

TOWN OF WEATHERSFIELD, VERMONT

WARNING
ANNUAL TOWN MEETING
MARCH 3RD AND MARCH 4TH, 2008

The legal voters of the Town of Weathersfield, Vermont, are hereby notified and warned to meet at the Weathersfield Elementary School, Vermont Route 106 in Perkinsville, in the Town of Weathersfield, Vermont, on the third day of March, 2008, at 7:30 o'clock, P.M., to act on the following articles:

- Article 1:** Shall the voters of the Town of Weathersfield accept the reports of the Town's officers for the period from July 1, 2006, through June 30, 2007?
- Article 2:** Shall the voters of the Town of Weathersfield authorize the Select Board to borrow money, if necessary, to pay current expenses in anticipation of taxes in accordance with the provisions of Title 24, Section 1786, of the Vermont Statutes Annotated?
- Article 3:** Shall the voters of the Town of Weathersfield authorize the Select Board to expend such grant monies, gifts, or bequests which may be received by the Town of Weathersfield, in accordance with the terms of said grants, gifts, or bequests?
- Article 4:** Shall the voters of the Town of Weathersfield establish a "Town Highways Capital Maintenance and Improvements" reserve fund pursuant to Title 24, Section 2804, of the Vermont Statutes Annotated, to be used to make improvements and perform capital maintenance to Town Highways, allowing the Select Board to expend monies from the fund for that purpose?
- Article 5:** To transact any other business deemed proper when met.

Voting by Australian ballot will be conducted in Martin Memorial Hall, on U.S. Route 5 in Ascutney, on the fourth day of March, 2008 [The polls will be open at 10:00 o'clock, A.M., and will close at 7:00 o'clock, P.M., on that date], to act on the following articles:

- Article 6:** To elect all Town officers as required by law. [By Australian ballot]

Moderator - One (1) Year
Selector - Three (3) Years
Selector - Two (2) Years
Lister - Three (3) Years
Trustee of Public Funds - Three (3) Years
Town Agent - One (1) Year
Grand Juror - One (1) Year
Cemetery Commissioner - Five (5) Years
Library Trustee - Five (5) Years

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- Article 7:** Shall the voters of the Town of Weathersfield fix the compensation for the Select Board at Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) each for the coming year, in accordance with the provisions of Title 24, Section 933, of the Vermont Statutes Annotated? [By Australian ballot]
- Article 8:** Shall the voters of the Town of Weathersfield approve the expenditure of Nine Hundred Fifteen Thousand, One Hundred Four Dollars (\$915,104.00) for the support and operation of the Town's General Fund? Five Hundred Seventy-six Thousand, Three Hundred Sixty-two Dollars (\$576,362.00) shall be raised by property taxation, allowing the Select Board to set the appropriate tax rate. [By Australian ballot]
- Article 9:** Shall the voters of the Town of Weathersfield approve the expenditure of One Million, Twenty-eight Thousand, Three Hundred Fifty-two Dollars (\$1,028,352.00), for the support and operation of the Town's Highway Fund? Eight Hundred Thirty-seven Thousand, Six Hundred Twelve Dollars (\$837,612.00) shall be raised by property taxation, allowing the Select Board to set the appropriate tax rate. [By Australian ballot]
- Article 10:** Shall the voters of the Town of Weathersfield approve the expenditure of Two Hundred Forty-three Thousand, Four Hundred Seventy-four Dollars (\$243,474.00), for the support and operation of the Town's solid waste management facility? These monies shall be raised by the collection of fees, allowing the Select Board to set the appropriate fees for the services. [By Australian ballot]
- Article 11:** Shall the voters of the Town of Weathersfield appropriate funds, not to exceed Sixteen Thousand Dollars (\$16,000.00), to expand law enforcement services? These monies shall be used to provide an additional ten (10) hours per week of law enforcement coverage, and an additional five (5) hours per week of administrative/clerical services. [Not in Budget] [By Australian ballot]
- Article 12:** Shall the voters of the Town of Weathersfield authorize the transfer of the balance of the Upper Falls Covered Bridge Capital Reserve Fund to the Town Highways Capital Maintenance and Improvements Reserve Fund? The current balance is approximately Forty-five Thousand, Eight Hundred Eighteen Dollars and Nineteen Cents (\$45,818.19). [By Australian ballot]

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- Article 13:** Shall the voters of the Town of Weathersfield appropriate funds, not to exceed Twelve Thousand Dollars (\$12,000.00), from the undesignated fund balance for the Proctor Library? These monies shall be used for painting and repairs to the Proctor Library building. [Not in Budget] [By Australian ballot]
- Article 14:** Shall the voters of the Town of Weathersfield appropriate the sum of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00), to be deposited in the Proctor Library Capital Improvements reserve fund? [By request] [Not in Budget] [By Australian ballot]
- Article 15:** Shall the voters of the Town of Weathersfield assess One-half Cent (\$0.005) per One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) of valuation on the Town's Grand List, said funds to be deposited to a reserve fund for the capital maintenance and improvements to Martin Memorial Hall? [Not in Budget] [By Australian ballot]
- Article 16:** Shall the voters of the Town of Weathersfield assess One-half Cent (\$0.005) per One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) of valuation on the Town's Grand List, said funds to be deposited to a reserve fund for the future acquisition of motorized fire apparatus? [Not in Budget] [By Australian ballot]
- Article 17:** Shall the voters of the Town of Weathersfield assess One Cent (\$0.01) per One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) of valuation on the Town's Grand List, said funds to be deposited to a reserve fund for the future acquisition of highway maintenance and repair equipment? [Not in Budget] [By Australian ballot]
- Article 18:** Shall the voters of the Town of Weathersfield assess One-half Cent (\$0.005) per One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) of valuation on the Town's Grand List, said funds to be deposited to a reserve fund for the future reappraisal of the Town as required by Title 32, Section 4041a (b) of the Vermont Statutes Annotated? [Not in Budget] [By Australian ballot]
- Article 19:** Shall the voters of the Town of Weathersfield authorize the Select Board to borrow funds not to exceed the amount of One Hundred Twenty-three Thousand Dollars (\$123,000.00) for a period not to exceed three (3) years for the purpose of purchasing a truck/snowplow for the maintenance of Town highways? This will replace a 1988 Mack truck/snowplow, with one hundred fifty-one thousand, four hundred thirty-eight (151,438) miles. [By Australian ballot]

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- Article 20:** Shall the voters of the Town of Weathersfield authorize the Select Board to borrow funds not to exceed the amount of Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000.00) for a period not to exceed two (2) years for the purpose of purchasing a marked police vehicle? This will replace a 2001 Ford F-150, with one hundred one thousand, eight hundred eighty-seven (101,887) miles. [By Australian ballot]
- Article 21:** Shall the voters of the Town of Weathersfield authorize the Select Board to borrow funds not to exceed the amount of Ninety-Five Thousand Dollars (\$95,000.00) for a period not to exceed five (5) years for the purpose of purchasing a wheeled loader/backhoe for the maintenance of Town highways? This will replace a 1987 Caterpillar wheeled loader/backhoe, with seven thousand, two hundred thirty-one (7,231) operational hours. [By Australian ballot]
- Article 22:** Shall the voters of the Town of Weathersfield appropriate the sum of One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) to support the activities of George D. Aiken Resource Conservation and Development Council, Inc.? R.C. and D. is a not-for-profit organization that helps towns by bringing together the technical, financial, and administrative resources to deal with natural resource conservation and rural and community development issues. [By request] [Not in Budget] [By Australian ballot]
- Article 23:** Shall the voters of the Town of Weathersfield appropriate the sum of Three Hundred Seventy-five Dollars (\$375.00) to support the activities of the Council on Aging for Southeastern Vermont, Inc.? The Council on Aging is a private not-for-profit organization providing services to elders in Windsor and Windham Counties. [By request] [Not in Budget] [By Australian ballot]
- Article 24:** Shall the voters of the Town of Weathersfield appropriate the sum of One Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$150.00) to support the activities of Green-Up Vermont? Green-Up Vermont is a not-for-profit organization that works to enhance the State's natural landscape and waterways, and the livability of our communities by involving people in Green-Up Day and educating about the benefits of a litter-free environment. [By request] [Not in Budget] [By Australian ballot]

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- Article 25:** Shall the voters of the Town of Weathersfield appropriate the sum of Two Thousand, Six Hundred Eighty-three Dollars (\$2,683.00) to support the activities of Health Care and Rehabilitative Services of Southeastern Vermont? Health Care and Rehabilitative Services is a private not-for-profit agency providing community health services to residents in Windsor and Windham Counties. [By request] [Not in Budget] [By Australian ballot]
- Article 26:** Shall the voters of the Town of Weathersfield appropriate the sum of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) to support the activities of New Beginnings, Inc.? New Beginnings is a private not-for-profit agency providing crisis services to victims of domestic and sexual violence, and community prevention education on these issues. [By request] [Not in Budget] [By Australian ballot]
- Article 27:** Shall the voters of the Town of Weathersfield appropriate the sum of One Thousand, Five Hundred Dollars (\$1,500.00) to support the activities of the Rockingham Area Community Land Trust, Inc.? The Rockingham Area Community Land Trust is a not-for-profit organization which maximizes affordable housing opportunities for the people of southeastern Vermont. [By request] [Not in Budget] [By Australian ballot]
- Article 28:** Shall the voters of the Town of Weathersfield appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$250.00) to support the activities of the Stepping Stones Preschool? Stepping Stones Preschool is a not-for-profit organization devoted to excellence in early childhood education. [By request] [Not in Budget] [By Australian ballot]
- Article 29:** Shall the voters of the Town of Weathersfield appropriate the sum of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) to support the court diversion and alcohol safety programs of the Valley Court Diversion Programs [formerly Windsor County Court Diversion]? Court Diversion is a private not-for-profit agency providing counseling, and other services to first-time offenders as an alternative to the judicial system. [By request] [Not in Budget] [By Australian ballot]
- Article 30:** Shall the voters of the Town of Weathersfield appropriate the sum of Seven Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$750.00) to support the activities of the Vermont Association for the Blind and Visually Impaired? The V.A.B.V.I. is a private not-for-profit agency providing comprehensive vision rehabilitation, training and support services for visually impaired Vermonters of all ages. [By request] [Not in Budget] [By Australian ballot]

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- Article 31:** Shall the voters of the Town of Weathersfield appropriate the sum of One Hundred Eighty-five Dollars (\$185.00) to support the activities of the Vermont Center for Independent Living? V.C.I.L. is a private not-for-profit agency providing information and referrals, and 'Meals on Wheels' for people under the age of sixty (60) with disabilities. [By request] [Not in Budget] [By Australian ballot]
- Article 32:** Shall the voters of the Town of Weathersfield appropriate the sum of Thirty Dollars (\$30.00) to support the activities of the Vermont Trails and Greenways Council? The Vermont Trails and Greenways Council is a non-governmental organization which provides a voice for trail interests throughout Vermont and is working to shape the future of recreation in Vermont for all users. [By request] [Not in Budget] [By Australian ballot]
- Article 33:** Shall the voters of the Town of Weathersfield appropriate the sum of Six Hundred Dollars (\$600.00) to support the activities of Windsor County Partners? Windsor County Partners is a community service organization providing one-on-one youth mentoring for Weathersfield children aged ten (10) to seventeen (17) years old. [By request] [Not in Budget] [By Australian ballot]
- Article 34:** Shall the voters of the Town of Weathersfield appropriate the sum of Six Hundred Dollars (\$600.00) to support the activities of the Windsor County Youth Services? W.C.Y.S. is a private not-for-profit agency providing services and shelter to runaway and homeless youth in Windsor County. [By request] [Not in Budget] [By Australian ballot]

Dated at the Town of Weathersfield, Windsor County, State of Vermont, this thirty-first day of January, 2008.

Henry C. Cobb, Jr., Chairperson
Norman John Arrison, Vice-Chairperson

Patricia W. Daniels, Board Clerk
Daniel E. Boyer, Selector

C. Peter Cole, Selector

ATTEST:

Received at Town of Weathersfield this
first of February, 2008.

Flora Ann Dango, Town Clerk