

2024 ANNUAL MEETING MINUTES
North Haverhill Precinct
MARCH 19, 2024
UNAPPROVED

Call to Order: Moderator Jim Kinder called the meeting to order at 7:00PM and led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present: Precinct Commissioners Dennis Fournier, Rich Clifford and Dave Lackie, Precinct Treasurer Carol Norcross, Precinct Administrator Kristi Garofalo and Water Superintendent Harold Clough from Woodsville Water & Light (WW&L) were present along with the following members of the public: Leslie Lackie, Wayne Bigelow, Ben Moulton and Sergeant Jacob Ingerson from Haverhill Police Department.

Moderator Jim Kinder read the following articles from the 2024 Warrant, then led discussion and voting with results as noted.

Article 01: To Elect Precinct Officers:

MOTION BY: Dave Lackie SECONDED BY: Rich Clifford ARTICLE 01: PASSED unanimously

One (1) Precinct Moderator - 1 Year Term

MODERATOR NOMINEE: Jim Kinder

NOMINATED BY: Dave Lackie SECONDED BY: Dennis Fournier

Vote was unanimous in favor and Jim Kinder was declared elected as Precinct Moderator for a one year term.

One (1) Precinct Commissioner - 3 Year Term

COMMISSIONER NOMINEE: Rich Clifford

NOMINATED BY: Dave Lackie SECONDED BY: Dennis Fournier

Vote was unanimous in favor and Moderator Jim Kinder declared Rich Clifford elected as Precinct Commissioner for a three year term.

One (1) Precinct Treasurer - 1 Year Term

TREASURER NOMINEE: Carol Norcross

NOMINATED BY: Dave Lackie SECONDED BY: Dennis Fournier

Vote was unanimous in favor and Moderator Jim Kinder declared Carol Norcross elected as Precinct Treasurer for a one year term.

One (1) Precinct Clerk - 1 Year Term

CLERK NOMINEE: Wayne Bigelow

NOMINATED BY: Carol Norcross SECONDED BY: Dave Lackie

Vote was unanimous in favor and Moderator Jim Kinder declared Wayne Bigelow elected as Precinct Clerk for a one year term.

Article 02: To Appropriate Funds for General Operations

To see if the Precinct will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Sixty Five Thousand Three Hundred Dollars (\$65,300) for general municipal operations. This article does not include appropriations contained in special or individual articles addressed separately. The Commissioners recommend this article. (Majority vote required)

MOTION BY: Dave Lackie SECONDED BY: Rich Clifford ARTICLE 02: PASSED

NOTES: Little to no discussion; vote was unanimous in favor and Moderator Jim Kinder declared the article passed.

Article 03: To Appropriate Funds for Precinct Water Department

To see if the Precinct will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Eighty Two Thousand Four Hundred Dollars (\$182,400) for the operation of the North Haverhill Water & Light Water Department, with said funds to come from Water Department User Fees. The Commissioners recommend this article. (Majority vote required)

MOTION BY: Dave Lackie SECONDED BY: Rich Clifford ARTICLE 03: PASSED

NOTES: Little to no discussion; vote was unanimous in favor and Moderator Jim Kinder declared the article passed.

Article 04: To Appropriate Funds to WD Capital Improvement Fund

To see if the Precinct will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000) to be placed in the Water Department Capital Improvement Capital Reserve Fund (previously established in 2023) with said sum to be funded from the Water Department Unassigned Fund Balance. The Commissioners recommend this article. (Majority vote required)

MOTION BY: Rich Clifford SECONDED BY: Dennis Fournier ARTICLE 04: PASSED

NOTES: Little to no discussion; vote was unanimous in favor and Moderator Jim Kinder declared the article passed.

Article 05: To Appropriate Funds for WD Feasibility Study

To see if the Precinct will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000) for the purpose of funding a feasibility study for the Water Department with said funds to come from the Water Department Unassigned Fund Balance. This special article is a special warrant article per RSA 32:3 VI (d) and RSA 32:7 V. The Commissioners recommend this article. (Majority vote required).

MOTION BY: Rich Clifford SECONDED BY: Dennis Fournier ARTICLE 05: PASSED

NOTES: Little to no discussion; vote was unanimous in favor and Moderator Jim Kinder declared the article passed.

Article 06: To Donate to the North Haverhill (Patten) Library

To see if the Precinct will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$1,500) for the support of general operations of the North Haverhill (Patten) Library for the upcoming year with said sum to come from the North Haverhill Fire Precinct Unassigned Fund Balance. This special article is a special warrant article per RSA 32:3 VI (d) and RSA 32:7 V. The Commissioners recommend this appropriation. (Majority vote required).

MOTION BY: Dennis Fournier SECONDED BY: Dave Lackie ARTICLE 06: PASSED

NOTES: Little to no discussion; vote was unanimous in favor and Moderator Jim Kinder declared the article passed.

Article 07: To Ratify Precinct Boundary Change

To see if the Precinct will vote to ratify the boundary change as previously approved by the Town of Haverhill Board of Selectmen per RSA 52:5 to include properties located at 324 Airport Road (Map 414, Lot 009, Sub 0001) and 392 Airport Road (Map 414, Lot 009, Sub 0002). (Majority vote required)

MOTION BY: Rich Clifford SECONDED BY: Dennis Fournier ARTICLE 07: PASSED

NOTES: Little to no discussion; vote was unanimous in favor and Moderator Jim Kinder declared the article passed.

Article 08: To Amend Water Department Water Rules

To see if the Precinct will vote to amend the North Haverhill Water and Light Water Rules by adding, "For any withdrawal of water intended for resale outside the District, the rate shall be 1.5 times the otherwise applicable rate." at the end of the Water Rate Table. (Majority vote required)

MOTION BY: Dave Lackie SECONDED BY: Dennis Fournier ARTICLE 08: PASSED

NOTES: Little to no discussion; vote was unanimous in favor and Moderator Jim Kinder declared the article passed.

Article 09: To Transact Any Other Legal Business

To transact any other business that may be legally brought before the Precinct Annual Meeting.

MOTION BY: Dave Lackie SECONDED BY: Dennis Fournier ARTICLE 09: PASSED

NOTES: Vote was unanimous in favor and Moderator Jim Kinder declared the article passed. Dave Lackie thanked the Commissioners and Precinct Administrator Kristi Garofalo for their work in providing information and documentation for the Precinct audits recently completed and those now in process. Dave Lackie also thanked Water Superintendent Harold Clough and Woodsville Water & Light for taking over water system operation duties after Bob Fagnant's recent retirement. The Commissioners noted the transition was seamless and they appreciated the efforts of Harold Clough and his crew.

Adjournment: Dennis Fournier moved to adjourn; Dave Lackie seconded and the 2024 Annual Meeting adjourned at 7:17 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Wayne Bigelow
North Haverhill Precinct Clerk

