



COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
TOWN OF WRENTHAM

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MINUTES OF THE
ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION
APRIL 7, 2014

At 5:45 AM, the Town Clerk met with Officer Fred True at Town Hall to bring the ballots from the Town Hall to the voting location at the Delaney School. A problem was encountered as the Town Clerk's key fob would not unlock the building. A call was place to Dispatch who notified a fireman to come to Town Hall to unlock the building. After one-half hour, a fireman came over and entry was gained. Ballots were delivered to the school at approximately 6:30 AM.

The polls were opened on time at 7:00 AM with the reading of the warrant by Warden Mary Geromini. There were two voters standing in line to cast their ballots. Sample ballots, Instructions to Voters, Voters Bill of Rights, and a zero tabulation were posted.

The ballot boxes were opened and examined by the Town Clerk, Deputy Warden, and Officer True. A test tabulation was run and the zero results were posted. The AutoMark handicap voting machine was turned on.

Election workers were:

Precinct 1 IN – Marjorie Hooper, Cheri Leonard; OUT – Joyce Baldyga, Ravi Nadkarni;
Clerk – Kendra Farling
Precinct 2 IN – Marylou Barton, Mel Gouthro; OUT – Daryl Luce, Anastasia Luce; Clerk –
Bill Jones
Precinct 3 IN – Diana Gray, Leo Immonen; OUT – Sue Martisius, Elizabeth Gallagher; Clerk
– Lynn Hallion

Officers on duty were Fred True 6:45 AM – 4PM, Tom Vigorito 7:00 AM – 11:00 AM, Robert O'Connell 11:00 AM – 4:00 PM, Peter Preston 4:00 PM – closing.

At the close of registration for this election, there were 7,701 registered voters. Voter turnout was very slow at the beginning and during the course of the day. In the first hour, .4% of the voters had cast their ballots.

Absentee ballots were processed during the first hour.

There were no problems encountered during the day, and all machines operated as expected. The Automark handicap voting machine was available, but not used.

The following notes were taken from the precinct clerks:

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Precinct 1

Non-eventful day, no machine issues, one spoiled ballot, no Affirmations.

Precinct 2

Day went smoothly, no machine problems, two spoiled ballots, two Affirmations. Overall it was a slow day and an unexpected low number of votes.

Precinct 3

12:00 noon – Uneventful morning, moderate to low turnout (80 voters at noon). New election worker oriented to IN table and performing well. No issues with the ballot box.

8:00 pm – Machine programmed and tally sheet run. Ballots removed and reconciled. No problems encountered during the day, no ballot box issues. One spoiled ballot, no Affirmations.

During the last two hours, voting picked up somewhat, but still not heavy. There were no voters waiting in line at closing.


Results of the election were available by approximately 8:30 pm, excluding the write-in votes. The Clerk read the unofficial results to those present. There were 672 voters who had cast their ballots, or 8.7. The previous year's election drew 21.5%. This was due to the annual town election being combined with a special state primary election.

All materials were returned to Town Hall at approximately 9:30 pm. Results were posted at the Town Hall.

DPW workers took down the voting equipment at the school on Tuesday morning, prior to the start of school.

Official results of the election are attached.

A True Copy, Attest:



Carol A. Mollica
Wrentham Town Clerk

TALLEY SHEET - 4/7/14

	PCT. 1	PCT. 2	PCT 3	Final Count
MODERATOR (1)				
KEITH S. BILLIAN	194	174	182	550
BLANKS	44	38	37	119
WRITE-INS	1	0	2	3
Total	239	212	221	672
SELECTMAN (1)				
GEORGE R. SMITH, JR.	106	45	76	227
DEBORAH A. TORCHIA	127	166	138	431
BLANKS	6	1	7	14
WRITE-INS	0	0	0	0
Total	239	212	221	672
ASSESSOR (1)				
THOMAS DIPLACIDO, JR.	161	162	167	490
BLANKS	72	49	52	173
WRITE-INS	6	1	2	9
Total	239	212	221	672
PLANNING BOARD (2)				
GREGG A. MCCOMBS	120	120	109	349
MICHAEL J. CARROLL	150	139	146	435
CHARLES G. WOODHAMS, JR.	141	79	110	330
BLANKS	67	84	75	226
WRITE-INS	0	2	2	4
Total	478	424	442	1344
BOARD OF HEALTH (1) - 3 YR.				
EVERETT W. SKINNER, JR.	141	140	151	432
JOHN M. ZIZZA	85	61	59	205
BLANKS	13	10	11	34
WRITE-INS	0	1	0	1
Total	239	212	221	672
FISKE PUBLIC LIBRARY TRUSTEE (2)				
NANCY M. HOWES	182	154	171	507
DIANE G. ROOK	183	155	166	504
BLANKS	113	115	104	332
WRITE-INS*	0	0	1	1
Total	478	424	442	1344
WRENTHAM SCHOOL COMMITTEE (2 - 3yr)				
EDWARD J. GODDARD	175	159	171	505
DANIELLE BOURBEAU SCHMITZ	169	152	164	485
BLANKS	134	113	107	354
WRITE-INS	0	0	0	0

