

TOWN OF WILLIAMSTOWN
2020 SCHOOL DISTRICT MEETING
MARCH 3, 2020

The legal voters of the Town of Williamstown are hereby notified and warned to meet at the Williamstown Middle High School on Tuesday, March 3, 2020 at ten o'clock in the forenoon (10:00 AM) to act upon the following articles. Voting for all Australian Ballot articles and elections will be held on Tuesday, March 3, 2020 from ten o'clock in the forenoon to seven o'clock in the evening (10:00 AM – 7:00 PM).

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 A.M. by Matthew Powell, Moderator, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Barbara Graham, Town Clerk, read the warning for the Paine Mountain School District.

Carl Demrow, State Representative spoke briefly on what has been happening at the State House and to please contact him and let him know of any issues that you would like to discuss.

A special thank you to Hunter Day for setting up the sound system with music director, Kevin Sullivan.

Matthew Powell had the school directors come up to the table and discuss any issues that anyone may have. Allowing permission for Susette Bollard, Superintendent, Chris Locarno, Business Manager and Jamie Kinnarney, Principal to speak as they are not Williamstown residents.

Winston Chambers asked what the expenses associated with special revenues, special grants were for and what do we receive back for that investment? Chris Locarno spoke that the special revenue fund, special grants show intervention expense and revenue.

Rama Schneider spoke that he served on the Northfield/Williamstown merger committee. The Paine Mountain School District has lived up to the expectations that the merger committee was looking for and that the town should feel good of the school district that it is moving in a good way. Also, as treasurer of the Vermont Food Shelf, would like to recognize the school district and are thankful for all that they do.

Kim Siner questioned as to why there is no food service for next year. Mike Bailey, Chairman of the Paine Mountain School District, spoke that the food service was previously contracted in Northfield, Williamstown, Orange and Washington. Chris Locarno mentioned that in the past there were food service deficits. Food service will be offered, and will be provided through contracted services but they will have to bid on a per meal price and in the future don't anticipate any food deficits.

ART 1: To elect the following officers of the Paine Mountain School District for the ensuing year by Australian ballot: Moderator, and School Directors. Two (2) Williamstown School Directors for Three (3) Year Terms on Paine Mountain School Board. For the purpose of this article, the polls will be opened at 10:00 o'clock AM and closed at 7:00 o'clock PM.

The total votes cast were 783 for School Directors. The results were as follows:

School Director, 3 years

Sarah Launderville.....	633
Write-Ins-Miscellaneous.....	1
Blank.....	149
TOTAL.....	783

School Director, 3 years:

Jennifer Bisson.....628
Write-Ins-Miscellaneous.....3
Blank.....152
TOTAL.....783

ART 2:

To see if the Paine Mountain School District will authorize the Board of Directors of the Paine Mountain School District to borrow money on the notes of the Town School District or otherwise, in anticipation of taxes, by Australian ballot.

TOTAL OF COMBINED TOWN SCHOOLS

YES.....1292 NO.....760

ART 3:

Shall the voters of the Paine Mountain School District approve the Paine Mountain School District Board to expend \$18,519,582 which is the amount the school board has determined to be necessary for the ensuing fiscal year for the Paine Mountain School District. This represents a 3.20% increase from the previous year. It is estimated that this proposed budget, if approved, will result in education spending of \$16,282 per equalized pupil. The projected spending per equalized pupil is 4.77% higher than spending for the current year. By Australian ballot.

TOTAL OF COMBINED TOWN SCHOOLS


YES.....1159 NO.....901


ART 4:

To see if the Paine Mountain School District will vote to apply \$100,000 of FY19 (2018-2019) audited fund balance to be placed in a Paine Mountain School District Capital Improvement Fund, by Australian ballot.

TOTAL OF COMBINED TOWN SCHOOLS

YES.....1452 NO.....601


/s/Matthew Powell, Moderator


/s/Barbara Graham, Town Clerk