



2023 Town of Dorset, Vermont Warning

Legal voters of the Town of Dorset, County of Bennington, State of Vermont, are hereby warned and notified to meet at The Dorset School, 130 School Drive Dorset, VT on Monday, March 6, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. to transact any business not involving a vote by Australian Ballot and on Tuesday, March 7, 2023 at 7:00 a.m to transact voting by Australian Ballot as required by law. Australian ballot voting will take place at The Dorset School, 130 School Drive Dorset, Vermont. Polls will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Articles (2 & 4) will be voted by Australian Ballot;

Article 1. To hear and accept reports of Town Officers and take proper action on same.

Article 2. To elect Town Officers for the ensuing year. To be voted by Australian Ballot. Officers to be elected as follows:

Moderator, Town _____	1 year term
Select Board Member _____	3 year term
Select Board Member _____	1 year term
Select Board Member _____	1 year term
First Constable _____	1 year term
Town Agent _____	1 year term

Article 3. Shall the voters authorize the collection of property taxes in two (2) installments on September 12, 2023 and March 12, 2024. Payments not received will be subject to 1% interest on September 16, 2023 and 1% interest and 8% penalty on March 16, 2024?

Article 4. Shall the voters approve total highway and general fund expenditures of \$2,820,771 of which \$2,451,621 shall be raised by taxes and \$369,150 by non-tax revenues?

Article 5. Shall the voters appropriate the sum of \$1,000 to support the programs and services of BROCC (Bennington-Rutland Opportunity Council)?

Article 6. Shall the voters appropriate the sum of \$1,000 to Neighbor to Neighbor, a home-based care giving program?

Article 7. Shall the voters appropriate the sum of \$1,600 to the Southwestern Vermont Council on Aging for support of its activities with Dorset Elders?



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- Article 8.** Shall the voters appropriate the sum of \$750 for the support of the Center for Restorative Justice Program?
- Article 9.** Shall the voters appropriate the sum of \$1,000 to support the operations of the Bennington County Coalition for the Homeless?
- Article 10.** Shall the voters appropriate the sum of \$500 for the support of Project Against Violent Encounters for its support of Dorset residents?
- Article 11.** Shall the voters appropriate the sum of \$7,500 to the Dorset Historical Society to support its activities and continued efforts to serve as a cultural resource to our community?
- Article 12.** Shall the voters appropriate the sum of \$850 for the support of the Bennington Area Habitat for Humanity?
- Article 13.** Shall the voters appropriate the sum of \$40,000 for the VNA and Hospice of the Southwest Region (formerly known as Dorset Nursing Association) for support of its services provided to Dorset residents?
- Article 14.** Shall the voters appropriate the sum of \$2,500 to the East Dorset Cemetery Association for the care and maintenance of the cemetery?
- Article 15.** Shall the voters appropriate the sum of \$20,000 to the Dorset Village Library for support of its services provided to Dorset residents?
- Article 16.** Shall the voters appropriate the sum of \$2,000 to the Greater Northshire Access Television (GNAT-TV) for support and defray of costs related to videotaping and television cable cast of the Select Board, School Board, and other municipal meetings?
- Article 17.** Shall the voters appropriate the sum of \$750 to The Collaborative for support of its substance free events and educational programs to middle and high school youth?
- Article 18.** Shall the voters appropriate the sum of \$15,000 to the Dorset Marble Preservation Association for the purpose of restoring Dorset's marble sidewalks?
- Article 19.** Shall the voters appropriate the sum of \$20,000 to the Dorset Players Inc. to help sustain the playhouse preservation and maintenance fund for the ongoing repairs to the Dorset Playhouse?



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- Article 20:** Shall the voters appropriate the sum of \$2,000 to Shire Kids; a program of Dolly Parton's Imaginary Library to help defray the costs of production and mailing of books that are provided to Dorset children from birth to 5 years?
- Article 21:** Shall the voters appropriate the sum of \$13,000 to the Northshire Day School to help defray the cost of early childhood education services in the region?
- Article 22:** Advisory Article on Housing: Should the Town of Dorset consider forming a taskforce on housing to explore options for a housing effort located at Raptor Lane and other areas in the community?
- Article 23:** To transact any other business, to properly come before this meeting.

So approved on this 17th day of January, 2023. By the Dorset Select Board.

Megan Thorn

Henry Chandler

Liz Ruffa

Jim Salsgiver

Frank Parent