



John K. Fulton – Budget Committee

The [vision statement of our town](#) is my guide (Comprehensive Plan, page 3). I live in the Farm and Forest district, so I support its rural nature. The vision of a walkable, more populated village center with a TIF also makes sense. In the Budget Committee, I want to craft recommendations to the select board based on input from residents and with consideration of our need to deliver public services, especially Public Safety and our Community Center.

My entire family lives here in North Yarmouth, with three grandchildren in Greely/MSAD 51. After retiring in 2019, I wanted to be helpful in my community. I started volunteering service on the Communications Committee, then the Living Well in North Yarmouth, and also the Solar presentation Committee. The Select Board appointed me to fill an empty seat on the current budget committee. Since March of 2022, I've volunteered at the Prince Memorial Library's Chess Club for Kids ages seven to eleven.

Why run? In a word, service. I see North Yarmouth as a beautiful town populated by great people. I want to help find a balance among the various interests of our residents. Some are really focused on family life and education. Others have aged beyond parental roles and want fiscal prudence as a guideline. Our town is a microcosm of the State of Maine itself!

Recently, I enthusiastically signed the Standard of Conduct Policy for our Boards, Commissions and Committees. Policies are debatable; the need for basic respect in discourse is required. I believe that all residents and committee members deserve respect, especially when ideas differ!

My education includes a Bachelor of Science in Business (E-Business, 2003) My recent work experience was technical, developing software applications, managing & securing the network & computers of Verizon employees sited in New England. In 2022, I completed the state requirement for training from the Maine Municipality Association in Public Service and Freedom of Access issues.