

**RECOUNT OF TOWN MEETING**  
**BALLOT ARTICLE #1 – SELECTMAN 3-YEAR & ARTICLE #3 – BIO SOLIDS**  
**MARCH 16, 2016**  
**6:00 P.M.**

On March 10, 2016 a request for a recount of **Article #1, Selectman – 3 Year Term** on the town ballot, was presented by Donald J. Guarino to the Town Clerk/Tax Collector and was in compliance with RSA 669:31II (b).

On March 11, 2016 a request for a recount on **Article III (By Petition) Bio-Solids** on the town ballot was presented by Leonard C. Swanson to the Town Clerk/Tax Collector, and was in compliance with **RSA 40:4-c I. Recount** requirements.

The Town Clerk/Tax Collector, in accordance with **RSA 669:31 I** and **RSA 40:4-c** and **40:4-c II**, set a date of Wednesday, March 16, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. for the Board of Recount to conduct said recounts.

The Board of Recount: Moderator, Mark Sisti; Town Clerk/Tax Collector, Debra Cornett; Selectmen: Michael Jean, Marshall Bishop and Rachel Frechette Hatch, pro tem appointed.

Ballot Inspectors present: Kathleen Brooks, Michelle Descoteaux, Kristyn Fischev, Michael Hatch, Diane Labelle, Julie Perkins, Andrea Schaffnit, and Leonard Schaffnit.

Requestor of each article, Donald Guarino and Leonard Swanson were each present for the recount.

Town Clerk, Debra Cornett, explained that the box containing the ballots for page two of two for the town ballot and box containing the school ballots would first be unsealed and the ballots removed for the ballot inspectors to inspect each ballot to ensure that town ballot one of two was not mixed in with those ballots. Uncast ballots were also inspected and viewed by the ballot inspectors, board of recount and the requestors. It was found that there was no pages one of two ballots mixed in with either of those boxes.

The remaining two boxes containing ballot one of two, cancelled ballots, write-ins, and absentee requests were opened and each ballot was inspected by the ballot inspectors to sort out any page two of two ballots, which were separated from the page one of two ballots. The ballot inspectors were then instructed to separate the page one of two ballots for the recount on selectman into one pile for Stephen McWhinnie and one pile for Donald Guarino.

The inspectors were then instructed to count each of pile of those ballots in groups of ten, staggered. The Moderator then viewed each ballot pile and the Town Clerk counted and recorded each stack. The result of the hand recount on Article #1 for the three year Selectman position was: Stephen P. McWhinnie 514 votes, picking up one more vote in the recount. Donald J. Guarino's total count remained at 501.

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Moderator Mark Sisti declared Stephen P. McWhinnie the winner to the three year position of Selectman. Town Clerk, Debra Cornett, gave Mr. McWhinnie his official Oath of Office immediately following the declaration. Congratulations to Stephen McWhinnie as one of our new Selectman!

The ballot inspectors re-sorted the entire one of two ballots for the next recount of Article #3, Bio-solids into two piles, one for yes votes, and the other for no votes. The Moderator made his determination on those ballots questionably marked. The same process of then stacking those two piles into counts of ten ballots, staggered was done. Moderator Sisti then viewed each ballot and Town Clerk, Debra Cornett, counted and recorded each stack. The result of the recount on Article #3 for Bio-solids was: Yes – 504 and No – 532. Article #3 failed.

Time adjourned was 9:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Debra A. Cornett". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Debra A. Cornett  
Town Clerk/Tax Collector

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