ABSTRACT TOWN OF WILMINGTON 2025 ANNUAL TOWN MEETING – MARCH 4, 2025

The legal voters of the Town of Wilmington met at the Old School Community Center (OSEC) in said Wilmington, Vermont, at 10 A.M. on Tuesday, March 04, 2025, and acted on the following articles not involving voting by Australian Ballot. (Voting for all Australian Ballot articles was held at the OSEC in said Wilmington, Vermont, on March 4, 2025, from 7:00 am to 7:00 pm)

- Article 1: VOTED to appoint a moderator for the 2025 Annual Town Meeting.
- Article 2: By Australian Ballot
- Article 3: VOTED to accept the Town Report.
- Article 4: **VOTED** to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,625,986 to care for the expenses and liabilities of the General Fund for fiscal year 2026 (7/1/25 to 6/30/2026).
- Article 5: **VOTED** to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,847,744 to care for the expenses and liabilities of the Town Road Budget for fiscal year 2026 (7/1/25 to 6/30/2026).
- Article 6: **VOTED** to raise and appropriate \$4,000 to Southeast Vermont Transit/The MOOver whose purpose is to provide year-round public transit services in Windham and southern Windsor counties.
- Article 7: VOTED to allocate the State per parcel payment estimated to be \$26,962 to the Reappraisal Reserve Fund.
- Article 8: VOTED to raise and appropriate \$255,000 to fund the Highway Town Road Equipment Capital Fund.
- Article 9: VOTED to raise and appropriate \$160,000 to fund the Bridge Capital Fund.
- Article 10: VOTED to raise and appropriate \$20,000 to fund Highway Building Capital Fund.
- Article 11: VOTED to raise and appropriate \$265,000 to fund the Fire Department Equipment Capital Fund.
- Article 12: VOTED to raise and appropriate \$60,000 to fund the Police Equipment Capital Fund.
- Article 13: VOTED to raise and appropriate \$20,000 to fund the Old Fire House Capital Fund.
- Article 14: VOTED to raise and appropriate \$20,000 to fund the Memorial Hall Capital Fund.
- Article 15: VOTED to raise and appropriate \$12,000 to fund the Library Capital Reserve Fund.
- Article 16: VOTED to raise and appropriate \$20,000 to fund the Town Hall Capital Fund.
- Article 17: VOTED to raise and appropriate \$5,000 to fund the Transfer Station Capital Fund.
- Article 18: **VOTED** to raise and appropriate \$80,000 to fund the Public Lands Fences Capital Fund and for the purpose of construction and maintenance on Lake Raponda Dam.
- Article 19: **VOTED** to authorize payment of real property taxes in two installments, with the due dates being August <u>29</u>, 2025, and February <u>27</u>, 2026, by delivery to Town Hall by 4:30 p.m. on the due date or postmarked on or before the due date.
- Article 20: **VOTED** to allow for the election of a nonresident of the Town, to the position of Town Moderator, so long as that person is a resident of the State of Vermont, pursuant to 17 VSA 2646a.

Article 21: Non-binding business:

DEFEATED the motion made by Cliff Duncan, seconded by Bill Adams, to see if the town of Wilmington voters will direct the Select Board to explore:

- 1. Removing from the Wilmington General Fund, all future funded entities who are listed as "Social Service Organizations Budgeted Requests" (page 18 of this year's annual report) and are not part of any official Town department.
- 2. Explore creating and managing a separate voluntary funding mechanism to manage and collect such funds by our Town Treasurer. All funds collected would be distributed one time annually to such entities on a shared basis.
- 3. Such a change would have no impact or affect on these entities as listed and funded for the fiscal year 2026.

Therese M. Lounsbury Wilmington Town Clerk

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