

**TOWN OF BARRE ANNUAL ELECTION OF OFFICERS AND BUDGETS
May 8, 2018**

The duly warned Annual Barre Town Australian Ballot Meeting was held on Tuesday, May 8, 2018 at the Barre Town Gymnasium, 7:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m. All ballots and checklists were posted in accordance with VSA Title 17.

Election Day

The following individuals worked at the polls on May 8, 2018: Donna J. Kelty, Pearl Bugbee, William Bugbee, Jeff Blow, Jeanne Daniele, R. Lee Walther, Sheila Walther, Virginia Poplawski, Jay Perkins, Ed Paquin, Dotty Ricks, J. Guy Isabelle, Christopher Violette, Bonnie George, Caroline Pellon, Shirley Rivard, John Ziske, and Ruth Ziske.

OPENING OF THE POLLS - Presiding Officer Donna Kelty declared the polls open at 7:00 a.m. There were no incidents to report. The polls were declared closed at 7:00 p.m.

STATISTICAL INFORMATION

The election ballots were counted using the Accuvote Optic Scan machine.

No additions or deletions to the checklist were made. Total voters on the checklist were 5,999. There were 308 ballots cast (5.1% voter turnout), o those that voted, 81 were early ballots.

The BCA recognized the need to check the drop box at the Municipal Building at the end of the election day for early ballots. Asst. Presiding Officer Ginny Poplawski and Pearl Bugbee proceeded to the public building at 6:50 p.m. There were no early ballots deposited.

ELECTION RESULTS

Article I. To elect all necessary officers for the Town of Barre for the ensuing term commencing May 9, 2018.

Selectboard

CANDIDATE- 3 year	TOTAL
Norma Malone	256
Write-Ins	8
Overvoted	2
Blank	<u>42</u>
Total	308

CANDIDATE- 2 year	TOTAL
Tom White	274
Write-Ins	3
Overvoted	2
Blank	<u>29</u>
Total	308

Town Clerk-Treasurer

CANDIDATE - 3 year	TOTAL
Donna J. Kelty	289
Write-ins	0
Overvoted	2
Blank	<u>17</u>
Total	308

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Moderator

CANDIDATE- 1 year	TOTAL
Koch, Thomas F. "Tom"	288
Write-ins	2
Overvoted	2
Blank	<u>16</u>
Total	308

Auditor

CANDIDATE- 3 year	TOTAL
Fred Thumm	263
Write-ins	1
Overvoted	2
Blank	<u>42</u>
Total	308

Auditor (2 years of a remaining 3 year term)

CANDIDATE- 3 year	TOTAL
Write-ins	18
Overvoted	2
Blank	<u>288</u>
Total	308

Constable

CANDIDATE- 1 year	TOTAL
Freeman, David F.	271
Write-ins	1
Overvoted	2
Blank	<u>34</u>
Total	308

Article 2. Shall the Town of Barre authorize \$3,711,806 to operate the General Government of the Town of Barre during the ensuing fiscal year commencing July 1, 2018?

YES	244
NO	61
Overvoted	2
Blank	<u>1</u>
Total	308

Article 3. Shall the Town of Barre authorize \$27,750 from the General Fund towards the operation of the Town cemeteries during the ensuing fiscal year commencing July 1, 2018; said sum to be added to the General Fund authorizations under Article 2 above.

YES	274
NO	32
Overvoted	2
Blank	<u>0</u>
Total	308

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Article 4. Shall the Town of Barre authorize \$3,005,190 for construction and maintenance of the Town highways and bridges during the ensuing fiscal year commencing July 1, 2018?

YES	271
NO	35
Overvoted	2
Blank	<u>0</u>
Total	308

Article 5. Shall the Town of Barre Town authorize expenditure of \$16,000 to Central Vermont Home Health & Hospice, Inc.?

YES	256
NO	49
Overvoted	2
Blank	<u>1</u>
Total	308

Article 6. Shall the Town of Barre authorize expenditure of \$5,500 to Project Independence?

YES	237
NO	68
Overvoted	2
Blank	<u>1</u>
Total	308

Article 7. Shall the Town of Barre authorize expenditure of \$6,000 to Central Vermont Agency on Aging?

YES	242
NO	63
Overvoted	2
Blank	<u>1</u>
Total	308

Article 8. Shall the Town of Barre authorize expenditure of \$1,000 to Retired Senior Volunteer Program for Central Vermont?

YES	230
NO	70
Overvoted	2
Blank	<u>6</u>
Total	308

Article 9. Shall the Town of Barre authorize expenditure of \$2,000 to Circle (formerly known as Battered Women's Services & Shelter Inc.)?

YES	244
NO	60
Overvoted	2
Blank	<u>2</u>
Total	308

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Article 10. Shall the Town of Barre authorize expenditure of \$1,500 to People's Health & Wellness Clinic?

YES	237
NO	68
Overvoted	2
Blank	<u>1</u>
Total	308

Article 11. Shall the Town of Barre authorize expenditure of \$2,900 to Central Vermont Adult Basic Education?

YES	223
NO	77
Overvoted	2
Blank	<u>6</u>
Total	308

Article 12. Shall the Town of Barre authorize expenditure of \$4,000 to Barre Homecoming Days?

YES	195
NO	103
Overvoted	2
Blank	<u>8</u>
Total	308

Article 13. Shall the Town of Barre authorize expenditure of \$1,500 to the Family Center of Washington County's playgroup, parent education, and family support activities serving Barre Town?

YES	213
NO	91
Overvoted	2
Blank	<u>2</u>
Total	308

Article 14. Shall the Town of Barre authorize expenditure of \$7,500 to Barre Senior Center?

YES	233
NO	72
Overvoted	2
Blank	<u>1</u>
Total	308

Article 15. Shall the Town of Barre authorize expenditure of \$1,000 to Central Vermont Community Action Council (Capstone)?

YES	198
NO	105
Overvoted	2
Blank	<u>3</u>
Total	308

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Article 16. Shall the Town of Barre authorize expenditure of \$500 to the Washington County Youth Service Bureau?

YES	200
NO	85
Overvoted	2
Blank	<u>1</u>
Total	308

Article 17. Shall the Town of Barre authorize expenditure of \$350 to the Sexual Assault Crisis Team of Washington County?

YES	237
NO	67
Overvoted	2
Blank	<u>2</u>
Total	308

Article 18. Shall the Town of Barre authorize expenditure of \$2,500 to the Washington County Diversion Program?

YES	204
NO	98
Overvoted	2
Blank	<u>4</u>
Total	308

Article 19. Shall the Town of Barre authorize expenditure of \$1,200 to Prevent Child Abuse Vermont?

YES	250
NO	55
Overvoted	2
Blank	<u>1</u>
Total	308

Article 20. Shall the Town of Barre authorize expenditure of \$2,000 to Vermont Center for Independent Living?

YES	218
NO	82
Overvoted	2
Blank	<u>6</u>
Total	308

Article 21. Shall the Town of Barre authorize expenditure of \$3,500 to Good Samaritan Haven?

YES	219
NO	86
Overvoted	2
Blank	<u>1</u>
Total	308

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Article 22. Shall the Town of Barre authorize expenditure of \$500 to Good Beginnings of Central VT?

YES	194
NO	105
Overvoted	2
Blank	<u>7</u>
Total	308

Article 23. Shall the Town of Barre establish wages and earnings for the following Town officers as listed below?

- a) Auditors - \$13.00 per hour
- b) Moderator - \$75.00 per year
- c) Selectboard members (each) - \$2,000/year

YES	259
NO	34
Overvoted	2
Blank	<u>13</u>
Total	308

Article 24. Shall the Town of Barre enter into a communications union district to be known as Central Vermont Internet, under the provisions of 30 V.S.A. Ch. 82?

YES	178
NO	106
Overvoted	2
Blank	<u>22</u>
Total	308

Article 25. Shall the Town of Barre amend Section 6 (e) of the Barre Town Charter as follows (underlined language would be added and [bracketed] language would be deleted):

Section 10 - Elected Officers: General (f) The office of auditor may be abolished and replaced by an annual financial audit of all funds of the town by a public accountant, licensed in Vermont; provided the voters authorize such action at any annual or special town meeting. Such vote to eliminate the office of auditor shall remain in effect until rescinded by majority vote of the legal voters present and voting at an annual or special meeting duly warned for that purpose. Unless otherwise provided by law, the Selectboard shall provide for all other auditor duties to be performed. The term of office of any auditor I office on the date a town votes to eliminate that office shall expire on the 45th day after such vote or on the date upon which the Selectboard enters into a contract with a public accountant under this section, whichever occurs first.

Section 12 - Auditors Unless the office is abolished as provided in Section 10, [A] auditors shall be elected for terms of three (3) years, with one (1) elected each year. They shall be responsible for the proper financial accountability of the town, and for this purpose all town officers shall, within thirty (30) days after the close of the fiscal year, submit to the auditors reports, records and materials as the auditors may require for the discharge of their duties. The auditors shall thereupon proceed to examine and adjust the accounts of all town officers and report their findings in writing, not later than one hundred eighty-five (185) days after the close of the fiscal year. They shall cause their findings to be printed and made available to the voters. The auditors may employ the services of a certified public accountant at town expense, for such purposes as they shall deem proper. They shall also

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supervise the preparation, publication, and within budgetary limitations, the distribution of the annual town report.

YES	253
NO	49
Overvoted	2
Blank	<u>4</u>
Total	308

These are the minutes as taken by Donna J. Kelty, Town Clerk-Treasurer.

(Election Worker oaths on following pages.)

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ELECTION WORKER OATHS

BARRE TOWN WASHINGTON -2-
 Annual Barre Town Election of Officers and Voting by Australian Ballot
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I do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will be true and faithful to the State of Vermont, and that I will not, directly or indirectly, do any act or thing injurious to the Constitution or Government thereof. So help me God or under the pains and penalties of perjury.

I do solemnly swear or affirm that I will faithfully execute the office of assistant election official for the Town of Barre and will therein do equal right and justice to all persons, to the best of my judgment and ability, according to law. So help God or under the pains and penalties of perjury.

Justice of Peace or Election Worker	Signature
Donna J. Kelty, Presiding Officer	<i>Donna J. Kelty</i>
Pearl Bugbee	<i>Pearl Bugbee</i>
William Bugbee	<i>William Bugbee</i>
Charles "Chip" Castle	
Jeanne Daniele	<i>Jeanne Daniele</i>
R. Lee Walther	<i>R. Lee Walther</i>
Sheila Walther	<i>SM Walther</i>
Virginia Poplawski	<i>Virginia Poplawski</i>
Jay Perkins	<i>Jay Perkins</i>
Ed Paquin	<i>Ed Paquin</i>
Bob Nelson	
Dotty Ricks	<i>Dotty P. Ricks</i>
Christopher Violette	<i>Christopher P. Violette</i>
J. Guy Isabelle	<i>J. Guy Isabelle</i>
Paul White	
Jeff Blow	<i>Jeff Blow</i>

