

## 2019 TOWN MEETING MINUTES

At a legal meeting of the Town of Hillsborough, County of Hillsborough, in said State, inhabitants qualified to vote in Town Affairs of said Town on the 10<sup>th</sup> of March 2020, at seven o'clock in the forenoon at the Hillsboro-Deering Middle School Auditorium, the Moderator called the meeting to order. Article One, election of officers through Article Five were to be voted on by official ballot at the polls between seven o'clock in the morning through seven o'clock in the evening. Articles Six through Fifteen were to be taken up at 7:30 pm at the same auditorium.

**Article 1:** The voters of Hillsborough proceed to ballot for one Selectman for three years, one Town Clerk/Tax Collector for three years, one Town Treasurer for three years, one Trustee of the Trust Funds for three years, one Cemetery Trustee for three years, one Fuller Public Library Trustee for three years, one Water and Sewer Commissioner for three years, one Supervisor of Checklist for six years, one Moderator for two years, two Planning Board members for three years, and all other necessary Town Officers or agents for the ensuing year.

**Article 2:** The Town voted to amend the definition of "Dwelling Unit" as shown in Article II General Provisions section 229-6 Definitions and Word Uses read as stated below:

DWELLING UNIT-One or more rooms arranged for the use of one or more persons living together as a single housekeeping unit, and having cooking, living, sanitary and sleeping facilities, but not including hotel, motel, tourist cabin (camp), lodging house, institutional home, residential club units or other similar commercial accommodations offered for occupancy.

- a) Dwelling, Single-A single building, situated on a single lot, having one dwelling unit.
- b) Dwelling, Two Unit (including duplex)-A single building situated on a single lot having two dwelling units which are either attached side-by-side, through the use of a common party wall, or stacked with one dwelling unit over the other. Two detached dwelling units on a single lot are not allowed as a matter of right.
- c) Dwelling, 3 and 4 Unit- Any building or structure located on a single lot containing three or four dwelling units.
- d) Dwelling, More Than 4 Units-Any building or structure located lot containing three or four dwelling units.

Yes 421 No 186

**Article 3:** The Town voted to amend Article II General Provisions section 229-6 Definitions and Word Uses to delete the term and definition of "Family".

Yes 379 No 216

**Article 4:** The Town voted to amend Article IX Administration and Enforcement, section 229-61 of the Zoning Ordinance to adopt the Commercial/Multi Family/Combined Use site maintenance ordinance in the Commercial Zone and Central Business District.

Yes 344 No 248

**Article 5:** The Town voted to amend the following articles to insert the revised Historic District Ordinance into the Zoning Ordinance as follows:

1. Amend Article II General Provisions section 229-6 Definitions and Word Uses to include definition of Certificate of Approval-Historic District,
2. Amend Article III section 229-19.4 "Use Districts" to add the verbiage of Chapter 38 "Historic District" to the listing of zoning districts in the Zoning Ordinance.
3. Amend Article VI Special Regulations section 229-39, D. "Specific Sign Regulations by District" by adding number 4. Historic District - sign criteria
4. Amend Article X Administration and Enforcement, section 229-59 Building Permits to add letter J. Procedure for Approval of Building Permits in the Historic District
5. Amend Article XV 229-93-229-99 to add the updated "Historic District Ordinance"
6. Amend Table 2 Lot, Area, and Frontage Requirements to include the "Historic District"
7. Amend Table 3 Setback, Coverage and Building Height Requirements to include the "Historic District"
8. Amend Table 4 Chart of Uses by adding the Historic District and the following uses and their permissions:  
By Right: Dwelling-Single Family - Dwelling- 2 Family - Home Occupation - Home Business - Municipal Facility – Agriculture – Agritourism - Artist's Studio - Farm.  
By Special Exception: Bed and Breakfast - Auction House - Farmer's Market – Inn – Office - Retail Business - Day Care Facility Child or Family – Museum - Religious Institutions for less than 250 People – School - Building and Service Trade
9. Amend Chapter 147 of the Town Code to eliminate the verbiage and reserve the chapter.
10. Amend Chapter 38 of the Town Code to eliminate the verbiage and reserve the chapter

Yes 389 No 203

The 2020 Hillsborough Town Meeting was called to order at 7:30 pm, by Moderator Leigh Bosse. Boy Scout Troop # 73 posted the colors as the residents stood at attention and recited the Pledge of Allegiance. As the Moderator was dedicating the meeting to the Veterans and thanking them for their service, the fire alarm in the school went off. No one had to leave and it was determined to be a prank. The Moderator continued the meeting with a short delay, again thanking the Veterans. Residents were asked to take a Moment of Silence for all friends and neighbors listed on page 47 and 48, who were no longer with us. The Moderator asked everyone to thank Mary Lou Kulbacki, who was retiring as a Supervisor of the Checklist. Mr. Bosse thanked the Ballot Clerks for their service during voting and working the polls. Mr Bosse acknowledged Mr. James Bailey, Town Selectman and he presented Mr. Jonathan Daley with a certificate for his three years of service as a Selectman. The table was introduced by Mr. Bosse, Town Clerk/Tax Collector Deborah McDonald, Selectman Chairman Jonathan Daley, Selectman James Bailey III, Selectman John Stohrer and Town Administrator Laura Buono. Mr. Bosse gave the rules of the meeting and reminded everyone that we entered as friends and neighbors, let us leave that way.

**Article 6:** Moved by Mr. Bailey and seconded by Mr. Stohrer, the Town voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$7,944,653.00 (Seven Million Nine Hundred Forty-Four Thousand Six Hundred Fifty-Three Dollars) as a 2020 Operating Budget. This amount does not include amounts from any other warrant articles. Voice vote with no discussion, passed the article.

**Article 7:** Moved by Mr. Bailey and seconded by Mr. Daley, the Town voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$722,672.00 (Seven Hundred Twenty-Two Thousand Six Hundred Seventy-Two Dollars) for the purpose of operating the Water Department during 2020. Of that sum \$722,672.00 (Seven Hundred Twenty-Two Thousand Six Hundred Seventy-Two Dollars) is to come from Water Department income. After no discussion this article passed by voice vote.

**Article 8:** Moved by Mr. Stohrer and seconded by Mr. Daley, the Town voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$868,229.00 (Eight Hundred Sixty-Eight Thousand Two Hundred Twenty-Nine Dollars) for the purpose of operating the Sewer Department during 2020. Of that sum \$868,229.00 (Eight Hundred Sixty-Eight Thousand Two Hundred Twenty-Nine Dollars) is to come from Sewer Department income. Voice vote passed the article.

**Article 9:** Moved by Mr. Daley and seconded by Mr. Stohrer, the Town voted to raise and appropriate the amount of \$384,000.00 (Three Hundred Eighty-Nine Thousand Dollars) to be deposited in the following already established Capital Reserve Funds:

• Highway Department Equipment CRF	\$ 50,000.00
• Ambulance CRF	\$ 50,000.00
• Municipal Buildings Maintenance, Repairs & Upgrades CRF	\$100,000.00
• Police Department Equipment CRF	\$ 35,000.00
• Fire Department Equipment CRF	\$ 40,000.00
• Transfer Station Equipment CRF	\$ 10,000.00
• Cemetery Maintenance & Repair CRF	\$ 4,000.00
• Bridge Repair CRF	\$ 25,000.00
• Sidewalks CRF	\$ 20,000.00
• Library Building CRF	\$ 50,000.00

The article passed by voice vote and Mr. Daley read the numbers for each fund.

**Article 10:** Moved by Mr. Bailey and seconded by Mr. Stohrer, the Town voted to raise and appropriate the non-lapsing sum of \$250,000.00 (Two Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars) for the purpose of road work. This article is to be non-lapsing until December 31, 2021. Mr. William Goss, the Highway Department Foreman was permitted to speak as a non resident and spoke on the roads to be worked on this year. Bible Hill, Boulder Road, McNeil Street and Municipal Drive and others as funds would permit. Voice vote passed this article. Mr. Bailey asked the residents to thank Mr. Goss for his 42 years of service to Hillsborough, and a round of applause and standing ovation was given to Mr. Goss.

**Article 11:** Moved by Mr. Stohrer and seconded by Mr. Daley, the Town voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$50,000.00 (Fifty Thousand Dollars) for the purpose of purchasing police body cameras. After some discussion and questions for Police Chief David Roarick, the article passed by voice vote.

**Article 12:** Moved by Mr. Daley and seconded by Mr. Stohrer, the Town voted to rescind the 2008 Town Meeting vote to establish a Recreation Revolving Fund and to close said fund with the remaining monies to be transferred into the General Fund. Funds had not been used since 2016 as explained in discussion and with a voice vote the article passed.

**Article 13:** Moved by Mr. Roger Shamel and seconded by Emily Wrubel, the Town voted to adopt the New Hampshire Resolution for Climate Action stating that we the Town of Hillsborough hereby call upon our State and Federal elected representatives to pass carbon-pricing legislation, in the US Congress (such as HR763) and in the NH General Court (such as HB735), to protect New Hampshire from both the costs and the environmental impacts of continued inaction. We want a “Carbon Cash-Back” program that uses revenue-neutral, market-based carbon price with cash-back rebates to all NH residents aged 18 and over. Carbon cash-back programs provide significant economic benefits to consumers by correcting long-standing market-failures and delivering rapid reductions in harmful emissions. We understand that if the federal bill passes there will be no duplication of carbon pricing fees.

We expect our representatives to lead in this critical moment for the health and well-being of our citizens and for the protection of New Hampshire’s natural resources upon which we all rely. Further we support Carbon Cash-Back because it promotes energy independence, decreases fossil fuel dependence and keeps New Hampshire’s energy dollars in New Hampshire’s economy.

The record of the vote approving this article shall be transmitted by written notice to the Hillsborough's State Legislators and to Hillsborough's Congressional Delegation, and to the President of the United States, informing them of the instructions from their constituents by Hillsborough's Select Board within 30 days of the vote. Article was submitted by petition. After a long discussion on this article, a voting card count passed this article when a voice vote could not determine the result.

**Article 14:** Moved by Susan Shamel and seconded by E. Ann Poole, the Town voted to urge the New Hampshire General Court, which is obligated to redraw the maps of political districts within the state following the 2020 census, to do so in a manner that ensures fair and effective representation of New Hampshire voters? That in order to fulfill this obligation the New Hampshire General Court shall appoint an independent redistricting commission that draws the new district maps in a way that does not rely on partisan data such as election results or party registration or favor particular political parties or candidates.

The record of the vote approving this article shall be transmitted by written notice from the Selectmen to the Town of Hillsborough's State Legislators and to the Governor of New Hampshire informing them of the instructions from their constituents within 30 days of the vote. After some discussion, this petition article was passed by voice vote.

**Article 15:** To transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

Election results were read by Mr. Bosse.

Mr. Robert Hassett, Superintendent of SAU 34, thanked the Fire, Police and Highway Departments for their great service to the school, as he is retiring.

Mr. Douglas Hatfield moved and Miles Carter seconded to adjourn the meeting at 8:45pm. Passed by voice vote.

A True Copy of Attest:



Deborah J McDonald  
Hillsborough Town Clerk

## **2019 TOWN MEETING MINUTES (Results of Article 1: voted on at the polls)**

### **Selectman for Three Years:**

Keith T Cobbett	124
David W Fullerton	155
David J Rogers	330

### **Tax Collector/Town Clerk for Three Years:**

Deborah J McDonald	596
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### **Town Treasurer for Three Years:**

Robert R Charron	578
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### **Trustee of the Trust Funds for Three Years:**

Hudson "Barry" Lemkau 548

**Cemetery Trustee for Three Years:**

Norma Webster 573

**Fuller Public Library Trustee for Three Years:**

Norma Hubbard 585

**Water and Sewer Commissioner for Three Years:**

Peter D Mellen 562

**Supervisor of the Checklist for Six Years:**

Sharon Wilkens 566

**Moderator for Two Years:**

Leigh D Bosse 501

**Planning Board for Three Years (Two Positions):**

Stephen Bennett 280

Denise DeForest 364

John Segedy 263

**SCHOOL OFFICIALS:** (These results are Hillsborough only, Deering results are not included):

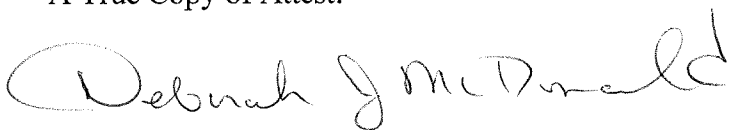
**School Board Member from Hillsborough for Three Years:**

Paul Plater 547

**SCHOOL MODERATOR for One Year:**

John Segedy 463

A True Copy of Attest:

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Deborah J McDonald". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name of the signatory.

Deborah J McDonald Hillsborough Town Clerk