



Deerfield Newsletter

2016 Citizens Voting Guide

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Deerfield...

Voting session to act on all Warrant Articles, as amended, including the proposed budget, as a result of the action of the "First Session" will be held on Tuesday, March 8, 2016 at the Town Hall, 10 Church Street. Polls will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

The Deerfield Voter's Guide is issued to help citizens prepare for the Second Session of the Town Meeting-Official Ballot Voting (SB2). This guide contains Town, Zoning and School sample ballots; explanations of the 2016 Warrant Articles presented by the Board of Selectmen, explanations from the Deerfield School Board regarding the School District Warrant, and explanations from the Planning Board regarding Zoning Amendments.

◆ **Voting Date and Time: Tuesday, March 8, 2016 at Town Hall, 10 Church Street, 7:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.** ◆

SAMPLE BALLOTS

The Sample Ballots contained in this newsletter may be duplicated.

Copies are available at:

www.townofdeerfieldnh.com or
The Deerfield Town Offices or
The Philbrick James Library or
The Deerfield Community School

Marked Sample Ballots may be taken into the voting booth to assist citizens with the voting process.

This is encouraged to help reduce the amount of time in the voting booth.

ABSENTEE BALLOTS

Applications for Absentee Ballots are available on the Town of Deerfield's Official Web site at:
www.townofdeerfieldnh.com
or in person at the Town Clerk's Office. Absentee Ballots must be received and accepted prior to 5:00 p.m. on Monday, March 7, 2016

OR

Can be mailed by the U.S. Postal Service to:
Town Clerk
P.O. Box 159
Deerfield, NH 03037-0159

Mailed Absentee Ballots must be received by 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, March 8, 2016

Absentee ballots cannot be Delivered to the election polling place.

Questions about Absentee Ballots should be addressed to the Town Clerk's Office 463-8811, ext. 308 or 312 or via email at tw@townofdeerfieldnh.com

*****Notes*****

Town of Deerfield Zoning Article



Zoning Amendment #1 Are you in favor of the adoption of zoning amendment # 1, as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town's Zoning Ordinance as follows?

Amend Section 210.5 Permitted Uses by adding a new Subsection C Vernal Pools, to read:

"C. Vernal Pools: Vernal pools are small scattered temporary springtime ponds fed by snowmelt and spring rains. Proposed uses shall avoid, minimize or mitigate any filling of a vernal pool."

Recommended by the Planning Board

Explanatory Note: *Add language to avoid, minimize or mitigate destruction of vernal pools, which are the springtime home and essential breeding grounds for spring peepers, wood frogs and salamanders. The pools also support turtles, dragonflies, and many birds and woodland mammals. The pools are not addressed in current regulations and so often are destroyed.*

Zoning Amendment #2 Are you in favor of the adoption of zoning amendment # 2, as proposed by the Planning Board for the town's zoning ordinance as follows?

Delete the existing Section 212 Commercial / Industrial Overlay and replace it with a new Section 212 entitled Deerfield Business Overlay District which includes subsections entitled Purpose and Intent, Permitted Uses, Authority, Review and Approval Process and Standards for community character, resource protection, energy performance and access. The proposed standards are similar to the existing standards. Applicants seeking Planning Board approval for a commercial or industrial use shall prepare a site plan review application and conditional use permit application. The proposed amendment eliminates the rating chart and system for proposed commercial and industrial activities.

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Explanatory Note: *The proposed amendment is informed by the Board's experience with 13 Commercial/Industrial overlay applications over almost 20 years. Section 212 encourages flexibility and creativity to attract compatible businesses to locate or expand in Deerfield while protecting the Town's rural character. The amendment reformats the existing criteria and clarifies the application process. It replaces the mostly subjective rating system with an objective performance based one. It also removes requirements that already are more appropriately covered in the Town's existing Site Plan Review Regulations (adopted July 24, 2013).*

Zoning Amendment #3 Are you in favor of the adoption of zoning amendment # 3, as proposed by the Planning Board for the town's zoning ordinance as follows?

Add the following definition to Article VI Definitions, Section 602 Term Definitions.

"Compatible means being capable of existing or performing in a harmonious, agreeable, or congenial manner within a village area, neighborhood, rural area and be harmonious with abutting land uses. The abutting and nearby land uses do not need to be similar to the proposed development; however, the proposed development should be capable of existing in harmony with the abutting land uses."

Recommended by the Planning Board

Explanatory Note: *The new proposed Section 212 Deerfield Business Overlay District uses the term “compatible,” so a definition was needed. The new definition would be added to Article VI Section 602 Definitions:*

Zoning Amendment #4 Are you in favor of the adoption of zoning amendment # 4, as proposed by the Planning Board for the town zoning ordinance as follows?

Amend Open Space Development Section 325.1, Purpose and Objectives, by inserting the following in a new Subsection D?

“D. Open Space Plan: Subdivisions proposed under the Open Space Development ordinance shall incorporate the objectives of the Town of Deerfield Open Space Plan, dated August 2010 or later, in the overall design of the proposed Open Space Development.”

Recommended by the Planning Board

Explanatory Note: *This amendment directs developers and their agent to consult the Deerfield Open Space Plan (August 2010), a chapter of the Deerfield Master Plan, and incorporate the principles of the open space plan into the design of the proposed development, to the extent possible.*

Zoning Amendment #5 Are you in favor of the adoption of zoning amendment # 5, as proposed by the Planning Board for the town zoning ordinance as follows?

Amend Open Space Development Section 325.4, Standards and Conditions, Subsection F, Minimum Open Space Area, to read, in part, as follows:

“. . . Not more than fifty percent of the Minimum Open Space Area may consist of lands within the Wetlands Conservation District or having slopes in excess of twenty percent. *The area within the front, side and rear setbacks shall be included in and be a part of the Open Space.*”

Recommended by the Planning Board

Explanatory Note: *Areas within the front, side and rear setbacks would be allowed as part of the required open space area. The change is being proposed based on Planning Board experience reviewing designs for Open Space Development (Section 325.4, Standards and Conditions, Subsection F, Minimum Open Space Area). The change adds only the italicized text.*

Zoning Amendment #6 Are you in favor of the adoption of zoning amendment # 6, as proposed by the Planning Board for the town zoning ordinance as follows?

Amend Section 330 Pleasant Lake Watershed Protection Ordinance, Section 330.6 Requirements for Development in the Watershed Protection Overlay District, Paragraph E, in part, to read:

“. . . or a qualified professional who is familiar with erosion control measures and procedures and acceptable to the Town Engineer. The qualified professional shall demonstrate to the Town Engineer that he/she has knowledge and training in erosion control measures and has previously prepared erosion control plans. The erosion and sedimentation control plan . . .”

Amend Section 330 Pleasant Lake Watershed Protection Ordinance, Section 330.6 Requirements for Development in the Watershed Protection Overlay District, Paragraph F, in part, to read:

“ . . . erosion and sedimentation plans proposed by the applicant and acceptable to the Building Inspector. The Building Inspector, in determining the acceptability of the proposed controls, shall compare the proposed controls with the New Hampshire Stormwater Manual, Volume 3: Erosion and Sediment Controls During Construction as prepared by the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services (Manual). The proposed plans shall ensure effective control and conform with the practices contained in the Manual in order to be approved by the Building Inspector. These types of applications shall . . . “

Amend Section 330 Pleasant Lake Watershed Protection Ordinance, Section 330.8, Buffer Requirements, and Subsection C to read:

“Any proposed development within the required buffer zone shall require approval of the Planning Board. In determining if the development should be approved, the Board shall take into consideration the following:

1. The development proposed is the least intrusive possible;
2. The hydrologic study shows the water quality protection by the development equals or exceeds that which would be provided by the full 100-foot wide buffer;
3. The applicant proposes to plant additional vegetation to demonstrably supplement and improve the existing vegetation present within the buffer which will slow the rate of runoff;
4. The applicant proposes to redirect the runoff from the development to extend the runoff route to the tributary; and
5. The applicant proposes to place other permanent obstructions to demonstrably slow the rate of runoff over what would occur within the existing buffer.”

Recommended by the Planning Board

Explanatory Note: *The Deerfield Planning Board has worked with the Pleasant Lake Association and the Town’s Building Inspector to improve the existing ordinance. The proposal amends Section 330 Pleasant Lake Watershed Protection Ordinance in several areas.*

The amendments:

- *Require that design professional demonstrate knowledge and training in erosion control measures.*
- *Provide guidance to the Building Inspector by referencing the New Hampshire Stormwater Manual Volume 3*
- *Add five standards for consideration when development would be allowed within the required buffer zone. At present, there are no standards for making that determination.*

Town of Deerfield Warrant Descriptive



Article # 1 To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Three Hundred Seventy Five Thousand Dollars (\$375,000) for the purpose of purchasing a fire tanker for the Fire Department and authorize the withdrawal of Sixty Eight Thousand Four Hundred Seventy Four Dollars (\$68,474) from the Fire Apparatus and Equipment Capital Reserve Fund created for that purpose. The balance of Three Hundred Six Thousand Five Hundred Twenty Six (\$306,526) is to come from general taxation.

*Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 4-0
Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 8-0
Estimated Tax Impact \$0.55*

Explanatory Note: *The Deerfield Board of Selectmen and the Deerfield Fire Department are asking the citizens to support this article in the purchase of a new fire tanker. This new tanker, (pump capacity 1,500 gallons per minute/tank size 3,000 gallon) will replace two trucks, a 1980 International Engine and the 1975 Chevy tanker which has been turned over to the Highway Dept. Passage of this article will allow the Selectmen to spend \$68,474 from the Fire Apparatus and Equipment Capital Reserve Fund and raise the remaining funds \$306,526 from general taxation for this new tanker. The town strives to follow the National Fire Protection Association's recommendations in order to maintain a Class 9 ISO fire rating. Maintaining a Class 9 fire rating helps prevent homeowner's insurance rates from increasing.*

Balance in the Fire and Apparatus and Equipment Capital Reserve Fund as of 12/31/2015 \$100,010.22

Article # 2 To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Forty Three Thousand Dollars (\$243,000) for the reconstruction of 4,500 feet on South Road from house number 57 South Road to house number 100 South Road. This Warrant Article to be offset by Impact Fees in the amount of Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$30,000) for 2,250 feet from 57 South Road to 80 South Road to increase the road width from 22 feet to 24 feet.

*Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0
Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 7-1
Estimated Tax Impact \$0.44*

Explanatory Note: *Every year the Road Agent identifies and prioritizes sections of town roads needing reconstruction. This year he recommends that the section of South Road (described above) running from the intersection of Route 43, South Road and Candia Road to 100 South Road be reconstructed. The project will also widen approximately 2,250 feet of this section of road (from the intersection running South). Impact Fees in the amount of \$30,000 will be used to help fund this project.*

Article # 3 To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Eighty Thousand Dollars (\$80,000) for the purpose of replacing windows, siding, doors, sheet-rocking and energy improvements to the remaining outside walls of the George B. White Building from the rear corner near tennis courts toward pizzeria, including store front area to double entranceway, as well as abutting wall.

*Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0
Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 8-0
Estimated Tax Impact \$0.14*

Explanatory Note: *This article seeks to complete the final renovations of the exterior walls of the George B. White building which began in 2011. The work will consist of replacing the existing one piece panels*

which is the metal, exterior siding, the foam insulation and the interior wall panel with 2 x 6 studs, insulation, sheet-rocking the interior, siding the exterior and installing new windows and doors.

Article # 4 To see if the town will vote to establish a Winter Road Maintenance Expendable Trust Fund per RSA 31:19-a, for the purpose of managing winter weather, including but not limited to plowing and removing snow, sanding and chemically treating streets, and otherwise responding to hazardous road conditions related to winter weather and to raise and appropriate Seventy Five Thousand Dollars (\$75,000) to put in the fund, with this amount to come from unassigned fund balance; further, to name the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend. The fund will have a cap of \$100,000. No amount to be raised from taxation.

*Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0
Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 8-0*

Explanatory Note: *This article, if passed, will allow the Selectmen to create a new Trust Fund for winter road maintenance, to be funded with unassigned, surplus, general funds. The money approved in this warrant article will not be used unless we have a severe winter and the Highway Department budgeted amounts are fully expended for winter weather. Approval of this warrant article will allow the Town and Road Agent to use the Road Reconstruction budget for road reconstruction, not to help offset the over expenditures from winter road maintenance.*

Article # 5 To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Sixty Three Thousand Three Hundred Seventy Nine Dollars (\$63,379) for the purpose of re-roofing the third section of the George B. White Building.

*Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0
Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 8-0
Estimated Tax Impact \$0.11*

Explanatory Note: *This article is to reroof the third section of the George B. White building. The roof is approximately 10,000 sq. ft. and extends over Yannì's Pizzeria, Country Cuts by Claire and the rooms used by Parks and Recreation. The scope of work includes installing 2" thick KD wood blocking at the perimeter of the roof, fastening one layer of 2" thick polyiso insulation, installing a Carlisle metal retro-fit roof system (which utilizes an 060 reinforced rubber sheet (EPDM) fastened to the structural members), flash all penetrations and walls as per the manufacturer's specifications and fabricate and install new aluminum drip edging. The work is covered by a manufacturer's 15 year labor and materials warranty.*

Article # 6 To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000), to be placed in the previously established Fire Apparatus and Equipment Capital Reserve Fund.

*Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0
Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 8-0
Estimated Tax Impact \$0.09*

Explanatory Note: *The Fire Apparatus and Equipment fund, with money raised from taxation, is used to purchase new fire equipment. This year Article #1 \$68,474, for a Fire Tanker and Article #8, \$31,526 for the final lease payment on the 2013 Fire Engine, will be coming from the Fire Apparatus and Equipment Capital Reserve Fund. Setting aside money over several years reduces the tax impact of these necessary equipment purchases.*

Balance in the Fire Apparatus and Equipment Capital Reserve Fund as of 12/31/2015 \$100,010.22

Article # 7 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirty Five Thousand Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$35,250) for the purpose of paving the Transfer Station with 1 ½" overlay approximately 4,400 square yards.

*Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0
Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 8-0
Estimated Tax Impact \$0.06*

Explanatory Note: *This article, if passed will, consists of putting a 1 –1/2" overlay on top of the existing paved area. The Transfer Station has not been resurfaced since the original blacktop was installed over 20 years ago. Installing the overlay now will preserve the original blacktop.*

Article # 8 To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirty One Thousand Five Hundred Twenty Six Dollars (\$31,526) for the purpose of paying the fifth and final year's lease payment for the Fire Department's Fire Engine and authorize the withdrawal of Thirty One Thousand Five Hundred Twenty Six Dollars (\$31,526) from the Fire Apparatus and Equipment Capital Reserve Fund created for that purpose. No amount to be raised from taxation.

*Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 4-0
Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 8-0*

Explanatory Note:

This article will allow the Selectmen to utilize funds from the Fire Apparatus and Equipment Capital Reserve Fund and pay off the final year's lease for the 2013 Fire Engine. Because these are funds were previously set aside, no amount will be needed to be raised from taxation this year.

Balance in the Fire and Apparatus and Equipment Capital Reserve Fund as of 12/31/2015 \$100,010.22

Article # 9 To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of up to Twenty Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000) to be placed in the previously established Municipal Government Buildings Infrastructure Expendable Trust Fund said funds to come from unassigned fund balance. No amount to be raised from taxation.

*Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0
Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 8-0*

Explanatory Note: *This article will allow the Selectmen to put unassigned, surplus funds into the existing Municipal Government Buildings Infrastructure Trust Fund, should they be available. Since 2012 this Trust Fund has been used for installing a new retaining wall by the Police Department, replacing the water lines, faucets and fixtures, hot water tank, electrical panels and the air conditioner unites for the Police Department and the Town Clerk/Tax Collectors office at the George B. White building; repairs the chimney, sprinkler system, replacing the 1st floor furnace and purchase doors for the rear of the Town Hall. Deerfield's governmental buildings and infrastructure are old and receive heavy community use and maintenance and repair of said buildings and infrastructure is an ongoing battle that requires funding.*

Balance in the Municipal Government Buildings Infrastructure Trust Fund as of 12/31/2015 \$41,816.27

Article # 10 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$20,000 (twenty thousand dollars) for the purpose of supplementing revolving-account funds, monetary donations and in-kind donations to develop baseball, softball and soccer fields and supporting infrastructure on Hartford Brook Field. (By Petition)

*Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0
Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 6-0-1
Estimated Tax Impact \$0.04*

Explanatory Note: *Hartford Brook Field, located at the intersection of Hartford Brook Road and Middle Road, will give Deerfield a full sized Little League field for baseball, a soccer field up to 8 v 8 size, a quality softball field and also potentially become the home field for local football. The work includes a concession and storage building, bathrooms, well, septic system and irrigation system. Total cost of the project will be more than \$80,000 which is being offset by generous donations, volunteer work and funding from several sports programs, reducing Deerfield's actual cost to \$20,000.*

Article # 11 To see if the town will vote to establish an Fire Department Vehicle and Equipment Expendable Trust Fund per of RSA 31:19-a for the purpose of repairs to the Fire Department Vehicles and Equipment and to raise and appropriate the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000) to be placed in said fund, with this amount to come from unassigned fund balance; further, to name the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend. No amount to be raised from taxation.

*Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0
Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 8-0*

Explanatory Note: *This article would establish a new Fire Department Vehicle and Equipment Trust Fund for the purpose of setting aside funds for emergency repair of fire equipment. This fund would be used for repairs only, not new equipment. This initial \$10,000 would be funded from unassigned surplus should it be available.*

Article # 12 To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000) to be placed in the previously established Rescue Vehicles and Equipment Capital Reserve Fund.

*Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0
Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 8-0
Estimated Tax Impact \$0.02*

Explanatory Note: *With this article, the Selectmen propose to raise \$10,000 for the Rescue Vehicle and Equipment Capital Reserve Fund. These funds, combined with donations, were used to purchase the Lucas CPR (chest compression system) machine in 2014. The Rescue Squad is looking to upgrade the Life Pack 12 with a Life Pack 15 (monitor/defibrillator).*

Balance in the Rescue Vehicles and Equipment Capital Reserve Fund as of 12/31/2015 \$15,900.76

Article # 13 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Eight Thousand Dollars (\$8,000) to be used by Northwood Lake Watershed Association to control the Milfoil in Northwood Lake.

*Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0
Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 7-1
Estimated Tax Impact \$0.01*

Explanatory Note: Brought forward by the Northwood Lake Association and the Town of Northwood and placed on the Warrant by the Select Board, this warrant article seeks to raise funding to combat milfoil growth in Northwood Lake. In past years the towns of Epsom and Northwood have borne the cost of milfoil mitigation, as Deerfield has tax paying property owners that live on Northwood Lake the town is being asked to assist financially. In 2015 the assessed value for property on Northwood Lake in Deerfield was \$16,091.714 or \$354,179 in property taxes. The \$8,000 amount was calculated in proportion to the percentage of Deerfield shorefront property owners.

Article # 14 Shall the Town of Deerfield raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant or as amended by the vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein totaling \$3,778,435. Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be \$3,699,895 which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Town of Deerfield or by law; or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13X and XVI, to take up the issue of the revised operating budget only.

*Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0
Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 7-1
Estimated Tax Impact Proposed Budget 6.73
Estimated Tax Impact Default Budget \$6.67*

Explanatory Note:

Although there was some complication regarding whether to use the Municipal Budget Committee's final number or the Selectboard's final number, agreement was reached at the deliberative session. Both the Board of Selectmen and the Municipal Budget Committee believe that it will take \$3,778,435 to efficiently operate and maintain the town of Deerfield and provide appropriate services to its residents. Voting "no" on this article will reduce the requested budget by \$78,540. and require the Selectboard to re-evaluate planned expenditures.

Article # 15 To see if the town will vote to establish, in accordance with the provisions of RSA 72:27-a and RSA 72:62, an exemption from a property's assessed value, for property tax purposes, when the property is equipped with one or more solar energy systems as defined by RSA 72:61. Such property tax exemption shall be 100% of the amount, if any, by which installation of solar energy systems on the property increases the total assessed value of the property. (Petitioned warrant article)

Explanatory Note: *This article if approved will allow the town to exempt from property taxes the amount assessed, if any, for property in which a solar energy system has been installed.*

Article # 16 **As amended Saturday, January 30, 2016, Deliberative Session** - We the undersigned registered voters of Deerfield petition the Deerfield Welfare Director remain a hired position to be paid an amount commensurate with experience (Petition warrant article)

Explanatory Note: *This article, if passed, would advise the Board of Selectmen to continue to appoint the Welfare Director, as they do now.*

Article # 17 As amended Saturday, January 30, 2016, Deliberative Session - Shall we express an advisory view that the position of Deerfield Police Chief be an appointed position as it is now. (Petition warrant article)

Explanatory Note: *This article, if passed, would advise the Board of Selectmen to continue to appoint the Police Chief as they do now.*

Article #18 As amended Saturday, January 30, 2016 - Shall 100% of the Current Use Penalty Fees go to the General Fund with the advisement to the Select board to create and fund a Town Trust to build a Safety Complex or other building needs with these funds. (Petition warrant article)

Explanatory Note: *Currently the Town receives 50% of the Land Use Change Tax Revenue that helps offset taxes. The Conservation Commission also receives 50% of the Land Use Change Tax Revenue which is placed in the Conservation Fund. This was approved by the March 14, 2006 Town Meeting. Voting NO on the amended article will maintain the existing revenue split. Voting YES on the amended article will eliminate the offsetting tax revenue and the existing Conservation Commission funding.*

Article #19 Shall we adopt the provisions of RSA 40:14-b to delegate the determination of the default town budget to the municipal budget committee which has been adopted under RSA 32:14? (Petition warrant article)

Explanatory Note:

This article is a petition warrant article that requires a 3/5 majority of votes to pass.

The Board of Selectmen is not in favor of this article.



**ABSENTEE
OFFICIAL BALLOT
ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION
DEERFIELD, NEW HAMPSHIRE
MARCH 8, 2016**

BALLOT 1 OF 2

H. J. Barry
TOWN CLERK

INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS

- A. TO VOTE, completely fill in the OVAL to the RIGHT of your choice(s) like this:
- B. Follow directions as to the number of candidates to be marked for each office.
- C. To vote for a person whose name is not printed on the ballot, write the candidate's name on the line provided and completely fill in the OVAL.

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ZONING AMENDMENTS

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Recommended by the Planning Board

YES
NO

TURN BALLOT OVER AND CONTINUE VOTING

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Explanatory Note: The proposed Section 212 Deerfield Business Overlay District uses the term compatible and the Planning Board determined a definition would be appropriate.
Recommended by the Planning Board

YES

NO

Zoning Amendment #4 Are you in favor of the adoption of zoning amendment # 4, as proposed by the Planning Board for the town zoning ordinance as follows?

Amend Open Space Development Section 325.1, Purpose and Objectives, by inserting the following in a new Subsection D?

"D. Open Space Plan: Subdivisions proposed under the Open Space Development ordinance shall incorporate the objectives of the Town of Deerfield Open Space Plan, dated August 2010 or later, in the overall design of the proposed Open Space Development."

Explanatory Note: This amendment would direct developers or their agent to consult the Deerfield Open Space Plan (August 2010), a chapter of the Deerfield Master Plan and incorporate the principles of the open space plan into the design of their development to the extent possible.
Recommended by the Planning Board

YES

NO

Zoning Amendment #5 Are you in favor of the adoption of zoning amendment # 5, as proposed by the Planning Board for the town zoning ordinance as follows?

Amend Open Space Development Section 325.4, Standards and Conditions, Subsection F, Minimum Open Space Area, to read, in part, as follows:

". . . Not more than fifty percent of the Minimum Open Space Area may consist of lands within the Wetlands Conservation District or having slopes in excess of twenty percent. The area within the front, side and rear setbacks shall be included in and be a part of the Open Space."

Explanatory Note: This amendment would clarify the intent of the ordinance to include that area within the front, side and rear setbacks as part of the open space area.
Recommended by the Planning Board

YES

NO

Zoning Amendment #6 Are you in favor of the adoption of zoning amendment # 6, as proposed by the Planning Board for the town zoning ordinance as follows?

Amend Section 330 Pleasant Lake Watershed Protection Ordinance, Section 330.6 Requirements for Development in the Watershed Protection Overlay District, Paragraph E, in part, to read:

". . . or a qualified professional who is familiar with erosion control measures and procedures and acceptable to the Town Engineer. The qualified professional shall demonstrate to the Town Engineer that he/she has knowledge and training in erosion control measures and has previously prepared erosion control plans. The erosion and sedimentation control plan . . ."

Amend Section 330 Pleasant Lake Watershed Protection Ordinance, Section 330.6 Requirements for Development in the Watershed Protection Overlay District, Paragraph F, in part, to read:

". . . erosion and sedimentation plans proposed by the applicant and acceptable to the Building Inspector. The Building Inspector, in determining the acceptability of the proposed controls, shall compare the proposed controls with the New Hampshire Stormwater Manual, Volume 3: Erosion and Sediment Controls During Construction as prepared by the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services (Manual). The proposed plans shall ensure effective control and conform with the practices contained in the Manual in order to be approved by the Building Inspector. These types of applications shall . . ."

Amend Section 330 Pleasant Lake Watershed Protection Ordinance, Section 330.8, Buffer Requirements, and Subsection C to read:

"Any proposed development within the required buffer zone shall require approval of the Planning Board. In determining if the development should be approved, the Board shall take into consideration the following:

The development proposed is the least intrusive possible;

The hydrologic study shows the water quality protection by the development equals or exceeds that which would be provided by the full 100-foot wide buffer;

ZONING AMENDMENT #6 CONTINUED ON NEXT BALLOT

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ZONING AMENDMENT #6 CONTINUED

The applicant proposes to plant additional vegetation to demonstrably supplement and improve the existing vegetation present within the buffer which will slow the rate of runoff;

The applicant proposes to redirect the runoff from the development to extend the runoff route to the tributary; and

The applicant proposes to place other permanent obstructions to demonstrably slow the rate of runoff over what would occur within the existing buffer."

Explanatory Note: The Planning Board recommends the design professional demonstrate knowledge and training in erosion control measures. The Planning Board provides guidance to the Building Inspector by referencing the New Hampshire Stormwater Manual Volume 3. The Planning Board proposes to add five standards for consideration when development would be allowed within the required buffer zone. At present, there are no standards for making that determination.

Recommended by the Planning Board

YES

NO

ARTICLES

To vote on the following Warrant Articles, as amended, including the proposed budget as a result of the action of the First Session.

Article # 1 To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Three Hundred Seventy Five Thousand Dollars (\$375,000) for the purpose of purchasing a fire tanker for the Fire Department and authorize the withdrawal of Sixty Eight Thousand Four Hundred Seventy Four Dollars (\$68,474) from the Fire Apparatus and Equipment Capital Reserve Fund created for that purpose. The balance of Three Hundred Six Thousand Five Hundred Twenty Six (\$306,526) is to come from general taxation.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 4-0

Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 8-0

Estimated Tax Impact \$0.55

YES

NO

Article # 2 To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Forty Three Thousand Dollars (\$243,000) for the reconstruction of 4,500 feet on South Road from house number 57 South Road to house number 100 South Road. This Warrant Article to be offset by Impact Fees in the amount of Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$30,000) for 2,250 feet from 57 South Road to 80 South Road to increase the road width from 22 feet to 24 feet.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0

Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 7-1

Estimated Tax Impact \$0.44

YES

NO

Article # 3 To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Eighty Thousand Dollars (\$80,000) for the purpose of replacing windows, siding, doors, sheet-rocking and energy improvements to the remaining outside walls of the George B. White Building from the rear corner near tennis courts toward pizzeria, including store front area to double entranceway, as well as abutting wall.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0

Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 8-0

Estimated Tax Impact \$0.14

YES

NO

Article # 4 To see if the town will vote to establish a Winter Road Maintenance Expendable Trust Fund per RSA 31:19-a, for the purpose of managing winter weather expenses, including but not limited to plowing and removing snow, sanding and chemically treating streets, and otherwise responding to hazardous road conditions related to winter weather and to raise and appropriate Seventy Five Thousand Dollars (\$75,000) to put in the fund, with this amount to come from unassigned fund balance; further, to name the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend. The fund will have a cap of \$100,000 in principle. No amount to be raised from taxation.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0

Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 8-0

YES

NO

Article # 5 To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Sixty Three Thousand Three Hundred Seventy Nine Dollars (\$63,379) for the purpose of re-roofing the third section of the George B. White Building.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0

Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 8-0

Estimated Tax Impact \$0.11

YES

NO

Article # 6 To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000), to be placed in the previously established Fire Apparatus and Equipment Capital Reserve Fund.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0

Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 8-0

Estimated Tax Impact \$0.09

YES

NO

TURN BALLOT OVER AND CONTINUE VOTING

ARTICLES CONTINUED

Article # 7 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirty Five Thousand Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$35,250) for the purpose of paving the Transfer Station with 1 ½" overlay approximately 4,400 square yards.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0

Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 8-0

Estimated Tax Impact \$0.06

YES

NO

Article # 8 To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirty One Thousand Five Hundred Twenty Six Dollars (\$31,526) for the purpose of paying the fifth and final year's lease payment for the Fire Department's Fire Engine and authorize the withdrawal of Thirty One Thousand Five Hundred Twenty Six Dollars (\$31,526) from the Fire Apparatus and Equipment Capital Reserve Fund created for that purpose. No amount to be raised from taxation.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 4-0

Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 8-0

YES

NO

Article # 9 To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of up to Twenty Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000) to be placed in the previously established Municipal Government Buildings Infrastructure Expendable Trust Fund said funds to come from unassigned fund balance. No amount to be raised from taxation.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0

Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 8-0

YES

NO

Article # 10 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$20,000 (twenty thousand dollars) for the purpose of supplementing revolving-account funds, monetary donations and in-kind donations to develop baseball, softball and soccer fields and supporting infrastructure on Hartford Brook Field. (By Petition)

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0

Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 7-0-1

Estimated Tax Impact \$0.04

YES

NO

Article # 11 To see if the town will vote to establish an Fire Department Vehicle and Equipment Expendable Trust Fund per of RSA 31:19-a for the purpose of repairs to the Fire Department Vehicles and Equipment and to raise and appropriate the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000) to be placed in said fund, with this amount to come from unassigned fund balance; further, to name the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend. No amount to be raised from taxation.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0

Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 8-0

YES

NO

Article # 12 To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000) to be placed in the previously established Rescue Vehicles and Equipment Capital Reserve Fund.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0

Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 8-0

Estimated Tax Impact \$0.02

YES

NO

Article # 13 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Eight Thousand Dollars (\$8,000) to be used by Northwood Lake Watershed Association to control the Milfoil in Northwood Lake.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0

Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 7-1

Estimated Tax Impact \$0.01

YES

NO

Article # 14 Shall the Town of Deerfield raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant or as amended by the vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein totaling \$3,778,435. Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be \$3,699,895 which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Town of Deerfield or by law; or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13X and XVI, to take up the issue of the revised operating budget only.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0

Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee

Estimated Tax Impact Proposed Budget 6.73

Estimated Tax Impact Default Budget \$6.67

YES

NO

Article # 15 To see if the town will vote to establish, in accordance with the provisions of RSA 72:27-a and RSA 72:62, an exemption from a property's assessed value, for property tax purposes, when the property is equipped with one or more solar energy systems as defined by RSA 72:61. Such property tax exemption shall be 100% of the amount, if any, by which installation of solar energy systems on the property increases the total assessed value of the property. (Petitioned warrant article)

YES

NO

Article # 16 Shall we express an advisory view that the position of Deerfield Welfare Director be an appointed position as it is now. (Petition warrant article)

YES

NO

Article # 17 Shall we express an advisory view that the position of Deerfield Police Chief be an appointed position as it is now. (Petition warrant article)

YES

NO

Article # 18 Shall 100% of the Current Use Penalty Fees got to the General Fund with the advisement to the Select board to create and fund a Town Trust to build a Safety Complex or other town building needs with these funds. (Petition warrant article)

YES

NO

Article # 19 Shall we adopt the provisions of RSA 40:14-b to delegate the determination of the default town budget to the municipal budget committee which has been adopted under RSA 32:14? (Petition warrant article)

YES

NO

YOU HAVE NOW COMPLETED VOTING

*****Notes*****

Deerfield School District Warrant Description



1. Shall the Deerfield School District raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein, totaling \$12,321,520? Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be \$12,238,286 which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Deerfield School District, or by law; or the governing body may hold one special meeting in accordance with RSA 40:13, X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only.

*School Board Recommends Approval [5-0-0]
Budget Committee Recommends Approval [8-0-0]*

If passed, the new estimated tax rate will be \$18.09 [per thousand], which will result in a \$0.73 increase over the previous year tax rate.

[Note: Warrant Article #1 (operating budget article) does not include separate Warrant Articles 2, 3, 4 and 5]

Warrant Article #1 asks the voters to approve the budget for the 2016-2107 school year, which has been thoroughly vetted by the MBC. The Deerfield School District's proposed operating budget is \$12,321,520. This is an overall increase over the current school year's appropriated budget of 1.2%, or \$147,167.67.

Major increases in expenses over this year's budget that are not within the Board's control include:

Special Placements INCREASE \$191,615

Health Insurance INCREASE \$78,283

Major decreases in budget expense items are:

High School Tuition DECREASE \$134,371.75 due to newly negotiated contract.

Retirement DECREASE \$54,141

The Default budget for the 2016-2017 school year is \$83,234 lower than the proposed budget.

The tax impact of the Warrant Article #1 is an estimated increase in the tax rate of \$.73 cents

2. Shall the Deerfield School District vote to approve the cost items set forth in the collective bargaining agreement reached between the Deerfield School Board and the Deerfield Education Association for the 2016/17, 2017/18, and 2018/19 fiscal years, which calls for the following estimated increases in salaries and benefits at the current staffing level:

2016/17	\$216,906
2017/18	\$145,164
2018/19	\$ 69,601

and further to raise and appropriate the sum of \$216,906 for the 2016/17 fiscal year, such sum representing the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits required by the new agreement over those that would be paid at current staffing levels?

School Board Recommends Approval [5-0-0]

Budget Committee Recommends Approval [8-0-0]

[Estimated tax impact of this article is \$0.39 per thousand]

Warrant Article #2 asks the voters to approve a 3 year collective bargaining agreement (a Teachers' contract) that was negotiated by the School Board and the Teachers. The proposed contract includes a higher deductible plan that results in a savings to the district of 3.9% as well as language that would allow the contract to reopen and protect the district from any tax penalties that may result from the Affordable Care Act. Staff would be allowed more course/workshop reimbursement and would receive an increase in longevity beginning in year 2 of the proposed agreement. The first year of the contract includes adjustments to the salary table in order for the district to be more competitive; however there are no further adjustments to the table in year 2 or 3. Year one provides an additional step to the table to lessen the delta and overall cost of the contract.

The tax impact of the Warrant Article #2 is an estimated increase in the tax rate of \$.39 cents

3. Shall the Deerfield School District, if article 2 is defeated, authorize the governing body to call one special meeting, at its option, to address Article 2 cost items only? (Majority vote)

Warrant Article #3 asks the voters to authorize the governing body to call one special meeting, at its option, to address Article 2 cost items only. This would allow a special meeting to be held should Article #2 be defeated, and would prevent the need to petition the court for this meeting.

4. To see if the Deerfield School District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of up to thirty-five thousand dollars (\$35,000) to be added to the **Facility Paving Plan Expendable Trust Fund** previously established. This sum to come from the June 30, 2016 fund balance available for transfer on July 1, 2016. No amount to be raised from taxation.

School Board Recommends Approval [5-0-0]

Budget Committee Recommends Approval [8-0-0]

Warrant Article #4 asks the voters to authorize the School Board to set aside up to \$35,000 from surplus to be added to the Facility Paving Plan Expendable Trust Fund previously established by the voters. This will allow the Board to continue to raise funds towards the paving of the main parking lot. This amount is roughly half of what is needed to complete the project.

5. To see if the Deerfield School District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of up to ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) to be added to the **Replacing or Repairing Technology Expendable Trust Fund** previously established. This sum to come from the June 30, 2016 fund balance available for transfer on July 1, 2016. No amount to be raised from taxation.

School Board Recommends Approval [5-0-0]

Budget Committee Recommends Approval [8-0-0]

Warrant Article #5 asks the voters to set aside up to \$10,000 from surplus to be added to the Replacing or Repairing Technology Expendable Trust Fund previously established by the voters. This fund will be used to continue the efforts of the Board to set aside funds in case of a major technology failure.

6. Due to the lack of any meaningful action by the Deerfield School Board relative to a Warrant Article of similar language passed by a majority voters during the March 2015 Deerfield election we again ask:

Shall the Deerfield School District vote to reject and immediately discontinue participation in the Common Core State Standards (CCSS) and the Smarter Balance Assessment, in favor of our own locally developed Deerfield School District academic standards and assessments, and recommend that the School Board form a committee (consisting of representatives from the school board, school administrators, teachers, and community members) to develop the Deerfield School District Academic Standards and Assessments? [This article is submitted by petition]

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**ABSENTEE
OFFICIAL BALLOT
ANNUAL SCHOOL DISTRICT ELECTION
DEERFIELD, NEW HAMPSHIRE
MARCH 8, 2016**

Julie A. O'Brien
SCHOOL DISTRICT CLERK

INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS

- A. TO VOTE, completely fill in the OVAL to the RIGHT of your choice(s) like this:
- B. Follow directions as to the number of candidates to be marked for each office.
- C. To vote for a person whose name is not printed on the ballot, write the candidate's name on the line provided and completely fill in the OVAL.

SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER

Three Year Term Vote for not
more than One (1)

KEVIN VERVILLE

NATHAN W. OXNARD

(Write-in)

**SCHOOL DISTRICT
MODERATOR**

One Year Term Vote for not
more than One (1)

JONATHAN W. "JACK" HUTCHINSON

(Write-in)

SCHOOL DISTRICT TREASURER

One Year Term Vote for not
more than One (1)

JUDITH LYNN MARSHALL

(Write-in)

SCHOOL DISTRICT CLERK

One Year Term Vote for not
more than One (1)

JULIE A. O'BRIEN

(Write-in)

SCHOOL DISTRICT WARRANT ARTICLES

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[Estimated tax impact of this article is \$0.39 per thousand]

TURN BALLOT OVER AND CONTINUE VOTING

SCHOOL DISTRICT WARRANT ARTICLES CONTINUED

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Budget Committee Recommends Approval [8-0-0]*

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WHAT'S HAPPENING!

APRIL 26: Celebrate Deerfield's 250TH! Come to TOWN HALL for the CHILI & CHOWDER FESTIVAL & BEARD GROWING Contest! Pitch in at Town Cleanup and join the Town Archeology Dig!

TAX HELP! CALL 211 for a list of places with FREE tax preparation! Local property tax relief -- applications for Elderly Exemptions & Veterans' Credits accepted till 4/16 -- visit Assessing in the GBW Bldg or call 463 8811X315.

NEED A RIDE?? Lamprey Health Care -- FREE transportation service for seniors & disabled -- simply call 800 582 7214. Weekly grocery trips or scheduled medical visits.
Senior Luncheon -- 12 noon -- 2nd Thursday -- DCC, 15 Church Street.

Meals On Wheels provides meals to seniors/disabled - offers rides to Raymond, Epping & Exeter for shopping & appointments -- call 395 5347.

Deerfield Food Pantry -- last Friday, 10 am -- 12 noon, DCC, 15 Church St., call 463 7800 if you need help or want to volunteer!

SERVICELINK. CALL 866 634 9412 or go to www.servicelink.nh.gov. Free info/referrals for seniors, disabled & their caretakers!

211 -- call 24/7 for info re: resources/shelter-www.211nh.org!

Travelling south -- get the facts!! For the latest ZIKA information, go to <http://www.dhhs.nh.gov/dphs/cdcs/zika/documents/zika-virus-faqs.pdf>

Need alcohol/drug treatment? Go to nhtreatment.org or to www.drugfreenh.org. For AA info, call 800-593-3330 or go to nhaa.net.

VETERANS CRISIS LINE. CALL (800) 273-TALK (800-273-8255) PRESS 1.

SAVE A LIFE! AEDs (defibrillators) are available: Rescue Squad, Fire Dept, Police Dept, Highway Shed (outside) by Town Hall, Town Offices, P&R Dept, Deerfield Community School, Deerfield Community Church, Veasey Park (when open).

POWER OUT? Call Your Provider for details! Eversource -- call 800-662-7764 or go to www.eversource.com. Check Twitter, Facebook. New Hampshire Electric Cooperative -- call 800-343-6432 or visit www.nhec.coop.

For information on all Deerfield Parks and Recreation programming please check out the Parks and Recreation Department on the town website.

Also like Deerfield NH Parks and Recreation on Facebook.

Contact us directly at 463-8811 x 305 Or by email at parks@townofdeerfieldnh.com

FOCUS News

Tricky Tray is coming – May 12th 2:30p – 7:00p Preview - DCS Gymnasium

May 13th 10:00a – 6:30p Preview; 7:00pm - Drawing - DCS Gymnasium

Tricky Tray is here again! Over 100 organizations and individuals donate goods and services; On Thursday night and Friday residents are encouraged to come and take chances on the items. Friday evening the winners of each “tray” is drawn.

For over 25 years, FOCUS has funded Deerfield activities both at the school and in the community at large and Tricky Tray is the major fundraising event every year. Past recipients of FOCUS support include author visits to the school, extra equipment such as canoes for school and public use, Girl Scouts, Rescue Squad, Senior Luncheon, Food Pantry, and the Welcome Packets for newcomers, the annual Sherburne Award and a scholarship to a Deerfield high school senior. Requests for donations for Deerfield activities may be submitted to any FOCUS member: Rebecca Hutchinson, Jenn Verville, Nancy Shute, Ray Nash, JoAnn O’Connell, Lynn Bemis, and Megan Augusta.

High School Senior Scholarship - \$500; Essay applications deadline: May 30th, 2016

Many years ago, FOCUS established a scholarship to recognize Deerfield high school seniors who have actively participated in community service. \$500 is awarded to a graduating senior to support his/or her future goals. Any senior is welcome to submit an essay, answering the following two questions:

- 1) Describe what your involvement has been in community service
- 2) If you were awarded this scholarship, how would this help you in achieving your future goals?

Essays should be sent to JoAnn O’Connell, 26 Haynes Road, Deerfield, 03037 and are due by May 30th.

Sherburne Award - Nominations due May 30th, 2016

The Sherburne Award was created by FOCUS to recognize outstanding contributions made by a Deerfield resident serving our community. We look for inspirational contributors who have provided service to a specific segment of our community or the community at large. The award is named after Suzie Sherburne, a founding member of FOCUS and community volunteer extraordinaire. She served every corner of our community with endless energy and commitment. Suzie passed away in 2012. The winners of the award are recorded on a plaque which can be seen outside the Town Clerk’s office at the GB White Building.

Contact Rebecca Hutchinson (rebec47@gmail.com /463-7692) for the Sherburne Award Nomination Form. Completed nomination forms are due May 30th and should be sent to JoAnn O’Connell, 26 Haynes Road, Deerfield, 03037.

**Town of Deerfield
P.O. Box 159
Deerfield, NH 03037-0159**

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Town of Deerfield Office Hours

Assessing Office 463-8811 x 315	Monday thru Friday 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Building Department 463-8811 x 302	Monday thru Thursday 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Town Clerk – Tax Collector’s Office 463-8811 x 308 or 312	Monday 8:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m. Tuesday – Friday 8:00 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.
Transfer Station 463-7705	Tuesday & Thursday 11:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m. Saturday 7:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
Board of Selectmen Meets Every Other Monday 5:30 p.m.	
Planning Board Meets the 2nd and 4th Wednesday 7:00 p.m.	
Zoning Board of Adjustment Meets the 4th Tuesday 7:00 p.m.	
Conservation Commission Meets the 2nd Monday	

VOTING DAY

(Town Meeting SB2 Second Session)

Tuesday, March 8, 2016

Polling Hours: 7:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m. at the Town Hall, 10 Church Street