in the Legislature, which has reviewed the proposed funding for the LCHIP Program. Representative Stone believed the funding would not be maintained at the present level, \$6,000,000 but at \$4,000,000. Therefore, this resolution is appearing on the warrant in many communities.

VOTE: The Moderator called for the vote on **ARTICLE 23** as written. It was a **HAND VOTE** in the **AFFIRMATIVE** and so declared. The motion carries. Article 23 is adopted as written.

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Article 24

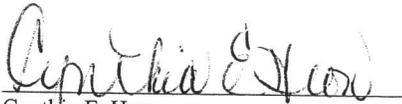
To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

Moderator Hutchinson recognized George Keech. Mr. Keech complimented the Municipal Budget Committee, the Board of Selectmen and all the Officers of this Town for their diligence in regards to their jobs. He reminded everyone the American Legion was sponsoring a corned beef and cabbage dinner this evening. He extended thanks to all those who have participated in the Saturday morning breakfasts and invited those who have not attended to come.

MOTION TO ADJOURN

3:47PM On the motion of Jonathan Winslow to Adjourn, seconded by Selectman Stephen Barry, Moderator Hutchinson called for the vote. It was a **VOICE VOTE** in the **AFFIRMATIVE** and so declared. The March 15, 2003 Town Meeting is adjourned.

A True Record,
 Attest:


 Cynthia E. Heon
 Town Clerk/Tax Collector

Note 1:

Number of Registered Voters	2,784
Voters Present at this Meeting	384

Note 2:

Immediately following the Meeting the following Officials elected on March 11, 2003 came forward and took the Oath of Office administered by Moderator, Jonathan Hutchinson:

Frances L. Menard	Selectman
Cynthia E. Heon	Town Clerk/Tax Collector
Rodney Swanson	Overseer of the Welfare
Katherine Hartnett	Planning Board Member
Donald Williams M.	Trustee of the Philbrick James Library
Walter C. Hooker	Municipal Budget Committee Member
Donald Daley	Municipal Budget Committee Member
Rebecca Hutchinson	Municipal Budget Committee Member

TOWN ORDINANCE
01-2003
POSSESSION OF FIREARMS IN TOWN BUILDINGS

PURPOSE: It is the declared intent and purpose of this ordinance to prohibit firearms of any type inside any Town or School owned or used building that is open to the public. It is recognized that Town employees and School employees and students in Deerfield have the right to, and should be insured, a working environment that is free of dangerous weapons that may jeopardize their health, safety, and welfare, or degrade their quality of life. This regulation is enacted to protect, preserve and promote the health, safety, welfare and quality of life for the employees and citizens of the Town of Deerfield.

1. It shall be unlawful for any person to posses or carry, concealed or not, any type of firearm, whether it be a handgun, rifle, shotgun, BB gun, pellet gun or any replica of any type of firearm, into a Town or School owned or used building that is open to the public for the purpose of conducting Town or School business.
2. Duly sworn Law Enforcement Officers of the State of New Hampshire, a County Sheriff, an officer of a municipal agency in New Hampshire or of a Federal Law Enforcement agency, or, any other duly sworn Law Enforcement Officer, are exempt from this ordinance.
3. Penalty - Any person who violates any provision of this ordinance may be punished by a fine of \$500 for 1st offense and \$1,000 for 2nd and subsequent offenses.
4. The Board of Selectmen shall retain the right to waive the effect of the ordinance for historical, educational or legitimate sporting activites.

April 7, 2003

Board of Selectmen:



Francis L. Menard

 Francis L. Menard

Paul P. Dineen

Stephen R. Barry

This is to certify that on the 7th day of April 2003, the above Ordinance was filed and recorded with the records of the Town Clerk of Deerfield, New Hampshire.

Witness my hand this 7th day of April 2003.

A True Record,
 Attest:

Cynthia E. Heon

 Cynthia E. Heon, Town Clerk

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
ARTICLES OF AGREEMENT

OF

WILD ORCHARD CRAFT GUILD INC.

A NEW HAMPSHIRE NONPROFIT CORPORATION

The undersigned, being persons of lawful age, associate under the provisions of the New Hampshire Revised Statutes Annotated, Chapter 292, by adopting the following Articles of Agreement:

ARTICLE I: NAME OF CORPORATION

The name of the Corporation is Wild Orchard Craft Guild, Inc.

ARTICLE II: PURPOSE

The Corporation is formed for the following purposes:

- A. To promote the advancement of the arts and craftsmanship of every sort, and for the preservation of the tools and skills of historical craftsmanship. The activities of the corporation will include raising funds for the advancement of the arts; acquiring real estate and the development thereof to provide an environment or "refuge" from the distractions of modern society; teaching arts and crafts; and providing adequate and appropriate building space for the actual work of artists and craftsmen.
- B. For the accomplishment of these objectives, this corporation shall have the power to engage in the general business of creating and/or promoting the production of art and handiwork of artists and craftsmen; the sale of such art and handiwork; the charging of tuition or use of the corporation's facilities, and similar means of realizing from instruction. The corporation shall use the net money received to carry out the charitable purposes and objectives of this corporation.
- C. To receive, administer, and invest funds for said purpose;
- D. To do any other lawful act or thing incidental to or connected with the foregoing purposes or in advancement thereof;
- E. For any other purpose for which an organization may be exempt from federal taxation under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 as amended or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

ARTICLE III: GOVERNANCE AND MEMBERSHIP

A. The Corporation shall be governed by a Board of Directors, chosen pursuant to Bylaws adopted by the Incorporators, who may act as the initial Board of Directors.

B. Any organization or individual who wishes to participate in the Corporation may become a member by satisfying such requirements for membership as may be established from time to time by the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE IV: DISSOLUTION

In the event of the termination, dissolution or winding up of the Corporation in any manner or for any reason whatsoever, the Board of Directors shall, after paying or making provision for all of the liabilities of the Corporation, distribute the remaining assets, if any, to (and only to) one or more organizations described in Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 as amended or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code. The Board of Directors may select as recipients one or more qualifying organizations whose goals resemble the mission of the Corporation. Members of the Corporation shall have no right as such members to receive any distribution of corporate assets.

ARTICLE V: PLACE OF BUSINESS

The principal address at which the business of the Corporation is to be carried on shall be 67 Candia Road, Deerfield, New Hampshire 03037.

ARTICLE VI: EVIDENCE OF MEMBERSHIP

The Corporation shall not issue capital stock or membership certificates. The Board of Directors shall have the discretion to distribute such evidences of membership as it may deem desirable from time to time.

ARTICLE VII: LIMITATION ON LIABILITY

A. No director or officer shall be liable to the corporation or its members for monetary damages for breach of fiduciary duty as a director, an officer or both, except with respect to: (1) any breach of the director's and/or officer's duty of loyalty to the Corporation or its members; (2) acts or omissions which are not in good faith or which involve intentional misconduct or a knowing violation of law; or (3) actions for which the director, officer or both derived an improper personal benefit.

B. The Corporation shall indemnify its officers, directors and members against liability to third persons in circumstances under which such liability would be limited by the provisions of Sections 16 or 17 of Chapter 508 of the New Hampshire Revised Statutes or analogous law of a different jurisdiction, if neither said sections nor analogous law has effect in the circumstances.

ARTICLE VIII: NONPROFIT STATEMENT

A. No part of the net earnings of the Corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to its members, trustees, officers, or other private persons, except that the Corporation shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments in distributions in furtherance of the purposes set forth herein.

B. Notwithstanding any other provisions of these Articles, the Corporation shall not carry on any activities not permitted to be carried on (a) by a corporation exempt from federal income tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or (b) by a corporation, contributions to which are deductible under Section 170(c)(2) of the Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

C. No substantial part of the activities of the corporation shall be carrying on propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation (except as otherwise provided by Internal Revenue Code Section 501(h)) including not participating in, or intervening in (including the publication or distribution of statements), any political campaign on behalf of any candidates for public office.

ARTICLE IX: STATUTORY REQUIREMENTS

A. Duty to Disclose and Voting Requirements: Any possible conflict of interest on the part of any member of the Board, officer or trustee of the Corporation, shall be disclosed in writing to the Board and made a matter of record through an annual procedure and also when the interest involves a specific issue or transaction before the Board. Where the transaction involving a board member, trustee or officer exceeds five hundred dollars but is less than five thousand dollars in a fiscal year, then a two-thirds vote approving the transaction and publication of a legal notice in the required newspaper is required, together with written notice to the Director of Charitable Trust, Attorney General's Office. The minutes of the meeting shall reflect that a disclosure was made; that the interested Board member and all other Board members with a pecuniary transaction with the Corporation during the fiscal year were absent during both the discussion and the voting on the transaction; and the actual vote itself. Every new member of the Board will be advised of this policy upon entering the duties of his or her office, and shall sign a statement acknowledging, understanding of and agreement to this policy.

B. Other Statutory Requirements: The Board of Trustees shall comply with all requirements of New Hampshire laws dealing with pecuniary benefit transactions (RSA 7:19, II and 292:6-a) and all such laws are incorporated in full into and made a part of this policy statement. These requirements include, but are not limited to, (i) absolute prohibition on any loans to any Board member, officer, or trustee of the charitable trust; and (ii) prohibition of any sale or lease (for a term greater than five years) or conveyance of real estate from an officer, Board member, or trustee without the prior approval of the probate court. These requirements extend to both direct and indirect financial interests, as defined by the relevant law.

ARTICLE X: INCORPORATORS

Signatures and post office addresses of each of the persons associating together to form the corporation: (at least five signatures required)

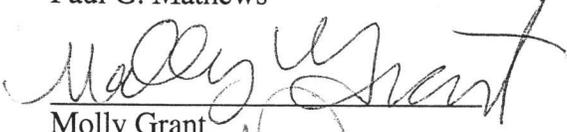
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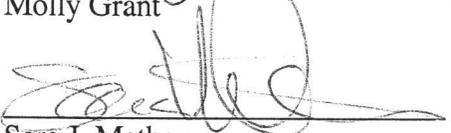
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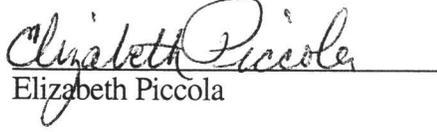
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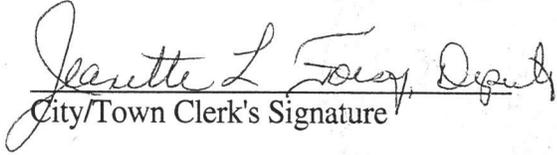

Amy O'Shaunessy

1670 Brown Ave., Manchester NH 03103


Elizabeth Piccola

24 Riddle Rd., Bedford, NH 03110

City/Town Clerk's office, City/Town of Deerfield, New Hampshire Received and recorded
this 22nd day of May, 2003. (Must be executed by Town/City
Clerk prior to filing with Secretary of State).


City/Town Clerk's Signature

JEANETTE L FOISY
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THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

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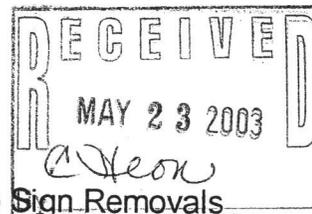
CAROL A. MURRAY
Commissioner

GILBERT S. ROGERS
Assistant Commissioner

Cynthia Heon, Town Clerk
PO Box 159
Deerfield NH 03037

Dear Ms. Heon:

Re: Stop Sign Removals



Enclosed please find an updated inventory reflecting Stop Sign Removals for the following locations.

The following signs have been removed from our inventory and are now the responsibility of the town or others for maintenance.

Sign#	Rte#	Location
6-115-17	NH 107	Deerfield School
6-115-19	NH 107	Town Offices (South End)
6-115-24	NH 107	George B. White Building (North Drive)
6-115-25	NH 107	George B. White Building (South Drive)

The erection and maintenance of STOP AHEAD signs, when necessary, are the responsibility of the owner/maintainer of the road or drive upon which the stop sign is located. Reference Chapter 2C in the 2000 edition of the Manual On Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD) for installation information.

This is forwarded to you to be filed in your records as Town Clerk.

Sincerely,

William R. Lambert, P.E.
Administrator, Bureau of Traffic

By: Robert D. Lang
Traffic Maintenance Supervisor

WRL:RDL:maw
Encl.

c.c. Robert Wunderlich, Police Chief

NH Dept. of Transportation --- Bureau of Traffic
P.O. Box 483, 220 Sheep Davis Rd., Concord, N.H. 03302-0483
TEL. (603) 271-2291, FAX (603) 271-6083

APPROVED: *[Signature]* 4/21/2003
DATE: 4/22/03

TOWN NAME	DIS.	H	STOP NO.	ROAD NAME	INTERSECTING ROADWAY	APPROVED	REPLACED	REMOVAL	OWN	REMARKS
DEERFIELD	6		6-115-1	CHURCH ST (SOUTH RD OR OLD CENTRE RD)	NH 107	2/20/1956			S	
DEERFIELD	6		6-115-1A	CANDIA RD (SO. SIDE)	NH 107	1/19/1972			S	
DEERFIELD	6		6-115-2	C/L DEERFIELD PARADE RD	NH 107	2/13/1956		12/12/1963	S	
DEERFIELD	6		6-115-3	C/L JAMES CITY RD	NH 107	2/13/1956			S	
DEERFIELD	6		6-115-4	MEETINGHOUSE HILL RD (FORMERLY SOUTH SD. OLD CENTER RD)	NH 107	2/13/1956			S	
DEERFIELD	6		6-115-5	C/L DEERFIELD CENTER RD. (RANDS CORNER)	NH 107	2/13/1956			S	
DEERFIELD	6		6-115-6	COFFETOWN RD	NEW MT. RD	11/25/1957		11/19/1960	S	
DEERFIELD	6		6-115-7	NH 43 (FORMERLY NH 107A NO. LEG)	NH 107	9/23/1963			S	
DEERFIELD	6		6-115-8	SOUTH RD	NH 43 (FORMERLY NH 107A)	7/7/1964			S	
DEERFIELD	6		6-115-9	COTTON RD (SO. SIDE)	NH 107	11/15/1965			S	
DEERFIELD	6		6-115-10	NH 43 ON ISLAND (SO. SIDE)	NH 107	1/14/1972		3/5/2001	S	
DEERFIELD	6		6-115-11	NOTTINGHAM RD, #50 NO. SD.	NH 43	8/6/1978		3/5/2001	S	
DEERFIELD	6		6-115-12	COLE RD	NH 107	1/11/1973			S	
DEERFIELD	6		6-115-13	NH 43 (NORTH SIDE)	NH 107	1/4/1979			S	
DEERFIELD	6		6-115-14	PLEASANT HILL RD (SOUTH SIDE)	NH 107	6/8/1984			S	
DEERFIELD	6		6-115-15	GRIFFIN RD (SOUTH SIDE)	NH 107	9/19/1986			S	
DEERFIELD	6		6-115-16	GRIFFIN RD	NH 107	9/21/1990		3/5/2001	S	
DEERFIELD	6		6-115-18	SADDLEBACK MTN RD	NH 43	9/21/1990		3/5/2001	S	
DEERFIELD	6		6-115-20	COFFEETOWN RD	NH 43	5/3/1993			S	
DEERFIELD	6		6-115-21	HARVEY RD	NH 107 NORTH	5/12/1993			S	
DEERFIELD	6		6-115-22	BROWN RD	NH 107 NORTH	10/27/2000			S	
DEERFIELD	6		6-115-23A	RESERVATION RD (SOUTH SPUR)	NH 107 NORTH	2/16/2001			S	
DEERFIELD	6		6-115-23B	RESERVATION RD (NORTH SPUR)	NH 107	2/16/2001			S	
DEERFIELD	6		6-115-26	PERKINS RD	NH 43 & NH 107	2/16/2001			S	
DEERFIELD	6		6-115-27	ECHO VALLEY FARM RD	NH 43 & NH 107	2/16/2001			S	
DEERFIELD	6		6-115-28	GULF RD	NH 43	2/16/2001			S	
DEERFIELD	6		6-115-29	PARADE RD	NH 43	2/16/2001			S	
DEERFIELD	6		6-115-30	NOTTINGHAM RD	NH 43	2/16/2001			S	
DEERFIELD	6		6-115-31	COTTON RD	NH 43	2/16/2001			S	
DEERFIELD	6		6-115-32	MIDDLE RD	NH 43	2/16/2001			S	

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ARTICLES OF AGREEMENT
OF A
NEW HAMPSHIRE NONPROFIT CORPORATION

THE UNDERSIGNED, BEING PERSONS OF LAWFUL AGE, ASSOCIATE UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF THE NEW HAMPSHIRE REVISED STATUTES ANNOTATED, CHAPTER 292, BY THE FOLLOWING:

Article 1. The name of the corporation shall be:

Friends of the Deerfield Library, Inc.

Article 2. The object for which this corporation is established is:

1. To work in cooperation with both the librarian and the trustees in support of the library; to maintain an association of persons interested in good library service; to assist in development, promotion, and completion of library services, facilities, and programs; to act as liaison between the community and the library; and to increase public awareness and stimulate the use of the library's resources.
2. Said corporation is organized exclusively for any purposes for which an organization may be exempt from federal taxation under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code, including for such purposes the making of distributions to organizations that qualify as exempt organizations under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

Article 3. The provisions for establishing membership and participation in the corporation are:

1. Membership in this corporation is open to all individuals, organizations, or clubs in agreement with the purposes of this association.
2. Members in good standing shall be patrons of the library and attend at least two meetings within each fiscal year. Members in good standing shall be entitled to one vote.
3. Library trustees, the librarian of Philbrick James Library and other staff are welcome to participate in all meetings and activities, but are not eligible to vote.
4. Library trustees, the librarian and other staff are not eligible to be officers of the corporation.

Article 4. Funds and liability

1. Activities of the Friends shall be self-supporting. All funds accrued by the Friends shall be deposited to the account of the Friends of the Deerfield Library, Inc., and shall be disbursed by the Treasurer of the Friends as authorized by the membership in accordance with the terms of the bylaws.
2. No part of the net earnings of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributed to, its members, trustees, officers, or other private persons, except that the corporation shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered, and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purposes set forth in Article 2 hereof.
3. No substantial part of the activities of the corporation shall be the carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and the corporation shall not participate in or intervene in (including the publishing or distribution of

statements) any political campaign on behalf of or in opposition to any candidate for public office.

4. Notwithstanding any other provision of these Articles, the corporation shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on (a) by a corporation exempt from federal income tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or (b) by a corporation, contributions to which are deductible under Section 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

Article 5. The provisions for disposition of the corporate assets in the event of dissolution of the corporation including the prioritization of rights of shareholders and members to corporate assets are:

1. There will be no shareholders.
2. Upon the dissolution of the corporation, assets shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or shall be distributed to the federal government, or to a state or local government, for a public purpose. Any such assets not so disposed of shall be disposed of by a Court of Competent Jurisdiction of the County in which the principal office of the corporation is then located, exclusively for such purposes or to such organization or organizations as said Court shall determine, which are organized and operated exclusively for such purposes.

Article 6. Officers

1. The officers of the corporation shall be President, Vice-President, Secretary, and Treasurer.
2. Officers shall be elected at the annual meeting by a majority of members present and voting in accordance with the terms of the bylaws.
3. Vacancies shall be filled for the remainder of the term through appointment by the remaining officers pending ratification by the membership at the next annual meeting.

Article 7. The address at which the business of this corporation is to be carried on is:

Friends of the Deerfield Library, Inc.
c/o Philbrick James Library
4 Old Centre Rd South
Deerfield, NH 03037

Article 8. The amount of capital stock, if any, or the number of shares or membership certificates, if any, and provisions for retirement, reacquisition and redemption of those shares or certificates are:

None

Article 9. Provision eliminating or limiting the personal liability of a director, an officer, or both, to the corporation for monetary damages for breach of fiduciary duty as a director, an officer, or both, is:

The officers of the corporation shall not be liable to the corporation or to its shareholders or members for monetary damages for breach of their fiduciary duties to the full extent permitted by N.H. RSA 292.

Article 10. Signature and post office address of each of the persons associating together to form the corporation. (Note 3)

Signature and NamePost Office Address

- | | |
|---|---|
| 1. <u>Sylvia Miholovich</u>
Signature
<u>Sylvia Miholovich</u>
Name (please print) | <u>11 Companion Rd</u>
Street
<u>Deerfield NH 03037</u>
City/Town State Zip |
| 2. <u>Beth A. Cook</u>
Signature
<u>Beth A. Cook</u>
Name (please print) | <u>72 C Ridge Rd</u>
Street
<u>Deerfield NH 03037</u>
City/Town State Zip |
| 3. <u>Sara T. Kjendal</u>
Signature
<u>Sara T. Kjendal</u>
Name (please print) | <u>31 Coffeetown Rd</u>
Street
<u>Deerfield, NH 03037</u>
City/Town State Zip |
| 4. <u>Hannah Gle Beje</u>
Signature
<u>Hannah Gle Beje</u>
Name (please print) | <u>76 Nottingham Rd.</u>
Street
<u>Deerfield, NH 03037</u>
City/Town State Zip |
| 5. <u>Judith M. Hartgen</u>
Signature
<u>Judith M. Hartgen</u>
Name (please print) | <u>60 Mountain View Rd</u>
Street
<u>Deerfield, NH 03037</u>
City/Town State Zip |

Town Clerk's Office, Town of Deerfield

Received and recorded this 20th day of October, 2003

Town Clerk's Signature Jeanette L Foley, Deputy

Town Clerk's Name (please print) JEANETTE L FOLEY

Notes:

1. Recording fee payable to: N.H. Secretary of State.
2. If no provision eliminating or limiting personal liability, insert "none".
3. At least five signatures are required.
4. Must be recorded with the Clerk of the City/Town of the principal place of business prior to recording with the Secretary of State. (Fee payable to the Clerk is \$5.00.)

Mail \$25.00 STATE FEE and DUPLICATE ORIGINALS (ORIGINAL SIGNATURES ON BOTH) to:
Secretary of State, State House, Room 204, 107 North Main Street, Concord NH 03301-4989.

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Article 1. The name of the corporation shall be:
Deerfield Business Association

Article 2. The object for which this corporation is established is:
To provide an organization for the improvement of members and their businesses, for social recreation and mutual assistance among members and improvement of the business culture in the Town of Deerfield and surrounding area.

Article 3. The provisions for establishing membership and participation in the corporation are:

Members shall be open to any persons or entity engaged in business in the Town of Deerfield, or any person or entity engaged in business who resides or is based in Deerfield or surrounding towns. The members may from time to time, authorize payment of dues or other reasonable criteria for maintaining membership. The Board of Directors shall be authorized to reject the membership of any person or entity whose membership is deemed by the Directors to be detrimental to the best interests of the corporation, or to dismiss a member for the same reason.

Article 4. The provisions for disposition of the corporate assets in the event of dissolution of the corporation including the prioritization of rights of shareholders and members to corporate assets are:

In the event of dissolution, corporate assets shall be distributed to any nonprofit corporation or corporations located in Deerfield, including but not limited to a youth organization or organizations, veterans organization, school or school organization, volunteer and/or rescue organization. Designation of the organization or organizations shall be made by the members, but the organization chosen shall be one which is or is qualified to be a New Hampshire Nonprofit Organization. Any assets not so disposed shall be disposed as provided under New Hampshire Law.

NAME OF CORPORATION

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Article 5. The address at which the business of this corporation is to be carried on is:

4 North Road, Deerfield, New Hampshire 03037

Article 6. The amount of capital stock, if any, or the number of shares or membership certificates, if any, and provisions for retirement, reacquisition and redemption of those shares or certificates are:

There shall be no stock, shares or membership certificates.

Article 7. Provision eliminating or limiting the personal liability of a director, an officer or both, to the corporation or its shareholders for monetary damages for breach of fiduciary duty as a director, an officer or both is: (Note 2)

To the full extent permitted by any applicable law, no director or officer of this Corporation shall be liable to this Corporation or its shareholders or members for monetary damages for breach of fiduciary duty as a director or officer or both, and this Corporation shall indemnify any director or officer made or threatened to be made a party to any Court proceeding, arbitration, or investigative proceeding, including a proceeding by or in the right of this Corporation, by reason of the former or present capacity of the person as a director, officer, employee of this Corporation, except with respect to: 1. Any substantial breach of the director or officer's duty of loyalty to the Corporation or its members. 2. Acts or omissions that are not in good faith or which involve intentional misconduct or a knowing violation of law. 3. Any transaction from which the director, officer or employee derived an improper personal benefit.

Article 8. Signatures and post office address of each of the persons associating together to form the corporation: (Note 3)

<u>Signature and Name</u>	<u>Post Office Address</u>
1. <u>Judith J Bush</u> Signature	<u>P.O. Box 356</u> Street
<u>Judith Bush</u> Name (please print)	<u>Deerfield, NH 03037</u> City/Town State Zip
2. <u>[Signature]</u> Signature	<u>4 North Road</u> Street
<u>Daniel Bush</u> Name (please print)	<u>Deerfield, NH 03037</u> City/Town State Zip
3. <u>[Signature]</u> Signature	<u>304 North Road</u> Street
<u>Cynthia Morse</u> Name (please print)	<u>Deerfield, NH 03037</u> City/Town State Zip
4. <u>[Signature]</u> Signature	<u>10 South Road</u> Street
<u>Michael Doran</u> Name (please print)	<u>Deerfield, NH 03037</u> City/Town State Zip
5. <u>[Signature]</u> Signature	<u>65 Nottingham Road</u> Street
<u>Peter Menard</u> Name (please print)	<u>Deerfield, NH 03037</u> City/Town State Zip

City/Town Clerk's office, City/Town of Deerfield
Received and recorded this 12 day of December, 2003.
(Note 4)

[Signature]
City/Town Clerk's Signature

JEANNETTE L FOISY
City/Town Clerk's Name (Please Print)

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