

**BOARD OF CIVIL AUTHORITY
SHREWSBURY, VERMONT**

Minutes – Meeting April 22, 2015

Present: John Berryhill, Chair; Justice of the Peace, Julanne Sharrow; Justice of the Peace, Barry Griffith, Justice of the Peace; Larry Carrara, Justice of the Peace; Hull Maynard, Justice of the Peace; Betsy Jesser, Justice of the Peace; Lee Wilson, Justice of the Peace; Steven Nicolson, Selectman; Aaron Korzun, Selectman; Mark Goodwin; Town Clerk

Call To Order – 7:00PM by John Berryhill

Selection of Chair:

Hull Maynard moved to elect John Berryhill as Chair of the Shrewsbury Board of Civil Authority, Lee Wilson seconded. Steven moved and Betsy seconded to close nominations. John Berryhill was voted in as Chair unanimously.

Mark Goodwin moved and Betsy Jesser seconded to elect Barry Griffith as Vice Chair. John Berryhill moved and Betsy seconded to close nominations. Barry Griffith was voted in as Vice-Chair unanimously.

Affirmation of Election Procedures:

The Clerk summarized the current authorized Election Procedures: Polling Place – Shrewsbury Community Meeting House located at 88 Lottery Rd. Polls open at 10 AM. It is a State mandate that polls close at 7 PM on Election Day. The Presiding Offices has authority for conduct of Election and local polling place procedures.

Barry Griffith moved and John Berryhill seconded to maintain the current Election Procedures. Approved unanimously

Lee Wilson moved and John Berryhill seconded to maintain Julanne Sharrow/R and Barry Griffith/D as the Justices of the Peace whom the Clerk should first designate for the delivery of ballots to the ill or physically unable per 17 V.S.A. § 2538. Approved unanimously

Examination of the Checklist:

John Berryhill led the Board methodically through the Checklist to examine the eligibility of individual voters. A number of names were challenged and the Town Clerk was directed to

transmit a Challenge Letter requesting the voter affirm their residency and eligibility to vote in Shrewsbury, per 17 V.S.A §2150 (d)(3).

73 individuals were challenged as to their eligibility and will be sent letters with a request for them to indicate their status along with a self-addressed postage paid return envelope.

John Berryhill indicated that he will inquire at Spring Lake Ranch this coming weekend as to the status of some of the individuals identified as to their individual status in respect to the therapeutic residency, staff or client patient status and report back to the Town Clerk for the preparation of letters.

Rules of Procedure for Lister Grievance Appeals:

In anticipation of any possible Lister Grievances after the lodging of the Grand List a discussion of the current Rules of Procedure were examined.

Barry Griffith moved and Betsy Jesser seconded to adopt the current *Rules Of Procedure For Board Of Civil Authority Property Tax Assessment Appeal Hearings* (from 4/23/2014) for 2015. Approved

Lee Wilson informed the Board that because his daughter Ingrid Wisell has been elected to the Board of Listers, that he is required to recuse himself from Grievance Appeal Hearings in which Ingrid testifies on behalf of the Board of Listers.

In so far as there was no other business presented to the Board of Civil Authority the meeting was adjourned at 8:23 PM by Chairman Berryhill

Respectfully submitted,
Mark Goodwin
Town Clerk

Approved _____
John Berryhill, Chair Board of Civil Authority

A True Copy Attest: _____
Town Clerk

Date: _____