

**TOWN OF ALLENSTOWN  
MINUTES OF TOWN MEETING  
MARCH 13, 1993 AND MARCH 20, 1993**

TO THE INHABITANTS OF THE TOWN OF ALLENSTOWN, IN THE COUNTY OF MERRIMACK IN SAID STATE, QUALIFIED TO VOTE IN THE TOWN AFFAIRS

*The moderator, Ernie Petrin, called the meeting to order at 1:10 p.m. on March 13, 1993.*

ARTICLE 1. *To choose all necessary Town officers for the ensuing years.*

*This Article was taken care of on Tuesday, March 9. The results are known.*

ARTICLE 2. *To see if the Town of Allenstown will vote to adopt a Solid Waste Program. (This article is recommended by the Planning and Zoning Board).*

*This Article passed on Tuesday, March 9.*

ARTICLE 3. *To see if the Town of Allenstown will vote to change the zoning classification on the parcel of land on map 5, Lots 11 and 12 located on Route 28 at the northerly end of River Road to the entry of Bear Brook Villa from Open Space and Farm to Industrial to be in compliance with its current use and that which is across the street. (This article is recommended by the Planning and Zoning Board).*

*This Article was passed on Tuesday, March 9.*

ARTICLE 4. *To see if the Town of Allenstown will vote to add to Mobile Home Ordinance:*

*1113 i Replacement of Existing Manufactured Homes*

*a. No manufactured home can be replaced by any other manufactured home which results in a decrease in distance between existing abutting manufactured homes unless at least thirty (30) feet is maintained between said manufactured home and the existing abutting manufactured homes.*

b. When any manufactured home is replaced, the lot must be brought up to current standards in accordance with RSA 156:1, 156A-1 and 47:22-a, NFPA no. 501 a-1977 and any local ordinances that may apply. (This article is recommended by the Planning and Zoning Board).

**This Article was passed on Tuesday, March 9.**

ARTICLE 5. To see if the Town of Allenstown will vote to adopt the definitions for structure, building, tower and carport in Article II of the Zoning Ordinances. And to delete either the word building or structure from each zone where applicable. (This article is recommended by the Planning and Zoning Board).

**This Article was passed on Tuesday, March 9.**

ARTICLE 6. To see if the Town of Allenstown will vote to include carports in the Business, Residential and Open Space and Farm Zone. And to amend in the Supplemental Regulations Article, Section 1118 Uses Not Permitted:

b. No more than one (1) unregistered, inoperable or uninspected motor vehicle shall be allowed in the Residential Zone.

c. No more than two (2) unregistered, inoperable or uninspected motor vehicles shall be allowed on any lot in any other zone unless housed in a building or unless the lot is in current use as a licensed motor vehicle dealership. (This article is recommended by the Planning and Zoning Board).

**This Article was passed on Tuesday, March 9.**

ARTICLE 7. To see if the Town of Allenstown will vote to adopt in the Administration Article, Section 301 Building Inspector:

b. Enforcement of this zoning ordinance shall be pursuant to RSA 676:17-b. (This article is recommended by the Planning and Zoning Board).

**This Article was passed on Tuesday, March 9.**

**A motion was made by Dennis Fowler and seconded by Art Houle to recess the meeting to Saturday, March 20 at 1:00 p.m. due to the blizzard. Voted and passed.**

The Moderator, Ernie Petrin, called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. on Saturday, March 20, 1993. There were 121 registered voters in attendance. Mr Petrin discussed the guidelines for the meeting.

Everyone joined in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

Moderator Petrin stated that there was a petition for secret ballot which reads as follows:

We the undersigned voters of the Town of Allenstown request to have secret ballot on the following articles: 17, 18, 19 and 20. The petition was signed by the following: Gabriel Daneault, Colin J. Egan, Rudy Plourde, Albert Hamel, Robert O. Girard, Robert Levesque, Donald A. Chaput and Art Houle. The required five people present at the meeting were Gabriel Daneault, Colin Egan, Rudy Plourde, Robert Levesque and Art Houle.

ARTICLE 8. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to borrow money in anticipation of taxes.

**A motion was made by Mike Collier and seconded by Dennis Fowler to accept Article 8 as read. Voted and passed.**

ARTICLE 9. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to apply for, accept, and expend, without further action by Town Meeting, any money from state, federal, or other governmental unit or private source which becomes available during the year, in accordance with RSA 31:95-b.

**A motion was made by Dennis Fowler and seconded by Doris Levesque to accept Article 9 as read. Voted and passed.**

ARTICLE 10. To see if the Town will vote to authorize its Selectmen to convey any real estate acquired by the Town by tax collector's deed. Such conveyance shall be by deed following a public auction, or the property may be sold by advertised sealed bids, or may be otherwise disposed of as justice may require, pursuant to RSA 80:80.

**A motion was made by Dennis Fowler and seconded by Doris Levesque to accept Article 10 as read. Voted and passed.**

ARTICLE 11. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to purchase capital equipment from the state, federal surplus and private programs, when such equipment becomes available and such purchase is in the best interest of the Town of Allenstown. Said capital equipment purchase is to be made from current appropriations.

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**A motion was made by Steve Fowler and seconded by Richard Bilodeau to accept Article 11 as read. Voted and passed.**

ARTICLE 12. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to accept gifts of personal property which may be offered to the town for any public purpose, pursuant to RSA 31:95-e. The selectmen must hold a public hearing before accepting any such gift, and the acceptance shall not bind the town to raise, appropriate or expend any public funds for the operation, maintenance, repair, or replacement of any such personal property.

**A motion was made by Doris Levesque and seconded by Keith Raiche to accept Article 12 as read. Voted and passed.**

ARTICLE 13. To see if the Town of Allenstown will vote to appropriate not more than Six Thousand Dollars (\$6,000) from the General Trust Fund for the purpose of purchasing a photocopier for the Town Hall. This expenditure to be made only in the case of failure of the existing copier. (This article recommended by the Budget Committee).

**A motion was made by Dennis Fowler and seconded by Art Houle to accept Article 13 as read. Mr. Remillard stated that since Article 11 passed there was no need for spending \$6,000. Mike Ortisi spoke in favor of getting the new copier. Steve Liakos inquired whether this amount included the service agreement. The selectmen stated that it did. Dennis Fowler stated that the present copier was working okay for now but that the money would only be spent if it gives out. Roger Menard asked if we needed a two-thirds vote when we withdrew money from trust funds. Ernie Petrin said that it would not be needed for this item. Voted and passed.**

**The Moderator Ernie Petrin asked Ed Cyr to read Article 14 since he was the one who put this article in.**

ARTICLE 14. (By Petition) To see if the voters of the Town of Allenstown would authorize the Selectmen to make an in-house computer reevaluation of the properties of the Town. The total cost not to exceed the sum of Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000) to bring all properties in line with current values. (This article not recommended by the Budget Committee).

**Ernie Petrin stated that at the time he wrote this article it seemed the way to go, but not now. The Budget Committee did not recommend this article since the valuations would go down but**

the tax rate would go up. If the net worth was reduced the amount coming in from the state and other agencies would also be reduced. Article 14 defeated.

ARTICLE 15. To see if the Town of Allenstown will vote to appropriate the sum of Ninety Six Thousand Seven Hundred and Eighteen Dollars (\$96,718) from the Fire Department Capital Reserve Fund for the purpose of paying off the remainder of the lease purchase. (This article recommended by the Budget Committee).

A motion was made by Art Houle and seconded by Roger Menard to accept Article 15 as read. It was stated that the town would save \$12,000 by passing this article. Voted and passed.

ARTICLE 16. To see if the Town of Allenstown will vote to appropriate not more than Six Thousand Five Hundred Twenty Dollars (\$6,520) from the Fire Department Capital Reserve Fund for the purpose of purchasing six MSA Ultralight MMR airpaks. (This article recommended by the Budget Committee).

A motion was made by Richard Bilodeau and seconded by Richard Gaumont to accept Article 16 as read. Voted and passed.

ARTICLE 17. (By Petition) To see if the Town will vote to accept the gift of an aerial ladder fire truck from the Allenstown Firefighters Association. Said truck to be used by the Fire Department.

A motion was made by Don Peloquin and seconded by Richard Bilodeau to accept Article 17 as read. Chief Peloquin stated that this fire truck could save structures and cause less damage. He stated that commercial buildings could save on insurance premiums. He also stated that the fire truck would fit in the fire station. Tim Fontaine asked if there was any stipulation that if there was a fire in Concord, that Allenstown would be required to go. Chief Peloquin stated that that was not a requirement. Lorraine Demers asked how many trucks Allenstown had. It was stated that Allenstown had ten trucks. Roger Baron asked whether we needed ten trucks. Mr. Fay stated that he would frequently see some of our best equipment around town. Chief Peloquin stated that the equipment was being used for training which was necessary. Roland Martel asked whether there would be premium savings for residential homeowners. The Chief stated that he was told that there would be a small savings. Voted by secret ballot and passed. There were 75 yes votes and 38 no votes.

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**ARTICLE 18.** (By Petition) To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to accept the following as a Town Street: Riverside Park Drive as shown on the official Town of Allenstown Property Tax Map.

**Ron Adinolfo asked whether accepting a town street would have to go to the planning board first. Dennis Fowler state that an existing road since the late 1960's would not come under the same criteria to go through the planning board.**

**A motion was made by Ron Adinolfo and seconded by Rudy Plourde to table Article 18. Voted and passed. Article 18 tabled.**

**ARTICLE 19.** (By Petition) To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to accept the following as Town Streets: Riverside Park Drive, Jilleric Road as shown on the official Town of Allenstown Property Tax Map.

**A motion was made by Chuck Watson and seconded by Frank Doll to accept Article 19 as read. Laurie Watson stated that some parts of the road have become impassable and that there were over thirty homes on this road that needed access from police and fire vehicles. Marilyn Boucher stated Jilleric Road did need gravel. Dennis Fowler stated that the area has grown into a fulltime residential neighborhood. Lorraine Demers asked if the road is accepted and the upgrading work done, if there would be an upward adjustment in the values of the homes. It was answered there would be. Frank Doll asked if there were state or federal funds available. Mr. Remillard asked what the liability would be to the town if these streets were accepted. It was stated that there would be liability to the town if the streets became town accepted streets. Dennis Fowler stated that we could not apply for grants if we didn't accept the streets. Voted by secret ballot and defeated. There were 57 yes votes, 61 no votes and 1 blank.**

**A motion was made by Doris Levesque and seconded by Richard Bilodeau to table Article 20 until we get the results of the vote on Article 19. Voted and passed.**

**ARTICLE 21.** To see if the Town of Allenstown will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to appropriate the sum of Sixteen Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$16,500) from the Highway Department Capital Reserve Fund for the purpose of purchasing a wood chipper. (This article recommended by the Budget Committee).

**A motion was made by Dennis Fowler and seconded by Mike Collier to accept Article 21 as read. A motion was made by Jim**

**Boisvert and seconded by Mike Collier to amend Article 21 to change the amount appropriated to Fifteen Thousand Seven Hundred Thirty Nine Dollars (\$15,739).**

**Mr. Boisvert stated that we had been borrowing Pembroke's wood chipper when it was available. Also, after July 1993, we would not be able to burn anymore. This piece of equipment would pay for itself in two to three years. Ron Adinolfo asked if the townspeople could help themselves to the wood chips. Jim Boisvert stated yes. Mike Hebert asked if it would take nails. Jim Boisvert said the only thing it would not take is barbed wire. Amendment voted and passed. Article 21 voted and passed as amended.**

**ARTICLE 22.** *To see if the Town of Allenstown will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to withdraw the sum of Twenty Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000) from the Highway Department Capital Reserve Fund for the purpose of purchasing a 1993 Ford 1-ton. (This article recommended by the Budget Committee).*

**A motion was made by Richard Bilodeau and seconded by Steve Fowler to accept Article 22 as read. Jim Boisvert stated that this would be for a basic truck plus plow but no sander. The sander from the 1984 truck would be used. Voted and passed.**

**A motion was made by Doris Levesque and seconded by Mr. Doll to remove Article 20 from the table.**

**ARTICLE 20.** *(By Petition) To see if the Town of Allenstown will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000) to surface with crushed gravel the entire length of Riverside Drive which is 7/10ths of one (1) mile. (This article not recommended by the Budget Committee).*

**A motion was made by Dennis Fowler and seconded by Art Houle to accept Article 20 as read. Ron Adinolfo stated that this Article 20 could not be voted upon by law. The following five people asked to remove Article 20 from the secret ballot petition: Gabriel Daneault, Colin Egan, Rudy Plourde, Doris Levesque and Art Houle. Article 20 defeated.**

**ARTICLE 23.** *To see if the Town of Allenstown will vote to establish a capital reserve fund pursuant to RSA 35:1 (Supp.) for the purpose of replacing public safety facilities for the Town of Allenstown and to place One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000) into said fund. (This article not recommended by the Budget Committee).*

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**A motion was made by Don Peloquin and seconded by Richard Bilodeau to accept Article 23 as read. Dennis Fowler stated that the purpose of this was to get an account started for the future for town facilities. Voted and passed.**

ARTICLE 24. To see if the Town of Allenstown will vote to establish a capital reserve fund pursuant to RSA 35:1 (Supp.) for the purpose of replacing the highway facility for the Town of Allenstown and to place One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000) into said fund. (This article not recommended by the Budget Committee).

**A motion was made by Dennis Fowler and seconded by Richard Bilodeau to accept Article 24 as read. Mr. Remillard stated that we had already raised the bottom line with Article 23 and did we need to raise it anymore. It was stated that this was not recommended by the Budget Committee since funds for items such as this are usually bonded at the time they are needed. Dennis Fowler stated that there was always little planning for the future and that this was a good idea since some day the money will be there. Article 24 voted and passed by a show of hands, 50 yes and 39 no.**

ARTICLE 25. To see if the Town of Allenstown will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to accept on behalf of the town: gifts, legacies and devises made to the town in trust for any public purpose, as permitted by RSA 31:19.

**A motion was made by Dennis Fowler and seconded by Doris Levesque to accept Article 25 as read. Voted and passed.**

ARTICLE 26. To see if the Town will vote to give a (1%) one-percent discount on all 1993 property taxes paid within fifteen (15) days after mailing of the tax bills.

**A motion was made by Roger Menard and seconded by Roland Martel to accept Article 26 as read. A motion was made by Ken Raiche and seconded by Doris Levesque to amend Article 26 from fifteen (15) days to thirty (30) days. Voted and passed. Article 26 voted and passed as amended.**

ARTICLE 27. To see if the Town will vote to accept the budget as submitted by the Budget Committee and to raise and appropriate the sums therein or pass any vote in relation thereto.

**A motion was made by Mike Collier and seconded by Melaine**

Adjustment, subject to such conditions as may be imposed by the Board of Adjustment.

- a. Municipal uses.
- b. Public utility uses necessary for the public welfare.
- c. Funeral parlors
- d. Professional offices.
- e. Cemeteries.
- f. Governmental uses.
- g. Warehouses.

The following area will be changed from Open Space and Farm to Residential-3 Zone: The area bounded by: the northern boundary of the Bear Brook State Park (from the Allenstown/Deerfield town line to the Allenstown/Epsom town line; the Allenstown/Epsom town line from the Bear Brook State Park to Wing Road; the southerly street line of Wing Road to Dowst Road; the southerly street line of Dowst Road to Deerfield Road; and the southerly street line of Deerfield Road from Dowst Road to the Allenstown/Deerfield town line. (This article is not recommended by the Planning Board).

YES 115

NO 121

#### ARTICLE II

To see if the Town of Allenstown will vote to amend the Allenstown Zoning Ordinances, Article XI-Supplemental Regulations, Section 1118-Uses Not Permitted, to add:

- d. Junk or unusable tires, as defined in RSA 266:49, shall not be stored on any lot in any zone in Allenstown, except that a licensed motor vehicle dealership or repair facility may store no more than forty (40) junk or unusable tires.
- e. No more than four (4) used tires shall be stored on any lot in any zone in Allenstown except at a licensed motor vehicle dealership or repair facility. (This article is recommended by the Planning Board).

YES 185

NO 49

#### ARTICLE III

To see if the Town of Allenstown will vote to amend the Allenstown Zoning Ordinances, Article XI-Supplemental Regulations, Section 1116-Regulation, to add:

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b. An Occupancy Permit shall not be issued, and occupancy shall not be allowed in any residential zone unless:

1. All necessary inspections have been performed to insure full code compliance on electrical, water, sewer, and heating systems, and

2. All exterior of the building has been substantially completed, including all doors, windows, trim and commonly recognized permanent roofing and siding materials.

c. The exterior portions of all buildings in any zone shall be substantially completed within one year from the start of construction, including all doors, windows, trim and commonly recognized permanent roofing and siding materials. The time for completion of the exterior may be extended for up to one additional year by the Building Inspector for just cause. (This article is recommended by the Planning Board).

YES 176

NO 58

**RECOUNT OF SPECIAL ELECTION 10/05/93  
on Question Number 1**

**Recount was held on 10/14/93 at the Allenstown Town Hall. Present were Edward Cyr, Town Clerk; Ernest Petrin, Moderator; and the three members of the Board of Selectmen, Dennis Fowler, Donald Coulosey and S. Michael Ortisi. Recount showed no changes.**

YES 115

NO 121