

**STATE OF MAINE RETURN OF VOTES CAST - REPUBLICAN**

**MUNICIPALITY:** APPLETON - 1 (1-1)

**GOVERNOR**

133 LEPAGE, PAUL R.

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**REPRESENTATIVE TO CONGRESS (District 1)**

114 THELANDER, EDWIN

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**STATE SENATOR (District 12)**

113 ROCKNAK, W. SCOTT

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**REPRESENTATIVE TO THE LEGISLATURE (District 40)**

112 HARRINGTON, TRICIA M.

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**JUDGE OF PROBATE**

118 EMERY, CAROL R.

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**Certified by the Municipal Clerk:**

Arnt Wellman

Signature of Clerk

6/14/22

Date

STATE OF MAINE RETURN OF VOTES CAST - DEMOCRATIC

MUNICIPALITY: APPLETON - 1 (1-1)

GOVERNOR

153 MILLS, JANET T.

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REPRESENTATIVE TO CONGRESS (District 1)

155 PINGREE, CHELLIE M.

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STATE SENATOR (District 12)

132 BEEBE-CENTER, ANNE H.

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REPRESENTATIVE TO THE LEGISLATURE (District 40)

138 ZEIGLER, STANLEY PAIGE JR.

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SHERIFF

125 CARROLL, TIMOTHY K.

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DISTRICT ATTORNEY (District 6)

128 IRVING, NATASHA C.

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Certified by the Municipal Clerk:

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## Election of June 14, 2022

### Official Results

**ARTICLE 1:** To elect a moderator to preside at said meeting.

**Eileen O'Neil** elected moderator with **four** votes

**ARTICLE 2:** To elect all necessary Town Officials.

AVS School Board (Vote for 2)

Bucklin, Victoria	141
<b>Garrigan, Emily</b>	<b>211</b>
<b>Kincaid, Carly</b>	<b>171</b>
Whitworth, Jessica	118
Write-ins	3
Blank or Over vote	162

Planning Board Associate (Vote for 2)

(All write-ins)

Write In 1	30
Write in 2	3
Blank or Over vote	773

**Result:**

<b>Dan Wyman</b>	<b>18</b>
<b>Stephen Powers</b>	<b>2</b>

Five Town CSD (Vote for 1)

(All Write-in)

Write In	18
Blank or Over vote	386

**Result:**

<b>Robert Bocko</b>	<b>8</b>
<b>Ten others</b>	<b>1 each</b>

Select Board Member (Vote for 1)

<b>Beckett, Peter</b>	<b>203</b>
Burke, Donald H	171
Blank or Over vote	30

Planning Board Member (vote for 2)

<b>Dumond, Gregory</b>	<b>232</b>
Write-ins	25
Blank or Over vote	548

**Result:**

<b>Daniel Wyman</b>	<b>20</b>
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**ARTICLE 3:** Do you favor approving the Appleton Village School (AVS) budget for the upcoming school year that was adopted at the latest AVS budget meeting and that includes locally raised funds that exceed the local contribution as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act?

(A yes vote allows additional funds to be raised for K-8 public education; a no vote means additional funds cannot be raised for K-8 education. These appropriations appear as a separate ballot.)

(SEPARATE BALLOT)

**ARTICLE 4:** Shall the Town accept the categories of funds listed below, as provided by Maine State Legislature, to be received in FY23? (Dollar amounts listed are estimated amounts to be received in FY23.)

a. Maine State Revenue Sharing	\$ 337,700
b. Local Road Assistance	45,000
c. State Aid to Education	Unknown
d. Emergency Management Agency Funds	Unknown
e. Snowmobile Registration Refund	\$ 330
f. Tree Growth Reimbursement	\$ 10,500
g. General Assistance Reimbursement	Unknown
h. Veterans Exemption Reimbursement	\$ 2,000
i. Homestead Exemption Reimbursement	\$188,000
j. Excise Tax	\$295,000
k. Other Revenues*	\$ 18,000

(\*Other Revenues include building permits, clerk fees, and other fees. Other Fees does not include Insurance & Bonds, Workers' Compensation Refunds, Animal Control Fines, and FEMA reimbursement, which are credited to and expended from the appropriate named accounts.)

**TOTAL (known amounts) \$896,530**

**YES 333 NO 43**

**Article 5:** Shall the Town appropriate all funds collected in **Article 4** (estimated to be \$896,530) to the FY23 fiscal year budget?

**YES 327 NO 49**

**ARTICLE 6:** Shall the Town carry forward from FY22 into FY23 all unexpended balances in Planning Board, Wentworth Savings, Comprehensive Plan, Fire Department Building and Utilities, Fire Department Donations, Fire Department King Grant, Emergency Management Agency, Road Maintenance, Paving, Town Land Conservation, Cemeteries, and Municipal Building Renovations?

**YES 345 NO 39**

**ARTICLE 7:** Shall the Town appropriate from Undesignated Funds the funds needed to fulfill the Town's obligations for FY23 for General Assistance, Unemployment, and Maintain Old Landfill?

**YES 314      NO 67**

**ARTICLE 8:** Shall the Town vote to authorize the Select Board to expend such other sums as may be received from Federal and State grants or programs or other sources during the fiscal year for town purposes, provided that such grants, programs, or other sources do not require the expenditure of other funds not previously appropriated?

**YES 306      NO 62**

**ARTICLE 9:** Shall the Town pay Select Board Members \$3,000 each and the Chair an additional \$2,500 in FY23?

*(Pay is appropriated from the Town Officials Budget Line.)*

**YES 277      NO 87**

**ARTICLE 10:** Shall the Town authorize the Select Board, on behalf of the Town, to appoint and set compensation of all other necessary officials, or act thereon?

**YES 280      NO 90**

**ARTICLE 11:** Shall the Town pay the MAINE DOT 2022 labor reimbursement and private equipment rental rates, and bid, contract, or rental prices, for its road and bridges during FY23?

**YES 299      NO 72**

**ARTICLE 12:** Shall the Town appropriate all State Highway Funds received from the local Roads Assistance Program (LRAP) this fiscal year (estimated to be \$45,000) for the purpose of maintenance paving of Town roads?

**YES 339      NO 31**

**ARTICLE 13:** Shall the Town raise and appropriate \$293,738 for GENERAL GOVERNMENT for FY23?

**YES 273      NO 94**

**ARTICLE 14:** Shall the Town raise and appropriate \$265,885 for PROTECTION AND SAFETY for FY23?

**YES 265      NO 101**

**ARTICLE 15:** Shall the Town raise and appropriate \$566,828 for HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES for FY23?

**YES 303      NO 67**

**ARTICLE 16:** Shall the Town raise and appropriate \$42,200 for SANITATION for FY23?

**YES 277      NO 88**

**ARTICLE 17:** Shall the Town raise and appropriate \$34,670 for COMMUNITY for FY23?

**YES 262      NO 102**

**ARTICLE 18:** Shall the Town raise and appropriate \$7,144 for PROVIDER AGENCIES for FY23?

**YES 230      NO 128**

**ARTICLE 19:** Shall the Town appropriate \$200,000 from Undesignated Funds to reduce the property tax assessment?

**YES 332      NO 39**

**ARTICLE 20:** Shall the Town allow a discount of 2% on all taxes paid in full prior to or within one month (30 days) after the commitment of the list to the Tax Collector, except Excise Taxes, and authorize the Select Board to take the necessary sum from Undesignated Funds for this purpose? (The budgeted amount will be \$40,000.)

**YES 342      NO 30**

**ARTICLE 21:** Shall the Town establish that taxes shall be due and payable when billed; and, that interest at a rate of 4% per annum, the maximum by State law, be charged on all taxes unpaid after the last day of November 2022?

**YES 277      NO 98**

**ARTICLE 22:** Shall the Town authorize the Select Board to procure a temporary loan(s) in anticipation of taxes, for payment of obligations of the Town; such loans(s) to be paid during the current fiscal year by taxation?

**YES 260      NO 106**

**ARTICLE 23:** Shall the Town allow the Select Board to take from Undesignated Funds the necessary amount of money to cover the interest on loans they have been authorized to procure in anticipation of taxes?

**YES 294      NO 89**

**ARTICLE 24:** Shall the Town increase the property tax levy limit of \$319,520 established for Appleton by State law in the event that the municipal budget approved under the preceding articles will result in a tax commitment that is greater than the property tax levy limit?

**YES 218      NO 157**

**ARTICLE 25:** Shall the Town authorize the Select Board to enter into up to three-year agreements for the following:

Ambulance Services, Audit Services, Assessing Services, Town Property & Cemetery Mowing, Tax Maps

**YES 334      NO 52**

**ARTICLE 26:** Shall the Town Forest and Conservation Reserve Fund, established to fund maintaining town forests and tax-acquired property and currently containing \$12,131.02, be augmented to include Town Parks, becoming the Town Forests, Conservation, and Parks Reserve Fund?

**YES 299      NO 89**

**ARTICLE 27:** Shall the Town vote to authorize the Select Board to establish a Revaluation Reserve Fund?

*Select Board Note: Property sales exceeding assessed value in 2022 suggest the future need for a revaluation. The Town Assessor's Agent has recommended the Town begin to plan for revaluation, which can cost as much as \$130,000. Creating a Revaluation Reserve allows the town to plan for the expense, as opposed to raising all at once. Amounts will be appropriated during town meetings.*

**YES 249      NO 120**

**ARTICLE 28:** Shall the Town authorize the Select Board to sell, via a licensed broker, Map 8 Lot 15, half the town-owned land known collectively as the Grover McLaughlin Lot, containing a total of 17 acres, with sale proceeds going to Revaluation Reserve Fund, if approved, or into Undesignated Fund Balance if a Revaluation Reserve Fund is not approved?

*Select Board Note: The land currently does not yield tax revenue; timber harvest in the nearby Midcoast Lot within the past 5 years yielded \$2,700 for the Town and this warrant asks permission to harvest prior to sale. The anticipated asking price of each lot is \$55,000; if a \$200,000 home was built, annual tax assessment for land and building is estimated to begin at \$3,000 per lot created. This lot has 800 feet of road frontage, making it possible to become as many as five individual lots with road frontage of 150 feet per lot, per the town's Building Ordinance. If approved by voters, it is the Board's intention a committee will be formed to review potential multiple lots and the sale will ultimately help defray the cost of a revaluation, which the Town last completed more than 15 years ago.*

**YES 197      NO 193**

**ARTICLE 29:** Shall the Town authorize the Select Board to harvest timber on town-owned land known as the Grover McLaughlin Lot (Map 8, Lot 5 and Map 8, Lot 15)?

**YES 230      NO 150**

**ARTICLE 30:** Shall the Town authorize property tax commitment book information to be placed on the town website? This article to remain in effect until modified or repealed by the votes at a town meeting.

**YES 255      NO 126**

**ARTICLE 31:** Shall the Town authorize the Select Board to expend \$50,000 from the Town's Capital Reserve Account for the purpose of painting the exteriors of the Appleton Town Office, as well as completing deferred maintenance to the exterior of the Town Office prior to painting?

*Select Board Note: The Capital Reserve Account contains \$112,968.51; the presence of lead paint contributes to the greater cost of this expense.)*

**YES 292      NO 89**

**ARTICLE 32:** Shall the Town vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to use the proceeds of any payment on insurance claims, for damage occurring to Town property in the fiscal year 2023, to be allocated to the municipal department whose goods or equipment were damaged, and appropriate any such insurance payment to repair or replace the damaged goods or equipment or act thereon.

**YES 322      NO 55**

**ARTICLE 33:** Shall the Town authorize the Select Board to expend from the Cemetery Reserve Fund, not to exceed \$6,000, for the purpose of contracted tree removal and general upkeep in town cemeteries?

**YES 313      NO 42**

**ARTICLE 34.** Shall the Town vote to authorize the Select Board to sell or otherwise dispose of equipment and Town property with a value less than \$10,000.00 per item after appraisal for FY23 or act thereon?

**YES 290      NO 67**

**ARTICLE 35:** Shall the Town vote to authorize the Select Board to convene the Annual Town Meeting as a Secret Ballot Referendum Vote, as occurred in 2021 and 2022, to ensure residents can vote on the annual town warrant from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. by secret ballot? This vote will remain in effect until it is overturned by another town meeting vote.

**YES 283      NO 71**

**ARTICLE 36:** Shall the Town vote to authorize the Select Board to spend \$12,000 from Undesignated Fund Balance to hire a consultant to assess areas for increased efficiencies and cost-sharing opportunities to present to Municipal Officers?

Select Board Note: This consultant would review efficiencies associated with town administration, ambulance service.

**YES 189      NO 164**

**ARTICLE 37:** Shall the Town adopt the Amended Site Plan Review Ordinance, as amended and approved by the Town of Appleton Planning Board in March 2022?

**YES 198      NO 127**

**ARTICLE 38:** Shall the Town authorize the board to establish the Appleton Budget Committee with 5 members, instead of the current 9, each with a three-year term?

**YES 246      NO 97**



**Article 39:** Shall the Town authorize the Select Board to explore an interlocal agreement for Emergency Medical Services?

**YES 320      NO 49**

**ARTICLE 40:** Shall the Town authorize the Select Board to use Overlay to be used for tax abatements?

**YES 240      NO 90**

**ARTICLE 41:** Shall the Town authorize the Select Board to harvest timber on the town-owned Map 3, Lot 15, known as the Lamont Lot on Collinstown Road?

**YES 226      NO 129**