

Annual Town Election Minutes 5/21/05

Pursuant to the foregoing warrant, the Annual Town Election was held in the Becket Town Hall, 557 Main Street, on May 21, 2005. The polling hours were 10:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. Prior to the polls opening, the Ballot Box was publicly opened, examined and found to be empty; the register was set at zero. A total of 213 voters participated and cast ballots for the election of candidates. The results of the election are as follows:

For Member, Board of Selectmen (3-year term) Vote for One

William Cavanaugh 123
Robert T. Ronzio 89
All Others (write-ins) 0
Blanks 1
Total Votes Cast 213

For Member, Board of Health (3-year term) Vote for One

William S. Fuller 173
All Others (write-ins) 0
Blanks 40
Total Votes Cast 213

For Cemetery Commissioner (3-year term) Vote for One

Alfred E. Moylan Jr. 167
William Cavanaugh (write-in) 1
All Others (write-ins) 0
Blanks 45
Total Votes Cast 213

For Cemetery Commissioner (2-year term) Vote for One

William Cavanaugh (write-in) 7
Dave Devane (write-in) 3
Mark White (write-in) 2
All Others (write-ins) 1
Blanks 200
Total Votes Cast 213

For Member, Finance Committee (3-year term) Vote for One

Michael Falk (write-in) 29
Richard Pryor (write-in) 12
William Cavanaugh (write-in) 1
All Others (write-ins) 1
Blanks 170
Total Votes Cast 213

For Member, Finance Committee (2-year term) Vote for One FAILURE TO ELECT

Michael Falk (write-in) 16
Richard Pryor (write-in) 16
Louise Robitaille (write-in) 2
All Others (write-ins) 1
Blanks 178
Total Votes Cast 213

For Member, Finance Committee (1-year term) Vote for One

Jeremy J. Dunn 162
Michael Falk (write-in) 1
Richard Pryor (write-in) 1
All Others (write-ins) 0
Blanks 49
Total Votes Cast 213

For Moderator (3-year term) Vote for One

Bruce A. Garlow 170
All Others (write-ins) 0
Blanks 43
Total Votes Cast 213

For Member, Planning Board (5-year term) Vote for One

Robert L. Podolski 167
Bob Bellavance (write-in) 2
All Others (write-ins) 0
Blanks 44
Total Votes Cast 213

QUESTION 1 SHALL THE TOWN OF BECKET BE ALLOWED TO ASSESS AN ADDITIONAL \$189,627.00 IN REAL ESTATE AND PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES FOR THE PURPOSE OF FUNDING THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OPERATING BUDGET AS REQUESTED BY THE CENTRAL BERKSHIRE REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY FIRST TWO THOUSAND AND FIVE?

YES 22
NO 120

Blanks 71
Total Votes Cast 213

QUESTION 2 SHALL THE TOWN OF BECKET BE ALLOWED TO ASSESS AN ADDITIONAL \$124,142.00 IN REAL ESTATE AND PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES FOR THE PURPOSE OF FUNDING THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OPERATING BUDGET AS RECOMMENDED BY THE FINANCE COMMITTEE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY FIRST TWO THOUSAND AND FIVE?

YES 85
NO 116
Blanks 12
Total Votes Cast 213

Registered voters: 1128
Ballots cast: 213
Percent Voting 19%

A total of 213 votes were cast. There were 15 absentee ballots. Election workers were Dorothy Bellavance, Ann Chagnon, Claire Daigle (Asst. Clerk), Beverly Gillette, Gale LaBelle (Warden), and Maryellen Lake (Clerk). The Constable was Michael Sawyer. The polls closed at 7:00 p.m. and the unofficial results were printed and posted.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeanne W. Pryor,
Town Clerk