ANNUAL TOWN MEETING RESULTS – APRIL 30, 2022

Article 7: \$5,802,150 for Whitney Hall, Town Office and Library expansion and renovation

196 – Yes, 85 – No Article 7 PASSED

A 3/5 majority vote was required. 281 votes were cast; 168 Yes votes were required to pass.

The affirmative vote for article approved the \$5,802,150 Whitney Hall, Town Office and Library expansion and renovation project. The vote authorized the borrowing of \$5,558,086 and expenditure of \$244,064 from the Library Building Capital Reserve Fund. Any grants the Town is able to secure or donations the Library will be applied to this project to reduce borrowing. The conceptual plans will be reviewed and final plans will be developed. There may be an opportunity for cost savings while still providing for the needs of the Town. Restoration of historic features, larger and more functional spaces and increased energy efficiency are important aspects of the renovation.

Article 8: \$7,259,066 for Public Safety Facility

162 – Yes, 108 – No Article 8 PASSED

A 3/5 majority vote was required. 270 votes were cast; 162 Yes votes were required to pass.

The affirmative vote for this article approved \$7,259,066 for construction of a new public safety facility to house police, fire and ambulance. This estimate was based on a conceptual design for a lot owned by the Mascoma Valley Regional School District. Since that time another lot has become available that will not require the extensive site work, and has 3-phase power on site. The conceptual plans will be reviewed and amended as necessary to meet the needs of these three departments and provide for an energy efficient building. Any grant funds the Town is able to secure will be applied to this project ot reduce borrowing.

Article 9: \$130,000 from unassigned fund balance for Oak Hill Road bridge

Article 9 PASSED

Article 10: \$120,000 from unassigned fund balance for roadside mowing unit

Article 10 PASSED

Article 11: \$7,567,247 Operating Budget

140 – Yes, 54 – No Article 11 PASSED

A paper ballot was requested. A simple majority was required to pass.

Article 12: \$500,768 for deposit into Capital Improvement Program Capital Reserve Fund

Article 12 PASSED

Article 13: \$30,000 for deposit into Employee and Retiree Benefits Expandable Trust Fund

Article 13 PASSED

Article 14: \$150,000 for emergency repairs to Whitney Hall

With the approval of Article 7 this article was withdrawn.

Article 15: Adoption of Enfield Community Power Plan

Article 15 PASSED

Article 16: (By Petition) Adoption of the provisions of RSA 40:13 (known as SB2)

96 – Yes, 81 – No Article 16 FAILED

A 3/5 majority vote was required. 177 votes were cast; 106 Yes votes were required to pass.

Article 17: (By Petition) Increase Board of Selectmen to 5 members

79 – Yes, 49 – No Article 17 PASSED

A simple majority was required to pass.

Pursuant to NH State Statute 41:8-e the town vote to increase its board of selectmen to 5 members does not take effect until the first annual meeting following the meeting at which the question was acted upon. Therefore, at the next annual meeting (2023) the town shall elect 2 members for a 3-year term and one member for a one-year term to bring the Board of Selectmen to 5 members.

Article 18: To hear reports

Article 18 PASSED

David Fracht, Planning Board Chair, provided an update on the work being done by Master Planning Taskforce and the progress on updating the Town's Master Plan. Visit <u>Enfield Leaps</u> <u>Home (enfield-leaps.org)</u> for more information.