

**WARNING  
FOR  
ANNUAL TOWN MEETING  
2022**

Voting by Australian ballot is to be held on **Tuesday, March 1, 2022**, at the Hartford High School Gymnasium.

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.

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

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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

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The legal voters of the Town of Hartford are further notified that voter qualification, registration, and absentee voting relative to said Annual Town Meeting shall be as provided in the Town Charter and chapters 43, 51, and 55 of title 17, Vermont Statutes Annotated.

**THE FOLLOWING ARTICLES WILL BE VOTED BY AUSTRALIAN BALLOT ON TUESDAY, MARCH 1, 2022. POLLS OPEN AT 7:00AM AND CLOSE AT 7:00PM.**

DUE TO THE COVID PANDEMIC, VOTERS ARE URGED AND ENCOURAGED TO OBTAIN ABSENTEE AND EARLY BALLOTS FROM THE HARTFORD TOWN CLERK (802)-295-2785 [oneil@hartford-vt.org](mailto:oneil@hartford-vt.org) ON AND AFTER FEBRUARY 9, 2022.

1. To elect the following Town Officers for the ensuing year: Town Moderator for one year; Selectboard Member for two years (two positions); Selectboard Member for three years (two positions); West Hartford Library Trustee for five years (two positions); West Hartford Library Trustee for remaining one year of five years. (By Australian Ballot)
2. Shall the Town authorize total fund expenditures for operating expenses of \$18,253,994.33 (plus any appropriations voted below) of which \$2,698,633 shall be raised by non-tax revenue, \$1,000,000 by unassigned fund balance transfer, and the balance by property tax revenue? (By Australian ballot)
3. Shall the Town appropriate the sum of Eighty-One Thousand Seven Hundred and Fifty Dollars (\$81,750) to be paid to **Advance Transit** for public transportation services? (By Australian ballot)
4. Shall the Town appropriate the sum of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000) to be paid to **Community Access Television, Inc.** for video recording of local government meetings? (By Australian ballot)
5. Shall the Town appropriate the sum of Nine Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$9,500) to be paid to **The Family Place**, for programs for families with young children? (By Australian ballot)
6. Shall the Town appropriate the sum of Four Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$4,500) to be paid to **Good Beginnings of the Upper Valley**, for organization of volunteers to assist families with new babies? (By Australian ballot)

7. Shall the Town appropriate the sum of Eight Hundred Dollars (\$800) to be paid to **Green Mountain Retired Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP)** in support of senior volunteer programs? (By Australian ballot)
8. Shall the Town appropriate the sum of Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000) to be paid to the **Hartford Community Coalition** for community support/education of mental health concerns, reduction of substance misuse, and the Take A Bite Out of Hunger community food program? (By Australian ballot)
9. Shall the Town appropriate the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000) to be paid to the **Hartford Historical Society** for collecting, conserving and displaying the Town's history? (By Australian ballot)
10. Shall the Town appropriate the sum of Seven Thousand Dollars (\$7,000) to be paid to **Headrest** for information, referral and crisis intervention services? (By Australian ballot)
11. Shall the Town appropriate the sum of Nine Hundred Seventy-Seven Dollars (\$977) to be paid to **Public Health Council of the Upper Valley** for ongoing public health coordination for residents in the areas of substance misuse, elder care, oral health, emergency preparedness and healthy living? (By Australian ballot)
12. Shall the Town appropriate the sum of Nine Thousand Dollars (\$9,000) to be paid to **Southeastern Vermont Community Action, Inc. (SEVCA)** to assist Hartford in responding to the emergency needs of the community, and providing all available and applicable services to families and individuals in need? (By Australian ballot)
13. Shall the Town appropriate the sum of Four Thousand Five Hundred Thirty Dollars (\$4,530) to be paid to **Special Needs Support Center of the Upper Valley** to serve children and adults with special needs? (By Australian ballot)
14. Shall the Town appropriate the sum of Six Thousand Eight Hundred Dollars (\$6,800) to **Tri-Valley Transit**, for providing transportation services? (By Australian ballot)
15. Shall the Town appropriate the sum of Nine Hundred Seventy-Five Dollars (\$975) to be paid to **Vermont Association for the Blind and Visually Impaired (VABVI)** in support of blind and visually impaired Vermonters? (By Australian ballot)
16. Shall the Town appropriate the sum of Eight Hundred Forty-Five Dollars (\$845) to be paid to **Vermont Center for Independent Living** in support of Vermonters with disabilities? (By Australian ballot)
17. Shall the Town appropriate the sum of Fifty-One Thousand Dollars (\$51,000) to be paid to **Visiting Nurse and Hospice of Vermont and New Hampshire, Inc.** for home health care and hospice care? (By Australian ballot)
18. Shall the Town appropriate the sum of Four Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$4,500) to be paid to **Windsor County Mentors** for youth mentoring services? (By Australian ballot)
19. Shall the Town appropriate the sum of Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000) to be paid to **Women's Information Service (WISE), Inc.** for ending gender-based violence? (By Australian ballot)
20. Shall the Town authorize the expenditure of exactly \$119,700 of Local Option Tax Revenue Funds for the purpose of assisting various organizations owning or in control of Cemeteries in said Town, to be divided, per their request, as follows? (By Australian ballot)

- Hartford Cemetery Association – \$74,000
- Quechee Cemetery Association – \$24,000
- Mt. Olivet & St. Anthony's Cemeteries Association – \$17,800
- West Hartford Cemetery Association – \$3,900

21. Shall the Town authorize the expenditure of exactly \$200,000 of Local Option Tax Revenue Funds towards the purchase of an ambulance for the Town of Hartford Fire Department? (By Australian ballot)
22. Shall the Town collect General and Highway Tax and the Town School District's Tax on real estate in two installments, the first being on or before August 19, 2022, and the second installment being on or before February 10, 2023, through the Treasurer? (By Australian ballot)
23. Shall the Town pay its Town officers from the General Fund, effective July 1, 2022, pursuant to 24 V.S.A., Section 932: Moderator \$100 per meeting; Board of Civil Authority \$50 per four hour shift or any part thereof; Treasurer \$16,000 per annum; Selectboard \$75 per meeting, with the Chair receiving \$300 additional per annum and the Vice-Chair receiving \$150 additional per annum; such officials will receive mileage reimbursement in the amount equivalent to the rate authorized by the IRS when a town vehicle is not available to them? (By Australian ballot)
24. Shall the Town authorize cannabis retailers in Town pursuant to 7 V.S.A. § 863? (By Australian ballot)

Dated at Hartford, Vermont this 18<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2022.

SELECTBOARD MEMBERS OF THE TOWN OF HARTFORD

Dan Fraser, Selectboard Chair

Joe Major, Selectboard Vice-Chair

Kim Souza, Selectboard Clerk

Dennis Brown, Selectboard Member

Lannie Collins, Selectboard Member

Michael Hoyt, Selectboard Member

Ally Tufenkjian, Selectboard Member