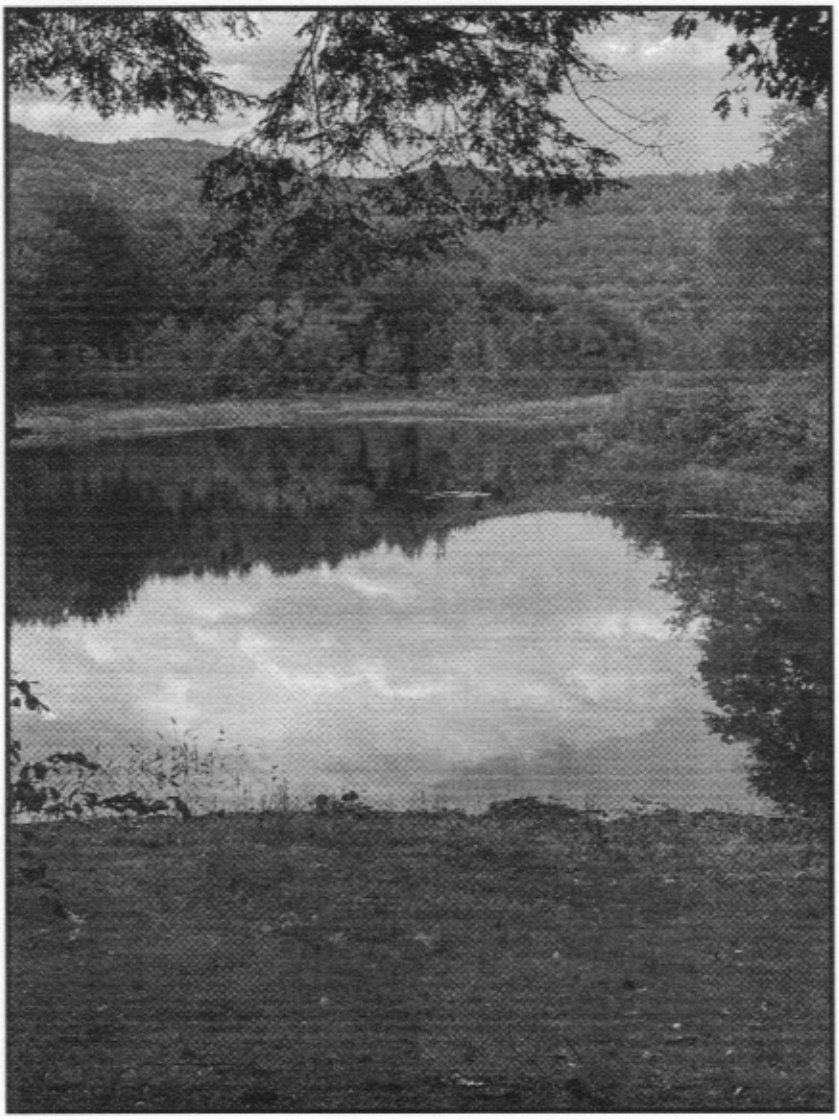
# 2020 ANNUAL REPORT OF THE

# TOWN OF

# ANDOVER, NH



Bog Pond

## REPORT OF THE TOWN MEETING
## March 10, 2020

**The meeting was called to order at 7:18 by Jon Mishcon. Pledge of Allegiance was followed by introduction of the head table and Jon read the guidelines of the meeting.**

Article 1

To choose all necessary town officers for the ensuing year. (By ballot vote during polling hours).

**Winners are: School board (1) Brandon Adams, School Moderator (1) Adrienne Summers, School Treasurer (1) Shirley Currier, School Clerk (1) all write-ins – Christie Coll,**
**Budget Committee (2) Jim Hanson, Molly Morgan, Cemetery Trustee (1) All write-ins - Bill Keyser Supervisor of Checklist (1) 6 years – Doug Phelps, Supervisor of Checklist (1) 4 years – Vicki Mishcon, Library Trustee (1) write-in – Anita Phelps, Moderator (1) all write-ins – Jon Mishcon, Selectman (1) Todd Goings, Treasurer (1) Shirley Currier, Trustee of Trust Funds (1) Joanne Edgar**
**For the complete list of all results see 2020 TOWN ELECTION RESULTS in this issue.**

Article 2

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 1 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows? Amendment No. 1 the Andover Village District boundaries would be revised. The boundaries would be expanded along Route 11. It will be bound by a portion of the Rail Trail; by the Bridge St. area to the area across from North Short St.; and to include Lawrence Street and a portion of Bradley Lake Road. The revised and expanded Andover Village District will be shown on the map entitled "Andover Zoning Map of March 2020" which will be attached to and made part of the Zoning Ordinance and referred to as the "Zoning Map." (This is a revision to the "Andover Zoning Map of 1974".) (By ballot vote during polling hours).

**Passed 163/76**

Article 3

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 2 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows? Amendment No. 2 the Cilleyville Village District boundaries would be revised. The boundaries would be expanded to include the entire length of Cilleyville Rd. and include Depot Street. It will also include the
properties along Rt. 11 from Cilleyville Rd. to Depot Street. The revised and expanded Cilleyville Village District will be shown on the map entitled "Andover Zoning Map of March 2020" which will be attached to and made part of the Zoning Ordinance and referred to as the "Zoning Map." (This is a revision to the "Andover Zoning Map of 1974".) (By ballot vote during polling hours).

**Passed 169/70**

Article 4

To see if the town will vote to secure a 1.5 million-dollar bond for the purpose to create a highway maintenance building and to purchase necessary equipment and tools needed for all town roads. Town maintenance will be managed and supervised by the Town of Andover personnel. The SELECT BOARD does not recommend this article. The BUDGET Committee does not recommend this article. This article submitted by petition. 2/3 ballot vote required.

**Motioned by Toby Locke to wait a year. Seconded by Mario Ratzki. Passed to wait a year.**

Article 5.

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $350,000 (gross BUDGET) for the construction of a Highway Department garage, including tools, and to authorize the issuance of not more than $350,000, and to authorize the issuance of not more than $350,000 of bonds or notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA 33) and to authorize the municipal officials to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon;. The

Article 9
To see if the town will vote to authorize the selectmen to enter into a three (3) year lease-purchase agreement in the amount of $65,000 for the purpose of leasing a 1-ton truck, and to raise and appropriate the sum of $21,666 for the first year's payment for that purpose. No lease will be entered into without an escape clause. The BUDGET Committee recommends this article. The SELECT BOARD recommends this article. Majority vote required.
**Motioned to table for 1 year by John Thompson, seconded by Andy Guptill. Motion to table passed.**

Article 10
To see if the town will vote to authorize the SELECT BOARD to enter into a five (5) year lease-purchase agreement in the amount of $150,000 for the purpose of leasing a backhoe, and to raise and appropriate the sum of $30,000 for the first year's payment for that purpose. No lease will be entered into without an escape clause. The BUDGET Committee recommends this article. The SELECT BOARD recommends this article.
**Motion to table for 1 year by Steve Barton, seconded by Jim Thompson. Motion to table passed.**

Article 11
To see if the citizens of Andover will vote to amend the Town Noise Ordinance (dated 2017) by removing under EXEMPTIONS "Special Permits" issued by the Town. This article was submitted by petition.
**Article 11 passed by a vote of 77/68.**

Article 12
We the Town of Andover hereby call upon our State and Federal elected representatives to enact carbon-pricing legislation to protect New Hampshire from the costs and environmental risks of continued climate inaction. To protect households, we support a Carbon Fee and Dividend approach that charges fossil fuel producers for their carbon pollution and rebates the money collected to all residents on an equal basis. Enacting a Carbon Cash-Back program decreases long-term fossil-fuel dependence, aids in the economic transition for energy consumers, and keeps local energy dollars in New Hampshire's economy. Carbon Cash-Back has been championed by US economists (Jan 17, 2019 Wall St. Journal) as the most effective and fair way to deliver rapid reductions in harmful carbon emissions at the scale required for our safety. 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.
The record of the vote approving this article shall be transmitted by written notice to Andover's State Legislators, to the Governor of New Hampshire to Andover's Congressional Delegation, and to the President of the United States, informing them of the instructions from their constituents, by Andover's SELECT BOARD, within 30 days of this vote. This article is submitted by petition.
**Article 12 passed**

Article 13
To transact any other business that may come legally before this meeting.

Mario Ratzki presented the NH Resolution for Fair Redistricting. To see if the Town will urge NH General Court, following the 2020 census, to redraw the state's political maps in a fair manner providing for the effective representation of New Hampshire's voters. And, in order to fulfill this obligation, the New Hampshire General Court shall appoint an independent redistricting commission to draw the district maps in a way that does not rely on partisan data favoring political parties of candidates. Within 30 days after the Town Election, the record of the vote approving this article shall be transmitted by