

**TOWN OF EAST MONTPELIER  
ARTICLES OF WARNING FOR ANNUAL TOWN MEETING  
March 4, 2014**

The legal voters of the Town of East Montpelier, Vermont are hereby warned to meet at the U-32 Middle/High School, 930 Gallison Hill Road in said Town, on **Tuesday**, the **fourth (4th)** day of **March, 2014** at **9:30 AM** to transact the following business and to vote by Australian Ballot from 7:00 AM to 7:00 PM on those Articles so noted:

ARTICLE 1: To elect all necessary officers for the ensuing year. (To be voted by Australian Ballot)

Town Moderator, 1-year term  
School District Moderator, 1-year term  
Selectboard Member, 3-year term  
Selectboard Member, 2-year term  
Lister, 3-year term  
Auditor, 3-year term  
Trustee of Public Funds, 2 of 3-year term (position vacated in 2013)  
Trustee of Public Funds, 3-year term  
Town Law Agent, 1-year term  
Town Grand Juror, 1-year term  
First Constable, 1-year term  
Second Constable, 1-year term  
Cemetery Commissioner, 5-year term  
Planning Commissioner, 2 of 3-year term (position vacated in 2014)  
Planning Commissioner, 3-year term  
Planning Commissioner, 3-year term  
Planning Commissioner, 3-year term  
EM Elementary School Director, 3-year term  
EM Elementary School Director, 2-year term  
U-32 School Director, 3-year term

ARTICLE 2: To hear the reports of several Town Officers and to act thereon.

ARTICLE 3: Shall the Town raise the sum of **\$1,483,545** as proposed by the Selectboard, for laying out and repairing highways and for other necessary Town expenses for fiscal year 2015 (July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2015). (To be voted by Australian Ballot)

ARTICLE 4: Shall the Town raise **\$75,000** for the Capital Reserve Fund. (To be voted by Australian Ballot)

- ARTICLE 5: Shall the Town raise the sum of **\$36,775** for Kellogg-Hubbard Library for the support of the Kellogg-Hubbard Library. (To be voted by Australian Ballot)
- ARTICLE 6: Shall the Town adopt the proposed East Montpelier Town Charter as recommended by the East Montpelier Charter Committee and accepted by the East Montpelier Selectboard. (To be voted by Australian Ballot)
- ARTICLE 7: Shall the Town authorize all property taxes for the fiscal year 2015 to be paid to the Treasurer, without discount in two installments and received by the Town Treasurer at the East Montpelier Municipal Building as follows: The first installment will be due on or before 5:00 PM Monday, November 17, 2014 and the second installment will be due on or before 5:00 PM Friday, May 15, 2015.
- ARTICLE 8: Shall the Town authorize the Selectboard to hold any audited fund balance as of June 30, 2014 in a reserve fund to be expended under the control and direction of the Selectboard to cover unanticipated revenue shortfalls and to pay unanticipated general and highway expenses, in accordance with 24 V.S.A. §2804(a).
- ARTICLE 9 Shall the Town adopt the proposed East Montpelier Conflict of Interest Ordinance as recommended by the East Montpelier Charter Committee and accepted by the East Montpelier Selectboard.
- ARTICLE 10: Shall the Town raise the sum of **\$4,400** for the Four Corners Schoolhouse Association for operating expenses during fiscal year 2015.
- ARTICLE 11: Shall the Town raise the sum of **\$7,000** for the East Montpelier Cemetery Commission for the support and maintenance of Town cemeteries during fiscal year 2015.
- ARTICLE 12: Shall the Town raise the sum of **\$9,000** for the East Montpelier Signpost to provide for the production and mailing of six issues of the East Montpelier Signpost for each East Montpelier resident household and non-resident property owner during fiscal year 2015.

ARTICLE 13: Shall the Town raise the amounts listed below as recommended by the Town's Funding Request Study Committee, or what other amounts, for the following organizations for fiscal year 2015.

a) American Red Cross	\$ 250
b) Central Vermont Adult Basic Education	\$ 750
c) Central Vermont Community Action Council	\$ 500
d) Central Vermont Community Land Trust	\$ 150
e) Central Vermont Council on Aging	\$ 1,600
f) Central Vermont Home Health & Hospice	\$ 5,500
g) Central Vermont Memorial Civic Center	\$ 1,000
h) Circle (formerly Battered Women's Services & Shelter)	\$ 675
i) Community Connections	\$ 2,500
j) Family Center of Washington County	\$ 500
k) Friends of the Winooski River	\$ 200
l) Green Mountain Transit	\$ 1,366
m) Green Up Vermont	\$ 150
n) Home Share Now	\$ 600
o) North Branch Nature Center	\$ 750
p) Onion River Food Shelf	\$ 1,000
q) People's Health and Wellness Clinic	\$ 1,250
r) Prevent Child Abuse Vermont	\$ 300
s) Project Independence	\$ 250
t) Retired & Senior Volunteer Program	\$ 275
u) Sexual Assault Crisis Team	\$ 250
v) Twin Valley Senior Center	\$ 750
w) Vermont Association for the Blind & Visually Impaired	\$ 100
x) Vermont CARES	\$ 150
y) Vermont Center for Independent Living	\$ 245
z) Washington County Diversion Program	\$ 450
aa) Washington County Youth Service Bureau	\$ 400
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$21,911</b>

ARTICLE 14: Shall the Town raise the sum of **\$5,800** for the Montpelier Senior Activity Center for operating expenses during fiscal year 2015.

ARTICLE 15: Shall the Town raise the sum of **\$8,333** as its share of the annual ongoing cost of providing the Green Mountain Transit Agency commuter bus service along Route 2 with service into Montpelier. This appropriation funds a portion of the total cost of the service, which will also be supported by appropriations from other towns, State and Federal funds, and rider fares.

ARTICLE 16: Shall the Voters of the Town of East Montpelier support the following request to the Vermont Legislature:

**Whereas** the establishment of a Public Bank in Vermont will help towns reduce the local tax burden by offering low cost bonds for public works and a depository for their accounts with competitive interest,

**Whereas** a Public Bank that makes loans and investments in Vermont's people and our economy will help create jobs, income, and economic security for all Vermonters,

We call on the State Legislature to create a Public Bank for Vermont that enhances the work of the Vermont Economic Development Authority, the Vermont Student Assistance Corporation, the Vermont Housing Finance Agency, the Municipal Bond Bank, and Vermont chartered community banks and credit unions by accepting deposits from the state and municipal governments and making loan programs available for students, homeowners, municipalities and enterprises to make Vermont economically stable, self-reliant, and successful.

ARTICLE 17: To transact any other business that may properly come before the meeting.

**EAST MONTPELIER TOWN / SCHOOL FORUM**  
**SATURDAY, MARCH 1, 2014**  
**9:30 AM at the U-32 Middle/High School**  
**930 Gallison Hill Road, East Montpelier**

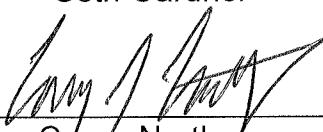
The Citizens of East Montpelier are invited to attend a Public Hearing and Informational Meeting concerning Australian Ballot Articles and other Warned Articles for the **March 4, 2014 Town and School Meeting**. Candidates for Town and School Offices will be introduced. The School will be first on the Agenda at the Forum, as well as at Town Meeting, followed by the Town.

Dated at East Montpelier, Vermont, this 27<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2014.

**East Montpelier Selectboard:**



Seth Gardner



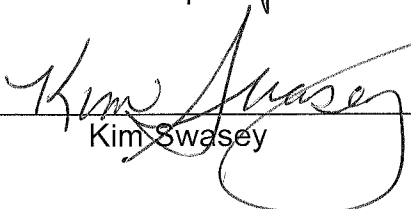
Casey Northrup



Carl Etnier



Steve Sparrow



Kim Swasey

East Montpelier Town Clerk's Office, 28 day of January A.D. 2014 at 9:33 AM received the foregoing East Montpelier Annual Town Meeting Warning for posting as required by law.



**Attest: Teresa E. Conti Town Clerk**