

# **SANDGATE, VERMONT ANNUAL TOWN MEETING, MARCH 4<sup>TH</sup>, 2019**

*The legal voters of the Town of Sandgate, Vermont met at the Sandgate Town Hall on Monday, March 4th, 2019 at 7:00 pm for the purpose of acting on the following articles.*

There were 36 people present.

Chris Barlow, Town Moderator, brought the meeting to order at 7:02 PM

## **ARTICLE 2: To hear and act on the reports of the Town Officers**

Judy Boehlert made a motion to accept the reports of the Town Officers.

Sheila Kearns seconded the motion.

**Article 2 Passed.**

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## **ARTICLE 3: Shall current property taxes be paid to the Town Treasurer on or before Oct 1, 2019?**

Valerie dePeyster made a motion that the current property taxes be paid to the Town Treasurer on or before October 1, 2019. Jim Henderson seconded the motion.

**Article 3 passed.**

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## **ARTICLE 4: Shall the line item balance for Garage Maintenance be carried over to a Garage Maintenance Fund into the following year?**

Jim Henderson made a motion that the line item balance for Garage Maintenance be carried over to a Garage Maintenance Fund into the following year. Sandy Reidy seconded the motion.

**Article 4 passed.**

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## **ARTICLE 5: Shall the Record Restoration Fund be closed and the remaining balance placed in the Town Office Fund?**

Rick Dahm stated that there was no "Town Office Fund" to transfer the Records Restoration Fund into. Valerie dePeyster moved the article. Sonja Jaffee seconded.

**Article 5 did not pass.**

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## **ARTICLE 6: Will the voters appropriate the sum of \$18,157 in support of the organizations listed in the Appropriations section of the General Budget?**

Margaret Phelps made a motion that the voters appropriate the sum of \$18,157 in support of the organizations listed in the Appropriations section of the General Budget. Daniel Reap seconded.

**Article 6 passed.**

**ARTICLE 7: Shall the town appropriate \$130,572 to defray the general expenses of the Town and, if so voted, authorize the Selectboard to set the tax rate based on the final Grand List?**

Sheila Kearns asked for clarification of Selectboard salaries.

Tambra Reap made a motion to have the Town appropriate \$130,572 to defray the general expenses of the Town and, if so voted, authorize the Selectboard to set the tax rate based on the final Grand List. Judy Boehlert seconded.

**Article 7 passed.**

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**ARTICLE 8: Shall the town appropriate \$358,552 to defray the highway expenses of the Town and, if so voted, authorize the Selectboard to set the tax rate based on the final Grand List?**

Jim Henderson moved that the Town appropriate \$358,552 to defray the highway expenses of the Town and, if so voted, authorize the Selectboard to set the tax rate based on the final Grand List.

**Article 8 passed.**

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**ARTICLE 9: To hear and transact such further business as may be lawful and appropriate for the annual meeting.**

Suzanne dePeyster stated that Casella was going to accept appliances on Green Up day as long as they were brought in to Casella by Town trucks. Karen Tendrup announced that Green Up day was Saturday, May 4<sup>th</sup>. Dottie Sundquist mentioned that there was a local effort to eradicate invasive species Japanese Knotweed and Garlic Mustard. Jim Henderson stated there was an organization already active in this endeavor: the Battenkill Watershed Alliance and Elaine Feldman is the contact person.

Rick Dahm made a motion to close the meeting. It was seconded and the motion to adjourn was passed. The meeting ended at 7:30 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Marjorie Peff, Sandgate Town Clerk