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Selectboard News:

Once again, the weather has been a driving force for the Road Crew. And, once again it seems to fall on the weekends. There's been lots of ice and snow. The Road Crew has been doing its best, but it's been challenging. They also have been working on clearing brush along our roadsides; please use caution when driving through a work zone.

The Office Staff has been gearing up for Town Meeting. There is a lot to do in preparation of Town Meeting and voting day. We need to exercise our right to speak our minds at Town Meeting on Monday night and vote on Tuesday; I encourage all to do so.

The deadline has come and gone for questions about the Beaver Creek Project, and the RFP's have gone to bid. This should have happened last year but with only one bidder submitting a proposal we were asked to wait and request this winter to get more bidders and hopefully a better price as it should be more competitive.

Steve Dupoise

Clerk News: Town Meeting is Monday, March 2nd, beginning at 6:30pm in the Town Hall gym. Please remember to bring your Town Report. Voting on Town Meeting Articles and the Presidential Primary is Tuesday, March 3rd in the Town Hall gym. Polls are open 7:00am - 7:00pm. Your vote is your voice. You will be able to license your dog(s) during voting.

Rabies Clinic: Saturday, March 21, 2020 from 1 - 3 pm at the Town Offices. Cost per shot is \$20.00. Dr. Randy Ross from Champlain Valley Mobile Clinic will once again be our Veterinarian. This is for cats and dogs only. Please leave your pets in the car, Dr. Ross will come to you.

Several Elected positions may remain open after Town Meeting. They include:

Auditor: 2 & 3 yr. / Grand Jurors (2) 1 yr. / Lister 2 yr. and Town Agent 1 yr. If you are interested in being appointed to any of these positions, please call the Town Office at 453 - 3516.

Respectfully, Pam Kingman

Town Administrator News: Road Report

We experienced the first major snow event of the season after the publication of the last newsletter. Our four-member road crew put in significant overtime the weekend of February 7th to maintain nearly 48 miles of town roads. We appreciate hearing citizen concerns when areas of our roadways need attention. Thanks to the crew for their long hours.

Aaron Brown

Zoning Administrator News:

The Planning Commission has made significant progress updating our zoning and combining it with subdivision regulations into Unified Town Bylaws. I appreciate their thoughtful attention – and that of several active citizens – to clarifying definitions, identifying new exemptions, and ensuring our regulations comply with state and federal law. I expect a working draft to appear on the town website in the coming weeks, but anyone is welcome to see progress to date by emailing me at

newhavenzoning@gmavt.net. All are welcome join the discussion. The Planning Commission meets the second Monday of each month at 7 pm in the Town Office.

If you are planning a spring building project, please call, email, or visit the office if you are uncertain about needing a permit.

Aaron Brown

Any non-profit group event that is open to all members of the community can be listed in the Community calendar.

Contact:

Town Office: 453 - 3516

Friends of the Library: Deborah Felmeth, the Author of "Syria: Remember Me," returns to the New Haven Town Offices for a conversation about Syria today. She first discussed Syria here in November of 2015. Much has happened since then. She brings her experiences in Syria, most recently in 2019, to answer your questions and hear your thoughts on Wednesday, March 25, at 7 pm in the Town Offices.

The next meeting of the library Friends will be Wednesday, March 4, at 7 pm in the Library.
Norma Norland

New Haven Community Library News:

Our March 4th Story Hour will be a special one, as we welcome Peter Burns to our circle. Peter has a wonderful repertoire of songs, stories, and movement games and delights in entertaining the very young. After Story Hour he will bring his storytelling skills to older kids and will be sure to engage them as well! Peter has been a professional storyteller for more than thirty years. His work has been featured on NPR and he has been the recipient of numerous awards. His style has been described as "quirky and engaging." All are welcome to attend.

We are pleased to welcome back Deborah Felmuth on March 25th at 7pm. Please read the Friends news for a description of her presentation. Our hope is that many of you will be able to attend.

Deborah Lundbeck

Tax Information: Just a reminder, if you are a Vermont resident and own a home as of April 1, 2020, you must file your homestead declaration by April 15. To do so, you need to fill out the HS-122. For more information you can visit <https://tax.vermont.gov/property-owners/homestead-declaration>. You can also stop into the town office to pick up the paper form. Even if you file an extension on your taxes you still need to get this form in on time. If you so file late you may be subjected to penalties on your tax bill.

Conservation Commission Report: The NHCC has been enjoying and learning from our wonderful presentations during the Armchair Naturalist Series.

Next up: a presentation on Pollinators by Dr. Samantha Alger. Wednesday evening, March 25, from 7:00 - 8:30 in the Town Offices.

Dr. Alger will discuss her research investigating how RNA viruses are spilling over from managed honey bees into wild bumblebees. She will also introduce us to UVM's new Vermont Bee Lab and the lab's efforts to reduce pest and pathogen loads in Vermont's honey bees. All are welcome.

The NHCC is also learning from neighboring conservation commissions about ways to protect our rivers and streams and ways animals and amphibians move across our landscapes.

Cheryl Mitchell

New Haven Ladies Union Crock Pot Dinner
Wednesday, March 18, 2020 one seating at 6:00 pm
New Haven Congregational Church
Hearty Main Dishes, Beverage, and Dessert
\$8.00
For more info. call Carol 453-5059



Town Meeting Warning
258th 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 2, 2020 at 6:30 PM** to act on Articles 1 through 3; and on **Tuesday, March 3, 2020 from 7:00 AM to 7:00 PM** to vote by Australian Ballot on Articles 4 through 30.

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, 2020; delinquent taxes will be subject to interest charges of one percent per month, and an eight percent penalty charged against them from October 1, 2020?

ARTICLE 2. Shall the voters of the Town of New Haven accept the Auditors' Report for the year 2019?

ARTICLE 3. To transact, vote and act upon any further non-binding business, including discussion of the draft Energy Plan, which may legally come before this meeting.

ARTICLE 4. To elect the following Town Officers by Australian Ballot:

Auditor	2 year (To fulfill previous term)
Auditor	3 years
Delinquent Tax Collector	1 year
Grand Jurors (2)	1 year
Library Trustee (2)	3 years
Lister	2 years
Lister	3 years
Moderator	1 year
Selectboard	2 years
Selectboard	3 years
Town Treasurer	2 years (to fulfill open term)
Town Agent	1 year
Trustee of Public Funds	1 year

ARTICLE 5. Shall the voters of the Town of New Haven vote to adopt the proposed Road Fund Budget of \$1,664,469.00, less anticipated revenues of \$863,100.00 less 2019 surplus of \$119,578.93 leaving a portion thereof in the amount of \$681,790.07, to be raised by taxes, for the purpose of maintaining town roads for the year 2020? By Australian Ballot.

ARTICLE 6. Shall the voters of the Town of New Haven vote to adopt the proposed General Fund Budget in the amount of \$1,092,794.00,(General Fund expenses, \$702,749.00 plus School payment due \$390,000.00), less anticipated revenues of \$171,213.00, less 2019 surplus of \$113,555.21, leaving a portion thereof in the amount of \$808,025.79, to be raised by taxes? This amount to be increased by any additional monies voted affirmatively by Australian Ballot on March 3, 2020. The tax rate to be determined by the Selectboard. By Australian Ballot.

ARTICLE 7. Shall the voters of the Town of New Haven vote to expend up to \$30,000.00 from the Reserve Facilities Fund in order to mitigate the humidity related issues as well as needed major repairs to the building in the Town Hall? By Australian Ballot.

ARTICLE 8. 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 9. 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 10. Shall the Town of New Haven vote to appropriate \$750.00 for Addison County Readers, Inc.? By Australian Ballot.

ARTICLE 11. Shall the Town of New Haven vote to appropriate \$500.00 for Addison County Restorative Justice Services? By Australian Ballot.

ARTICLE 12. Shall the voters of the Town of New Haven vote to appropriate \$500.00 for the Addison County Riverwatch Collaborative? By Australian Ballot.

ARTICLE 13. 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 14. 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 15. Shall the voters of the Town of New Haven vote to appropriate \$500.00 for the Bristol Family Center? By Australian Ballot.

ARTICLE 16. Shall the voters of the Town of New Haven vote to appropriate \$2,500.00 to Bristol Recreation Department? By Australian Ballot.

ARTICLE 17. 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 18. 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 19. Shall the voters of the Town of New Haven vote to appropriate \$700.00 for Elderly Services, Inc.? By Australian Ballot.

ARTICLE 20. Shall the voters of the Town of New Haven vote to appropriate \$1,700.00 for HOPE? By Australian Ballot.

ARTICLE 21. Will the voters approve \$600.00 to End of Life Services, Inc. formerly known as 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 22. Shall the voters of the Town of New Haven vote to appropriate \$750.00 to the Addison County Humane Society, Inc.? (Homeward Bound) By Australian Ballot.

ARTICLE 23. Shall the voters of the Town of New Haven vote to appropriate \$1,075.00 for the John Graham Housing and Services, Inc.? By Australian Ballot.

ARTICLE 24. Shall the Town appropriate \$500.00 to the Open Door Clinic? By Australian Ballot.

ARTICLE 25. Shall the voters of the Town of New Haven vote to appropriate the sum of \$950.00 to the Otter Creek Child Center, Inc.? By Australian Ballot.

ARTICLE 26. 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 27. Shall the Town of New Haven appropriate \$1,000 to the Turning Point Center of Addison County for the purpose of supporting its mission to assist persons, their families, and their friends in recovery from substance use disorder and addictive behaviors? By Australian Ballot.

ARTICLE 28. Shall the voters of the Town of New Haven vote to appropriate \$525.00 for Vermont Adult Learning? By Australian Ballot.

ARTICLE 29. 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 30. Shall the Town of New Haven appropriate the sum of \$1,250.00 to WomanSafe, Inc.? By Australian Ballot.

Dated at New Haven, Vermont, this 21st day of January, 2020.

Received for Record:

January 21, 2020 at 7:30 pm. Attest: _____
New Haven Town Clerk

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Steve Dupoise (Chair)

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Kathy Barrett (Vice Chair)

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Taborri Bruhl

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John Roleau

* _____
Jim Walsh

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

March 2020 New Haven Community Calendar

Location of Events Key: Town Hall= TH Town Offices= TO Town Garage= TG Cafeteria= C Gym= G Beeman= S MAUHS= HS Village Green =VG Village Green Market= VGM Congregational Church= CH Library= L Fire Station= FS * Recycling at Town Garage Saturday Mornings 8-12 *

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2 Town Meeting 6:30 PM G No DRB Meeting	3 Voting on Town Meeting and Presidential Primary 7AM—7PM G Story Hour 10:30AML Peter Burns Stories 11:15AML	4 Library Friends Mtg L 7PM	5 Library Trustees Mtg 7PM L	6	7 Trash & Recycle 8AM-12PM Town Garage 4H Dairy Quiz bowl 9AM—noon TH
8	9 Planning Commission Meeting 7PM at TO	10 Library Story Hour 10:30AM L Selectboard Mtg 7PM TO	11	12 Book Group 7PM L "Daughter of a Queen"	13	14 Trash & Recycle 8AM-12PM Town Garage
15	16 DRB Meeting 7PM TO	17 Library Story Hour 10:30AM L	18 4H-Equine Mtg.6:30PM C Game Night 6:30PM L	19	20	21 Trash & Recycle 8AM-12PM Town Garage Rabies Clinic 1-3PM Town Offices—\$20.00 per shot., cats/ dogs only
22 Fire Dept. Pancake Breakfast 7—11AM C	23	24 Library Story Hour 10:30AM L Selectboard Mtg 7PM TO	25 Conservation Commission Mtg 7PM TO	26 Bike Loop Mtg 6:30—8:00 PM TO	27	28 Trash & Recycle 8AM-12PM Town Garage
29	30 Rent the Town Hall for your own events or parties, or to teach classes. Please sub- mit your application at least 3 weeks prior to your event to allow the Selectboard	31 Library Story Hour 10:30AM L	*If your town group or club would like its meetings or events listed in the Town Newsletter Calendar, please contact the Town Office at 453-3516	or email newhaven- clerk@gmavt.net by the 15th of the month prior to the event for publishing.		To register in any town group or club, please call one of the phone numbers listed below. Thanks~

Contacts: * Police 388-4919 * Fire Dept. 453-3654 * Town Office 453-3516 * Town Garage / Shed 453-3397 * Beeman 453-2331 * MAUHS 453-2333 * Mt Abe Unified School District 453-3657 *
 * Crime Watch 453-5978 * Library 453-4015 * Equine 4H 989-6038 * Dairy 4H 545-2484 * Little League

* Historical Soc. 989-4066 * Ladies Union 877-3080 *

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Recycling Saturday mornings 8-12 at Town Garage. Trash drop-off at same time for a fee.

Town Office Hours:

Monday 8:30 am – 4:00 pm
Tuesday 8:30 am – 4:00 pm
Wednesday 8:30 am – 4:00 pm
Thursday 8:30 am – 4:00 pm

*Closed Tuesday, March 3, 2020
For Town Meeting Voting*

Library Hours

Tuesday 10:00 - 5:00
(10:30 Story Hour)
Wednesday 1:00 - 8:00
Thursday 1:00 - 8:00
Saturday 10:00 - 1:00

The newsletter is an open forum for New Haven residents with appropriate reports, articles, & letters about town matters. Letters of 500 words or less should be courteous & concern town events, news, & issues. One letter per person on a topic per year. Please include your name, address, & phone number. (Only your name will be published.) Submit in electronic form by the 15th of the month to newhavenclerk@gmavt.net or newhavenassistant@gmavt.net

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