

**TOWN OF CASTLETON
WARNING**

The legal voters of the Town of Castleton, in the County of Rutland, and the State of Vermont, are hereby warned to meet at the **Jeffords Center for Science & Mathematics Auditorium at Castleton University** in the Town of Castleton on **Monday, March 5, 2018 at 6:30 pm** to act on Articles 1 through 5 and on the first Tuesday in March, being **March 6, 2018 at 8:00 am** at the Town of Castleton Public Safety Building (aka the Castleton Fire Station) at 273 Rte. 30 N in said Town to vote by Australian Ballot on Articles 6 through 54. Polls close at 7:00 pm on March 6, 2018.

Article 1. Shall the Town accept the Town Report as printed?

Article 2. Shall the Town authorize payment of real and personal property taxes to the Town Treasurer in four (4) installments, with the dates for payment being August 31, November 30, February 28 (29 in leap Year) and May 31?

Article 3. Shall the Town authorize the Select Board to borrow money in anticipation of taxes?

Article 4. Shall the Town at this meeting discuss the proposed Select Board's budget for the expenses for the ensuing year?

Article 5. To act upon any business, which may properly come before this meeting?

**THE FOLLOWING ARTICLES WILL BE VOTED ON MARCH 6, 2018 BY AUSTRALIAN BALLOT
ARTICLES 6 - 54.**

Article 6. To elect Officers for the following terms: a Town Agent for 1 year; a 2nd Constable for 2 years; a Grand Juror for 1 year; a Library Trustee for 5 years; a Town Moderator for 1 year; 2 Select Board members for 1 year; a Select Board member for 3 years; a Town Treasurer for 3 years; a Town Clerk for 3 years.

Article 7. To elect 2 School Directors for terms of 3 years; and 2 School Directors for the remaining 2 years of a 3 year term to the Castleton-Hubbardton Union School Board.

Article 8. To elect 1 School Director(s) for a term of 3 years to the Slate Valley Modified Unified Union School District.

Article 9. To elect 1 School Director for the term of 3 years; 1 School Director for the remaining 2 years of 3 year term, 1 School Director for the remaining 1 year of 3 year term to the Fair Haven Union High School Board.

Article 10. Shall the Town appropriate the sum of \$25,375 for Legislating? (Prior Year \$27,357)

Article 11. Shall the Town appropriate the sum of \$2,565 for Ordinances & Proceedings? (Prior Year \$4,065)

Article 12. Shall the Town appropriate the sum of \$167,916 for Managing Municipalities? (Prior Year \$166,703)

Article 13. Shall the Town appropriate the sum of \$11,782 for Conducting Elections? (Prior Year \$9,459)

Article 14. Shall the Town appropriate the sum of \$42,467 for Collection, Custody & Disbursement of Funds?
(Prior Year \$41,834)

Article 15. Shall the Town appropriate the sum of \$86,009 for Accounting? (Prior Year \$84,214)

Article 16. Shall the Town appropriate the sum of \$12,000 for Auditing? (Prior Year \$12,000)

Article 17. Shall the Town appropriate the sum of \$25,138 for Tax Listing? (Prior Year \$25,138)

Article 18. Shall the Town appropriate the sum of \$35,566 for Tax Collecting? (Prior Year \$35,201)

Article 19. Shall the Town appropriate the sum of \$72,081 for Document Recording/Issue? (Prior Year \$73,452)

- Article 20. Shall the Town appropriate the sum of \$20,000 for Legal Services? (Prior Year \$20,000)
- Article 21. Shall the Town appropriate the sum of \$40,100 for Municipal Planning & Zoning?
(Prior Year \$42,891)
- Article 22. Shall the Town appropriate the sum of \$180,780 for General Government Buildings?
(Prior Year \$388,107)
- Article 23. Shall the Town appropriate the sum of \$20,700 for General Government Equipment?
(Prior Year \$18,300)
- Article 24. Shall the Town appropriate the sum of \$450,690 for Police Department? (Prior Year \$442,682)
- Article 25. Shall the Town appropriate the sum of \$36,218 for Emergency Medical Services? (Includes Regional Ambulance Service, Inc. & RAS/Castleton First Responders) (Prior Year \$36,218)
- Article 26. Shall the Town appropriate the sum of \$143,247 for Fire Department? (Prior Year \$121,746)
- Article 27. Shall the Town appropriate the sum of \$11,350 for Emergency Management? (Prior Year \$11,350)
- Article 28. Shall the Town appropriate the sum of \$1,096,164 for Highway Department? (Prior Year \$1,096,164)
- Article 29. Shall the Town appropriate the sum of \$3,500 for Town Lands? (Prior Year \$3,500)
- Article 30. Shall the Town appropriate the sum of \$5,000 for Historical Cemeteries? (Prior Year \$2,000)
- Article 31. Shall the Town appropriate the sum of \$27,000 for Hillside Cemetery? (Prior Year \$25,000)
- Article 32. Shall the Town appropriate the sum of \$1,506 for Health Regulating & Inspecting? (Prior Year \$1,591)
- Article 33. Shall the Town appropriate the sum of \$1,060 for Animal Control? (Prior Year \$1,060)
- Article 34. Shall the Town appropriate the sum of \$36,119 for Constables? (Prior Year \$36,408)
- Article 35. Shall the Town appropriate the sum of \$300,636 for Transfer Station? (Prior Year \$302,518)
- Article 36. Shall the Town appropriate the sum of \$99,729 for Recreation? (Prior Year \$92,561)
- Article 37. Shall the Town appropriate the sum of \$2,150 for Memorial Day Decorations/July 4th Parade?
(Prior Year \$2,000)
- Article 38. Shall the Town appropriate the sum of \$111,500 for Library Administration? (Prior Year \$111,500)
- Article 39. Shall the Town appropriate the sum of \$1,000 for Prevention/Control of Forest Fires?
(Prior Year \$1,000)
- Article 40. Shall the Town appropriate the sum of \$2,864 for Tree Warden? (Prior Year \$3,598)
- Article 41. Shall the Town appropriate the sum of \$40,000 for Rutland County Tax? (Prior Year \$40,000)
- Article 42. Shall the \$51,161 surplus unassigned General Fund balance as of June 30, 2017 be applied as follows:
\$12,750 to Fire Vehicle Reserve, \$17,000 to Police Vehicle Reserve, \$21,411 to Highway Vehicle Reserve?
- Article 43. Shall the Town authorize the Select board to enter into Tax Stabilization Agreements pursuant to 24 VSA §2741 with any existing business or industry wishing to expand its facilities(s) and any new business or industry wishing to locate in Castleton provided that such contract shall be for a term of not more than five (5) years and provided the tax shall not be less than the tax on the existing building & land prior to construction (required 2/3 vote)?

Article 44. Shall the Town vote to take all necessary steps to terminate the Town's participation as a member of the Rutland County Solid Waste District?

Article 45. Shall the Town deem necessary and appropriate \$3,500 for the support of ARC - Rutland Area determining that the program serves the residents of the Town with advocacy, resources and community for citizens with developmental disabilities and their families? (Not included in the budget)

Article 46. Shall the Town deem necessary and appropriate \$3,600 for administrative support of Castleton Cares, Inc., determining that the program serves the residents of the Town with emergency assistance to local people in need. (Not included in the budget)

Article 47. Shall the Town deem necessary and appropriate \$25,000 for the support of Castleton Community Seniors, Inc., determining that the program serves residents of the Town with the operation of the Castleton Community Center (The Old Homestead)? (Not included in the budget)

Article 48. Shall the Town of Castleton vote to raise, appropriate and expend the sum of \$3,500 for the support of the partial funding of Marble Valley Regional Transit Districts (The Bus) public transit service to the residents of the Town? (Not included in the budget)

Article 49. Shall the Town deem necessary and appropriate \$6,720 to support the Rutland Area Visiting Nurses & Hospice (\$550 to support Rutland Area Hospice & \$6,170 to support RAVNAH Home and Community Health Services)? (Not included in the budget)

Article 50. Shall the Town deem necessary and appropriate \$4,088 for the support of Rutland Mental Health Services, determining that the program serves residents of the Town with counseling, substance abuse and emergency services? (Not included in the budget)

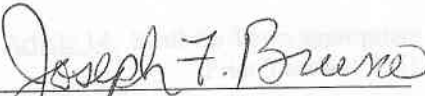
Article 51. Shall the Town deem necessary and appropriate \$900 for the support of RSVP and the Volunteer Center, determining that the program serves residents of the Town with volunteering opportunities and community services? (Not included in the budget)


Article 52. Shall the Town deem necessary and appropriate \$2,000 for the support of Southwestern Vermont Council on Aging, determining that the program serves residents of the Town with elder services? (Not included in the budget)

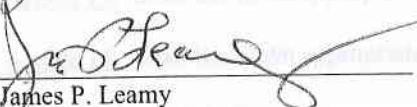
Article 53. Shall the Town deem necessary and appropriate \$1,000 for the support of Vermont Association for the Blind & Visually Impaired, determining that the program serves residents of the Town with services to enable the blind and visually impaired to achieve and maintain independence? (Not included in the budget)


Article 54. Shall the Town deem necessary and appropriate \$2,725 for the support of BROCC-Community Action in Southwestern Vermont, determining that the program serves residents of the Town with weatherization, emergency food and small business development? (Not included in the budget)

Approved by the Select Board at Castleton, Vermont this 25th day of January 2018


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SELECT BOARD