TOWN OF EAST MONTPELIER ARTICLES OF WARNING FOR ANNUAL TOWN MEETING March 1, 2016

The legal voters of the Town of East Montpelier, Vermont are hereby warned to meet at the East Montpelier Elementary School in said Town, on **Tuesday**, the **first** (1st) day of **March, 2016** 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
Selectboard Member, 3-year term
Selectboard Member, 2-year term
Lister, 3-year term
Auditor, 3-year term
First Constable, 1-year term
Second Constable, 1-year term
Cemetery Commissioner, 5-year term
Planning Commissioner, 1 of 3-year term
Planning Commissioner, 3-year term
Planning Commissioner, 3-year term
Planning Commissioner, 3-year term
Collector of Delinquent Taxes, 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 **\$1,667,039** as proposed by the Selectboard, for laying out and repairing highways and for other necessary Town expenses for fiscal year 2017 (July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017). (To be voted by Australian Ballot)
- ARTICLE 4: Shall the Town raise the sum of **\$38,614** for Kellogg-Hubbard Library for the support of the Kellogg-Hubbard Library. (To be voted by Australian Ballot)
- ARTICLE 5: Shall the Town authorize all property taxes for the fiscal year 2017 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 Tuesday, November 15, 2016 and the second installment will be due on or before 5:00 PM Monday, May 15, 2017.

- ARTICLE 6: Shall the Town disband the Recreation Board with the board's responsibilities transferred to an independent non-profit organization.
- ARTICLE 7: Shall the Town raise the sum of \$10,000 for the Land Conservation Fund.
- ARTICLE 8: Shall the Town raise the sum of **\$4,200** for the Four Corners Schoolhouse Association for operating expenses during fiscal year 2017.
- ARTICLE 9: 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 2017.
- ARTICLE 10: Shall the Town raise the sum of **\$7,800** 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 2017.
- ARTICLE 11: Shall the Town raise the sum of **\$4,000** for East Montpelier Trails, Inc. for the enhancement, development, and maintenance of the trail network in East Montpelier during fiscal year 2017.
- ARTICLE 12: Shall the Town raise the sum of **\$5,000** for the Montpelier Senior Activity Center for operating expenses during fiscal year 2017.
- ARTICLE 13: Shall the Town raise the sum of **\$5,500** for Central Vermont Home Health & Hospice for operating expenses during fiscal year 2017.
- ARTICLE 14: Shall the Town raise the sum of **\$8,333** as its fiscal year 2017 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 15: 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 2017.

1)	American Red Cross	\$ 250
2)	Capstone Community Action	\$ 500
3)	Central Vermont Adult Basic Education	\$ 750
4)	Central Vermont Council on Aging	\$ 1,875
5)	Central Vermont Memorial Civic Center	\$ 1,000
6)	Circle	\$ 675

7) Downstreet Housing & Community Development	\$	150	
8) East Montpelier Community Connections	\$	2,500	
9) Family Center of Washington County	\$	500	
10)Friends of the Winooski River	\$	200	
11)Girls/Boyz First Mentoring	\$	300	
12)Good Beginnings of Central VT	\$	300	
13)Good Samaritan Haven	\$	750	
14)Green Mountain Transit	\$	1,366	
15)Green Up Vermont	\$	150	
16)Home Share Now	\$	800	
17)North Branch Nature Center	\$	750	
18)Onion River Food Shelf	\$	1,000	
19)OUR House of Central VT	\$	250	
20)People's Health and Wellness Clinic	\$	1,250	
21)Prevent Child Abuse Vermont	\$	300	
22)Project Independence	\$	250	
23)Sexual Assault Crisis Team	\$	250	
24)Twin Valley Senior Center	\$	1,500	
25)Vermont Association for the Blind & Visually Impaired	\$	150	
26)Vermont CARES	\$	150	
27)Vermont Center for Independent Living	\$	245	
28)Washington County Diversion Program	\$	450	
29)Washington County Mental Health Services	\$	800	
30)Washington County Youth Service Bureau	\$	400	
TOTAL		\$19,811	

ARTICLE 16: To transact any other business that may properly come before the meeting.

EAST MONTPELIER TOWN / SCHOOL FORUM SATURDAY, February 27, 2016 9:30 AM at the East Montpelier Elementary School 665 Vincent Flats 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 1, 2016 Town and School Meeting.** Candidates for Town and School Offices will be introduced. The Town will be first on the Agenda at the Forum, as well as at Town Meeting, followed by the School.

Dated at East Montpelier, Vermont, this 18th day of January, 2016.

East Montpelier Selectboard:

Seth Gardner

Casey Northrup

Carl Etnier

Kim Swasev

Gene Troia

East Montpelier Town Clerk's Office, day of January A.D. 2016 at 10:15A M received the foregoing East Montpelier Annual Town Meeting Warning for posting as required by law.

Attest: Teresa E. Conti Town Clerk