



TOWN OF BARRE ANNUAL ELECTION

MAY 14, 2024

The duly warned Annual Barre Town Australian ballot Meeting and Barre Unified Union School District Budget Revote was held on Tuesday, May 14, 2024 at Barre Town Middle and Elementary School 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 14, 2024: Tina Lunt (Presiding Officer), Shirley Rivard, Donna Kely, Sandi Kirkland, Bonita George, Bob Nelson, JP Isabelle, Virginia Poplawski, Andrea Blanchard, Sheila Walther, R. Lee Walther, Ed Paquin, Tom Koch, William Bugbee, Dwight Harrington, Linda Livendale, Paul White, Charles Castle, Gerald Carruba, Paulette Gagne, Gary Blow, Jay Baitz, and J. Guy Isabelle.

OPENING OF THE POLLS:

Presiding Officer Tina Lunt declared the polls open at 7:00 a.m. and declared the polls closed at 7:00 p.m.

STATISTICAL INFORMATION:

The ballots were counted using the ImageCast Precinct 2 tabulators #1 and #3. The total number of voters on the checklist after the additions is 6330. There were 5 same day voter registrations (Miya Amilcar, Candace Gale, Jenna Bellavance, Dakota Haymaker, and Jocelyne Hartley). A total of 1563 ballots were casted (25% turnout) with 816 of those being early ballots. There were no defective ballots.

ELECTION RESULTS:

The official return of votes is attached.

These are the minutes as taken by Tina Lunt, Town Clerk. Dated May 15, 2024.



Town of Barre

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BARRE TOWN WASHINGTON-ORANGE BARRE TOWN ANNUAL MEETING AND BARRE UNIFIED UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT BUDGET REVOTE

MAY 14, 2024

OFFICIAL RESULTS

VOTED ITEM	TOTAL VOTES
Selectboard: 3 Year Term	
Todd R. Provencher	1250
Write-Ins	26
Overvotes	2
Undervotes	285
Total	1563

VOTED ITEM	TOTAL VOTES
Selectboard: 2 Year Term	
Norma Malone	1239
Write-Ins	33
Overvotes	0
Undervotes	291
Total	1563

VOTED ITEM	TOTAL VOTES
Moderator: 1 Year Term	
Thomas F. "Tom" Koch	1313
Write-Ins	13
Overvotes	0
Undervotes	237
Total	1563

VOTED ITEM	TOTAL VOTES
Town Clerk: 3 Year Term	
Tina Lunt	1402
Write-Ins	6
Overvotes	0
Undervotes	155
Total	1563

Article 2: Shall the Town of Barre authorize \$5,108,126 to operate the General Government of the Town of Barre during the ensuing fiscal year commencing July 1, 2024 of which \$514,576 will be drawn from fund balance from a one-time revenue and will not impact the tax rate?	
Yes	1256
No	281
Overvotes	0
Undervotes	26
Total	1563

Article 3: Shall the Town of Barre authorize \$76,146 from the General Fund towards the operation of the Town cemeteries during the ensuing fiscal year commencing July 1, 2024; said sum to be added to the General Fund authorizations under Article 2 above?	
Yes	1308
No	233
Overvotes	1
Undervotes	21
Total	1563

Article 4: Shall the Town of Barre authorize \$4,488,915 for construction and maintenance of the Town highways and bridges during the ensuing fiscal year commencing July 1, 2024?	
Yes	1344
No	197
Overvotes	0
Undervotes	22
Total	1563

Article 5. Shall the Town of Barre authorize expenditure of \$20,000 to Central Vermont Home Health & Hospice, Inc.?	
Yes	1232
No	305
Overvotes	1
Undervotes	25
Total	1563

Article 6. Shall the Town of Barre authorize expenditure of a combined amount totaling \$7,000 to Central Vermont Council on Aging and the AmeriCorps Senior RSVP Program?	
Yes	1167
No	370
Overvotes	0
Undervotes	26
Total	1563

Article 8. Shall the Town of Barre authorize expenditure of \$2,000 to People's Health & Wellness Clinic?	
Yes	1104
No	427
Overvotes	0
Undervotes	32
Total	1563

Article 10. Shall the Town of Barre authorize expenditure of \$4,000 to the Barre Heritage Festival?	
Yes	899
No	629
Overvotes	1
Undervotes	34
Total	1563

Article 12. Shall the Town of Barre authorize expenditure of \$7,500 to the Barre Area Senior Center?	
Yes	1174
No	364
Overvotes	0
Undervotes	25
Total	1563

Article 14. Shall the Town of Barre authorize expenditure of \$500 to the Washington County Youth Service Bureau?	
Yes	1087
No	441
Overvotes	0
Undervotes	35
Total	1563

Article 7. Shall the Town of Barre authorize expenditure of \$2,000 to Circle (formerly known as Battered Women's Services & Shelter, Inc.)?	
Yes	1183
No	353
Overvotes	0
Undervotes	27
Total	1563

Article 9. Shall the Town of Barre authorize expenditure of \$2,900 to Central Vermont Adult Basic Education?	
Yes	1066
No	467
Overvotes	0
Undervotes	30
Total	1563

Article 11. Shall the Town of Barre authorize expenditure of \$1,500 to the Family Center of Washington County?	
Yes	1049
No	484
Overvotes	0
Undervotes	30
Total	1563

Article 13. Shall the Town of Barre authorize expenditure of \$1,000 to Capstone Community Action?	
Yes	1007
No	524
Overvotes	0
Undervotes	32
Total	1563

Article 15. Shall the Town of Barre authorize expenditure of \$350 to Mosaic Vermont, Inc. (formerly known as the Sexual Assault Crisis Team of Washington County)?	
Yes	1143
No	391
Overvotes	0
Undervotes	29
Total	1563

Article 16. Shall the Town of Barre authorize expenditure of \$2,500 to the Washington County Diversion Program?

Yes	949
No	577
Overvotes	1
Undervotes	36
Total	1563

Article 17. Shall the Town of Barre authorize expenditure of \$1,200 to Prevent Child Abuse Vermont?

Yes	1213
No	318
Overvotes	2
Undervotes	30
Total	1563

Article 18. Shall the Town of Barre authorize expenditure of \$2,000 to the Vermont Center for Independent Living?

Yes	1079
No	444
Overvotes	0
Undervotes	40
Total	1563

Article 19. Shall the Town of Barre authorize expenditure of \$3,500 to the Good Samaritan Haven?

Yes	1020
No	509
Overvotes	0
Undervotes	34
Total	1563

Article 20. Shall the Town of Barre authorize expenditure of \$500 to Good Beginnings of Central VT?

Yes	973
No	548
Overvotes	1
Undervotes	41
Total	1563

Article 21. Shall the Town of Barre authorize expenditure of \$2,500 to Downstreet Housing & Community Development?

Yes	896
No	623
Overvotes	0
Undervotes	44
Total	1563

Article 22. Shall the Town of Barre authorize expenditure of \$1,250 to Community Harvest of Central Vermont?

Yes	876
No	635
Overvotes	0
Undervotes	52
Total	1563

Article 23. Shall the Town of Barre authorize expenditure of \$5,000 to Washington County Mental Health?

Yes	1068
No	462
Overvotes	0
Undervotes	33
Total	1563

Article 24. Shall the Town of Barre amend the Barre Town Charter as follows to reflect that the position of Auditor has been abolished (underlined language would be added and [bracketed] language would be deleted):

Section 10 - Elected officers; general

- (a) The following officers shall be elected by the legal voters of the Town of Barre and voting for the officers shall be by Australian ballot:

- (1) five Selectboard members;
 [(2) three auditors;
 (3)] one Clerk;

[(4)] (3) one Moderator.

[(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 the actions at any annual or special Town meeting. The 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 in the office on the date the Town votes to eliminate that office shall expire on the 45th day after the vote or on the date that the Selectboard enters into a contract with a public accountant under this section, whichever occurs first.]

[Section 12. Auditors

Unless the Office of Auditor is abolished as provided in section 10 of this charter, auditors shall be elected for terms of three years, with one elected each year. They shall be responsible for the proper financial accountability of the Town, and for this purpose all Town officers shall, within 30 days after the close of the fiscal year, submit to the auditors any reports, records, and materials that 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 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 the purposes they shall deem proper. They shall also supervise the preparation, publication, and, within budgetary limitations, the distribution of the annual Town report.]

Section 39. Compensation and fees

(a) The Town election shall annually vote the compensation to be paid to the following officers:

- (1) Selectboard members;
- (2) [Auditors;
- (3)] Moderator.

Yes
No

Yes	1173
No	257
Overvotes	0
Undervotes	133
Total	1563

Article 25. Shall the Town of Barre establish wages and earnings for the following Town officers as listed below?

a) Moderator \$75.00 per year

b) Selectboard Members (each)

\$2,000 per year

Yes	1204
No	314
Overvotes	3
Undervotes	42
Total	1563

BARRE UNIFIED UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT - REVOTE

ARTICLE 1

Shall the voters of the Barre Unified Union School District approve the school board to expend \$58,160,337, which is the amount the school board has determined to be necessary for the ensuing fiscal year? It is estimated that this proposed budget, if approved, will result in education spending of \$11,412 per Long Term Weighted Average Daily Membership (LTWADM) per pupil spending.

Yes	621
No	931
Overvotes	1
Undervotes	10
Total	1563



Tina Lunt, Presiding Officer

5/15/24

Date