

Election Results
ANNUAL TOWN MEETING SHAFTSBURY, VERMONT
MARCH 7, 2023
658 Votes Cast

SELECTMAN

2 Years Vote for not more than ONE

Joseph Barber.....246
Naomi Miller.....363
Write-In.....1
Blank.....48
Total658

SELECTMAN

3 Years Vote for not more than ONE

Tony D’Onofrio183
Ken Harrington170
Anthony (Tony) Krulikowski 278
Write-In.....1
Blank.....26
Total658

MODERATOR

1 Year Vote for not more than ONE

Thomas Dailey (Write-In).....71
Write-In (Other).....16
Blank.....571
Total658

DELINQUENT TAX COLLECTOR

1 Year Vote for not more than ONE

Merton Snow.....505
Write-In.....4
Blank.....148
Total608

AUDITOR

3 Years Vote for not more than ONE

Lisa Lent495
Write-In.....1
Blank.....162
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TRUSTEE OF PUBLIC FUNDS
3 Years Vote for not more than ONE

Bill Hession.....	428
Write-In.....	1
Blank.....	229
Total	658

1ST CONSTABLE
1 Year Vote for not more than ONE

Bob Perry (Write-In).....	24
Write-In (Other).....	22
Blank.....	612
Total	658

2ND CONSTABLE
1 Year Vote for not more than ONE

Write-In.....	13
Blank.....	578
Total	658

ARTICLES

1. Shall bonds of the Town of Shaftsbury to the amount of \$1,780,000 be issued under subchapter 2 of chapter 53 of Title 24, Vermont Statutes Annotated, payable only from net revenues derived from the water public utility system, for the purpose of paying for the following public utility project? Phase 1 water main replacement project along VT Route 7A, Church Street, and VT Route 67.

YES 512 NO 115 BLANK 31

2. **Shall the voters of the Town of Shaftsbury approve the following amendment to the Shaftsbury Zoning Bylaws:**

Changes to definitions changes shown in italics and "strike through."

Dwelling Unit, Accessory: An efficiency or one bedroom Dwelling Unit located within or appurtenant to an owner occupied One Family Dwelling that is clearly subordinate to the One Family Dwelling, which has provisions for independent living, including sleeping, food preparation, and sanitation, provided that the property has sufficient wastewater

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capacity and that the unit does not exceed ~~30~~ 50 percent of the total habitable floor area of the One Family Dwelling, but is at least 400 square feet in floor area. *Larger existing structures such as barns or carriage houses may be renovated for this purpose but the Dwelling Unit shall comply with the 50 percent threshold.*

YES 498 NO 121 BLANK 39

3. Shall the voters of the Town of Shaftsbury approve the following amendment to the Shaftsbury Zoning Bylaws:

~~Manufactured Home (or Mobile Home or Tiny House or Home): A structure, transportable in one or more sections, which is built on a permanent chassis and is designed for use with or without a permanent foundation when attached to the required utilities. The term "Manufactured Home" does not include a "Recreational Vehicle". Said structure is designed and approved for use by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development and carries a label approving it for said use. Manufacturer's installation instructions are considered to be a part of the requirements for the placement of a Manufactured Home on a site as a One Family Dwelling.~~

YES 479 NO 141 BLANK 38

4. Shall the voters of the Town of Shaftsbury approve the following amendment to the Shaftsbury Zoning Bylaws:

New section

8.18

No new public or member-limited facility the purpose of which is the promoting of or the discharge of munitions is permitted in the Town of Shaftsbury.

YES 439 NO 172 BLANK 47

5. Shall the voters of the Town of Shaftsbury approve the following amendment to the Shaftsbury Zoning Bylaws:

New section

Section 9.1.5 Amending a Zoning Permit or Site Plan

A. Upon written request from the applicant, the Zoning Administrator may, prior to completion or occupancy, amend a zoning permit or approved site plan upon finding that the proposed change:

- (1) Is not a material change; and
- (2) Does not affect the type, character, or intensity of the approved development or use to the extent specified below:

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- (a) Any proposed change shall not result in an increased requirement for parking or loading spaces.
- (b) Any proposed change in building footprint shall not exceed 5% or 100 square feet, whichever is less.
- (c) Any proposed substitution of planting materials shall not change the overall landscape design concept.

(A material change means a change in the planned use or development of land or a structure that may have affected the decision made or any conditions placed on the permit if it had been included in the plans as approved.)

B. The Zoning Administrator shall:

- (1) Require that the owners of properties adjoining the subject property be notified and have an opportunity to comment prior to acting on the amendment request.

C. The Zoning Administrator may:

- (1) Decline to amend an approved site plan and refer the request to the Development Review Board (see Section 4306).
- (2) Require the applicant to submit an application for a new zoning permit.

D. Where the Zoning Administrator amends a zoning permit or approved site plan, such approval will not change the expiration date of the permit.

E. Once development for a permit is complete, a new application is required for any amendments.

YES 452 NO 140 BLANK 66

6. Shall the voters of the Town of Shaftsbury approve the following amendments to the Shaftsbury Zoning Bylaws:

Changes to existing sections are shown in italics

Subdivision Regulations

7.3 Open Space Subdivision

The Development Review Board *must* require developers to implement an open space design when failure to do so would result in one or more of the following:

- 1. A significant reduction in the agricultural use potential of the land, *where "significant" means a reduction in area of 50% or more or any contiguous prime or statewide significant agricultural soils;*
- 2. *Noticeable change to the natural appearance* of a hillside, ridgeline, or open field as viewed *from any public thoroughfare in the Town;*
- 3. *Permanent* encroachment upon a natural area, wildlife habitat, or stream, wetland, vernal pool, or other water *body;*
- 4. Elimination of public access to a recreational resource;

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5. Soil erosion, ground or surface water contamination, or *other circumstances that impact* environmental quality.
6. *Fragmentation of a forest-block or wildlife corridor as illustrated in Shaftsbury Town Plan Maps 4.1 (Terrestrial and Aquatic Systems) and 4.2 (Rare Species and Natural Communities).*

YES 477 NO 131 BLANK 50

7. Community Appropriations to Determine:

1. Shall the Town appropriate **\$5,225** to Bennington Area Visiting Nurse Association and Hospice?
YES 581 NO 74 BLANK 6
2. Shall the Town appropriate **\$5,000** to the Bennington Coalition for the Homeless?
YES 501 NO 145 BLANK 15
3. Shall the Town appropriate **\$1,000** to the Bennington Free Clinic?
YES 527 NO 119 BLANK 15
4. Shall the Town appropriate **\$18,630** to the Bennington Free Library?
YES 447 NO 195 BLANK 19
5. Shall the Town appropriate **\$600** to Bennington Little League?
YES 515 NO 124 BLANK 22
6. Shall the Town appropriate **\$4,500** to the Bennington Project Independence, Inc.?
YES 519 NO 122 BLANK 20
7. Shall the Town appropriate **\$1,700** to the Bennington Rutland Opportunity Council?
YES 407 NO 227 BLANK 27
8. Shall the Town appropriate **\$600** to the Center for Restorative Justice?
YES 436 NO 200 BLANK 25
9. Shall the Town appropriate **\$200** to the Green-Up Vermont?
YES 559 NO 89 BLANK 13
10. Shall the Town appropriate **\$1,850** to the Habitat for Humanity?
YES 490 NO 152 BLANK 19
11. Shall the Town appropriate **\$25,200** to the John G. McCullough Free Library?
YES 407 NO 232 BLANK 22

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12. Shall the Town appropriate **\$2,000** to the Martha Canfield Library?
YES 387 **NO 247** **BLANK 27**
13. Shall the Town appropriate **\$2,500** to the Paran Recreations, Inc.?
YES 517 **NO 127** **BLANK 17**
14. Shall the Town appropriate **\$1,500** to the Park McCullough House?
YES 402 **NO 235** **BLANK 24**
15. Shall the Town appropriate **\$450** to the Project Against Violent Encounters?
YES 510 **NO 140** **BLANK 11**
16. Shall the Town appropriate **\$950** to the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program?
YES 539 **NO 107** **BLANK 15**
17. Shall the Town appropriate **\$2,500** to the Shaftsbury Historical Society, Inc.?
YES 465 **NO 171** **BLANK 25**
18. Shall the Town appropriate **\$1,000** to the Sunrise Family Resource Center?
YES 457 **NO 190** **BLANK 14**
19. Shall the Town appropriate **\$1,100** to the SW Vermont Council on Aging?
YES 515 **NO 129** **BLANK 17**
20. Shall the Town appropriate **\$900** to the Tutorial Center?
YES 496 **NO 148** **BLANK 17**
21. Shall the Town appropriate **\$300** to the VT Association for the Blind & Visually Impaired?
YES 558 **NO 90** **BLANK 13**
22. Shall the Town appropriate **\$1,000** to the VT Center for Independent Living?
YES 521 **NO 120** **BLANK 20**
23. Shall the Town appropriate **\$500** to the Bennington County Association Against Child Abuse?
YES 566 **NO 83** **BLANK 12**
24. Shall the Town appropriate **\$5,000** to Shires Media Partnership (WBTV)?
YES 337 **NO 290** **BLANK 34**
25. Shall the Town appropriate **\$750** to Bennington Senior Center?
YES 543 **NO 107** **BLANK 14**
28. Shall the Town appropriate **\$3740** to Bennington County Conservation District?
YES 457 **NO 176** **BLANK 28**