

WARNING ANNUAL TOWN MEETING - 2010

The legal voters of the Town of Montgomery in the County of Franklin are hereby notified and warned to meet in the Town Hall in said Town on Tuesday, the 2nd day of March, 2010 AD, at 9:00 o'clock in the forenoon to act on the following business to wit:

1. Elect a Moderator for the ensuing year.
2. Act on the reports of the Town Officers.
3. Shall the Town vote to appoint a Road Commissioner as provided in 17 V.S.A. §2651, if not, shall the Town elect a Road Commissioner as provided in 17 V.S.A. §2646(16)?
4. Elect the remaining Town Officers as required by law:
 - (a) A Selectperson for a term of two years by ballot. (Merrill Cabana - term expires)
 - (b) A Selectperson for a term of three years by ballot. (Wendy Howard - term expires)
 - (c) A Lister for a term of three years by ballot. (Sharon Perry - term expires)
 - (d) An Auditor for a term of three years by ballot. (Marsha Phillips - term expires)
 - (e) An Agent to prosecute and defend suits in which the Town is interested for a term of one year. (Merle Van Giesen - term expires)
 - (f) A Cemetery Commissioner for the Center Cemetery Association for a five year term expiring 2015. (Lyndol Elkins – term expires)
 - (g) A Cemetery Commissioner for the Village Cemetery Association for a five year term expiring in 2015. (Jo Ann Lanphear – term expires)
 - (h) A Library Trustee for a term of five years. (Beth Crane – term expires)
 - (i) A Library Trustee for a term of five years. (Suzanne Pelletier – term expires)
 - (j) A Library Trustee for the remaining three years of a five year term expiring in 2013. (Jim Abbott resigned, vacant)
 - (k) A Fire Commissioner for a term of two years. (William Baker Sr. – term expires)
 - (l) A First Constable for a term of one year. (Brent Godin appointed – term expires)
 - (m) A Planning Commission member for a term of three years. (Remi Gratton – term expires)

(n) One or more Grand Jurors for a term of one year. (Selectboard – term expires)

5. Shall the Town vote to increase the portion of the \$10.00 per page recording fee from \$1.00 to \$3.00 for restoration, preservation, conservation and computerization of municipal records? (VSA Title 32, Section 1671(a)(1) and (6))

6. Shall the Town of Montgomery borrow an amount not to exceed Four Hundred and Seventy Five Thousand dollars (\$475,000.00), for the purpose of replacing the existing Town Highway Garage and Salt Shed with a Public Works Building and Salt Shed that would house the Highway Department work space, road salt, and vehicles; and equipment of the Water Department, to be financed over a period not to exceed 20 years? (To Be Voted By Australian Ballot. No discussion is allowed from the floor.)

7. Shall the town authorize the Selectboard to save the costs of distributing the Town Report by mailing a notice of availability, rather than the report itself, and allowing the report to be picked up at designated locations, or mailed upon request?

8. Shall the Town vote to appropriate the following sums of money to defray expenses in the ensuing year for:

(a) Fire Department: 2009 – \$20,000; 2010 - \$20,000

(b) Rescue Department: 2009 – \$19,666; 2010 - \$14,580

(c) Summer Roads: 2009 – \$63,000; 2010 - \$70,000

(d) Winter Roads: 2009 – \$70,000; 2010 - \$70,000

(e) Machinery Replacement: 2009 – \$54,100; 2010 - \$35,000

(f) Bridges: 2009 – \$10,000; 2010 - \$10,000

(g) Library Operating Expenses & Payroll: 2009 – \$9,900; 2010 - \$10,335

(h) Building Capital Improvement and Maintenance Fund: 2009 – \$0; 2010 – \$20,000

(i) Recreation Department: 2009 – \$12,000; 2010 - \$15,000

(k) Reappraisal Fund: 2009 – \$0; 2010 - \$4,000

(l) Police Services: 2009 – \$0; 2010 - \$0

(m) Montgomery Youth Center: 2009 – \$5,000; 2010 - \$8,000

9. Shall the Town vote the following sums of money for the Town Officers as requested?

(a) Town Clerk: 2009 – \$15,000; 2010 - \$15,000

(b) Town Treasurer: 2009 – \$8,000; 2010 - \$8,000

(c) Each Selectboard Member: 2009 – \$0; 2010 – \$1,000

(d) Listers:

2009 – 1st year members \$14.00/hour, 2nd year members \$15.00/hr plus IRS per mile allowance for mileage; 2010 – same.

(e) Auditors:

2009 – 1st yr members – \$8.00/hr, 2nd yr and on members – \$9.00/hr, plus IRS per mile allowance for mileage; 2010 – same.

(f) Board of Civil Authority:

2009 – Vermont minimum wage plus IRS per mile allowance for mileage; 2010 - same.

10. Shall the Town of Montgomery appropriate the following sums of money as requested by the specified agencies?

(a) Champlain Valley Agency on Aging for Meals on Wheels, Case Management, Transportation, and the toll-free Senior HelpLine: 2009 – \$1,800; 2010 - same.

(b) Franklin County Home Health Agency, Inc: 2009 – \$1,440; 2010 - same.

(c) Franklin County Industrial Development Corporation: 2009 – \$500; 2010 - same.

(d) Hazen’s Notch Association’s Campership Fund: This money would be applied towards the cost of sending three or more children from Montgomery to the Hazen’s Notch Association’s Summer Camp. 2009 – \$1,000; 2010 - same.

(e) Green Up Vermont: 2009 - \$0; 2010 - \$100

(f) Northern VT Resource Conservation & Development Council: 2009 - \$0; 2010 - \$75

**11. Shall the Town vote to appropriate \$147,947 for Contingent Selectboard?
2009 – \$203,074; 2010 – 147,947.**

12. Shall the Town vote to authorize the Selectboard and departments to receive and expend for town purposes any additional grants, gifts or other revenue in excess of those calculated in determining the proposed budget for the fiscal year beginning January 1, 2010?

13. Shall the Town vote to authorize the Selectboard to borrow in anticipation of taxes, not to exceed the sum of \$60,000.00 for the period March 2, 2010, to March 1, 2011, and execute and deliver the notes to the Town, if needed?

14. Shall the Town vote to authorize the Selectboard to borrow for the Water Department for use in case of an emergency, not to exceed the sum of \$50,000 for the period March 2, 2010, to March 1, 2011, and execute and deliver the notes to the Town, if needed?

15. Shall the Town vote to authorize the Selectboard to acquire by gift, or purchase, land for a municipal forest to promote reforestation, water conservation and good practices?
16. Shall the Town vote to authorize the Selectboard to enter into contract with new business or the expansion of old business to fix the municipal tax applicable to such real property at a percentage of the annual tax? (Such contracts are for the municipal tax only. Any such contracts for school taxes require approval from the State Legislature.)
17. Shall the Town vote to collect interest, as prescribed by law, on it's delinquent taxes and delinquent water bills, at a rate of 1% per month or a fraction thereof?
18. Shall the Town vote to publish names and the amounts of delinquent taxes due in the Annual Report?
19. Shall the voters of Montgomery request the VT legislature to:
 - a. Deny approval for the operation of Vermont Yankee after March 2012, which marks the end of its 40 year design life?
 - b. Require that the Entergy Corporation of Louisiana fulfill its pledge to fully fund the cleanup and decommissioning costs of closing Vermont Yankee.
 - c. Seek safe, renewable, regional sources of electricity combined with efficiency and conservation measures to replace the power presently provided by Vermont Yankee? (By Petition)
20. To do any other business proper to be done at said meeting.

Dated at Montgomery, Vermont this 25th day of January, 2010 AD.

Selectboard

Kenneth Cota, Chair

Merrill Cabana

Scott Perry

Wendy Howard

Carol McGregor

Attest: _____
Renee Paterson
Town Clerk

Date: _____