

Dunbarton Town Meeting – March 12, 2013

7:56AM: Moderator Fred Mullen read the warrant. Selectman Les Hammond moved to waive further reading of the warrant. Second by Selectman Ron Wanner. Motion passed. Three ballot boxes were opened for public viewing then sealed by Moderator Fred Mullen. Polls opened at 8:00AM.

7:00 PM: The deliberative portion of Dunbarton’s 248th annual town meeting began.

[In attendance was a group from Armenia who, under the World Affairs Council of New Hampshire, came to observe the Town Meeting process.]

Article 1: To choose all necessary town officers for the ensuing year.

**Hog Reeves: Justin and Ashley Rioux nominated by David Stilson
Mark and Linda Landry nominated by Nancy Lang**

Linda Landry was sworn in by Moderator. No other nominees were present.

Article 2: Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 1 as proposed by the Dunbarton Planning Board for the Town of Dunbarton Zoning Ordinance as follows:

To adopt an Open Space Subdivision Ordinance:

Shall the Town of Dunbarton repeal Article 6, Planned Residential Development Ordinance and any reference thereto, and adopt an “Open Space Subdivision Ordinance” under the authority of RSA 674:21 to replace it as a new Article 6. The Open Space Subdivision Ordinance shall function as an overlay district over the LDR and MDR zones and permit, by Conditional Use Permit, clustering of subdivisions on lots over 20 acres in those zones.

(Recommended by the Dunbarton Planning Board)

(By Official Ballot)

Article 3: To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the ensuing year and make appropriations of the same in the amount as follows:

Executive	90,884
Elections, Registration & Vital Stats	57,618
Financial Administration	94,061
Assessor	35,419
Legal Expenses	8,600
Personnel Administration	241,930
Planning & Zoning	15,350
General Government Buildings	111,625
Cemeteries	15,500 *
Insurance	34,000

Police	336,235
Fire	81,582
Building Inspection	60,142
Emergency Management	1,000
Highway Department	570,000
Solid Waste Expenses & Disposal	201,313
Welfare	13,410
Parks & Recreation	11,700
Library	91,061
Total	\$2,071,430

The Selectmen recommend the passage of this Article.

This article originally presented as \$13,500. Total reflects the \$3,000 increase. The article PASSED

Article 4: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$36,000 to purchase a new police cruiser with equipment and installation of equipment as summarized in the Capital Improvements Plan. A portion of these funds to come from the Police Special Detail Revolving Fund in the amount of \$6,098. The balance of \$29,902 to come from fund balance (surplus) and no amount to be raised from taxation. *The Selectmen recommend the passage of this Article.* The article PASSED

Article 5: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000 for deposit into the established Capital Reserve Fund for future revaluation of the town. This sum to come from fund balance (surplus) and no amount to be raised from taxation. *The Selectmen recommend the passage of this Article.* The article PASSED

Article 6: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$25,000 for deposit into the established Capital Reserve Fund for the future purchase of a Highway Department vehicle as summarized in the Capital Improvements Plan. This sum to come from fund balance (surplus) and no amount to be raised from taxation. *The Selectmen recommend the passage of this Article.* The Article PASSED

Article 7: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$12,150 for the milfoil control at Gorham Pond and to authorize the Selectmen to accept a grant from the State of New Hampshire DES in the amount of \$4,860, known as the Variable Milfoil Control Grant. The balance of \$ 7,290 to come from fund balance (surplus) and no amount to be raised from taxes. *The Selectmen recommend the passage of this Article.* The article PASSED

Article 8: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,000.00 for Dunbarton's 250th anniversary celebration, and to authorize the Selectmen to appoint a Committee to expend this money for this purpose. This sum to come from fund balance

(surplus) and no amount to be raised from taxation. *The Selectmen recommend the passage of this Article.* **The article PASSED**

Article 9: To see if the town will authorize the establishment of a Capital Reserve Fund, pursuant to RSA 35, for the future restoration of the Dunbarton Town Hall & Theatre Restoration project and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$25,000 and appoint the Selectmen to act as agents to administer the funds. This sum to be raised from taxation. *The Selectmen recommend the passage of this Article.* **The Article PASSED**

Article 10: To hear the reports of agents, auditors, committees and other officers heretofore chosen and pass any vote relating thereto.

**Selectman Hammond gave overview of Town Report Cover.
Selectman Vallieres gave overview of Energy Committee Program: Neighbors Warming Neighbors.**

Article 11: To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

Town Clerk Linda Landry extended thanks to all who help hand count ballots.

Meeting adjourned 8:41PM

1999 voters on checklist

627 ballots cast

31.4% voter turnout