



Andrew B. Walsh

Budget Committee *[incumbent]*

Living and working in North Yarmouth for over 32 years, I care deeply about the North Yarmouth community. From 1991 until selling, it in 2017, I founded and ran Fat Andy's Hardwoods in North Yarmouth. I raised my three children in North Yarmouth and I am pleased that one daughter has chosen to live and work here. In my spare time, I enjoy woodworking, speedskating, walking, kayaking, Moosehead Lake, and spending time with my fiancé, Laurie Davis.

Believing in the importance of public service, I have served on the Budget Committee since 2009 and have been Chair of the Budget Committee since 2020, I have also served on the Select Board, the Economic & Sustainability Committee, the Ad Hoc Town Hall Renovation Committee, and the Ad Hoc Solar Committee. Currently, I also am serving in my second term as North Yarmouth's Trustee on the Yarmouth Water District, which owns about 5% of the land in North Yarmouth and provides drinking water for many North Yarmouth homes and businesses.

I am running for another three-year term on the Budget Committee because I enjoy contributing to my community and believe that my past Budget Committee experience combined with the financial expertise gained as a businessperson can help North Yarmouth make good financial choices now, and for the future.

Recently retired, I have the time and energy to fulfill the duties of the Budget Committee. Valuing thorough preparation for meetings, I always take the time to review the agenda and supporting materials before each meeting and am prepared to focus on the items with the greatest impact on the town's budget and taxes. I believe in making decisions only after listening to all sides of an issue with an open mind. I am curious and try to understand all viewpoints, especially those I may initially disagree with, so that my analysis of issues and decision-making are well-informed.

North Yarmouth is a beautiful and welcoming community. As Maine's oldest town, it has seen much change and growth over the 342 years since its founding in 1680. Through my service on the Budget Committee, I hope to help guide North Yarmouth in making thoughtful and considered decisions as it meets the challenges of the future.