

POMFRET
SCHOOL DISTRICT ANNUAL MEETING

March 1, 2011

The School District Meeting was called to order at 1:09 pm by Kevin Geiger, Moderator.

Articles:

1. Kevin Geiger was elected Moderator. He was given the oath of office by the Town Clerk, Lynne A. Leavitt. Passed unanimously.
2. Robert O'Donnell moved to accept reports submitted. Anne Bower seconded. Robert O'Donnell asked what is the projection of students in the elementary school for the next year? Kevin Lessard said there is 74 students in the School now and it looks like a decline of 4 to 5 kids per year. Edward (Greg) Greene said there is a decrease in students from last year's class of 17, this year there is 14. Passed unanimously.
3. Robert B. Coates was elected Town School Director for a 3 year term. Passed unanimously.
4. Victoria A. Jas was elected Woodstock Union High School Director for a 3 year term. Passed unanimously.
5. Kevin H. Lessard moved that the voters of the Pomfret School District appropriate \$1,245,322 (One Million Two Hundred Forty-Five Thousand Three Hundred Twenty-Two Dollars) as the amount necessary for the support of its school for the year beginning July 1, 2011. Anne Bower seconded. Kevin Lessard said he served on the School Board for 6 years, he commented on the 5th graders drawings on the town report front and back cover. He spoke about the budget and said it is up 3.11% from last year. They did make some cuts, the School Nurse was cut back to once a month, the Art teacher was cut to once a week and the Librarian and AV Tech positions were cut back to once a week. In the top 10 Elementary Schools in the State of Vermont the Pomfret School is ranked 8th, which is determined by the standardized testing. All teachers in the Pomfret School have a high qualification rating from the State of Vermont. Passed unanimously
6. Anne Bower moved that the voters authorize the Board of School Directors to borrow money, if necessary, for payment of current expenses of the district, pending receipts of payment of taxes. Robert J. O'Donnell seconded. Passed unanimously.
7. Other business:
There was further discussion regarding the \$50,000 loan the School refused to give to the Town last May.

Kevin Geiger adjourned the meeting at 1:32 p.m.

Results of Pomfret vote for WUHS Budget Article 4 - \$11,059,773: Yes – 69 / No – 21

Respectfully submitted,

Lynne A. Leavitt, Town Clerk

Minutes approved by:

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