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Town Meeting – March 16, 2019

March 12, 2019 Voting By Official Ballot – Total Ballots Cast: 419

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

For One Year: One Fire Ward – Kenneth Wheeler (263)

For Two Years: One Moderator - Lindsay A. Smith (372)

For Three Years: One Selectman – Meredith C. Smith (266)

One Town Clerk – Sandra Romano (392)

One Trustee of Trust Funds – Ellen H. Hackeman (364)

One Cemetery Trustee – Donald J. Crate, Sr.

(15 write-in votes – pending acceptance)

One Fire Ward – Wayne Claflin (260)

One Library Trustee – Dominic C. Albanese (382)

Two Zoning Board of Adjustment Members – Kurt R. Gotthardt (268),
Edward McLaughlin (311)

Three Budget Committee Members - Shirley A. Green (349),
Gail E. Malz (295), Sam Eaton (7 write-in votes – pending
acceptance)

Article 2: Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 1 for the Town of Enfield Zoning Ordinance as follows?

Amend definition of “Setback” in Appendix A:

“The distance between a building or structure and the nearest property line, wetland, or sewage disposal system. **Setbacks are to be measured from the drip line and include but are not limited to decks, roof overhangs, fireplaces, and any bump-outs on the structure.**”

279 YES -- 109 NO

Article 3: Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 2 for the Town of Enfield Zoning Ordinance as follows?

Amend Section 413 Non-Conforming Lots and Uses:

Any non-conforming uses existing on the effective date of this Ordinance shall be considered a lawful ~~lot~~ **use** and may be continued. Even though the lot **where the use is located** does not comply with the minimum lot size or frontage requirements, the ~~lot use~~ may be **continued built upon** provided all other standards of the district in which it is located are met.

Last two sentences: The replacement ~~uses (or buildings and structures, if applicable)~~ must be in the same location, and the same **or less** dimensions as before the damage. **The dimensions include length, width, and height of the original structure.**

295 YES -- 92 NO

Article 4: Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 3 for the Town of Enfield Zoning Ordinance as follows?

Amend the definition of “Accessory Dwelling Unit” in Appendix A:

A single apartment of no more than 800 square feet, containing no more than ~~two one~~ bedrooms and one bathroom, ~~must be connected to a single family dwelling as defined in RSA 674:71-73 by enclosed weather-tight space with continuous roof and continuous foundation.~~ The apartment **accessory dwelling unit** and main dwelling are exempt from district acreage density requirements and must remain under one ownership.

289 YES -- 93 NO

Article 5: Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 4 for the Town of Enfield Zoning Ordinance as follows?

Amend section 403 Special Exceptions to add “Kennels” to the following lists for provision of that use by special exception: Section 4. CB (Community Business District) and Section 6. Route 4 District.

268 YES -- 110 NO

Article 6: Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 5 for the Town of Enfield Zoning Ordinance as follows?

Amend Section 408 Signs, paragraph C:

C. Signs shall refer only to a use, activity or business carried on the lot upon which they are situated, except that the Zoning ~~Administrator Board of Adjustment~~ may grant permission ~~as a Special Exception~~ for erection, off the premises, of a limited number of non-illuminated signs, providing the following conditions are met:

1. Each sign not exceeding three square feet.
2. Intended solely to give directional information.
3. **No more than three signs for any one business townwide.**

285 YES -- 104 NO

Article 7: (Lease without Escape Clause) To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into a long-term lease/purchase agreement in the amount of **\$170,000** payable over a term of seven (7) years for the purpose of leasing two DPW pickup trucks and associated plowing and sanding equipment (\$130,000) and one Fire Department support vehicle (\$40,000). The first payment will be due in 2020. The Capital Improvement Program Capital Reserve Fund, which the Board of Selectmen is named agent to expend, will be used for the annual principal and interest payments for the life of the lease.

Special Warrant Article

2/3 Paper Ballot Vote Required

The Board of Selectmen recommends this article by a vote of 3-0.

The Budget Committee does not recommend this article by a vote of 5-3.

Article 7 as Amended: (Lease without Escape Clause) To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into a long-term lease/purchase agreement in the amount of ~~\$170,000~~ **\$130,000** payable over a term of seven (7) years for the purpose of leasing two DPW pickup trucks and associated plowing and sanding equipment (\$130,000) ~~and one Fire Department support vehicle (\$40,000).~~ The first payment will be due in 2020. The Capital Improvement Program Capital Reserve Fund, which the Board of Selectmen is named agent to expend, will be used for the annual principal and interest payments for the life of the lease.

Special Warrant Article

2/3 Paper Ballot Vote Required

The Board of Selectmen recommends this article by a vote of 3-0.

The Budget Committee does not recommend this article by a vote of 5-3.

Article 8: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$250,000** for George Hill Road improvements, to authorize the issuance of not more than \$250,000 of bonds or notes in accordance with the provision of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA 33) and to authorize the municipal officials to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon. The first interest payment will be due in 2019. The Capital Improvement Program Capital Reserve Fund, which the Board of Selectmen are agents to expend, will be used for the annual principal and interest payments for the life of the loan.

Special Warrant Article

2/3 Paper Ballot Vote Required

The Board of Selectmen recommends this article by a vote of 3-0.

The Budget Committee recommends this article by a vote of 8-0.

Article 9: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the Budget Committee recommended sum of **\$6,677,736** for general municipal operations. This article does not include appropriations contained in special or individual articles addressed separately.
(Majority vote required)

The Board of Selectmen recommends this article by a vote of 3-0.
The Budget Committee recommends this article by a vote of 8-0.

Article 10: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$25,000** to be placed in the Employee and Retiree Benefits Trust Fund. (Majority vote required)

Special Warrant Article

The Board of Selectmen recommends this article by a vote of 3-0.
The Budget Committee recommends this article by a vote of 8-0.

Article 11: To see if the town will vote to change the form of organization of the fire department by eliminating the board of fire wards (RSA 154:1(d)), and having the fire chief appointed by the town manager, and the firefighters being recommended by the fire chief and appointed by the town manager pursuant to RSA 154:1(b).

Article 12: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of **\$20,000** from available undesignated general fund balance for fire/ambulance department transition planning. (Majority vote required)

Special Warrant Article

The Board of Selectmen recommends this article by a vote of 2-1.
The Budget Committee recommends this article by a vote of 7-1

Article 12 as Amended: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of ~~\$20,000~~ **\$15,000** from available undesignated general fund balance for fire/ambulance department transition planning. (Majority vote required)

Special Warrant Article

The Board of Selectmen recommends this article by a vote of 2-1.
The Budget Committee recommends this article by a vote of 7-1

Article 13: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of **\$10,000** from available undesignated general fund balance for community master planning. (Majority vote required)

Special Warrant Article

The Board of Selectmen recommends this article by a vote of 3-0.
The Budget Committee recommends this article by a vote of 8-0.

Article 14: To see if the town will vote pursuant to RSA 162-K:9, IV to extend the term of the current Enfield Tax Increment Finance District and tax increment financing plan, which is scheduled to expire on February 8, 2020, to February 8, 2030. (Majority vote required)

Article 15: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$422,168** to be placed in the Capital Improvement Program Capital Reserve Fund.

Special Warrant Article

The Board of Selectmen recommends this article by a vote of 3-0.
The Budget Committee recommends this article by a vote of 8-0.

Article 16: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$75,000** for wastewater planning, and to authorize the issuance of not more than \$75,000 of bonds or notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA 33) and to authorize the municipal officials to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon; said borrowing to be from the NHDES Clean Water State Revolving Fund of which 100% of the principal is to be forgiven. There will be an interest payment due in 2019. The Municipal Sewer System Capital Reserve Fund, which the Board of Selectmen are agents to expend, will be used for the interest payments for the life of the loan.

Special Warrant Article

2/3 Paper Ballot Vote Required

The Board of Selectmen recommends this article by a vote of 3-0.
The Budget Committee recommends this article by a vote of 8-0.

Article 17: To see if the Town will vote to adopt the provisions of RSA 41:14-a and authorize the Board of Selectmen to acquire or sell land, buildings or both.

Article 18: ***(By Petition)*** “To see if the Town of Enfield will increase the Town of Enfield’s Veterans Disability Property Tax credit to the sum of \$2,000 (Two thousand dollars).”

Article 19: (By Petition) “The following list of streetlights in the town of Enfield are no longer serving any town purpose. After reviewing the list and physically inspecting these streetlights, the Town Manager and the Chief of Police have determined that these streetlights serve no purpose and should no longer be funded with taxpayer money. (See Selectmen’s minutes September 17, 2018).”

“We the voters of Enfield NH agree with the Town Manager and Chief of Police that our taxes should not be used to support streetlights that serve no purpose in our town.”

“This Warrant Article is advisory only.”

STREETLIGHTS DETERMINED TO BE NO LONGER SERVING ANY TOWN FUNCTION						
BY THE TOWN MANAGER AND THE CHIEF OF POLICE						
	LINE	POLE		STREET		ANNUAL COST
1	33	7	0	BALTIC	ST	\$ 91.68
2	33	15	0	BALTIC	ST	\$ 91.68
3	33	16	0	BALTIC	ST	\$ 91.68
4	25	2	0	BROWN	ST	\$ 91.68
5	3	3	0	BUD MIL	RD	\$ 91.68
6	3	5	0	BUD MIL	RD	\$ 88.56
7	762	3	0	FITZGERALD	DR	\$ 91.68
8	762	5	0	FITZGERALD	DR	\$ 91.68
9	502	3	0	LOCKEHAVEN	RD	\$ 91.68
10	23	24	0	MAPLE	ST	\$ 91.68
11	24	11	0	MAY	ST	\$ 91.68
12	13	5	0	OAK GROVE	RD	\$ 91.68
13	335	86	0	ROUTE 4A	RD	\$ 91.68
14	335	135	0	ROUTE 4A	RD	\$ 91.68
15	335	138	0	ROUTE 4A	RD	\$ 91.68
16	335	142	0	ROUTE 4A	RD	\$ 91.68
17	63	5	0	SHAKER	BLVD	\$ 91.68
18	63	9	0	SHAKER	BLVD	\$ 91.68
19	63	13	0	SHAKER	BLVD	\$ 91.68
20	63	17	0	SHAKER	BLVD	\$ 91.68
21	35	1	0	SLOAN	RD	\$ 111.24
22	4	4	0	WARREN	RD	\$ 91.68
TOTAL ONE YEAR COST SAVINGS BY DECOMMISSIONING						\$ 2,033.40
TOTAL FIVE YEAR COST SAVINGS BY DECOMMISSIONING						\$ 10,167.00
TOTAL TEN YEAR COST SAVINGS BY DECOMMISSIONING						\$ 20,334.00

Article 20: To hear the reports of agents, auditors, committees, or any other officers heretofore chosen and pass any vote relating thereto.

Common Milkweed



Presented as the Winner of the vote for 2019 Enfield Town Flower

- It has been an honor and a privilege to serve as Enfield Town Moderator.
- Running Town Meetings and Elections has been a team effort. Thanks to the Ballot Clerks, Supervisors of the Checklist, the Town Clerks, numerous volunteers, and especially the Assistant Moderator, John Carr.
- Enfield will be in good hands with our new Moderator, Lindsay Smith, and Scott Gerlach as Assistant Moderator.

Thanks,
David Beaufait
Moderator Enfield