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EASTWICK PRESS COVERAGE AREA

All School Budgets Are Approved

by Doug La Rocque

Without exception, residents were in agreement with what the various school districts put in front of them for spending in the 2021-22 school year. Turnout in many districts was low, but the margin by which the budgets were accepted was high.

Hoosick Falls

The \$24 million proposal was approved by a vote of 223 in favor and only 41 opposed, one of the highest acceptance rates in school history. The bus proposition received 229 favorable ballots, with 37 in opposition. Emily Marpe and Bridget Foster were each re-elected to the School Board.

Brunswick (Tamarac)

Here voters approved the nearly \$27 million budget by the vote of 266 to 134. Four people were elected to the School Board. To three year terms were Danielle



Tamarac High School, part of the Brunswick/Brittonkill School District, where voters approved the 2021-22 school budget. Eastwick Press file photo.

Roadcap, Jenna Horton and Dina Trahan. Elected to a one year term was Valerie Lee.

Berlin

The nearly \$24 million budget was approved by a margin of 273 to 110. The bus proposition was also looked upon favorably by a 286 to 90 vote. Re-elected to the School Board was Vice President Katie

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PETERSBURGH

DEC Holds Virtual Conference On PFOA Investigation

by Alex Brooks

Barbara Firebaugh and Ian Beilby of DEC held a Zoom conference on May 12 to discuss the progress of the remedial investigation of PFOA contamination at the Taconic site in Petersburg. These activities include installation of monitoring wells of both groundwater near the surface and deep wells into the aquifer, regional soil sampling over an area well beyond the immediate campus to investigate historical deposition of airborne PFAS chemicals, and surface water sampling.

As the Petersburg C-8 Committee has been urging DEC to consider ordering Interim Reme-

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Another Amazon Facility For Schodack
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HOOSICK FALLS

Hawthorne Gets Historical Marker

by Steve Bradley

On Saturday, May 15, the Hoosick Township Historical Society and Hoosick Falls Cemetery Association hosted an event at the Liberty Memorial Park section of the Maple Grove Cemetery. The event was held for the unveiling of a historical marker to commemorate the Medal of Honor awarded to Sgt. Harris S. Hawthorne for his capture of Robert E. Lee's eldest son and George Washington's ancestor through Washington's wife, Martha Custis Washington. George Washington Custis Lee was a Confederate major general that Hawthorne captured and delivered to superiors on April 6, 1865 at the Battle of Sailor's Creek near Farmville, Virginia. Born in Salem, Hawthorne spent all of his adult life living in Hoosick Falls, many of those years at the Walter A. Wood manufacturing plant.

Held on a beautiful day, the one hour ceremony was attended by about 40 people. The event featured several speakers, including host and Historical Society trustee Richard Brownell, Hawthorne descendant

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Hoosick Township Historical Society Director Joyce Brewer and Harris S. Hawthorne descendant Wayne DeSorbe pose with the historical marker to be placed at the entrance to the Old Maple Grove Cemetery. Photo by Steve Bradley.

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