

**WARNING FOR THE TOWN OF TOWNSHEND
2010 ANNUAL MEETING**

The legal voters of the Town of Townshend are hereby notified and WARNED to meet at the Town Hall in Townshend, Vermont on Tuesday, March 2, 2010 at 9:00 A.M. to act on the following articles, viz:

ARTICLE I. To choose a Moderator for the ensuing year:

ARTICLE II. To see if the Town will vote to revise the Warning for the 2009 Town Meeting, viz: "The legal voters are hereby notified and Warned to meet at the Town Hall in Townshend, Vermont on Tuesday, March 3, 2009, at 9:00 A.M. to act on the following articles."

ARTICLE III. To act upon the July 1, 2008 - June 30, 2009 Auditors' Report:

ARTICLE IV. To see what salaries the Town will vote to pay its various officials for the ensuing year:

Town Clerk: \$ 31,300.00 / yr
Town Treasurer: \$ 2064.00 / yr
Select Board: (1) Chair: \$ 675.00 / yr
(4) Members: \$ 600.00 / yr
Listers, Auditors, assistants and casual labor: \$ 12.36 / hr

ARTICLE V. To elect all Town Officials for the ensuing year(s):

Town Clerk (1) 1 yr term
Town Treasurer (1) 1 yr term
Select Board: (1) 3 yr term
(2) 1 yr term
Listers: (1) 3 yr term
(1) 2 yr remaining - 3 yr term
Auditors: (1) 3 yr term
Delinquent Tax Collector: (1) 1 yr term
First Constable: (1) 1 yr term
Second Constable: (1) 1 yr term
Town Grand Juror: (1) 1 yr term
Town Agent: (1) 1 yr term
Library Trustees: (1) 5 yr term
Cemetery Commissioner: (1) 5 yr term

ARTICLE VI. To see if the Town will vote to restore the Board of Listers from 3(three) members to 5 (five) members?

ARTICLE VII. To see if the Town will elect a Tax Collector to receive its Real Property Taxes quarterly, August 30, 2010; November 15, 2010; February 15, 2011; and May 15, 2011? Monthly interest will be charged at the rate of one-half percent (1/2%) or fraction thereof; interest of one percent (1%) or fraction thereof plus penalties will commence on May 15, 2011.

ARTICLE VIII. To see if the Town will vote to raise any money, by taxation, to pay for the running expenses and liabilities of the Town, and if so, how much?

ARTICLE IX. To see if the Town will vote to raise any money, by taxation, for the purpose of purchasing a Highway Department truck, and if so, how much?

ARTICLE X. To see if the Town will vote to raise any money, by taxation, for the running expenses and liabilities of maintaining the Town's roads, and if so, how much?

ARTICLE XI. To see if the Town will vote to raise any money, by taxation, to be placed in a Highway Department Capital Reserve Fund for payment toward the future purchases of vehicles and equipment, and if so, how much?

ARTICLE XII. To see if the Town will vote to raise \$1000.00, by taxation, to be placed in a Capital Reserve Fund for the future purchase of office equipment?

ARTICLE XIII. To see if the Town will vote to raise any money, by taxation, for the running expenses and liabilities of the Library, and if so, how much?

ARTICLE XIV. To see if the Town will vote to raise any money, by taxation, to pay for law enforcement services, and if so, how much?

ARTICLE XV. To see if the Town will vote to raise \$ 10,000.00, by taxation, to be placed in the "Act 60: Reappraisal Planning Fund" for payment in preparation of the next, State required, Town-wide reappraisal?

ARTICLE XVI. To see if the Town will vote to raise \$ 10,000.00, by taxation, to be placed in the Capital Expenditure Fund Fire Department Reserve for payment toward a future pumper?

ARTICLE XVII. To see if the Town will vote to raise \$ 1,000.00, by taxation, for the Old Cemetery Fund?

ARTICLE XVIII. To see if the Town will raise any money, by taxation, for the repair and/or replacement of the Town's sidewalks, and if so, how much?

ARTICLE XIX. To see if the Town will vote to raise any money, by taxation, for the support of Social Services as recommended by the Screening Committee?

ARTICLE XX. To see if the Town will vote to raise \$1000.00, by taxation, as a contribution to the Leland & Gray Educational Foundation?

ARTICLE XXI. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to set a tax rate sufficient to cover all monies raised for municipal entities for the period July 1, 2010 through June 30, 2011, and to borrow money in anticipation of taxes?

ARTICLE XXII. To see if the Town will vote to exempt from taxation the real estate of Blazing Star Lodge #23, located at 1968 Vermont Route 30?

ARTICLE XXIII. To see if the Town will vote to extend property tax relief to qualifying disabled Veterans who request said relief by an increase in the reduction of their property valuation from \$20,000, to \$40,000?

ARTICLE XXIV. To see if the Town will authorize the Board of Selectmen to sell or convey properties acquired by the Town through tax sales and to execute, acknowledge and deliver deed and other transfer documents upon such terms and conditions as the Board of Selectmen may deem to be in the interest of the Town?

ARTICLE XV. To see if the Town will authorize the Board of Selectmen to acquire, by gift or purchase, land for municipal forest, to promote reforestation, water conservation and good forestry practices?

ARTICLE XXVI. To transact any other non-binding business to properly come before said Meeting?