

Town Meeting Warning **256th Annual Town Meeting of New Haven, Vermont**

The legal voters of the Town of New Haven are hereby warned and notified to meet at the Town Hall in New Haven, Vermont on **Monday, March 5, 2018 at 6:30 PM** to act on Articles 1 through 5; and on **Tuesday, March 6th, 2018 from 7:00 AM to 7:00 PM** to vote by Australian Ballot on Articles 6 through 32.

A DISCUSSION PERIOD FOR THE AUSTRALIAN BALLOT ARTICLES WILL BEGIN IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING TOWN MEETING.

ARTICLE 1. Shall the Town of New Haven vote to pay real estate taxes to the Town Treasurer on October 1, 2018; delinquent taxes will be subject to interest charges of one percent per month, and an eight percent penalty charged against them from October 1, 2018?

ARTICLE 2. Shall the voters of the Town of New Haven accept the Auditors' Report for the year 2017?

ARTICLE 3. Shall the voters of the Town of New Haven authorize the New Haven Selectboard to convey an approximate 0.15 acre parcel between the athletic fields and the parking lot currently owned by the Town to the New Haven Town School District in exchange for an approximate 0.26-acre parcel of land located under the Town Hall at 70 North Street from the New Haven Town School District?

ARTICLE 4. Shall the Town establish a Conservation Reserve Fund to identify and help preserve the natural resources within the town?

ARTICLE 5. To transact, vote and act upon any further non-binding business, which may legally come before this meeting.

ARTICLE 6. To elect the following Town Officers by Australian Ballot:

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| Auditor | 3 years |
| Beeman School Director | 3 years (expires July 2018) |
| Delinquent Tax Collector | 1 year |
| Grand Jurors (2) | 1 year |
| Lister | 2 years |
| Lister | 3 years |
| Moderator | 1 year |
| Mt. Abe School Director | 3 year (expires July 2018) |
| Mt. Abe Unified School Director | 3 years |
| Selectboard | 2 years |
| Selectboard | 3 years |
| Town Agent | 1 year |
| Trustee of Public Funds | 1 year |

ARTICLE 7. Shall the voters of the Town of New Haven vote to adopt the proposed Road Fund Budget of \$1,160,886.00, less anticipated revenues of \$275,650.00 less 2017 surplus of \$264,235.68 leaving a portion thereof in the amount of \$621,000.32, to be raised by taxes, for the purpose of maintaining town roads for the year 2018? By Australian Ballot.

ARTICLE 8. Shall the voters of the Town of New Haven vote to adopt the proposed General Fund Budget in the amount of \$729,174.00, less anticipated revenues of \$209,156.00, less 2017 surplus of \$329,799.30, plus 2018 taxes paid in 2017 of \$17,496.03 leaving a portion thereof in the amount of \$207,714.73, to be raised by taxes? This amount to be increased by any additional monies voted affirmatively by Australian Ballot on March 6, 2018. The tax rate to be determined by the Selectboard. By Australian Ballot.

ARTICLE 9. Shall the voters of the Town of New Haven vote to expend up to \$50,000.00 from the Reserve Facilities Fund for the purpose of replacing the furnace in the Town Hall with a gas furnace, including asbestos abatement and any other expense necessary to the furnace room. By Australian Ballot.

ARTICLE 10. Shall the voters of the Town of New Haven vote to expend up to \$50,000.00 from the Reserve Facilities Fund for the purpose of repairing drainage issues around the Town Hall. By Australian Ballot.

ARTICLE 11. Shall the voters of the Town of New Haven vote to appropriate \$1,753.25 for the Addison County Home Health and Hospice, Inc.? By Australian Ballot.

ARTICLE 12. Shall the voters of the Town of New Haven vote to appropriate \$1,800.00 for the Addison County Parent/Child Center? By Australian Ballot.

ARTICLE 13. Shall the Town of New Haven vote to appropriate \$750.00 for Addison County Readers, Inc. for the purpose of improving literacy skills for children under 5 years of age? By Australian Ballot.

ARTICLE 14. Shall the Town of New Haven vote to appropriate \$500.00 for Addison County Restorative Justice Services to help provide restorative justice projects for offenders who have potential to learn from their mistakes and avoid incarceration and a criminal record? By Australian Ballot.

ARTICLE 15. Shall the voters of the Town of New Haven vote to appropriate \$500.00 for the Addison County Riverwatch Collaborative? These funds will help support the Collaborative's continued water quality work. By Australian Ballot.

ARTICLE 16. Shall the voters of the Town of New Haven vote to appropriate \$4,850.00 for Addison County Transit Resources to be taken from Town Funds for the purpose of maintaining and improving public transportation services for elders, persons with disabilities and the general public? By Australian Ballot.

ARTICLE 17. Shall the voters of the Town of New Haven vote to appropriate \$700.00 for Age Well (Champlain Valley Agency on Aging)? By Australian Ballot.

ARTICLE 18. Shall the voters of the Town of New Haven vote to appropriate \$500.00 for the Bristol Family Center? By Australian Ballot.

ARTICLE 19. Shall the voters of the Town of New Haven vote to appropriate \$2,500.00 to Bristol Recreation Department? By Australian Ballot.

ARTICLE 20. Shall the Town of New Haven appropriate \$950.00 to Charter House Coalition, Middlebury, Vermont, for the purpose of supporting their emergency housing and daily food programs that each year provide shelter to over 90 adults and children (7700 bed nights) and 33,000 free meals to those who are food insecure? By Australian Ballot.

ARTICLE 21. Shall the voters of Town of New Haven vote to appropriate \$1,750.00 for the Counseling Service of Addison County? By Australian Ballot.

ARTICLE 22. Shall the voters of the Town of New Haven vote to appropriate \$700.00 for Elderly Services, Inc.? By Australian Ballot.

ARTICLE 23. Shall the voters of the Town of New Haven vote to appropriate \$1,700.00 for HOPE? By Australian Ballot.

ARTICLE 24. Will the voters vote \$600.00 to Hospice Volunteer Services to be used to help pay part of the cost of providing home Hospice care for terminally ill patients in this town, said sum to come from town funds? By Australian Ballot.

ARTICLE 25. Shall the votes of the Town of New Haven vote to appropriate \$750.00 to the Addison County Humane Society, Inc.? (Homeward Bound) By Australian Ballot.

ARTICLE 26. Shall the voters of the Town of New Haven vote to appropriate \$1,075.00 for the John W. Graham Emergency Shelter Services, Inc.? By Australian Ballot.

ARTICLE 27. Shall the voters of the Town of New Haven vote to appropriate \$500.00 for the Open Door Clinic? By Australian Ballot.

ARTICLE 28. Shall the voters of the Town of New Haven vote to appropriate the sum of \$950.00 to the Otter Creek Child Center, Inc. located in Middlebury, Vermont? By Australian Ballot.

ARTICLE 29. Shall the voters of the Town of New Haven vote to appropriate \$390.00 for the Retired Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP)? By Australian Ballot.

ARTICLE 30. Shall the voters of the Town of New Haven vote to appropriate \$525.00 for Vermont Adult Learning? By Australian Ballot.

ARTICLE 31. Shall the voters of the Town of New Haven vote to appropriate \$215.00 for the Vermont Center for Independent Living? By Australian Ballot.

ARTICLE 32. Shall the Town of New Haven appropriate the sum of \$1,250.00 to WomanSafe, Inc. to support their mission to: work toward the elimination of physical, sexual and emotional violence through direct service, education and social change? By Australian Ballot.

Dated at New Haven, Vermont, this 24th day of January, 2018.

Received for Record:

January 24, 2018 at 7:30 pm. Attest: _____
New Haven Town Clerk

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Kathy Barrett (Chair)

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Steve Dupoise (Vice Chair)

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Taborri Bruhl

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John Roleau

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Jim Walsh

****Original signatures on file at the New Haven Town Clerk's Office****