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Latest News : Camille Rose re-elected in Aquinnah; beer and wine restaurant service okayed

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Aquinnah voters re-elected selectman Camille Rose yesterday. Ms. Rose, 112 votes, beat two challengers.

Roxane Ackerman got 53 votes, and John Walsh 26.

In other May 14 results, Aquinnah voters approved ballot question one, a measure that would allow selectmen to licenses for the sale of beer and wine to be consumed with meals by patrons of restaurants with a seating capacity of not less than 15 people. Unlike a recent vote in Tisbury, the margin was not close, 126 in favor, 63 opposed.

Voters approved ballot questions two, three and seven and said no to questions four, five and six.

Question Two: Shall the town vote to pass the resolution on Iraq whereupon such resolution would be sent to Sen. Edward Kennedy, Sen. John Kerry, Rep. William Delahunt, Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid, House Speaker Nancy Pelosi, President George W. Bush by the town clerk:

Whereas, Congress has the sole responsibility to allocate national funds, and;

Whereas, roughly \$200 million of taxpayer's money is being spent each day for the occupation of Iraq, and;

Whereas, this expenditure is depriving Americans of necessary funds for education, housing, health care, environmental preservation, and support for returning veterans, and;

Whereas, a majority of American citizens are calling for the withdrawal of U.S. forces from Iraq,

Therefore, we (Citizens of Aquinnah) call upon our Congressional representatives to vote against additional Iraq-occupation funds, and to approve only those funds necessary for the safe and rapid withdrawal of all our troops from Iraq.

Question Three: Shall the Town of Aquinnah be allowed to assess an additional \$15,000 (Fifteen thousand dollars) in real estate and personal property taxes for the purpose of funding a Capital Buildings and Grounds Stabilization Fund for major improvements to Town-owned properties, for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2008?

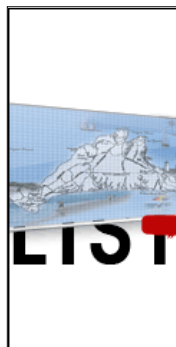
Question Four: Shall the Town of Aquinnah be allowed to assess an additional \$10,000 (Ten thousand dollars) in real estate and personal property taxes for the purpose of funding a Capital Equipment and Vehicles Stabilization Fund for major vehicle and equipment acquisitions, for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2008?

Question Five: Shall the Town of Aquinnah be allowed to assess an additional \$10,000 (Ten

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thousand dollars) in real estate and personal property taxes for the purpose of funding a Labor Contingency Stabilization Fund to hire substitute labor in the event of protracted, legally-approved, Town employee absences, for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2008?

Question Six: Shall the Town of Aquinnah be allowed to exempt from the provisions of Proposition 2 ½, so-called, the amounts required to pay for the bond issue to construct a new addition on the Fire House?

Question Seven: Shall the Town of Aquinnah be allowed to exempt from the provisions of Proposition 2 ½, so-called, the amounts required from the general fund to pay for the debt previously issued to purchase the Edwin DeVries Vanderhoop Homestead?

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