

OFFICIAL RESULTS

OFFICIAL BALLOT
ANNUAL TOWN/SCHOOL MEETING
COLCHESTER, VERMONT
MARCH 7, 2017

VOTERS		
9-1	9-2	TOTAL
672	1141	1813
Abs 221	338	560
893	1480	2373

INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS

- A. TO VOTE, completely fill in the OVAL to the RIGHT of your choice(s) like this: ●
- B. Follow directions as to the number of candidates to be marked for each office.
- C. To vote for a person whose name is not printed on the ballot, write the candidate's name on the line provided and completely fill in the OVAL.

9-1	9-2	TOTAL	9-1	9-2	TOTAL	9-1	9-2	TOTAL
FOR SELECTBOARD			FOR LISTER			FOR SCHOOL BOARD		
TWO YEARS VOTE FOR ONE			THREE YEARS VOTE FOR ONE			TWO YEARS VOTE FOR ONE		
JACQUELINE "JACKI" MURPHY	1852		ANGELA MACDONALD	1827		CURT TAYLOR	1837	
704	1148	Blank 504	680	1142	Blank 541	721	1136	Blank 521
		Spoil 6			Spoil 4			Spoil 5
		(Write-in) 11			(Write-in) 6			(Write-in) 9
FOR SELECTBOARD			FOR MODERATOR			FOR SCHOOL BOARD		
THREE YEARS VOTE FOR ONE			ONE YEAR VOTE FOR ONE			THREE YEARS VOTE FOR ONE		
HERB DOWNING	1830		SCOTT BARRETT	1824		J. LINCOLN WHITE	1801	
693	1137	Blank 527	684	1140	Blank 542	677	1124	Blank 559
		Spoil 1			Spoil 4			Spoil 6
		(Write-in) 15			(Write-in) 3			(Write-in) 8
FOR TOWN CLERK/ TREASURER			FOR GRAND JUROR					
TWO YEARS VOTE FOR ONE			ONE YEAR VOTE FOR ONE					
KAREN RICHARD	1774							
738	1236	Blank 389			Blank 2196			
		Spoil 2			Spoil 85			
		(Write-in) 8			(Write-in) 92			
			FOR LIBRARY TRUSTEE					
			FIVE YEARS VOTE FOR ONE					
			JESSICA LEARY CLARKE	1816				
			684	1132	Blank 551			
			Spoil 3					
			(Write-in) 3					

SCHOOL ARTICLE

ARTICLE 21:

Shall the voters of the school district approve the school board to expend \$39,133,767, which is the amount the school board has determined to be necessary for the ensuing fiscal year? It is estimated that the proposed budget, if approved, will result in education spending of \$14,091.75 per equalized pupil. This projected spending per equalized pupil is 5.97% higher than spending for the current year.

9-1 9-2 TOTAL
565 816
YES 1381
NO 971

TOWN ARTICLES

ARTICLE 6:

"Shall the voters of the Town of Colchester approve total general fund expenditures of twelve million, four hundred fifty-two thousand, three hundred twenty-five dollars (\$12,452,325), of which ten million, two hundred twenty-one thousand, eight hundred seventy dollars (\$10,221,870) shall be raised by taxes and two million, two hundred thirty-four thousand, four hundred fifty-five dollars (\$2,234,455) by non-tax revenues for the Fiscal Year July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018?"

630 915
YES 1535
NO 796
Blank 42

ARTICLE 7: Proposed Town Charter Amendment re: Subchapter 2. Officers

"Shall the voters vote to amend Section 202 to eliminate the elected office of grand juror?"
The complete text of the proposed amendment is available for review in each voting booth.

678 1086
YES 1766
NO 431
Blank 176

ARTICLE 8: Proposed Town Charter Amendment re: Subchapter 2. Officers

"Shall the voters vote to amend Section 207 to add the requirement of the Selectboard to publish all policy adoptions on the Town's website for ease of access by the public?"

512 1337
YES 2149
NO 146
Blank 78

TURN BALLOT OVER AND CONTINUE VOTING

Karen Richard
Town Clerk

TOWN ARTICLES CONTINUED

9-1 9-2 Total

ARTICLE 9: Proposed Town Charter Amendment re: Subchapter 3. Town Meetings
 "Shall the voters vote to amend Section 304 to change the threshold from 2 to 4 percent for emergency appropriations following an opportunity for public comment on the matter and to amend Section 607 to change the 2 percent to 4 percent to agree with Section 304; and remove redundant language that states articles requesting appropriations shall be voted by Australian ballot?"
 YES 1541 626
 NO 672 160
 Total 160

ARTICLE 10: Proposed Town Charter Amendments re: Subchapter 4. Town Manager
 "Shall the voters vote to amend Section 401 to add the statutory reference for appointment of Town Manager; amend Section 404 to add language that the Town Manager shall keep the Selectboard informed; ... **including, but not limited to, regarding the enforcement of Town ordinances;** and amend Section 406 to add the language that the Town Manager shall be removed by a majority of the **entire** Selectboard so voting **upon a finding of cause for removal?**"
 YES 1973 754
 NO 869 182
 Total 131

ARTICLE 11: Proposed Town Charter Amendment re: Subchapter 6. Budget
 "Shall the voters vote to amend Section 602 to add clarification language to the preparation and submission of the budget; amend Section 603 to add clarification language to the Town meeting and budget process; and amend Section 606 to add clarification language to the Departmental budget?"
 YES 2098 748
 NO 806 130
 Total 159

ARTICLE 12: Proposed Town Charter Amendment re: Subchapter 6. Budget
 "Shall the voters vote to add Section 608 Capital budgeting for voter-approved funding, to require multi-year capital budgets funded through voter-approved multi-year capital plans, voter-approved agreements, voter-approved debt, or impact fees to follow the provisions of state statutes?"
 YES 1886 718
 NO 894 197
 Total 183

ARTICLE 13: Proposed Town Charter Amendment re: Subchapter 9. Miscellaneous Provision to be renamed "Ethical Conduct and Conflict of Interest."
 "Shall the voters vote to amend Section 901 Ethical conduct to add clarification language; and add Section 902 Conflict of Interest Policy to require the publication of the policy on the Town's website and the adoption and periodic review of the policy and process?"
 YES 2070 773
 NO 773 130
 Total 130

ARTICLE 14: Proposed Town Charter Amendment re: Subchapter 10. Amendment of Charter
 "Shall the voters vote to amend Section 1001 Amendment of Charter to require a review of the charter every 5 years?"
 YES 1963 1326
 NO 260 84
 Total 150

YOU HAVE NOW COMPLETED VOTING

*Karen Beckard
 Town Clerk
 8-8-17*