

Special Meeting/Public Info in Preparation

For City Vote August 12, 2025

A duly warned Special Meeting was held on Monday, August 11, 2025 in the council room in the Newport City Municipal Building. Present were Mayor Rick Ufford-chase, Council President Kevin Charboneau, council members Carter Finegan, John Monette, Andrew Touchette, City Clerk/treasurer James Johnson, Fire Chief Kevin LaCoss, NEKTV, members of the Press and Public

Mayor Ufford-Chase called the meeting to order at 6:02pm.

Additions/Deletions

None

Consent Agenda

Approval of August 4, 2025 minutes, August 8, 205 AP Warrants, August 7, 25 PR Warrants, Permits.

Mr. Monette moved to approve the consent agenda. Seconded by Mr. Charboneau, motion carried.

Open Q & A Regarding the five Ballot Initiatives Warned for the Vote on Tuesday, August 12, 2025.

Mayor Ufford-Chase read each ballot. Comments were made, Questions were asked and answers given. This meeting is on tape and stored in the City clerk's office.

Notice by the Mayor

Mayor Ufford-Chase noted that he would be out of the City from August 13th to August 24th. Council President Charboneau will be available for any official actions necessary, including approving invoices for the AP Warrant.

Next Meeting Dates

Special city vote, August 12, 2025.

Next regular council meeting August 18, 2025.

Mr. Monette moved to set the next two meeting as stated. Seconded by Mr. Charboneau, motion carried.

Adjournment

Ms. Finegan moved to adjourn at 7:25pm. Seconded by Mr. Charboneau, motion carried.

Attested Jeff Ch, President This 18 Day of August, 2025

James D Johnson Mayor

Special Meeting and Vote

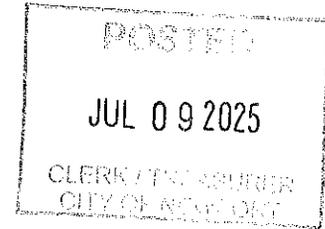
August 12, 2025

A duly warned Special Meeting of the City of Newport, Vermont was held on Tuesday, August 12, 2025 in the Newport Municipal Building to vote on five Articles as warned and dated July 7, 2025 (attached). The polls were open from 8am until 7pm, two hundred thirty five registered voters of said City voted. Results of the voting is attached, all five articles past.

Attested James S. Johnson this 18th day of August 2025

[Signature] Mayor/Council President

WARNING
City of Newport, Vermont
Special Meeting
August 12, 2025



The legal voters of the City of Newport, County of Orleans, State of Vermont, are hereby notified and warned to meet at the Newport Municipal Building, 222 Main Street, in said City of Newport on Tuesday, August 12, 2025, beginning at eight o'clock in the forenoon (8:00 a.m.), at which time the polls will open, until seven o'clock in the afternoon (7:00 p.m.), at which time the polls will close, to act on the following articles to be voted by Australian ballot.

The legal voters of the City of Newport, County of Orleans, State of Vermont, are further notified and warned that a public informational hearing to explain and discuss the Australian ballot articles set forth below will be held on Monday, August 11, 2025, beginning 6:00 pm, at the Newport Municipal Building, 222 Main Street, in said City of Newport. The public may attend the informational hearing in person or on Google Meet using the following information:

Google Meet joining info

Video call link: <https://meet.google.com/pte-ipdw-zkq>

Or dial: (US) +1 320-318-7568 PIN: 102 602 961#

Article 1

Shall general obligation bonds or notes of the City of Newport in an amount not to exceed Seventy-Five Thousand and 00/100 Dollars (\$75,000.00) be issued to fund, together with other general obligation bonds or notes in the amount of Eight Hundred Thousand and 00/100 Dollars (\$800,000.00) previously approved on March 1, 2022, the purchase and equipping of a fire truck for the Newport Fire Department, the total cost of which is Eight Hundred Seventy-Five Thousand and 00/100 Dollars (\$875,000.00)?

Article 2

Shall a general obligation bond anticipation note of the City of Newport in an amount not to exceed Three Million and 00/100 Dollars (\$3,000,000.00) be issued to refund a \$2,400,000.00 construction line of credit at or prior to its maturity in October 2025 and to refund interfund loans from the general fund to the water fund in the aggregate amount of \$600,000.00 to finance additions and improvements being made to the City's water system as approved by the voters in March 2021?

Article 3

Shall general obligation bonds or notes of the City of Newport, Vermont, in an amount not to exceed One Million Eight Hundred Thousand and 00/100 Dollars (\$1,800,000.00) be issued to refund a deficit in the general fund account?

Article 4

Shall general obligation bonds or notes of the City of Newport, Vermont, in an amount not to exceed One Million and 00/100 Dollars (\$1,000,000.00) be issued to refund a deficit in the sewer fund?

Article 5

Shall the voters approve a Two Hundred Twenty Thousand and 00/100 Dollars (\$220,000.00) increase in the amount to be raised by taxes to be added to the Five Million Two Hundred Sixty-Seven Thousand Seven Hundred Dollars and Twenty Cents (\$5,267,700.20) budget approved at the City's 2025 Annual Meeting for the general operation and to cover the liabilities of the City of Newport, Vermont, and authorize the City to assess a tax sufficient to provide funds for the same?

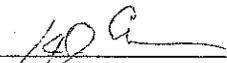
The legal voters of the City of Newport are further notified that voter qualification, registration, and absentee voting relative to said Annual Meeting shall be as provided in Chapters 43, 51 and 55 of Title 17, Vermont Statutes Annotated.

DATED this 7th day of July, 2025.

CITY OF NEWPORT CITY COUNCIL



Rick Ufford-Chase, Mayor



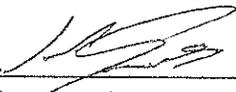
Kevin Charboneau,
Council President



John Monette

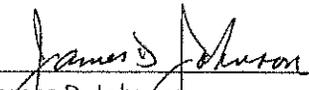


Carter Finegan



Andrew Touchette

ATTEST:



James D. Johnson
City Clerk/Treasurer

The Municipal Building is Handicapped Accessible

NEWPORT CITY
SUMMARY SHEET OF VOTES CAST
SPECIAL MEETING - AUGUST 12, 2025

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INDIVIDUAL TALLY SHEETS	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	TOTAL
ARTICLE 1													
IN FAVOR	25	18	14	14	1	15	0	26	14			25	151
OPPOSED	0	7	11	11	22	0	25	0	8			0	84
BLANK/SPOILED	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0			0	0
TOTAL VOTES ARTICLE 1													235
ARTICLE 2													
IN FAVOR	25	14	17	17	2	15	0	25	11			25	151
OPPOSED	0	10	8	8	21	0	25	0	11			0	83
BLANK/SPOILED	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0			0	1
TOTAL VOTES ARTICLE 2													235
ARTICLE 3													
IN FAVOR	25	14	17	15	2	15	0	25	11			25	146
OPPOSED	0	13	8	9	21	0	25	0	11			0	87
BLANK/SPOILED	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0			0	2
TOTAL VOTES ARTICLE 3													235
ARTICLE 4													
IN FAVOR	25	10	16	15	2	15	0	25	8			25	141
OPPOSED	0	14	9	9	21	0	25	0	14			0	92
BLANK/SPOILED	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0			0	2
TOTAL VOTES ARTICLE 4													235
ARTICLE 5													
IN FAVOR	25	9	11	5	0	15	0	25	6			25	121
OPPOSED	0	16	14	19	23	0	25	0	16			0	113
BLANK/SPOILED	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0			0	1
TOTAL VOTES ARTICLE 5													235