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

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## Clerk News

**Town Meeting** is Monday, March 6, 2017 beginning at 6:30 pm in the Town Hall gym. Beeman School goes first this year, with the Town immediately following. Please bring your Town Reports with you. Voting is on Tuesday, March 7, 2017 in the Town Hall gym from 7:00 am – 7:00 pm. Your vote is your voice. Hope to see you at Town Meeting and voting. If you do not want your Town Report, please bring it to the Town Offices. Thank you.

There will be a **Rabies Clinic on Saturday, March 11, 2017** at the Town Office from **1:00 pm – 3:00pm**. This is for dogs and cats only. Dr. Randy Ross from Champlain Valley Small Animal Mobile Clinic, will be administering the vaccinations. Cost is \$15.00 per vaccination; this can be cash or check. As always the Town Office will be open for licensing dog(s). Licensing prior to April 1<sup>st</sup> is \$9.00 for neutered / \$13.00 for unneutered. Fees increase after April 1<sup>st</sup>. This is a great opportunity to get your dog or cat vaccinated against rabies. Please leave your pet in the vehicle, Dr. Ross will come to you. Respectfully submitted, Pam Kingman

## School Board News

The new unified Addison Northeast Supervisory District held its first annual meeting on February 6<sup>th</sup> at Mt Abraham Union High School. Vermont Secretary of Education, Rebecca Holcombe, opened the meeting and administered the oath of office to new Board members. Voters in attendance from the 5 member towns nominated and elected District officers for one year terms: Pam Marsh (Moderator), Barb Torian and Jennifer Myers (Treasurer), and Karen Wheeler (Clerk). Additional actions included setting compensation for Board members and officers, establishing the annual meeting date, and adopting co-mingled ballots for future District budget voting. The new Board will hold its first organizational meeting later this month to begin work on developing the governance, policies and procedures, and budget for the new District. The new Board is expected to work side-by-side with the current School Boards and Committees until the new District becomes officially operational on July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2018.

### Town Meeting

We hope to see our fellow New Haven residents at Town Meeting Monday March 6<sup>th</sup>. The school meeting will begin at 6:30PM. We believe we are presenting a responsible 2017-2018 budget for Beeman Elementary School, which makes necessary investments in programming, curriculum and facilities while increasing Education Spending by less than 1%. We ask for your continued support on March 7<sup>th</sup>, 2017.

*Respectfully submitted by the New Haven School Directors: Brad Bull (Chair), Ed McGuire (Vice Chair), Phyllis Smith (Clerk)*



*Secretary Holcombe delivers opening remarks with Board member Caleb Elder (left) and Superintendent Patrick Reen (right).*

## **Ladies Union Crock Pot Dinner at the New Haven Congregational Church**

Hearty Main Dishes, Beverages, and Dessert — \$8

Wednesday, March 15, 2017 at 6:00 pm

For more information call Carol Charbonneau @ 453-5059

Barb Saunders

### **Library News.**

A very big thank you to all those wonderful folks who created such delicious treats for our Chocolate Delight Night! And to all the satisfied attendees - we're so glad you enjoyed the evening at beautiful Lincoln Peak Winery and the amazing variety of heavenly chocolate desserts. Thank you, Friends of the Library, for all your work and good will. We are so fortunate to have your commitment to our town library!

In late April we will be offering a citizenship study class to permanent resident "green card" holders who wish to apply for American citizenship. The class will be taught by Nancy McFadden, who has previously taught citizenship classes. The class will meet three times with two hour sessions. There will be fees associated with the class. Please contact me for further information if you are interested.

Deborah Lundbeck, Director

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### **Library Friends.**

This year's Chocolate Delight Night was a great success, well attended and fruitful. Funds collected at the event were over \$700, besting last year's total. A big thank you to all the helpers.

The next meeting of the Friends will be at 7:00 PM on Wednesday, March 1, 2017.

Norma Norland

### **Letter Concerning the Town Plan proposal on this year's Town Meeting Australian ballot**

Vermont law (Title 24, Chapter 117) governing municipal Zoning and Town Plan was established in 1968, and has served New Haven reasonably well in sustaining our rural Vermont small town by protecting us from the higher taxes and loss of rural life caused by urban sprawl of Chittenden County.

There are three types of Towns: Urban, such as Burlington, Suburban, such as Shelburne, & Rural, such as New Haven. Each of those has a different level of municipal services (school, fire, police, roads, Town Office, etc.) and so a different amount of property taxes to pay for those services (affordability). The more services, the higher the property taxes and rents, and so less affordable housing, resulting in seniors and low income residents no longer able to keep their homes.

The 120 page Town Plan proposed by the Planning Commission (and New York based consultant) would change New Haven from rural to suburban (such as Shelburne), with higher property taxes, more traffic and crime, and loss of quality of life. Therefore the Planning Commission (and New York based consultant) proposed Town Plan should be voted down and sent back to the Planning Commission for revision to a perspective appropriate for sustaining our rural Vermont community.

John Madden

**Town Meeting Warning**  
**255<sup>th</sup> 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 6, 2017 at 6:30 PM** to act on Articles 1 through 3; and on **Tuesday, March 7<sup>th</sup>, 2017 from 7:00 AM to 7:00 PM** to vote by Australian Ballot on Articles 4 through 28.

**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 2, 2017; delinquent taxes will be subject to interest charges of one percent per month, and an eight percent penalty charged against them from October 2, 2017?

**ARTICLE 2.** Shall the voters of the Town of New Haven accept the Auditor's Report for the year 2016?

**ARTICLE 3.** To transact, vote and act upon any further non-binding business, which may legally come before this meeting.

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

Auditor	3 years
Beeman School Director	3 years
Delinquent Tax Collector	1 year
Grand Jurors (2)	1 year
Library Trustee (2)	3 years
Moderator	1 year
Mt. Abe School Director	3 years
Selectboard	2 years
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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 \$1,265,080.00, less anticipated revenues of \$525,700.00 less 2016 surplus of \$162,203.34 leaving a portion thereof in the amount of \$577,176.66, to be raised by taxes, for the purpose of maintaining town roads for the year 2017? 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 \$722,350.00, less anticipated revenues of \$245,086.00, less 2016 surplus of \$104,422.39, plus 2017 taxes paid in 2016 of \$16,016.84 leaving a portion thereof in the amount of \$388,858.45, to be raised by taxes? This amount to be increased by any additional monies voted affirmatively by Australian Ballot on March 7, 2017. 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 adopt the Town Plan approved by the Selectboard on January 17, 2017? By Australian Ballot.

**ARTICLE 8.** Shall the voters of the Town of New Haven vote to appropriate \$1,700.00 for the Addison County Community Action Group (ACCAG), d.b.a. HOPE? By Australian Ballot.

**ARTICLE 9.** 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, said sum to come from Town Funds? By Australian Ballot.

**ARTICLE 10.** 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 11.** 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 12.** Shall the Town of New Haven appropriate \$750.00 for Addison County Readers, Inc. to be taken from Town Funds for the purpose of improving literacy skills for children under 5 years of age? By Australian Ballot.

**ARTICLE 13.** 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: sampling sites on the Otter Creek and the New Haven River within the Town of New Haven, analyzing the data, and reporting water quality information to the public. By Australian Ballot.

**ARTICLE 14.** 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 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 voters of the Town of New Haven vote to appropriate \$700.00 for Age Well f/k/a Champlain Valley Agency on Aging? 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 appropriate \$700.00 for the Elderly Services, Inc.? By Australian Ballot.

**ARTICLE 20.** 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 21.** Shall the Town of New Haven vote to appropriate \$750.00 to the Addison County Humane Society, Inc., d.b.a. Homeward Bound Animal Welfare Center? By Australian Ballot.

**ARTICLE 22.** 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 23.** Shall the voters of the Town of New Haven vote to appropriate \$500.00 for the Open Door Clinic? By Australian Ballot.

**ARTICLE 24.** Shall the Town of New Haven vote to appropriate the sum of \$950.00 to the Otter Creek Child Center, Inc. located in Middlebury, Vermont, to support the center's need-based Tuition Assistance Program and its mission to provide quality, affordable early care and education to the Addison County community? By Australian Ballot.

**ARTICLE 25.** 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 26.** Shall the voters of the Town of New Haven vote to appropriate \$525.00 for Vermont Adult Learning? By Australian Ballot.

**ARTICLE 27.** 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 28.** Shall the Town of New Haven vote to 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 against woman and their children through direct service, education and social change? By Australian Ballot.

Dated at New Haven, Vermont, this 30<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2017.

Received for Record:

January 30, 2017 at 12:00 pm. Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
New Haven Town Clerk

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Kathy Barrett (Chair)

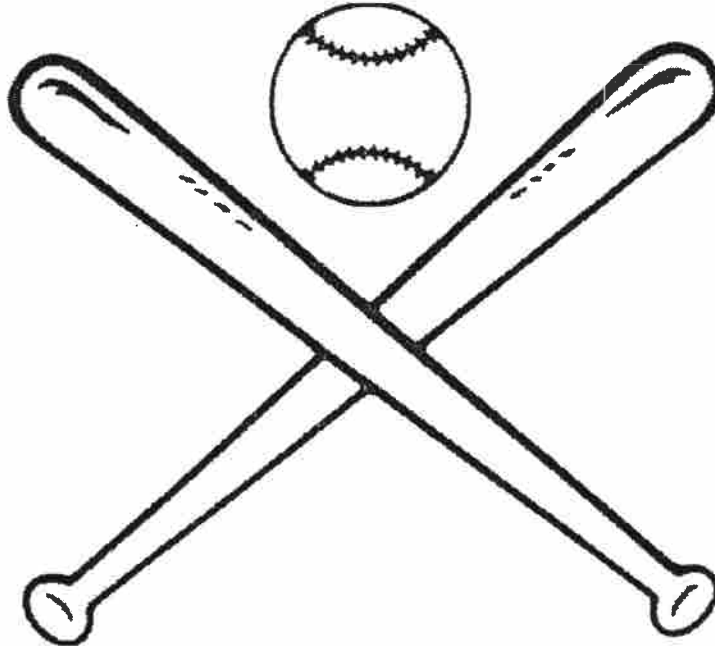
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Steve Dupoise (Vice Chair)

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Doug Tolles

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Jim Walsh

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



## Little League Sign Up!

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The 2017 Little League season is upon us! All kids age 4 - 12 are eligible to play. Practices will start in March; games begin the week of April 24<sup>th</sup>. **Coaches needed for all teams!!** Please contact Amanda Bolduc at [abolduc@gmavt.net](mailto:abolduc@gmavt.net) or 989-8926 for more information. Registration due by March 17<sup>th</sup>. Scholarships available.

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### Help Wanted

We are seeking a qualified individual for a part time position (up to 15 hours) of Road Commissioner for the Town of New Haven.

Please call the Town Office @ 453 – 3516 for a complete job description and an application.

Or email Pam Kingman @ [newhavenclerk@gmavt.net](mailto:newhavenclerk@gmavt.net).

All applications due by March 14, 2017

# March 2017 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 = Village Green Market= VGM Congregational Church= CH Library= L Fire Station= FS \* Recycling at Town Garage Saturday Mornings 8-12 \*  
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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 Fire Dept. Mtg. 7pm FD Library Friends Meet 7pm L  Ash Wednesday	2	3	4 Recycle 8am-12pm TG 4H Quiz Bowl 9am-12pm C Line Dancing 6-8pm G
5	6 Town Meeting in the Gym Dinner-5:30pm-C School- 6:30pm Town to follow.	7 VOTEI 7am-7pm Town Gym Library Story Hour 10:30am L	8	9 Conservation Commission Speaker Patrick Berry-The Vt. Dept. of Fish & Wildlife-Who they are & what they do	10 Parent Conferences K-6	11 Recycle 8am-12pm TG Rabies Clinic 1pm-3pm at Town Office. \$15/cat or dog. Get dog license, too NO Line Dancing Tonight
12	13 Planning Commission Mtg. 7pm TO	14 Library Story Hour 10:30am L	15 Library Teen Group-6:30pm Crock Pot Dinner-6pm at the Congregational Church/ \$8 per person. Call Carol for info 453-5059.	16 Library Trustees Mtg. 7pm L	17	18 Recycle 8am-12pm TG Line Dancing 6-8pm G
19	20 DRB Meeting 7pm TO  First Day Of Spring	21 Library Story Hour 10:30am L	22 Library Game Night 6:30pm	23	24 St. Patrick's Day	25 Recycle 8am-12pm TG Line Dancing 6-8pm G
26 Fire Dept. Breakfast 7am-10:30am C \$10/A, \$5/6-	27	28 Library Story Hour 10:30am L	29	30	31 No School-Inservice	
To register in any town group or club, please call one of the phone numbers listed below. Thanks~	Rent the Town Hall for your own events or parties, or to teach classes. Please submit your application at least 3 weeks prior to your event to allow the Selectboard	time to review and process the application. Applications are available at the Town Office or on the Town web-site. Thanks~		*If your town group or club would like its meetings or events listed in the Town Newsletter Calendar, please contact Suzy at	newhavenrec@gmavt.net or cscasam@gmavt.net by the 15th of the month prior to the event for publishing.	

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 \* Crime Watch 453-5978 \* Bone Builders 453-5978 \* Line Dancing 989-6704 \*

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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 9:00 am – 4:30 pm  
Tuesday 9:00 am – 4:30 pm  
Wednesday 9:00 am – 4:30 pm  
Thursday 9:00 am – 4:30 pm

**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 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 [jmsimmons@gmavt.net](mailto:jmsimmons@gmavt.net) Jean Simmons

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