

**VILLAGE OF LUDLOW, VERMONT
MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING
MARCH 24, 2015**

Total in Attendance – 13

The meeting was called to order by Moderator VanGuilder at 7:00PM. The Town Manager, Frank Heald led the flag salute. The moderator stated that this meeting will be conducted according to Roberts Rules of Order.

ARTICLE 4. Shall the voters of the Village of Ludlow act on the reports of the Village Officers for the period July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2014.

Motion to adopt the article made by Mr. Martel, second by Linda Potter. No discussion. The motion was voted and the article was adopted.

ARTICLE 5. Shall the voters of the Village of Ludlow fix the salaries of the elected Village Officers for the ensuing year?

Motion to adopt the article made by Mr. Barton, second by Ms. Bixby. No discussion. The motion was voted and the article was adopted.

There was a motion by Mr. Martel to amend the article as passed to read: fix the salaries the same as last year Clerk \$1000, Village Trustees \$1,000, Water Commissioners \$1,000, second by Mr. Bixby. No discussion. A motion was made by Reverend Tom Diebler to adopt the amended article, second Mr. Bixby. No discussion. The amended article was voted and adopted.

ARTICLE 6. Shall the voters of the Village of Ludlow authorize the Board of Trustees to borrow money in anticipation of taxes or other income to meet the expenses of the Village and any part of its indebtedness?

Motion made by Ms. Sharon Bixby to adopt the article, second by Mr. Ron Bixby. No discussion. The motion was voted and the article was adopted.

ARTICLE 7. Shall the Village of Ludlow collect taxes on Real Property in installments, taxes to be paid to the Treasurer on August 15, 2015, November 15, 2015, February 15, 2016 and May 15, 2016?

Motion made by Mr. Bixby to adopt the article, second Linda Potter. No discussion. The motion was voted and the article was adopted.

ARTICLE 8. Shall the voters of the Village of Ludlow vote a specific amount in lieu of a rate on a dollar on the Grand List as set forth in the Board of Trustees' budget? Then the Trustees shall set the tax rate necessary to raise this amount after the Grand List has been completed and lodged in the office of the Village Clerk. **The amount to be raised by taxes is \$271,562.00.**

Motion made by Mr. Washburn to adopt the article, second Mr. Martel. No discussion. The motion was voted and the article was adopted.

ARTICLE 9. To transact any other business necessary and proper when met.

There was no other business.

The meeting was recessed waiting for the results for Articles 1, 2 and 3.
(See attached)

The meeting adjourned at 7:30PM

Ulla P. Cook, Clerk

Herbert VanGuilder, Moderator

Linda Tucker, BCA

**OFFICIAL RESULTS
VILLAGE OF LUDLOW, VT
FOR VILLAGE OFFICERS
MARCH 24, 2015**

Total on Checklist – 537

Total Votes Cast – 52

Total Voted absentee (included in above) - 5

Defective - 1

FOR MODERATOR

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FOR VILLAGE CLERK

Dorothy Sue Bragg 48 ✓
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FOR VILLAGE TREASURER

Dorothy Sue Bragg 50 ✓
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Blank 1

FOR TRUSTEE

Richard Harrison 45 ✓
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Blank 5

FOR ELECTRIC LIGHT COMMISSIONER

Brian L. Martel 49 ✓
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Blank 2

FOR WATER COMMISSIONER

Ronald Bixby 48 ✓
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Blank 3

Article 2: Shall the voters of the Village of Ludlow vote to exempt the property owned by the Trustees of the Gill Odd Fellows Home of Vermont (Nursing Home) from property taxes for a period of two (2) years commencing with the 2015 tax year?

✓ YES 33 NO 15

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Article 3: Shall the voters of the Village of Ludlow authorize the Board of Trustees to solicit bids for weekly removal of trash in the Village and bi-weekly removal of recyclables? The cost of this service will be determined by bid, but is estimated to be +/- \$54,000 or approximately \$0.04 on the tax rate.

✓ YES 42 NO 9
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Shirley A. Tucker
Beverly Stepp
