

WARNING**TOWN OF ROCKINGHAM
ANNUAL TOWN AND TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT MEETING****FEBRUARY 29 & MARCH 1, 2016**

The legal voters of the Town of Rockingham and Town of Rockingham School District are hereby notified and warned to meet at the Town Hall Auditorium (Bellows Falls Opera House) in said Town on Monday, February 29, 2016, at 7:00 p.m. to act upon all matters which may be voted upon by acclamation and not otherwise to be voted upon by Australian Ballot, and then to adjourn to the Masonic Temple (61 Westminster Street) in said Town at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, March 1, 2016, to vote by Australian Ballot on Article 1 and Article 2.

- ARTICLE 1: To elect Town Officers and Town School District Officers as required by law. (By Australian Ballot)
- ARTICLE 2: Shall the voters of the town of Rockingham allow placement of a detention center within the legal boundaries of Bellows Falls? (By Australian Ballot) (Non-binding)
- ARTICLE 3: To receive and act upon the reports of the Town Officers for the past year.
- ARTICLE 4: Shall the voters of the Town of Rockingham authorize the Selectboard and Treasurer to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of tax collection, or payment of money due the Town from the State of Vermont for highway or other purposes or payment to the Town from Federal funds?
- ARTICLE 5: Shall the voters of the Town of Rockingham authorize the Selectboard to seek out and/or accept funds available from non-property tax revenue sources and to spend those funds in appropriate ways after required public input?
- ARTICLE 6: Shall the voters of the Town of Rockingham raise and appropriate the sum of Five Million One Hundred Forty Two Thousand Four Hundred Fourteen Dollars (\$5,142,414.00) to pay the indebtedness of the Town, repair and maintain highways, and pay all other general and regular expenses of the Town beginning July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017, with Four Million Three Hundred Fifty Nine Thousand Five Hundred Nineteen Dollars (\$4,359,519.00) to be raised by taxes?
- ARTICLE 7: Shall the voters of the Town of Rockingham raise and appropriate the sum of Three Hundred Ninety Two Thousand Nine Hundred Dollars (\$392,900) in operating expenses for the support of the Rockingham Free Public Library, with Three Hundred Forty Seven Thousand Seventy Dollars (\$347,070.00) to be raised by taxes?
- ARTICLE 8: Shall the voters of the Town of Rockingham authorize the Selectboard to raise, appropriate and expend the sum of One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000.00) for demolition of the TLR buildings, excess funds to be returned to the general fund if not spent?

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- ARTICLE 9: Shall the voters of the Town of Rockingham authorize the Selectboard to borrow an amount not to exceed Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$500,000) for a period of Ten (10) years with yearly payments of Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000) plus interest to make necessary repairs to the Rockingham Town Hall to include elevator upgrade, repair and painting of windows, electric service upgrade and removal of the underground fuel storage tank in the alley between the Town Hall and People's United Bank to include reconstruction of the alley as required by the Human Rights Commission, and repairs to the Rockingham Recreation Building?
- ARTICLE 10: Shall the voters of the Town of Rockingham authorize the Selectboard to borrow an amount not to exceed One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000.00) for replacement of fire apparatus housed at the Rockingham Volunteer Fire Department and Saxtons River Volunteer Fire Department for a term of ten (10) years?
- ARTICLE 11: Shall the Town of Rockingham vote to raise, appropriate and expend the sum of Twenty One Thousand Three Hundred Eighty Four Dollars (\$21,384.00) for the support of the Bellows Falls Senior Center to provide services to residents of the Town?
- ARTICLE 12: Shall the Town of Rockingham vote to raise, appropriate and expend the sum of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00) for the support of Meeting Waters YMCA to provide services to residents of the Town?
- ARTICLE 13: Shall the Town of Rockingham vote to raise, appropriate and expend the sum of One Thousand Three Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$1,350.00) for the support of Vermont Adult Learning to provide services to residents of the Town?
- ARTICLE 14: Shall the Town of Rockingham vote to raise, appropriate and expend the sum of Twenty Six Thousand Twenty Four Dollars (\$26,024.00) for the support of Visiting Nurse and Hospice for Vermont and New Hampshire to provide services to residents of the Town?
- ARTICLE 15: Shall the Town of Rockingham vote to raise, appropriate and expend the sum of Two Thousand Three Hundred Dollars (\$2,300.00) for the support of Youth Services to provide services to residents of the Town?
- ARTICLE 16: Shall the Town of Rockingham vote to raise, appropriate and expend the sum of Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$2,500.00) for the support of Springfield Supported Housing to provide services to residents of the Town?
- ARTICLE 17: Shall the Town of Rockingham vote to raise, appropriate and expend the sum of Four Thousand Dollars (\$4,000.00) for the support of Parks Place Community Resource Center to provide services to residents of the Town?

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- ARTICLE 18: Shall the Town of Rockingham vote to raise, appropriate and expend the sum of Four Thousand Seven Hundred Seventy Dollars (\$4,770.00) for the support of Southeastern Vermont Community Action to provide services to residents of the Town?
- ARTICLE 19: Shall the Town of Rockingham vote to raise, appropriate and expend the sum of Three Thousand Eight Hundred Twenty Five Dollars (\$3,825.00) for the support of The Current, operated by Southeast Vermont Transit, Inc. (formerly Connecticut River Transit) to provide services to the residents of the Town?
- ARTICLE 20: Shall the Town of Rockingham vote to raise, appropriate and expend the sum of One Thousand Four Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$1,450.00) for the support of Green Mountain RSVP, to provide services to the residents of the Town?
- ARTICLE 21: Shall the voters designate the Town of Rockingham as a Property Assessed Clean Energy (PACE) District to enable participating property owners to access funding for eligible energy efficiency and renewable energy projects, which would be a municipal assessment on that property owner's property as provided for by 24 V.S.A. Chapter 87 (Section 3261 et seq.) and authorize the Selectboard to enter into an agreement with Vermont Energy Investment Corporation, d/b/a Efficiency Vermont, to operate the PACE program, including the processing of all applications and regular billing?
- ARTICLE 22: To transact any other business deemed proper when not involving the expenditures of Town funds or any other business acted upon in the preceding articles.

Adopted and approved at a special meeting of the Selectboard of the Town of Rockingham duly called, noticed and held on January 14, 2016.

Kathleen Neathawk
Kathleen Neathawk, Town Clerk

[Signature]
Thomas MacPhee, Chairperson

Susan Hammond, Vice-Chair

[Signature]
Ann DiBernardo

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Peter Gales

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Joshua Heame

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KATHLEEN NEATHAWK, TOWN CLERK