

Deerfield Newsletter

2018 Citizens Voting Guide

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Deerfield...

Voting session to act on all Warrant Articles, as amended, including the proposed budget, as a result of the action of the "First Session" will be held on Tuesday, March 13, 2018.

at the Town Hall, 10 Church Street. Polls will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

The Deerfield Voter's Guide is issued to help citizens prepare for the Second Session of the Town Meeting-Official Ballot Voting (SB2). This guide contains Town, Zoning and School sample ballots; explanations of the 2018 Warrant Articles presented by the Board of Selectmen, explanations from the Deerfield School Board regarding the School District Warrant, and explanations from the Planning Board regarding Zoning Amendments.

♦ Voting Date and Time: Tuesday, March 14, 2018 at Town Hall, 10 Church Street, 7:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m. ♦

SAMPLE BALLOTS

The Sample Ballots contained in this newsletter may be duplicated.

Copies are available at:

www.townofdeerfieldnh.com or The Deerfield Town Offices or The Philbrick James Library or The Deerfield Community School

Marked Sample Ballots may be taken into the voting booth to assist citizens with the voting process.

This is encouraged to help reduce the amount of time in the voting booth.

ABSENTEE BALLOTS

Applications for Absentee Ballots are available on the Town of Deerfield's Official Web site at:

www.townofdeerfieldnh.com

or in person at the Town Clerk's Office. Absentee Ballots must be received and accepted prior to 5:00 p.m. on Monday, March 12, 2018

OR

Can be mailed by the U.S. Postal Service to: Town Clerk

P.O. Box 159

Deerfield, NH 03037-0159

Mailed Absentee Ballots must be received by 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, March 13, 2018

Absentee ballots cannot be

Delivered to the election polling place.

Questions about Absentee Ballots should be addressed to the Town Clerk's Office 463-8811, ext. 308 or 312 or via email at twn@townofdeerfieldnh.com

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Town of Deerfield Warrant Descriptive

Article #1 As amended Saturday, February 3, 2018 - Shall the Town of Deerfield raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant or as amended by the vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein totaling \$4,209,211.07. Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be \$3,910,923.38 which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Town of Deerfield or by law; or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13X and XVI, to take up the issue of the revised operating budget only.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 4-0-0 Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 7-3-0 Estimated Tax Impact Proposed Budget \$7.38 Estimated Tax Impact Default Budget \$6.86

(Voting "yes" on this article authorizes the town budget as recommended by both the Board of Selectmen and the Municipal Budget Committee).

Article # 2 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$300,000 to provide handicap access to the second floor of the Town Hall in the form of an elevator, to be housed in an addition located at the back of the Town Hall. Construction of the elevator will result in the removal of the existing access ramp. The Heritage Commission will be putting \$10,000.00 towards the cost of the project. The Heritage Commission will actively seek grant opportunities to offset the cost of the project. This is a non-lapsing article and will not lapse until December 31, 2022.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 4-0-0 Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 8-2-0 Estimated Tax Impact \$0.53

(Voting "yes" on this article will enable the Heritage Commission to begin planning and fundraising for the installation of an elevator allowing access to the upper level of the Town Hall. If passed this article will be non-lapsing until 2022, allowing the commission 5 years to raise offsetting funds).

Article #3 As amended Saturday, February 3, 2018 -To see of the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirty-two Thousand Dollars (\$32,000), to be placed in a Fire Emergency Water Supply Capital Reserve Fund.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0 Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 8-0-0 Estimated Tax Impact \$0.06

(Voting "yes" on this article will allow for the maintenance of existing water holes and for the eventual instillation of a cistern (future location to be determined) as recommended by the Deerfield Fire Chief.

Article # 4 To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000), to be placed in the previously established Fire Apparatus and Equipment Capital Reserve Fund.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 4-0-0 Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 8-0-0 Estimated Tax Impact \$0.09

(As stated, this is a capital reserve fund; voting "yes" will set aside money to be used for anticipated future equipment purchases. The intended effect of reserving capital in smaller amounts over the years is to offset a large "hit" on the budget and tax rate in the year equipment is actually purchased).

Article # 5 To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of up to Twenty Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000) to be placed in the previously established Municipal Government Buildings Infrastructure Expendable Trust Fund said funds to come from unassigned fund balance. No amount to be raised from taxation.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 4-0-0 Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 6-2-0

(Voting "yes" on this article will allow up to \$25,000 of "fund balance" (provided there is a fund balance) to be placed in a Trust that can only be used for town building infrastructure repairs or replacements. The intended effect of this article is to provide funding for unseen expenses such as failing plumbing, heating or roofs).

Article # 6 To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000) to be placed in the previously established Fire Department Vehicle and Equipment Expendable Trust Fund said fund to come from unassigned fund balance. No amount to be raised from taxation.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 4-0-0 Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 6-2-0

(Voting "yes" on this article will allow up to \$20,000 of "fund balance" (provided there is a fund balance) to be placed in a Trust that can only be used for fire vehicles and equipment. As stated, this is a capital reserve fund, the intended effect of reserving capital in smaller amounts over the years is to offset a large "hit" on the budget and tax rate in the year equipment is actually purchased).

Article #7 To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000) to be placed in the previously established Rescue Vehicles and Equipment Capital Reserve Fund.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 4-0-0 Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 8-0-0 Estimated Tax Impact \$0.02

(As stated, this is a capital reserve fund; voting "yes" will set aside money to be used for anticipated future vehicle and equipment purchases. The intended effect of reserving capital in smaller amounts over the years is to offset a large "hit" on the budget and tax rate in the year equipment is actually purchased).

Article #8 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Eight Thousand Dollars (\$8,000) to be used by Northwood Lake Watershed Association to control the Milfoil in Northwood Lake.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 4-0-0 Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 8-0-0 Estimated Tax Impact \$0.01

(Voting "yes" on this article will allow Deerfield to help fund milfoil mitigation in Northwood Lake. Deerfield has a significant number of taxable properties on Northwood Lake, the intended effect of this article is to control milfoil and in doing so protect lakefront property values).

Article #9 To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$2,500) to be used by the Pleasant Lake Preservation Association to increase the number of hours for trained attendants to provide courtesy boat inspection at the public access ramp on Gulf Road to prevent the introduction and spread of exotic aquatic plants, like variable milfoil and aquatic nuisance animals like zebra mussels from entering Pleasant Lake.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 4-0-0 Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 7-0-1 Estimated Tax Impact \$0.00

(Voting "yes" on this article will allow Deerfield to help fund milfoil and invasive prevention in Pleasant Lake. Deerfield has a significant number of taxable properties on Pleasant Lake, the intended effect of this article is to keep Pleasant Lake free of milfoil and other invasive species and in doing so, protect existing water quality and lakefront property values).

Article # 10 To see if the Town will vote to increase the number of cemetery trustees from (3) three to (5) five. There is no cost to the town for this change.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 4-0-0 Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 0-0-0

(Voting "yes" on this article will allow additional cemetery trustees to be named to the Cemetery Commission, the intended result is to have more people to assist in duties and decisions of the commission).



ABSENTEE OFFICIAL BALLOT ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION DEERFIELD, NEW HAMPSHIRE MARCH 13, 2018

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TOWN CLERK

INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS

A. TO VOTE, completely fill in the OVAL to the RIGHT of your choice(s) like this:
B. Follow directions as to the number of candidates to be marked for each office.
C. To vote for a person whose name is not printed on the ballot, write the candidate's name on the line provided and completely fill in the OVAL.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN	TRUSTEE OF	SUPERVISOR OF		
Vote for not Three Year Term more than One	PHILBRICK-JAMES LIBRARY	CHECKLIST		
BRADLEY BRIGGS	Vote for not Three Year Term more than Two	Vote for not Four Year Term more than One		
ALDEN DILL	MAL CAMERON	JOANNA WARING		
TIM GODBOIS	APRIL PURINTON			
CINDY McHUGH		(Write-in)		
STEVE BARRY	(Write-in)	PLANNING BOARD		
	(Write-in)	Vote for not Three Year Term more than Two		
(Write-in)	CEMETERY TRUSTEES	KATHERINE HARTNETT		
TOWN CLERK/	Vote for not	GREGORY W. MITCHELL		
TAX COLLECTOR	Three Year Term more than One PAUL MURPHY			
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RELLI ROBERTS	Vote for not	COMMITTEE		
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	GREGORY W. MITCHELL	Three Year Term more than Three		
MODERATOR Vote for not	(Write-in)	JO ANNE BRADBURY		
Two Year Term more than One		HARRIET E. CADY		
DAN HOLDRIDGE	SUPERVISOR OF	BENJAMIN MINERD		
	CHECKLIST	HERMAN PRETORIUS		
(Write-in)	Vote for not more than One			
TRUSTEE OF	HARRIET E. CADY	(Write-in)		
TRUST FUNDS	CHRISTINA PRETORIUS	(Write-in)		
Vote for not Three Year Term more than One		(Write-in)		
GLENN MEYERS	(Write-in)	MUNICIPAL BUDGET		
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DEERFIELD SCHOOL DISTRICT WARRANT DESCRIPTIVE

<u>Warrant Article #1</u> asks the voters to approve the budget for the 2018-2109 school year, which was approved at the deliberative session on February 10th. The Deerfield School District's proposed operating budget is \$13,392,614. This is an overall increase over the current school year's voter-approved budget of 2.1%, or \$277,748.

Major increases in expenses over which the board has limited control:

Special Education and Transportation: INCREASE \$225,854
 Employee Salary and Benefits: INCREASE \$160,172
 High-school Tuition: INCREASE \$39,140

Significant decreases proposed by the board include:

Computer/Network Replacement: DECREASE \$15,000
 Special Education Teacher Salary: DECREASE \$78,708
 Engineering and Demographics Survey: DECREASE \$15,000
 Physical Plant Contracted Services: DECREASE \$18,842
 Transportation: DECREASE \$36,850
 Re-organization of Food Services: DECREASE \$16,743

Significant increases proposed by the board include:

• Teacher staffing: INCREASE \$69,382

The Default budget for the 2018-2019 school year is \$46,767 lower than the proposed budget.

The tax impact of the Warrant Article #1 is an estimated increase in the tax rate of \$ 1.51 per thousand.

School Board Recommends Approval [5-0-0] Budget Committee Recommends Approval [7-1-0]

<u>Warrant Article #2</u> asks the voters to authorize the school board to set aside up to \$75,000 from surplus to be added to the Facilities Repair Fund previously established by the voters. This will allow the board to raise funds to be used towards upcoming repairs and has no impact on the tax rate.

School Board Recommends Approval [4-1-0] Budget Committee Recommends Approval [6-2-0]

<u>Warrant Article #3</u> asks the voters to raise \$75,000 to be added to the Facilities Repair Fund previously established by the voters. This will allow the board to raise funds to be used towards upcoming repairs prioritized by the results of this year's engineering study.

The tax impact of the Warrant Article #3 is an estimated increase in the tax rate of \$0.13 per thousand.

School Board Recommends Approval [5-0-0] Budget Committee Recommends Approval [8-0-0]



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SCHOOL DISTRICT CLERK

INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS

A. TO VOTE, completely fill in the OVAL to the RIGHT of your choice(s) like this:
B. Follow directions as to the number of candidates to be marked for each office.
C. To vote for a person whose name is not printed on the ballot, write the candidate's name on the line provided and completely fill in the OVAL.

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Town of Deerfield Special Needs Registry

The Special Needs Registry is a joint effort of the Fire/Rescue Department and the Emergency Management ("EM") Team to assist the residents of Deerfield. In times of natural and man-made disasters, we work to keep everyone safe. Many residents need an extra hand during a disaster. You can add your name to the Special Needs Registry by completing the form on the back of this page and submitting it to the Fire/Rescue Department in a sealed envelope.

If the Town opens a shelter because of an emergency or prolonged power outage, will you need help getting there? It could be a mobility or vision or communication issue that hurts your ability to get to the shelter. Completing this form will provide emergency responders with valuable information to help them better assist you in an emergency or natural disaster.

Please fill out and return this form in a <u>sealed</u> envelope to Cindy McHugh, Fire/Rescue Dept. EMS Captain, PO Box 9, Deerfield, NH 03037. Additional forms are available at the Town Offices, and Philbrick James Library as well as online at www.townofdeerfieldnh.com/Pages/DeerfieldNH_EmerMan/index.

This information will be kept under lock and key and kept confidential. It is being requested on a volunteer basis and is for informational purposes for town emergency officials and emergency responders if needed. Submitting this form does not represent a guarantee of services based on specific needs, but may serve as a useful document in an emergency.

We ask residents to update the form as needed whether it's medical needs or phone number changes. Please send updated info **in a <u>sealed</u> envelope** to Cindy McHugh, Fire/Rescue Dept. EMS Captain, PO Box 9, Deerfield, NH 03037.

Finally we encourage all residents to visit the EM page of the town website **www.townofdeerfieldnh.com**. Preparation for emergencies is critical: **Plan ahead!!** Make a kit; Make a communications plan; Stay informed and Help your neighbor! Keep yourself, your family and your pets safe! Go to Ready.gov.

Please stay informed about local emergencies by signing up for NH Alerts and Nixle: this is especially important for cell phone users! The Town has enhanced 911 (like reverse 911) but it only covers landlines. Information is on the EM page of the town website. Or call Denny at 463 8811x310.

SPECIAL NEEDS FORM -- TOWN OF DEERFIELD

Will you require assistance in an emergency? Filling out this form could provide emergency responders with valuable information to help them better assist you in an emergency or natural disaster.

Please fill out & return this form in a <u>sealed</u> envelope to Cindy McHugh, Fire/Rescue Dept. EMS Captain, PO Box 9, Deerfield, NH 03037. Spread the word! The form is at Town offices, the Library and online at <u>www.townofdeerfieldnh.com</u>. Please update the form with changes in mobility or medical equipment or phone numbers.

This information will be kept under lock & key and kept confidential. It is being requested on a **volunteer** basis and is for informational purposes for town emergency officials & emergency responders if needed. Submitting this form **does not represent a guarantee** of services based on specific needs, but may serve as a useful document in an emergency.

Yes/I am the person who will need assistance during an emergency:	Relative/person we can notify to assist you in an emergency:
*Name:	Name:
*Address:	Address:
*Phone (Home):	Phone (Home):
Phone (Cell):	Phone (Cell):
Email:	Email:
*Information needed for us to assist you	
Mobility & Transportation Issues ☐ I have significant mobility issues ☐ I must use a wheelchair to get around ☐ I must use a walker/cane to get around ☐ I will need special assistance to evacuate n ☐ I will need wheelchair accessible transporta ☐ I will need an ambulance to successfully evaluate n	ation to successfully evacuate
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FOCUS News

Tricky Tray is coming – May 10th 2:30p – 7:00p Preview - DCS Gymnasium May 11th 10:00a – 6:30p Preview; 7:00pm - Drawing - DCS Gymnasium

Tricky Tray is here again! Over 100 organizations and individuals donate goods and services; On Thursday night and Friday residents are encouraged to come and take chances on the items. Friday evening the winners of each "tray" is drawn.

For over 25 years, FOCUS has funded Deerfield activities both at the school and in the community at large and Tricky Tray is the major fundraising event every year. Past recipients of FOCUS support include author visits to the school, extra equipment such as canoes for school and public use, Girl Scouts, Rescue Squad, Got Lunch Summer Program, Deerfield Historical Society, Senior Luncheon, Food Pantry, the Welcome Packets for newcomers, the annual Sherburne Award and a scholarship to a Deerfield high school senior. Requests for donations for Deerfield activities may be submitted to any FOCUS member: Rebecca Hutchinson, Jenn Verville, Nancy Shute, Ray Nash, JoAnn O'Connell, Megan Augusta.

Looking for an easy, fun and short-term way to help out in Deerfield? FOCUS needs additional volunteers every year to set up the gymnasium on Thursday and to assist on Friday evening selling tickets and with the drawing at 7:00. Contact Jenn Verville (jennj37@hotmail.com).

High School Senior Scholarship - \$1,000; Essay applications deadline: May 1st, 2018

Many years ago, FOCUS established a scholarship to recognize Deerfield high school seniors who have actively participated in community service. We are delighted to increase the scholarship amount this year to \$1,000, awarded to a graduating senior to support his/or her future goals. Any senior is welcome to submit an essay, answering the following two questions:

- 1) Describe what your involvement has been in community service. This should include any activities or commitment specifically within Deerfield.
- 2) If you were awarded this scholarship, how would this help you in achieving your future goals?

Essays should be sent to JoAnn O'Connell, 26 Haynes Road, Deerfield, 03037 and are due by May 1st.

Sherburne Award - Nominations due June 1, 2018

The Sherburne Award was created by FOCUS to recognize outstanding contributions made by a Deerfield resident serving our community. We look for inspirational contributors who have provided service to a specific segment of our community or the community at large. The award is named after Suzie Sherburne, a founding member of FOCUS and community volunteer extradinaire. She served every corner of our community with endless energy and commitment. Suzie passed away in 2012. The winners of the award are recorded on a plaque which can be seen outside the Town Clerk's office at the GB White Building.

Contact FOCUS member JoAnn O'Connell (perch59@msn.com/463-9848) for the Sherburne Award Nomination Form. Completed nomination forms, including signatures of support from a minimum of 10 Deerfield citizens, are due June 1st and must be sent to JoAnn O'Connell, 26 Haynes Road, Deerfield, 03037.

Emergency Management Messages!

Are Your House Numbers Visible ... In Case of An Emergency? Deerfield has over fifty four square miles of land and eighty miles of roads. Amid the trees and winding roads can Police, Fire and Rescue easily find your home? As you leave your driveway today, take a look - are your house numbers visible from the road? Are the numbers on your mailbox? If you can't find them in daylight, imagine how difficult it is for emergency services to find your house on a dark night. The Deerfield Fire Department is offering a solution. Reflective house numbers are still available under the program begun in 2012. The Fire Department will attach a metal reflective number to a metal pole and insert the pole in front of your house. All you have to do is purchase the number from the Fire Department. Simply call the Fire Department at 463 7721 and leave a message. You'll spot the numbers on metal poles across town.

If you want to post the numbers on your own, here are a few tips:

- Place the numbers directly on your house and out at the mailbox.
- > Do not allow branches or debris to block the numbers.
- Numbers should be visible from both directions.
- > Use contrasting colors like black and white lettering.
- Numbers should be easy to read and at least 4 inches high.
- > Reflective numbers work best.

Be Smart. Know your Spring Hazards. April showers may bring May flowers, but it also introduces severe weather including wildfires, hurricanes, tornadoes and floods. Understanding the hazards that impact your community and learning what actions to take if one strikes, increases your preparedness. Knowing what to do before, during and after an emergency is a critical part of being prepared and may make all the difference when seconds count. For more information, go to the emergency management page of www.townofdeerfieldnh.com or ready.gov or readynh.gov! You may also call your local Emergency Management Director at 463 8811 x310!

Text to 9-1-1 Information. Text-to-9-1-1 allows residents in dangerous situations who are unable to risk the noise of a call to send a text for help. This will help save lives and must be used responsibly. Texting should only be used when a voice call is not possible, as voice calls provide an advantage by allowing the 9-1-1 operator to more quickly assess the type of emergency and the location of the emergency.

How to text 9-1-1:

- > Enter the numbers '911' in the 'To' field;
- ➤ In the message field, type your exact location and a BRIEF description of the help you need use simple words, do not use abbreviations or shorthand;
- > Push the 'Send' button; and
- ➤ Be prepared to answer the 9-1-1 call taker's questions

A text or data plan is required to place a Text-to-9-1-1. Currently, Text-to-9-1-1 is offered via Sprint, AT&T, Verizon and T-Mobile. Text messages may not go through if a cell signal is not available. If a text message does not go through, the sender will receive the following message; 'There is no text service to 9-1-1 available at this time.' Text-to-9-1-1 messages cannot be received if there are multiple message recipients or if pictures, videos or emoticons are used. There are several smart phone apps available to instruct your child on how to dial 9-1-1 in an emergency. Be sure to see if there is one for your cell phone. **Text-to-9-1-1 is FOR EMERGENCIES ONLY!**

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Town of Deerfield P.O. Box 159 Deerfield, NH 03037-0159

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Local Postal Customer

Town of Deerfield Office Hours

Assessing Office 463-8811 x 315 Monday thru Friday 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Building Department 463-8811 x 302 Monday thru Thursday 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Town Clerk – Tax Collector's Office 463-8811 x 308 or 312 Monday 8:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Tuesday - Friday 8:00 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.

Transfer Station 463-7705 Tuesday & Thursday 11:00 a.m. – 6:45 p.m.

Saturday 7:00 a.m. – 3:45 p.m.

Board of Selectmen Meets Every Other Monday 5:30 p.m.

Planning Board Meets the 2nd and 4th Wednesday 7:00 p.m.

Zoning Board of Adjustment Meets the 4th Tuesday 7:00 p.m.

Conservation Commission Meets the 2nd Monday

VOTING DAY

(Town Meeting SB2 Second Session) Tuesday, March 13, 2018

Polling Hours: 7:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m. at the Town Hall, 10 Church Street