

**TOWN OF WILMINGTON
BOARD OF CIVIL AUTHORITY
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 2021, at 5:30pm
MINUTES**

IN ATTENDANCE: A quorum was achieved with 7 members present in the Town Hall and on Zoom. Selectboard – Tony Tribuno, John Gannon, Vince Rice (at 5:46pm), Sarah Fisher (at 5:48p); Justices of the Peace – John LeBron, Linda Green, Elizabeth McEwen, and Fred Houston; Town Clerk - Therese Lounsbury and Eithne Eldred. Absent: Patti Long, Rhea Clark, and Tom Fitzgerald.

1. **CALLED TO ORDER** - Chair Elizabeth McEwen called the meeting to order at 5:32pm
2. **CHANGES TO AGENDA** – None.
3. **MINUTES APPROVAL** – Motion to approve the minutes of August 12, 2021, as written. Motion made by Fred, seconded by John G. Motion carried with two abstentions – Linda and John L.
4. **DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING THE TENTATIVE PLAN FOR THE VERMONT HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES DISTRICT(S) PRESENTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE APPORTIONMENT BOARD –**
John Gannon shared that census delays were the reason for why the Board is looking at this so late in the year. He explained the makeup of the Legislative Apportionment Board (LAB), and the side note that the chair of the LAB, Tom Little, voted against this tentative plan. Per the plan presented, John highlighted that the goal is to establish 1-member districts of approximately 4,287 residents with a 10% variance allowed, and that these districts should preserve existing political subdivision lines, stay compact territories, and maintain common interests. John G explained that he has a conflict of interest, as he is our Representative, and would not participate in the vote. There will be a final proposal for the state once the LAB has heard from BCAs, and will have votes on the plan in both the House and Senate. BCAs across the state are asked to weigh in on the tentative plans for their districts. Our district change merely adds a tiny corner of Whitingham, which would now place all of Whitingham in our district. Motion was made to accept the district plan as proposed. Motion was made by Fred, seconded by Tony. Motion carried with one abstention – John Gannon. The Board will not send any correspondence to the LAB. It may be that if/when Whitingham meets, they may want a joint meeting of the BCAs. The LAB crafts the Senate districts. We are the only Windham County town in the Bennington Senate District.
5. **ANY OTHER BUSINESS THAT MAY LEGALLY COME BEFORE THE BOARD** – None
6. **MOTION TO ADJOURN** – Made by Tony, seconded by Linda. Meeting adjourned at 5:56pm.

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Therese M. Lounsbury, Wilmington Town Clerk

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