

**ELIZABETHTOWN-LEWIS-WESTPORT CSD
ANNUAL BUDGET VOTE**

UNOFFICIAL MINUTES

DATE: May 21, 2019
KIND: Budget Vote
TIME: 12:00 PM – 8:00 PM
PLACE: Westport Central School – Lobby Outside Bulles Auditorium

The Special District Meeting of the qualified voters of the Westport Central School District, Essex County, New York was called to order at 12:00 PM, prevailing time, by Chairperson, Jana Atwell for the purpose of voting on: (1) the proposed ELW School District Budget for the 2019-2020 school year as approved by the Board of Education, (2) to authorize and expend \$129,000 from the existing Transportation and Maintenance Equipment Capital Reserve Fund established by a proposition approved by the qualified voters of the Westport Central School District for the purpose of purchasing one 65 passenger school bus at a maximum cost of \$109,000, and one uni-vent heater at a maximum cost (including the cost of installation) of \$20,000, for a total aggregate maximum cost of \$129,000, (3) to authorize and expend \$128,000 from the existing Transportation and Maintenance Equipment Capital Reserve Fund established by a proposition approved by the qualified voters of the Elizabethtown-Lewis Central School District for the purpose of purchasing two 35 passenger school buses at a maximum cost of \$61,000 each and one floor cleaner at a maximum cost of \$6,000, for a total aggregate maximum cost of \$128,000, and (4) to levy and collect an annual tax, year after year, separate and apart from the annual school district budget, an amount of \$18,000 which shall be paid to the Elizabethtown Library Association for the support and maintenance of the library; with this appropriated amount to be the annual appropriation until thereafter modified by a future vote of the electors of the Elizabethtown-Lewis-Westport Central School District.

At 8:00 PM, prevailing time, the Chairperson announced that all qualified voters present in the polling place had been allowed to vote and thereby declared the polls closed.

Immediately upon the close of the polls, the following Inspectors, Clerks of Election and Chairperson proceeded to canvass the vote: Marcella Denton, Brenda Drummond, Gwen Goff, Shari Morris and Jana Atwell.

The ballots which were cast between the hours of 12:00 PM and 8:00 PM were tallied first, followed by the absentee ballots, which were opened, shuffled and left remaining in a folded position until the count was taken.

The following report was made by the District Clerk and Chairperson, Jana Atwell:

Total number of ballots regarding the school budget: 414
(This figure includes 13 absentee ballots.)

Number of yes votes in favor of the adoption of the school budget: 360
Number of no votes opposed to the adoption of the school budget: 53
Number of ballots declared as VOID: 0
Number of ballots left blank: 1

TOTAL: 414

The proposed school budget was declared to have passed.

Total number of ballots regarding the purchase of one 65 passenger bus and uni-vent heater (including the cost of installation): 414
(*This figure includes 13 absentee ballots.*)

Number of yes votes in favor of purchasing a 65 passenger bus & uni-vent heater: 355
Number of no votes opposed to purchasing a 65 passenger bus & uni-vent heater: 57
Number of ballots declared as VOID: 0
Number of ballots left blank: 2

TOTAL: 414

The Board of Education is authorized to appropriate and expend the maximum estimated amount of \$129,000.00 from the Transportation and Maintenance Equipment Reserve Fund established by the qualified voters of the WCSD for the purchase of one 65 passenger bus and uni-vent heater (including the cost of installation).

Total number of ballots regarding the purchase of two 35 passenger school buses and a floor cleaner: 414
(*This figure includes 13 absentee ballots.*)

Number of yes votes in favor of purchasing two 35 passenger buses & floor cleaner: 360
Number of no votes opposed to purchasing two 35 passenger buses & floor cleaner: 53
Number of ballots declared as VOID: 0
Number of ballots left blank: 1

TOTAL: 414

The Board of Education is authorized to appropriate and expend the maximum estimated amount of \$128,000.00 from the Transportation and Maintenance Equipment Reserve Fund established by the qualified voters of the ELCSD for the purchase of two 35 passenger buses and floor cleaner.

Total number of ballots cast regarding the Elizabethtown Library Association appropriation: 414
(*This figure includes 13 absentee ballots.*)

Number of yes votes in favor of the Elizabethtown Library Association appropriation: 304
Number of no votes opposed to the Elizabethtown Library Association appropriation: 106
Number of ballots declared as VOID: 0
Number of ballots left blank: 4

TOTAL: 414

The proposed Elizabethtown Library Association appropriation was declared to have passed.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:11 PM.

Jana Atwell
District Clerk

