

# **MINUTES FROM THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING HELD ON 03/04/2019**

**MEMBERS PRESENT FOR SCHOOL:** School Moderator, Terry A. Tatro, Schoolboard Chair, Michael Savage, Mallory Ovitt, Stephanie Waters, Treavor Creller, Virginia Wright Clerk, Donna L. Bohannon

**MEMBERS PRESENT FOR TOWN:** Town Moderator, Terry A. Tatro, Selectboard Chairman, Lee Kimball, Alton Brusio, Chuck Pease, Cheryl Moomey, Kenneth Millman, Selectboard Clerk, Donna L. Bohannon

**AUDIENCE MEMBERS PRESENT:** Julie Pease, Katelyn Pease, Travis Arnold, Danielle Choiniere, George Hakey, Elliot Knight, Ron Kumetz, Herbie Durham, Joseph Deyo, Edward Bousquet, Jennifer Parro, Irma Morrissette, Ann Goodrich, Beth Hemingway, Rob Gess, Abby Alberico, Sally Forgues, Adam Vincelette, Leeann Porto, David Bidlack, Paul Fortin, Ed Polk, Donna Polk, Tyler Gotshall, Erika Wright, Steve Aubin, Susan Millman, Dick Ernst, Laura Limoge, George Boutah, Carol Behrman, Bernard Savage, Patty Savage, Moe Theoret, Peg Theoret, Jennifer Theoret, Margaret Pent, Skip Prairie, Lorraine Brusio, Mona Reed, Tom Jacobson, Bubby Irick, Willie Burbank, Leland Morgan, Corey Parent, Mitzi Johnson, Doug DiSabito

**NOTE:** All money issues were voted by printed ballot on Tuesday, March 5th, 2019 from 7:00am to 7:00pm at the Municipal Building.

➤ Results of ballot votes will appear at the end of the minutes.

**MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:** The legal voters and residents of the Town of Alburgh met at the Alburgh Community Educational Center in said Town on Monday evening March 4th, 2019. Moderator, Terry A. Tatro opened the School segment of the meeting at 7PM with the reading of the warning as it was written, including all articles.

**Article #1: To hear and act on the reports of the Alburgh Town School District Officers as published in the Town Report as of June 30, 2018.**

- The article was read – Moderator Tatro opened the floor for questions and discussion.
  - There was no discussion on this topic.
- *Ed Polk motioned to approve the reports as written – seconded by Lee Kimball - Moderator Tatro asked for those in favor – ayes were heard – Moderator Tatro asked for those opposed – no nays were heard – the Ayes have it – motion passed – reports accepted as written.*

**Article #2: Will the Alburgh Town School District authorize the School Board to borrow in anticipation of taxes?**

- The article was read – Moderator Tatro opened the floor for questions and discussion.
  - There was no discussion on this topic.
- *Donna Bohannon motioned to approve the article to allow the Schoolboard to borrow money in anticipation of taxes – seconded by Chuck Pease - Moderator Tatro asked for those in favor – ayes were heard – Moderator Tatro asked for those opposed – no nays were heard – the Ayes have it – motion passed – The Schoolboard is authorized to borrow money in anticipation of taxed for the fiscal year 2019-2020.*

**Article #3: To transact any other business proper to come before this meeting.**

- Moderator Tatro opened the floor for discussion and suggested that if there were questions or comments about the budget that they be heard here.
- Ed Polk asked if the Schoolboard could clarify the information that was in the Islander insert and handed out during the meeting. The information on the paper indicated that the 2020 budget would lower taxes by 5.9 cents per \$100, but that the warned budget is higher than last year. He asked the Board to explain how those figures were derived. The Schoolboard deferred the question to Rob Gess, Business Manager for the Grand Isle Supervisory Union.
- Moderator Tatro asked if the group had an objection to Rob Gess addressing the group, as he is not a resident of the Town of Alburgh. No objections were heard.
  - Rob explained that there are several components to figuring the tax rate. One of the many components, the common level of appraisal (CLA) is higher this year, which in turn lowers the rate for taxation.
  - There are many other factors that influence the tax rate, but most of it is governed by the State of Vermont.
- Jennifer Theoret asked a question pertaining to page 38 of the Town report. She noted that Promise Committee is working toward building a new childcare facility that would be built with grants and that a \$250,000 grant would be applied for by the school district. She asked how long that money would last.

- Moderator Tatro asked if the group had an objection to Beth Hemingway addressing the group, as she is not a resident of the Town of Alburgh. No objections were heard.
  - Beth began by explaining that it has been established that there is a strong need for childcare in Alburgh.
  - She proceeded to explain that the \$250,000 Jennifer was referring to is a grant that the school will apply for if the \$500,000 grant is awarded to the Town. That will give them a total of \$750,000 to build the building.
  - She went on to explain that the need for additional space is needed and that the new building would take the place of “the cottage”. The daycare portion of the building would be privately run.
- Paul Fortin asked about the addition of a world language teacher, an item that was listed on the handout.
  - Mike Savage answered that they are required to offer a foreign language and are currently using the Rosetta Stone program but would like to replace that with a part time French teacher.
- Lee Kimball asked about line 22 on page 48 of the Town report pertaining to transportation. He asked why there was a \$115,574 increase over last year for student transportation.
  - Rob Gess replied that those numbers were for the whole county, not just Alburgh and that a lot of that money was allocated to transport children with special needs to schools like Project Soar.
- The next question was about line 24 on the same page. This line pertained to excess tuition. This number also increased by a large amount.
  - This was also attributed to students with special needs.
- Mike Savage took this opportunity to thank Beth Hemingway and Rob Gess for their hard work on the budget and the reports in the Town book.
- Skip Prairie asked how the money got split up in the supervisory union.
  - The answer was that 33% of the excess tuition was for Alburgh, but that the Town does get reimbursed for part of that.
- Ed Polk asked if the Board was authorized by law to move money from one line item to another throughout the year.
  - Mike answered that yes, they could use money from one line item to cover a different line item but they would prefer the numbers be reflected accurately.
- Ken Millman asked what percent of the school budget discretionary spending is.

- Mike replied that 7% of the budget is discretionary and is where any cuts can be made.
- Jennifer Theoret asked why the SBAC test scores showed good scores some years and bad scores in other years.
  - It was explained that a lot of the cause was the change in student demographics.
- Moderator Tatro asked if there were any other questions or any more discussion about the school budget or the school reports.
- None were heard.

**Article #4: Adjourn.**

- Moderator Tatro expressed his disapproval of the way that the warning was written and reminded the group that voting on the remaining articles would take place the following day at the Town office. Those articles were written as follow:
  - **Article #5: Shall the voters of the school district approve the school board to expend \$6,042,452, 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 \$17,644 per equalized pupil. This projected spending per equalized pupil is 4.3% higher than spending for the current year.**
  - **Article #6: To elect all Town School Officers as required by Law.**
- He then entertained a motion to adjourn.
  - *At 7:35PM Ed Polk made a motion to adjourn from the school portion of Town meeting – Adam Vincelette seconded the motion – Moderator Tatro asked for those in favor – ayes were heard – Moderator Tatro asked for those opposed – no nays were heard – the Ayes have it – motion passed – school portion of Town meeting was adjourned.*
- **A short break was taken here to allow the Selectboard to take their seats at the table.**

**TOWN SEGMENT OF THE MEETING CALLED TO ORDER BY MODERATOR TERRY TATRO AT 7:40PM:**

- The legal voters and residents of the Town of Alburgh met at the Alburgh Community Educational Center in said Town on Monday evening March 4th, 2019.
- Moderator, Terry A. Tatro opened the Town segment of the meeting at 7:40PM with the reading of the warning as it was written, including all articles.

**Article #1: To elect by Australian Ballot the following officers: (All 1-year positions unless specified otherwise.)**

- The article was read –
- 13 Positions to be voted were read to the audience.
  - Moderator Tatro explained that this was a ballot item and would be voted on the following day by Australian ballot.
  - There was no discussion on this topic.

**Article #2: To consider and act upon the reports of the Town Officers.**

- The article was read – Moderator Tatro opened the floor for questions and discussion.
  - There was no discussion on this topic.
  - *Ed Polk motioned to approve the reports of the Town as written – seconded by Michael Savage - Moderator Tatro asked for those in favor – ayes were heard – Moderator Tatro asked for those opposed – no nays were heard – the ayes have it – motion passed – reports accepted as written.*

**Article #3: Shall the voters of the Town vote to approve a budget of 673,668 with the amount of \$520,268 to be raised by taxation, to be used for general purposes for the fiscal year 2019-2020?**

- The article was read – Moderator Tatro opened the floor for questions and discussion.
  - Moderator Tatro explained that this was a ballot item and would be voted on the following day by Australian ballot
  - There was no discussion on this topic.

**Article #4: Shall the voters of the Town vote to approve a budget of \$810,350 with the amount of \$556,850 to be raised by taxation, to be used for year-round maintenance of Town Highways for the fiscal year 2019-2020?**

- The article was read – Moderator Tatro opened the floor for questions and discussion.
  - Moderator Tatro explained that this was a ballot item and would be voted on the following day by Australian ballot.
  - Skip Prairie asked the Board how many miles of paved and dirt roads are maintained by the highway department.
    - Alton Brusio (Road Commissioner) answered that there are 40 miles of roads in Alburgh but didn't have an exact number of how many are blacktop and how many are dirt.

- Skip asked how the road maintenance funds were allocated out between the paved and the dirt roads, more specifically what percent of the funds was used for each.
- Lee Kimball stated that there isn't a percentage allocated for each, but it is based on need. The roads are maintained as they need attention.
- Skip then asked how that need is determined. He was particularly concerned about the condition of Windmill Point and expressed his concern about the base of the road.
- Alton replied that he travels most of the roads in the summer and less frequently in the winter to check on the condition of each road. Between his observations and that of the highway crew, they determine what roads are in the most need for repairs.
- Skip again expressed his concern about the deterioration of some of the roads in Alburgh and asked about a future plan to address the problem.
- Alton replied that as a rule the roads all get topped in the spring and summer and issues are addressed at that time.
- Skip suggested that a maintenance plan for the future be put together rather than addressing problems as they arise.
- He was informed that is one of the issues that the Selectboard will be addressing in the near future.
- Ann Goodrich stated that the roads do get topped each year but that it doesn't last and asked what projects were going to be scheduled for summer 2019.
- She also stated that she has driven on many of the Roads in Alburgh and that in her opinion Windmill Point is one that is in the worst condition.
- The reply was that the Selectboard will be working on that plan.
- Moderator Tatro interjected and stated that the point had been made and that he wanted to be sure that the remaining items get addressed. He then moved to article 5.

**Article #5: Shall the voters of the Town vote the sum of \$60,000.00 to be used to blacktop Town highways for the fiscal year 2019-2020?**

- The article was read – Moderator Tatro opened the floor for questions and discussion.
  - Moderator Tatro explained that this was a ballot item and would be voted on the following day by Australian ballot.
  - Moderator Tatro explained that there is an article for \$60,000.00 and there is also an allocation of \$60,000 built into the budget for a total of \$120,000.00 being budgeted for this year.
  - Herbie Durham asked the Board how much paving was completed last summer.

- Alton replied that there was some work done around the Town garage,
- They were asked what road or roads would be blacktopped this year.
- Alton stated that Industrial Park Road, Blair Road and West Shore from the Isle Lamotte bridge north for two miles.
- Moderator Tatro asked if there were any other questions or any more discussion about Article #5, money to be used for blacktopping.
- None were heard.

**Article #6: Shall the voters of the Town vote the sum of \$55,000.00 to the Alburgh Volunteer Fire Department Incorporated for general purposes for the fiscal year 2019-2020?**

- The article was read – Moderator Tatro opened the floor for questions and discussion.
  - Moderator Tatro explained that this was a ballot item and would be voted on the following day by Australian ballot.
  - There was no discussion on this topic.

**Article #7: Shall the voters of the Town vote the sum of \$15,000.00 to the Alburgh Volunteer Fire Department Incorporated for a reserve fund to be used to purchase equipment for the fiscal year 2019-2020?**

- The article was read – Moderator Tatro opened the floor for questions and discussion.
  - Moderator Tatro explained that this was a ballot item and would be voted on the following day by Australian ballot.
  - There was no discussion on this topic.

**Article #8. Shall the voters of the Town vote to approve, an annual reserve fund, to the Alburgh Volunteer Fire Department Incorporated, in the amount of \$75,000.00 to be used as a capital equipment fund for replacement of fire vehicles and equipment as needed?**

- The article was read – Moderator Tatro opened the floor for questions and discussion.
  - Moderator Tatro explained that this was a ballot item and would be voted on the following day by Australian ballot.
- Paul Fortin asked if the funds from article #7 get expended every year.
  - Ron Kumetz replied that they do use it to purchase equipment as needed.
  - He also stated that many of the vehicles in the fleet won't pass standards that are set by the State and that they are being repaired almost every time they have to go out.
  - The goal of the schedule that is located on page 36 of the Town report, is to eliminate the old vehicles and replace them with new ones, on a rotating schedule.

- Skip Prairie asked if the article means that the \$75,000 would be built into the general fund budget for the next 25 years.
  - He was informed that yes, that was the plan.
- Ed Polk suggested that rather than asking for \$75,000 each year, that they apply for grants, followed by applying for loans if the grants weren't obtained or large enough to cover the expense of the equipment.
  - Ron replied that it is rare to find grants for fire trucks and they are not often approved.
- Bubby Irick asked a question and he and Ron had a side conversation that I could not hear so therefore could not report. This question was asked and answered earlier in the meeting.
- Tom Jacobson asked if the department can apply for loans to make the purchases.
  - Ron replied that they can.
- Skip Prairie asked why they wouldn't just budget the funds in as the vehicles are needed rather than asking for \$75,000 per year for capital equipment.
  - Ron replied that it is going to be easier to get the capital plan approved than it would be to get approved for ½ million dollars for a new truck.
- Tom Jacobson asked what the departments "plan B" was if the article gets voted down.
  - Ron replied that they don't have one.
- Moderator Tatro asked if there were any other questions or any more discussion about Article #8. No questions or discussions were heard. Moved on to article #9.

**Article #9: Shall the voters of the Town vote to pay the current taxes to the Town Treasurer in four installments with due dates as follows: September 10, 2019, November 10, 2019, January 10, 2020 and April 10, 2020.**

- The article was read – Moderator Tatro opened the floor for questions and discussion.
  - There was no discussion on this topic.
  - *Jennifer Theoret motioned to accept the payment dates as written – seconded by Peg Theoret - Moderator Tatro asked for those in favor – ayes were heard – Moderator Tatro asked for those opposed – no nays were heard – the ayes have it – motion passed – payment dates accepted as written.*

**Article #10: Shall the voters authorize the Selectmen to borrow money in anticipation of taxes, to pay the current expenses of the Town and sign notes for that purpose?**

- The article was read – Moderator Tatro opened the floor for questions and discussion.
  - There was no discussion on this topic.

- *Ed Polk motioned to authorize the Selectmen to borrow money in anticipation of taxes, to pay the current expenses of the Town and to sign notes for that purpose – seconded by Paul Fortin - Moderator Tatro asked for those in favor – ayes were heard – Moderator Tatro asked for those opposed – no nays were heard – the ayes have it – motion passed.*

**Article #11: Shall the voters instruct the Selectboard to act now to generate an ordinance allowing the use of legally registered, insured and operated ATV's on Town roads? Helmets would be required where seatbelts aren't available and a suggested speed limit of 35 MPH for ATV's.**

- The article was read – Moderator Tatro opened the floor for questions and discussion.
  - Moderator Tatro explained that this was a ballot item and would be voted on the following day by Australian ballot.
  - Skip Prairie asked if this included all ATV's such as 4 wheelers and side by sides.
  - He was told that yes, the petition did not specify certain ATV's.
  - Skip Prairie asked about the provision of a speed limit.
  - He was informed that it was warned the way that it was written on the petition.
  - Dick Ernst asked if the Town currently had regulations.
  - He was told that there are no Alburgh specific regulations.
  - Ed Polk commented that he is against it and feels it would be a liability to the Town.
  - Bubby Irick asked who would be enforcing the ordinance if it passes.
  - The reply was that it would most likely be the Sheriff's department.
  - Tom Jacobson noted that Isle Lamotte just passed an ordinance for this and they might be good source for information.
  - Moderator Tatro asked if there were any other questions or any more discussion about Article #11. No questions or discussions were heard. Moved on to article #12.

**Article #12: Shall the voters authorize tax exempt status be given to the Alburgh Rod and Gun Club?**

- The article was read – Moderator Tatro opened the floor for questions and discussion.
  - Moderator Tatro explained that this was a ballot item and would be voted on the following day by Australian ballot.
  - There was no discussion on this topic.

**Article #13: Shall the voters of the Town vote to change the Town Clerk position from a 1 (one) year term to a 3 (three) year term beginning with the 2020 election?**

- The article was read – Moderator Tatro opened the floor for questions and discussion.

- Moderator Tatro explained that this was a ballot item and would be voted on the following day by Australian ballot.
- Jen Parro asked if this would save the Town any money or if it was more for continuity.
- Lee Kimball replied that the reason is to keep continuity in the Town and that most of the other positions, such as Auditor and Lister are three-year terms.
- Cheryl Moomey stated that there is a 3-4-year learning curve involved in these positions.
- Ken Millman pointed out that Alburgh doesn't have a Town manager of administrator therefor many of the tasks that would fall to someone in that position get done by the Town Clerk.
- Moderator Tatro asked if there were any other questions or any more discussion about Article #12. No questions or discussions were heard. Moved on to article #13.

**Article #13: Shall the voters of the Town vote to change the Town Treasurer position from a 1 (one) year term to a 3 (three) year term beginning with the 2020 election?**

- The article was read – Moderator Tatro opened the floor for questions and discussion.
  - Moderator Tatro explained that this was a ballot item and would be voted on the following day by Australian ballot.
  - There was no discussion on this topic.

**To transact any other business that may properly come before this meeting.**

- The article was read – Moderator Tatro opened the floor for questions and discussion.
- Jennifer Theoret stated that there was an error on page 71 in the Town report. She explained that the wrong date for Historical Societies first event of the year was listed. The date should be Monday, April 15<sup>th</sup>, not the Monday, April 8<sup>th</sup>. The event is at 7PM.
- Moderator Tatro informed the audience that some of our State Representatives were present.
- He asked if there were any objections to them addressing the group, as they are not residents of the Town of Alburgh. There were no objections.
- The floor was open to discussion and questions for the representatives.
- The representatives that were present were Corey Parent, Mitzi Johnson and Leland Morgan.
- There was some discussion about what they each are working on and a few questions were asked and answered.
- Moderator Tatro asked if there were any other questions or any more discussion.

- None were heard.
- Moderator Tatro entertained a motion to adjourn.
  - *At 9:08PM Herbie Durham motioned to adjourn from the Town segment of Town meeting – seconded by Dick Ernst – all in favor – motion carried –Town meeting adjourned.*

APPROVED BY:

Terry A. Tatro – Moderator \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Lee Kimball – Selectboard Chair \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

To elect by Australian Ballot the following officers – (all one-year positions unless otherwise specified):

**483 Ballots were cast resulting in the following votes.**

Moderator – 1 Year - Not more than 1

Terry Tatro - 445

Write in – 1

Undervotes - 37

Town Clerk – 1 Year – Not more than 1

Donna Bohannon - 457

Write in – 13

Undervotes - 13

Town Treasurer – 1 Year – Not more than 1

Donna Bohannon - 456

Write in – 11

Undervotes - 16

Selectman – 2 Years – Not more than 1

Alton Bruso - 428

Write in - 9

Undervotes - 46

Selectman – 3 Years – Not more than 1

Cheryl Moomey- 319

Bernard Savage - 148

Write in - 2

Undervotes - 14

Lister – 3 Years – Not more than 1

James T. Magner - 428

Write in - 2

Undervotes - 53

Auditor – 3 Years with 1 remaining – Not more than 1

Mary Fortin – 338

Ron Haskell - 86

Write in -1

Undervotes - 58

Auditor 3 year – Not more than 1

Carol Behrman – 229

Lynn Blair O'Neill - 183

Write in - 5

Undervotes – 66

Deed Agent – 1 Year – Not more than 1  
Terry Tatro - 437  
Write in - 1  
Undervotes - 45

Town Agent – 1 Year – Not more than 1  
Terry Tatro - 438  
Write in - 2  
Undervotes - 43

Constable – 1 Year – Not more than 1  
George McGrath - 151  
Terry Tatro - 310  
Write in - 2  
Undervotes - 20

Delinquent Tax Collector – 1 Year – Not more than 1  
Terry Tatro - 437  
Write in - 5  
Undervotes - 41

Grand Juror – 1 Year – Not more than 1  
Ralph Tatro - 428  
Write in - 5  
Undervotes - 50

## ARTICLES

SHALL THE VOTERS OF THE TOWN VOTE TO APPROVE A BUDGET OF \$673,688 WITH THE AMOUNT OF \$520,268 TO BE RAISED BY TAXATION, TO BE USED FOR GENERAL TOWN PURPOSES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2019 – 2020  
Yes – 323 No – 125 Undervotes - 35

SHALL THE VOTERS OF THE TOWN VOTE TO APPROVE A BUDGET OF \$810,350 WITH THE AMOUNT OF \$556,850 TO BE RAISED BY TAXATION, TO BE USED FOR YEAR-AROUND MAINTENANCE OF TOWN HIGHWAYS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2019 – 2020  
Yes – 320 No – 127 Undervotes - 36

SHALL THE VOTERS OF THE TOWN VOTE THE SUM OF \$60,000.00 TO BE USED TO BLACKTOP TOWN HIGHWAYS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2019 - 2020  
Yes – 398 No – 77 Undervotes - 8

SHALL THE VOTERS OF THE TOWN VOTE THE SUM OF \$ 55,000.00 TO THE ALBURGH VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT INCORPORATED FOR GENERAL PURPOSES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2019 – 2020  
Yes – 356 No – 120 Undervotes - 7

SHALL THE VOTERS OF THE TOWN VOTE THE SUM OF \$15,000.00 TO THE ALBURGH VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT INCORPORATED FOR A RESERVE FUND TO BE USED TO PURCHASE EQUIPMENT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2019- 2020

Yes – 341 No – 133 Undervotes – 9

SHALL THE VOTERS OF THE TOWN VOTE TO APPROVE, AN ANNUAL RESERVE FUND, TO THE ALBURGH VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT INCORPORATED, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$75,000.00 TO BE USED AS A CAPITAL EQUIPMENT FUND FOR REPLACEMENT OF FIRE VEHICLES AND EQUIPMENT AS NEEDED (Ballot Item)

Yes – 266 No – 206 Undervotes – 11

SHALL THE VOTERS INSTRUCT THE SELECTBOARD TO ACT NOW TO GENERATE AN ORDINANCE ALLOWING THE USE OF LEGALLY REGISTERED, INSURED AND OPERATED ATV'S ON TOWN ROADS. HELMETS WOULD BE REQUIRED WHERE SEAT BELTS AREN'T AVAILABLE AND A SUGGESTED SPEED LIMIT OF 35 MPH FOR ATV'S

Yes – 242 No – 233 Undervotes – 8

SHALL THE VOTERS AUTHORIZE TAX EXEMPT STATUS BE GIVEN TO THE ALBURGH ROD & GUN CLUB.

Yes – 296 No – 173 Undervotes – 14

SHALL THE VOTERS OF THE TOWN VOTE TO CHANGE THE TOWN CLERK POSITION FROM A 1(ONE) YEAR TERM TO A 3 (THREE) YEAR TERM BEGINNING WITH THE 2020 ELECTION

Yes – 330 No – 140 Undervotes – 13

SHALL THE VOTERS OF THE TOWN VOTE TO CHANGE THE TOWN TREASURER POSITION FROM A 1(ONE) YEAR TERM TO A 3 (THREE) YEAR TERM BEGINNING WITH THE 2020 ELECTION

Yes – 309 No – 157 Undervotes – 17

## School

School District Moderator – 1 Year – Not more than 1

Terry Tatro - 438

Write in – 1

Undervotes - 44

School Director – 2 Year – Not more than 1  
Michael Savage – 2 Year - 388  
Write in - 26  
Undervotes - 69

School Director – 3 Year – Not more than 1  
Trevor Creller - 454  
Write in - 3  
Undervotes - 26

ARTICLE 5. Shall the voters of the school district approve the school board to expend \$6,042,452 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 \$17,644 per equalized pupil. This projected spending per equalized pupil is 4.3% higher than spending for the current year.

Yes – 228    No – 237    Undervotes - 18