



## Town of Antrim, New Hampshire

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### Town Meeting Minutes - 2003

#### TOWN OF ANTRIM 2003 MINUTES

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

You are hereby notified to meet at the Antrim Town Hall in said Town on Tuesday the eleventh (11<sup>th</sup>) day of March 2003 at 8 o'clock in the morning to act upon the following subjects:

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

1. To chose necessary Town Officers and Trustees for the ensuing year. (Ballot vote)
2. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning Ordinance as proposed by the Planning Board. All supporting documents are available for review at the Antrim

Town Office. (Ballot votes)

1. Amend Article III, - "Definitions" to incorporate changes to existing definitions and the addition of new definitions to facilitate the administration of the Zoning Ordinance.

YES 311 NO 85

2. Amend Article XII, paragraph I of the "Floodplain Development District" to incorporate wording mandated by the Federal Emergency Management Agency to allow for variances and appeals to administrative decisions.

YES 299 NO 80

3. Adopt Article XI-A "Shoreland Protection District" to control the development of shorelines along lakes, ponds, rivers and streams in the Town of Antrim.

YES 299 NO 82

Additionally, pursuant to RSA 39:2-a and the vote of the Town at the March 10, 1981 Annual Meeting, you are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said Town of Antrim on Thursday evening the thirteenth (13<sup>th</sup>) day of March 2003 at 7 o'clock in the evening to act upon the following:

The meeting was opened by the Moderator, then recessed so the assembly could move to the Town Gym because the Town Hall was too small. The meeting was reconvened at 7:15 p.m. at the Town Gym. The Pledge of Allegiance was said and a prayer was said by Rev.Peggi Boyce. The Moderator asked people to remember Jim Dennison and Wilbur Hall for all me things they did for the Town. Both of these gentlemen passed away in 2002.

All of the articles will be seconded by Robert Flanders, the Moderator, to help the meeting move along.

3.Moved by William Prokop

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of ONE MILLION THREE HUNDRED FORTY-FIVE THOUSAND (\$1,345,000) DOLLARS for the purpose of new construction to expand the James A. Tuttle Library and to utilize the site of the former Aike Hous for this purpose and for the repair, renovation and improvement of the existing Library building, fees associated with the issuance of bonds, (including bond counsel and NH Municipal Bond Bank), and to authorize the issuance of not more than \$1,300,000 dollars of bonds or notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA 33) and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to withdraw the sum of FORTY-FIVE THOUSAND (\$45,000) DOLLARS from the Library Building Capital Reserve Fund to be used for engineering consulting services and architectural fees for the project.

(Submitted by the Library Trustees')

(2/3 Ballot Vote Required - Not recommended by the Board of Selectmen)

Yes 106    No 185    Defeated

4. Moved by Michael Genest

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of ONE HUNDRED TWENTY THOUSAND (\$120,000) DOLLARS for the purpose of purchasing land in Antrim Tax Map 1C, Lot 186 consisting of 23 acres and Tax Map 1C, Lot 185 consisting of 2 acres for a total of 25 acres and for the planning and engineering costs for the future development of a Town Recreational area and future Athletic Fields, and to authorize the issuance of not more than \$100,000 dollars of bonds or notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA 33) and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon and to raise and appropriate the sum of TWENTY THOUSAND (\$20,000) DOLLARS to be used for planning, engineering and construction of the Recreational area and Athletic Fields.

(2/3 Ballot Vote Required - Recommended by the Board of Selectmen)

Yes 167    No 123    Defeated

5. Moved by William Prokop

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of FORTY-FIVE THOUSAND (\$45,000) DOLLARS to be used by the Library Trustees to continue the architectural, engineering and construction planning for the future Library addition and to withdraw the sum of FORTY FIVE THOUSAND (\$45,000) DOLLARS from the Library Capital Reserve Fund created for that purpose. This will be a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7, VI and will not lapse until this work is complete or December 31, 2008, whichever is sooner.

(This Article to be considered if Article #2 fails)

(Submitted by the Library Trustees)

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen)

So Voted

6. Moved by Dave Penny

To see if the Town will vote to reserve the site of the former Aiken House for the future expansion of the James A. Tuttle Library.

(This Article to be considered if Article #2 fails)

(Submitted by the Library Trustees)

So Voted

7. Moved by Dave Penny

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of ONE HUNDRED EIGHTEEN THOUSAND (\$118,000) DOLLARS to be added to the Capital Reserve Funds in the following manner:

\$ 7,500    Town Building Repair Capital Reserve Fund  
\$18,000    Ambulance Capital Reserve Fund  
\$ 12,500    Police Cruiser Capital Reserve Fund

\$30,000 Highway Heavy Equipment Capital Reserve Fund  
\$30,000 Fire Truck Capital Reserve Fund  
\$20,000 Bridge Maintenance Capital Reserve Fund

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen)

So Voted

8. Moved by Dave Penny

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of ONE HUNDRED ELEVEN THOUSAND (\$111,000) DOLLARS for the purchase of a new Ambulance to replace the 1989 Ambulance for the use of the Antrim Fire and Ambulance Department and to withdraw the sum of SEVENTY-ONE THOUSAND (\$71,000) DOLLARS from the Ambulance Capital Reserve Fund created for that purpose. The remaining \$40,000 will come from the Antrim Ambulance Association.

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen)

So Voted

9. Moved by Michael Genest

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of TWELVE THOUSAND (\$12,000) DOLLARS to build a two bay garage at the Route 31 Fire Station (Company 1) and to withdraw the sum of TWELVE THOUSAND (\$12,000) DOLLARS from the Renovation Fund - Town Buildings created for that purpose.

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen)

So Voted

10. Moved by William Prokop

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of FIFTEEN THOUSAND (\$15,000) DOLLARS to erect a building (already purchased) at the Town Highway Garage to store vehicles and equipment.

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen)

So Voted

11. Moved by William Prokop

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of FIVE THOUSAND (\$5,000) DOLLARS for the purpose of establishing a Town Web-Site.

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen)

Defeated

12. Moved by Dave Penny

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of ONE THOUSAND (\$1,000) DOLLARS to increase the salary of the Town Clerk / Tax Collector, effective January 1, 2003.

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen)

So Voted

13. Moved by William Prokop

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of FIFTEEN THOUSAND (\$15,000) DOLLARS for self-help painting and business facade-improvement programs for the Main Street area and to withdraw from the Downtown Antrim Tax Increment Finance (TIF) District account the sum of FIFTEEN THOUSAND (\$15,000) DOLLARS.

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen)

So Voted

14. Moved by William Prokop

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of FIVE THOUSAND (\$5,000) DOLLARS for computerized Geographic Information Systems (GIS) maps of the Downtown Antrim Tax Increment Finance (TTF) District and to withdraw from the district account the sum of FIVE THOUSAND (\$5,000) DOLLARS.

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen)

So Voted

15. Moved by Michael Genest

To see if the Town will vote to convey a Conservation Easement to a Governmental or Private Organization whose purpose is to preserve open space which prohibits any development on Town land surrounding Campbell Pond and will protect Campbell Pond as the Towns backup water supply.

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen, Conservation Commission and the Water & Sewer Commissioners)

So Voted

16. Moved by Peter Moore

To see if the Town will vote to send the following resolution to the New Hampshire General Court: Resolved, in its first two years of operation, the Land and Community Heritage Investment Program (LCHIP) has helped communities throughout New Hampshire preserve their natural, cultural and historic resources and, therefore, the State of New Hampshire should maintain funding for LCHIP in its next biennial budget.

(By Petition)

So Voted

17. Moved by Ronald Hagget

Whereas genetically engineered (GE) foods have been shown to cause long-term damage to the environment and the integrity of rural family farm economies, and can have serious impacts on human health; whereas GE crops have been found to contaminate other crops through cross-pollination, whereas polls consistently indicate that over 80 of Americans want genetically engineered foods to be labeled, and whereas Congress and federal regulatory agencies have failed to adequately address this issue, the residents of Antrim, New Hampshire:

Call upon our Legislators and congressional representatives to support the mandatory labeling of all genetically engineered food and seeds, and to impose a moratorium on the production or growing of GE products in the Town of Antrim until there is:

1. An open, Balanced, and comprehensive debate revealing all the potential health, environmental, agricultural, and economic risks involved in the use of GE production all of their manifestation and applications and:
2. Credible and independent scientific evidence that each GE product is proven safe on an individual basis and is not harmful to our health or the environment, and does not have a negative impact on family farms.

Therefore, it is Resolved, the Town of Antrim urges the United States Congress to pass legislation that will require genetically engineered foods to be labeled in the United States, and there will be no production or growing of GE products in the Town of Antrim.

We further encourage legislation that will require safety testing of genetically engineered crops to make sure that human and environmental health are protected for future generations.

Copies of this resolution in support of labeling and safety testing of genetically engineered foods will be sent to our Governor, our members of the United States Congress, and to the President of the United States.

(By Petition)

So Voted

18. Moved By Dave Penny

Whereas, New Hampshire residents pay the 12<sup>th</sup> highest cost of insurance in the country; and whereas, the cost of health insurance premiums for families has increased by 45 over the past three years; and whereas, 100,000 New Hampshire residents have no health coverage and 77 of them have a full-time worker at home; and whereas, due to these rising costs almost half of New Hampshire's small businesses cannot afford health coverage for their employees, therefore be it resolved that we, the citizens of Antrim, New Hampshire, call on our elected officials from all levels of government, and those seeking office, to work with consumers, businesses, and health care providers to ensure that;

Everyone, including the self-employed, unemployed, un-and underinsured, and small business owners has access to an affordable basic health plan similar to what federal employees receive; Everyone, including employers, consumers, and the state, local and federal government makes a responsible and fair contribution to finance the health care system; Everyone receives high quality care that is cost efficient and medically effective; and that these efforts help control the skyrocketing cost of health care.

(By Petition)

So Voted

19. Moved by Dave Penny

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the Sum of TWO MILLION ONE HUNDRED SIX THOUSAND FOUR HUNDRED TWENTY-ONE (\$2,106,421) DOLLARS to pay the normal operating costs of the Town, (as set forth in the Town Budget - includes \$280,172 for the Water & Sewer Department) or take any action thereon.

Amended by Dave Penny to read

An additional TWENTY SIX THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$26,000.00) now TWO MILLION ONE HUNDRED THIRTY TWO THOUSAND FOUR HUNDRED TWENTY ONE DOLLARS (\$2,132,421)

To be used as following \$10,000 Computer Software

\$10,000 Aiken Barn

\$6,000 for Library Maintenance

So Voted

20. To hear reports of the committees and act thereon.

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

A special thanks to the Antrim Road Crew for their wonderful job on the roads this Winter. Also Congratulations to Barbara Black for the nomination for Teacher of the Year.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:00 p.m.

Given under our hands and seals in Antrim, New Hampshire this 13<sup>th</sup> day of February 2003.

Antrim Board of Selectmen  
David Penny Chairman  
Michael Genest

William Prokop

True Copy "ATTEST"

Mary R Hammond  
**Town Clerk**