

**WARNING**  
**City of Newport, Vermont**  
**102<sup>nd</sup> Annual Meeting**  
**March 3, 2020**

The legal voters of the City of Newport, Vermont in the County of Orleans, State of Vermont, are hereby notified and warned to meet at the Municipal Building in said City of Newport on Tuesday, March 3, 2020 at 8:00 AM to act on the following business:

**Article 1**

To elect by Australian Ballot System in accordance with provisions of the Charter of the City of Newport, Vermont as amended, and Title 17 VSA, Chapter 55, sec 2630, the following officers:

Two Council Members for two years ensuing, One Trustee to Union High School District 22 for three years ensuing, One Trustees to Newport City School District for three years ensuing, One Trustee to Newport City School District for one year ensuing, A Constable for one year ensuing and Three Grand Jurors for three years ensuing.

**Article 2**

Shall the City compensate the Mayor and Council Members serving the City of Newport for the ensuing year as follows: for the Mayor, two thousand dollars (\$2,000), for the Council Member serving as Council President, one thousand seven hundred fifty dollars (\$1,750), for the remaining Council Members, one thousand five hundred dollars (\$1,500)?

**Article 3**

Shall the voters of the City of Newport approve a budget of four million seventy nine thousand eight hundred sixteen dollars (\$4,079,816) for the general operation and to cover liabilities of the City, including amounts approved by the voters as appropriations or assessments, and authorize the City to assess a tax, in addition to amounts the City Council is by law authorized to assess, sufficient to provide funds for the same?

**Article 4**

Shall the voters of the City of Newport School District authorize the Newport City School Board to expend Six million one hundred eighty two thousand four hundred twelve dollars and eighty four cents (\$6,182,412.84) which is the amount the School Board has determined to be necessary for the ensuing fiscal year and direct the City to assess a tax sufficient to pay the same?

It is estimated that this proposed budget, if approved, will result in education spending of fifteen thousand nine hundred fifty-nine dollars \$(15,959) per equalized pupil. This projected spending per equalized pupil is 18.4% higher than spending for the current year.

**Article 5**

Shall the voters of the City of Newport grant property tax exemption to the Newport Masonic Temple Association, a non-profit organization located at 41 Masonic Lane for a period of three years to support the charitable work of its member organizations?

**Article 6**

Shall the City of Newport appropriate the sum of one hundred ten thousand dollars (\$110,000) to help defray the operational expenses of the Goodrich Memorial Library and direct the City to assess a tax sufficient to pay the same?

**Article 7**

Shall the City of Newport appropriate the sum of seventeen thousand five hundred dollars (\$17,500) to Orleans Essex VNA & Hospice, Inc. for the services of Skilled Nursing, Physical Therapy, Speech Therapy, Occupational Therapy, Medical Social Work, Licensed Nurse's Aides, Homemaker and Personal Care Attendants, Hospice and Maternal Child Health Programs and other community health programs provided by the agency and direct the City to assess a tax sufficient to pay the same?

**Article 8**

Shall the City of Newport appropriate the sum of eleven thousand dollars (\$11,000) to Rural Community Transportation (RCT) for services provided to residents of the City of Newport and direct the City to assess a tax sufficient to pay the same?

**Article 9**

Shall the City appropriate the sum of two thousand dollars (\$2,000) to Orleans County Citizens Advocacy for building and supporting one-to-one long term independent relationships between unpaid community members and individuals with developmental disabilities so that all are heard, respected, included and empowered and direct the City to assess a tax sufficient to pay the same?

**Article 10**

Shall the City of Newport appropriate the sum of seven thousand dollars \$(7,000) to assist the Northeast Kingdom Council on Aging in providing services to senior citizens during the ensuing year and direct the City to assess a tax sufficient to pay the same?

**Article 11**

Shall the City of Newport appropriate the sum of four thousand eight hundred eighteen dollars (\$4,818) to support Northeast Kingdom Human Services, Inc. a non-profit 501-C3 organization, to assist in providing Psychiatric Mental Health Services to residents of Caledonia, Essex and Orleans Counties and direct the City to assess a tax sufficient to pay the same?

**Article 12**

Shall the City of Newport appropriate the sum of one thousand four hundred dollars (\$1,400) to the Orleans County Historical Society to assist in maintaining the Old Stone House and its educational programs and direct the City to assess a tax sufficient to pay the same?

**Article 13**

Shall the City of Newport vote to appropriate the sum of three thousand five hundred dollars \$(3,500) to Umbrella, Inc. to support services for victims of domestic and sexual violence?

**Article 14**

Shall the City of Newport vote to appropriate the sum of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) to Umbrella, Inc. for providing fresh, local food to area seniors and disabled adults through Meals on Wheels deliveries?

**Article 15**

Shall the City of Newport appropriate the sum of two thousand dollars (\$2,000) to assist the Pope Memorial Frontier Animal Shelter with its commitments to rescuing, providing care to and finding homes for unwanted pets and direct the City to assess a tax sufficient to pay the same?

**Article 16**

Shall the City of Newport appropriate the sum of three thousand dollars (\$3,000) for the support of Northeast Kingdom Learning Services, Inc. to provide services to residents of Newport City and direct the City to assess a tax sufficient to pay the same?

**The preceding articles will be voted upon using the Australian Ballot System. The polls will open at 8:00 AM in the forenoon and close at 7:00 PM in the evening.**

**The following article(s) will be voted upon at the same place (Newport Municipal Building) beginning at 8:00 PM in the evening.**

**Article 17**

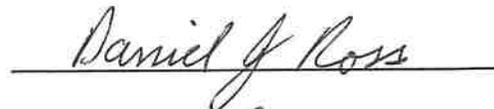
To act on any other business that may legally come before the Annual Meeting of the City of Newport, Vermont.

Dated and Posted at the City of Newport, in the County of Orleans, State of Vermont

This 27<sup>th</sup> Day of January, 2020

Mayor  


City Council







City Clerk





The Newport Municipal Building is handicapped accessible.