

OFFICIAL BALLOT
ANNUAL TOWN/SCHOOL MEETING
TOWN OF MILTON, VERMONT
MARCH 4, 2014

INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS

To vote, fill in the oval(s) completely next to your choice(s), like this: 
Write-In: To vote for a valid write-in candidate, write the person's name on the line provided and fill in the oval.

FOR MODERATOR

One Year Term Vote for not more than ONE

(WRITE-IN) ☐

FOR SELECTBOARD

Three Year Term Vote for not more than ONE
DARREN ADAMS 1462 ☐
(WRITE-IN) ☐

FOR SELECTBOARD

Unexpired Two Year Term Vote for not more than ONE
JOHN W. BARTLETT 1458 ☐
(WRITE-IN) ☐

FOR SELECTBOARD

One Year Term Vote for not more than TWO
STUART N. KING 772 ☐
BRENDA (TURNER) STEADY 820 ☐
CHRIS TAYLOR 596 ☐
PATRICK WRIGHT JR. 739 ☐
(WRITE-IN) ☐
(WRITE-IN) ☐

FOR TOWN GRAND JUROR

One Year Term Vote for not more than ONE
(WRITE-IN) ☐

FOR TOWN AGENT

One Year Term Vote for not more than ONE
(WRITE-IN) ☐

FOR LISTER

Three Year Term Vote for not more than ONE
(WRITE-IN) ☐

FOR LISTER

Unexpired Two Year Term Vote for not more than ONE
(WRITE-IN) ☐

FOR LISTER

Unexpired One Year Term Vote for not more than ONE
(WRITE-IN) ☐

FOR LIBRARY TRUSTEE

Five Year Term Vote for not more than ONE
TRACEY HEMPSTEAD 1500 ☐
(WRITE-IN) ☐

FOR SCHOOL TRUSTEE

Three Year Term Vote for not more than ONE
DOUGLAS STOUT 863 ☐
CATHARINE VADNAIS 751 ☐
(WRITE-IN) ☐

FOR SCHOOL TRUSTEE

Two Year Term Vote for not more than ONE
ERIC HOUGHTON 1405 ☐
(WRITE-IN) ☐

FOR SCHOOL TRUSTEE

One Year Term Vote for not more than ONE
KAREN A. LAFOND 1427 ☐
(WRITE-IN) ☐

SCHOOL ARTICLE

ARTICLE I:

Shall the voters of Milton Town School District appropriate twenty six million, two hundred two thousand, four hundred eighty seven dollars (\$26,202,487), necessary for the support of the schools for the year beginning July 1, 2014, of which appropriation three million, six hundred ninety seven thousand, eight hundred ninety six dollars (\$3,697,896) shall be funded by grants-in-aid and twenty two million, five hundred four thousand, five hundred ninety one dollars (\$22,504,591) shall be raised by taxation and other local revenue sources?

772 YES ☐
1123 NO ☐

TOWN ARTICLES

ARTICLE I:

Shall the voters of the Town of Milton accept the reports of the Town Officials as presented in the Town Report?

1573 YES ☐
211 NO ☐

ARTICLE III:

Shall the voters of the Town of Milton approve the budget for the Fiscal Year 2015 in the amount of seven million, two hundred sixty thousand, three hundred forty-one dollars (\$7,260,341), the amount to be raised by taxes of five million, one hundred forty-four thousand, seventy-six dollars (\$5,144,076)?

1004 YES ☐
886 NO ☐

ARTICLE IV:

Shall the voters of the Town of Milton amend the Charter as follows:

- Deletions are shown as strikethroughs in brackets (example: [deleted text]).
- Additions are underlined (example: added text).

Section 202. Elective Officers

(a) The officers elected at its Annual Meeting shall be:

- (1) Five (5) Selectpersons
- (2) Town Clerk
- (3) Town Treasurer
- ~~(4) Three (3) Listers~~
- ~~(4)(5) Moderator~~
- ~~(6) Grand Juror~~
- ~~(7) Town Agent~~
- ~~(5)(8) Five (5) Library Trustees~~
- ~~(6)(9) Five (5) School Trustees~~
- ~~(7)(10) CWD Representative~~

(b) Qualifications. All elected officers shall be chosen at large from the legally qualified voters at a legally warned Town Meeting using the Australian Ballot System. Said elected officers shall hold office for the terms hereinafter specified and until their successors are elected and qualified.

(c) Bonding. All officers shall be sworn before entering their duties and all officers as described in Title 24 section 832 of Vermont Statutes Annotated shall give a bond conditioned for the faithful performance of their duties in an amount prescribed and approved by the Selectboard.

(d) Termination.

(1) When an elected officer specified in section 202(a)(1) through ~~(7)(10)~~ of this Charter resigns, becomes domiciled in another Town, dies or is removed by Recall, his or her office shall become vacant and the Selectboard, in the case of the Town, and the School Trustees, in the case of the School, shall appoint an eligible person to fill the vacancy until the next legally warned Town or School Meeting. The person elected at the next legally warned Town or School meeting shall serve until his or her predecessor's term expires.

(2) If more than one vacancy occurs on the Selectboard or Board of School Trustees at the same time, then the respective board shall call a special election to fill the vacancies.

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AND VOTE BOTH SIDES

TOTAL VOTES CAST 1926

~~(3) Any office eliminated by amendment to this Charter shall terminate upon completion of the incumbent officeholder's term.~~

Section 203. Terms of Elected Offices

(a) Selectboard.

(1) Shall consist of five (5) members. Three (3) members of the Board shall be elected each year; one (1) for a three (3) year term and two (2) members for one (1) year terms. The two (2) incumbent officers shall complete their elected terms.

(2) Shall constitute the legislative body of the Town of Milton for all purposes required of Town legislative bodies or Selectboards under the Constitution and the Laws of the State of Vermont.

(b) The Town Clerk shall be elected for a three (3) year term.

(c) The Town Treasurer shall be elected for a three (3) year term to be concurrent with the Town Clerk's term.

~~[(d) The Board of Listers shall consist of three (3) members. One shall be elected each year for a three (3)-year term.]~~

~~[d[e] Moderator shall be elected for a one (1) year term.~~

~~[(f) The Grand Juror shall be elected for a one (1) year term.]~~

~~[(g) Town Agent shall be elected for a one (1) year term.]~~

~~(e[h]) Library Trustees shall consist of five (5) members. [One (1) member shall be elected each year for a five (5) year term.] (2) two members shall be elected for (2) two-year terms; and (3) three members shall be elected for (3) three-year terms. The (5) five-year term that expires as of March 2015 shall become a (3) three-year term thereafter. The (5) five-year term that expires as of March 2016 shall become a (3) three-year term thereafter. The (5) five-year term that expires as of March 2017 shall become a (3) three-year term thereafter. The (5) five-year term that expires as of March 2018 shall become a (2) two year term thereafter. The (5) five-year term that expires as of March 2019 shall become a (2) two year term thereafter.~~

~~(f[i]) School Trustees.~~

(1) Shall consist of five (5) members of whom three (3) shall be elected for three (3) year terms; one (1) shall be elected for a two (2) year term; and one (1) shall be elected for a one (1) year term.

(2) Shall constitute the legislative body of the Town School District for all purposes required of School Trustees under the Constitution and Laws of the State of Vermont and this charter.

~~(g[j]) Champlain Water District Representative shall be elected for a three (3) year term or as prescribed by the Champlain Water District charter.~~

Section 204. Duties of elected officers

(a) Selectboard. See subchapter 3 of this charter.

(b) Town Clerk.

(1) Town Clerk shall perform all duties prescribed by the Vermont Statutes and this charter.

(2) Town Clerk shall appoint one or more Assistant Clerks who shall perform duties as required by the Vermont Statutes and this charter. The Assistant Clerks shall be under the direction of the Town Clerk who shall delegate the Assistant Clerks' duties and responsibilities and said assistants shall be entitled to and adhere to all personnel rules and regulations.

(c) Town Treasurer.

(1) The Town Treasurer shall perform all duties prescribed by the Vermont Statutes and this charter.

(2) The Town Treasurer shall appoint one or more Assistant Town Treasurers who shall perform all duties as prescribed by the Vermont State Statutes and this charter. The Assistant Treasurer shall be under the direction of the Town Treasurer who shall delegate the Assistant Treasurer's duties and responsibilities and said Assistant Treasurer shall be entitled to and adhere to all personnel rules and regulations of the Town of Milton.

(3) The Town Treasurer shall promptly deposit and invest funds coming into the Treasurer's hands in such depositories as may be designated by the Selectboard.

(4) The Town Treasurer shall keep such books and accounts as prescribed by the Vermont Statutes and this charter.

(5) The Town Treasurer shall make reports to the Selectboard monthly or at such other times as the Selectboard may require showing the state of the Town's revenues.

(6) The Town Treasurer shall perform such duties with respect to the Town's finances as the Selectboard shall require.

(7) The Town Treasurer shall perform such duties as prescribed in Title 16, subsections (a), (b) and (c) of section 426 of Vermont Statutes Annotated. He or she shall keep financial records of receipts coming into his or her hands and shall make those records available to the board of school directors when requested to do so.

~~(d) Board of Listers. The duties, responsibilities and powers of the Board of Listers are vested in the Assessing Department of the Town of Milton.~~

~~[(1) The Board of Listers shall perform all duties as prescribed by the Vermont State Statutes and this charter.~~

~~(2) The Board of Listers may appoint an appraiser to help perform their duties. The appraiser shall be under the direction of the Board of Listers who shall delegate the appraiser's duties and responsibilities and said appraiser shall adhere to all personnel rules and regulations of the Town of Milton.]~~

(e) Town Moderator.

(1) The Town Moderator shall perform all duties as required by the Vermont State Statutes and this charter.

(2) Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised shall be used to conduct all annual or special meetings.

(3) In the absence of the Moderator, the Town Clerk shall call the meeting to order with the first order of business to elect a moderator protem to fill the vacancy while it exists.

~~[(f) Grand Juror. The Grand Juror shall perform all duties as required by Vermont State Statutes and this charter.]~~

~~(f[g]) Town Agent. The Town Agent shall perform all duties required by Vermont State Statutes and this charter. The Town Agent shall be the Town Attorney.~~

~~(g[h]) Library Trustees. The Library Trustees shall perform all duties required by Vermont State Statutes and this charter. The Library Trustees shall perform all duties required by Vermont State Statutes and this charter except the library shall follow the administrative code and policies identified in the preamble of the administrative code. Any changes or additions to policies identified in the preamble would require an affirmative vote of both boards in order to be applicable to the library.~~

~~(h[i]) School Trustees. See subchapter 4 of this charter.~~

~~(i[j]) Champlain Water District Representative.~~

Will represent the Town of Milton on the Champlain Water District Board and will keep the Selectboard and the Town Manager advised of significant proceedings by the Champlain Water District Board, which affect quality, quantity or cost of services.

Section 306. Appointed officers

(a) The Selectboard shall appoint:

- (1) Planning Commission
- (2) Zoning Board of Adjustment
- (3) Cemetery Commission
- (4) Chittenden County Regional Planning
- (5) Chittenden Regional Solid Waste
- (6) Civil Defense Director

(b) The Selectboard may appoint such additional commissions or committees as they feel to be in the best interest of the Town:

- (1) Fire Warden
- (2) Collector of Taxes
- (3) Tree Warden
- (4) Constable

(c) All appointed officers shall be chosen at large from the legally qualified voters of the Town and shall hold office until their successors are appointed.

(d) When the term of any office in sections 306 (a) and (b) of this Charter expires or the office becomes vacant, the Selectboard shall cause to be posted in four (4) or more public places in the Town a notice of the expiration of the term and vacancy.

(1) Any qualified voter of the Town may within ten (10) business days of the posting of said notice submit their name to the Selectboard as an applicant for the expired term or vacancy. At the expiration of the ten (10) business days from the date of the posting the names of all applicants shall be entered into the Selectboard's minutes.

(2) The Selectboard may readvertise any expired term or vacancy.

(e) The Selectboard shall appoint the following officers using the same procedure specified in the Town's Administrative Code for employees or vendors engaged by the Town on a contract basis. [in the same manner used in subsections (c) and (d) of this section, however, if a qualified person is not found within the qualified voters of the Town, the Board may select the best qualified applicant.]

- (1) Zoning Administrator
- (2) Health Officer
- (3) Town Attorney/Town Agent
- (4) Pound Keeper
- (5) Planning Director

Section 1006. Amount to be raised by taxation

(a) Upon passage of the budget by vote of the Town, the amounts stated therein as the amounts to be raised by property taxes shall constitute determination of the amount of the levy for the purpose of the Town in the corresponding tax year and the Selectboard shall levy such taxes on the Grand List furnished by the Listers for the corresponding tax year.

(b) If the voters do not approve a Town [or school fails to adopt a] budget by the first day of [its] the next fiscal year, the tax rate of the previous year will prevail.

1320	YES	☐
510	NO	☐

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