

**ANNUAL MEETING
TOWN OF MORETOWN
MARCH 07, 2023**

The inhabitants of the Town of Moretown who are legal voters in the Town are hereby notified and warned of the Town Meeting at the Moretown Elementary School on March 7th, 2023 at 9:00 a.m. to act on the articles listed below. Voting on articles to be decided by Australian ballot shall take place at the Moretown Town Office on School Street from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Meeting called to order at 9:05 AM

Article 1: To elect a moderator to preside at the meeting of the Town whose term of office shall be for the ensuing year.

Rae nominated Steve Magill. Kim Summers seconded. All were in favor.

Article 2: To elect the following offices: Two Selectboard members for 1-year term; One Selectboard member for 3-year term; One Town Clerk for 3-year term; One Town Treasurer for a 3-year term; One Trustee of Public Money for 1-year term; One Delinquent Tax Collector for 1-year term; One Cemetery Commissioner for a 3-year term; One 2nd Constable for a 1-year term; Two Library Trustees for 1-year term; and One Library Trustee for 3-year term;

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Article 3: Shall the Town of Moretown set the tax warrant date on real property to be November 01, 2023, and that such taxes be paid to the Town Treasurer in one installment due, payable and postmarked by November 01, 2023, without discount, and that interest be charged at the maximum allowed by statute, not to exceed one and one-half percent per month?

Chuck Burt so moved. Diana Costello seconded. All were in favor.

Article 4: Shall the voters of the Town of Moretown vote to change the delinquent tax penalty levied to a graduated commission schedule pursuant to 32 V.S.A. Section 1674 (3), to 4% for the first 30 days following the tax due date, and 8% thereafter?

Chuck Burt so moved. Diana Costello seconded. All were in favor.

Article 5: Shall the voters of the Town of Moretown vote the sum of \$1,455,103 for the support of the Town, for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2023, for any operating expenses and other obligations?

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Article 6: Shall the Town of Moretown establish a reserve fund to be called the "Survey Fund" to be formed and administered in accordance with 24 V.S.A § 2804 and to be used for any surveys of lands, roads or /trails and other uses allowed by 24 V.S.A. § 2804?

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Article 7: Shall the Town of Moretown appropriate the sum of \$10,000 to fund the Survey Fund?

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Article 8: Shall the voters of the Town of Moretown authorize its Selectboard to expend a sum of money not to exceed \$275,000 plus interest for the purchase of a Truck for highway maintenance/work, and in its best judgment, finance this expense by arranging a loan for a term of not more than 5 years?

Voting to be by Australian ballot.

Article 9: Shall the voters of the Town of Moretown appropriate the sum of \$25,000 to help support the Neck of the Woods Childcare and Early Education Center?

Voting to be by Australian ballot.

Article 10: Shall the Town of Moretown appropriate the sum of \$10,000 to fund the Maintenance Reserve Fund?

Voting to be by Australian ballot.

Article 11: Shall the Town of Moretown adopt the proposed amendments to the "Zoning & Subdivision Regulations for the Town of Moretown" dated December 21, 2022?

Voting to be by Australian ballot. The amendments are posted at the Town Office and also available on the town website: <https://www.moretownvt.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/01/Proposed-Amendments-to-Moretown-Zoning-Subdivision-Regulations-12-21-22-1.pdf> available for viewing at the Town Office.

Article 12: Shall the voters of the Town of Moretown authorize its Selectboard to expend a sum of money not to exceed \$10,000 plus interest and arrange financing for not more than 5 years, for the purchase of SCBA (Self Contained Breathing Apparatus) for the Moretown Volunteer Fire Department?

Voting to be by Australian ballot.

Article 13: Shall the voters of the Town of Moretown vote to set aside the sum of \$10,000 for the repair and upkeep of the bridges and culverts of the town?

Voting to be by Australian ballot.

Article 14: Shall the voters of the Town of Moretown appropriate the sum of \$400.00 to help support the work of Capstone Community Action Inc., formerly known as Central Vermont Community Action Council, Inc.?

Chuck Burt so moved. Diana Costello seconded. All were in favor.

Article 15: Shall the voters of the Town of Moretown appropriate the sum of \$500.00 to help support the work of Vermont Association for the Blind and Visually Impaired?

Karen Sharpwolf so moved. Diana Costello seconded. All were in favor.

Article 16: Shall the voters of the Town of Moretown appropriate the sum of \$1,400.00 to help support the work of Central Vermont Council on Aging, Inc.?

Deborah Feldman so moved. Kim Summers seconded. All were in favor.

Article 17: Shall the voters of the Town of Moretown appropriate the sum of \$350.00 to help support the work of the Washington County Diversion Program?

Cari Fryberg so moved. Deborah Feldman seconded. All were in favor.

Article 18: Shall the voters of the Town of Moretown appropriate the sum of \$150.00 to help support the work of Washington County Youth Service Bureau / Boys & Girls Club?

Kate Luscomb so moved. Steve Sharp seconded. All were in favor.

Article 19: Shall the voters of the Town of Moretown appropriate the sum of \$3,750.00 to help support the work of Central Vermont Home Health and Hospice?

Jeff Watt so moved. Mike Woods seconded. All were in favor.

Article 20: Shall the voters of the Town of Moretown appropriate the sum of \$1,200.00 to help support the work of Central Vermont Adult Basic Education?

Cari Fryberg so moved. Diana Costello seconded. All were in favor.

Article 21: Shall the voters of the Town of Moretown appropriate the sum of \$300.00 to help support the work of Good Beginnings of Central Vermont?

Susan McKnight so moved. Cari Fryberg seconded. All were in favor.

Article 22: Shall the voters of the Town of Moretown appropriate the sum of \$500.00 to help support the work of Family Center of Washington County?

Dee Ja Cowles so moved. Clarence Wood seconded. All were in favor.

Article 23: Shall the voters of the Town of Moretown appropriate the sum of \$700.00 to help support the work of People's Health & Wellness Clinic?

Mary Larsen so moved. Judy Daly seconded. All were in favor.

Article 24: Shall the voters of the Town of Moretown appropriate the sum of \$500.00 to help support the work of Circle (formerly Battered Women's Services and Shelter)?

Maxine Grad so moved. Kim Summers seconded. All were in favor.

Article 25: Shall the voters of the Town of Moretown appropriate the sum of \$400.00 to help support the work of Prevent Child Abuse Vermont?

Clarence Wood so moved. Diana Costello seconded. All were in favor.

Article 26: Shall the voters of the Town of Moretown appropriate the sum of \$300.00 to help support the work of MOSAIC?

Diana Costello so moved. Lise Wexler seconded. All were in favor.

Article 27: Shall the voters of the Town of Moretown appropriate the sum of \$1100.00 to help support the work of the Montpelier Senior Activity Center?

Steve Sharp so moved. Cari Fryberg seconded. All were in favor.

Article 28: Shall the voters of the Town of Moretown appropriate the sum of \$1,500.00 to help support the work of the Mad River Valley Senior Center and Meals on Wheels program?

Bob Holden so moved. Clarence Wood seconded. Dara Torre wanted to amend the motion to \$2,500. Steve said that it was not germane. Steve was then over ruled by Dee Ja Cowles, Cory Stephenson seconded. All were in favor.

Dara amended the motion to \$2,500 to the Mad River Valley Senior Center. Clarence Wood seconded. All were in favor.

Article 29: Shall the voters of the Town of Moretown appropriate the sum of \$750.00 to Mad River Valley Television to help fund the cost to record and make Moretown public meetings available for viewing, on MRVTV's TV channels and website?

Kate Luscomb so moved. Karen Horn seconded. All were in favor.

Article 30: Shall the voters of the Town of Moretown appropriate the sum of \$4,999.00 to help support the work of the Waterbury Area Senior Center's Meals on Wheels Program?

Diana Costello so moved. Judy Daly seconded. All were in favor.

Article 31: Shall the voters of the Town of Moretown appropriate the sum of \$100.00 to help support the work of Green Up Vermont?

Bob Holden so moved. Diana Costello seconded. All were in favor.

Article 32: Shall the voters of the Town of Moretown appropriate the sum of \$1200.00 to help support Washington County Mental Health?

Susan McKnight so moved. Karen Sharpwolf seconded. All were in favor.

Article 33: Shall the voters of the Town of Moretown appropriate the sum of \$350.00 to help support Community Harvest of Central Vermont?

Cari Fryberg so moved. Carl Yalicki seconded. All were in favor.

Article 34: Shall the voters of the Town of Moretown appropriate the sum of \$775.00 to help support Green Mountain Transit?

Judy Daly so moved. Diana Costello seconded. All were in favor.

Article 35: Shall the voters of the Town of Moretown appropriate the sum of \$3,000 to help support the Spring Hill School?

Katherine Little so moved. Lise Wexler seconded. All were in favor.

Adjourn: Steve Magill made motion to adjourn, Mike Woods so moved. Steve Sharp seconded. All were in favor.

