

# PUBLIC NOTICE - VOTER INFORMATION

**TUESDAY, MARCH 6, 2018**

# ANNUAL TOWN AND TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT MEETING

**The FLOOR MEETING begins at 10am at Twin Valley Elementary School  
School District meeting first, followed by Town meeting**

## ELECTION OF TOWN & SCHOOL OFFICERS

**The Australian Ballot polls will open at 7:00am and will close at 7:00pm**

**The polling place is located at:** TWIN VALLEY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL  
360 VT ROUTE 100 NORTH, WILMINGTON, VERMONT



**WILMINGTON TOWN CLERK**



### IMPORTANT DATES:

**CHECKLIST:** posted no later than **February 4, 2018**. If your name is not on the checklist, then you must register to vote in order to participate.

**SAMPLE BALLOTS POSTED:** no later than **February 14, 2018.**

**REGISTER TO VOTE:** Anyone wishing to register to vote may do so in person at the Town Clerk's Office during the regular office hours. Registering to vote is also available online at the Vermont Secretary of State's website at <https://www.olvr.sec.state.vt.us/>

**EARLY or ABSENTEE BALLOTS:** You can request early absentee ballots at any time during the election year. The latest you can request ballot(s) for the Town & School Officers Election on March 6, 2018 is the close of the Town Clerk's office on **Monday, March 5, 2018**. You or a family member can request early ballots in person, in writing or by telephone. An authorized person can request ballots for you in writing.

Contact the Town Clerk's office with questions regarding voting. Tel: 464-5836 or by email at [shaughwout@wilmingtonvt.us](mailto:shaughwout@wilmingtonvt.us) or [pjohnson@wilmingtonvt.us](mailto:pjohnson@wilmingtonvt.us)

# NOTICE TO VOTERS

## **BEFORE ELECTION DAY:**

**CHECKLIST POSTED** by February 4, 2018. If your name is not on the checklist, then you must register to vote. **SAMPLE BALLOTS** will be posted by February 14, 2018.

**HOW TO REGISTER TO VOTE:** There is no deadline to register to vote. You can register prior to the election by visiting the town clerk's office or going online to [olvr.sec.state.vt.us](http://olvr.sec.state.vt.us). You may also register to vote on the day of the election at the election polling place.

**REQUEST EARLY or ABSENTEE BALLOTS:** You or a family member can request early or absentee ballots at any time during the year of the election in person, in writing, by telephone, email, or online at [mvp.sec.state.vt.us](http://mvp.sec.state.vt.us). The latest you can request ballots for the Annual Meeting is the close of the Town Clerk's office on Monday, March 5, 2018. (Any other person authorized by you who is not a family member must apply in writing or in person for a ballot for you.)

## **WAYS TO VOTE YOUR EARLY BALLOT:**

- You may vote in the town clerk's office before the deadline.
- Voter may take his or her ballot(s) out of the clerk's office and return in same manner as if the ballots were received by mail.
- Have ballot mailed to you, and mail or deliver it back to the clerk's office before Election Day or to the polling place before 7:00 p.m. on Election Day.
- If you are sick or disabled before Election Day, ask the town clerk to have two justices of the peace bring a ballot to you at your home. (Ballots can be delivered on any of the eight days preceding the day of the election or on the day of election.)

## **ON ELECTION DAY:**

**If your name was dropped from the checklist in error**, or has not been added even though you submitted a timely application for addition to the checklist, you can fill out a new registration form.

! If the clerk or Board of Civil Authority does not add your name, you can appeal the decision to a superior court judge, who will settle the matter on Election Day. Call the Secretary of State's Office at 1-800-439-VOTE (439-8683) for more information.

**If you are a first time voter who submitted your application to the checklist individually by mail and did not submit the required document**, you must provide a current and valid photo identification, or a bank statement, utility bill, or government document that contains your name/current address.

**If you have physical disabilities**, are visually impaired or can't read, you may have assistance from any person of your choice. If any voters you know have disabilities let them know they can have assistance from any person of their choice.

**If you know voters who cannot get from the car into the polling place** let them know that ballot(s) may be brought to their car by two election officials.

**If you have any questions or need assistance while voting, ask your town clerk or any election official for help.**

## **NO PERSON SHALL:**

- ! Vote more than once per election, either in the same town or in different towns.
- ! Mislead the board of civil authority about your own or another person's true residency or other eligibility to vote.
- ! Hinder or impede a voter going into or from the polling place.
- ! Socialize in a manner that could disturb other voters in the polling place.
- ! Offer bribe, threaten or exercise undue influence to dictate or control the vote of another person.

**FOR HELP OR INFORMATION:** Call the Secretary of State's Office at 1-800-439-VOTE (439-8683). (Accessible by TDD)

**If you believe that any of your voting rights have been violated**, you may file an Administrative Complaint with the Secretary of State's Office, 128 State Street, Montpelier, VT 05633.

**If you believe you have witnessed efforts to commit any kind of fraud or corruption in the voting process**, you may report this to your local United States Attorney's Office.

**If you have witnessed actual or attempted acts of discrimination or intimidation in the voting process**, you may report this to the Civil Rights Division of the United States Department of Justice at (800) 253-3931.

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## INSTRUCTIONS FOR VOTERS using Vote Tabulator Ballots

### CHECK-IN AND RECEIVE BALLOTS:

- Go to the entrance checklist table.
- Give name and, if asked, street address to the election official in a loud voice.
- Wait until your name is repeated and checked off by the official.
- An election official will give you a ballot.
- Enter within the guardrail and go to a vacant voting booth.

**MARK YOUR BALLOT:** For each office listed on the ballot, you will see instructions to "Vote for not more than one, or Vote for not more than two, etc."

- To vote for a candidate, fill in the oval to the right of the name of the candidate you want to vote for.
- WRITE-IN candidate(s). To vote for someone whose name is not printed on the ballot, use the blank "write-in" lines on the ballot and either write-in the name or paste on sticker, then fill in the oval.

### CHECK OUT:

- Go to the exit checklist table and state your name in an audible voice.
- Wait until your name is repeated and checked off by the official.

**CAST YOUR VOTE** by depositing your voted ballot into the vote tabulating machine.

**LEAVE** the voting area immediately by passing outside the guardrail.

# 2018 W A R N I N G

## ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

### Wilmington, Vermont Tuesday, March 6, 2018

The legal voters of the Town of Wilmington are hereby notified and warned to meet in the Twin Valley Elementary School in said Wilmington, Vermont, at 10:00 A.M. on Tuesday, March 06, 2018, to consider and act on the following articles not involving voting by Australian Ballot. (Voting for all Australian Ballot articles will be held in the Twin Valley Elementary School in said Wilmington, Vermont, on March 06, 2018, from 7:00 am to 7:00 pm.)

All Town Meeting articles not involving voting by Australian Ballot are to be taken up at the conclusion of the Town School District Meeting.

- Article 1: To elect all Town and Town School District Officers required by law and the vote of the Town. (Australian Ballot - Polls open 7:00 A.M. until 7:00 P.M.)
- Article 2: Shall the Town vote to accept the Town Report.
- Article 3: To see what date or dates will be set for the payment of taxes (8/31/18 and 2/28/19).
- Article 4: Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,202,095 to care for the expenses and liabilities of the General Fund for fiscal year 2019 (7/1/18 to 6/30/19).
- Article 5: Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,410,174 to care for the expenses and liabilities of the Town Road Budget for fiscal year 2019 (7/1/18 to 6/30/19).
- Article 6: Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate \$500 to the Southern Vermont Therapeutic Riding Center whose purpose is to provide riding lessons to children and adults with special needs.
- Article 7: Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate \$250 to Windham Disaster Animal Response Team whose purpose is to shelter animals during major disasters.
- Article 8: Shall the Town vote to continue the recycling at the former garage site for the remainder of the fiscal year.
- Article 9: Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate up to \$27,000 to fund recycling at the former town garage site.
- Article 10: Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate \$265,000 to fund the Highway Town Road Equipment Capital Fund.
- Article 11: Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate \$35,000 to fund the Bridge Capital Fund.
- Article 12: Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate \$125,000 to fund the Fire Department Equipment Capital Fund .
- Article 13: Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate \$5,000 to fund the Fire House Capital Fund.
- Article 14: Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate \$20,000 to fund the Memorial Hall Capital Fund.
- Article 15: Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate \$12,000 to fund the Library Capital Reserve Fund.
- Article 16: Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate \$5,000 to fund the Town Hall Capital Fund.
- Article 17: Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate \$1,000 to fund the Playground Capital Reserve Fund.
- Article 18: Shall the Town vote to combine the Playground Capital Reserve Fund, School Field Capital Reserve Fund, and the Housing Capital Reserve Fund, and all money in said funds, into a single reserve fund to be named Public Lands and Fences Capital Reserve Fund for the purpose of funding maintenance of town parks, forests, fields and fences within the Town of Wilmington.
- Article 19: Shall the Town vote to establish a Reappraisal Reserve Fund, and raise and appropriate \$75,000 for such fund.
- Article 20: Shall the Town vote to establish a Police Equipment Capital Fund with money to be used to purchase equipment for the Police Department, and raise and appropriate \$20,000 for such fund.
- Article 21: Shall the Town vote to establish a Transfer Station Capital Fund with money to be used to purchase equipment, and raise and appropriate \$5,000 for such fund.
- Article 22: Shall the Town vote to establish a Planning and Acquisition for Town Facilities Fund with money to be used to relocate town facilities out of the flood plain and raise and appropriate \$5,000 for such fund.
- Article 23: Shall the Town vote to exempt from town and school taxes, Social Lodge #38 F. & A.M. pursuant to the provisions of Vermont Statutes Annotated Title 32, Section 3840.

Article 24: Shall the Town vote to exempt from town and school taxes, Deerfield Valley Rescue, Inc. at 22 Stowe Hill Rd, pursuant to the provisions of Vermont Statutes Annotated Title 32, Section 3840.

Article 25: To transact any non-binding business.

Dated at Wilmington, Vermont this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of February 2018.

**Selectboard of the Town of Wilmington**

  
Tom Fitzgerald, Chairman

John Gannon, Vice Chair

  
Vince Rice, Secretary

  
Sarah Fisher

  
Ann Manwaring

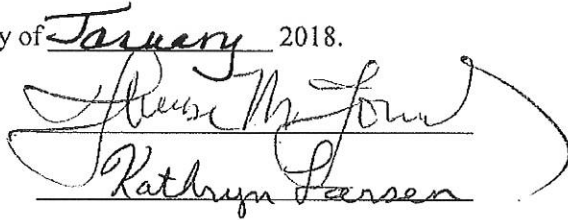
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WILMINGTON TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT**

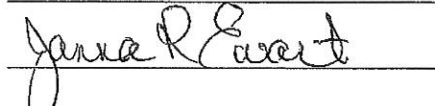
The legal voters of the Wilmington Town School District are hereby notified and warned to meet at the Twin Valley Elementary School in said Town of Wilmington, Vermont on Tuesday, March 6, 2018 between 7:00 a.m. (at which time the polls open) and 7:00 p.m. (at which time the polls close) to act upon Article I by Australian Ballot.

**ARTICLE I**

To elect (1) School Director for a two (2) year term and (1) School Director for a (3) year term, by Australian Ballot

Dated at Wilmington, Vermont this 30 day of January 2018.

  
Kathryn Larsen

  
Jane R. Swart

Wilmington School Directors

