

# Town of Coventry

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## **Town Meeting Results**

March 1, 2022

### **SCHOOL DISTRICT BUSINESS:**

**ARTICLE 1: SCHOOL MODERATOR (1 YEAR TERM) Matthew Maxwell – 49 votes**

**ARTICLE 2: SCHOOL TREASURER (1 YEAR TERM) Deb Tanguay – 277 votes**

**ARTICLE 3: SCHOOL DIRECTOR (2 YEAR TERM) Kathleen Ahearn – 183 votes**

Kathleen Ahearn – 183 votes

Robert Walls-Thumma – 66 votes

**ARTICLE 4: SCHOOL DIRECTOR (3 YEAR TERM) Praneet Menon – 225 votes**

**ARTICLE 5:** Shall the voters of the school district approve the school board to expend **\$3,881,536** which is the amount the school board has determined to be necessary for the ensuing fiscal year? It is estimated that this proposed budget, if approved, will result in education spending of \$18,513, per equalized pupil. This projected spending per equalized pupil is 16.33% higher than spending in the current year.

**Passed 163    Denied 112**

**ARTICLE 6:** Shall the voters of the school district approve the school board to borrow up to **\$3,200,000.00** over the period of 30 years for the proposed building addition at Coventry Village School.

**Passed 151    Denied 119**

### **TOWN DISTRICT BUSINESS:**

**ARTICLE 7: TOWN MODERATOR (1 YEAR TERM) Matthew Maxwell – 55 votes**

**ARTICLE 8:** To **ELECT** the following officers required by law:

- a. **SELECT PERSON (3 YEAR TERM) David Gallup – 125 votes**  
David Gallup – 125 votes  
Amanda Jensen – 86 votes  
Praneet Menon – 60 votes  
Martha Sylvester – 15 votes
  
- b. **TOWN CLERK (3 YEAR TERM) Deb Tanguay – 279 votes**
  
- c. **TOWN TREASURER (3 YEAR TERM) David Barlow – 257 votes**
  
- d. **COLLECTOR OF DELINQUENT TAXES (1 YEAR TERM) Catherine Fletcher – 146 votes**  
Catherine Fletcher – 146 votes  
Kerry Keement – 130 votes
  
- e. **CEMETERY COMMISSIONER (3 YEAR TERM) Jerry St. Sauveur – 274 votes**
  
- f. **CEMETERY COMMISSIONER (2 YEAR TERM) Israel Sanville – 12 votes**
  
- g. **1<sup>ST</sup> CONSTABLE (1 YEAR TERM) Donald Grondin – 93 votes**
  
- h. **2<sup>ND</sup> CONSTABLE (1 YEAR TERM) Israel Sanville – 41 votes**
  
- i. **TRUSTEE OF CEMETERY FUNDS (1 YEAR TERM) David Barlow – 264 votes**
  
- j. **PLANNING COMMISSION MEMBER (vote 2) (2 YEAR TERM) Donald Grondin – 35 votes & Amanda Hussey – 24 votes**
  
- k. **PLANNING COMMISSION MEMBER (vote 2) (1 YEAR TERM) Praneet Menon – 18 votes & Zach Patridge – 12 votes (fulfill prior 2 year term)**

**ARTICLE 9:** Shall the legal voters of the Town of Coventry vote to appropriate the sum of **\$ 836,294** for support of the fiscal year **2023 TOWN LIABILITIES & GENERAL FUND EXPENSES** of which all shall be raised by non-tax revenues received through the Landfill Host Agreement?

**Passed 259 Denied 23**

**ARTICLE 10:** Shall the legal voters of the Town of Coventry vote to appropriate the sum of **\$ 274,000 plus** the Vermont State Aid funding, for support of the fiscal year **2023 TOWN HIGHWAY FUND** expenses for summer and winter road maintenance, of which all shall be raised by non-tax revenues received through the Landfill Host Agreement?

**Passed 266 Denied 19**

**ARTICLE 11:** Shall the legal voters of the Town of Coventry vote to split the **Roads Infrastructure and Equipment Reserve Fund** into two reserve funds to be called the Roads Infrastructure Reserve Fund and the Roads Capital Equipment Reserve Fund to enable better allocation and management of funding by placing \$100,000 of the existing fund balance into the **Roads Capital Equipment Reserve Fund** and the balance of the existing fund, approximately \$272,000, into the **Roads Infrastructure Reserve Fund** in accordance with 24 V.S.A. § 2804?

**Passed 245 Denied 38**

**ARTICLE 12:** Shall **EXCESS REVENUES** received in Fiscal Year 2021 into the Highway Fund of \$70,000 and into the General Fund of \$762,000, totaling **\$832,000**, be **TRANSFERRED** to the **ROADS INFRASTRUCTURE RESERVE FUND**, if said reserve fund described in Article 11 is approved by voters, or if not, into the existing Roads Infrastructure and Equipment Reserve Fund to fund future road infrastructure projects?

**Passed 233 Denied 48**

**ARTICLE 13:** Shall **EXCESS REVENUES** received in Fiscal Year 2021 into the General Fund of **\$100,000** be transferred to the **ROADS CAPITAL EQUIPMENT RESERVE FUND** if said reserve fund described in Article 11 is approved by voters, or if not, into the existing Roads Infrastructure and Equipment Reserve Fund to fund future roads capital equipment requirements?

**Passed 238 Denied 41**

**ARTICLE 14:** Shall **EXCESS REVENUES** received in Fiscal Year 2021 into the General Fund of **\$35,000** be **TRANSFERRED** to the **REAPPRAISAL RESERVE FUND** to fund future reappraisal requirements?

**Passed 229 Denied 51**

**ARTICLE 15:** Shall **EXCESS REVENUES** received in Fiscal Year 2021 into the General Fund of **\$4,800** be **TRANSFERRED** to the **Edmunds Douglas Price (EDP) Fund** to make up for Microsoft stock dividends paid to the Town for the EDP Fund from 2003 through 2013 but not entered into the Town's financial accounting system?

**Passed 244 Denied 38**

**ARTICLE 16:** Shall the legal voters of the Town of Coventry authorize the Selectboard to appoint the Town Treasurer as provided in 17 V.S.A. § 2651f whose elected term will expire in accordance with 17 V.S.A. § 2651f(c) if this article is approved?

**Passed 199 Denied 79**

**ARTICLE 17:** Shall the legal voters of the Town of Coventry vote to appropriate the below expenditures for the **Service Agencies** in the amount of **\$16,507**? (Service Agencies reports are printed in the back of this Town Report under the Service Agencies section.)

- \$500.00 to American Red Cross
- \$300.00 to Felines & Friends Foundation
- \$3,000.00 to Goodrich Memorial Library
- \$600.00 to Green Mountain Farm-To-School, Inc
- \$2,000.00 to Jones Memorial Library
- \$330.00 to Northeast Kingdom Council on Aging
- \$2,172.00 to Northeast Kingdom Human Service, Inc.
- \$500.00 Orleans County Children's Advocacy Center / Special Investigations Unit (new)
- \$500.00 to Orleans County Fair Association
- \$550.00 to Orleans County Historical Society
- \$3,000.00 to Orleans Essex VNA & Hospice Inc
- \$750.00 to Pope Memorial Frontier Animal Shelter, Inc.
- \$850.00 to Rural Community Transportation, Inc.
- \$1,125.00 to Umbrella
- \$130.00 to Vermont Center for Independent Living
- \$100.00 to Vermont Green Up, Inc
- \$100.00 to Vermont Symphony Orchestra, SymphonyKids Program

Total for above appropriations - \$16,507.00

**Passed 266 Denied 18**