

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
 TO THE INHABITANTS OF THE TOWN OF MONROE IN THE COUNTY OF GRAFTON IN STATE, QUALIFIED
 TO VOTE IN TOWN AFFAIRS:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Monroe Town Hall on Tuesday, the 12th day of March next at
 7:00 of the clock in the P.M. to act upon the following subjects: with the School Business Meeting
 proceeding Town Business Meeting.

Meeting called to order at 9:55 p.m. by Moderator Denis Ward.

1. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.

OFFICE	TERM	VOTES
MODERATOR	Three Year Term	
Denis Ward		187
TAX COLLECTOR	Three Year Term	
Keith Merchand		190
SELECTMAN	Three Year Term	
Michael Monaghan		183
TREASURER	One Year Term	
Monica Jaynes		183
TOWN CLERK	Three Year Term	
Marilyn Bedell		185
TRUSTEE OF TRUST FUNDS	Three Year Term	
Leonard Bonosevich		171
LIBRARY TRUSTEE	Three Year Term	
Paula Geil		185
SEXTON, MONROE VILLAGE	One Year Term	
Larry Thomas		190
SEXTON, NORTH MONROE	One Year Term	
Todd Webster		183
PLANNING BOARD	Three Year Term	
Glenn Fearon		182
BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT	Five Year Term	
Peter Stanton		183
BUDGET COMMITTEE	Vote for Four--Three Year Terms	
Joyce Cate		173
Donna Mitton		170
Lothar Riba		108
Gail Miller Write-In		4

"All are declared elected" The Moderator was told that Gail Miller was already on that committee, the Selectmen will decide who to appoint from a list of people who received 2 write-in votes. The Moderator announced that usually we recognize people at the end of the meeting in article 23, but because so many people have left by then he was going to change things a little and do it now. The microphone was turned over to Selectman Bob Wormer. On behalf of the Town of Monroe, he thanked Bruce Frazer for taking the job of Selectman upon the Death of Selectman Tom Bedell in May 2008 and serving up until Town meeting and adding that Bruce sometimes got double the hassle because he was also in the Town Hall part of each day, where he was often reached with complaints and problems that the other Selectmen only got when in the office on a Tuesday night. Bob presented Bruce with a gift from the town. Bruce received a standing ovation for his service. Denis then asked are there any

Vietnam era Veterans in the audience? Bruce Frazer was one as well as several others in the audience. Denis read a statement that this is the 40th year anniversary of the end of the Viet Nam war and due to the unpopularity of the war, most veterans were never thanked for their service and often never acknowledged that they were vet's. The state Senate has passed N.H. Senate Bill 398 proclaiming March 30,2013 to be "Welcome Home Viet Nam Veterans Day" There will be a special ceremony held on Sat. March 30th at the Boscowen Veteran's Cemetery.

2. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000.00 to be added to the Fire Truck Capital Reserve Fund previously established. (The Selectmen Recommend This Article) Motion made by Dan Powers and 2nd by Bob Wormer. No discussion, voice vote in the affirmative, motion passes, article passed.
3. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000.00 to be added to the Highway Department Truck Capital Reserve Fund previously established.(The Selectmen Recommend This Article) Motion made by Dan Powers, 2nd by Bruce Frazer. No discussion. A voice vote in the affirmative, motion passes, article passed.
4. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000.00 to be added to the Highway Department Loader Capital Reserve Fund previously established.(The Selectmen Recommend This Article) Motion made by Dan Powers, 2nd by Bruce Frazer. No discussion. Voice Vote in the affirmative, motion passes, article passed.
5. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000.00 for the Fire Department Equipment Fund previously established. (The Selectmen Recommend This Article) Motion made by Bob Wormer, 2nd by Dan Powers. No discussion, voice vote in the affirmative, motion passes, article passed.
6. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate \$2,173.00 for the Fire Department Equipment Fund previously established with said funds to come from surplus.(The Selectmen Recommend This Article) Motion made by Dan Powers, 2nd by Bob Wormer. Discussion. Maynard Farr explained that this money came back from the state in the form of a grant and this is to return the money to the equipment fund. Voice vote in the affirmative, motion passes, article passed.
7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$40,000.00 to be placed in the Assessing Expendable Trust Fund previously established with said funds to come from surplus. (The Selectmen Recommend This Article) Motion made by Dan Powers, 2nd by Bob Wormer. An explanation of what this is and that this is the 5th year of a five-year cycle of tax assessments done throughout the town. Voice vote in the affirmative, motion passes, article passed.
8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$6,790.00 to be added to the Post Office Building Trust Fund with said funds to come from surplus. (The Selectmen Recommend This Article) Motion made by Bruce Frazer, 2nd by Bob Wormer. Discussion. Did the town have any long-range plans for the building due to the Post Office closings. The answer was NO, they still have a contract with the town of Monroe, and that needs to be honored. Voice vote in the affirmative, motion passes, article passed.
9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$10,000.00 to be placed in the Town Buildings Maintenance Trust Fund with such funds to come from surplus.(The Selectmen Recommend This Article) Motion made by Bruce Frazer, 2nd by Dan Powers. Vickie Giella asked what the surplus was. Bob explained that the town is in litigation right now with TransCanada over assessments of property and that the surplus has been in place to help with legal costs if needed. More discussion about the surplus. Voice vote in the affirmative, motion passes, article passed.
10. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate \$5,000.00 to be added to the Civil Defense Fund previously established.(The Selectmen Recommend This Article) Motion made by Bob

- Wormer, 2nd by Bruce Frazer. Discussion, Billi Jo Kimber asked if she could amend this motion and she was told that she could. Amended motion made by Billi Jo Kimber To see if the town will raise and appropriate \$5,000.00 to be added to the civil defense fund previously established, with such funds to come from surplus. 2nd by Alicia Vosnick. Voice vote on the amendment in the affirmative; the amendment passes. Now we have to vote on the original article with the money coming from the surplus. Voice vote in the affirmative, motion passes, article passed.
11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$35,000.00 for legal fees with said funds to come from surplus.(The Selectmen Recommend This Article) Motion made by Dan Powers, 2nd by Bob Wormer. Discussion. Voice vote in the affirmative, motion passes, article passed.
 12. To see if the Town will vote to discontinue the Clinic Committee.(The Selectmen Recommend This Article) Motion made by Dan Powers, 2nd by Bob Wormer. Explanation that we have no doctors and will not be getting one. A search was put on but no one was interested. Voice vote in the affirmative, motion passes, article passed.
 13. To see if the Town will vote to approve moving the Town Offices to the Monroe Clinic Building.(The Selectmen Recommend This Article) Motion made by Dan Powers, 2nd by Bob Wormer. Explanation why this was being considered. Discussion. Voice vote in the affirmative, motion passes, article passed.
 14. If article 13 fails to see if the Town would like to sell or rent the Monroe Clinic Building. Motion made by Bruce frazer to pass over this article, 2nd by Bob Wormer. Voice vote in the affirmative. This article is passed over.
 15. To see if the Town will vote to close the Monroe Clinic Trust Fund and put the \$11,640.00 plus any interest into the Monroe Town General Fund. Motion made by Dan Powers, 2nd by Bob Wormer. Voice vote in the affirmative, motion passes, article passed.
 16. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the amount of \$11,640.00 from the General Fund to put in the Town Buildings Maintenance Trust Fund. Motion made by Dan Powers, 2nd by Bob Wormer. Voice vote in the affirmative, motion passes, article passed.
 17. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$30,000.00 to renovate the Monroe Clinic Building for Town Offices.(The Selectmen Recommend This Article) Motion made by Dan Powers, 2nd by Bob Wormer. Discussion. Bob Diamattes asked to make the amendment to have the funds come from surplus, 2nd by Karl Johnson. More discussion of what was planned for the building. Voice vote in the negative but not over-whelmingly, so a ballot vote was called for. Ballot vote on the amendment: 31-yes and 40-no, amendment defeated. Original motion voted on by voice vote, motion passes, article passed.
 18. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$22,716.00 for the Monroe Water Department with said funds to come from Monroe Water Department surplus. (The Selectmen Recommend This Article) Motion made by Dan Powers, 2nd by Bob Wormer. Discussion on why this needs to be done this way. Actually no cost to the town, costs go to the water system users, the town is just the "owner" of it. An update on the water system was requested and given by the Selectmen. Voice vote in the affirmative, motion passes, article passed.
 19. Are you in favor of Article 19 proposed and recommended by the Planning Board: To adopt a Floodplain Management Ordinance so the Town will qualify for enrollment in the National Flood Insurance Program. Motion made by Dan Powers, 2nd by Bob Wormer. Discussion. Explanation that no one in town can get flood insurance unless this is adopted. Voice vote in the affirmative, motion passes, article passed.
 20. The Town Selectmen enact an ordinance which affirms law – abiding American’s inalienable right to bear arms for self defense, against enemies foreign and domestic, for the protection and

preservation of our freedoms against tyranny. No law which reduces this Constitutional guarantee to a mere hunting right, or which in any other manner infringes on this fundamental freedom, will be enacted. (Petitioned Article)

Motion made by Jim Clark, 2nd by Don Merchand. An explanation was given that this article re-affirms the right to bear arms. Lots of discussion. Voice vote in the affirmative, motion passes, article passed.

21. To see if the Town will vote to alternate Town and School District Meetings each year. Motion made by Billi Jo Kimber, 2nd by Eileen Brown. To table the article. Voice vote in the affirmative. Article tabled. The Moderator informed the voters that the School Board and the Selectmen can decide this issue, they do not need the voter's approval to do so.
22. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$1,070,806.00 (operating budget only) for general operations. This article does not include special or individual articles addressed. Motion made by Bruce Frazer, Bob Wormer amended the amount to \$1,035,806.00. The amendment was seconded by Bruce Frazer. The amendment was passed by a voice vote. Motion made by Bruce Frazer, 2nd by Dan Powers on the original article with the new amount. Voice vote in the affirmative, motion passes, article passed.
23. To hear all reports of committees and officers heretofore chosen and pass any vote related. Does anyone have any other business?

To transact any business that may legally come before said meeting.

Motion made by Merle Jones to adjourn the meeting, 2nd by Woody (Harold) Woodworth. Meeting adjourned at 11:45 p.m.. The voters were reminded to come up and be sworn in if elected today.

Respectfully Submitted,

Marilyn S. Bedell, C.T.C.
Monroe Town Clerk