

WARNING WITH ELECTION RESULTS

ANNUAL WESTFIELD TOWN MEETING AND WESTFIELD TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT MEETING

MARCH 7, 2023 - 10 a.m.

The legal voters of the Town of Westfield and the legal voters of the Westfield Town School District are hereby notified and warned to meet (in-person) at the Westfield Community Center, 59 North Hill Road, on Tuesday, March 7, 2023, at 10:00 A.M. to transact the following business:

WESTFIELD TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT ANNUAL MEETING:

- Article 1.** To elect a moderator for a term of one-year. **Pat Sagui re-elected by voice vote.**
- Article 2.** To elect one Westfield Town School District Board Member for a term of three-years. **Mary Gagne elected by voice vote.**
- Article 3.** To elect a Union School Board Director to fill the remaining one-year of a three-year unexpired term. **Kevin Amyot elected by voice vote**
- Article 4.** Shall the voters of the Westfield Town School District appropriate the sum of \$1,979,596 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 \$648,810? **(Paper ballot to be commingled with Jay) Passed by paper ballot: 41 Yes; 9 No.**
- Article 5.** Shall the voters of the Westfield Town School District approve the school board to expend \$664,688 which is the amount the school board has determined to be necessary for the ensuing fiscal year? **Passed by voice vote.**

- **Articles 6 through 9 voted by Australian ballot:** Australian ballot items are voted on at the Westfield Community Center, 59 North Hill Road, throughout the day on Tuesday, March 7, 2023. The polls open at 9:00 A.M. and close at 7:00 P.M. Early or absentee ballots are available by contacting the Town Clerk at 802-744-2484.

- **Article 6** To elect a Jay/Westfield Joint School Treasurer for the school year 2023-2024. **(Australian ballot to be commingled with Jay) Tara Morse re-elected; 57 Yes; 3 Blanks**
- **Article 7.** To elect a Westfield Town School District Treasurer for the school year 2023-2024. **(Australian ballot) Lisa Deslandes elected; 10; Other write in's 5; 43 Blanks; 2 Spoiled**
- **Article 8.** Shall the voters of the North Country Union High School District approve the school board to expend \$19,475,500, which is the amount the school board has determined to be necessary for the ensuing fiscal year? **(Australian ballot) Passed; 47 Yes; 13 No**
- **Article 9.** Shall the voters of the North Country Union Junior High School District approve the school board to expend \$6,211,900, which is the amount the school board has determined to be necessary for the ensuing fiscal year? **(Australian ballot) Passed; 46 Yes; 14 No**

Article 10. To transact any other non-binding business which may legally come before this meeting.

Article 11. To adjourn.

FOLLOWING A SHORT BREAK, TOWN MEETING WILL CONVENE

TOWN MEETING:

- Article 1.** To elect a moderator for a term of one-year. **Pat Sagui re-elected.**
- Article 2.** To hear the reports of the Town Officers.
- Article 3.** To elect all necessary town officials required by law.
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| a. | 1 st Constable | One-year term | Jerry Bouchard, Jr. re-elected. |
| b. | 2 nd Constable | One-year term | Mike Piper re-elected. |
| c. | Delinquent Tax Collector | One-year term | Joyce Crawford re-elected. |
| d. | Lister | Three-year term | Danny Young re-elected. |
| e. | Selectperson | Three-year term | Contested race between Dennis Vincent (38 votes) and Jennifer Grace (13 votes). |
| f. | Library Trustee | One-year term | Theresa Rudolph elected. |
| g. | Library Trustee | Two-year term | Jennifer Grace elected. |
| h. | Library Trustee | Three-year term | Elizabeth Berchick elected. |
| i. | Library Trustee | Four-year term | Karen Blais elected. |
| j. | Library Trustee | Five-year term | Jennifer Stelma elected. |
- Article 4.** Shall the voters approve **\$60,293.77** for the following appropriations?
- a. **\$500** to American Red Cross: **Passed**
 - b. **\$250** to Big Heavy World: **Defeated**
 - c. **\$100** to Felines & Friends Foundation: **Passed**
 - d. **\$1,200** to Green Mountain Farm-to-School, Inc.: **Passed**
 - e. **\$50** to Green Up Vermont: **Passed**
 - f. **\$250** to Jay Focus Group & the Jay Focus Group Children's Halloween Party: **Passed**
 - g. **\$500** to Jay Food Shelf: **Amended to \$700; Passed**
 - h. **\$250** to Jay Peak Post No. 28-American Legion: **Passed**
 - i. **\$300** to Missisquoi River Basin Association: **Passed**
 - j. **\$4,000** to Montgomery Fire Department: **Passed**
 - k. **\$100** to North Country Friends of the Vermont Symphony Orchestra: **Passed**
 - l. **\$300** to Northeast Kingdom Council on Aging: **Passed**
 - m. **\$1,072** to Northeast Kingdom Human Services (NKHS): **Passed**
 - n. **\$250** to Northeast Kingdom Learning Services (NEKLS): **Passed**
 - o. **\$700** to Old Stone House Museum (Orleans County Historical Society): **Passed**
 - p. **\$500** to Orleans County Citizen Advocacy (OCCA): **Passed**
 - q. **\$500** to Orleans County Fair Association: **Passed**
 - r. **\$15,602** to Orleans County Sheriff's Department: **Passed**
 - s. **\$2,500** to Orleans Essex Visiting Nurse Association (VNA) and Hospice, Inc.: **Passed**
 - t. **\$500** to Pope Memorial Frontier Animal Shelter, Inc.: **Passed**
 - u. **\$600** to Rural Community Transportation, Inc. (RCT): **Passed**
 - v. **\$500** to Troy and Area Lions Club to run the Westfield Senior Meal Site: **Passed**
 - w. **\$28,974.77** to Troy Fire Department: **Passed**
 - x. **\$400** to Umbrella: **Passed**
 - y. **\$95** to Vermont Center for Independent Living (VCIL): **Passed**
 - z. **\$250** to Vermont Family Network: **Passed**
 - aa. **\$100** to Vermont Rural Fire Protection Task Force - Vt. Assoc. of Conservation Dist.: **Passed**
- Article 5.** Shall the voters approve general government fund expenditures of \$353,628, of which \$171,594 shall be raised by non-tax revenues and \$182,034 shall be raised by municipal taxes? *This amount does not include appropriations.* **Passed by voice vote**

- Article 6.** Shall the voters approve highway fund expenditures of \$481,056, of which \$140,620 shall be raised by non-tax revenues and \$340,436 shall be raised by municipal taxes? **Passed by voice vote**
- Article 7.** Shall the voters authorize the Treasurer, pursuant to 32 V.S.A. §4791, to collect current taxes? **Passed by voice vote**
- Article 8.** Shall the voters authorize payment of real property taxes on October 10, 2023, by physical delivery to the tax collector before 4 p.m. on that date? **Passed by voice vote**
- Article 9.** To transact any other non-binding business which may legally come before this meeting.
- Article 10.** To adjourn.
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I certify the above Election Results are a true and accurate report of the Town and School in-person election as well as the Australian ballot election results held March 7, 2023 for the Town of Westfield



LaDonna Dunn, Westfield Town Clerk