

Town of Lincoln

Minutes of Town Meeting

March 12, 2019

The Annual Town Meeting, of the inhabitants of the Town of Lincoln, in the County of Grafton, and State of New Hampshire, qualified to vote in town affairs was held in the Lin-Wood Public School on Tuesday, March 12, 2019. Moderator Robert Wetherell called the meeting to order at 10:00 am. Janet Peltier made a motion to dispense with the reading of the entire warrant until 6:30 o'clock in the evening. Tamra Ham seconded the motion. Vote was in the affirmative – unanimous. Robert declared the polls open. The polls closed at 6pm.

ARTICLE 01: Election of Town Officers

To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing as follows: Selectmen, Town Clerk, Budget Committee Members, Library Trustee, Cemetery Trustee, Trustee of Trust Funds, Planning Board Members, and Zoning Board Members.

Election results of Article 01:

FOR SELECTMEN – 3 year term

Joseph Chenard – 85 votes
Tamra A. Ham – 130 votes

FOR TOWN CLERK – 1 year term

Lisa-jane B. Philbrick – 197 votes

FOR BUDGET COMMITTEE – 1 year term

Write-In – Kelsee Beaudin – 12 votes

FOR BUDGET COMMITTEE – 3 year term

Tracey Schlaefter Brumlik – 155 votes
Raymond P. D'Amante – 150 votes
Herbert W. Gardner – 152
Write-In – Dennis Ducharme – 14 votes

FOR LIBRARY TRUSTEE – 3 year term

Ivan Strickon – 173 votes
Nancy Sweeney – 173 votes

FOR CEMETERY TRUSTEE – 3 year term

Peter F. Govoni – 202 votes

FOR TRUSTEE OF TRUST FUND – 3 year term

Hebert W. Gardner – 181 votes

FOR PLANNING BOARD – 3 year term

Steve Noseworthy – 172 votes

James Spanos – 171 votes

FOR ZONING BOARD – 2 year term

Write-In – Jon Ham - 1 vote

FOR ZONING BOARD – 3 year term

Write-In – Paul Beaudin – 2 votes

Write-In – Bob Nelson – 2 votes

ARTICLE 02: Planning – Planning - Boarding or Rooming House

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 1 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town's Land Use Plan Ordinance to:

1. Amend Article IV, Definitions, by adding a definition for “Boarding or Rooming House” as follows:

“Boarding or Rooming House”: A building or premises, other than a hotel, inn, motel, or Bed and Breakfast, where rooms are let which are used primarily for sleeping and toiletry; for not less than three (3) persons and not more than twelve (12) persons (not including the property owner and their immediate family) provided that the house is also occupied as an owner-occupied private residence; not open to transient guests; in contradistinction to hotels and restaurants, which are open to transients. A Boarding or Rooming House is a business use and requires Site Plan Review approval with a conditional use permit.

2. Add “Boarding or Rooming House” as a separate category under Article VI District and District Regulations, Section B. District Regulations, Paragraph 2. Land Use Schedule, “Business Uses” Land Use Schedule.

3. Amend Section J. to substitute the following paragraph:

Section J. LIMIT ON BOARDING HOUSES.

1. Boarding or Rooming Houses shall be permitted in the Village Center (VC) District, the Rural Residential (RR) District and the General Use (GU) District.

(Full text of proposed amendment is available on file for full review at the Town Clerk's Office prior to March 12, 2019, and at the polling place on voting day.) Recommended by the Planning Board.

**Yes 124 – No 79
Article 02 passed**

ARTICLE 03: Planning – Required Parking Spaces for Employee Parking

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 2 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town's Land Use Plan Ordinance to add to "Article V General Regulations, Section A. Parking and Off-Street Loading", a Paragraph L. which will state:

L. "In addition to the above requirements, the Town shall require one (1) additional parking space for employee parking for every ten (10) parking spaces required for guests."

(Full text of proposed amendment is available on file for full review at the Town Clerk's Office prior to March 12, 2019, and at the polling place on voting day.) Recommended by the Planning Board.

**Yes 142 – No 66
Article 03 passed**

RESULTS OF THE TOWN BUSINESS MEETING MARCH 12, 2019 at 6:30 pm

Moderator Robert Wetherell opened the Annual Town Meeting at 6:32 pm.

Robert welcomed everyone present and was glad those were able to join us and recognize the importance the annual Town meeting. Robert extended the town's appreciation and thanks to the Linwood Public School faculty and staff for accommodating us today. He then reminded all present of the Lincoln-Woodstock Public School District meeting to be held on March 19th, 2018 at the Lin-wood Elementary School multi-purpose room. Voting will be from 2pm until 6pm. The official School Business Meeting will commence at 7 pm.

The pledge of Allegiance was then recited by all.

Moderator Wetherell then continue to reiterate to the voters that they are the decision makers. This is not a public forum it is a legislative body. He encouraged all to ask questions and to comment. Robert then reminded all present that voting can only be done by registered voters.

The Moderator then informed the voters of the rules of order for the town meeting:

- All cellular phones should be turned to silent.
- Each participant will treat every other participant with due respect and courtesy. The moderator will not allow personal attacks or inappropriate language.
- Anyone wishing to address the meeting will use the microphone and first be recognized by the moderator. Speakers will begin by stating his or her name. All other speakers will be considered out of order. I will allow non-voters to speak however please identify yourself as a non-voter. While allow to speak, you are forbidden from voting.
- The initial presentations on Articles will be limited to ten minutes, all speakers in debate will be limited to three minutes both will include a one minute warning at one minute. (Time to be determined by moderator.) All new speakers who desire to speak will be giving a chance to do so before one is given a second opportunity on the same issue.
- Each Article needs a motion and a second in order to discuss it.
- Only one amendment to a motion will be allowed on the floor at any one time. No amendment to an amendment will be allowed; such proposals will be dealt with as subsequent amendments after the first amendment has been voted upon. All amendments will be submitted in writing to the moderator. The subject of the original article must be addressed in the amendment and it cannot

- be a negative amendment.
- The moderator can be overruled by majority of the meeting.
- State statutes do govern legal procedures not listed here.

ARTICLE 04: Planning – Fire Dept Per Diem Wages/Equipment

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred thirty-four thousand two hundred dollars (\$134,200) for the purpose of Fire Department per diem wages and equipment. The Selectman and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.

*Peter Moore proposed to amend Article 4 as written “To see if the town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$92,400, ninety-two thousand four hundred for the purpose of Fire Department per diem wages and equipment”, which passed by a show of hands.

*Paul Beaudin proposed and petitioned to have the vote go to a secret ballot, he handed the Moderator the signed petition according to RSA 40:4.

Motion made by: Tamra Ham
Seconded by: OJ Robinson

Yes 41 – No 56
Article 04 did not pass

ARTICLE 05: Planning – Additional Water Sources

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of seventy-five thousand dollars (\$75,000) for the purpose of exploring additional water sources. The Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.

Paul Beaudin proposed to have an amendment to Article 05, “To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of seventy-five thousand dollars (\$75,000) for the purpose of exploring additional water sources and infrastructure”.

Motion made by: Tamra Ham
Seconded by: OJ Robinson
Article 05 passed by voice unanimously

ARTICLE 06: Planning – Operating Budget

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the Budget Committees recommended sum of six million two hundred thirty-six thousand six hundred forty-six dollars (\$6,236,646) for the purposes of General Government; Public Safety; Highways; Sanitation; Water Treatment; Health, Welfare, Culture and Recreation; and Long and Short Term Debt including Interest, for the ensuing year, exclusive of all special and individual warrant articles. The Budget Committee and Selectmen recommend this appropriation. (Majority vote required)

Motion made by: Tamra Ham
Seconded by: Paula Strickon
Article 06 passed by voice unanimously

ARTICLE 07: CR-Engineering & Planning

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate forty-four thousand dollars (\$44,000) to be placed in the Engineering & Planning Capital Reserve Fund (created in 1997). The Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.

Motion made by: Jane Ludwig
Seconded by: Tamra Ham
Article 07 passed by voice unanimously

ARTICLE 08: CR-Public Works Vehicle & Equipment

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate One hundred seven thousand dollars (\$107,000) to be placed in the Public Works Vehicle and Equipment Capital Reserve Fund (created in 1990, amended in 2008.) The Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.

Motion made by:
Seconded by: Tamra Ham
Article 08 passed by voice unanimously

ARTICLE 09: CR-Revaluation

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000) to be placed in the Revaluation Capital Reserve Fund (created in 1984, amended in 2008.) The Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.

Motion made by: Tamra Ham
Seconded by: OJ Robinson
Article 09 passed by voice vote unanimously

ARTICLE 10: CR-Police Department Equipment

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000) to be placed in the Police Department Equipment Capital Reserve Fund (created in 1995.) The Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation

Motion made by: Paula Strickon
Seconded by: Tamra Ham
Article 10 passed by voice vote unanimously

ARTICLE 11: CR-Sewer System Rehabilitation

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate one hundred sixty-one thousand dollars (\$161,000) to be placed in the Sewer System Rehabilitation Capital Reserve Fund (created in 1995). The Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.

Motion made by: Joe Bossie
Seconded by: Paula Strickon
Article 11 passed by voice vote unanimously

ARTICLE 12: CR-Water System Rehabilitation

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate one hundred twenty-two thousand dollars (\$122,000) to be placed in the Water System Rehabilitation Capital Reserve Fund (created in 1995). The Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.

Motion made by: Tamra Ham
Seconded by: OJ Robinson
Article 12 passed by voice vote unanimously

ARTICLE 13: CR-Roads & Streets Reconstruction

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate two hundred fifty-seven thousand five hundred dollars (\$257,500) to be placed in the Road and Street Reconstruction Capital Reserve Fund (created in 1994). The Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.

Motion made by: Tamra Ham
Seconded by: Jayne Ludwig
Article 13 passed by voice vote unanimously

ARTICLE 14: CR-Kanc Rec Area Equipment

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate nineteen thousand dollars (\$19,000) to be placed in the Kancamagus Recreational Area Equipment Capital Reserve Fund (created in 2005). The Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.

Motion made by: Paula Strickon
Seconded by: Tamra Ham
Article 14 passed by voice vote unanimously

ARTICLE 15: CR-Cemetery Maintenance Expendable Trust

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) to be placed in the Town Cemetery Maintenance Expendable Trust Fund (created in 2006). The Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.

Motion made by: Joe Bossie

Seconded by: Ivan Strickon

Article 15 passed by voice vote unanimously

ARTICLE 16: CR-Property & Building Maintenance

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate sixty-two thousand dollars (\$62,000) to be placed in the Property and Building Maintenance Expendable Trust (created in 2007). The Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.

Motion made by: Tamra Ham

Seconded by: OJ Robinson

Article 16 passed by voice vote unanimously

ARTICLE 17: CR-Fire Truck & Equipment

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate one hundred thirty-three thousand dollars (\$133,000) to be placed in the Fire Truck and Equipment Capital Reserve Fund (created in 1989.) The Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.

Motion made by: Tamra ham

Seconded by: OJ Robinson

Article 17 passed by voice vote unanimously

ARTICLE 18: CR-Library Technology

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate two thousand dollars (\$2,000) to be placed in the Library Technology Capital Reserve Fund (created in 1997). The Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.

Motion made by: Paula Strickon

Seconded by: Ivan Strickon

Article 18 passed by voice vote unanimously

ARTICLE 19: CR-Library Building

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate twenty-one thousand dollars (\$21,000) to be placed in the Library Building Capital Reserve Fund (created in 1991). The Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.

Motion made by: Joe Bossie
Seconded by: Ivan Strickon
Article 19 passed by voice vote unanimously

ARTICLE 20: CR-Solid Waste CR

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000) to be placed in the Solid Waste Facility Improvements Capital Reserve Fund (created 1999). The Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.

Motion made by: Tamra Ham
Seconded by: OJ Robinson
Article 20 passed by voice vote unanimously

ARTICLE 21: CR-Cemetery Expendable Trust Fund

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate one thousand sixty-nine dollars (\$1,069) to be placed in the Town Cemetery Expendable trust Fund (created in 2006). Said sum to come from 2018 unassigned fund balance. This represents the amount paid to the Town for the sale of cemetery lots during Fiscal Year 2018. No amount to be raised from taxation. The Selectman and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.

Motion made by: Herbert Gardner
Seconded by: Tamra Ham
Article 21 passed by voice vote unanimously

ARTICLE 22: CR-Cemetery Trust Fund

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate two thousand one hundred thirty-one dollars (\$2,131) to be placed in the Town Cemetery Trust Fund (created not known). Said sum to come from 2018 unassigned fund balance. This represents the amount paid to the Town for the sale of cemetery lots during Fiscal Year 2018. No amount to be raised from taxation. The Selectman and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.

Motion made by: Herbert Gardner
Seconded by: Ivan Strickon
Article 22 passed by voice vote unanimously

ARTICLE 23: CR-Village Center & Riverfront Park

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one thousand dollars (\$1,000) to be placed in the Village Center & Riverfront Park Capital Reserve Fund (created in 2008) This sum to come from 2018 unassigned fund balance. This represents the amount paid to the Town from Daniel Dunfey Advised Fund Grant to be used for the Lin-Wood skate park. No amount to be raised from taxation. The Selectman and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.

Motion made by: Herbert Gardner
Seconded by: Tamra Ham
Article 23 passed by voice vote unanimously

ARTICLE 24: Highway Block Grant Program

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000) for purposes allowed under the State of New Hampshire Highway Block Grant Program. This appropriation is to be offset by revenue from the State of New Hampshire Highway Block Grant Program to the extent that it is available. The Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.

Motion made by: Herbert Gardner
Seconded by: Tamra Ham
Article 24 passed by voice vote unanimously

ARTICLE 25: Purchase Police Cruiser CR

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of forty-six thousand three hundred dollars (\$46,300) for the purpose of purchasing a replacement cruiser. The Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.

Motion made by: Joe Bossie
Seconded by: Herbert Gardner
Article 25 passed by voice vote unanimously

ARTICLE 26: Tax Impact

Shall the Town vote to adopt the provisions of RSA 32:5 V-b, to require that the annual budget and all special warrant articles having a tax impact, as determined by the governing body shall contain a notation stating the estimated tax impact of the article.

Motion made by: Paul Beaudin
Seconded by: Paula Strickon
Article 26 passed by voice vote unanimously

ARTICLE 27: Authorizing Trust Funds to Compensate for Management

To see if the town will vote, pursuant to NH RSA 35:9-a-II, to authorize the Trustees of Trust Funds to pay for Capital reserve fund investment management services, and any other expenses incurred, from capital reserve funds income. No vote by the town to rescind such authority shall occur within five years of the original adoption of this article.

Motion made by: OJ Robinson

Seconded by: Tamra Ham

Article 27 passed by voice vote unanimously

ARTICLE 28: Transact any other business

To transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

Taylor Beaudin asked if the Town was going to put out to bid for the completion of West Street. The Selectmen and Town Manager responded that they did not have an answer for him at this time.

OJ Robinson made a motion to dissolve the 2019 Town Meeting

Seconded by: Tamra Ham

The Lincoln Town Meeting dissolved at 8:12 pm.

I hereby certify that the above return of the annual Lincoln town Meeting of March 12, 2019 is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Philbrick, Town Clerk