

Town of Antrim 2009 Minutes

To the inhabitants of the Town of Antrim, in the County of Hillsborough and said State of New Hampshire qualified to vote in Town affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Antrim Town Hall in said Town on Tuesday the tenth (10th) day of March 2009 at 8 o'clock in the morning to act upon the following subjects:

The polls will be open from 8 o'clock in the morning to 7 o'clock in the evening.

Article 1. To choose necessary Town Officers and Trustees for the ensuing year. (Ballot Vote)

*-Indicates elected

RESULTS:

Cemetery Trustee (3 years)	*Joyce Davison- 492
Library Trustee (vote for 2) (3 years)	*Colleen Giffin - 426 *Ronald Haggett - 381
Planning Board (vote for 2) (3 years)	*Andrew Robblee - 416 *Scott Burnside - 385
Planning Board (2 years)	*C.R. Willeke - 443
Selectmen (3 year)	*Michael Genest - 349 Peter Lamb – 164
Water & Sewer Commission (3 years)	*Fernando Barsanti - 470
Treasurer (3 years)	*Joyce Davison - 474
Trustee of Trust Funds (3 years)	*John T. Robertson - 478

Article 2. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning Ordinance as proposed by the Planning Board. Supporting documents are available for review at the Antrim Town Office.

1. Amend Article V Highway Business District paragraphs C.1.e & C.1.f: To reduce the side yard set back for commercial and industrial property from fifty (50) feet to twenty (20) feet and reduce the rear yard set back from fifty (50) feet to twenty (20) feet. (Ballot Vote) YES: 267 NO: 238 PASSED
2. Amend Article XI-A Shoreland Protection District to insure compliance with RSA 483-B and New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services regulations. (Ballot Vote) YES: 408 NO 92 PASSED
3. Amend Article XIV-B Personal Wireless Service Facility Section 5.d to facilitate the procedure to obtain a Special Exception from the Zoning Board of Adjustment to construct a ground mounted Personal Wireless Service Facility. (Ballot Vote) YES: 380 NO: 141
4. Adopt Article XIV-D Small Wind Energy Systems to regulate small wind energy systems in compliance with RSA's 674:62-66 & 672:1-III-a to permit such systems while protecting the public's health, safety and welfare. (Ballot Vote) YES: 419 NO: 86

Additionally, pursuant to RSA 39:2-a and the vote of the Town at the March 1981 Annual Meeting, you are hereby notified to meet at the Antrim Memorial Town Gymnasium in said Town of Antrim on Thursday evening the Twelfth (12th) day of March 2009 at 7:00 o'clock in the evening to act upon the following:

Meeting opened by Moderator Robert Flanders

Pledge led by Cub Scouts

Prayer led by The Reverend Peggy Boyce of the 1st Presbyterian Church of Antrim

Moderator will second all motions

Moved by Michael Genest

Article 3. To see if the Town will vote to discontinue the Recreational Field Development Capital Reserve Fund created in 2004. Said funds, with accumulated interest to date of withdrawal, are to be transferred to the Town's General Fund.

PASSED

Moved by Michael Genest

Article 4. To see if the Town will vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provision of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of Recreation Land Purchase and Field Development and to raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) to be placed in this fund. This appropriation is to be drawn from the General Fund. **The selectmen recommend this appropriation. (This article to be considered only if Article 3 passes).**

PASSED

Moved by Gordon Webber

Article 5. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twelve thousand five hundred dollars (\$12,500) for preliminary design and preparation of bidding specifications for the building of a new Police Station, and to request the Board of Selectmen to appoint a committee to review all options and develop a plan to provide adequate space to the Police Department.

PASSED

Moved by Michael Genest

Article 6. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred eighty thousand dollars (\$180,000) to be added to the present Capital Reserve Funds in the following manner:

\$ 10,000	Town Building Repair Capital Reserve Fund
\$155,000	Bridge Maintenance Capital Reserve Fund
\$ 15,000	Revaluation Capital Reserve Fund

The selectmen recommend this article.

Standing Vote Count Pass: 85 Fail: 60

PASSED

Moved by Steven Schacht

Article 7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of five hundred seventy thousand dollars (\$570,000) for the replacement of the Water Street bridge. The cost will include bridge replacement, road resurfacing, wetlands permitting, engineering, and all other associated fees. And, to authorize the withdrawal of one hundred fourteen thousand dollars (\$114,000) or 20% of the cost of the project from the Bridge Maintenance Capital Reserve Fund created for that purpose. Four hundred fifty-six thousand dollars (\$456,000) or 80% of the cost of this project is to come from The State of New Hampshire Bridge Aid Program. This will be a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7, VI and will not lapse until the bridge is complete or December 31, 2014, whichever is sooner. **The selectmen recommend this article.**

PASSED

Moved by Steven Schacht

Article 8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of fifty thousand five hundred dollars (\$50,500) to complete the update to the Town assessments in compliance with RSA 21-J:11-a and RSA 75:8-a and authorize the withdrawal of fifty thousand five hundred dollars (\$50,500) from the Revaluation Capital Reserve Fund created for that purpose.

PASSED

Moved by Rick Edmunds

Article 9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of seventy-five thousand dollars (\$75,000.00) from the TIF Fund account to be transferred to the Town's General Fund, and to withdraw from the Downtown Antrim Tax Increment Finance (TIF) District account the sum of seventy-five thousand Dollars (\$75,000.00) for this purpose.

PASSED

Moved by Bob Edwards

Article 10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of six thousand dollars (\$6,000.00) from the TIF Fund account, for the purpose of business development, marketing, and improvement projects in the Downtown Antrim Tax Increment Finance (TIF) District and to withdraw from the Downtown Antrim Tax Increment Finance (TIF) District account the sum of six thousand dollars (\$6,000.00) for these purposes. **(Majority vote required).**

Amendment to Article 10

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$6,000.00 (Six Thousand Dollars) from the Tax Increment Finance account for the purpose of completing property improvement projects approved by the TIF Committee and located within the Downtown Tax Increment (TIF) District and to withdraw from the Downtown Tax Increment Finance (TIF) District account the sum of \$6,000.00 (Six Thousand Dollars) for said purposes.

PASSED

Moved by Gordon Webber

Article 11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty-seven thousand dollars (\$27,000.00) for major repairs to our government buildings and to withdraw from the Town Building Repair Capital Reserve Fund twenty-seven thousand dollars (\$27,000.00) from the reserve account set up for this purpose.

PASSED

Moved by Gordon Webber

Article 12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred sixty thousand dollars (\$160,000) for the engineering costs and other preliminary costs associated with the replacement of the arch and slab bridges on Depot Street. And, to authorize the withdrawal of thirty-two thousand dollars (\$32,000) from the Bridge Maintenance Capital Reserve Fund created for that purpose. One hundred twenty-eight thousand dollars (\$128,000) (80% of the cost of this project) is to come from The State of New Hampshire Bridge Aid Program. This will be a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7, VI and will not lapse until the bridge is complete or December 31, 2014, whichever is sooner. **The selectmen recommend this article.**

PASSED

Moved by Peter Lamb

Article 13. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty-one thousand dollars (\$21,000) to purchase a tractor for use by the Parks & Recreation Commission.

PASSED

Moved by Michael Genest

Article 14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of six thousand dollars (\$6,000) to support the Teen/Community Center that was started in 2007. These funds will be contributed to the Grapevine Family & Community Resource Center, which is responsible for the operation of the Teen Center.

PASSED

Moved by Michael Genest

Article 15. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of three million three hundred seventy-five thousand one hundred eighteen dollars (**\$3,375,118**) for general operating costs of the Town (as set forth in the Town Budget-including three hundred twenty-two thousand nine hundred fifteen dollars (**\$322,915**) for the Water & Sewer Department) and said sum excludes all Warrant Articles addressed or action taken thereon.

Moved by Gordon Webber

Amendment to Article 15

Amend article 15 to read three million three hundred sixty two thousand six hundred forty one dollars (\$3,362,641).

Amendment FAILED

Article 15 PASSED

Moved by Ben Pratt

Article 16. To see if the Town, having a Master Plan adopted by the Planning Board on August 23, 2001, will vote to authorize the Planning Board to prepare and amend a recommended program of municipal capital improvements projected over a period of at least 6 years, in accordance with RSA 674:5.

PASSED

Moved by Peter Beblowski

Article 17. To see if the Town will vote to adopt the provisions of RSA 36-A:4-a, I(b) to authorize the Conservation Commission to expend funds from contributions to 'qualified organizations' for the purchase of property interests, or facilitating transactions related thereto, where the property interest is to be held by the qualified organization and the Town will retain no interest in the property.

PASSED

Moved by Peter Beblowski

Article 18. To see if the Town will vote to adopt the provision of RSA 36-A:4-a, I(a) to authorize the Conservation Commission to expend funds to purchase interests in land outside the boundaries of the municipality, subject to the approval of the local governing body.

PASSED

Moved by Chris Salmon

Article 19. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of eight thousand (\$8,000) to pay for out-patient surgery to repair an injury sustained by volunteer EMT Chris Salmon while carrying a patient during a rescue call with the Antrim Ambulance. Such sum to be reduced by contribution from any other source. **By Petition. The Selectmen do not recommend this appropriation.**

Standing Vote Count Yes: 56 No: 70

FAILED

Moved by Beth Merrill

Article 20. Shall the Town adopt the provisions of NH RSA 79 F (Taxation of Farm Structures and Land Under Farm Structures) to encourage the preservation of productive farms and associated structures and prevent the loss of farms and their associated structures due to property taxation at values incompatible with their usage? **By Petition**

Standing Vote Count Yes: 74 No: 34

PASSED

Moved by Peter Moore

Article 21. To see if the Town of Antrim, New Hampshire will vote to adopt the following resolution, and shall upon adoption notify in writing members of our congressional delegation of said vote: We the citizens of Antrim, New Hampshire, call upon our congressional representative; Representatives Hodes and Shea-Porter, and Senators Shaheen and Gregg, to do the following: Actively work in support of the creation of a Department of Peace and Non-Violence, as described and presented to the US House of Representatives in the 110th Congress as HB 808, the purpose of which "shall be dedicated to peacemaking and the study of conditions that are conducive to both domestic and international peace." **By Petition**

Motion made to table article 21

Motion Passed

Moved by Michael Genest

Article 22. To hear reports of the committees and act thereon.

PASSED

Moved by Michael Genest

Article 23. To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

PASSED

The Meeting was adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

True Copy "ATTEST"

Donna Hanson
Town Clerk