

Tilton Northfield Water District
Annual Meeting
Pines Community Center, Northfield, NH
Tuesday, April 12, 2022
6:00 p.m.

In Attendance: Commissioner Arthur Demass, Commissioner Sean Chandler, Commissioner Glen Brown, Superintendent John Chase, District Clerk Michele Corey, Moderator James Shepard, Attorney Marcia Brown, Engineer Rene LaBranche

Tilton Supervisors of the Checklist: Bernard Chapman, Kathleen Mitchell

Northfield Supervisors of the Checklist: Peggy LaBrecque, Rose-Marie Welch

Call to Order:

Moderator Shepard called the meeting to order at 6:00. The Pledge of Allegiance was performed. There were 4 people in attendance. Moderator Shepard then read the Warrant

Article 1 District Officers Open for Election:

Nominations from the floor began with the position of a Water District Commissioner for a (3) three year term. **There were no nominations.**

District Treasurer for a (2) year term – continuation of term. **Carol Richard made a motion to nominate Glen Brown, seconded by Sean Chandler. No other nominations were received.**

District Moderator for a (2) year term. **Michele Corey made a motion to nominate Jim Shepard, seconded by Sean Chandler. No other nominations were received.**

Sean Chandler motioned to close nominations, seconded by Carol Richard. All voted in the affirmative. Motion carried.

Ballot votes were cast.

Motion by Sean Chandler to close the polls. Seconded by Glen Brown. All voted in the affirmative. Motion carried.

Results of Article 1:

Scott Davis – Commissioner - 1 vote

Glen Brown – Treasurer - 7 votes

Jim Shepard – Moderator - 5 votes

Scott Davis – Moderator 1 vote

Moderator Shepard advised that since Article 3 will require the polls to be open for 1 hour, he would like to move this Article for consideration next. There were no objections.

Article 3:

To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate an amount of \$6,500,000.00 to construct a new water filtration plant and 3rd well. This project would be funded by an America Rescue Plan Act Grant of \$1,950,000.00 and a loan from the Drinking Water State Revolving Loan Program through the State of New Hampshire, Department of Environmental Services in the amount of \$4,550,000.00. Recommended by the Commissioners. (3/5 Ballot Vote Required) **Glen Brown motioned to move the Article to the floor for discussion, seconded by Sean Chandler.**

Discussion:

The Commissioners explained that the Federal Government has new requirements regarding Manganese and Iron. Rene LaBranche, the Tilton Northfield Water District Engineer from Stantec went through a presentation on the new requirements and how the project will be funded. No further discussion. The Moderator displayed the empty ballot box and called the question at 6:41 p.m. at which time the members of the District proceeded with a ballot vote.

Results of Article 3:

At 7:43 Sean Chandler motioned to close the poll for Article 3. Seconded by Glen Brown. All in favor. Motion carried. Moderator Shepard counted the ballot votes for Article 3. **8 votes in the affirmative, 0 votes negative. Article 3 Passed.**

Article 2:

To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate the amount of \$517,700.00 for the operation of the District for 2022 with said sum to come from fees and charges and not from taxation, as recommended by the commissioners. **Sean Chandler motioned to move to the floor for discussion. Seconded by Carol Richard.**

Discussion:

No discussion. The Moderator called the question. All in favor. **Article 2 Passed.**

Article 4:

To see if the District will vote to discontinue the Exit 20 Reservoir Tank CRF created in 2012. Said funds and accumulated interest to date of withdrawal are to be transferred to the municipality's general fund. Recommended by the Commissioners. (Majority Vote Required). **Sean Chandler motioned to move to the floor for discussion. Seconded by Arthur Demass.**

Moderator Shepard inquired if the wording of municipality is accurate. Discussion occurred regarding the intent of this. **Sean Chandler motioned to amend Article 4 to replace the word municipality with Tilton Northfield Water District. Seconded by Glen Brown.**

Amended Article 4:

To see if the District will vote to discontinue the Exit 20 Reservoir Tank CRF created in 2012. Said funds and accumulated interest to date of withdrawal are to be transferred to the Tilton Northfield Water District's general fund. Recommended by the Commissioners. (Majority Vote Required).

The Moderator called the question. All in favor. **Article 4 Passed As Amended.**

Article 5:

To see if the District will vote to amend and change the District's Tariff relative to definitions and to align terms and conditions of service with State laws. Copies are available for review at the Tilton Northfield Water District upon request. **Sean Chandler motioned to move to the floor for discussion. Seconded by Arthur Demass.**

Tilton Northfield Water District's Attorney, Marcia Brown went through the changes in the Tariff. No further discussion. The Moderator called the question. All in favor. **Article 5 Passed.**

Article 6:

To transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

Moderator Shepard extended a Thank You to the Pines for allowing us to use their space as well as the Supervisors of the Checklist and Commissioners for their efforts. Sean Chandler noted that we still need a Commissioner if anyone knows someone who might be interested.

Adjournment:

With nothing further, at 7:46 p.m. **Sean Chandler made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Glen Brown. All in favor. Motion carried.**

Respectfully Submitted,

Michele Corey

District Clerk