

**TOWN OF MANCHESTER, VERMONT  
2026 ANNUAL TOWN MEETING MINUTES  
FEBRUARY 28, 2026**

Moderator W. Michael “Mike” Nawrath called the meeting to order at 1:03pm. Girl Scout Troop # 51726 led the pledge of allegiance. Moderator Nawrath introduced himself as Town Moderator, Town Clerk Anita Sheldon and Selectboard Chair Ivan Beattie, Vice Chair Heidi Chamberlain, Selectboard members Laurie Kunz, Greg Cutler, Jonathan West, and Town Manager Scott Murphy. He then gave a brief speech regarding the historic significance of a town floor meeting and the importance of said meeting. He noted with a motion and 2/3 votes, a suspension of Robert’s Rule would be possible, but voters could not suspend state law. A suspension of the rules would be necessary to speak for more than 10 minutes or to speak more than twice on an article. He noted all questions shall be directed toward the moderator. While most votes are taken by voice vote, a person could request a division of the house or standing vote, or call for a paper ballot if supported by a total of seven voters. Nawrath asked the electorate to allow one non-voter from each agency requesting an appropriation and any town department head, the town manager or Senator Plunkett to speak on each article. With no opposition, it was so ordered. He then read the warning:

**WARNING**

**TOWN OF MANCHESTER ANNUAL TOWN MEETING (2026)**

**The legal voters of the Town of Manchester are hereby warned and notified that the Town will hold an annual meeting that will commence at the Manchester Elementary-Middle School gymnasium (80 Memorial Ave.), Manchester Center, Vermont 05255 on Saturday February 28, 2026, at 1:00 p.m. to transact any business not involving Australian ballot voting. The meeting will then adjourn until Tuesday, March 3, 2026, on which date the polls will open at 8:00 a.m. and close at 7:00 p.m. at the Manchester Town Offices (40 Jeff Williams Way) to vote by Australian ballot. Town of Manchester Floor Meeting:**

**ARTICLE 1. To present awards, make acknowledgements, and to hear reports from our legislative delegation.**

Laurie Kunz announced the 2025 town report was dedicated to Joyce Scribner. Kunz read Scribner’s dedication found on the inside cover of the 2025 town report. Kunz thanked Joyce for her dedication to the town and the Manchester community. Joyce Scribner thanked the electorate, spoke about teamwork, and encouraged all to continue working together as a team. Kunz then gave a brief overview of the unsung hero award. She presented the 2026 unsung hero award to Thomas “Tom” “TC” Craigs. Tom exemplifies the true spirit of service; quiet, humble, and unwavering dedication to our community. Tom frequently provides services to members in our community and their families through his work at Neighbor to Neighbor and other volunteer organizations. Kunz asked Dave Quesnel to accept Thomas “Tom TC” Craig’s award on his behalf in his absence.

Heidi Chamberlain acknowledged Tasmin Wilson, an eighth grader at M.E.M.S. who was selected as a legislative page and congratulated her for her dedication and early involvement in government.

State Representative Kathleen James provided a brief overview on healthcare, housing and a few bills passing through her committee, noting that S126 had passed, and in S266, hospital outpatient drugs would have a cap. Hospital budgets would be scrutinized and “Array RX,” a multi-state drug discount plan, will be available to all Vermonters, reducing generic and name brand prices. She spoke of H.527, addressing cell phone towers in Vermont and H.727 as it addresses large data centers.

State Representative Robert Hunter spoke about Act 73 as he sits on the house education committee. Hunter stated the Governor was looking for fewer school districts. He noted Manchester is part of a supervisory union and believed the proposal did a disservice to our constituents. While supervisory unions may be easier to operate, the new proposal calls for supervisory districts. Hunter would support a hybrid model with supervisory unions and districts.

Senator Robert Plunkett spoke about healthcare and housing being the main topics at the state level. Plunkett is on the agriculture committee and sits on the joint information technology committee. Municipal zoning, solar siting, income tax, and hemp regulation are of importance. Plunkett noted the cost of living and the cost of our groceries have been skyrocketing and we must make Vermont more affordable.

Senator Seth Bongartz is on the natural resources committee and chair of the Senate Education Committee. There has been a significant increase in property taxes and the system, as it currently is, appears unsustainable. The House education chair’s proposal put forward with 27 supervisory districts would end school choice. It is critical in Manchester and throughout the whole Northeast Kingdom. These changes would close most independent schools or turn the schools into public schools, a proposal that would significantly impact Manchester.

**ARTICLE 2. Shall the Town vote to appropriate \$8,248,285 to defray the operating and capital expenses of the Town for the ensuing year, of which \$5,341,060 shall be raised by property taxes and \$2,907,225 by non-property tax revenues (including \$1,525,000 in local option tax revenues); provided, that in the event that local option revenues are less than \$1,525,000, funds from the Property Tax Relief Reserve Fund may be used to offset the shortfall in local option revenues and that any amount in excess of \$1,525,000 shall be transferred into the Property Tax Relief Reserve Fund?**

Selectboard Chair, Ivan Beattie moved the article, seconded by William “Bill” Drunsic. Beattie stated the demand of municipal government has significantly increased during his tenure on the board. He noted the budget narrative and summary began on page 21 and the budget began on page 25 of the town report. The budget attempts to address the growing demands while continuing to provide the core services that only the Town can deliver. The fiscal year 2027 operating budget proposes total spending of \$8,248,285, up from \$7,640,018 in fiscal year 2026, an increase of \$608,267 (up 7.9% year over year). However, this may not be a fair comparison because the increase includes shifting the funding for the Manchester Community Library from voted appropriations in FY2026 to the operating

budget for FY2027 and is now reflected on page 39 of the Town Report as new Budgetary line item 01-4-1890-30 in the amount of \$355,000. For purposes of discussion, a fair comparison of spending in the operating budget “year over year” would be to back out the library number, which would amount to a proposed increase of \$253,267 or 3.3%. Non-property tax revenues increased slightly, by \$20,234, from \$2,886,991, in FY 2026 to \$2,907,225 in FY2027, or about 7 tenths of 1%. A significant contributor to this increase is a projected increase of \$100,000 in the combined Local Option Tax revenues (\$75,000 in sales tax and \$25,000 in rooms, meals, and alcohol taxes). This increase is a result of the recent Legislative action to increase the municipal retention percentage of the taxes collected by the Town from 70% to 75%. The FY2026 budget called for a transfer of \$175,000 from the Property Tax Relief Reserve Fund to the General Fund in a one-time attempt to stabilize the increase in your taxes. The FY2027 budget does NOT anticipate a transfer from the Property Tax Relief Reserve Fund. Establishing the amount to be collected by property Taxes is a simple mathematical equation subtracting non-property tax revenues from total spending. Including the approved voted appropriations from last year, total spending anticipated in the FY2027 budget is \$8,362,766 up \$273,267 from \$8,089,499 in FY2026, a 3.4% increase. Subtracting non-property tax revenue of \$2,907,225 leaves a total of \$5,455,541 to be raised by property taxes. Compared to the FY2026 number of \$5,202,508, the increase is \$253,033 or 4.9%. Bear in mind that while the total Voted Appropriations number is significantly reduced for FY2027, there are proposed increases in some of the Articles this year which if approved by the voters, would affect the increase. We anticipate growth in the Grand List of 1%, which would have a mediating effect on growth of the tax rate.

Steven Nichols stated this is the first time in 15 years that the Selectboard prioritized their spending, looked at revenue and he congratulated the board and department heads for their hard work. Nichols asked numerous questions of the board including where one could find the highway equipment reserve fund; if paving would be possible if the paving grant was denied; requested clarification on the Sweeney revenue line item; questioned why local option tax and meals and rooms budgeted amounts appear exactly the same as unaudited revenue; questioned why voted appropriations appeared to have an \$87,000 shortfall; why the rec budget changes the dispersion of operating expenses from year to year; noted there was no beginning balance on the specific purpose funds on page 53 of the town report; questioned if departments submitted capital plans and noted he was unsure as to how a budget could be completed without the audit being completed. Town Manager Scott Murphy stated the highway equipment reserve fund was from June 30, 2025. The actual balance is \$50,000 as it was approved in 2025, as documented on page 40 of the annual Town Report. The rec department put a number in there as a placeholder. For transparency, voters can now see how much is spent on each program. Murphy stated a grant was applied for to pave River Road, if approved. Murphy stated the funds can be found on page 40 of the town report and the amount in the budget is currently \$150,000. He noted the state is looking at cutting the transportation fund by 15%, which may impact Manchester as there is less to go around. Nichols asked if Murphy was provided with a capital plan for 5, 10 and 15 years out for each department and Murphy confirmed.

Brian Vogel asked why the library was included in the town budget rather than a warned article and what the advantage was to having the library in the budget rather than allowing voters to vote on the library as a voted appropriation. Ivan Beattie noted the Manchester Community Library was now included in the municipal budget to ensure the board would not be presented with an unanticipated increase in funding from the library after the budget was approved by the board and noted his support of the library being included in the budget, like \$50,000 designated to the Manchester Business Association. Jeanne Longacre stated she liked how the board worked with the library, but she would like to see the library's budget be itemized in the town report in future years. Heidi Chamberlain shared that she will be joining the library board as of June and voters will see additional transparency. Edward Morrow complimented the Selectboard on its effort working with the library. Susan Raggo asked if the funding would change how the library would be operated. Matt Delaney, Executive Director of the Manchester Community Library, stated there would be no changes as the library has been operating as a public library for the past ten years. Gerald Pike spoke in favor of the library.

Brian Maggiotto spoke about the future of Manchester and the town plan. He urged voters to keep in mind that visitors are temporary taxpayers and we must welcome them. Maggiotto noted balance is everything when we think about the town plan and the next 8 years in Manchester. The article was called and article 2 was approved.

**ARTICLE 3. Shall the Town vote to charge the maximum interest and penalty allowed by law on overdue unpaid real property taxes and provide no discount for early payment (current law allows interest of 1% per month or a portion thereof for the first three months and 1.5% per month thereafter. A penalty of 8% is allowed on the unpaid balance after the second installment), with payments delivered in person at Town Hall, electronically, or by U.S. Mail (must be postmarked by the due date), due in two installments, as follows:**

**1st Installment: Friday, September 4, 2026, at 4:30PM: 45% of town taxes and 60% of school taxes  
2nd Installment: Friday, February 5, 2027, at 4:30PM: 55% of town taxes and 40% of school taxes?**

Moved by Brian Vogel, seconded by William "Bill" Drunsic. Steven Nichols commended Town Manager Scott Murphy on the delinquent tax list. The question was called and article 3 was approved.

**ARTICLE 4. Shall the Town vote to exempt from taxation, for a period not to exceed five (5) years, the real estate of the VNA & Hospice of the Southwest Region, Inc located at 5468 Main Street in the Town of Manchester?**

Moved by Jonathan West, seconded by Douglas "Doug" Kilburn. West noted every 5 years organizations must reapply for the tax exemption status. Victoria Silsby questioned what the total amount of properties in Manchester were exempt from paying taxes. Moderator Nawrath referred Silsby to page 50 of the town report. Nawrath acknowledged the town is not exempt from paying the school tax to the state if the municipality chose to allow the property to be tax exempt. The total state education tax for all the properties currently with a tax exemption status totals \$25,207. Steven Nichols asked what the total tax bill was.

Ivan Beattie stated the property has been exempt in the past, but this was the first time the voters would be voting on the tax exemption status due to recent changes.

Martha Heilemann suggested creating a program like the PILOT (payment in lieu of taxes) program to help offset the education taxes the municipality would still be required to pay, if an entity were requesting a tax-exempt status. The question was called and the article was approved.

**ARTICLE 5. Shall the Town vote to exempt from taxation, for a period of five (5) years, the real estate of Adoniram Lodge No. 42 Free and Accepted Masons/Adoniram Building Association (aka, the Masonic Lodge) located at 138 Spruce Street in the Town of Manchester?**

Moved by Jonathan West, seconded by William “Bill” Beideman. West referenced page 50 of the town report regarding voted exemptions. Victoria Silsby questioned if there was a way to create a pilot program for these types of requests, especially if entities are charging rent by renting out their building(s) to constituents and local organizations. Jonathan West noted reports from agencies were provided in the town report, whether there were changes made or not. Brian Maggiotto suggested Silsby’s question would be better answered by the town assessor. Edward Morrow noted the entities requesting tax exemption status are worthy and provide services to the town and added it would be a good public policy for the Selectboard to review policies in the future. Brian Vogel asked if someone could explain what the lodge does for the community. Howard Morgan blessed our troops and provided a brief speech regarding the importance of the Masonic Lodge in Manchester. He noted many prominent and famous masons, indicating the masons’ support many organizations including the Shriner’s hospital, disaster relief, eye foundations, research and basic care, the Vermont care program, a holiday coat drive, Boy Scout Troop 332 for the past 40 years, scholarships for local high school seniors, food baskets and the VNA and Hospice of the Southwest region. He thanked voters for their support. The question was called and article 5 was approved.

**Articles 6 through 14 and Articles 16 through 19 are under the provisions of 24 V.S.A. § 2691 and § 2692. Shall the Town vote to appropriate general funds to social service agencies?**

Victoria Silsby moved to combine articles 6 through 14 for voting purposes, seconded by Douglas “Doug” Kilburn. The question to combine the articles was called and articles 6 through 14 were combined for voting purposes by a voice vote of greater than 2/3. After minimal discussion from social service agencies, Steven Nichols moved to approve articles 6 through 14, seconded by Howard Morgan. The question to approve articles 6 through 14 was called and articles 6 through 14 were approved.

**ARTICLE 6. To appropriate \$2,500 to the Tutorial Center?**

Sean-Marie Oller, executive director of the Tutorial Center directed voters to page 77 of the town report, noting there are fewer ELL students in the community, but the Tutorial Center still offers those services. She provided a brief overview of the organization and encouraged support of the article.

**ARTICLE 7. To appropriate \$2,000 to Center for Restorative Justice?**

No discussion.

**ARTICLE 8. To appropriate \$1,850 to Project Against Violent Encounters?**

No discussion.

**ARTICLE 9. To appropriate \$1,811 to BROCC Community Action in Southwestern Vermont?**

No discussion.

**ARTICLE 10. To appropriate \$1,500 to Green Mountain Retired Senior Volunteer Program?**

No discussion.

**ARTICLE 11. To appropriate \$1,500 to Neighbor to Neighbor?**

No discussion.

**ARTICLE 12. To appropriate \$1,000 to The Collaborative?**

Thomas West thanked the voters for past support, provided a brief overview of services offered by the Collaborative and encouraged support of the article.

**ARTICLE 13. To appropriate \$500 to Vermont Association for the Blind and Visually Impaired?**

No discussion.

**ARTICLE 14. To appropriate \$420 to Vermont Center for Independent Living?**

No discussion.

**ARTICLE 15. To transact any other business appropriate to come before Town Meeting.**

Orland Campbell moved to allow Michael Allen, a Planning Consultant from Regrowth Planning hired by the town to assist with the Town Plan update, to speak to the electorate, seconded by Doug Kilburn. Michael Allen encouraged everyone to get involved in the town plan process, spoke of the importance of being involved in the town plan update and provided a brief overview of a survey being conducted in preparation of an upcoming vision workshop to be held at the Taconic Hotel on March 16, 2026 and two additional upcoming events focused on housing and economic development.

Victoria Silsby questioned if the town could require organizations to attend the floor meeting. Moderator Nawrath explained that the Selectboard could not require anyone to attend the meeting, and it may hinder some organizations seeking a nominal appropriation. Jonathan West acknowledged that the Town Clerk did request that entities attend town meeting to speak about their request and to answer questions from the voters should any questions arise, but the town would not be able to mandate it.

Carl Bucholt, chair of the energy committee, announced the energy committee will be hosting a workshop at the library on April 23 from 4:30pm to 6pm and urged individuals to attend.

Carol Dupont urged voters to pay attention when voting. She spoke about closing schools in the area and the impact it would have on Manchester.

Orland Campbell shared his dissatisfaction and disapproval of dedicating the first hour of town meeting to the legislative delegation to discuss state issues, instead of town business, and thanked everyone for attending the Town Floor meeting.

Raymond “Ray” Nevin thanked everyone for their dedication, including the town road crew and Jeff Williams.

**Voting by Australian ballot on March 3, 2026:**

**ARTICLE 16. Shall the Town appropriate \$5,000 for the support of Bennington County Habitat for Humanity to provide services to the residents of the Town?**

No discussion.

**ARTICLE 17. Shall the Town appropriate \$4,000 for the support of the Southwestern Vermont Council on Aging?**

No discussion.

**ARTICLE 18. Shall the Town appropriate \$20,000 for the support of VNA & Hospice of the Southwest Region?**

No discussion.

**ARTICLE 19. Shall the Town appropriate \$75,000 for the support of the Northshire Day School?**

No discussion.

**ARTICLE 20. To elect Town Officers for the ensuing year.**

No discussion.

The warning was adopted by the Selectboard at a duly warned Selectboard meeting held on January 23, 2026. William “Bill” Beideman moved to recess until Tuesday, March 3, 2026, seconded by William “Bill” Drunsic. The meeting recessed at 3:15pm. Be it known that of the 3,693 voters on the Manchester voter checklist as of February 28, 2026, 137 voters (3%) participated in the annual Town Floor Meeting. Of the 3,698 voters on the Manchester voter checklist as of March 3, 2026, 597 (16%) voters cast a ballot.

Respectfully submitted,

Anita L. Sheldon, MMC/CVC  
Manchester Town Clerk

Rebecca “Becky” Nawrath

Vice Chair  
Manchester Board of Civil Authority

W. Michael Nawrath  
Town Moderator

**TOWN OF MANCHESTER, VERMONT  
2026 ANNUAL TOWN MEETING RESULTS  
March 3, 2026**

TOTAL REGISTERED VOTERS: 3,696  
TOTAL VOTERS CHECKED OFF THE ENTRANCE CHECKLIST: 597  
TOTAL ABSENTEE VOTERS: 166  
TOTAL VOTERS AT POLLS: 431  
TOTAL NUMBER OF DEFECTIVE BALLOTS: 0  
TOTAL NUMBER OF BALLOTS COUNTED: 597

**Shall the Town of Manchester vote to raise, appropriate and expense the sum of \$5,000 for the support of Bennington County Habitat for Humanity to provide services to the residents of the Town?**

YES	520
NO	74
Over votes	0
Under votes	3
TOTAL	597

**Shall the Town appropriate \$4,000 for the support of the Southwestern Vermont Council on Aging?**

YES	540
NO	50
Over votes	1
Under votes	6
TOTAL	597

**Shall the Town appropriate \$20,000 for the support of VNA & Hospice of the Southwest Region?**

YES	540
NO	50
Over votes	0
Under votes	7
TOTAL	597

**Shall the Town appropriate \$75,000 for the support of the Northshire Day School?**

YES	390
NO	175
Over votes	0
Under votes	32
TOTAL	597

**Moderator – 1-year term**

Mike Nawrath	481 (DECLARED ELECTED)
John O’Keefe	9
Greg Cutler	2
Andrew Shaw	1
Geoff Chamberlain	1
Jeff Nyweide	1
Chip Muller	1
Wayne Bell	1
Scott Buckner	1
Nancy Lewis	1
Orland Campbell	1
Kathleen James	1
Over votes	0
Under votes	96
TOTAL	597

**Selectboard – 2-year term**

Jonathan West	434 (DECLARED ELECTED)
Wayne Bell	3
Doug Kilburn	3
Jamie Green	1
Greg Gilliam	1

Craig Powers	1
Christine Miles	1
Howard O'Donovan	1
Andrew Farkas IV	1
Andrew Reed	1
Mike Nawrath	1
Parker Rice	1
Mark Slade	1
Ray Ferrarin	1
Jon Wilson	1
Marec Kovac	1
Trump	1
Steve Nichols	1
John Sobel	1
John Benson Sr	1
Nancy Lewis	1
Over votes	0
Under votes	139
TOTAL	597

**Selectboard – 3-year term**

Ivan C. Beattie	462 (DECLARED ELECTED)
Doug Kilburn	2
Mike Nawrath	2
Jamie Greene	1
Marek Kovac	1
Mary Welford	1
Jim Johnston	1
Paige Vignola	1
Jon Wilson	1
Tom Dunigan	1
Trump	1
Ray Ferrarin	1
Terry Spence	1
Marie Ferrarin	1
Stan Peterson	1
Petra Callo	1
Over votes	0
Under votes	118
TOTAL	597

**Trustee of Public Funds – 1 year of an unexpired 3-year term**

Brodie	2
Ron Wilcox	2
Donald Brody	1
Greg Gilliam	1
Katherine McNabb	1
Tim Rhys	1
Thomas West	1
Hal Friday	1
Jon Wilson	1
Elisabeth Marx	1
Howard O'Donovan	1
Doug Kilburn	1
Mike Nawrath	1
Johanna Dunigan	1
Brandan Eustace	1
Steven Nichols	1
Greg Schoffstall	1
Trump	1
Elise Fielding	1
Thomas T West	1
Ivan Beattie	1
John O'Keefe	1
Andy Shaw	1
Steven Grossfeld	2
Over votes	0
Under votes	570
TOTAL	597

**Trustee of Public Funds – 3-year term**

Marie Ferrarin	461 (DECLARED ELECTED)
Don Brodie	1
Ellen Adams	1
Trump	1
Nancy Lewis	1
Over votes	0
Under votes	132
TOTAL	597

**TOWN OF MANCHESTER, VERMONT**

**2026 ANNUAL SOUTHWEST VERMONT REGIONAL TECHNICAL  
SCHOOL DISTRICT RESULTS – Manchester, VT results only**

## March 3, 2026

\*Please contact SVRTSD for official SVRTSD results\*

TOTAL MANCHESTER REGISTERED VOTERS: 3,696  
TOTAL MANCHESTER VOTERS CHECKED OFF THE ENTRANCE CHECKLIST: 597  
TOTAL MANCHESTER ABSENTEE VOTERS: 166  
TOTAL MANCHESTER VOTERS AT POLLS: 431  
TOTAL NUMBER OF MANCHESTER DEFECTIVE BALLOTS: 0  
TOTAL NUMBER OF MANCHESTER BALLOTS COUNTED: 597

### **Article A: For SVRTSD Director (vote for not more than 3)**

Caitlin Randall	381
Glen Sauer	350
Tim Wheeler	365
Tim Waker	1
Jack Fairly	1
Jim Johnston	1
Alex Wilde	1
Over votes	0
Under votes	691
TOTAL	1791

### **Article B: SVRTSD Clerk – 2 years of an unexpired 3-year term)**

Kayla M. Thompson	417
Trump	1
Over votes	0
Under votes	179
TOTAL	597

### **Article C: Shall the voters of the Southwest Vermont Regional Technical School District approve the school board to expend \$5,437,438 which is the amount the school board has determined to be necessary for the ensuing fiscal year?**

YES	488
NO	74
Over votes	0
Under votes	35
TOTAL	597

### **Article D: Shall the voters of the service region of Southwest Vermont Regional Technical School District increase the existing Reserve Fund for Capital Improvements and existing Reserve Fund for Equipment by the sums of \$60,000 and \$20,000 respectively?**

YES	453
NO	95
Over votes	0
Under votes	49
TOTAL	597

**TOWN OF MANCHESTER, VERMONT**

**2026 ANNUAL TACONIC AND GREEN REGIONAL SCHOOL  
DISTRICT RESULTS – Manchester, VT results only  
March 3, 2026**

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TOTAL MANCHESTER REGISTERED VOTERS: 3,696  
TOTAL MANCHESTER VOTERS CHECKED OFF THE ENTRANCE CHECKLIST: 597  
TOTAL MANCHESTER ABSENTEE VOTERS: 166  
TOTAL MANCHESTER VOTERS AT POLLS: 431  
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**Article 9: Shall the voters authorize the School Board to borrow money by issuance of notes not in excess of anticipated revenue for the fiscal year July 1, 2026 to June 30, 2027?**

YES	459
NO	107
Over votes	0
Under votes	31
TOTAL	597

**Article 10: Shall the voters of the school district approve the school board to expend \$41,042,088, which is the amount the school board has determined to be necessary for the ensuing fiscal year? The Taconic and Green Regional School District estimates that this proposed budget, if approved, will result in per pupil education spending of \$13,133 which is 3.6% higher than per pupil education spending for the current year.**

YES	439
NO	138
Over votes	0

Under votes 20  
TOTAL 597

**Article 11: Shall the voters approve payment of the announced tuition rate of Burr and Burton Academy in the amount of \$23, 050 for the 2026-2027 school year, which is 4.9% higher than the tuition rate for the current year, for resident pupils in grades 9 through 12 who attend any eligible Vermont independent school?**

YES 451  
NO 134  
Over votes 0  
Under votes 12  
TOTAL 597

**Article 12: Shall the voters authorize the School Board to transfer any unassigned General Fund surplus existing on June 30, 2026, an amount estimated to be \$231,786, to the Tax Stabilization Reserve Fund?**

YES 514  
NO 57  
Over votes 0  
Under votes 26  
TOTAL 597

**Article 13: Shall the voters appropriate the sum of \$350,000 for the Bus Purchase Reserve Fund?**

YES 442  
NO 126  
Over votes 0  
Under votes 29  
TOTAL 597

**Article 14: Shall the voters appropriate the sum of \$75,000 for the Technology Equipment Reserve Fund?**

YES 465  
NO 105  
Over votes 0  
Under votes 27  
TOTAL 597

**Danby School Director 1 year term**

Alex Wilde 14  
Alexander Wilde 3  
Jen Millard 1  
John White 1  
Erika Veth 1

Jamie Hosley	1
Bonnie Niles	1
Over votes	0
Under votes	575
TOTAL	597

**Dorset School Director - 3-year term**

Jim Salsgiver	381
Heather Black	1
Jim Johnston	1
Over votes	0
Under votes	214
TOTAL	597

**Landgrove School Director – 3-year term**

Ben Freeman	363
Over votes	0
Under votes	234
TOTAL	597

**Mt. Tabor School Director – 3-year term**

David Langsett	4
Alex Wilde	1
David Lungsett	1
Bill Bearegard	1
John White	1
Erika Veth	1
Ron Flynn	1
Over votes	0
Under votes	587
TOTAL	597

**Peru School Director – 3-year term**

Todd Williams	2
James Potter	1
Ben Tuff	1
Kathryn Boobar	1
Will Reed	1
Margaret Roberts	1
Erika Veth	1
Jessica Agneessens	1

Over votes	0
Under votes	588
TOTAL	597

**Sunderland School Director - 3-year term**

Anthony Thompson	15
Jon French	2
Mark Hyde	1
Carol Dupont	1
Leslie Merkelson	1
Amelia (“Mia”) Smith	1
Dave Corey	1
Nick Virgilio	1
Eddie Lewicki	1
John French	1
Matt Appelman	1
Erika Veth	1
Damian Cassan	1
Over votes	0
Under votes	569
TOTAL	597

**Weston School Director – 1 year term**

Rogan Lechthaler	333
Over votes	0
Under votes	264
TOTAL	597

