

TOWN OF WILLIAMSTOWN, VERMONT

WARNING OF 2024 ANNUAL MEETING

The legal voters of the Town of Williamstown in the County of Orange and the State of Vermont are hereby warned and notified to meet at the Williamstown High School on Tuesday, March 5, 2024 at ten o'clock in the morning (10:00 A.M.) to discuss the following articles, viz:

Voting for all Australian Ballot articles and elections will be held in the gymnasium at Williamstown Middle/High School on Tuesday, March 5, 2024 from ten o'clock in the forenoon until seven o'clock in the evening (10:00 A.M. – 7:00 P.M.):

Article 1. To elect all necessary Town and Town School District Officers for the ensuing year by Australian Ballot. For the purpose of Articles 1, the polls will open at 10:00 A.M. to act upon the following article, viz.

Moderator	1 year
Selectboard Member	3 years
Selectboard Member	2 years
School Director	3 years
Lister	3 years
Trustee of Public Funds	3 years
Cemetery Commissioner	5 years
Cemetery Commissioner	4 years of 5 years remaining
Library Trustee	2 years of 5 years remaining
Library Trustee	5 years
Trustee of Henry S. Baker Fund	3 years

Article 2. To hear and act upon the reports of the Town Officers.

Article 3. Shall the town pay its Property taxes to the Treasurer on or before November 15, 2024, with delinquent taxes and assessments having charged against them an eight percent (8%) penalty and interest charges of one percent (1%) per month, or fraction thereof, from the due date, as provided for in 32 V.S.A section 4773 and 5136?

Article 4. Shall the voters authorize the Selectboard to take advantage of any State and Federal monies available?

Article 5. Shall the voters authorize the Selectboard to borrow money to pay the current expenses of the Town in anticipation of money to be received from taxes and the State of Vermont?

- Article 6. Shall the voters authorize the Town to pay its Selectboard members \$750.00 and Chairman \$1000.00 and all other Elected Officers \$13.67 per hour and Chairman \$14.67 per hour, except the Town Clerk?
- Article 7. Shall the voters authorize to have the names of all delinquent taxpayers, including water and sewer users, with total amount of delinquencies printed in the Town Report as of December 31, 2024?
- Article 8. Shall the voters approve the sum of \$1,368,392.03 to support the General Budget of which includes the Fire Department?
- Article 9. Shall the voters approve the sum of \$1,246,390.76 support the Highway Budget?
- Article 10. Shall the voters approve transferring the 2023 General Fund Surplus in the amount of \$19,869.68 to the Tax Stabilization Fund?
- Article 11. Shall the voters appropriate the sum of \$110,000.00 from the Tax Stabilization Fund to reduce the 2024-2025 taxes?
- Article 12. Shall the voters appropriate the sum of \$47,523.20 or some other amount to support Williamstown Cemeteries?
- Article 13. Shall the voters appropriate the sum of \$118,708.00 or some other amount to support the Ainsworth Public Library?
- Article 14. Shall the voters of the Town of Williamstown authorize the Williamstown Ambulance Replacement Reserve in the amount of \$180,743.42 and the Williamstown Ambulance Equipment Reserve in the amount of \$12,624.73 to be allocated to the Tax Stabilization Fund or to another Town Reserve Fund?
- Article 15. Shall the voters appropriate the sum of \$54,672.00 in support of Orange County Parent Child Center \$750, Barre Area Senior Center \$1500, Orange County Restorative Justice \$500, Washington County Youth \$250, CV Home Health & Hospice \$6700, CV Council on Aging \$1750, Peoples Health & Wellness \$1000, CV Adult Basic Education \$1500, CV Economic Development Corp. \$500, GMTA \$2004, Williamstown Food Shelf \$10000, Williamstown Beautification \$1500, Williamstown Youth Sports \$8500, Good Beginnings \$300, VT Center of Independent Living \$500, American Red Cross \$1500, CV State Police Advisory \$100, Historical Society \$9000, Safeline \$1200, Clara Martin Center \$4968, Green Up \$150, Family Center of Washington County \$500?
- Article 16. Shall the voters of the Town of Williamstown approve moving the Harry S. Baker Fund to care of the Trustees of Public Funds?
- Article 17. Shall the voters of the Town of Williamstown adopt all budget articles by Australian ballot pursuant to 17 V.S.A. Section 2680(c)?
- Article 18. Shall the voters of the Town of Williamstown vote to approve moving Town Meeting to the first Monday in March, 2025 in the evening to begin at 7:00 p.m.?
- Article 19. Shall the Town of Williamstown provide notice of availability of the annual report by Town of Williamstown Website at least 30 days before annual meeting instead of

mailing or otherwise distributing the report to the voters of the town pursuant to 24 V.S.A. Section 1682(a)?

Article 20. To see if the Town will vote to exempt from taxation, that portion of the property owned by Summit Lodge No. 104 F & AM, that is used exclusively for the purpose of fraternal organization, for a period of 5 years, as provided for in 32 V.S.A. Section 3840. This vote shall first effect the April 1, 2024 Grand List.

Article 21. To transact Any other business deemed necessary and proper.

Dated this 15th day of January 2024.

Williamstown Selectboard



Larry Hebert, Chairman



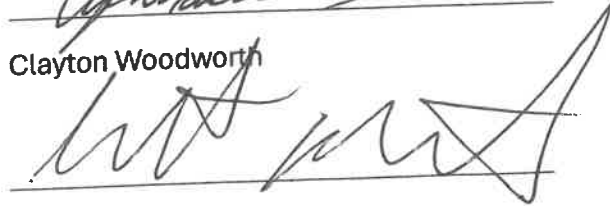
Chris Wade



Chris Peloquin



Clayton Woodworth



Scott McCarthy

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Barbara C. Stefan
Town Clerk