

1973 TOWN MEETING

March 6, 1973

Town meeting was called to order by Moderator Clark at 2: P.M.
Warrant read — voting articles only — polls declared open — voting followed — polls closed 7:05 P.M.

Ballots counted. Votes cast 247.

Meeting called to order at 7:35.

Moderator read warrant and announced result of voting.

Article 1:

Selectman for 3 years — Raymond Parker

Selectman for 1 year — Bowman Stone

Article 2: Are you in favor of:

1. amending Mason Planning Ordinance as proposed by the Planning Board to ban mobile homes. Yes - 138 No - 108 Passed.

2. amending Mason Planning Ordinance for the purpose of re-zoning the T. A. Eaton estate to a one acre "Rural Residential" area. Yes - 43 No - 203 Defeated.

Article 3: The following town officers were elected from the floor:

Town Auditor — Isabelle Anderson

Library Trustee — Joanne Parker

Cemetery Trustee — Donald Armington and Edith Marshall

Trust Fund Trustee — James Rowse

All elected town officers were sworn in by Moderator.

Article 4: Town Budget. Moved and seconded by Selectmen to raise and appropriate \$78,649 for the town budget for 1973. Not one word of discussion. Passed by voice vote.

Article 5: Selectmen and Treasurer were authorized to borrow money in anticipation of taxes.

Article 6: Moved, seconded and passed to raise \$2,750 to pay balance of costs of reappraisal of the town and to cover costs of 1973 adjustments.

Article 7: Authorized payment of \$1.00 per capita (\$550) in support of the Souhegan Valley Ambulance District Service.

Article 8: Voted in affirmative \$5,000 to be added to the Trust Fund for fire apparatus and equipment.

Article 9: \$389.64 was appropriated as the town's share to the Southwestern N. H. Regional Planning Commission.

Article 10: Darling Hill Road, Cascade Road, Old Ashby Road, to be declared scenic roads was tabled.

Article 11: \$350.00 was voted for repair of historic Town Pound.

Article 12: "Meals on Wheels" lost out. Tabled.

Article 13: Remaining ½ V.F.W. lot deeded to Charles Temple, Valley Road for \$1.00 at no cost to town.

Article 14: Establishment of Mason Dept. Public Works tabled for 1974. Selectmen to study, check and present complete cost figures covering roads, parks, playgrounds, cemeteries and town dump.

Article 15: Unable to find a way to decrease pay of Selectmen it was voted, after amendment, to increase their pay "not to exceed \$100" effective in 1974, to be \$350 each, 3 year man at \$400. Voice vote carried — recount called for — standing vote passed.

Article 15: To adopt provisions of Municipal Budget Law — Chapter 32.

Article 17: To establish Capital Reserve Fund — Chapter 35.

Article 18: To appropriate for Capital Reserve Fund \$5,000.

All 3 above articles tabled.

Article 19: Payments from Revenue Sharing Funds authorized:

Libraries \$750.

Mason Youth Corp \$1,000.

Town Poor & Old Age \$500.

Article 20: Mascenic Regional School District authorized to elect its officers at annual Town Meeting (Chapt. 197 R.S.A.) starting 1974. Meeting adjourned 9:50.

CHARLES F. H. CRATHERN, Town Clerk