

**Town of Troy
Annual Meeting Minutes
March 7, 2023**

TOWN MEETING:

Terri Medley opened the meeting at 10:00 AM.

- 1) Robert Starr was elected moderator for the ensuing year. (Cliff Forster)
- 2) Town Officers' reports were accepted as read. (Jason Willis)
- 3) Election of officers, as follows:
 - a. Selectman – Robert Langlands was nominated by Gayten Verge and Travis Cote was nominated by Mike Starr. The vote was by paper ballot. The results of the vote was 40 for Robert Langlands and 15 for Travis Cote.
 - b. Selectman – Anne Quirion was nominated by Gayten Verge and Angus Gluck was nominated by Mike Starr. The vote was by paper ballot. The results of the vote was 52 for Anne Quirion and 3 for Angus Gluck.
 - c. 1st. Constable – Gayten Verge – For a one-year term (Gilles Desjarlais)
 - d. Delinquent Tax Collector – Terri Medley – for a one-year term (Shirley Santaw)
- 4) The voters voted by paper ballot to Eliminate the Office of Town Auditor. 32 Yes/23 No
- 5) This line item was passed over with the results of item 4.
- 6) The voters appropriated \$251,009 for the General Fund Budget for 2023 adjusted with the approval of the numerous appropriations ensuing in the Warning. (Susan Birge)
- 7) The voters appropriated \$629,034 for the Road Budget for 2023. (Roland Mayhew)
- 8) A motion was made by Katherine Coburn to vote on all appropriations together excluding item o. for the ambulance service. After discussion on the motion the motion was rescinded by Katherine Coburn.

A motion was made by Dan DelaBruere to vote on the appropriations individually and the appropriations were accepted as follows:

- e. \$5000 to North Troy Fire Dept. (Gayten Verge)
- f. \$28,974.77 to Troy Volunteer Fire Department (Gayten Verge)
- g. \$3324 to Northeast Kingdom Human Services (Dan DelaBruere)
- h. \$ 300 to Orleans County Court Diversion (John Coburn)
- i. \$6500 to Orleans Essex VNA/Hospice (Heidi Brown)
- j. \$1464 to NVDA (Roland Mayhew)
- k. \$ 500 to Jay Peak Post #28 American Legion (Jason Willis)

- l. \$250 to Northeast Kingdom Learning Services (Roland Mayhew)
- m. \$6700 to Rand Memorial Library (Jerry Pion)
- n. \$19,140 to Orleans County Sheriff's Department – A motion was made by Travis Cote to not accept article 8 item (n). After discussion, a motion was made by Robert Langlands to amend the motion on the table to accept article 8 item (n) with the requested appropriation. The amendment passed. The amended motion passed.
- o. \$74,951.25 for Ambulance Service (Cris Choquette) A motion was made, after discussion, the motion was carried.

A motion was made by Gaston Bathalon to adopt all remaining appropriations except item (w) American Red Cross. Motion carried.

- p. \$1200 to Northeast Kingdom Council on Aging
- q. \$250 to Jay Food Shelf
- r. \$700 to Orleans County Historical Society
- s. \$500 to Pope Memorial Frontier Animal Shelter Inc.
- t. \$1700 to Rural Community Transportation Inc.
- u. \$500 to Orleans County Citizen Advocacy
- v. \$1,200 to Green Mountain Farm to School Inc.
 - x. \$1500 to Umbrella Inc.
 - y. \$100 to Green Up Vermont
 - z. \$100 to Vermont Rural Fire Protection Task Force
 - aa. \$250 to Feline & Friends Foundation
 - bb. \$500 to Missisquoi Valley Historical Society
 - cc. \$100 to North Country Friends of the Vermont Symphony Orchestra

- w. \$500 to American Red Cross – Motion made by Dan DelaBruere. After discussion, motion carried.

9) The voters authorized it's Selectboard to sell the town property located on River Road, which contains approximately 16 acres. (Cris Choquette)

10) The voters authorized payment of real estate taxes on Thursday, November 2, 2023, at 5:00 p.m. (Roland Mayhew)

11) In any other business -

Kim McCarthy inquired about the possibility of having taxes due twice a year, rather than yearly. Gerard Chapdelaine asked if it is possible for someone to bring monies in during the year and apply them to their taxes. Terri Medley told him, yes.

Gayten Verge discussed the fact that Troy does not currently have a dog leash law. He would like to see the town adopt one.

Meeting was adjourned at 12:15 p.m. by a motion made by Dan DelaBruere

Selectboard Members

_____ **Robert Langlands**

_____ **Gaston Bathalon**

_____ **Anne Quirion**

Attest: _____ **Terri A. Medley, Clerk**