



**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.

<p><b>BOARD OF SELECTMEN</b></p> <p align="center">Vote for not Three Year Term more than Two</p> <p>RICHARD W. PITMAN <input type="radio"/></p> <p>KATHERINE ALEXANDER <input type="radio"/></p> <p>ALEX COTE <input type="radio"/></p> <p>THOMAS P. DILLON <input type="radio"/></p> <p>FREDERICK J. McGARRY <input type="radio"/></p> <p><input type="radio"/> (Write-in)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> (Write-in)</p>	<p><b>TRUSTEE OF PHILBRICK-JAMES LIBRARY</b></p> <p align="center">Vote for not Three Year Term more than Three</p> <p>DANA VAN DER BIJL <input type="radio"/></p> <p>CHRISTOPHER CARR <input type="radio"/></p> <p>LINDA K. McNAIR-PERRY <input type="radio"/></p> <p><input type="radio"/> (Write-in)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> (Write-in)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> (Write-in)</p>	<p><b>SUPERVISOR OF THE CHECKLIST</b></p> <p align="center">Vote for not Six Year Term more than One</p> <p><input type="radio"/></p> <p align="center">(Write-in)</p>
<p><b>MODERATOR</b></p> <p align="center">Vote for not Two Year Term more than One</p> <p>JONATHAN W. "JACK" HUTCHINSON <input type="radio"/></p> <p><input type="radio"/></p> <p align="center">(Write-in)</p>	<p><b>CEMETERY TRUSTEES</b></p> <p align="center">Vote for not Three Year Term more than One</p> <p><input type="radio"/></p> <p align="center">(Write-in)</p>	<p><b>MUNICIPAL BUDGET COMMITTEE</b></p> <p align="center">Vote for not Three Year Term more than Three</p> <p>WILLIAM VON HASSEL <input type="radio"/></p> <p>HARRIET E. CADY <input type="radio"/></p> <p>DAVID H. CARBONE <input type="radio"/></p> <p>JAMES SPILLANE <input type="radio"/></p> <p><input type="radio"/> (Write-in)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> (Write-in)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> (Write-in)</p>
<p><b>TRUSTEE OF TRUST FUNDS</b></p> <p align="center">Vote for not Three Year Term more than One</p> <p>WILLIAM VON HASSEL <input type="radio"/></p> <p><input type="radio"/></p> <p align="center">(Write-in)</p>	<p><b>WATER COMMISSIONER</b></p> <p align="center">Vote for not One Year Term more than One</p> <p><input type="radio"/></p> <p align="center">(Write-in)</p>	<p><b>MUNICIPAL BUDGET COMMITTEE</b></p> <p align="center">Vote for not One Year Term more than One</p> <p>CAROL A. LEVESQUE <input type="radio"/></p> <p><input type="radio"/></p> <p align="center">(Write-in)</p>
	<p><b>WATER COMMISSIONER</b></p> <p align="center">Vote for not Three Year Term more than One</p> <p><input type="radio"/></p> <p align="center">(Write-in)</p>	
	<p><b>PLANNING BOARD</b></p> <p align="center">Vote for not Three Year Term more than One</p> <p>PETER "PETE" SCHIBBELHUTE <input type="radio"/></p> <p><input type="radio"/></p> <p align="center">(Write-in)</p>	

**ZONING AMENDMENTS**

**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."  
 Explanatory Note: The Planning Board recognizes the importance of vernal pools and believes proposed uses should either avoid, minimize or mitigate any potential filing.  
*Recommended by the Planning Board*

YES   
NO

**TURN BALLOT OVER AND CONTINUE VOTING**

## ZONING AMENDMENTS CONTINUED

**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.

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).

*Recommended by the Planning Board*

YES

NO

**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."*

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**

**GO TO NEXT BALLOT AND CONTINUE VOTING**



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**ZONING AMENDMENTS CONTINUED**

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*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

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## 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**