



Town of Rye

Newsletter



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March 2005

Be Sure to Vote on Tuesday, March 8

TOWN REPORTS AVAILABLE

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 25

The Annual Report of the Town of Rye for the Year 2004 will be available for pick-up on Friday, February 25, at the following locations: Town Hall, Police and Fire Stations, Rye Public Library, Recycling Center, and the Hungry Horse. If you are unable to pick up your copy at one of these locations, please call the Selectmen's Office at 964-5523 to request that one be mailed to you.

Senior SERVE Addresses Article 20, Open House, Magazine

Senior Housing

Warrant Article 20—To see if the Town will encourage town officials to work toward the objective of having a Senior Housing Community built in Rye.

This article on the March 8 ballot is advisory only. At present the town zoning code does not allow any form of multi-unit developments. The Housing Committee of Rye Senior SERVE, a non-profit volunteer organization, has done an extensive study of senior housing both in Rye and in similar communities. SERVE has drafted a proposal that would allow for 4 units per acre not to exceed 16

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SELECTMEN'S MESSAGE

Good News . . .

THE OPERATING BUDGET, the amount required to run the Town on a daily basis, was finalized at **\$6,570,714** for 2005. This figure does not contain any of this year's warrant articles.

Comparison to the 2004 Operating Budget (\$5,766,396) reveals that the 2005 Operating Budget is **\$804,318**, or **14%** higher than last year. Of this amount (\$804,318), **\$779,836** is required to make the first pay-

ment (principal and interest) on each of our two recently approved bond issues: (1) the five million dollar Conservation Bond and (2) construction of our new Rye Public Safety Building.

Here is the good news. Minus the

See Selectmen's Message, page 6

Town Clerk Issues Reminders

The **Town Election** is Tuesday, March 8. Polls are at the Elementary School on Sagamore Road and are open from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. Absentee ballots are available at this office to any voter who cannot get to the polls on Election Day. A sample ballot is included in this newsletter.

It's time to **license your dog!** Stop by our office with the dog's up-to-date rabies certificate. The fee for a spayed or neutered dog is \$6.50; non-neutered dogs are \$9.00. Puppies can be licensed for \$6.50. Dog owners over 65 years of age are able to license one dog at a reduced price of \$2.00. The deadline for getting your pet licensed is April 30.

Time once again to start thinking about going to the beach? 2005 **beach parking permits** are now available. The cost for each is \$20.00. To be eligible you must be a resident and/or a property owner in Rye. Bring the registration for the vehicle or vehicles on

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Town Museum Opens for the Season

The Rye Town Museum opens for the season on Sunday, May 1 with an interesting new exhibit in place, made possible by a grant from the Greater Piscataqua Charitable Foundation.

One room of the Museum has been transformed to tell the story of Hotels and Boarding Houses, Cabin Colonies, and Guest Houses, and the people and business that supported this important part of Rye's history. Plan to come to the Grand Opening of the exhibit, and be sure to bring your summer visitors when they come. You may be surprised to learn how long Rye has been in the tourist business.

After May 1, Museum summer hours resume—every Sat., 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

OFFICIAL BALLOT
Town of Rye
March 9, 2004

CANDIDATES FOR OFFICES

FOR SELECTMAN

for three years Vote for one
JOE MILLS

FOR TRUSTEE OF TRUST FUNDS

for two years Vote for one
KERRY S. POPE

FOR TRUSTEE OF TRUST FUNDS

for three years Vote for one
JEFFREY BALBONI

FOR LIBRARY TRUSTEE

for three years Vote for one
DEBORAH G. GENESTRETI

FOR PLANNING BOARD

for three years Vote for two
KIMBERLY REED
WILLIAM W. ZECHEL

FOR PLANNING BOARD

for two years Vote for one
MELVIN R. LOW

FOR BUDGET COMMITTEE

for three years Vote for two
ROBERT G. EATON
PAUL GOLDMAN

FOR BUDGET COMMITTEE

for one year Vote for one
MELVIN R. LOW

FOR CEMETERY TRUSTEE

for three years Vote for one
ROGER O. PHILBRICK

FOR CEMETERY TRUSTEE

for two years Vote for one
FRANK A. DRAKE

FOR SEWER COMMISSIONER

for three years Vote for one
DAVID KOHLHASE

ARTICLE 3
ZONING ORDINANCE AMENDMENT
QUESTION

Amendment 1: Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment 1, as follows: To add a new Section 202.10-a to the Zoning Ordinance as follows:

202.10-a Buffer Between Residential and Non-Residential Uses.

In circumstances where a buffer will not be provided by Section 202.10, a fifty (50) feet wide buffer, measured from the property line, shall be provided, as follows. Said buffer shall include natural or added planting of evergreens which will screen non-residential uses from residential areas during winter months.

1) New residential building or development shall provide such a buffer from an existing non-residential use not permitted by right in a residential district or the boundary of an abutting non-residential district.

2) New non-residential building or development of uses not permitted by right in a residential district shall provide such a buffer from an existing residential use. Within the Commercial District, such

a buffer is not required around a nonconforming residential use existent as of March 9, 2005.

If new residential development and new non-residential development are part of the same land development, the buffer shall be provided around the non-residential development in the residential districts and around the residential development in the non-residential districts.

☐ YES ☐ NO

Amendment 2: Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment 2, as follows:

To amend the *Official Zoning Map of the Town of Rye* to expand the Coastal Area Overlay District to include the following described area:

Beginning at Wallis Road at Parsons Creek at the current boundary of the Coastal Area District; thence along Wallis Road to the westerly boundary of Tax Map 19.4, Parcel 5; thence northerly along the boundary between Tax Map 19.0 and Tax Map 19.4 to Parsons Creek; thence along Parsons Creek to the point of beginning.

☐ YES ☐ NO

ARTICLE 4.
FLOOD PLAIN DEVELOPMENT AND
BUILDING ORDINANCE QUESTION

Amendment 1. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment 1, as follows:

Re: Adoption of new floodplain maps and flood insurance study dated May 17, 2005:

Effective May 17, 2005: To replace paragraph #2 on page 1 of the *Floodplain Development and Building Ordinance* with the following:

The following regulations in this ordinance shall apply to all lands designated as special flood hazard areas by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) in its "Flood Insurance Study for the County of Rockingham, NH" dated May 17, 2005 or as amended, together with the associated Flood Insurance Rate Maps dated May 17, 2005 or as amended, which are declared to be a part of this ordinance and are hereby incorporated by reference.

☐ YES ☐ NO

ARTICLE 5
RYE BUILDING CODE QUESTION

Amendment 1. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment 1, as follows:

To amend Section 7 of the Rye Building Code to adopt by reference the International Residential Code 2000 as published by the International Code Council, by making the following changes to Section 7.

Section 7.1 - Adoption of Nationally Recognized Codes

• Delete the reference to "The BOCA National Building Code, Twelfth Edition, 1993, as published by the Building Officials and Code Administrators International, Inc." and replace it with a reference to "The International Residential Code 2000, as published by the International Code Council."

• Delete Section 7.1.1 in its entirety. (Note: This section adopted the procedures of former RSA 674:52 for simplified procedures for adopting updates and revisions to national codes, but the Legislature repealed this statute in 2002.)

Articles 3, 4, and 5
are discussed in the
Planning Board
article on page 5,
immediately following
the ballot in this
newsletter.

A REMINDER

If you study the
ballot at home and
fill in the checklist
on the back page of
this issue, you'll
save yourself lots of
time in the voting
booth on Tuesday!
But don't forget to
take your checklist
with you. (And
don't leave it in the
voting booth!)

If you have any
questions, please
call the Selectmen's
Office, 964-5523.

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Section 7.4 - BOCA National Building Code

- Change the title of this section to "International Residential Code 2000."
 - Replace all references to "BOCA National Building Code" with references to "International Residential Code 2000."
- ☐ YES ☐ NO

ARTICLE 6

Are you in favor of the adoption of Article 6, as follows:

To see if the Town of Rye will vote to approve the cost items included in the Collective Bargaining Agreement reached between the Town of Rye Board of Selectmen and the Rye Town Employees Association affiliated with Teamsters Local 633 of New Hampshire, which calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits:

Year	Estimated Increase
2005	\$11,304
2006	\$8,647
2007	\$10,660

And further to raise and appropriate the sum of \$11,304 for the 2005 fiscal year, such sum representing the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits over the appropriation at current staffing levels in the prior fiscal year. This appropriation is in addition to the operating budget. (Majority vote required.)

THIS ARTICLE IS RECOMMENDED BY THE SELECTMEN

THIS ARTICLE IS RECOMMENDED BY THE BUDGET COMMITTEE

☐ YES ☐ NO

ARTICLE 7

Are you in favor of the adoption of Article 7, as follows:

Shall the Town of Rye, if Article 6 is defeated, authorize the governing body to call one special meeting at its option, to address Article 6 cost items only?

☐ YES ☐ NO

ARTICLE 8

Are you in favor of the adoption of Article 8, as follows:

To see if the Town of Rye will vote to approve the cost items included in the Collective Bargaining Agreement reached between the Town of Rye Board of Selectmen and the Rye Town Police Association affiliated with Teamsters Local 633 of New Hampshire, which calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits:

Year	Estimated Increase
2005	\$13,514
2006	\$5,929
2007	\$7,299

And further to raise and appropriate the sum of \$13,514 for the 2005 fiscal year, such sum representing the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits over the appropriation at current staffing levels in the prior fiscal year. This appropriation is in addition to the operating budget. (Majority vote required.)

THIS ARTICLE IS RECOMMENDED BY THE SELECTMEN

THIS ARTICLE IS RECOMMENDED BY THE BUDGET COMMITTEE

☐ YES ☐ NO

Art. 6: A Yes vote would approve the cost items included in the Collective Bargaining Agreement reached between the Board of Selectmen and The Rye Town Employees Association.

A No vote would result in the rejection of the Collective Bargaining Agreement.

Art. 7: A Yes vote would authorize a Special Town Meeting to approve cost items resulting from additional collective bargaining in the event Article 6 is defeated.

A No vote would result in no Special Town Meeting in the event Article 6 is defeated.

Art. 8: A Yes vote would approve the cost items included in the Collective Bargaining Agreement reached between the Board of Selectmen and The Rye Town Police Association.

A No vote would result in the rejection of the Collective Bargaining Agreement.

ARTICLE 9

Are you in favor of the adoption of Article 9, as follows:

Shall the Town of Rye, if Article 8 is defeated, authorize the governing body to call one special meeting, at its option, to address Article 8 cost items only?

☐ YES ☐ NO

ARTICLE 10

Are you in favor of the adoption of Article 10, as follows:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of thirty-six thousand dollars (\$36,000) for the purpose of purchasing a new three-quarter (3/4) ton pickup truck with plow for the Department of Public Works to replace a 1989 three quarter (3/4) ton pickup truck. This appropriation is in addition to the operating budget. (Majority vote required.)

THIS ARTICLE IS RECOMMENDED BY THE SELECTMEN

THIS ARTICLE IS RECOMMENDED BY THE BUDGET COMMITTEE

☐ YES ☐ NO

ARTICLE 11

Are you in favor of the adoption of Article 11, as follows:

To see if the Town will vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of site geo-technical investigation, site permitting, design fees, and construction of a salt/sand storage building adjacent to the existing Public Works Facility, and to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000) to be placed in that fund and to designate the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend. This appropriation is in addition to the operating budget. (Majority vote required.)

THIS ARTICLE IS RECOMMENDED BY THE SELECTMEN

THIS ARTICLE IS RECOMMENDED BY THE BUDGET COMMITTEE

☐ YES ☐ NO

ARTICLE 12

Are you in favor of the adoption of Article 12, as follows:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000) to be added to the Town Employees Accumulated Leave Fund established pursuant to RSA 31:19-a by Article 14 of the 1990 Rye Town Meeting. The Town Employees Accumulated Leave Fund pays severance benefits to Town Employees in accordance with the Town's Personnel Policy. This appropriation is in addition to the operating budget. (Majority vote required.)

THIS ARTICLE IS RECOMMENDED BY THE SELECTMEN

THIS ARTICLE IS RECOMMENDED BY THE BUDGET COMMITTEE

☐ YES ☐ NO

ARTICLE 13

Are you in favor of the adoption of Article 13, as follows:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) to be added to the Fire Truck Capital Reserve Fund established by Town vote in 1965. This appropriation is in addition to the operating budget.

Art. 9: A Yes vote would authorize a Special Town Meeting to approve cost items resulting from additional collective bargaining in the event Article 8 is defeated.

A No vote would result in no Special Town Meeting in the event Article 8 is defeated.

Art. 10: A Yes vote would allow the purchase of a new 3/4-ton pickup truck for Public Works to replace a 1989 pickup truck.

A No vote would not allow the purchase.

Art. 11: A Yes vote would establish a Capital Reserve Fund for a future salt/sand storage building on Public Works land and appropriate \$25,000 for the fund.

A No vote would not establish the fund or appropriate any money.

Art. 12: A Yes vote would add \$20,000 to the Town Employees Accumulated Leave Fund, which pays severance benefits to Town employees.

A No vote would add no money this year.

Art. 13: A Yes vote would add \$10,000 to the Fire Truck Capital Reserve Fund.

A No vote would add no money this year.

(Majority vote required.)

**THIS ARTICLE IS RECOMMENDED BY
THE SELECTMEN**

**THIS ARTICLE IS RECOMMENDED BY
THE BUDGET COMMITTEE**

☐ YES ☐ NO

ARTICLE 14

Are you in favor of the adoption of Article 14, as follows:

To see if the Town will vote to establish an Expendable Trust Fund under the provisions of RSA 31:19-a, for the purpose of creating a maintenance fund for the Rye Public Library Building and to raise and appropriate the sum of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) to be placed in this fund, and to designate the Library Trustees as agents to expend. This appropriation is in addition to the operating budget. (Majority vote required.)

**THIS ARTICLE IS RECOMMENDED BY
THE SELECTMEN**

**THIS ARTICLE IS RECOMMENDED BY
THE BUDGET COMMITTEE**

☐ YES ☐ NO

ARTICLE 15

Are you in favor of the adoption of Article 15, as follows:

Shall we adopt the provisions of RSA 31:95-c to restrict one hundred percent (100%) (approximately \$18,000 this year) of revenues from National Grid Communications, Inc. (GridCom), owner of the cell tower (on Johnson Lane, off Grove Road) to expenditures for the purpose of purchasing a new Town Ambulance when needed. Such revenue and expenditures shall be accounted for in a special revenue fund to be known as the **NEW AMBULANCE VEHICLE FUND**, separate from the general fund? Any surplus in said fund shall not be deemed part of the general fund accumulated surplus and shall be expended only after a vote of the legislative body to appropriate a specific amount from said fund for a specific purpose related to the purpose of the fund or source of the revenue. (Majority vote required.)

**THIS ARTICLE IS RECOMMENDED BY
THE SELECTMEN**

**THIS ARTICLE IS RECOMMENDED BY
THE BUDGET COMMITTEE**

☐ YES ☐ NO

ARTICLE 16

Are you in favor of the adoption of Article 16, as follows:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of forty-five thousand dollars (\$45,000) for the purpose of purchasing a new Municipal Fire Alarm Radio Receiver to replace the current failed system, which is over 25 years old. This appropriation is in addition to the operating budget. (Majority vote required.)

**THIS ARTICLE IS RECOMMENDED BY
THE SELECTMEN**

**THIS ARTICLE IS RECOMMENDED BY
THE BUDGET COMMITTEE**

☐ YES ☐ NO

ARTICLE 17

Are you in favor of the adoption of Article 17, as follows:

(By petition) To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one thousand dollars (\$1000) for the Child Advocacy Center of Rockingham County

Art. 14: A Yes vote would would establish an Expendable Trust Fund for maintenance of the library and appropriate \$5,000 for the fund.

A No vote would not establish the fund or appropriate any money.

Art. 15: A Yes vote would apply all funds received each year from GridCom's cell tower toward the purchase of a new ambulance rather than putting the revenue into the general fund.

A No vote would apply all GridCom's revenues to the general fund.

Art. 16: A Yes vote would allow the purchase of a new Municipal Fire Alarm Radio Receiver to replace the current failed 25-year-old system.

A No vote would not allow the purchase.

Art. 17: A Yes vote would give support to the agency providing professional child abuse experts to the police department when needed.

A No vote would not send support to this agency.

for the purpose of assisting the Rye Police Department in the coordination and investigation of child abuse cases. (Majority vote required.)

**THIS ARTICLE IS RECOMMENDED BY
THE SELECTMEN**

**THIS ARTICLE IS RECOMMENDED BY
THE BUDGET COMMITTEE**

☐ YES ☐ NO

ARTICLE 18

Are you in favor of the adoption of Article 18, as follows:

(By Petition) To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of two hundred dollars (\$200) to help support the programs of the Adult Tutorial Program, which provides free, one-on-one instruction in basic reading, writing, math skills, and English as a second language to residents of Rockingham County. (Majority vote required.)

**THIS ARTICLE IS RECOMMENDED BY
THE SELECTMEN**

**THIS ARTICLE IS RECOMMENDED BY
THE BUDGET COMMITTEE**

☐ YES ☐ NO

ARTICLE 19

Are you in favor of the adoption of Article 19, as follows:

Shall the Town 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 six million five hundred seventy thousand seven hundred fourteen dollars (\$6,570,714). Should this article be defeated, the operating budget shall be six million four hundred thirty-six thousand nine hundred eighty dollars (\$6,436,980), which is the same as last year with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Town or by law, or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13, X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only. (Majority vote required.)

NOTE: This warrant article does not include appropriations in ANY other warrant article.

☐ YES ☐ NO

ARTICLE 20

Are you in favor of the adoption of Article 20, as follows:

To see if the Town will vote to encourage town officials to work toward the objective of having a Senior Housing Retirement Community built in Rye.

☐ YES ☐ NO

ARTICLE 21

Are you in favor of the adoption of Article 21, as follows:

To see if the Town will vote to relinquish/extinguish the road easement on the residential lot owned by Anthony S. Manfredi and Sally M. Manfredi at 22 Hunter's Run, Tax Map 11, Lot 97. (This easement was created in 1987 and was intended to provide future street access from Hunter's Run into adjacent land to the north of the Hunter's Run Subdivision.)

☐ YES ☐ NO

Art. 18: A Yes vote would appropriate \$200 to support a non-profit program that supplies books and volunteer tutors for adults having difficulties with basic skills.

A No vote would not appropriate the money.

Art. 19: A Yes vote would appropriate \$6,570,714 to adequately fund the Town's operating budget.

A No vote would not fund the 2005 Operating Budget as proposed by the Selectmen and Budget Committee, but rather, would result in the adoption of a default budget of \$6,436,980.

Art. 21: A Yes vote would remove the road easement on a residential lot. It now appears that such a road would never be developed.

A No vote would not allow removing the easement.

ARTICLE 22

Are you in favor of the adoption of Article 22, as follows:

To see if the Town will vote to designate the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend from the Capital Reserve Fund known as the **Foss Graveyard Trust Fund** established by Article 14 at the 1996 Town Meeting.

☐ YES ☐ NO

ARTICLE 23

Are you in favor of the adoption of Article 23, as follows:

(By petition) To see if the Town will vote to consider to replace some chemical street spraying for mosquito control with the use of dragonflies.

☐ YES ☐ NO

ARTICLE 24

Are you in favor of the adoption of Article 24, as follows:

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to sell to the highest bidder at public auction, or sealed bid, such surplus Town equipment as is not traded in on new equipment in 2005.

☐ YES ☐ NO

Art. 23: A Yes vote would encourage the Town to consider using dragonflies to control mosquitos to reduce some chemical spraying.

A No vote would maintain the procedures now in place.

Art. 24: A Yes vote would allow the Selectmen to return funds to the town by selling surplus equipment.

A No vote would mean the town couldn't dispose of surplus equipment.

Rye Historic District Commission Report

A revised HDC application for Certification of Approval for work proposed within the Historic District is being drafted and will be submitted for approval in March. The intention of the revision is for more detailed clarification of requests to speed up the process without unnecessary delays.

The HDC currently has a full slate of members and alternates, only one of whom lives in the Historic District.

Under consideration is holding meetings as need arises rather than every other month. Very often meetings are held more frequently. All meetings are posted at the Town Hall, Library, and Post Office. The public is encouraged to attend.

The HDC does not have jurisdiction over town-owned property. However, at a recent meeting with the HDC, the Rye Public Safety Building co-chairman said they will be receptive to Commission concerns and suggestions regarding exterior aspects of the facility (such as landscaping and lighting) as construction of the facility progresses.

At the meeting of the Board of Selectmen on January 24, Chairman Mills stated that the Safety Building Committee should get a mockup of the sign to be placed on the construction site and consult the HDC for approval. The gesture by the BOS to include the HDC is appreciated.

Jane Holway, Chairman

Recreation Commission

The Recreation Commission plays an important role in providing programs and services to Rye residents. It is a volunteer board that meets monthly. The meetings are open to the public and your attendance is welcomed. Commissioners are Gregg Mikolaities (Chairperson), Stephen King, Vicki Loring, Paul Mackey, Janet Stevens, and Jim Sullivan.

If you are interested in serving as a commissioner you are encouraged to submit a letter of interest to the Board of Selectmen. When an opening is available all letters on file will be considered.

Master Plan Work Moving Ahead

The Long-Range Planning Committee is making good progress toward updating the Town's Master Plan. We have held three Visioning Forums to expand and verify the survey data from three years ago. Two were held this past fall in the Jr. High School covering a wide variety of subjects important to town planning. The third and final forum, on February 23, addressed the Town Center, Historic District, and implementation of the new ideas through zoning and funding.

The forums provide the base for the Master Plan: now the work needs to be done to actually write it down. To assist with writing the Master Plan and in recognition of the quality of our work to date, the town has been rewarded with a federal matching grant. With this money we have contracted with the Rockingham Planning Commission to review our current Master Plan and to draft the chapters on Land Use, Housing, Natural Resources, and Transportation.

While this is going on, we are applying for another grant to help complete the remaining chapters and any additional work that the plan may require. We have been told that our chances for this grant are very good.

The Steering Committee would like to thank everyone for their participation in this process. It has been a long process and we appreciate your patience and effort. We hope to have a draft for your review by the next Town Newsletter and a completed document by March, 2006.

Land Development Amendments for March 8

Articles 3, 4, and 5 appearing on this year's warrant relate to land development. The Planning Board has held public hearings on these and recommends that all be approved.

1. Article 3 Amendment 1 extends the requirement for a buffer between commercial and residential uses of land in any new development. This provides additional protection beyond the current zoning for developments where residential use will abut commercial use.

2. Article 3 Amendment 2 extends the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) designation for the Federal Flood Insurance to include additional homes and properties in Rye. The Planning Board recommends this to ensure that all of Rye's properties in the flood plain are eligible for federally subsidized flood insurance rates.

3. Article 4 will adopt the new FEMA maps as of May 17, 2005. This is required to have federally subsidized insurance rates in Rye continued after that date.

4. One of the little known responsibilities of the Planning Board is the Building Code. **Article 5** is to update our "Rye Building Code" to the current international code for residential construction (International Residential Code 2000, replacing the old BOCA code). This change is recommended by the Town Building Inspector as well as the Planning Board.

Bob Brown
Chairman, Rye Planning Board

Selectmen's Message *Continued from page 1*

bond payments, the balance of the \$804,318 is **\$24,482**. This amount represents **0.4%** of the 2005 Operating Budget, composed primarily of mandated increases in health, retirement, and salary (2.5%) costs for non-union employees and the Rye Professional Fire Fighters Union with whom we are still in negotiations.

Hopefully, it will be apparent to readers that the budget was carefully scrutinized and trimmed in order to achieve this result.

A breakdown of the impact of approval of each money Warrant Article to be voted on March 8, 2005, based on Rye's current valuation (\$1,128,543,020), is as follows:

	Affect on tax rate per \$1000
Article 6. Collective Bargaining Agreement/ Town Employees Assoc.	\$0.01
Article 8. Collective Bargaining Agreement/ Rye Town Police Assoc.	\$0.01
Article 10. Three quarter ton pickup/ Public Works	\$0.03
Article 11. Establish Capital Reserve/ sand/salt shed	\$0.02
Article 12. Add \$20,000 to Town Employee Accumulated Leave Fund	\$0.02
Article 13. Add \$10,000 to Fire Truck Capital Reserve Fund	\$0.01
Article 14. Establish Expendable Trust Fund for Maintenance/Library	\$0.004
Article 15. Cell tower revenue to Special Revenue Fund	No effect on Tax Rate
Article 16. Municipal Fire Alarm Radio Receiver to replace failed system	\$0.04
Article 17. \$1000 for Child Advocacy Center/Rockingham County	\$0.001
Article 18. \$200 for Adult Tutorial Program/ reading, writing, math, ESL	\$0.0002

At the Deliberative Session, only two articles resulted in prolonged discussion. **Article 15** is a Selectmen's article. If approved, it will create a special revenue fund to receive all revenue from the GridCom-owned cell tower off Grove Road for the purpose of purchasing a new ambulance when that time arrives. The idea, as put forth for your consideration, is to enable the Town to save in advance (avoiding a tax jolt) for this "big ticket" item that some call the best investment you hope you'll never need. Currently, the annual estimated cell tower income is \$18,000. A new ambulance is in the \$100,000 range.

Article 23 is a petitioned article that asks the Town to consider replacing some chemical street spraying (adulticiding) with the use of dragonflies. An attempt to remove the word "some" was defeated at the Deliberative Session.

Currently, the major portion of our mosquito control budget is designated for larviciding, the process that places biological control agents in vernal pools, catch

basins, and other known mosquito breeding locations. Also, marsh restoration projects, through the efforts of both the Mosquito Control Commission and the Rye Conservation Commission, have restored proper flow of tidal water and habitat for larvae-eating minnows to many acres of tidal marsh. Rye's mosquito problem should never be compared with inland towns since salt-water mosquitoes breed more frequently than do fresh-water mosquitoes.

Street spraying provides only temporary relief because it kills only mosquitoes on the wing and within the reach of the spray. It is used only when conditions are appropriate. A "no spray" request form will be in the June newsletter.

Recently, the Board of Selectmen accepted with regret the resignation of Richard Curry as Chairman of the Mosquito Commission. Charles Arcidiacono was appointed a member of the Commission to fill the vacancy. Tom Aspinwall currently serves as Chairman.

Over the past few months, the work of this office has concentrated on financial matters associated with preparation of the 2004 financial reports for audit and preparation of the 2005 proposed budget and Warrant Articles for the Budget Committee and the Deliberative Session, all routine activities. This year was different in one major respect. Rye is one of a number of towns in the "third tier" to be brought into compliance with GASB-34, the recently mandated federal accounting system. When our auditors arrived in January we learned that, due to the increased volume of their work as well as ours due to GASB, we will not have a completed audit in time for the printing deadline of the Annual Report. They will provide a substantial amount of the report but we will not have it in its totality until June when we will make copies available to the public.

On another note, you may be interested to learn that the Selectmen are working with a group of citizens to further develop community communications. Susan Rizkalla and Mike Schwartz are heading a **Rye Communications Committee** dedicated to improving communications. They have considerable enthusiasm and have initiated investigation into several different areas.

From their most recent report: "We have determined that Comcast is obligated per our town contract to publicize town messages within 24 hours of our request. There are several ways this could be accomplished and we are currently working with Comcast to identify the best solution for Rye. Our initial goal is to provide meeting announcements on Channel 22, at set times during the week." Although development of any new program will require time to work out the details, the possibilities are exciting.

Board of Selectmen
Joseph G. Mills, Jr., Chairman
John W. Moynahan, Vice Chairman
Priscilla V. Jenness

Assessing Office Discusses Property Valuations

The Assessing office would like to remind property owners that the tax bills will be in the mail this Spring.

For most taxpayers, the valuation is one half of last Fall's bill. Exceptions are those properties where building construction has taken place on previously vacant land or where structures on improved land were demolished and replaced by new. The Spring bill for such will reflect the status of the construction as of April 1, 2005. Also included will be revisions to update or correct data brought about by State requirement to re-measure and re-inspect one-quarter of the buildings in Town each year over a four-year cycle. That ongoing process commenced in 2003 and will continue annually. Updates will be shown on this first bill for those properties that were visited. Should the owner disagree with the assessment, the appeal period commences upon receipt of the Fall tax bill up to March 1, 2006.

In the upcoming months the State Department of Revenue Administration (DRA) will be conducting an assessment review for the Town of Rye. Random properties will be chosen that the State will re-measure and re-inspect for accuracy. Dates have not been set yet but are expected sometime after March 2005. Please call the office for further information after that date.

Another State requirement is that property valuations must be maintained as close to fair market value as possible. This will require the assessing office to update assessments periodically, commencing with the 2005 tax year. Following market analysis, the valuation adjustments will become effective with the Fall 2005 tax bill.

We would also like to inform persons eligible to apply for the Elderly exemption that the application is available at the Assessor's office and must be submitted by August 1, 2005. The applicant must be at least 65

Town Clerk Issues Reminders

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which you want to place a permit.

We introduced E-Reg in September of last year. This makes it possible for you to renew your motor vehicle registrations over the internet. Just go to the town's website (www.ryenh.com), and scroll down until you see a New Hampshire number plate with the word "E-Reg" on it. Many who have tried it have told us it's very easy. Of course, you are still welcome to renew your registrations by mail or in person at our office.

Our office is open Monday through Friday from 8 am to 4:30 pm. Feel free to call us with any questions at 964-8562.

Jane Ireland
Town Clerk/Tax Collector

"OUR TOWN DAY" — Sat. June 4

Plans are under way for a NEW and EXCITING "Our Town Day"!

It is too early to announce the complete schedule of events, so keep looking for signs and flyers! Those who have enjoyed "Our Town Days" over the years will be sure to return! Those of you who haven't experienced an "Our Town Day"...don't miss it this year!

Community participation is a must! If you want to volunteer, please call 436-6839. "Our Town Day" is sponsored by Rye Lions.

years of age as of April 1 of this year and have been a resident of New Hampshire for the prior five years. Income limitations are \$40,000.00 for a single person, \$59,900.00 for married, and total assets not in excess of \$199,000.00 exclusive of the residence. (You do *not* need to reapply annually.)

The values and property information are available to you online. It is updated four times a year. Please visit <http://data.visionappraisal.com/rye.nh/> or call the office at 964-5523 if we can help you.

Howard Promer, Rye Assessor
Heather Austin, Assessing Clerk

Senior Serve

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units in any one place. Now is the time, working with town officials, to locate available sites that could be used for pleasant, comfortable housing for seniors.

Open House & Magazine

SERVE is sponsoring two "coming out" events in March—and they're just the beginning.

The first is on Wednesday, March 9, starting at 1 p.m. On that day SERVE will kick off a weekly series of two-hour "Open House" events in the lower-level meeting room of the Rye Library. All Rye seniors are welcome and encouraged to attend. The Wednesday gatherings will continue weekly throughout the year (except on days when the schools are closed because of weather).

And on Friday, March 18, SERVE will launch a series of weekly meetings, also starting at 1 p.m. and also at the Rye Library, with the goal of starting a monthly online magazine by Rye seniors. No experience in writing or computing is necessary.

Help Needed

Volunteers still are needed for as little as one half-hour of phone calling from home on one day each week on one project or for about three hours one morning a month on another project.

Under the Daily Call program, reassurance calls are made each morning to seniors living at home alone. More callers are required as the list of seniors grows.

Under the Transportation program, a SERVE van takes seniors to a mall for shopping and/or banking each Tuesday morning. Helpers for food shopping and bundle carrying are needed on an every two-to-three week basis. With more volunteers it would likely be a once-a-month need or less. For details please call 964-8401.

Both programs provide important services for our seniors and help them maintain their independence.

Fire Chief: Beware of Carbon Monoxide Posioning!

The Rye Fire Department has had a busy winter responding to fire and medical emergencies. This year we have seen a number of incidences where there have been significant levels of the deadly gas carbon monoxide (CO). Every year this odorless and colorless gas kills several hundred people in the United States. You can't see or smell carbon monoxide, but at high levels it can kill a person in minutes. Carbon monoxide is produced whenever any fuel such as gas, oil, kerosene, wood, or charcoal is burned. If appliances that burn fuel are maintained and used properly, the amount of CO produced is usually not hazardous. However, if appliances are not working properly or are used incorrectly, dangerous levels of CO can result. Hundreds of people die accidentally every year from CO poisoning caused by malfunctioning or improperly used fuel-burning appliances. Even more die from CO produced by idling cars. Be safe. **Install a carbon monoxide detector** and practice the DO's and DON'Ts of carbon monoxide:

If you experience symptoms that you think could be from CO poisoning (dizziness, fatigue, headache, nausea, irregular breathing):

Do get fresh air immediately. Open doors and windows, turn off combustion appliances and leave the house.

Do call 9-1-1 and seek medical attention. Tell the Fire Department you suspect CO poisoning. If CO poisoning has occurred, it can often be diagnosed by a blood test done soon after exposure at a local emergency room.

Do be prepared to answer the following questions for the Fire Department:

- Do your symptoms occur only in the house? Do they disappear or decrease when you leave home and reappear when you return?
- Is anyone else in your household complaining of similar symptoms? Did everyone's symptoms appear about the same time?
- Are you using any fuel-burning appliances in the home?
- Has anyone inspected your appliances lately? Are you certain they are working properly?

Prevention is the Key to Avoiding Carbon Monoxide Poisoning:

Police Chief Warns Residents of Scams

In January we were called by an alert resident who feared an elderly neighbor was being scammed for tree work. When Officer Peirce went to the home he recognized the "contractor" as a "shady character" with whom we had dealt several times previously. After speaking with the officer, this "contractor" decided he could finish the work for about half the original price. In this case the victim was lucky to have a concerned neighbor.

Spring is a prime time for home-repair scams. These scam artists tend to target older homeowners living in homes that, from the road, may appear to need some work. These door-to-door "salespeople" are trained to convince a person they need repairs to their roof, driveway, or chimney. They will usually tell the victim that since they are already working in the area they can offer a great deal. These unscrupulous contractors will then pressure the victim for a deposit. Here are some warning signs:

- Door-to-door sales
- The salesperson treats you like an old friend
- Contractor says he/she is already working in the area
- He/she appears to be an expert by pointing out flaws
- He/she says they have materials left over from another job
- Cash only or cash deposit

Do have your fuel-burning appliances—including oil and gas furnaces, gas water heaters, gas ranges and ovens, gas dryers, gas or kerosene space heaters, fireplaces, and wood stoves—inspected by a trained professional at the beginning of every heating season. Make certain that the flues and chimneys are connected, in good condition, and not blocked.

Do choose appliances that vent their fumes to the outside whenever possible, have them properly installed, and maintain them according to manufacturers' instructions.

Do read and follow all of the instructions that accompany any fuel-burning device.

Don't idle the car in a garage—even if the garage door is open. Fumes can build up very quickly in the garage and living area of your home.

- He/she creates a sense of urgency

If you are faced with any one of these situations just stop to take a time-out. The repairs to your roof or driveway can probably wait a few days or weeks (if they even need to be done at all). Ask the salesperson for a business card and references and explain that you may contact them when you are ready to have the work done. If they pressure you, tell them they are making you uncomfortable and that you are going to call the police. Do not let these people in your house. Sometimes they will distract you while another member of their "team" steals from you. After they leave, talk to friends, family, and neighbors about the repairs. If you still want the work done, get referrals or call several contractors listed in the phonebook. If you call the Police Department, we will do what we can to help.

In February Officer Matt Boc left for the Dover Police Department after serving Rye for just over two years. He was a good young officer and will be missed. He specialized in motor vehicle enforcement, which contributed to keeping our roads safe.

Speaking of safe roads, pedestrians and bicyclists will be taking to the roads as the good weather arrives. Please drive with care.

Alan Gould
Chief of Police

Don't use a gas oven to heat your home, even for a short time.

Don't ever use a charcoal grill indoors—even in a fireplace.

Don't sleep in any room with an unvented gas or kerosene space heater.

Don't use any gasoline-powered engines (mowers, weed trimmers, snow blowers, chain saws, small engines or generators) in enclosed spaces.

Don't ignore symptoms, particularly if more than one person is feeling them. You could lose consciousness and die if you do nothing.

If you suspect you may be experiencing a carbon monoxide problem, no matter how small, and you would like us to check your residence with a CO meter, please call the Fire Station at 964-6411. Thank you and be safe as we go from winter into spring!

Richard O'Brien, Fire Chief

Rye Public Library Schedule Announced

Friends of the Rye Public Library

Friends are a necessary part of life for institutions as well as individuals. Support and recognition are important elements of any friendship. The Friends of the Rye Public Library (FRPL) have been the Library's best pals. They help us realize a higher potential of library service beyond taxpayer support, thus increase our value without increasing taxpayer contributions. The FRPL has raised funds for projects and acquisitions in excess of the general Library's budget. In 2004, the FRPL purchased three laptop computers with wireless capabilities for public use, sponsored many programs of local interest, and helped purchase discount passes to area museums and art institutions. By being a member of the FRPL each Friend is a walking public relations vehicle for the Library, and the group is living proof of the Library's value to the community.

Join and be a Friend. The Friends of the Rye Public Library help educate the community about the needs of the Library as well as its resources and facilities. Your annual dues help the Friends provide this vital support. Our Friends support the Library by doing special projects and fund raising, and much, much more. Friends meetings are the second Tuesday of the month at 7 p.m. at the Library.

UPCOMING FRIENDS PROGRAMS Speaker Series

Thursday, March 17 at 7 p.m.: *Save Our Shores* with Ms. Dudley Dudley. This is the last in the winter speaker series.

Meet the Authors

Thursday, March 24 from 4 p.m.–6 p.m.: Meet the Author and Book Signing of Marianne Pernold Young's latest book of photography, *From Farm to Market*. Photographs from this book will be exhibited in the Community Room from March 24–April 12.

Thursday, March 31 from 4 p.m.–6 p.m.: Meet the Author and Book Signing of *Celebration of the Bounty of the Harvest* by Jim Stadt and Jonathan

King, owners of Stonewall Kitchen.

In late spring or early summer the Friends will sponsor a *Children's Book and Bake Sale*. The date and time will be advertised in the near future.

Friends Volunteer Opportunities

While the Friends are always looking for volunteers for a variety of projects and programs, there is a special need for help with designing and producing posters and flyers. So anyone with this computer expertise can contact Library Director Gary Mason at 964-8401.

March is Senior Month at the Library

Two ambitious undertakings are ready for takeoff. The first is an "Open House" starting March 9 and continuing every Wednesday thereafter from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. in the Library's Community Room. Attendees will decide what type of mini-senior center activities they would like to have as the weeks roll out. The second on Fridays from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m., beginning March 18, is the formation of a monthly online magazine for seniors. No experience in writing, photography, editing, art, or with computers is necessary. The adviser will be Rye resident Jack Driscoll, who previously was Boston Globe Editor and now is with the MIT Media Lab. Jack hopes March will, for seniors, come in and go out like a lion.

Monthly Film Club

Due to the success of the film series *Images in Movies*, a survey was conducted among the series participants. With over 25 responses to the survey, Carol Glaser, discussion leader and Gary Mason, Library Director, will host a monthly Film Club at the Library on the fourth Monday of each month at 1 p.m. The first meeting on the Film Club will be on February 28. The first movie to be shown and discussed will be *Mickey and Nicky*, starring John Cassavetes and Peter Falk and directed by Elaine May. This film has been recognized as one of the best films of the 1970s and is described as a "neglected wonder" by *NY Times* film critic Dave Kehr. *Mickey and Nicky* is a crime thriller

highlighted by the extraordinary acting of Cassavetes and Falk. Ms. Glaser will use the film to kick off an exploration of what makes acting good and/or what makes it bad.

Need Knitting Help?

Each Wednesday between 10 a.m.–11 a.m., Mary Smith is available at the Library to help you solve your knitting problems.

Need Tax Help?

There is tax help at the Library every Tuesday between 2 p.m.–6 p.m. until April 12.

Community Read

The Rye Public Library will be hosting a community read of *Island Boy*, a picture book by author/illustrator Barbara Cooney on March 1 at 6:30 p.m. All Rye town citizens are invited and encouraged to attend and join in the reading.

Through the eyes of a young boy who grows to be a man, the reader experiences life on a coastal island. *Island Boy* is a celebration of family and traditional values without false sentimentality.

After the reading, participants will be able to discuss the book and enjoy refreshments. There also will be arts and crafts related to the book. For more information call the Library.

Book Discussion Group

The Library's Book Discussion Group meets the third Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m. All are welcome to attend.

March 15—*Pride and Prejudice* by Jane Austen

April 19—*The No. 1 Ladies' Detective Agency* by Alexander McCall Smith

May 17—*The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn* by Mark Twain

June 21—*The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time* by Mark Haddon

Please visit the Library's web page for additional goings-on. Also, the Library can provide you with a password so that you can request, reserve, and renew materials online. Please feel free to email us with your suggestions and comments.

Town of Rye Board Meetings

March 2005

Sunday Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday Saturday

		1	2 4:30 pm, Planning Board, Long Range Planning 7 pm, Zoning Board of Adjustment	3	4	5
6	7 6:30 pm, Board of Selectmen 4 pm, Water District 60 Engineers	8 TOWN ELECTION 8 am-7 pm Rye Seniority 7 pm, Planning Board	9	10 7 pm, Open Space Comm. at Library	11	12
13	14 9 am, Sewer Commission	15 6:30 pm, Rec Comm., Rec Modular	16 7 pm, Historic District Comm. 6:30 pm, School Board, Rye Jr. High	17 7 pm, Conservation Commission	18	19
20 First Day of Spring	21 6:30 pm, Board of Selectmen	22	23	24	25 Good Friday Rites	26

27 Easter Sunday	28	29 7 pm, Planning Board, Tech. Review Committee	30	31	April 2005	
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3 Daylight Saving Time Begins	4 6:30 pm, Board of Selectmen 4 pm, Water District 60 Engineers	5 6:30 pm, Rec Comm., Rec Modular	6 4:30 pm, Planning Board, Long Range Planning 7 pm, Zoning Board of Adjustment	7	8	9
10	11 9 am, Sewer Commission	12 7 pm, Planning Board	13	14 7 pm, Open Space Committee at Library	15	16
17	18 6:30 pm, Board of Selectmen	19	20 6:30 pm, School Board, Rye Jr. High	21 7 pm, Conservation Commission	22	23
24 Easter	25	26 7 pm, Planning Board, Tech. Review Committee	27	28	29	30

May 2005

1	2 6:30 pm, Board of Selectmen 4 pm, Water District 60 Engineers	3 6:30 pm, Rec Comm., Rec Modular	4 4:30 pm, Planning Board, Long Range Planning 7 pm, Zoning Board of Adjustment	5	6	7
8 Mother's Day	9 9 am, Sewer Commission	10 7 pm, Planning Board	11	12 7 pm, Open Space Committee at Library	13	14
15	16 6:30 pm, Board of Selectmen	17	18 6:30 pm, School Board, Rye Jr. High	19 7 pm, Conservation Commission	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30 Memorial Day Town offices closed	31 6:30 pm, Board of Selectmen 7 pm, Planning Board, Tech. Review Comm.	Selectmen's meetings are held in the Rye Public Library Meeting Room (unless noted otherwise) at 1581 Washington Road. Other board meetings are held at Rye Town Hall, 10 Central Rd., unless otherwise noted. Board meeting schedules are subject to change, check the bulletin board at Town Hall for up-to-date information.			

Additional Club Meetings: Rye Lions Club, first Wednesday every month, 7 pm at the Library. Friends of the Library, 1st Tuesday every month, 7 pm at the Library.

Rye Water District to Hold Annual Meeting

Annual Meeting

The Rye Water District's Annual Meeting will be held on Saturday, March 26 at 10 a.m. at the Rye Junior High School. Items on the agenda include:

- a warrant article to authorize the expenditure of the residual of the bond approved in 2004 (details below).
- warrant articles to raise and appropriate the sums of \$50,000; \$5,000; and \$5,000 to be placed in the District's existing capital reserve fund (details below).
- election of a Commissioner (3 yr term).
- election of a Moderator (2 yr term).
- to see if the District will vote to raise funds to defray the Water District charges for the ensuing year.

Projects

We would like to use the residual \$61,072 remaining from the bond approved in the 2004 warrant for extension of the water system on Garland Road for the following projects:

Replacement of the water system from the intersection of LaMer Drive and Washington Road. Any residual remaining after completion of the LaMer Drive project to be applied to either or both of the following projects: (1) replacement of the water system on Odiorne Drive; (2) connection of the water system between the current termination on Cole Noyes Avenue, and the existing main on Route 1A, by installation of a new main.

Capital Reserve Funds

We would like the District to vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$50,000 to be placed in the existing capital reserve fund established for the purpose of replacing the District's existing distribution system's buildings and equipment.

Public Safety Building—A Status Report

As reported in the December Newsletter, the contract for the construction of the new Rye Public Safety Building at 555 Washington Road in the Rye Town Center was awarded to the low bidder, Horne Construction Company of Rochester, NH, for a fixed-price lump-sum construction cost of \$2,931,385. A modest formal groundbreaking ceremony involving the Selectmen, the Police Chief, the Fire Chief, representatives from HKT Architects, Horne Construction, members of the RPSB Committee, the Clerk-of-the-Works, the press, and other interested people took place on December 9, 2004.

Work has been progressing as portions of the site have been cleared, the General Contractor mobilized, the construction trailer installed and made operational, excavation commenced, and materials delivered to the site.

The "hose tower" portion of the existing fire station has been demolished and removed to help expedite the excavation for the deep foundation wall on the western end of the new building. Major excavation and foundation construction started in mid-February, and townspeople are becoming more aware that a serious building project is underway in the center of their Town. Once the foundations are complete, the day-by-day physical progress on the building will become more obvious. The Project Team, including representatives of HKT, Horne, the RPSB Project Manager, and the Clerk-of-the-Works, meets weekly

and other times as required, at the job site, to monitor progress and to resolve any issues as they arise.

As reported earlier, the building structural system is being built with the potential of providing several thousand square feet of additional floor space, on the level above the fire apparatus bay, to satisfy possible future needs of other Town organizations or operations.

The construction sequence is expected to be: (1) complete the whole of the new building; (2) move the Fire Department operation into the new building; (3) demolish the existing fire station; (4) complete the site work on the site of the razed fire station, including the creation of landscaped green space and a visitors' parking lot; and finally (5) relocate the Police Department into their new quarters in the new building. The construction contract calls for a fixed duration for this project, with the building to be complete by December 2005.

After many years of concerted effort, and the continuing support and encouragement of the Selectmen and residents, the members of the RPSB Committee are eager to see the conclusion of their work as this new building provides the Police, Fire, and Emergency Services personnel with better facilities with which to better serve the public safety needs of the people of the Town of Rye.

Victor D. Azzi, Project Manager
Rye Public Safety Building

We would like the District to vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000 to be placed in the existing capital reserve fund established to meet the costs of unanticipated expenses during the fiscal year.

We would like the District to vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000 to be placed in the District's existing capital reserve fund estab-

lished for the purpose of purchase, repair, modification, or replacement of equipment and buildings that support operation of the water distribution system.

Hydrants

Thank you to those residents who assisted us with snow removal around the fire hydrants this winter. Your efforts did not go unnoticed!

My Voting Notes

Selectman, 3 years (1)

Trustee of Trust Funds, 2 years (1)

Trustee of Trust Funds, 3 years (1)

Library Trustee, 3 years (1)

Planning Board, 3 years (2)

Planning Board, 2 years (1)

Budget Committee, 3 years (2)

Budget Committee, 1 year (1)

Cemetery Trustee, 3 years (1)

Cemetery Trustee, 2 years (1)

Sewer Commissioner, 3 years (1)

Article 3.

Amendment 1 ☐ Yes ☐ No

Amendment 2 ☐ Yes ☐ No

Article 4. ☐ Yes ☐ No

Article 5. ☐ Yes ☐ No

Article 6. ☐ Yes ☐ No

Article 7. ☐ Yes ☐ No

Article 8. ☐ Yes ☐ No

Article 9. ☐ Yes ☐ No

Article 10. ☐ Yes ☐ No

Article 11. ☐ Yes ☐ No

Article 12. ☐ Yes ☐ No

Article 13. ☐ Yes ☐ No

Article 14. ☐ Yes ☐ No

Article 15. ☐ Yes ☐ No

Article 16. ☐ Yes ☐ No

Article 17. ☐ Yes ☐ No

Article 18. ☐ Yes ☐ No

Article 19. ☐ Yes ☐ No

Article 20. ☐ Yes ☐ No

Article 21. ☐ Yes ☐ No

Article 22. ☐ Yes ☐ No

Article 23. ☐ Yes ☐ No

Article 24. ☐ Yes ☐ No

SCHOOL ELECTION

School Board Member (2)

Article 1. ☐ Yes ☐ No

Article 2. ☐ Yes ☐ No

Article 3. ☐ Yes ☐ No

Article 4. ☐ Yes ☐ No

ELECTION DAY, March 8

Vote at the Elementary
School on Sagamore Road.

Polls are open from
8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

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