

March 3, 2015

TOWN MEETING

Meeting was called to order at 10:00 by the Moderator Patrick Hayes, present from the Selectboard were Larry Gervais, Larry Fiske, Polly Rico and Pierre Letourneau.

Article 1: Election of Officers – polls were opened at 10:00 am and will close at 7:00 pm

Article 2: To see if the voters will appropriate the following sums of money:

A: \$ 500.00 to the American Legion Post #42

B: \$ 1,000.00 to the Enosburg Falls Town Band

C: \$ 1,000.00 to the Enosburgh Conservation Committee

D: \$2,500.00 to the Enosburgh Food Shelf

Motion to accept by Penny Wright and seconded by Nancy Patch, all in favor, so moved.

ARTICLE 3: To see if the voters will appropriate the following sums of money.

- a. \$ 2,500.00 to Champlain Valley Agency on Aging
- b. \$ 1,000.00 to CarePartners Adult Day Center
- c. \$ 1,000.00 to Franklin County Court Diversion & Community Justice Programs
- d. \$ 350.00 to Foster Grandparents Program
- e. \$ 1,000.00 to VT Association For the Blind & Visually impaired
- f. \$ 5,562.00 to Franklin County Home Health Agency
- g. \$ 2,745.00 to Northwest Regional Planning Commission
- h. \$ 1,000.00 to Northwest Unit for Special Investigations
- i. \$ 3800.00 to Northwestern Counseling & Support Services
- j. \$ 1,000.00 to Highgate Arena
- k. \$ 1,000.00 to Franklin County Industrial Development Corp.
- l. \$ 500.00 to Missisquoi River Basin Association
- m. \$ 2,238.00 to Green Mountain Transit
- n. \$ 100.00 to Northern Vermont Resource Cons. & Development Council
- o. \$1,000.00 to American Red Cross
- P. \$ 500.00 to Voices Against Violence (Laurie's House)

Motion to act on each one separately by Paula Schramm and seconded by Nancy Patch, all in favor, so moved.

- A. Motion by Nancy Patch, seconded by Billie Jo Draper, all in favor, so moved.
- B. Motion by Linda Depatie, seconded by Mary Ann Mercy, some discussion, all in favor, so moved.
- C. Motion by Claudia Rose, seconded by Paula Schramm, all in favor, so moved.
- D. Motion by Cheryl Heneveld, seconded by Claudia Rose, all in favor, so moved.
- E. Motion by Paula Schramm, seconded by Cheryl Heneveld, all in favor, so moved.

- F. Motion by Penny Wright, seconded by Cheryl Heneveld, much discussion ensued, Arthur Boal questioned the appropriation, Penny Wright gave statistics and benefits of this. Moderator called for the vote, all in favor except Arthur Boal, so moved.
- G. Motion by Nancy Patch, seconded by Maggie Young, much discussion ensued, moderator called for the vote, all in favor, so moved.
- H. Motion by Kristy Leffler, seconded by Anne Bowers, all in favor, so moved.
- I. Motion by Val Bonk, seconded by Linda Depatie, all in favor, so moved.
- J. Motion by Kristy Leffler, seconded by Nancy Patch, much discussion ensued on this topic. Moderator called for the vote, voice vote from the floor, the no's have it – appropriation denied.
- K. Motion by Nancy Patch, seconded by Stanley Wright, some discussion, all in favor, so moved.
- L. Motion by Paula Schramm, seconded by Cindy Weed, some discussion, all in favor, so moved.
- M. Motion by Darren Ranson, seconded by Cindy Weed, some discussion, all in favor, so moved.
- N. Motion by Nancy Patch, seconded by Linda Eppley, all in favor, so moved.
- O. Motion by Penny Wright, seconded by Andre Beaulieu, much discussion ensued, moderator called for the vote, voice vote from the floor was in favor of appropriation, so moved.
- P. Motion by Nancy Patch, seconded by Paula Schramm, much discussion ensued, at this time Kristy Leffler made the motion to amend to \$1500.00, seconded by Nancy Patch, motion to amend with a show of hands, motion passes. Moderator call for a vote of amended appropriation, all in favor, so moved.

Article 4: Will the legal voters vote an amount of the Grand List to cover the 2015 Town Budget?

Motion by Nancy Patch, seconded by Val Bonk, questions about why recreation was cut, and why we still ask for legal fees, and fire department budget were discussed, all in favor, so moved.

At this time Nancy spoke on the anniversary of the statewide Town Forests', and then Larry Fiske spoke briefly, the moderator then called for a 10 minute recess so that the people of the village could disperse if they wanted to. Chris Damato spoke about a community garden.

Road District

Article 1: Will the legal voters of the Town Road district authorize the Selectboard to vote an amount on the grand list to cover the 2015 Town Road District budget?

Motion by Nancy Patch, seconded by Ward Heneveld, all in favor, so moved.

Many compliments and high praise for great roads to the town road crew. Discussion ensued on a study that will take place this year on more paving of roads. Larry explained that nothing would be done without public hearings and votes.

Meeting recessed with a motion by Sue Vaillancourt, and seconded by Linda Carpenter, all in favor, so moved.

