

## 2024 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 12, 2024, 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., 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 2024 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 12, 2024 at the 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 Website 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 11, 2024

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 12, 2024
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

## Town of Deerfield Warrant Descriptive 0880

## Zoning Amendment \# 1:

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 1 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows: delete Section 211 Floodplain Development Regulations in its entirety and replace it with a new Section 211 Floodplain Development Regulations as necessary to comply with requirements of the National Flood Insurance Program?

## Zoning Amendment \# 2:

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 2 as proposed by the planning board for the town zoning ordinance as follows: amend Article III Section 325.4.D.(b) by inserting the following new section and editions:
(b) Internal Setbacks and Separation:
(1) Front setback: Structures and/or buildings shall be located at least twenty-five (25) feet from the edge of any roads in the subdivision.
(2) Side and rear setbacks: Structures and/or buildings shall be located not less than 20 feet from internal side and rear property lines.
(3) Dwelling units Separation: The depth of side and rear yards (measured from building to property lines) shall not be less than 20 feet. The Planning Board may approve a smaller separation if an acceptable alternative for fire safety, as determined by the Fire Chief, is provided. The location of setbacks proposed to achieve this requirement shall be depicted on all plats in the proposed open space subdivision.

Article \# 1 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 $\$ 4,967,688.00$. Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be $\$ 4,379,617.00$ 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 5-0-0
Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 4-3-0
Estimated Tax Impact/\$1,000.00 of Assessed Property Value for Proposed Budget \$3.81
Estimated Tax Impact/\$1,000.00 of Assessed Property Value for Default Budget \$3.06
(Voting "yes" on this article approves the Town operating budget as recommended by both the Board of Selectmen and the Municipal Budget Committee)

Article \# 2 As Amended on Saturday, February 3, 2024 Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Hundred Thousand Dollars $\mathbf{( \$ 5 0 0 , 0 0 0 . 0 0 )}$ ) for the purpose of repair and/or reconstruction of existing roads and associated drainage improvements? Shall the Town further authorize the Board of Selectmen to accept any and all State Aid or other revenue source that may become available for this work. The funds will be used for the improvement, reconstruction, maintenance, crack sealing, engineering of roads and tree removals as needed. This will be a non-lapsing appropriation as per RSA 32:7, VI and will not lapse until December 31, 2025.

Roadway Construction - Background: Road rehabilitation and reconstruction continues to be a challenge. In an effort to work. towards a goal of improving overall road conditions within the Town, these funds will be utilized to systematically improve roads based on the results of the Road Service Management System Report completed by NH Southern Planning Commission and in consultation with the Road Agent. Road program priorities are generally guided by road condition, traffic volumes, and opportunities to coordinate road construction with other projects.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 4-1-0

Article \# 3 To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Seventy Thousand Dollars ( $\mathbf{\$ 7 0 , 0 0 0 )}$ to be placed in the previously established Cemetery General Maintenance Expendable Reserve Fund.

INFORMATION: The balance of the trust fund as of $12 / 31 / 2023$ is $\$ 58,542.00$.
(Voting "yes" on this article will place $\$ 70,000$ in a trust that can only be used to care for cemeteries in Deerfield. Future proceeds from new plot sales would be deposited into this fund, updating the current method of creating a trust fund for each plot sold.)

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 4-1-0<br>Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 9-1-0<br>Estimated Tax Impact/ $\$ 1,000.00$ of Assessed Property V alue $\$ 0.09$

Article \# 4 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Sixty-Seven Thousand EightHundred Twenty-six Dollars $(\mathbf{\$ 7}, \mathbf{8 2 6 . 0 0})$, which includes additional wages and required benefits, for the purpose of providing cost-of-living adjustment to Town employees in the amount of $3.2 \%$.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3-2-0
Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 10-0-0
Estimated Tax Impact/\$1,000.00 of Assessed Property Value \$0.09
(Voting "yes" on this article will provide a cost-of-living adjustment of $3.2 \%$ to all staff of the Town of Deerfield)
Article \#5 As Amended on Saturday, February 3, 2024 To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifty Thousand Dollars $\mathbf{( \$ 5 0 , 0 0 0 )}$ to be placed in the previously established Highway Vehicle and Equipment Maintenance Expendable Trust Fund, for the purpose of general vehicle and equipment maintenance and repair with the ability to purchase any vehicle or piece of equipment should repair not be possible. The fund will have a cap at $\$ 300,000.00$ in principal.

INFORMATION: The balance of the trust fund as of $12 / 31 / 2023$ is $\$ 76,503.00$.
(Voting "yes" on this article will place $\$ 50,000.00$ in a trust that can only be used for the purpose of general vehicle and equipment maintenance and repair with the ability to purchase any vehicle or piece of equipment should repair not be possible.)

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3-2-0
Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 10-0-0 Estimated Tax Impact/ $\$ 1,000.00$ of Assessed Property Value $\$ 0.06$

Article \# 6 As Amended on Saturday, February 3, 2024
To see if the town will raise and appropriate the sum of Thirty-Five Thousand, Eight Hundred Eighty Dollars $\mathbf{( \$ 3 5 , 8 8 0 . 0 0})$ for additional part-time Fire Fighter / EMT hours in the Deerfield Fire/Rescue Department. Should this article pass, it would only be funded in the event that the 2024 Operating Budget fails to pass.
(This warrant article is a backup measure; in case the operating budget article were to fail. If both articles pass; this article will be void. Over the past few years, we have attempted to slowly increase the available day time coverage at the station from 1 Firefighter/EMT; this step will allow us to staff an additional 30 hours of Part Time Firefighter/EMT's in the station Monday thru Friday; while adding daytime coverage of 1 member on the weekends.)

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0
Not Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 5-5-0 Estimated Tax Impact/\$1,000.00 of Assessed Property V alue if Proposed Budget Passes \$0.00 Estimated Tax Impact/\$1,000.00 of Assessed Property V alue if Default Budget Passes \$0.05

Article \# 7 As Amended on Saturday, February 3, $2024 \quad$ To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty Thousand Dollars $\mathbf{( \$ 2 0 , 0 0 0 )}$ to be placed in the previously established Municipal Government Buildings And Related Infrastructure Expendable Trust Fund.

INFORMATION: The balance of the trust fund as of $12 / 31 / 2023$ is $\$ 39,193.00$.
(Voting "yes" on this article will place $\$ 20,000.00$ 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, beating or roofs)

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 4-1-0
Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 10-0-0
Estimated Tax Impact/\$1,000.00 of Assessed Property Value $\$ 0.03$
Article \# 8 As Amended on Saturday, February 3, 2024 To see if the town will vote to establish a Philbrick James Library Building Maintenance Expendable Trust Fund per RSA 31:19-a, for the purpose of general maintenance and repair to the building and grounds of the Library building; and to raise and appropriate Twenty Thousand Dollars $\mathbf{( \$ 2 0 , 0 0 0 . 0 0}$ ) to put in the fund; further to name the Library Trustees as agents to expend from said fund.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3-2-0
Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 8-1-1
Estimated Tax Impact/\$1,000.00 of Assessed Property Value $\$ 0.03$
Article \# 9 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Eight Thousand Dollars $(\mathbf{\$ 8} \mathbf{0} \mathbf{0 0 0})$ to be used by Northwood Lake Watershed Association for Aquatic Invasive Species/Aquatic Bacteria Education, Prevention, Treatment and Control in Northwood Lake.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3-2-0
Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 10-0-0
Estimated Tax Impact/ $\$ 1,000.00$ of Assessed Property V alue $\$ 0.01$
(Voting "yes" on this article will allow Deerfield to belp 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 lakeefront property values.)

Article \#10 To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars $\mathbf{( \$ 2 , 5 0 0 )}$ 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 4-1-0
> Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 9-0-1
> Estimated Tax Impact/ $\$ 1,000.00$ of Assessed Property V alue $\$ 0.01$
(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 \# 11 Shall we rescind the provisions of RSA 40:13 (known as SB 2), as adopted by the Town of Deerfield on March 8, 2005, so that the official ballot will no longer be used for voting on all questions, but only for the election of officers and certain other questions for which the official ballot is required by state law?" (A $3 / 5$ majority of those voting is required.)
(Voting "Yes" on this warrant article changes the Town from an "SB 2" form of voting back to a "Town Meeting" form of voting)
Article \#12 As Amended on Saturday, February 3, 2024 To see if the Town will vote to deposit $95 \%$ of the revenues collected pursuant to RSA 79-A (the land use change tax) into the Town's Conservation Fund in accordance with RSA 36-A:5, III as authorized by RSA 79-A:25, II.

Article \#13 To see if the town will vote to adopt the Conflict-of-Interest Ordinance approved by the Board of Selectmen on June 5, 2023, copies of which are available at the Town Clerk's office, posted at the George B White Building, Library and Post Office, on the Town webpage and Town Facebook page.

Article \#14 To see if the Town will vote to adopt the Deerfield Community Power Plan, which authorizes the Deerfield Select Board to develop and implement Deerfield Community Power as described therein (pursuant to RSA 53-E:7), the goal of which is to lower electric supply costs. There is no tax impact or use of Town funds.

Article \#15 Advisory Only. To see if the Town of Deerfield supports the Deerfield Fire/Rescue Department and the Board of Selectman in pursuit of transitioning away from a Non-Transport Emergency Medical Service to a Transporting Emergency Medical Service and obtaining Deerfield its own Ambulance.
(The Fire-Rescue Department asked the Board of Selectmen to place this article on the warrant to allow us to gauge public sentiment in regard to how emergency medical services (EMS) is delivered in Deerfield. Currently when you dial 911 in Deerfield for a medical emergency a first response crew from Deerfield responds along with our contract ambulance, Raymond Ambulance Incorporated (RAI). This article is advisory only; we need the feedback from the community to belp guide is moving forward with respect to the level of services we aim to provide the Town of Deerfield.)

Article \# 16 As Amended on Saturday, February 3, 2024 WE THE UNDERSIGNED PETITION TO CHANGE THE ELDERLY EXEMPTION TO \$50,000 AT AGE 65 WITH INCREMENTS OF EVERY 5 YEARS BEING AN ADDITIONAL DEDUCTION OF $\$ 50,000$ (AT AGE 65 EXEMPTION TO BE $\$ 50,000$ AT AGE $70 \$ 100 \mathrm{P}, 000$, ETC). tHE RECIPIENT MAY HAVE UP TO $\$ 150,000$ IN ASSESTS NOT COUNTING THE HOME AND UP TO TWO VEHICLES. Advisory Only [Sic] (Petition Warrant Article)

Article \#17 As Amended on Saturday, February 3, 2024 Shall the position of Road Agent continue to be appointed as it currently is; Advisory Only. [Sic] (Petition Warrant Article)
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## School Warrant Article Notes for Voter Guide

1. Shall the Deerfield School District 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 vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein, totaling, Eighteen Million, Seven Hundred Ninety-One, Four Hundred Sixty-Eight Dollars $(\mathbf{\$ 1 8}, 791,468)$ ? Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be Eighteen Million, Eight Hundred Sixty- Eight Thousand, Eight Hundred Thirty- Six Dollars $(\$ 18,868,836)$ which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Deerfield School District, or by law; or the governing body may hold one special meeting in accordance with RSA $40: 13, \mathrm{X}$ and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only. Majority vote required.

School Board Recommends Approval [3-1-0]
Budget Committee Does Not Recommend Approval [3-6-1]

If passed, the new estimated tax rate will be $\$ \mathbf{1 9 . 4 8}$ [per thousand], which will result in a $\mathbf{\$ 2 . 2 0}$ increase over the previous year school tax rate.
[Note: Warrant Article \#1 (operating budget article) does not include appropriations from separate Warrant Articles.]
[NOTE: The District's current budget is the default budget approved by voters in March 2023. The fiscal year ends on June 30, 2024. Budgetary increases are due largely to increased costs of Special Education services, increases to high school tuition rates, increases to the cost of staff benefits, and increases to salaries from the Collective Bargaining Agreement approved by the voters in March 2023, among other factors. The proposed operating budget is $\$ 77,368$ less than the default budget.]
2. Shall the Deerfield School District vote to approve the cost items set forth in the collective bargaining agreement reached between the Deerfield School Board and the Deerfield Para Educators Association for the 2024/25, 2025/26, 2026/27, and 2027/28 fiscal years, which calls for the following estimated increases in salaries and benefits at the current staffing level:

| Fiscal Year: | Estimated Increase: |
| :--- | :--- |
| $2024 / 25$ | $\$ 94,853$ |
| $2025 / 26$ | $\$ 51,610$ |
| $2026 / 27$ | $\$ 62,178$ |
| $2027 / 28$ | $\$ 50,544$ |

and further to raise and appropriate the sum of Ninety-Four Thousand, Eight Hundred Fifty-Three Dollars $\mathbf{( \$ 9 4 , 8 5 3 )}$ for the $2024 / 25$ fiscal year, such sum representing the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits required by the new agreement over those that would be paid at current staffing levels? Majority vote required.

School Board Recommends Approval [4-0-0]
Budget Committee Does Not Recommend Approval [5-5-0]

If passed the tax impact will be \$0.12 [per thousand]
[NOTE: This four-year contract was negotiated between the Deerfield Para Educators Association and the Deerfield School Board. It provides for raises in the hourly pay rate schedule and changes the longevity bonus structure to provide a more competitive compensation structure in response to current market conditions.]
3. Shall the Deerfield School District, if Article \#2 is defeated, authorize the governing body to call one special meeting, at its option, to address Article \# 2 cost items only?
[Note: This article would allow the School Board to call a special meeting if Article 2 fails for the purpose of adopting a new contract, rather than waiting until March 2025.]
4. Shall the Deerfield School District vote to raise and appropriate the sum of up to One Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars $\mathbf{( \$ 1 5 0 , 0 0 0 )}$ to be placed in the Special Education Trust Fund, this sum to come from the June 30, 2024 unassigned fund balance available for transfer on July 1, 2024? Majority vote required. No amount to be raised from additional taxation.

School Board Recommends Approval [4-0-0]
Budget Committee Recommends_Approval [10-0-0]
[Note: The current balance of the Trust Fund is $\mathbf{\$ 3 1 9 , 8 9 4 . 5 8}$. Due to unanticipated costs for Special Education this school year, the Board anticipates using much, if not all, the funds currently in the Special Education Trust Fund for the 2023-2024 school year. Article 4 asks voters to replenish funds in the trust fund from unassigned fund balance, if there is surplus at the end of the fiscal year.]
5. Shall the Deerfield School District vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars $\mathbf{( \$ 1 5 0 , 0 0 0 )}$ to be added to the Special Education Trust Fund as previously established.

School Board Recommends Approval [4-0-0]
Budget Committee Does Not Recommend Approval [5-5-0]
If passed, the tax impact will be \$0.19 [per thousand]
[Note: Due to unanticipated costs for Special Education this school year, the Board anticipates using much, if not all, the funds currently in the Special Education Trust Fund for the 2023-2024 school year. Article 4 asks voters to add additional funds to the Trust Fund to be raised from taxation. Based on current projections, the Board is not anticipating a large, if any, surplus at the end of the fiscal year but did not want to replenish the Fund entirely from taxation.]
6. Shall the Deerfield School District authorize the Board to submit to the State Board of Education for approval pursuant to RSA 194:22 the approved tuition agreements between the Deerfield School District and the Concord and Pembroke School Districts as well as Coe Brown Northwood Academy as negotiated by the school board, to be high schools maintained by the district, each of which provides for an initial term beginning on July 1, 2024 and ending on June 30,2027, with the option for the term to be extended for two (2) years at Coe Brown Northwood Academy, for additional one (1) year periods at Pembroke Academy and Concord High School, and that the tuition to be paid to each school will be determined by the operating budget of the school and student attendance, and take such other and further acts as are necessary to give effect to this warrant article, including the adoption of minor amendments to the agreements from time to time during the terms of those agreements without further action by the school district meeting?
[Note: The three agreements have been negotiated and signed by the sending districts (Deerfield) and the three receiving high schools (Concord, Pembroke, and Coe Brown Northwood Academy). The current $8^{\text {th }}$ grade students have already selected the school they will attend next school year and the full tuition for those students, in addition to other students from the district who may seek to transfer to another school, have been included in the operating budget in Article 1, above. This

Article seeks authority for the school board to submit the agreements to the State Board of Education so the schools may be considered high schools maintained by the Deerfield School District.]
7. To see if the Deerfield School District will vote to create a High School Tuition Expendable Trust Fund under the provisions of RSA 198:20-C for the purpose of unanticipated high school tuition costs and to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Forty Thousand Dollars, $(\mathbf{\$ 1 4 0} \mathbf{0 0 0})$ to be placed in this fund and further to name the school board as agents to expend from this fund. (Majority vote required)

School Board Recommends Approval [4-0-0]
Budget Committee Recommends Approval [6-4-0]
If passed, the tax impact will be $\$ \mathbf{\$ 0 . 1 8 [ p e r ~ t h o u s a n d ] ~}$
[Note: As Deerfield high school students may now attend any of the three high schools listed in Article 6, above, the Board anticipates an unknown number of Deerfield students may enter the district, move to town, and/or transfer into one of these schools. Because that number of students is unknown, the school board could not adequately budget for the tuition for these students and seeks to establish a Trust Fund to account for such situations related to high school tuition that might arise after budgeting season each year.]
8. Shall the District authorize its Board to negotiate a lease of property or an easement agreement with a solar provider on such terms and conditions as it deems to be in the best interest of the District for the purpose of installing a solar panel array and related equipment at the Deerfield Community School at 66 North Road Deerfield, New Hampshire and further to authorize the Board to enter into a Power Purchase Agreement with a term not to exceed 20 years, with provisions for a buy-out of the agreement subject to subsequent appropriation, on such terms and conditions as the Board deems to be in the best interest of the District, with the understanding that the Board may decline to enter into either of these agreements if it deems the terms and conditions not to be in the best interest of the District.
[Note: A new roof was installed on the Deerfield Community School in the summer of 2023. At the time of installation, the roof was prepped for solar and there is a one-year timeline for installation of solar panels after the installation of the roof under the current 30-year warranty. There is no upfront cost to entering into a power purchase agreement for solar power, and there is an option to either purchase the panels at a later date and recognize larger energy cost savings or continue to lease the equipment at no cost for smaller energy cost savings.]
9. Shall the Deerfield School District vote to rescind the provisions of RSA 40:13 (known as SB 2), adopted by the Deerfield School District on March 8, 2005, so that the official ballot will no longer be used for voting on all questions, but only for the election of officers and certain other questions for which the official ballot is required by state law? [3/5 majority vote required]
[Note: the Board included this article to be consistent with the Deerfield Board of Selectmen.]
10. Shall the Deerfield School District vote to authorize, indefinitely until rescinded, the retention of year-end unassigned general funds in an amount not to exceed, in any fiscal year, 5 percent of the current fiscal year's net assessment, in accordance with RSA 198:4-b, II? (Majority vote required).
[Note: The current retention of surplus funds is capped at $\mathbf{2 . 5 \%}$ of the current fiscal year's net assessment of the district, and this article would increase the retention cap to $5 \%$. In the event of a
surplus at the end of the fiscal year, the Board would still make a determination each year as to how much surplus to retain and how much to return to the Town. This Article does not obligate the Board to retain the maximum amount, and the funds must be returned to the Town if they are not utilized by the Board within one year.]



## Town of Deerfield Special Needs Registry

The Special Needs Registry is a joint effort of the Fire/Rescue Department \& the Emergency Management ("EM") Team to assist Deerfield residents in times of natural \& man-made disasters. We work to keep everyone safe \& recognize some 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 \& 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? 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 \& return this form in a sealed envelope to Deerfield Fire/Rescue Dept., PO Box 159, Deerfield, NH 03037.

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.

Please update the form with phone / address changes or other significant changes. Remember to send the updated info in a sealed envelope to Deerfield Fire/Rescue Dept., PO Box 159, Deerfield, NH 03037. Blank forms are available at the Town Offices \& www.townofdeerfieldnh.com.

Keep yourself, your family \& your pets safe! Preparation is critical. Make a kit; Make a communications plan; Stay informed and Help your neighbor! Visit ready.gov or our emergency management page at www.townofdeerfieldnh.com for more information on preparedness!

Stay informed about local emergencies by signing up for NH Alerts at www.readynh.gov/. This is especially important for cell phone users! To receive local emergency updates, please sign up! (Deerfield has enhanced 911 (similar to reverse 911) but it only covers landlines)! To make sure you receive the latest local updates on your cellphones, everyone should sign up for NH Alerts.

QUESTIONS? CALL 603-463-7721

## 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 sealed envelope to Deerfield Fire/Rescue Dept., PO Box 159, Deerfield, NH 03037. Questions? Call 603-463-7721. Please submit an updated form if you have phone / address changes or other changes. Blank forms are available at Town Offices or www.townofdeerfieldnh.com.

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 |  |

## Please mark an "X" in EACH box that applies to your needs:

## Mobility \& Transportation Issues

$\square$ I have significant mobility issues
$\square$ I must use a wheelchair to get around
$\square$ I must use a walker/cane to get around
$\square$ I will need special assistance to evacuate my home as I am a person of size
$\square$ I will need wheelchair accessible transportation to successfully evacuate
$\square$ I will need an ambulance to successfully evacuate

## Medical Issues

$\square$ I require the use of oxygen
$\square$ I have hearing difficulties; my TTY number is $\qquad$
$\square$ I have special dietary needs:
$\square$ I require the use of:

## Other Issues

$\square$ I have a communication issue: $\qquad$
$\square$ I do not speak English - Ianguage
$\square$ I have a service animal; it is a $\qquad$ and weighs $\qquad$ pounds $\square$ OTHER:
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| Local |
| Postal Customer |

## Town of Deerfield Office Hours

Assessing Office 603-463-8811 x 315
Monday thru Wednesday 8:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
Thursday 8:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Building Department 603-463-8811 x 302
Town Clerk - Tax Collector 603-463-8811 x 308 or 312

Transfer Station 603-463-7705
Monday thru Thursday 8:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday
8:00 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.
Tuesday 8:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.
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 $\mathbf{2}^{\text {nd }}$ and $4^{\text {th }}$ Wednesday 7:00 p.m.
Zoning Board of Adjustment Meets the $4^{\text {th }}$ Tuesday 7:00 p.m.
Conservation Commission Meets the $\mathbf{2}^{\text {nd }}$ Monday
(Town Meeting SB2 Second Session)
Tuesday, March 12, 2024
Polling Hours: 7:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m. at the Town Hall,

