

**MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING
TOWN OF WATERVILLE VALLEY, NEW HAMPSHIRE
MARCH 15, 2018**

PRESENT: Moderator Marilyn Clarkson, Selectman William Larsen, Selectman Margaret Turner, Town Manager Mark Decoteau, Community Member Jean Mullen.

Town Meeting 3/13/18 Deliberative session called to order at 5:30.

Motion - Bill Larsen
2nd - Jean Mullen

I move to adjourn the meeting to Thursday, March 15th at 5:30 pm.

The meeting was suspended at 5:31pm.

PRESENT: Moderator Marilyn Clarkson, Selectman William Larsen, Selectman Margaret Turner, Town Manager Mark Decoteau, Town Clerk Assistant Sharon Charron, Town Department Heads, Town Employees and Community Members.

Moderator Clarkson called the Town Meeting to order at 5:30pm for the town of Waterville Valley, NH.

Waterville Valley School student Sadie D'Agostino leads the Pledge of Allegiance.

Moderator Clarkson introduces the head table and Town Department Heads. She advises that everyone present have a copy of the 2017 Annual Town Report. She requests that all cell phones and electronic devices be turned to silent mode. She directed those wishing to speak to go to the microphone stand at the front of the audience and that speaking time is limited to 3 minutes at a time per person. She reviews and explains the Town Meeting Rules of Order on pages 29-30 of the Town Report. She reminds all registered voters to check in to receive their red voting card.

The voting results for the Waterville Valley election held on 3/13/18 are read to the public:

Article 1	Board of Selectmen:	Richard Rita
	Moderator:	Marilyn Clarkson
	Library Trustee:	Sandra Larsen
	Supervisor of the Checklist:	Cheryl Moak
	Trustee of the Trust Funds:	Cheryl Saenger
Article 2	PASSED - Zoning amendment.	

Voting results for the Waterville Valley School District officers are read to the public:

School Board Member (3 year term):	Mike Furgal
School Clerk / Treasurer:	Brenda Conklin
School Moderator:	Marilyn Clarkson

Moderator: Articles 3, 4 and 5 are Bond issues and these articles must be decided by a ballot vote and need 2/3 majority to pass. The colored paper ballots that voters received upon check in will be marked for the appropriate article when directed by the Moderator. After voters have marked their Article 5 Ballot, they may then go to the Ballot Boxes and cast their 3 ballots in the appropriate matching ballot box.

Do I hear a motion for Article 3?

Article 3

Motion: I move that the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$630,000 for Capital Improvements to the Corcoran Pond Dam. Funding to come from \$500,000 in Bonds and Notes and \$130,000 from the existing Corcoran Pond Dam Capital Reserves. And to Authorize the issuance of not more than \$500,000 of Bonds or Notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA 33) and to authorize the Selectmen to issue and negotiate such Bonds or Notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon. (Amount NOT included in Article 15)

Motion: Mike Aronson

Seconded: Margaret Turner

Moderator: The Selectmen unanimously recommend approval of this article. Please note that the article takes a 2/3 majority vote to pass. The Selectmen have put in a considerable amount of time on this subject and Town Manager Mark Decoteau has a presentation

Presentation: Mark Decoteau refers voters to page 58 in the Town Report which shows a summary of all proposed Capital Project Funding for 2018 if everything passes. He explains that a town is limited to bonding amounts by state law and that Town projects and water projects have separate limits of 3% and 10% respectively. Mark explains the 20 year CIP Plan using a graph which shows new debt, principal retired and new bonds. All anticipated capital needs (vehicles, facilities, and infrastructure) are included. The plan will be updates each year. The Corcoran Pond Dam project involves the armoring of the Dam with concrete blankets which will be covered with soil. The purpose of armoring the dam is to prevent the earthen sides from eroding in the event the dam is over-topped. NH-DES has required these improvements to be compliant with the current dam regulations and these repairs need to be completed by 1/1/2020 or there will be daily fines. The estimated cost is \$630K and the design, developed by engineers working with DES, has been not yet been finalized but DES is in agreement thus far with the plan concept. There is currently \$130K in Capital Funds which has been previously funded for the project. The remainder of the project funding of \$500K is what is being voted on today. Mark reviews the proposed project budget. Mark indicates on a map of the area the overall impacted by the project. Coordination with Town Square and the Golden Eagle Lodge will be necessary as both sides of the dam, as well as downstream areas, are impacted.

Moderator: The presentation of 10 minute limit is reached and the moderator asks for discussion.

Discussion: Mike Aronson adds that the Selectmen have been negotiating with DES for over 5 years and earlier versions of the work were in excess of one million dollars. Legal options were considered, but after finding no solid ground to move forward legally, the Selectmen have decided this is the best option for the town, and the least costly to taxpayers. If this article is not passed today, the state will hire their own engineers and contractors to do the work and the costs will be added to the tax rate and would likely be significantly higher.

Moderator: After no further discussion, the moderator directs voters to mark their ballot #3 (in red) either YES or NO and wait until all of the ballot votes are completed before placing the marked ballot into the appropriate colored ballot box.

Moderator: Do I hear a motion for Article 4?

Article 4

Motion: I move that the town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$250,000.00 for the construction of a new town entrance and sidewalks and associated road improvements. And to authorize the issuance of not more than \$250,000.00 of bonds or notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA 33) and to authorize the Selectmen to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and the determine the rate of interest thereon. Selectmen Recommend Approval (Majority 2/3 vote required) (Amount NOT included in Article 15)

Motion: Margaret Turner

Seconded: Bill Larsen

Moderator: Please note the Selectmen have recommended approval of this article. And also please note that this amount is not included in Article 15. As a bond article this requires a 2/3 majority vote to pass this article. Tom Gross of the Town Core Working Group has a short presentation. The yellow ballot marked as Ballot #4 will be used for the vote.

Presentation: Tom Gross of the TCWG provides background on the need for this article. He stated the entrance area is needed to give guests a “sense of arrival” to the town of WV. It will also improve vehicle and pedestrian safety and will be something that residents will be proud of as the entrance gateway to WV. Tom indicates the project locations on a map which are just past the Tripoli Rd. and Route 49 intersection. The project includes a 10’ sidewalk on the left side of Valley Rd as entering town, designated as a multi-use pathway for pedestrians and bikes and a sign. The pathway will be without granite curbing making it level with the roadway. Safe landing areas for crosswalks will also be included as part of the plan. The right side of the road and the presently existing sidewalk will be upgraded if funds are available. There is some additional engineering and drainage work which still needs to be done for the right side work. Examples of signs are displayed and Tom explained that natural materials consisting of stone and wood will be used. Public sessions will be held for comments on the sign design and features. The overall message to be conveyed to the visitors is that WV is a pedestrian and biking community and motorists are asked to remain alert

and respectful of these other modes of travel. The project budget is reviewed with a total cost of \$250,000.00. The impact on the tax rate is \$00.07, which is \$35.00 a year on a \$500K property. The timeline is reviewed with construction complete by Thanksgiving 2018. The project is supported by the Selectmen, Planning Board and the Town Core Working Group, as well as many town businesses and organizations. Tom summarizes by stating this is long overdue as we've been a town without a sign for too long and asked for the support of the voters.

Moderator: Before this is opened for discussion, Mark Decoteau and Jim Mayhew want to explain how this fits into the overall CIP program.

Presentation: Mark Decoteau adds that as part of the Highway portion of the CIP, there is planned to be 2.1 million dollars spent in maintaining roadways in WV over the next 20 years. The roadwork project for this article involves the first 1000' of road and this area is included as part of the Highway improvements. For planning purposes, the roadway costs are about \$400K per mile, and this section of road is about a quarter of a mile in length and will cost about \$100K to replace and repair. This is in addition to the sign portion of the article and part of the road replacement plan.

Discussion: Tom Ennis ask about the cost per mile and if it included sidewalk improvements. Mark answered that in the case it does includes the sidewalk as it is more of an extension of the width of the road, but it does not cover a sidewalk improvements. Mr. Ennis recommended that the sidewalk costs should be included as part of the cost per mile. Wendy Rathgeber of the TCWG comments in support of the project and adds that the plan also includes a new crosswalk at Tecumseh Rd. She adds that as a business operator in Town Square that she receives comments from visitors who were unaware that the town of WV exists past Tripoli Rd. Sandy Larsen asked how the existing signs (home of Freestyle Skiing and ski area signs) incorporate with the proposed sign. Mike Aronson of the BOS answers by stating that as part of the Pedestrian Village Study (PVS) report created earlier that creating a uniform branding and signage was critical. This is the 1st step of implementing a uniform sign concept throughout town. Going forward new signs will blend into this format when they are needed so eventually there is continuity throughout town. This is part of the plan to move forward to make WV more inviting to guests overall and will then want to purchase property and become part of the community. By increasing the appeal of the town, there will be increases in real estate sales which will in turn help to increase property values throughout town to both current and future owners. Mark Decoteau adds that the existing signs do not belong to the town, but to the ski area, and the town will work with them to create uniform signage by either repair, replacement or/and relocation to unify the signs. Mike Koppel comments that Mark's statement of this being the 1st step is important, and asks where the rest of the work and the funding are come from. Mark replies that the CIP includes funding for \$2.1M dollars over 20 years and all of the roads and sidewalks in town are included in a rotation based upon need. Roads having recent work done recently are not included. There are roads listed in the plan account for about 1M, and the remainder of roads will be listed based upon priority need. Water and sewer work will also be done at the same time as the road surface work to maximize the efforts being done. Ray Kucharski

adds that the Planning Board has spoke of the entryway improvements for years and comments that the proposed location should be on the right side of the road, as most signs appear to the right side of the road for a driver. David Britton comments on his disappointment with the PVS, and believes the priority should be how to move about town without cars and how to become a “greener” community by increasing use non-motorized transportation. David states that many people somehow are able to find the town square and local businesses now without the sign. He asked for more evidence on how an entrance sign improves property value for owners. Tom Ennis states that he doesn’t believe that enough funds are adequate foe the extent of the work to be done and believe the sidewalk costs need to be reconsidered. He adds that the long term plan needs to include multi-use pathways for every road in town and each road should be listed by year that is scheduled for improvement. Patti Furgal asks if the signs do what it supposed to do, by bringing more people into the valley, will Public Safety be able to keep up with the increased volume of people. Chief Noyes doesn’t anticipate additional increase. Craig Larsen speaks in favor of the sign and states that he believes the sign will increase the resident economy and the pride of ownership in WV. He uses developments in Florida as an example. He states that the sign of a new development is so important to the success of businesses beyond its location. The current signs owned by the ski area at the intersection currently exist on town property. Bill Larsen comments that with the decrease in property values, the town needs people to invest in homes and businesses. The sign is the first step to both attract and retain people and he is in support of the article. Bill is in support of the article. Andy Knight speaks in support of the article and shares his memory of his first visit to WV. He expresses the need to get people to go beyond the ski area access road, and once they do, they will see enjoy the many activities that WV has, aside from skiing. Dick Harris comments that signs need to be clearer for bicyclists and pedestrians, especially for foreign visitors who may not speak English. Mike Aronson asks to call the question, and it is seconded by Margaret Turner.

Moderator: The Moderator asks for a show of cards for approval, and disapproval, to call the questions for a vote. The Moderator determines it was approved. Hearing no requests for further discussion the discussion ends. The moderator directs voters to mark their ballot #4 (in yellow) either YES or NO and wait until all of the ballot votes are completed before placing the marked ballot into the appropriate colored ballot box.

Do I hear a motion for Article 5?

Article 5

Motion:

I move that the town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$150,000.00 for engineering and capital improvements and repairs to the collection and distribution facilities associated with the existing drinking water well number 3. And to authorize the issuance of not more than \$150,000.00 of bonds or notes in accordance with the provisions of the municipal finance act (RSA 33) and to negotiate such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest

thereon. Selectmen Recommend Approval by vote of 3 to 0. (Majority vote required) (Amount NOT included in Article 19)

Motion: Bill Larsen

Seconded: Mike Aronson

Moderator: Please note the Selectmen have recommended approval of this article. And also please note that this amount is not included in Article 15. As a bond article this requires a 2/3 majority vote to pass this article. Mark Decoteau will do a short presentation on the article.

Presentation: Mark Decoteau explains the ongoing contamination issues with well #3. He reviews the nature of the improvements recommended by Town engineers and expert hydrologists which include the following: 1) Discontinue the monitoring wells in the area; 2) install a synthetic liner of the well head; 3) Install a fence around the well head to prohibit foot traffic by people and pets; 4) Install a seal around the distribution line; 5) Conduct additional testing of the water source, and as a final step; 6) Continue with engineering work to treat the water and reconnect well #3 to the distribution system. The first goal is to determine the contamination. The budget for the work is reviewed.

Moderator: The Moderator asks the audience for any questions, and there are none.

Discussion: None.

Moderator: The Moderator asks for any other questions, and upon hearing none calls for a vote by ballot. The moderator directs voters to mark their ballot #5 (in orange) either YES or NO and once finished, directs the voters to place their completed ballots for Articles 3, 4 and 5 into the appropriate matching colored ballot box. The time of 6:41pm is noted as the opening of the 1 hour voting time period. A short recess is allowed for voters to cast their ballots.

Moderator: Do I hear a motion for Article 6

Article 6

Motion: I move that the town vote to authorize the Selectmen to enter into a three-year lease agreement in the amount of \$87,192 for the purchase of a new public works dump truck with new plow, and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$30,800 from general taxation to pay for the first year's payment for that purpose. This lease contains an escape clause.

Motion: Mike Aronson

Seconded: Margaret Turner

Moderator: Please note the Selectmen have recommended approval of this article. And also please note that this amount is not included in Article 15. A simple majority vote is required to pass this article.

Presentation: Mark Decoteau speaks briefly about the entire budget before speaking about this article. He continues on to explain the proposed 2018 operating budget, and compares against the 2017 budget. The overall increase in the amount of taxes to be raised is \$17K and the tax impacts to properties valued at \$250K, \$500K and \$750K are \$12.50, \$25.00, and \$37.50 respectively. He continues on to explain the need for the truck stating that the oldest plow truck is now 10 years old. The current sander is able to be reused, but the plow gear needs replacement. It is a three year lease, with an escape clause, and will funds will be appropriated each year by a warrant article.

Discussion: Mike Koppel asks about the cost differences between purchasing versus leasing. Jim Mayhew answers that there is a cost of 7%, which is interest. Jim adds that the price of the vehicle is part of state bid as well, which is only available for municipal and state use. Mark comments that a lease is a little bit more than a purchase, but the escape clause has a value to the town because if a different type of truck is needed in the future, we can exit the lease without penalty. Mike Koppel then asks what the dollar amount difference is between an up-front purchase price and the lease price, and that information was not available as it was not price quoted in that format.

Moderator: The Moderator asks for any other questions, and upon hearing none calls for a vote by a show of cards for approval, and disapproval.

Disposition: Motion passes by unanimous vote.

Moderator: Do I hear a motion for Article 7?

Article 7

Motion: I move that the town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$130,000 for capital improvements to the wastewater treatment plant HVAC system, aeration system, carbon filter system, and chemical feed pumps. Funds for these improvements will come from general taxation. Selectmen Recommend Approval by vote of 3 to 0. (Majority vote required) (Amount NOT included in Article 15).

Motion: Margaret Turner

Seconded: Bill Larsen

Moderator: Please note the Selectmen have recommended approval of this article. And also please note that this amount is not included in Article 15.

Presentation: Mark Decoteau adds that the WWTP is 40 years old and these items are maintenance items. The HVAC system is original to the plant. Some of the items have been replaced in the past as regular maintenance. These items will be part of a three year process.

Discussion: None.

Moderator: The Moderator asks if there are any other questions, and upon hearing none directs the voters to display a show of cards for approval, and disapproval.

Disposition: Motion passes by unanimous vote.

Moderator: Do I hear a motion for Article 8?

Article 8

Motion: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$80,000 for capital improvements to town hall and engineering services on town buildings. Funds for these improvements will come from general taxation. The Selectmen Recommend Approval by vote of 3 to 0. (Majority Vote Required) (Amount NOT included in Article 15)

Motion: Bill Larsen

Seconded: Mike Aronson

Moderator: Please note that the Selectmen recommend approval of this article and that this amount is not included in Article 15. The vote can take any form and a simple

majority is required for approval. Mark Decoteau can speak on behalf of this article.

Presentation: Town Manager, Mark Decoteau, states that the Town Hall has severe flooding issues. The downstairs meeting flooded twice in the last 16 months, and had to have carpet replaced both times. The building foundation drains need repair work, and there are also additional building improvements as well. The engineering portion is to begin planning for a new town hall or improve the existing structure.

Discussion: None.

Moderator: The Moderator asks for a show of cards for approval, and disapproval.

Disposition: Motion passes by unanimous vote.

Moderator: Do I hear a motion for Article 9?

Article 9

Motion: I move that the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$45,000 for the purchase of a new police cruiser. Funds for this purchase will come from the following sources; \$25,000 from the Capital Reserve previously established for the purpose, \$7,500 from insurance reimbursement and \$12,500 from the December 31, 2017 fund balance available on January 1, 2018. The Selectmen Recommend Approval by vote of 3 to 0. (Majority Vote Required) (Amount NOT included in Article 15)

Motion: Mike Aronson

Seconded: Margaret Turner

Moderator: Please note that the Selectmen recommend approval of this article and this amount is not included in article 15. The vote can take any form and a simple majority is required for approval. Police Chief Dave Noyes will speak briefly about this article.

Presentation: Chief Noyes explains that the cruiser was disabled by a vehicle fire a few months ago and he currently has 1 cruiser operational. The fire damaged cruiser was already scheduled for replacement this year. The Public Safety truck is being utilized more since that time.

Discussion: None.

Moderator: The Moderator then asks for a show of cards for approval, and disapproval. She determines the article passes.

Disposition: Motion passes by unanimous vote.

Moderator: Do I hear a motion for Article 10?

Article 10

Motion: I move that the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$20,000 to be added to the Water and Wastewater Repair Capital Account with said funds to come from the December 31, 2017 Fund Balance available on January 1, 2018 and no amount to come from general taxation. The Selectmen Recommend Approval by vote of 3 to 0. (Majority Vote Required) (Amount NOT included in Article 15)

Motion: Margaret Turner

Seconded: Bill Larsen

Moderator: Please note that the Selectmen recommend approval of this article and that this amount is not included in article 15. The vote can take any form and a simple majority is required for approval.

Presentation: Jim Mayhew, Director of Public Works, comments that this fund was established a few years ago to handle emergency repairs, such as a water main break.

Discussion: None.

Moderator: The Moderator asks for a show of cards for approval, and disapproval of the article. She determines the article passes.

Disposition: Motion passes by unanimous vote.

Moderator: For Article 11, there have been 3 requests for a secret ballot for the voting on this article. Do I hear a motion for Article 11?

Article 11

Motion: I move that the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000 for the support of the New Hampshire Independence Day Music Festival to be held in Waterville Valley on July 4th, 2019. Funds for this support will come from general taxation. The Selectmen Recommend Approval by vote of 2 to 1. (Majority Vote Required)

Motion: Bill Larsen

Seconded: Margaret Turner

Moderator: Please note that the Selectmen recommend approval of this article by a 2-1 vote and that this amount is not included in article 15. Margaret Turner has a brief presentation.

Presentation: Margaret Turner states that the Town's funds will be in addition to private support being sought as well. She continues to say that she is one of the private supporters and that after last summer's successful 50th party, that many people have commented to be in support of events that would bring the community together. The performance would be on Packard's Field in a self contained stage. The performance would be similar to a Boston Pops styled performance with both traditional and popular pieces of work. Fireworks, in synchronization with the music, will also be a part of the performance. Local businesses are also being sought to become supporters. Bill Larsen adds that if not enough private funds are raised, the town will not spend the \$10,000. The funds are only in support of the event if private donations are met and the concert is held on July 4, 2019 as proposed.

Discussion: Kathy Ward states she thinks it's a great idea and asks what age bracket was the music festival targeting. Margaret Turner answers that the Boston Pops event is popular for all ages and families alike, and believe that this event would attract a similar audience. She comments that people could bring blankets, chairs and picnic foods/beverages during the event. This would be a free concert with no admission fees. Mike Furgal asks long the concert would be, and Margaret estimated 35-45 minutes long. The concert would start before the regularly scheduled July 4th fireworks with the closing piece performed would be the 1812 Overture.

Moderator: The Supervisors of the Checklist and election officials are passing out White colored ballots to everyone. The moderator directs voters to mark their either YES

or NO and once finished, directs the voters to place their completed ballots for the corresponding white colored ballot box. Do I hear a motion for Article 12?

Article 12

Motion: I move that the town vote to establish a Municipal Solid Waste Truck Capital Reserve fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for repairs to the current solid waste truck and/or the purchase of a new solid waste truck and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000.00 to be placed into the fund with said funds to come from the December 31, 2017 Fund Balance available on January 1, 2018 and no amount to come from general taxation. Furthermore, to name the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend from said fund. The Selectmen Recommend Approval by vote of 3 to 0. (Majority Vote Required) (Amount NOT included in Article 15).

Motion: Mike Aronson

Seconded: Margaret Turner

Moderator: Please note that the Selectmen recommend approval of this article by a 3-0 vote and that this amount is not included in article 15.

Presentation: Jim Mayhew comments that the trash truck will be in need of yearly repairs to remain fully functioning. While it is in good shape it is also the town's most used vehicle and there is a lot of wear and tear on the vehicle. The truck will cost near \$250,000 when the time comes to replacement. To that end, the town has been putting aside funds yearly to cover repairs on the current truck when they arise. If any funds remain in the account when a new truck is purchased, they will be used at that time.

Discussion: None.

Moderator: The Moderator asks for a show of cards for approval, and disapproval of the article. She determines the article passes.

Disposition: Motion passes by unanimous vote.

Moderator: Do I hear a motion for Article 13?

Article 13

Motion: I move that the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$60,000 to be added to the Capital Reserve Accounts previously established as follows:
Ladder Truck Capital Reserve Account \$20,000
Road Repair Capital Reserve Account \$40,000
This appropriation to come from the December 31, 2017 Fund Balance available on January 1, 2018 and no amount to come to be raised from general taxation. The Selectmen Recommend Approval by vote of 3 to 0. (Majority Vote Required) (Amount NOT included in Article 15).

Moderator: Please note that the Selectmen recommend approval of this article by a 3-0 vote and that this amount is not included in article 15.

Motion: Margaret Turner

Seconded: Bill Larsen

Presentation: Mark Decoteau comments that the Road Repairs account fund was completely spent in 2017 and needs to be replenished. The Ladder Truck is scheduled for replacement in 2019 and we need to continue to add to the Ladder Truck Capital Account to prepare for that purchase.

Discussion: None.

Moderator: The Moderator asks for a show of cards for approval, and disapproval of the article. She determines the article passes.

Disposition: Motion passes by unanimous vote.

Moderator: Do I hear a motion for Article 14?

Article 14

Motion: I move that the Town vote to adopt the provisions of RSA 72:81 regarding new construction property tax exemptions, said exemptions to be applicable to commercial uses in all zoning districts except high density residential and low density residential. These exemptions will run for 10 years following new construction, and to be 50% on an annual basis of the increase in assessed value attributable to construction of new structures, and additions, renovations, or improvements to existing structures of \$50,000 or more in new assessed value. The Selectmen Recommend Approval by vote of 3-0. (Majority Vote Required)

Motion: Bill Larsen

Seconded: Mike Aronson

Moderator: Please note that the Selectmen recommend approval of this article by a 3-0 vote and there is no money being appropriated for this article.

Presentation: Mark Decoteau explains in common terms the meaning of the article. If someone has a piece of property, and makes improvements, regardless of the cost, which increases the assessed value of the property \$50,000 or more, 50 percent of that increase is tax free for a period of 10 years. This applies only to the town and school portions of the tax rate. The county and state portions of the tax rate remain unchanged. The property owner must apply to the selectmen for this exemption.

Discussion: David Britton asked to confirm that the exemption would be limited to commercial uses and development not inclusive of residential properties. Mike Aronson confirms that this is correct. Ray Kucharski inquires about a "sunset time" or end date for the provision, and the answer is no. The town would need to repeal the adoption of the RSA 72:81.

Moderator: The Moderator asks if there are any other questions, and upon hearing none directs the voters to display a show of cards for approval, and disapproval. She determines the article passes.

Disposition: Motion passes by unanimous vote.

Moderator: Before moving to Article 15, the Budget, we have the results of the secret ballot on Article 11 which was voted to PASS. Moving onto Article 15, do I hear a motion?

Article

15 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum \$3,726,006 for general municipal operations. This article does not include appropriations from any of the preceding articles.

General Government	\$ 768,436
Buildings & Grounds	\$ 120,298
Public Safety	\$ 862,133
Highways & Streets	\$ 371,493
Solid Waste & Recycling	\$ 234,674

Water & Sewer	\$ 451,190
Health & Welfare	\$ 7,000
Culture & Recreation	\$ 335,281
Conservation	\$ 500
Debt Service	\$ 531,423
Capital Outlay	\$ 49,078
Total	\$ 3,726,006

Motion: Mike Aronson
 Seconded: Margaret Turner
 Moderator: Please note that the Selectmen recommend approval of this article by a 3-0 vote.
 Discussion: None.
 Moderator: The Moderator asks for a show of cards for approval, and disapproval of the article. She determines the article passes. The moderator recognizes Margaret Turner.

Motion: I move to limit reconsideration of all votes taken to this point.

Motion: Margaret Turner
 Seconded: Bill Larsen
 Moderator: A vote to limit reconsideration means that all of the votes taken up to this point at this meeting cannot be changed by further action at this meeting. The vote can take any form and a simple majority is required for approval. We have motion on floor to limit reconsideration which has been seconded. There is no further discussion and the Moderator then asks for a show of cards for approval, and disapproval.

Disposition: Motion passes by majority vote, with 1 voting against.

Article 16 To hear the report of agents, auditors or committees of officers chosen and to pass any vote relative thereto.

Moderator: Article 16 asks for reports from agents, auditors or committees appointed who need to make a presentation to do so at this time. There were no reports presented so the Moderator proposes to pass over this article.

Article 17 To transact any other business as may legally come before the meeting.


Discussion: The Moderator recognizes Mike Aronson. Mike Aronson recognizes Bill Larsen for his many years of service as a Selectman in Waterville Valley. Bill accepts a plaque commemorating his service followed by applause from the audience.

Moderator: The Moderator recognizes Bill Larsen to speak. Bill asks for a sense of the meeting vote on moving the day of deliberative session of Town Meeting to the 1st Saturday afternoon following the Town Election as opposed to the Tuesday evening following the voting, as we have done in the past. He explains that non-resident property owners would be more able to attend.

Motion: I move to take a sense of the meeting vote to see if the townspeople will vote to change the annual day of town meeting from Tuesday night to Saturday at 3pm.

Motion: Brenda Conklin
 Seconded: Bill Larsen
 Moderator: Moderator Clarkson states this would enable non-resident property owners a better opportunity to attend the meeting, as well as working residents.

- Discussion: Mike Furgal comments that at the school district meeting 19 people showed up, and asks if the meeting could be combined into one deliberative session.
- Moderator: The Moderators added that this is only for the deliberative session. The ballot voting for elected positions must be held on the second Tuesday of March. The Moderator asks for a show of cards for approval, and disapproval. The Supervisors assist in counting and the results are read as follows:
 YES - 28 NO - 21
- Disposition: The Moderator determines the motion has passed, however this is a non-binding vote. More discussion will be held on this subject, but this is a good start in knowing what the voters would like to see happen in the future. The Moderator recognizes Mike Furgal.
- Discussion: Mike Furgal asks again if there is support for combining the town and school meetings and asks for a sense of the meeting vote. Mike states that the school meeting takes about an hour in length. If town meeting remains on Tuesday, Mike asks if people would still consider combining the meetings as one. This is seconded by Brenda Conklin.
- Moderator: The Moderator asks for a show of cards for approval, and disapproval and determines that the motion carries and this noted by the Selectmen and the School Board members present. The Moderator recognizes Reggie Breeckner.
- Discussion: Reggie Breeckner speaks to the crowd regarding the creation of a museum and since that time has been talking to people for guidance. The conclusion was to create a historical society, and has taken steps to form the Waterville Valley Historical Society and there will be news in the coming months.
- Moderator: At 7:41 Moderator Clarkson announces that the polls for voting on BOND articles has closed and the votes will be counted. Moderator Clarkson then asks if there is anything else anyone would like to discuss at this time. She recognizes Mike Aronson.
- Discussion: Mike Aronson addresses the crowd regarding open positions on town boards such as Planning Board, Zoning Board of Adjustment and Conservation Commission. He asks if anyone is interested in serving on any board to inquire with the Town Offices or any current member of a board. There are many opportunities to serve in your community.
- Moderator: At 7:43 Moderator Clarkson announces the results for voting on BOND articles that require a 2/3's majority to pass.
 Article 3: PASSES 72-1 (Corcoran Pond Dam work)
 Article 4: PASSES 50-24 (Town Entrance/road work)
 Article 5: PASSES 72-1 (Water Well#3 Work)
- Motion: To adjourn the deliberative session portion of the Town Meeting.**
- Motion: Bill Larsen
- Seconded: Mike Koppel
- Disposition: Motion passes by a unanimous vote at 7:44pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

 Patricia Kucharski
 Deputy Town Clerk, Waterville Valley