

WARNING

**TOWN OF ROCKINGHAM
TOWN MEETING**

**TOWN OF ROCKINGHAM
ANNUAL TOWN AND TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT
MEETING April 1 & 2, 2024**

The legal voters of the Town of Rockingham and Town of Rockingham School District are hereby notified and warned to meet at Town Hall Main Theater (Bellows Falls Opera House, 7 Square) in said Town on Monday April 1, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. to act upon all articles for expenditure of public funds.

Then to adjourn April 2, 2024, to the Masonic Temple (61 Westminster Street) in said Town at 8:00 a.m. to vote.

Monday meeting may also be seen via Zoom at (929) 205-6099 Meeting ID 696 830 477. *Please note voting by Zoom is not permitted.

ARTICLE 1: To elect Town Officers and Town School District Officers as required by law.
(By Australian Ballot)

ARTICLE 2: To receive and act upon the reports of the Town Officers for the past year.

ARTICLE 3: Shall the voters of the Town of Rockingham authorize the Selectboard and Treasurer to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of tax collection, or payment of money due the Town from the State of Vermont for highway or other purposes or payment to the Town from Federal funds.

ARTICLE 4: Shall the voters of the Town of Rockingham authorize the Selectboard to seek out and/or accept funds available from non-property tax revenue sources and to spend those funds in appropriate ways after required public input.

ARTICLE 5: Shall the voters of the Town of Rockingham raise and appropriate the sum of Six Million, Five Hundred Thirty-Six Thousand, Nine Hundred Three Dollars (\$6,536,903) to pay the indebtedness of the Town, repair and maintain highways, and pay all other general and regular expenses of the town beginning July 1, 2024, through June 30, 2025, with Five Million Four Hundred Sixty-One Thousand, and Eight Hundred Forty Dollars (\$5,461,840) to be raised to by taxes?

ARTICLE 6: Shall the voters of the Town of Rockingham raise and appropriate the sum of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000) to be allocated to the Bellows Falls Bike Project for the provision of social services, with the additional recommendations of the Social Services Review Committee and the Town Selectboard?

ARTICLE 7: Shall the voters of the Town of Rockingham raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty-One Thousand Three-Hundred and Eight-Four Dollars (\$21,384) to the Bellows Falls Senior Center for the provision of social services, with the additional recommendations of the Social Services Review Committee and the Town Selectboard?

ARTICLE 8: Shall the voters of the Town of Rockingham raise and appropriate the sum of Four Thousand Dollars (\$4,000) to the Greater Falls Connections for the provision of social services, with the additional recommendations of the Social Services Review Committee and the Town Selectboard?

ARTICLE 9: Shall the voters of the Town of Rockingham raise and appropriate the sum of Three Thousand Dollars (\$3,000) to the Greater Falls Justice Center for the provision of social services, with the additional recommendations of the Social Services Review Committee and the Town Selectboard?

ARTICLE 10: Shall the voters of the Town of Rockingham raise and appropriate the sum of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500) to the Green Mountain Volunteer Center for the provision of social services, with the additional recommendations of the Social Services Review Committee and the Town Selectboard?

ARTICLE 11: Shall the voters of the Town of Rockingham raise and appropriate the sum of Two Thousand Seven Hundred Dollars (\$2,700) to the Health Care and Rehabilitation Services for the provision of social services, with the additional recommendations of the Social Services Review Committee and the Town Selectboard?

ARTICLE 12: Shall the voters of the Town of Rockingham raise and appropriate the sum of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000) to the Meeting Waters YMCA for the provision of social services, with the additional recommendations of the Social Services Review Committee and the Town Selectboard?

ARTICLE 13: Shall the voters of the Town of Rockingham raise and appropriate the sum of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000) to Our Place for the provision of social services, with the additional recommendations of the Social Services Review Committee and the Town Selectboard?

ARTICLE 14: Shall the voters of the Town of Rockingham raise and appropriate the sum of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000) to Parks Place for the provision of social services (by petition filed with Town Clerk), with the additional recommendations of the Social Services Review Committee and the Town Selectboard?

ARTICLE 15: Shall the voters of the Town of Rockingham raise and appropriate the sum of One Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$1,500) to Senior Solutions for the provision of social services, with the additional recommendations of the Social Services Review Committee and the Town Selectboard?

ARTICLE 16: Shall the voters of the Town of Rockingham raise and appropriate the sum of Four Thousand Seven Hundred Seventy Dollars (\$4,770) to Southeastern VT Comm Action (SEVCA) for the provision of social services, with the additional

recommendations of the Social Services Review Committee and the Town Selectboard?

ARTICLE 17: Shall the voters of the Town of Rockingham raise and appropriate the sum of Three Thousand Eight Hundred and Twenty-Five Dollars (\$3,825) to Southeast Vermont Transit (Moover) for the provision of social services, with the additional recommendations of the Social Services Review Committee and the Town Selectboard?

ARTICLE 18: Shall the voters of the Town of Rockingham raise and appropriate the sum of Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$2,500) to Springfield Supported Housing for the provision of social services, with the additional recommendations of the Social Services Review Committee and the Town Selectboard?

ARTICLE 19: Shall the voters of the Town of Rockingham raise and appropriate the sum of One Thousand Three Hundred and Fifty Dollars (\$1,350) to Vermont Adult Learning for the provision of social services, with the additional recommendations of the Social Services Review Committee and the Town Selectboard?

ARTICLE 20: Shall the voters of the Town of Rockingham raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty-Six Thousand and Twenty-Four Dollars (\$26,024) to Visiting Nurse Alliance of VT&NH for the provision of social services, with the additional recommendations of the Social Services Review Committee and the Town Selectboard?

ARTICLE 21: Shall the voters of the Town of Rockingham raise and appropriate the sum of One Thousand Seven Hundred and Fifty Dollars (\$1,750) to Women's Freedom Center for the provision of social services, with the additional recommendations of the Social Services Review Committee and the Town Selectboard?

ARTICLE 22: Shall the voters of the Town of Rockingham raise and appropriate the sum of Two Thousand Three Hundred Dollars (\$2,300) to Youth Services for the provision of social services, with the additional recommendations of the Social Services Review Committee and the Town Selectboard?

ARTICLE 23: Shall the voters of the Town of Rockingham raise and appropriate the sum of Four Hundred Thirty-Six Thousand, Seven Hundred Eighty Dollars (\$436,780) in operating expenses for the support of the Rockingham Free Public Library, Three Hundred Eighty-seven Thousand, Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$387,250) to be raised by taxes?

ARTICLE 24: Shall the voters of the Town of Rockingham authorize the Selectboard to borrow an amount not to exceed One Hundred Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$125,000) for a period of five (5) years to fund the Town portion of the Rockingham Meeting House structural repairs for the purposes of preservation by matching existing grant funding opportunities?

ARTICLE 25: Shall the voters of the Town of Rockingham vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty-Two Thousand Dollars (\$22,000) to fund the Meeting House Capital Reserve Fund, with Twenty-Two Thousand Dollars (\$22,000) to be raised by taxes?

ARTICLE 26: Shall the voters of the Town of Rockingham authorize the Selectboard to borrow an amount not to exceed Two Hundred Eighty Thousand (\$280,000) dollars for a period of five (5) years to fund the purchase of a Highway Grader for the maintenance of roads?

ARTICLE 27: Shall the voters of the Town of Rockingham authorize the Selectboard to borrow an amount not to exceed One Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$150,000) for a period of five (5) years to fund the Town portion of the Bellows Falls Train Station structural repairs for the purpose of public building improvements?

ARTICLE 28: Shall the voters of the Town of Rockingham authorize the Selectboard to borrow an amount not to exceed One Hundred Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$125,000) for a period of five (5) years to fund the Town portion of the Town Hall structural repairs for the purpose of public building improvements by matching existing grant funding opportunities?

ARTICLE 29: Shall the voters of the Town of Rockingham vote to raise and appropriate Six Thousand (\$6,000) dollars to fund a contract with the Windham County Sheriff for the purpose of providing public safety services in the Town of Rockingham, with Six Thousand (\$6,000) dollars to be raised by taxes?

ARTICLE 30: To transact any other business deemed proper when not involving the expenditures of Town funds or any other business acted upon in the preceding articles?

Adopted and approved at a regular meeting of the Selectboard of the Town of Rockingham duly called, noticed, and held on February 20, 2024.

Peter Golec, Chair

Elijah Zimmer, Vice-Chair

Bonnie North

Susan Hammond

Rick Cowan

