

**WARNING
ANNUAL TOWN MEETING
BRISTOL, VERMONT**

The legal voters of the Town of Bristol are hereby WARNED and NOTIFIED to meet at Holley Hall in said Bristol, on Monday, February 28, 2022 at 7:00 p.m., said meeting to be recessed at the close of all business to be transacted from the floor to the following day, Tuesday, March 1, 2022, between the hours of 7:00 a.m., at which time the polls will open, and 7:00 p.m., at which time the polls will close, to vote by Australian ballot on the following articles of business:

ARTICLE 1: To elect by Australian ballot the following Town Officers as required by law: one Selectboard member for a three-year term; one Selectboard member for a two-year term; two Library Trustees for a three-year term; one School Board member for a two-year term and one School Board member for a three-year term for Mt. Abraham Unified School District; one Moderator for a one-year term; one First Constable for a one-year term; one Second Constable for a one-year term; one Lister for a two-year term; one Lister for a three-year term.

ARTICLE 2: Will the voters of the Town of Bristol vote that all real property taxes payable in installments shall bear interest at a rate of $\frac{3}{4}$ of one percent per month or fraction thereof for the first three months and thereafter one and one-quarter percent per month or fraction thereof from the due date of each installment with the payment of the real property taxes and interest to the Town Treasurer ~~of the real property taxes~~ for the Town's fiscal year period of July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023, real property taxes being due in two equal installments on November 15, 2022 and April 15, 2023 by physical delivery to the Town Office before midnight on that date?

ARTICLE 3: Will the town limit the amount of the penalty charged by the collector of delinquent taxes for payments made after the due date for payment to four percent (4%) of the tax collected pursuant to 32 V.S.A. § 1674(3)(A)?

Commented [T1]: They reduced this to 4% from the floor last year, do we want to keep at 6, or go back to what the voters changed it to in 2020.

ARTICLE 4: Will the voters set the salaries that shall be paid to the members of the Selectboard at the same as FY2021, being \$500 plus \$15 per meeting and \$25 per meeting for the Chair?

ARTICLE 5: Will the voters adopt the proposed 2022-2023 fiscal year Public Works/Highway Fund Operating Budget in the amount of \$xxx,xxx, ~~a portion thereof in the amount of~~ with \$yyy,yyy to be raised by taxes; ~~the tax rate on the 2022 Grand List of the Town sufficient to raise said sum as taxes to be determined by the Selectboard through a tax rate set by the Selectboard on the 2022 Grand List sufficient to raise~~ \$yyy,yyy?

ARTICLE 6: Will the voters adopt the proposed 2022-2023 fiscal year Arts, Parks and Recreation Department budget in the amount of \$xxx,xxx, ~~a portion thereof in the amount of~~ with \$yyy,yyy to be raised by taxes; ~~the tax rate of the 2022 Grand List of the~~

~~Town sufficient to raise said sum as taxes to be determined by the Selectboard through a tax rate set by the Selectboard on the 2022 Grand List sufficient to raise \$yyy,yyy?~~

ARTICLE 7: Will the voters adopt the proposed 2022-2023 fiscal year General Fund Operating Budget in the amount of \$xxx,xxx, ~~a portion thereof in the amount of \$, to be raised by taxes,~~ subject to modification by actions on the previous articles, ~~the tax rate on the 2022 Grand List of the Town sufficient to raise said sum as taxes to be determined by the Selectboard with \$yyy,yyy to be raised by taxes through a tax rate set by the Selectboard on the 2022 Grant List sufficient to raise \$yyy,yyy?~~

ARTICLE 8: Will the voters appropriate the following sums to be placed in various Town Reserve Fund accounts as noted?

<u>Reserve Fund:</u>	<u>Amount:</u>
Capital Building Fund	\$30,000
Capital Fire Equipment Fund	\$25,000
Capital Fire Vehicle Fund	\$100,000
Capital Highway Equipment Fund	\$135,000
Capital Road Fund - Construction	\$40,000
Capital Road Fund – Paving	\$125,000
Capital Sidewalk Fund	\$35,000
Conservation Fund	\$10,000
Reappraisal Fund	\$ 5,000
Technology Fund	<u>\$ 7,000</u>
Total:	\$512,000

ARTICLE 9: Will the voters appropriate the following sums in support of the organizations listed below, with said amounts level funded or lowered from the prior year, pursuant to 24 V.S.A. § 2691?

<u>Organization:</u>	<u>Amount:</u>
Addison County Restorative Justice	\$1,150
Addison County Home Health & Hospice	\$4,700
Addison County Humane Society	\$1,000
Addison County Parent/Child Center	\$4,800
Addison County Readers	\$2,000
Addison County Transit Resources	\$11,306
Addison County River Watch	\$ 300
Age Well (formerly CVAA)	\$2,700
Bristol After School Kid's Program	\$1,275
Bristol Band	\$1,200
Bristol CORE	\$10,000
Bristol Family Center	\$4,000
Bristol Fourth of July Committee	\$6,000
Bristol Historical Society	\$2,500
Bristol Little League	\$2,000

Bristol Recreation Club	\$15,000
Bristol Rescue Squad	\$13,500
Counseling Service of Addison County	\$3,875
Elderly Services	\$2,200
Hope (Helping Overcome Poverty's Effects)	\$3,250
Hospice Volunteer Services	\$1,200
John Graham Shelter	\$1,400
North East Addison Television (NEAT)	\$3,500
Open Door Clinic	\$1,000
Retired and Senior Volunteer Program	\$ 750
Vermont Adult Learning	\$1,650
WomenSafe	\$3,500
Total:	\$105,756

ARTICLE 10: Will the voters approve an appropriation of \$xxx,xxx for the Lawrence Memorial Library for its annual operating budget, said sum to be raised by taxes?

ARTICLE 11: Will the voters appropriate \$29,000 for the Bristol Cemetery Association, Inc. in accordance with 24 V.S.A. §2691 for the purpose of maintaining Greenwood Cemetery (mowing and trimming) in a well-kept manner?

ARTICLE 12: Will the voters appropriate \$3,000 to Turning Point Center of Addison County for the purpose of supporting its mission to assist persons, their families, and their friends in recovery from substance use disorder and addictive behaviors in accordance with 24 V.S.A. §2691?

ARTICLE 13: Will the voters appropriate \$1,500 to the Habitat for Humanity Addison County to build affordable, energy-efficient, and sustainable homes for eligible families?

ARTICLE 14: Will the voters appropriate \$750.00 to the Addison Allies Network, Inc. to migrant farmworkers living in Addison County?

ARTICLE 15: Will the voters of the Town of Bristol ratify the Town of Lincoln's vote of August 24, 2021 to withdraw the Town of Lincoln from the Mount Abraham Unified School District (MAUSD)?

ARTICLE 16: Will the voters require that all social service, civic, and non-profit appropriation requests be individually listed and approved by Australian ballot? (Depending on legislation we may not be able to do this according to training I went to on 1.4.2022) Unless the Legislature passes a new bill, it turns out this question can only be voted on from the floor.

Adopted and approved at a meeting of the Selectboard of the Town of Bristol duly called, noticed and held on January 24, 2022. Received for record and recorded in the records of the Town of Bristol on January 26, 2022.

Bristol Selectboard:

John "Peeker" Heffernan, Chair

Ian Albinson

Joel Bouvier

Michelle Perlee

Darla Senecal

ATTEST:

Sharon Lucia, Town Clerk

To log into the Zoom meeting:
Monday, February 28, 2022, 7:00 p.m.
<https://us02web.zoom.us/>
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