

ANNUAL SCHOOL AND TOWN MEETING MINUTES
March 6th, 2017
WELLS VILLAGE SCHOOL

VOTERS & GUEST PRESENT: 53 School Portion, 44 Town Portion

MODERATOR: Ronald Bremer

SCHOOL PORTION:

Meeting was called to order at 7:01 pm by Ron Bremer.

Ron welcomed all to the school portion of the meeting.

A moment of silence was held for all who have passed in this year.

Alex Brewster made a motion to allow non-voters to speak. Bill Rozensky seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Ron Bremer asked School Board Member Sue Burke to read the Wells Town School Warning.

Ron asked the audience if there were any questions on Article 1.

Cherry Hopson asked why the Articles of Agreement were not mailed to all or in the Town Report. Joan explained they are on file in the Town Office and on the website and were available at all meetings.

Cherry asked about how would we have meetings and vote in the future if Act 46 passes. Joan explained that it would be an Australian ballot unless it was voted to change and the meetings would be a meeting of the Unified School District on a different night from Town Meeting and at a location the Board agreed upon.

Discussion ensued on what would happen if Wells voted it down.

Discussion ensued about what would happen if Wells voted down the Merger.

Discussion ensued about tuition and tuition costs.

Courtney Bishop read the Wells Town School District Warning.

Rich Holcomb made a motion to accept the Town Report as written. Second by Donald Mattison.

Lisa Mattison made a PowerPoint Presentation which is attached.

- Current Initiatives & Priorities
- Facilities & Improvements

- School Report Card
- Future Initiatives
- FY 18 expenses budget highlights
- Budgeted expenses FY 15 – FY 18
- FY EST revenues
- FY 18 Education Spending
- Budget Highlights

Robin Chesnut- Tangerman came in at 8:10 PM to talk with us. He covered topics like health connect and basic issues that are occurring in Montpelier and in Vermont. Robin left at 8:30 PM.

Gerry Woodruff made a motion to adjourn the School Portion at 8:35 PM. Seconded by Gary Witherbee.

TOWN PORTION:

Town Portion of the meeting was called to order by Town Moderator, Ronald Bremer at 8:45 PM.

Todd Fenton made a motion to allow non-voters to speak. Seconded by Donna Lamb. Motion passed.

Ron Bremer gave a list of candidates running for office March 7th, 2017.

Ron Bremer asked Selectboard member, Tammy Holcomb to read the Town Warning.

Don Mattison made a motion to accept the Town Report as written. Seconded by Jim Schubert. Motion passed.

Ron then read each article number and discussed each one. There was discussion/presentation on Articles 6, 7, and 8.

Bill Rozensky made a motion to adjourn at 9:25 PM. Seconded by Jim Schubert. Motion passed.



Ronald Bremer, Moderator



Nora Sargent, Town Clerk/Treasurer