

BUDGET DISCUSSION - CANDIDATES NIGHT

Monday, February 21, 2022, at 7PM

Budget Discussion/Candidates Night is to be held remotely **Monday, February 21, 2022, at 7:00PM.**

This meeting will be conducted in compliance with
Vermont Open Meeting Law with electronic participation.

REMOTE INSTRUCTIONS:

<https://zoom.us/j/549799933> - Please mute your microphone.

[Youtube.com/catv810](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=catv810) – click “live now”.

If you are calling in from phone dial:

(415) 762-9988 Type in Room ID: 549-799-933 followed by #

Press # a second time

Press *9 to raise your hand for public comment

To watch on TV go to Comcast channel 1085

Call to Order & Ground Rules Review by Chuck Wooster, Town Moderator

School Budget by Russ North, School Board Member

Town Budget by Tracy Yarlott-Davis, Town Manager

The 35 minutes allotted for the budget can consist entirely of presentation, or can be split between presentation and questions about specific budget items. For example, if the school takes 15 minutes to present the budget the moderator will entertain up to 20 minutes of questions specific to that budget. These questions will be answered by the presenter only. Questions of a general or policy nature will be postponed to the general Q&A session.

Candidates to present themselves to the Citizens of the Town

Moderator will draw names to determine the order of candidates within each group for contested races. As their name is called, each candidate introduces themselves in a speech of up to 4 minutes.

2 Year Candidate for School Board	2 Year Candidate for Selectboard
Nancy Russell	Rocket
	Ally Tufenkjian
3 Year Candidate for School Board	
Peter Merrill	3 Year Candidate for Selectboard
	Mary Erdei
Town Moderator & School Moderator	Kim Souza
Chuck Wooster	
	5 Year Term W. Hartford Library Candidate
1 of 5 Yr Term W. Hartford Library Candidate	Douglas Eisler
Laura R. Brooks	Veronica Golden

Open Question and Answer Period

Close Meeting

Guidelines for the Question and Answer Period

1. Budget presenter(s) and any School Board or Selectboard member who will be answering budget questions should join candidates on the stage so that everyone will be easily seen and heard on the television broadcast.

2. Each questioner will have a 60 second time limit in which to pose a question directed toward one of these three categories: the town budget, the school budget, or to a specific candidate. If the question asker does not specify, the Moderator chooses primary responder.
3. Budget Questions will be answered by budget presenters, up to 2 minutes for the primary answer.
4. Candidate Questions will be answered by the candidate to whom the question is directed, who will have 60 seconds to answer. Other candidates for the same seat will have 30 seconds to answer.
5. Questioners will not be allowed a second question until everyone's first question has been asked.
6. After all members of the public have asked their first question, a second round may commence as needed.