

**Town of Baltimore
Town Meeting
March 1, 2016**

The meeting was brought to order at 7:00PM.

Robert L (Bud) Metcalf read the articles of the warning.

Article I- To elect a moderator for the year ensuing.

Town Clerk Debby Bean accepted nominations from the floor. Nominations were made for Robert L Metcalf, Joan Whaley, Kevin Gould, Wayne Wheelock and Phon Chambers and all declined. Motion was made and seconded to nominate Vicki Gould. No more nominations. Motion carried. Corrections to the Town Report were announced.

Article II- To act on Town Reports of the Town and Town School Districts.

Motion was made and seconded to accept report as printed. Carried.

At this point, Bruce Williams, Superintendent of the Two Rivers Supervisory Union spoke regarding Act 46. Bruce began by thanking the School Directors for all their hard work. He provided handouts for a timeline. As a non-operating school, we have final say. If we vote yes, we lose choice of schools, if we decline, the state will dictate where we go. Currently there are several sub-committees researching options.

Article III- To elect all Town and Town School Officials as the law directs.

Selectman TE 2019- Motion made and seconded to nominate Dan Cox.

No other nominations. Motion carried and clerk cast one ballot.

Selectman TE 2017- Motion made and seconded to nominate Kevin Gould. No other nominations. Motion carried and clerk cast one ballot.

Lister TE 2019- Motion made and seconded to nominate Al Coonradt. No other nominations. Motion carried and clerk cast one ballot.

Auditor TE 2019- Motion made and seconded to nominate Christine Campbell.

No other nominations. Motion carried and clerk cast one ballot

Delinquent Tax Collector TE 2017- Motion made and seconded to nominate Janet Kendall. No other nominations. Carried.

Town Grand Juror- One year- Motion made and seconded to nominate Steve Waldo. No other nominations. Carried.

Town Agent- One year- Motion made and seconded to nominate Derek Bruce. No other nominations. Carried.

Trustee of Public Funds- One year -Motion made and seconded to nominate Debby Bean. No other nominations. Carried.

Trustee of Campbell Fund TE 2019 - Motion made and seconded to nominate Louanne Metcalf. No other nominations. Carried.

School Director TE 2019- Motion made and seconded to nominate Kathy Muther. No other nominations. Motion carried and clerk cast one ballot.

Article IV- Shall the voters of the Baltimore Town School District approve the School Board to expend \$881,763, which is the amount the school board has determined to be necessary for the ensuing school year. Motion was made and seconded. Discussion. It was noted that there were several additional students this year. There was a question of how this would be paid. It was be paid as it has in the past, through various means, including a substantial part by the State.

Article V- Shall the voters authorize a total GENERAL FUND expenditure of \$51,275.00 of which \$41,275.00 to be raised by taxes and \$10,000.00 carried forward from 2015 year-end General Fund surplus to cover anticipated 2017 Town operating expenses?

Motion made and seconded. Discussion. There was a question regarding the increase in maintenance. It was explained that it was to cover the cost of plowing and sanding of the parking lot and ramp. Since the printing of the Report, Gurneys' has generously agreed to include this at no additional charge. Carried.

Article VI- Shall the voters authorize a total HIGHWAY FUND expenditure of \$85,000.00 of which \$41,000.00 shall be raised by taxes, \$19,000.00 from anticipated State Aid Revenue and \$25,000.00 carried forward from 2015 year-end Highway Fund surplus to cover anticipated 2017 Highway expenses.

Motion was made and seconded to accept as written. Carried.

Article VIII- To see what date in 2016 the town will set for the payment of local property taxes to be paid into the Town Treasury.

Motion made and seconded to have taxes due in full on or before December 1, 2016. Carried. No discussion.

Article X- To do any other business legal and proper when met not to involve expenditures of the Town. Motion made and seconded. Martha mentioned that the cost of mailing the Town Reports has risen and suggested that perhaps postcards could be sent to advise townspeople to return to have one mailed or to pick one up at the Town Office. It was suggested that a PDF could be included on the Town's website.

Loreen Billings spoke as Chair of the Planning Commission regarding updating the Town Plan. They had received comments about solar panels and would like to put language in the Plan to reflect on the scenic aspect of the Town. There will be a meeting on the 24th regarding solar siting. The Plan must be completed by September 2016 as we must keep up with new laws and regulations. 60% of the survey respondents were concerned about solar siting and the Town's character regarding commercial developments.

Representative Leigh Dakin had visited the Town earlier and left copies of her 2016 Legislative Reports and Senator Bill Doyle's Town Meeting Survey. She will pick up completed surveys on Wednesday.

Motion made and second to adjourn at 9:12 P.M. Carried

Respectfully submitted,

Debby Bean
Town Clerk