

TOWN OF BERLIN, VERMONT
WARNING AND NOTICE
ANNUAL TOWN MEETING
Tuesday, March 7, 2017

The legal voters of the Town of Berlin are hereby warned and notified to meet at 10:00 AM at the Berlin Elementary School on Tuesday, March 7, 2017 to vote on the following articles. **Articles 1 through 27** shall be voted by Australian ballot. The polls will open at 10:00 AM and close at 7:00 PM. A pre-town meeting to discuss all articles to be voted by Australian ballot is scheduled for 6:00 PM on Monday, March 6, 2017 at the Berlin Elementary School.

Residents may register to vote prior to the election at the Town Clerk's Office or on-line at the Secretary of State's website. Residents may also register to vote at the election site on Town Meeting Day. A voter may obtain an Absentee Ballot by contacting the Town Clerk (229-9298) or coming into the office by 3:30 PM on Monday, March 6, 2017. Absentee Ballots must be received by the Town Clerk no later than the close of the polls at 7 PM on March 7, 2017. Voters wishing to vote absentee should request ballots early.

The articles to be voted by Australian ballot are as follows:

Article 1: To elect the following Town Officers, for the terms specified:

- One (1) Selectboard member for a three (3) year term;
- Two (2) Selectboard members for a one (1) year term each;
- One (1) Town Clerk for a three (3) year term;
- One (1) Grand Juror for a one (1) year term;

Article 2: Shall the Town appropriate \$2,931,871 for necessary Town expenses for the period July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018?

Article 3: Shall the Town appropriate \$247,658 to the Berlin Volunteer Fire Department for payment of necessary expenses from July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018?

Article 4: Shall the Town appropriate \$28,271 to the Kellogg Hubbard Library?

Article 5: Shall the Town appropriate \$10,920 to the Green Mountain Transit Agency?

Article 6: Shall the Town appropriate \$5,700 to Central Vermont Home Health and Hospice?

Article 7: Shall the Town appropriate \$4,600 to the Montpelier Senior Activities Center?

Article 8: Shall the Town appropriate \$4,000 to Just Basics, Inc.? (formerly Meals on Wheels)

Article 9: Shall the Town appropriate \$3,000 to the Central Vermont Council on Aging?

Article 10: Shall the Town appropriate \$1,200 to Central Vermont Adult Basic Education?

Article 11: Shall the Town appropriate \$1,000 to the Barre Area Senior Center?

Article 12: Shall the Town appropriate \$1,000 to the Vermont Center for Independent Living?

Article 13: Shall the Town appropriate \$1,000 to the Central Vermont Memorial Civic Center?

Article 14: Shall the Town appropriate \$975 to CIRCLE?(formerly Battered Women's Services)

Article 15: Shall the Town appropriate \$800 to the Family Center of Washington County?

Article 16: Shall the Town appropriate \$800 to the Good Samaritan Haven homeless shelter?

Article 17: Shall the Town appropriate \$600 to Prevent Child Abuse Vermont?

Article 18: Shall the Town appropriate \$500 to the People's Health & Wellness Clinic?

Article 19: Shall the Town appropriate \$500 to the Vermont Association for the Blind and Visually Impaired?

Article 20: Shall the Town appropriate \$500 to Washington County Youth Services Bureau?

Article 21: Shall the Town appropriate \$500 to Capstone Community Action? (formerly Central Vermont Community Action)

- Article 22:** Shall the Town appropriate \$500 to the Washington County Diversion Program?
Article 23: Shall the Town appropriate \$300 to the Good Beginnings of Central Vermont?
Article 24: Shall the Town appropriate \$300 to the Sexual Assault Crisis Team of Washington County?
Article 25: Shall the Town appropriate \$300 to Home Share Now, Inc.?
Article 26: Shall the Town appropriate \$250 to OUR House of Central Vermont?
Article 27: Shall the Town appropriate \$150 to Green-Up Vermont?

**The following articles will be voted at the traditional Town Meeting, beginning at
10:00 AM on Tuesday, March 7, 2017:**

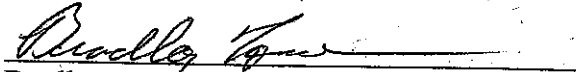
- Article 28:** To elect a Town Moderator for the year ensuing.
Article 29: To hear the reports of the Town Officers for 2016.
- Article 30:** Shall the Town collect its real and personal property taxes, to defray the expenses of the Town for the period July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018 in installments? One-fourth of the taxes to be due, by **delivery** or by **U.S. Postal Service postmark**(no private postal meter postmarks), on or before August 15, 2017, one-fourth of the taxes due on or before November 15, 2017, one-fourth of the taxes due on or before February 15, 2018 and one-fourth due on or before May 15, 2018, with an eight percent (8%) penalty and one percent (1%) interest per month (or portion thereof) to be charged for late payment of any installment?
- Article 31:** To discuss any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

Dated at Berlin, Vermont, this 1st. day of February, 2017.

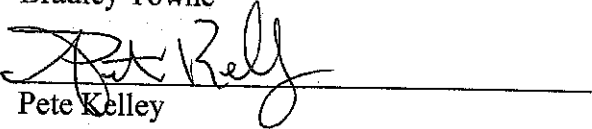
TOWN OF BERLIN SELECTBOARD



Ture Nelson, Chair

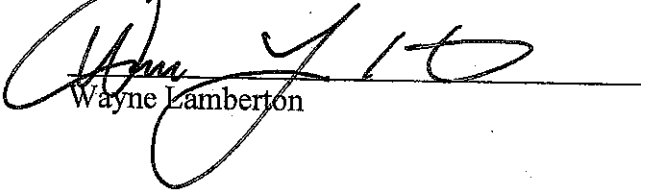


Bradley Towne



Pete Kelley

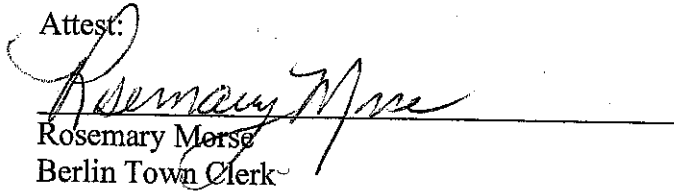
Jeremy Hansen



Wayne Lamberton

Received for posting and recording this 2nd. day of February, 2017.

Attest:



Rosemary Morse
Berlin Town Clerk