

WARNING
ANNUAL TOWN MEETING
March 4, 2017
And
March 7, 2017

The citizens of Woodstock who are legal voters in the Town of Woodstock, County of Windsor, State of Vermont are hereby warned to meet at the Town Hall Theatre in said Town on the 4th day of March, 2017 at 10:00 A.M., and continuing no later than 11:59 P.M., to be adjourned until March 7, 2017 for the purpose of transacting during that time any business not involving voting by Australian ballot.

The citizens of Woodstock, who are legal voters in the Town of Woodstock, Vermont, County of Windsor, are hereby warned to meet at the Town Hall Theatre in the Town Hall on the 7th day of March 2017, reconvening at 7:00 A.M., continuing until 7:00 P.M., for the purpose of transacting during that time, voting by Australian ballot.

ARTICLE I: The election of Town Officers for the ensuing year as required by law including:
(Australian Ballot)

- Select Board (3 year term)
- Select Board (2 year term)
- Town Treasurer
- Moderator (1 year term)
- Town Clerk (3 year term)
- Lister (3 year term)
- Lister (1 year term)
- Auditor (3 year term)
- Auditor (2 year term)
- Auditor (1 year term)
- Trustee of Public Funds (3 year term)
- Trustee of Public Funds (2 year term)
- Trustee of Public Funds (1 year term)
- Cemetery Commissioner (3 year term)
- Grand Juror
- First Constable
- Town Agent
- Elementary School Board Director (3 year term)
- Woodstock Union High School Board Director (3 year term)
- Windsor Central Unified School Board (3 year term)
- Windsor Central Unified School Board (3 year term)
- Windsor Central Unified School Board (2 year term)
- Windsor Central Unified School Board (2 year term)
- Windsor Central Unified School Board (1 year term)
- Windsor Central Unified School Board (1 year term)

ARTICLE II: To see if the Town will receive and act upon reports submitted by the Town officers.

ARTICLE III: To see if the Town and Town School District will vote to collect the Town General, Highway, School District Taxes and State Education Taxes on real property and all other taxes levied through the Treasurer under the provisions of Title 32 VSA Chapter 133 and fix the dates of payment as November 3, 2017, and May 4, 2018.

ARTICLE IV: To see if the Town will vote to pay the Town Officers in accordance with Title 24 VSA, Section 932 as follows:

Select Board	\$ 1,000.00	per year
Town Treasurer	16,000.00	per year
Listers	23.80	per hour
Constable	23.80	per hour
Moderator	50.00	each time serves

ARTICLE V: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Select Board to borrow money, if necessary, in anticipation of taxes for Fiscal Year 2017-2018 to defray current expenses and debts of the Town and Sewer Department.

ARTICLE VI: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of Five Million Four Hundred Fifty One Thousand Seven Hundred Eleven Dollars (\$5,451,711) which includes the specified sums of money to operate each department; and to raise by taxation the amount of Three Million Six Hundred Sixty Three Thousand Eighty One Dollars (\$3,663,081) which is the necessary sum to defray operating costs for FY 2017-2018.

Parades	\$ 2,000
Fireworks	7,500
Woodstock Area Council on Aging	10,600
Library Contribution	144,840
Pentangle	34,500
Recreation Dept. Contribution	285,900
Little Theatre Bond	16,000
Emergency Shelter Rental	92,000
Health Officer	7,080
Town Hall Building	93,000
Select Board	18,490
Executive	127,400
Administration	27,000
Finance	217,555
Town Clerk	133,275
Planning and Zoning	121,150
Town Highways	1,765,950
Cemetery Maintenance	18,000
Sanitation	34,000
Ambulance Department	459,650
Fire Department	227,100
Emergency Services Bldg. Maint.	35,400
Constable	7,500
Town Police District	350,246
Dispatch Services	314,525
Welcome Center	33,350
Village Highway Rebate	246,000
Select Board Contingency	30,500
Insurance	160,000
Capital Outlay	139,000
Economic Development Commission	230,000
Irene Bond	62,200
Total	5,451,711

- ARTICLE VII:** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of One Million Twelve Thousand Two Hundred Twenty Five Dollars (\$1,012,225), which includes Seven Hundred Seventy Nine Thousand Two Hundred Twenty Five Dollars (\$779,225) from user fees and Two Hundred Thirty Three Thousand Dollars (\$233,000) from other revenues, to pay the current expenses and debt of the sewer department for FY 2017-2018.
- ARTICLE VIII:** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of Nine Hundred Dollars (\$900) and pay each of the Trustees Three Hundred Dollars (\$300) for the purpose of paying the Trustees of Public Funds for services rendered, and approve the expenditure from the income of the Trust Funds for that purpose.
- ARTICLE IX:** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of One Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$1,500) for the purpose of having the Public Trust Funds audited and approve the expenditure of One Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$1,500) from income of the Trust Funds to pay for the Annual Audit.
- ARTICLE X:** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of Twenty Five thousand Dollars (\$25,000) for general improvements to Vail Field.
- ARTICLE XI:** Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of Three Thousand Dollars (\$3,000) for the support of the Woodstock Area Job Bank to continue free employment referral services in the greater Woodstock area. (By Petition) (Australian Ballot)
- ARTICLE XII:** Shall the Town of Woodstock vote to appropriate the sum of Three Thousand Dollars (\$3,000) for Woodstock Community Television to help support coverage of ongoing events within the Town of Woodstock. (By Petition) (Australian Ballot)
- ARTICLE XIII:** Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate from the general fund the sum of Twenty Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000) to help support the home health, maternal and child health, and hospice care provided in patients' homes and in community settings by the Visiting Nurse and Hospice for VT and NH. (By Petition) (Australian Ballot)
- ARTICLE XIV:** Shall the Town appropriate the sum of Three Thousand Two Hundred Forty Seven Dollars (\$3,247) to help support outpatient mental health, and substance abuse services by the staff of Health Care and Rehabilitation Services, Inc. (HCRS). (By Petition) (Australian Ballot)
- ARTICLE XV:** Shall the Town appropriate the sum of Three Thousand Dollars (\$3,000) to Southeastern Vermont Community Action (SEVCA) to assist Woodstock in responding to the emergency needs of the community and providing all available and applicable services to families and individuals in need. (By Petition) (Australian Ballot)
- ARTICLE XVI:** Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of One Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$1,500) for the support of Senior Solutions (formally Council on Aging for Southeastern Vermont) for help to support seniors and their families who are trying to remain at home and not be placed in a nursing home. (By Petition) (Australian Ballot)

- ARTICLE XVII:** Shall the Town appropriate the sum of One Thousand Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$1,250) to support programming of the Spectrum Teen Center. Our objective is to engage teens in healthy activities and make youth feel supported, welcomed and included. There is no charge to attend our program. (By Petition) (Australian Ballot)
- ARTICLE XVIII:** Shall the Town of Woodstock vote to appropriate the sum of Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000) to support the mission of WISE (Women’s Information Services, Inc.) in providing free crisis intervention and support services to victims of domestic and sexual violence, training to community members and professionals, and prevention education. (By Petition) (Australian Ballot)
- ARTICLE XIX:** Shall the Town appropriate the sum of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000) to support programming of the Ottawaquechee Community Partnership (OCP) and OCP’s Mentor and Buddy Program. These programs help keep youth in the WCSU area drug-free, engaged in healthy activities, and provided with opportunities for leadership and personal growth. (By Petition) (Australian Ballot)
- ARTICLE XX:** Shall the Town of Woodstock vote to appropriate the sum of Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$2,500) for Windsor County Partners for youth mentoring services provided to children in Windsor County. (By Petition) (Australian Ballot)
- ARTICLE XXI:** Shall the Town of Woodstock appropriate the sum of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500) to the Green Mountain RSVP & Volunteer Center of Windsor County to develop opportunities for people age 55 and older to positively impact the quality of life in the community through volunteer service. (By Petition) (Australian Ballot)
- ARTICLE XXII:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000) to be allocated to the Woodstock Area Chamber of Commerce for operational expenses of the Mechanic Street Welcome Center for FY 2017-18. (By Petition) (Australian Ballot)
- ARTICLE XXIII:** Shall the Town of Woodstock vote to appropriate the sum of Thirty Four Thousand Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$34, 250) as the Town’s share of service for the Woodstock Area Council on Aging to run the Thompson Senior Center. The Thompson is an important community resource – providing daily meals, medical and area transportation, and an array of health educational and social services. (By Petition) (Australian Ballot)
- ARTICLE XXIV:** Shall the Town vote to appropriate and raise by property taxes, the sum of Fifty One Thousand Two Hundred and Fifty Dollars (\$51,250) for the Norman Williams Public Library to help support the operations and maintenance of the library. These funds are over and above the level budgeted support that the Town provides to this library for Fiscal Year 2017-2018. (By Petition) (Australian Ballot)

ARTICLE XXV: Shall the Town vote to appropriate and raise by property taxes, the sum of Thirty Three Thousand Dollars (\$33,000.00) for Pentangle Council on the Arts to help support the activities of Pentangle and the operation of the Town Hall Theatre. This level funded request is over and above the budgeted support that the Town provides to Pentangle for fiscal year 2017-2018. (By Petition) (Australian Ballot)

ARTICLE XXVI: To entertain the discussion of any other business of interest to the legal voters, such discussion shall not be construed in any manner as binding Municipal action.

Dated at Woodstock, County of Windsor, State of Vermont on this 31st day of January, 2017.

By the Select Board members of the TOWN OF WOODSTOCK:

Margaretta Howe

Preston Bristow, Chair

John D. Doten, Jr.

Robert Holt

L. D. Sutherland

F. Charles Degener, III
Town Clerk

NOTICE TO VOTERS

Woodstock residents not on the voter checklist may register to vote at the Town Clerk's office in the Town Hall.

Absentee ballots are available from the Town Clerk prior to 5:00 P.M. on March 6, 2017. A voter who expects to be an early or absentee voter or an authorized person on behalf of such voter, may apply for an early voter absentee ballot until 5:00 P.M. or the closing of the Town Clerk's office on the day preceding the election.