

# Resume of the 2020 Annual Town Meeting

Town Meeting was called to order by Moderator, Heather Mateja at 10:02 A.M. Eastern Standard Time at Waterville's Town Hall on Tuesday, March 3, 2020, to act on the following business, to wit:

**Article 1.** To elect a Moderator of the Town Meeting. Heather Mateja was elected.

**Article 2.** To elect all Town Officers for the ensuing year:

Town Clerk for one year. Nancy LaRose  
Treasurer for one year. Nancy LaRose  
Selectman for three years. Arthur Tilton, by paper ballot  
Arthur Tilton – 47; Jordan Pratt - 38  
Road Commissioner for one year. Hunter Locke  
Lister for three years. Linda Ward  
First Constable for one year. Carlos Martin  
Second Constable for one year. Robin Genetti  
Auditor for three years. Donna Barry  
Library Trustee for three years. April Vanderveer  
Library Trustee for three years. Alice Godin  
Library Trustee for three years. Linda Wilson-Miller  
Delinquent Tax Collector for one year. Nancy LaRose  
Grand Juror for one year. Lucas Tilton  
Trustee of Public Money for one year. Diane Schwarm  
Agent to Convey Real Estate for one year. Diane Schwarm  
Agent to Prosecute and Defend Suits for one year. Shawn LaRose

**Article 3.** To hear the report of the Auditors and to take the action as is deemed necessary in the adoption of such report. Report accepted.

**Article 4.** Will the Town of Waterville appropriate the sum of \$7,729.34 to support the following:

\$ 250.00	Lamoille Restorative Center
500.00	Central Vermont Council on Aging
2,019.00	Lamoille Home Health & Hospice
200.00	Central Vermont Adult Basic Education, Inc.
411.00	Lamoille County Planning Commission
200.00	Clarina Howard Nichols Center
440.00	Meals on Wheels
300.00	Lamoille Day Health Services (aka Out & About)
200.00	North Country Animal League
400.00	Rural Community Transportation, Inc. (RCT)
434.34	Lamoille County Special Investigation Unit
500.00	Waterville Baseball/Softball Association
<u>1,875.00</u>	Waterville Town Library
\$ 7,729.34	

Total appropriations of \$7,729.34. Voted in Favor, by voice.

**Article 5.** To see if the Town of Waterville will vote a specific sum of money on the Grand List of said Town for the year 2020 and appropriate same its current expenses and its indebtedness? If so, to set the amount and manner of its Collection. It was voted, by voice, to accept the proposed budget of \$359,051.16 (which includes Article 4). The manner of its collection will be the same as last year - tax bills will be sent out by August 5<sup>th</sup>, due September 8<sup>th</sup> with a 4% discount; after September 8<sup>th</sup>, no discount. Taxes due by October 5<sup>th</sup>; tender to delinquent tax collector after October 5<sup>th</sup>. Delinquent tax collector charges 8% on amounts tendered for collection.

**Article 6.** Will the voters authorize the Select Board to borrow money to pay current expenses and debts of the Town in anticipation of the collection of taxes for such purposes, by note on the general town? Voted in Favor, by voice.

**Article 7.** To do any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

Lucy Rogers gave a Legislative Update. She spoke about Health Care, the Minimum Wage Bill, affordable living in Vermont and there was some Act 250 discussion.

John Terrel thanked Deb Farrell for her efforts on the Historical Board.

April Vanderveer gave a Library update.

Tim Burgess spoke about the Waterville Fire District.

Jeff Tilton gave a Planning Board update. With the help from LCPC, we were awarded a grant, with Eden and Hyde Park, to study pedestrian/bike activity in town and maybe come up with some options to better enhance our walking environments. Jeff also spoke briefly about better connectivity in Waterville. Our local Planning Board and LCPC are looking at a few options to be considered, but the most feasible one would be to form a Community Broadband district that would include multiple towns. This would be similar to the NEK Community Broadband Communications Union District.

Adjourned the Town Meeting at 11:24 A.M.

Dated at Waterville this 5<sup>th</sup> day of March 2020.

Donald Lynch, Sr.

Arthur Tilton

Jay Marsh

Select Board, Town of Waterville

ATTEST:

Nancy LaRose

Town Clerk, Town of Waterville