TOWN OF WESTFIELD ANNUAL MEETING BALLOT
& ANNUAL SCHOOL MEETING BALLOT
MARCH 1, 2022

465 Voters on Checklist

OFFICIAL VERMONT ANNUAL MEETING AUSTRALIAN BALLOT

78 Voters (includes 14 by absentee ballot)

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TOWN MEETING ARTICLES

ARTICLE 1
TOWN MODERATOR, 1-YEAR TERM
Vote for not more than one

PAT SAGUI 78 Pat Sagui re-elected
WRITE IN 0
Blanks: 0

ARTICLE 2
FIRST CONSTABLE, 1-YEAR TERM
Vote for not more than one

JOHN HAMELIN 70 John Hamelin re-elected.
WRITE IN Jerry Bouchard 2
Blanks: 5 ; Spoiled: 1

ARTICLE 3
2ND CONSTABLE, 1-YEAR TERM
Vote for not more than one

MIKE PIPER 74 Re-elected.
WRITE IN
Blanks: 3 ; Spoiled 1

ARTICLE 4
DELINQUENT TAX COLLECTOR, 1-YEAR TERM
Vote for not more than one

JOYCE CRAWFORD 74 Re-elected
WRITE IN Lisa Deslandes 1
Blanks: 3

ARTICLE 5
LISTER, 3-YEAR TERM
Vote for not more than one

SHELLEY MARTIN 65 re-elected.
WRITE IN Mike Saloomey 1
Blanks: 11 ; Spoiled: 1

ARTICLE 6
SELECTBOARD MEMBER, 3-YEAR TERM
Vote for not more than one

JACQUES COUTURE 69 re-elected
SHELLEY MARTIN 9
WRITE IN

ARTICLE 7
TOWN TREASURER, 2-YEAR TERM
TO FILL AN UNEXPIRED 3-YEAR TERM
Vote for not more than one

LISA DESLANDES 77 newly elected
WRITE IN
Blanks: 1

ARTICLE 8. SHALL THE TOWN AUTHORIZE THE ELIMINATION OF THE OFFICE OF TOWN AUDITOR, WITH FUTURE AUDITS TO BE PROVIDED BY A PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT LICENSED IN THE STATE IN ACCORDANCE WITH 17 V.S.A. 2651b(a)?

passed.

YES 59
NO 16
Blanks: 3

ARTICLE 9. SHALL THE VOTERS OF THE TOWN OF WESTFIELD APPROPRIATE $250 TO AMERICAN LEGION-JAY PEAK POST #28?

passed.

YES 66
NO 11
Blank: 1

ARTICLE 10. SHALL THE VOTERS OF THE TOWN OF WESTFIELD APPROPRIATE $500 TO AMERICAN RED CROSS?

passed

YES 73
NO 4
Blank: 1

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ARTICLE 11. SHALL THE VOTERS OF THE TOWN OF WESTFIELD APPROPRIATE $250 TO BIG HEAVY WORLD?

Defeated.

Blanks: 7 YES 27 NO 44

ARTICLE 12. SHALL THE VOTERS OF THE TOWN OF WESTFIELD APPROPRIATE $100 TO FELINES & FRIENDS FOUNDATION?

Passed.

Blanks: 2 YES 53 NO 23

ARTICLE 13. SHALL THE VOTERS OF THE TOWN OF WESTFIELD APPROPRIATE $900 TO GREEN MOUNTAIN FARM-TO-SCHOOL?

Passed.

Blanks: 2 YES 62 NO 14

ARTICLE 14. SHALL THE VOTERS OF THE TOWN OF WESTFIELD APPROPRIATE $50 TO GREEN UP VERMONT?

Passed.

Blanks: 5 YES 64 NO 9

ARTICLE 15. SHALL THE VOTERS OF THE TOWN OF WESTFIELD APPROPRIATE $500 TO JAY AREA FOOD SHELF?

Passed.

Blanks: 2 YES 70 NO 6

ARTICLE 16. SHALL THE VOTERS OF THE TOWN OF WESTFIELD APPROPRIATE $200 TO JAY FOCUS GROUP?

Passed.

Blanks: 3 YES 59 NO 16

ARTICLE 17. SHALL THE VOTERS OF THE TOWN OF WESTFIELD APPROPRIATE $300 TO MISSISQUOI RIVER BASIN ASSOCIATION?

Passed

Blanks: 1 YES 62 NO 15

ARTICLE 18. SHALL THE VOTERS OF THE TOWN OF WESTFIELD APPROPRIATE $34,294 TO MISSISQUOI VALLEY AMBULANCE SERVICE, INC.?

Passed

Blanks: 1 YES 69 NO 8

ARTICLE 19. SHALL THE VOTERS OF THE TOWN OF WESTFIELD APPROPRIATE $4000 TO MONTGOMERY FIRE DEPT.?

Passed.

Blanks: 1 YES 70 NO 7

ARTICLE 20. SHALL THE VOTERS OF THE TOWN OF WESTFIELD APPROPRIATE $300 TO NORTHEAST KINGDOM COUNCIL ON AGING?

Passed.

Blanks: 1 YES 65 NO 12

ARTICLE 21. SHALL THE VOTERS OF THE TOWN OF WESTFIELD APPROPRIATE $1,072 TO NORTHEAST KINGDOM HUMAN SERVICES (NKHS) ?

Passed.

Blanks: 3 YES 60 NO 15

ARTICLE 22. SHALL THE VOTERS OF THE TOWN OF WESTFIELD APPROPRIATE $200 TO NORTHEAST KINGDOM LEARNING SERVICES (NEKLS)?

Passed.

Blanks: 2 YES 58 NO 18

ARTICLE 23. SHALL THE VOTERS OF THE TOWN OF WESTFIELD APPROPRIATE $700 TO OLD STONE HOUSE MUSEUM (ORLEANS COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY)?

Passed.

Blanks: 1 YES 55 NO 22

ARTICLE 24. SHALL THE VOTERS OF THE TOWN OF WESTFIELD APPROPRIATE $500 TO ORLEANS COUNTY CITIZEN ADVOCACY (OCCA)?

Passed.

Blanks: 3 YES 52 NO 23

ARTICLE 25. SHALL THE VOTERS OF THE TOWN OF WESTFIELD APPROPRIATE $500 TO ORLEANS COUNTY FAIR ASSOCIATION?

Passed.

Blanks: 5 YES 39 NO 34

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ARTICLE 26. SHALL THE VOTERS OF THE TOWN OF WESTFIELD APPROPRIATE $14,822.40 TO ORLEANS COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT?

Passed

Blanks: 4 YES 55 NO 19

ARTICLE 27. SHALL THE VOTERS OF THE TOWN OF WESTFIELD APPROPRIATE $2,500 TO ORLEANS ESSEX VNA & HOSPICE, INC.?

Passed.

Blanks: 5 YES 64 NO 9

ARTICLE 28. SHALL THE VOTERS OF THE TOWN OF WESTFIELD APPROPRIATE $500 TO POPE MEMORIAL FRONTIER ANIMAL SHELTER, INC.?

Passed

Blanks: 5 YES 54 NO 19

ARTICLE 29. SHALL THE VOTERS OF THE TOWN OF WESTFIELD APPROPRIATE $600 TO RURAL COMMUNITY TRANSPORTATION, INC. (RCT)?

Passed.

Blanks: 5 YES 63 NO 10

ARTICLE 30. SHALL THE VOTERS OF THE TOWN OF WESTFIELD APPROPRIATE $1000 TO THE TROY AND AREA LIONS CLUB (SENIOR MEALSITE)?

Passed.

Blanks: 4 YES 69 NO 5

ARTICLE 31. SHALL THE VOTERS OF THE TOWN OF WESTFIELD APPROPRIATE $28,974.77 TO TROY VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT, INC.?

Passed.

Blanks: 4 YES 72 NO 2

ARTICLE 32. SHALL THE VOTERS OF THE TOWN OF WESTFIELD APPROPRIATE $400 TO UMBRELLA?

Passed.

Blanks: 7 YES 45 NO 26

ARTICLE 33. SHALL THE VOTERS OF THE TOWN OF WESTFIELD APPROPRIATE $95 TO VERMONT CENTER FOR INDEPENDENT LIVING (VCIL)?

Passed.

Blanks: 6 YES 57 NO 15

ARTICLE 34. SHALL THE VOTERS OF THE TOWN OF WESTFIELD APPROPRIATE $250 TO VERMONT FAMILY NETWORK?

Passed.

Blanks: 6 YES 50 NO 22

ARTICLE 35. SHALL THE VOTERS OF THE TOWN OF WESTFIELD APPROPRIATE $100 TO VERMONT RURAL FIRE PROTECTION TASK FORCE (RFP) - VT ASSOC. OF CONSERVATION DISTRICTS (VACD)?

Passed.

Blanks: 5 YES 61 NO 12

ARTICLE 36. SHALL THE VOTERS OF THE TOWN OF WESTFIELD APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF $100 TO THE SYMPHONYKIDS PROGRAM OF THE VERMONT SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA?

Passed.

Blanks: 4 YES 55 NO 19

ARTICLE 37. SHALL THE VOTERS APPROVE GENERAL GOVERNMENT FUND EXPENDITURES OF $302,721.75 OF WHICH $149,605.39 SHALL BE RAISED BY NON-TAX REVENUES AND $153,116.36 SHALL BE RAISED BY MUNICIPAL TAXES? THE PROPOSED 2022 BUDGET IS UP 9.89% FROM THE PROPOSED BUDGET OF 2021. Note: Appropriations are not included in the above general government fund expenditures. Voter approved appropriations will be added as presented in the Selectboards budget in the Town Report.

Passed.

Blanks: 6 YES 63 NO 9

ARTICLE 38. SHALL THE VOTERS APPROVE HIGHWAY FUND EXPENDITURES OF $475,233, OF WHICH $83,020 SHALL BE RAISED BY NON-TAX REVENUES AND $392,213 SHALL BE RAISED BY MUNICIPAL TAXES? THE PROPOSED 2022 BUDGET IS UP 5.32% FROM THE PROPOSED BUDGET OF 2021.

Passed.

Blanks: 6 YES 61 NO 11

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SCHOOL MEETING ARTICLES

ARTICLE 1

SCHOOL MODERATOR, 1-YEAR TERM

Vote for not more than one

PAT SAGUI 76 re-elected.

WRITE IN 0

Blanks: 2

ARTICLE 2

WESTFIELD TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER, 3-YEAR TERM newly elected

Vote for not more than one

WRITE IN Andrew Emery 26

Dan McAvinney 1

Jessica Kennison 2

Mike Saloomey 1

Jennifer Grace 1

Todd Daigle 1

Rita Petzoldt 1

Blanks: 44

Spoiled: 1

ARTICLE 3

UNION SCHOOL BOARD DIRECTOR, 2-YEAR TERM TO FILL AN UNEXPIRED 3-YEAR TERM

Vote for not more than one

WRITE IN newly elected.

Andrew Emery 5

Kevin Amyot 1

Shelley Martin 1

Mike Saloomey 1

Todd Daigle 1

Mike Piper 1

Justin Leyva 1

Eric Kennison 1

Blanks: 65

Spoiled: 1

ARTICLE 4: **SHALL THE VOTERS OF THE WESTFIELD TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF $1,866,750 TO DEFRAY THE EXPENSES AND LIABILITIES FOR THE JAY/WESTFIELD JOINT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL FOR THE ENSUING YEAR WITH A NET ASSESSMENT TO THE TOWN OF $606,712? (to be commingled with Jay)**

passed.

Blank 1

YES 70

NO 7

ARTICLE 5: **SHALL THE VOTERS OF THE WESTFIELD TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT APPROVE THE SCHOOL BOARD TO EXPEND $619,330 WHICH IS THE AMOUNT THE SCHOOL BOARD HAS DETERMINED TO BE NECESSARY FOR THE ENSUING FISCAL YEAR? IT IS ESTIMATED THAT THIS PROPOSED BUDGET, IF APPROVED, WILL RESULT IN EDUCATION SPENDING OF $15,991 PER EQUALIZED PUPIL. THIS PROJECTED SPENDING PER EQUALIZED PUPIL IS 5.64% HIGHER THAN SPENDING FOR THE CURRENT YEAR.**

passed.

Blank 1

YES 65

NO 12

ARTICLE 6

JAY/WESTFIELD JOINT SCHOOL TREASURER- 1-YEAR TERM (to be commingled with Jay)

Vote for not more than one

Tara Morse 73 re-elected

WRITE IN

Blanks: 5

ARTICLE 7

WESTFIELD TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT TREASURER 1-YEAR TERM

Vote for not more than one

RITA PETZOLDT 73 re-elected.

WRITE IN

Blanks: 5

OFFICIAL BALLOT

NORTH COUNTRY UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

MARCH 1, 2022

ARTICLE IV

Shall the voters of the North Country Union High School District approve the school board to expend $18,442,500, which is the amount the school board has determined to be necessary for the ensuing fiscal year? It is estimated that this proposed budget, if approved, will result in education spending of $17,752 per equalized pupil. This projected spending per equalized pupil is 6.54% higher than spending for the current year.

Passed.

IF IN FAVOR, make a cross (X) in this square ☐ 54

IF OPPOSED, make a cross (X) in this square ☐ 23

Blanks: 1

ARTICLE V

Shall the voters of the North Country Union High School District approve the Board of School Directors to place $381,000 of undesignated FY2021 fund balance from the general fund operations in the Capital Improvement Reserve fund? These funds are intended to offset future capital improvements to the facility.

Passed.

IF IN FAVOR, make a cross (X) in this square ☐ 64

IF OPPOSED, make a cross (X) in this square ☐ 13

Blanks: 1

ARTICLE VI

Shall the voters of the North Country Union High School District approve the Board of School Directors to place $30,000 of undesignated FY2021 fund balance from the general fund operations in the Technology Reserve fund?

passed.

IF IN FAVOR, make a cross (X) in this square ☐ 63

IF OPPOSED, make a cross (X) in this square ☐ 14

Blanks: 1

ARTICLE VII

Shall the voters of the North Country Union Junior High School District approve the school board to expend $5,698,400, which is the amount the school board has determined to be necessary for the ensuing fiscal year? It is estimated that this proposed budget, if approved, will result in education spending of $18,715 per equalized pupil. This projected spending per equalized pupil is 10.84% higher than spending for the current year.

passed.

IF IN FAVOR, make a cross (X) in this square ☐ 54

IF OPPOSED, make a cross (X) in this square ☐ 23

Blanks: 1