



Public Informational Meeting Minutes DRAFT  
March 3, 2025

Present:

Jim Haff  
Chris Karr  
Robert Hecker

Tom Yennerell, Interim Town Manager

1. Call to Order
2. Representative Jim Harrison
3. Ballot Articles
4. Adjourn

## 1. Call to Order

The Meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm. SB Haff made a motion to allow Jennifer Iannantuoni to temporarily step in as the Moderator as the Town's elected Moderator was unable to make this Public Informational Meeting. SB Karr and SB Hecker seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously passed.

## 2. Representative Jim Harrison

- SB Haff made a motion for Representative Jim Harrison to present at the Public Information Meeting. SB Karr and SB Hecker seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously passed.
- Representative Jim Harrison announced that the General Assembly, resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives, honored Lucretia Wonsor for her work as a Town Clerk and provided Wonsor with a copy of the resolution.
- Representative Harrison spoke to Town residents attending the Public Information Meeting. He first mentioned a survey being conducted by the House Speaker on Education Reform and invited Town residents to participate. He also reviewed the Governor's four priority initiatives including education, public safety, housing, and energy bills. Representative Harrison then presented upcoming topics and themes in the State Government. Representative Harrison finished his presentation by taking questions from Town Residents and the Selectboard.

## 3. Ballot Articles

- Iannantuoni reviewed Article 1 to elect the following Town Officers: Moderator (1 year term); Selectboard Member (1 year term); Selectboard Member (3 year term); Town Clerk (1 year term); Town Treasurer (3 year term); Lister (3 year term); Cemetery Commissioner (3 year term); and Library Trustee (5 year term).
  - i. Paul Buhler is running uncontested for Moderator (1 year term).
  - ii. Robert Hecker and Ricky Bowen are running for Selectboard Member (1 year term). Both were invited to speak during the Public Informational Meeting.
  - iii. Chris Karr and Patrick Cushing are running for Selectboard Member (3 year term). Both were invited to speak during the Public Informational Meeting.
  - iv. Peggy Neisner is running uncontested for Town Clerk (1 year term).
  - v. Monika Legayada is running uncontested for Town Treasurer (3 year term).
  - vi. Walter Findeisen is running uncontested for Lister (3 year term).
  - vii. Mary Holland is running uncontested for Cemetery Commissioner (3 year term).
  - viii. Nancy Sherman is running uncontested for Library Trustee (5 year term).
- Iannantuoni reviewed Article 2 which asked: *"Shall property taxes be paid in three installments: the first due August 15, 2025, and the overdue subject to interest after August 25, 2025; the second due November 15, 2025, and overdue*

*subject to interest after November 25, 2025; and the third due February 15, 2026, with the total tax delinquent after February 25, 2026?”*

- i. There were no questions or clarifications on Article 2.
- o Iannantuoni reviewed Article 3 which asked: *“Shall the voters approve total general fund expenditure of \$7,912,875 of which an estimated \$5,422,325 shall be raised by property taxes, and \$2,490,550 in estimated non-property tax revenue for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2025?”*
  - i. SB Haff made a motion for TM Yennerell to speak on behalf of the proposed budget, as the Account Manager. SB Karr and SB Hecker seconded the motion. The motion unanimously passed.
  - ii. TM Yennerell provided a presentation breaking down the requested General Fund expenditure presented in Article 3. There was an overall budget increase of \$891,571 due to unavoidable expenses including labor costs for Town employees, paving costs, insurance, vehicle maintenance, and flood recovery.
  - iii. Town Residents asked their questions and clarifications on Article 3.
- o Iannantuoni reviewed Article 4 which asked: *“Shall the bonds of the Town of Killington in an amount not to exceed ELEVEN MILLION TWO HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$11,200,000) subject to reduction through the receipt of any other sources of funding, be issued for the purpose of the planning, design, acquisition, construction and installation and equipping of water system improvements for the Town of Killington?”*
  - i. Town Residents asked their questions and clarifications on Article 4.
- o Iannantuoni reviewed Article 5 which asked: *“Shall general obligation bonds or notes of the Town of Killington, in an amount not to exceed Four Hundred Ninety Thousand Dollars (\$490,000), subject to reduction from available state and federal grants in aid and the application of available reserves, to be financed for a term not to exceed 15 years be issued for the purpose of completing renovations of the new Town Hall at 2046 US Route 4 in Killington?”*
  - i. Town Residents asked their questions and clarifications on Article 5.
- o Iannantuoni reviewed Article 6 which asked: *“Shall the Town of Killington elect two (2) additional Selectboard members for terms of two years each pursuant to 17 V.S.A. §2650(b) whose terms shall take effect June 1, 2025, with a Special Meeting to be warned to fill these additional positions in the event this Article passes?”*
  - i. Town Residents asked their questions and clarifications on Article 6.

#### **4. Adjourn**

The Meeting was adjourned at 9:00 pm.