

## Town Meeting March 2, 2015

Landgrove Town Hall, 88 Landgrove Road

Attendance: 37 voters, Esther Fishman (Londonderry SW Group), Chrissy Blaylock (the Collaborative) and Representative Patti Komline

Jeremiah Evarts called the Meeting to order at 6:04 pm

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Lynn Eckhardt, then Chrystal Cleary read the checklist. Esther Fishman went over the transfer station policies and new Universal Recycling Law. Representative Patti Komline discussed some issues in the legislature with regard to property taxes and education, as well as Forest Fragmentation and Energy Bills. She reminded everyone who receives health care thru exchange to file a 1095 form.

Chrissy Blaylock from the Collaborative distributed the annual survey- Collab runs after school program, substance abuse education, smoking cessation classes, discussion nights, activities for families.

ARTICLE 1: To elect a Moderator for the ensuing year. The Clerk cast one ballot for Claudia Harris- Nominated by Clare Munat, Jerry seconded the nomination. The article passed unanimously. We thanked Clare for 20 years of service as moderator! Claudia went over a few rules.

ARTICLE 2: To elect the following officers as required by law:

<b>officer</b>	<b>term</b>	<b>name</b>	<b>nominated, seconded</b>
<b>Town Clerk</b>	1 year	Chrystal Cleary	May Bigelow, Seth Bigelow
<b>Town Treasurer</b>	1 year	Andrea Ogden	Sally Waite, Bobbi Usher
<b>Selectman</b>	3 years	Greg Eckhardt	Clare Munat, Lynn Eckhardt
<b>Auditor</b>	3 years	Anne McClaran	Chrystyna Young, Seth Bigelow
<b>Lister</b>	3 years	Jerald Hasset	Chuck Sweetman, Jeremiah Evarts
<b>Cemetery Commissioner</b>	5 years	John English	Clarence Nichols, May Bigelow
<b>Collector of Delinquent Taxes</b>	1 year	Sarah Waite	Andrea Ogden, Dalen Cole
<b>Grand Juror</b>	1 year	Claudia Harris	John Wiley, Sally Waite
<b>Town Agent</b>	1 year	John Hadden	Chrystyna Young , Melva Bigelow
<b>Constable</b>	1 year	John Wiley	Sally Waite, John Ogden
<b>Trustee of Public Funds</b>	3 years	Sarah Waite	Dalen Cole, Anne McClaran
<b>Mountain Town RED Director</b>	3 years	Jeff Cleary	Jeremiah Evarts, Chrystyna Young

ARTICLE 3: To hear the reports of Town Officers and take proper action on the Auditors' report. Moved by Melva Bigelow, seconded by Chrystyna Young

Discussion - Jeremiah briefly summarized some town actions: flagpole, roads, ditching, culverts, staying ahead of problem spots. John urged all to check fuel tanks now to ensure delivery while roads are frozen- roads will be posted March 15- May 1st against big trucks in mud season. Motion approved unanimously.

ARTICLE 4: To see whether the Town will appropriate \$10K to the Landgrove New Cemetery Stonewall Project. Moved by Bobby Waite Seconded by Andy Torre

Sally Waite would like to state that the Cemetery wall looks beautiful. Clarence Nichols thanks all for support, got 150 feet done- this year they expect to complete 50 more feet along the road and 70 feet on the west end as well as sourcing Vermont made wrought iron gates, and consulting an environmental engineer about the edge along the river. A letter will go out to solicit donations for the Cemetery improvements in the New Cemetery. Bids are going out, so there will be a final amount for project completion in that letter. Malcolm McNair asked where the money comes from- the answer is the General Fund- it is not in the budget as published, this article adds \$10,000 to the budget for the Cemetery Commission. This \$10K will be reflected in next years budget booklet. The motion was approved unanimously.

ARTICLE 5: To see if the Town will authorize the Selectboard to apply any surplus or unanticipated funds toward the proposed budget. Moved by Clare Munat, seconded by Sally Waite. The motion is approved unanimously.

ARTICLE 6: To see if the Town will vote to pay its taxes on real and personal property on or before October 1, 2015. Moved by Lynn Eckhardt Seconded by May Bigelow. Motion is approved unanimously.

ARTICLE 7: To see if the Town will vote to raise the budgeted monies necessary to pay Town expenses and obligations for the 2015 year. Moved by Seth Bigelow, seconded by Andy Torre. Andrea points out the Roads and Municipal (General Fund) budgets in the Town Report. The motion carries unanimously.

ARTICLE 8: To transact any other non-binding business proper to come before said meeting, not acted upon in the preceding articles. Moved by Lynn Eckhardt, seconded by John Ogden.

Will the Town agree to meet in 2016 on the first Monday before the first Tuesday in March (February 29th) at 6pm for the annual Town Meeting? The ayes have it, the motion was passed.

Motion to adjourn Town Meeting, moved by Melva Bigelow, seconded by Jeremiah Evarts. Meeting Adjourned at 7:37 pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Chrystal Cleary, Town Clerk