

## **Town Article 3 – Zoning Amendment- Section Sections 13.1 Definitions and 14.1 Allowed Uses Table**

This article will add two new definitions, “Dump” and “Landfill,” to the Town Zoning Code and prohibit all landfills/dumps/sanitary landfills in any zone in the Town of Raymond. The article is the result of work done by the Solid Waste and Recycling Advisory Committee and the Planning Board. There are 3 landfills in the State of NH and one is projected to reach capacity and close within the next 5 years. (1)

**A YES vote** will define “Dump” and “Landfill” in the Zoning Ordinance as well as prevent the creation of such in the Town.

**A NO vote** will not approve these Zoning changes and possibly allow a “Dump” or “Landfill” to be established in the town of Raymond.

### **Reasons why some voters might vote yes:**

- To clarify the terms “dump” and “landfill.”
- Want to prevent the creation of a dump or landfill within the Town of Raymond. (2) (3)

### **Reasons why some voters might vote no:**

- To leave the current Zoning definitions as is, without those terms. (4)
- To allow the potential for establishing a dump or landfill site in Raymond.

### **References:**

1. Town Planning Assistant, Christina McCarthy, interviewed 1/14/20.
2. “Applications for landfill expansions constitute the vast majority of requests for new permitted solid waste management capacity received by NHDES [NH Department of Environmental Services]. New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services 2019 Biennial Solid Waste Report, page 9.
3. “NHDES predicts a limited shortfall in disposal capacity between 2025 and 2034, ranging between about 20,000 and 120,000 tons per year.” NHDES 2019 Biennial Solid Waste Report, page 9.
4. <https://www.ecode360.com/33894364?highlight=definitions&searchId=2967524530022619#33894364>