

## Warning Annual Town Meeting March 7, 2017

The inhabitants of the Town of Halifax, Vermont who are legal voters in the Town are hereby notified and warned to meet at the Halifax Elementary School in West Halifax, Vermont on Tuesday, March 7, 2017 at ten (10:00 A.M.) o'clock in the forenoon to act on the following business:

ARTICLE 1: To elect by Australian Ballot all Town Officers required by law to be elected at the Annual Town Meeting and to fill all vacancies. The polls will be open from 10:00 A.M. to 7:00 P.M. to vote for the following Town Officers:

<u>Title</u>	<u>Term</u>
Town Moderator	One year
School Moderator	One year
Selectman	Three years
Town Clerk	Three years
Treasurer	Three years
Lister	Three years
Auditor	Three years
Collector of Delinquent Taxes	One year
Town Grand Juror	One year
Town Agent	One year
Trustee of Public Funds	Three years
Cemetery Commissioner	Three years
School Director	Three years

ARTICLE 2: To hear the reports of the Town Officers.

ARTICLE 3: To see if the Town will vote to collect taxes for the Town and Town School District as follows: Taxes will be due on or before September 30, 2017 payable to the Town Treasurer. Taxes will become delinquent after September 30, 2017 and payable with penalties and interest to the Collector of Delinquent Taxes.

ARTICLE 4: To see if the Town will apply any budget surplus from the current fiscal year (FY17) to reduce taxes in the next fiscal year (FY18).

ARTICLE 5: To see if the Town will vote to approve Selectboard and Highway expenditures of \$1,374,562 of which \$1,175,062 shall be raised by taxes and \$199,500 by non-tax revenues to care for the expenses and liabilities of the Town for FY18.

ARTICLE 6: To see if the Town will vote to set the Treasurer's budget for salary and collection of current taxes at \$15,000 plus \$4,000 for expenses for the FY18.

ARTICLE 7: To see if the Town will vote to eliminate the mailing of postcards advising voters when the yearly Town Report is available.

ARTICLE 8: Shall the voters of Halifax vote on changes to the size of the Selectboard by Australian ballot rather than by voice or floor vote?

ARTICLE 9: To see if the Town will vote to contract with a private vendor to provide recycling service to the Town.

ARTICLE 10: To see if the Town will vote to approve the sum of \$7,000 for recycling service to the town.

ARTICLE 11: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000 to support a summer celebration of community life in the Town of Halifax.

ARTICLE 12: To see if the Town will vote to exempt the Trust for Wildlife from property taxation for the ensuing five years pursuant to Title 32 V.S.A. 3840.

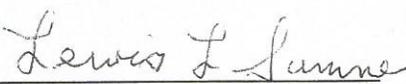
ARTICLE 13: To see if the Town will vote to exempt the Halifax Volunteer Fire Company from property taxation for the ensuing five years pursuant to Title 32 V.S.A. 3840.

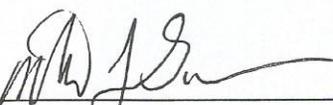
ARTICLE 14: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of:

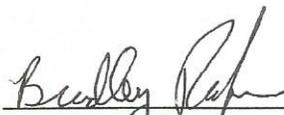
\$ 200	Brattleboro Area Hospice
\$ 550	Senior Solutions (Council on Aging for Southern Vermont)
\$ 700	Woman's Freedom Center
\$ 190	RSVP (Retired Senior Volunteer Program) of Windham County
\$ 750	HCRS (Health Care and Rehabilitative Services)
\$ 200	Youth Services
\$ 50	Green Up Vermont
\$ 250	American Red Cross
\$ 790	Southeastern Vermont Community Action (SEVCA)
\$ 500	The Gathering Place Adult Day Program
\$ 1,900	Visiting Nurse Assn. & Hospice of Vermont & New Hampshire, Inc.
\$ 4,000	Whitingham Free Public Library
\$ 4,000	Halifax EMS
\$ 2,500	Wings Community Programs
\$ 500	Deerfield Valley Community Partnership
\$ 2,000	Halifax Community Club
\$ 500	Deerfield Valley Food Pantry

ARTICLE 15: To transact any other non-binding business that may legally come before the meeting.

Dated at Halifax, Vermont, this 31<sup>st</sup> day of January A.D. 2017.

  
Lewis Sumner

  
Mitchell Green

  
Bradley Rafus

Board of Selectmen  
Town of Halifax, Vermont