TOWN OF NEW GLOUCESTER
MINUTES OF ANNUAL TOWN MEETING
May 2, 2011

The Town Meeting was called to order at 7:22 p.m. by the Town Clerk, Sumner M. Field III.

*The Clerk led the Town Meeting attendees in the **Pledge of Allegiance**.*

Article 1. **To choose a *Moderator* to preside at said meeting.**

Nomination of:	*Lenora Conger*
Nomination by:	*Donald Libby*
Seconded by:	*Pamela Slye*
No other nominations were made.	
Motion to close nominations:	*Jeffrey Hamilton*
Seconded by:	*Tamilyn Wayboer*
Those in favor of closing nominations:	*all*
Opposed:	*none*
Nomination of Lenora Conger carried.	
3 votes were cast for Lenora Conger.	
Lenora Conger was elected Moderator.	

The Clerk administered the Oath of Office to the Moderator.

OPERATIONS:

Article 2. **To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate $433,871 from taxation and other sources for the ensuing year for the following:**

101	Selectmen	$ 16,150
102	Administration	$286,080
105	Town Meetings/Elections	$ 4,350
106	Tax Assessment	$ 35,450
107	Code Enforcement	$ 58,841
108	Legal	$ 18,000
130	Unanticipated Expenses	$ 15,000
	TOTAL	**$433,871**

Budget Committee and Board of Selectmen recommend passage.

Motion: *Roger Levasseur moved that Article 2 have passage as presented.*
Second: *Jean Couturier*
Discussion: *Roger Levasseur, Nathaniel Berry, Sumner Field, Steven Libby and Joshua McHenry commented on this article.*
Motion: *Roger Levasseur moved and Sean Chayer seconded a motion to eliminate 106 Tax Assessment $35,450, reducing the total of Article 2 to $398,421.*
Discussion: *Roger Levasseur, Sean Chayer and Amy Arata commented on the amendment.*
Vote: *The vote on the amendment failed.*
Discussion: *Penny Hilton, Sumner Field and Joshua McHenry commented on the original Article 2.*
Vote: *It was voted that Article 2 have passage as read.*

Article 3. **To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate $78,400 from taxation and other sources for the ensuing year for the following:**

103	General Assistance	$ 47,500
131	Health Officer	$ 1,000
132	Animal Control	$ 11,250
135	Cemeteries	$ 9,000
137	Interagency Requests	$ 4,650
142	Water Treatment	$ 5,000
	TOTAL	**$ 78,400**

Budget Committee and Board of Selectmen recommend passage.

Motion: *Roger Levasseur moved that Article 3 have passage as presented.*
Second: *Stephen Hathorne*
Discussion: *Roger Levasseur and Sumner Field commented on this article.*
Vote: *It was voted that Article 3 have passage as read.*

Article 4. **To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate $242,886 from taxation and other sources for the ensuing year for the following:**

111	Fire Department	$204,036
112	Emergency Management	$ 2,500
114	Street Lights	$ 6,000
115	Public Safety Dispatch	$ 30,350
	TOTAL	**$242,886**

Budget Committee and Board of Selectmen recommend passage.

Motion: *Roger Levasseur moved that Article 4 have passage as presented.*
Second: *Scott Doyle*
Discussion: *None.*
Vote: *It was voted that Article 4 have passage as read.*

Article 5. **To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate $800,075 from taxation and other sources for the ensuing year for the following:**

116	Highway Department	$ 589,800
120	Solid Waste	$ 208,275
134	Tree Care	$ 2,000
	TOTAL	**$ 800,075**

Budget Committee and Board of Selectmen recommend passage.

Motion: *Jean Couturier moved that Article 5 have passage as presented.*
Second: *Stephen Hathorne*
Discussion: *None.*
Vote: *It was voted that Article 5 have passage as read.*

Article 6. **To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate $180,829 from taxation and other sources for the ensuing year for the following:**

104	Buildings & Grounds	$ 52,110
113	Meeting House/Cable TV	$ 14,960
123	Library	$ 84,409
133	Parks & Recreation	$ 29,350
	TOTAL	**$180,829**

Motion: *Stephen Hathorne moved that Article 6 have passage as presented.*
Second: *Roger Levasseur*
Discussion: *Roger Levasseur, Linda Chase, Kathleen Potter, Sumner Field, Jean Couturier and Steven Libby commented on this article.*
Vote: *It was voted that Article 6 have passage as read.*

Article 7. **To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate $92,440 from taxation and other sources for the ensuing year for the following:**

122	Planning	$ 90,940
126	Water Resources	$ 300
129	Sabbathday Lake Water Testing	$ 1,200
	TOTAL	**$ 92,440**

Budget Committee and Board of Selectmen recommend passage.

Motion: *Stephen Hathorne moved that Article 7 have passage as presented.*
Second: *Jean Couturier*
Discussion: *None.*
Vote: *It was voted that Article 7 have passage as read.*

Article 8. **To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate $742,000 from taxation and other sources for the ensuing year for the following:**

109	Insurance	$302,500
125	Social Security/Retirement	$ 75,500
139	Debt Service	$364,000
	TOTAL	**$742,000**

Budget Committee and Board of Selectmen recommend passage.

Motion: *Stephen Hathorne moved that Article 8 have passage as presented.*
Second: *George Carman*
Discussion: *None.*
Vote: *It was voted that Article 8 have passage as read.*

Article 9. **To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate <u>$215,000</u> from taxation for the ensuing year for the following:**

144	TIF District	$200,000	(Estimated; determined when tax rate calculated.)
145	Tax Abatements	15,000	
	TOTAL	**$215,000**	

Budget Committee and Board of Selectmen recommend passage.

Motion: *Stephen Hathorne moved that Article 9 have passage as presented.*
Second: *Jean Couturier*
Discussion: *Roger Levasseur, Steven Libby, Sumner Field, Paul First and Donald Libby commented on this article.*
Vote: *It was voted that Article 9 have passage as read.*

CAPITAL RESERVES:

Article 10. **To see if the Town will vote to appropriate <u>$5,000</u> from Undesignated Fund for the following *<u>Fair Grounds Playground Capital Reserve Account (415 - $10,236)</u>* for the ensuing year:**

<u>Account 127</u>

Fair Grounds Playground CR	$5,000	$5,000 UFB
TOTAL	**$5,000**	

Board of Selectmen recommend passage.

Motion: *Stephen Hathorne moved that Article 10 have passage as presented.*
Second: *Jeffrey Hamilton*
Discussion: *None.*
Vote: *It was voted that Article 10 have passage as read.*

Article 11. **To see if the Town will vote to appropriate <u>$5,000</u> from Undesignated Fund for the following *<u>Library Expansion Capital Reserve Account (410 - $66,693)</u>* for the ensuing year:**

<u>Account 127</u>

Library Capital Reserve	$5,000	$5,000 UFB
TOTAL	**$5,000**	

Board of Selectmen recommend passage.

Motion: *Stephen Hathorne moved that Article 11 have passage as presented.*
Second: *Kathleen Potter*
Discussion: *None.*
Vote: *It was voted that Article 11 have passage as read.*

Article 12. **To see if the Town will vote to appropriate <u>$75,000</u> from the Undesignated Fund for the following *<u>Public Works Reserve</u>* account (389 - $582,632) for the ensuing year:**

<u>Account 127</u>

Public Works Equipment	$ 75,000 UFB
TOTAL	**<u>$ 75,000</u>**

Board of Selectmen recommend passage.

Motion: *Stephen Hathorne moved that Article 12 have passage as presented.*
Second: *George Carman*
Discussion: *None.*
Vote: *It was voted that Article 12 have passage as read.*

Article 13. **To see if the Town will vote to appropriate <u>$20,000</u> from the Undesignated Fund for the following *<u>Transfer Station Capital Reserve</u>* account (391 - $200,906) for the ensuing year:**

<u>Account 127</u>

Transfer Station Equipment	$ 20,000 UFB
TOTAL	**<u>$ 20,000</u>**

Board of Selectmen recommend passage.

Motion: *Stephen Hathorne moved that Article 13 have passage as presented.*
Second: *Tamilyn Wayboer*
Discussion: *None.*
Vote: *It was voted that Article 13 have passage as read.*

<u>CAPITAL PROJECTS:</u>

Article 14. **To see if the Town will vote to appropriate <u>$10,000</u> from Undesignated Fund for *<u>Fire/Rescue Turnout Gear</u>* for:**

<u>Account 128</u>

Fire/Rescue Turnout Gear	$10,000	$10,000 UFB
TOTAL	**<u>$10,000</u>**	

Board of Selectmen recommend passage.

Motion: *Stephen Hathorne moved that Article 14 have passage as presented.*
Second: *George Carman*
Discussion: *None.*
Vote: *It was voted that Article 14 have passage as read.*

Article 15. **To see if the Town will vote to appropriate <u>$16,000</u> from the <u>Fire Radio Reserve</u> account (399 - $20,537) for:**

<u>Account 128</u>

Radio Replacement	$16,000	$16,000 Radio CR
TOTAL	**<u>$16,000</u>**	

Board of Selectmen recommend passage.

Motion: *Stephen Hathorne moved that Article 15 have passage as presented.*
Second: *George Carman*
Discussion: *None.*
Vote: *It was voted that Article 15 have passage as read.*

Article 16. **To see if the Town will vote to appropriate <u>$400,000</u> from the <u>Fire Department Reserve</u> account (388 - $664,723) for the following:**

<u>Account 128</u>

Replace Engine 2	$400,000	$400,000 Fire Department CR
TOTAL	**<u>$400,000</u>**	

Board of Selectmen recommend passage.

Motion: *Roger Levasseur moved that Article 16 have passage as presented.*
Second: *George Carman*
Discussion: *Jeffrey Hamilton, Sumner Field and Gary Sacco commented on this article.*
Vote: *It was voted that Article 16 have passage as read.*

Article 17. **To see if the Town will vote to appropriate <u>$147,500</u> from Capital Reserve account (391 - $200,906) funds for the following <u>*Transfer Station Capital Improvements*</u> for the ensuing year:**

<u>Account 128</u>

	<u>Funding Sources</u>	
Roll- off Containers	$17,500	$17,500 Transfer Station CR
Loader	$80,000	$80,000 Transfer Station CR
Pac-Moore Trailer	$50,000	$50,000 Transfer Station CR
TOTAL	**<u>$147,500</u>**	

Board of Selectmen recommend passage.

Motion: *Stephen Hathorne moved that Article 17 have passage as presented.*
Second: *Lisa Targett*
Discussion: *Roger Levasseur, Sumner Field, Steven Libby and Jean Couturier commented on this article.*
Vote: *It was voted that Article 17 have passage as read.*

Article 18. **To see if the Town will vote to appropriate <u>$200,000</u> from Capital Reserve account funds for the following *<u>Public Works Capital Improvements</u>* for the ensuing year:**

Account 128		Funding Sources
Outlet Road Bridge	$ 25,000	$ 25,000 Bridge CR (405- $131,714)
Highway Truck	$160,000	$160,000 PWD CR (389 - $582,632)
Cemetery Mower	$ 15,000	$ 15,000 Mower CR (406 - $27,402)
TOTAL	**<u>$200,000</u>**	

Board of Selectmen recommend passage.

Motion: *Stephen Hathorne moved that Article 18 have passage as presented.*
Second: *George Carman*
Discussion: *Jean Couturier, Steven Libby and Sumner Field commented on this article.*
Vote: *It was voted that Article 18 have passage as read.*

Article 19. **To see if the Town will vote to appropriate <u>$50,000</u> from MDOT Urban & Rural Initiative Program (URIP) funds for the following *<u>Public Works Capital Improvements</u>* for the ensuing year:**

Account 128	Funding Sources	
Paving	$50,000	$50,000 URIP
TOTAL	**<u>$50,000</u>**	

Board of Selectmen recommend passage.

Motion: *Stephen Hathorne moved that Article 19 have passage as presented.*
Second: *Robert Hubbard*
Discussion: *None.*
Vote: *It was voted that Article 19 have passage as read.*

Article 20. **To see if the Town will vote to appropriate <u>$1,000,000</u> from the Tax Increment Financing (TIF) account (103 - $1,366,387) for the following *<u>Capital Improvement Project</u>*:**

Account 128		
Morse Road Reconstruction	$1,000,000	$1,000,000 TIF
TOTAL	**<u>$1,000,000</u>**	

Board of Selectmen recommend passage.

Motion: *Stephen Hathorne moved that Article 20 have passage as presented.*
Second: *George Carman*
Discussion: *Jean Couturier, Sumner Field, Harold Bartlett, Penny Hilton and Steven Libby commented on this article.*
Vote: *It was voted that Article 20 have passage as read.*

Article 21. **To see if the Town will vote to accept and spend the following categories of *State revenue funds* during the ensuing year:**

1. Municipal Revenue Sharing
2. MDOT URIP
3. Tree Growth Reimbursement
4. General Assistance Reimbursement
5. Veterans Exemption Reimbursement
6. Snowmobile Registration Funds
7. Public Library State Aid
8. Emergency Management Assistance/Homeland Security Grants
9. Other State Aid (*pass-through funds and property tax relief*)
10. State and Federal Grants or Other Funds (*not included in items 1 – 9 above.*)

Budget Committee and Board of Selectmen recommend passage.

Motion: *Stephen Hathorne moved that Article 21 have passage as presented.*
Second: *George Carman*
Discussion: *None.*
Vote: *It was voted that Article 21 have passage as read.*

Article 22. **To see if the Town will vote to apply the following anticipated *revenues* to reduce the tax commitment: Revenue amounts shown are estimates.**

Building & Inspection Fees	$ 13,745
Transfer Station Fees	$ 35,000
Boat Excise Tax	$ 6,500
Auto Excise Tax	$ 800,000
Town Fees	$ 16,000
Recreation Program Fees	$ 10,000
Fines & Reimbursements	$ 500
Clerk Fees	$ 4,000
Rent Income	$ 1
Copy/Fax Fees	$ 1,800
Cable TV Franchise Fees	$ 20,000
Library Revenue	$ 1,500
Interest from Investments	$ 15,000
Real Estate Tax Interest	$ 16,000
TIF Funds	$1,000,000
Capital Reserve Funds	$ 763,500
Undesignated Fund Balance	$ 335,000
TOTAL	**$3,038,546**

Budget Committee and Board of Selectmen recommend passage

Motion: *Stephen Hathorne moved that Article 22 have passage as presented.*
Second: *Robert Hubbard*
Discussion: *Sean Chayer and Steven Libby commented on this article.*
Vote: *It was voted that Article 22 have passage as read.*

Article 23. **AUTHORITY TO ACCEPT REVENUE IN EXCESS OF AMOUNT BUDGETED: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Clerk/Treasurer to accept revenue in excess of amounts budgeted on behalf of the town.**

Motion: *Stephen Hathorne moved that Article 23 have passage as presented.*
Second: *Tamilyn Wayboer*
Discussion: *None.*
Vote: *It was voted that Article 23 have passage as read.*

Article 24. **AUTHORITY TO ACCEPT GRANTS: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to apply for and accept, on behalf of the Town, state and federal grants and grants from nonprofit organizations for municipal purposes, including when necessary, the authority to sign the grant contract and accept the conditions that accompany grant funds, and to appropriate and expend grant funds and matching funds required for the authorized purposes.**

Motion: *Stephen Hathorne moved that Article 24 have passage as presented.*
Second: *Tamilyn Wayboer*
Discussion: *Stephen Hathorne and Joshua McHenry commented on this article.*
Vote: *It was voted that Article 24 have passage as read.*

Article 25. **ACCEPTANCE OF GIFTS OF MONEY OR PERSONAL PROPERTY: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to accept gifts of money or personal property to the Town and to appropriate and expend such money for such public purposes as the Board deems to be in the interest of the Town.**

Motion: *Stephen Hathorne moved that Article 25 have passage as presented.*
Second: *Tamilyn Wayboer*
Discussion: *None.*
Vote: *It was voted that Article 25 have passage as read.*

Article 26. **ACCEPTANCE OF *CONDITIONAL* GIFTS OF MONEY AND PERSONAL PROPERTY: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to accept conditional gifts of money to the Town and to appropriate and expend the funds for the legal purposes for which the gift was made and in accordance with any conditions imposed by the donor and to accept conditional gifts of personal property to the Town and to use the property in the legal manner specified by the donor.**

Motion: *Stephen Hathorne moved that Article 26 have passage as presented.*
Second: *George Carman*
Discussion: *None.*
Vote: *It was voted that Article 26 have passage as read.*

Article 27. **RETURNING UNEXPENDED CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUNDS TO CAPITAL RESERVE ACCOUNTS: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to return unexpended capital improvement funds to their corresponding capital reserve accounts.**

Motion: *Stephen Hathorne moved that Article 27 have passage as presented.*
Second: *Tamilyn Wayboer*
Discussion: *Roger Levasseur commented on this article.*
Vote: *It was voted that Article 27 have passage as read.*

Article 28. **RETURNING UNEXPENDED FUNDS TO THE GENERAL FUND: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to return unexpended special revenue funds and capital project funds to the general fund (undesignated). Balances shown are approximate.**

214 – FEMA Reimbursement - 2009	$ 19,426
321 – DEP-EPA	$ 1,986
390 – Emergency Management Funds	$ 7,675
393 – Fire Station Construction - 2010	$108,002
408 – Vault Filing System - 2010	$ 1,538

Recommended by the Town's Auditors.

Motion: *Stephen Hathorne moved that Article 28 have passage as presented.*
Second: *Tamilyn Wayboer*
Discussion: *Jean Couturier, Sumner Field and Steven Libby commented on this article.*
Vote: *It was voted that Article 28 have passage as read.*

Article 29. **MOVING FUNDS APPROPRIATED FOR ROWE STATION BALL FIELD PROJECT (216) TO PARKS & RECREATION CAPITAL RESERVES (404) : To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to move unexpended capital project funds to the Capital Reserve account. Balances shown are approximate.**

216 – Rowe Station Ball Fields	$ 27,159
404 – Parks & Recreation CR	$ 7,347

Motion: *Stephen Hathorne moved that Article 29 have passage as presented.*
Second: *Robert Hubbard*
Discussion: *Brian Whitney, Sumner Field and Linda Chase commented on this article.*
Vote: *It was voted that Article 29 have passage as read.*

Article 30. **COMBINING FUNDS APPROPRIATED FOR TRACTOR/MOWER CAPITAL RESERVE (406) WITH PUBLIC WORKS EQUIPMENT CAPITAL RESERVE (389): To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to move unexpended capital reserve funds from the Tractor/Mower Capital Reserve account (406) to the Public Works Capital Reserve account. (389) Balances shown are approximate.**

406 – Tractor/Mower CR	$ 27,402 ($12,402 if Article 18 passes)
389 – Public Works Equipment CR	$ 582,632

Motion: *Stephen Hathorne moved that Article 30 have passage as presented.*
Second: *Jean Couturier*
Discussion: *Steven Libby and Jean Couturier commented on this article.*
Motion: *Stephen Hathorne rescinded his motion.*
Motion: *Stephen Hathorne moved that Article 30 have passage with 406 Tractor/Mower CR balance of $12,402 and Jean Couturier seconded his motion.*
Discussion: *None.*
Vote: *It was voted that Article 30 have passage as moved.*

Article 31. **ESTABLISHMENT OF INTEREST RATE FOR LATE TAX PAYMENTS: To see if the Town will vote to fix a date and terms when taxes shall become due and payable, and set an interest rate of 7.00 percent per annum. The 7% interest rate is authorized under Title 36 M.R.S.A. Section 505.4, as of January 1, 2008.**

Recommendation: that the second Friday of October and April, Friday, **October 14, 2011** and Friday, **April 13, 2012** be established as the dates taxes are due and payable, and that interest at the rate of seven percent (7%) per annum will be charged after such dates.

Motion: *Stephen Hathorne moved that Article 31 have passage as presented.*
Second: *Robert Hubbard*
Discussion: *None.*
Vote: *It was voted that Article 31 have passage as read.*

Article 32. **ESTABLISHMENT OF INTEREST RATE FOR ABATED TAXES: To see if the town will vote to set the interest rate at three percent (3%) per annum to be paid by the town on abated taxes pursuant to Title 36 M.R.S.A. Section 506-A.**

Motion: *Stephen Hathorne moved that Article 32 have passage as presented.*
Second: *Tamilyn Wayboer*
Discussion: *None.*
Vote: *It was voted that Article 32 have passage as read.*

Article 33. **ACCEPTANCE OF TAX PREPAYMENTS: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Tax Collector or Treasurer to accept prepayments of taxes not yet committed, pursuant to Title 36 M.R.S.A. § 506.**

Motion: *Stephen Hathorne moved that Article 33 have passage as presented.*
Second: *Tamilyn Wayboer*
Discussion: *None.*
Vote: *It was voted that Article 33 have passage as read.*

Article 34. **DISPOSITION OF FORECLOSED PROPERTY: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to dispose of the following foreclosed properties in such manner and on such terms as the Board of Selectmen finds to be in the best interests of the Town.**

MAP	LOT	LOCATION	LAND/BUILDING
2	22D	328B Sabbathday Road	Mobile & land
2	30G	Sunset Shores	Land only
2	15A	174A Sabbathday Road	House & land
3	24A	73 Penney Road	Mobile & land
6	39-2	Emmaus Road	Land only
6	39-4	Emmaus Road	Land only
6	39-5	Emmaus Road	Land only
6	39-6	Emmaus Road	Land only
6	39-7	Emmaus Road	Land only
6	39-8	Emmaus Road	Land only
6	39-9	Emmaus Road	Land only
6	39-10	Emmaus Road	Land only
8	12	Off No. Pownal Road	Land only
8	19	Off No. Pownal Road	Land only
12	8	Off Durham Road	Land only

Motion: *Stephen Hathorne moved that Article 34 have passage as presented.*
Second: *Robert Hubbard*
Discussion: *None.*
Vote: *It was voted that Article 34 have passage as read.*

Article 35. **DISPOSITION OF SURPLUS TOWN PROPERTY: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to sell and dispose of surplus town-owned personal property on such terms and conditions as the Board of Selectmen finds to be in the best interests of the Town and to deposit proceeds from such sales in the corresponding capital reserve accounts or Undesignated Fund.**

Motion: *Stephen Hathorne moved that Article 35 have passage as presented.*
Second: *Robert Hubbard*
Discussion: *None.*
Vote: *It was voted that Article 35 have passage as read.*

Article 36. **PROPERTY ASSESSED CLEAN ENERGY (PACE) ENABLING ORDINANCE. To see if the Town will adopt a local PACE ordinance, thereby allowing Town property owners to participate in this Efficiency Maine administered program that provides low interest loans for energy efficiency improvements.**

- A description and full text of the proposed ordinance can be found in the narrative section of this report.

Motion: *Stephen Hathorne moved that Article 36 have passage as presented.*
Second: *Robert Hubbard*
Discussion: *None.*
Vote: *It was voted that Article 36 have passage as read.*

Article 37. **ENERGY EFFICIENCY COMMUNITY BLOCK GRANT FUNDING FROM EFFICIENCY MAINE. To see if the Town will authorize expenditure of $4,330 in matching funds to receive a $36,125 grant from Efficiency Maine to be used for energy efficiency improvements to the municipal campus, public works and fire station.**

- A description of the grant and proposed improvements can be found in the narrative section of this report.

Motion: *Stephen Hathorne moved that Article 37 have passage as presented.*
Second: *Robert Hubbard*
Discussion: *None.*
Vote: *It was voted that Article 37have passage as read.*

Article 38. AMENDMENTS TO ZONING ORDINANCE ARTICLE 8: STREET AND STORM DRAINAGE DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION STANDARDS AND RELATED CHANGES. To see if the Town will vote to amend Article 8 of the Zoning Ordinance, and update the Zoning Ordinance, Subdivision Ordinance and Road Naming and Property Numbering Ordinance in accordance with changes to Article 8. Highlights of proposed changes include:

Zoning Ordinance

- An application and approval process for roads not associated with subdivisions has been added. (Section 8.2)
- The "Private Right-of-Way" category of roads has been deleted and replaced with a "Local" category and associated subcategories, which include "Standard," "Low Volume," and "Conservation Density." Each subcategory has a new set of standards. (Section 8.5.4)
- Standards for "T" and "hammerhead" turnarounds have been provided. Standards are missing from the current zoning ordinance. (Section 8.5.6)
- Sight distance requirements have been revised to meet Maine DOT Chapter 299 standards. (Section 8.5.7)
- Procedures and standards have been provided for the submission of roads to the Selectmen for placement on the Town Meeting warrant. If the Selectmen deny the request and the applicant completes the petition process in accordance with Title 30-A MRSA 2533 the request may still be placed on the Town Meeting warrant. (Section 8.9)
- Driveway has been defined as a vehicle access-way serving three (3) or fewer dwelling units. The definition of "Road" and terms related to the classification of roads have been revised, see full text document. (Section 2.2 & 2.3)

Subdivision Ordinance

- Driveway has been defined as a vehicle access-way serving three (3) or fewer dwelling units. The definition of "Road" and terms related to the classification of roads have been revised, see full text document. (Article 12)
- Subdivision submission requirements have been updated to reflect the revised Article 8. (Articles 6 & 8)
- Access Control and Traffic Impact standards have been updated to reflect the revised Article 8. (Section 11.12)

Road Naming Ordinance

- Naming paragraph moved from Article 8 to the Road Naming & Street Numbering Ordinance. (Section 5)

Full text copies of the proposed revisions to the Zoning Ordinance, Subdivision Ordinance and Road Naming and Property Numbering Ordinance are available from the Town Clerk.

Motion: *Stephen Hathorne moved that Article 38 have passage as presented.*
Second: *Jean Couturier*
Discussion: *Roger Levasseur, Steven Libby, Paul First, Mark Power, Larry Zuckerman and Paul First commented on this article.*
Vote: *It was voted that Article 38 have passage as read.*

Article 39. **AMENDMENTS TO PROVISIONS, RULES, & REGULATIONS RELATING TO ENTRANCE TO TOWN WAYS OR OTHER CHANGES WITHIN TOWN WAYS ORDINANCE AND THE NEW GLOUCESTER ZONING ORDINANCE. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Town of New Gloucester Provisions, Rules, & Regulations Relating to Entrance to Town Ways or Other Changes within Town Ways and the New Gloucester Zoning Ordinance. Below is the full text of the proposed revisions:**

- Permitting requirements from the stand alone ordinance Provisions, Rules, & Regulations Relating to Entrance to Town Ways have been moved to Section 5.1.34 of the New Gloucester Zoning Ordinance. Ordinance provisions have been expanded to include all entrances and driveways.
- While additional standards regarding intersection angle, maximum driveway grade, and sight distance have been added, they only apply "to the greatest extent practicable."
- Since the standards have been moved to 5.1.34, the current stand alone ordinance has been struck in its entirety.

- Specific proposed changes can be found in narrative section of this report.

Motion: *Stephen Hathorne moved that Article 39 have passage as presented.*
Second: *Robert Hubbard*
Discussion: *None.*
Vote: *It was voted that Article 39 have passage as read.*

Article 40. **HOUSEKEEPING AMENDMENTS TO ZONING ORDINANCE AND SUBDIVISION ORDINANCE. To see if the Town will vote to make administrative housekeeping amendments to the Zoning Ordinance and Subdivision Ordinance.**

- Proposed amendments include format corrections, updating state statute references, correcting errors of omission in Article 4, and primarily non-substantive changes related to ensuring ordinance consistency and accuracy.
- Timing and size of political signs changed to state law Title 23 MRSA 1913-A. Intent is to simplify enforcement. (Section 5.1.19.C.12)

- Specific proposed changes can be found in Narrative section of this report.

Motion: *Stephen Hathorne moved that Article 40 have passage as presented.*
Second: *Tamilyn Wayboer*
Discussion: *Steven Libby commented on this article.*
Vote: *It was voted that Article 40 have passage as read.*

George Carman moved and Penny Hilton seconded a motion to adjourn at 9:37 p.m. The motion passed unanimously.

ATTEST: Sumner M. Field III

Sumner M. Field III, Town Clerk