

TOWN MEETING WARNING Informational Meeting March 1, 2021 Annual Meeting March 2, 2021 Town of Hinesburg, Vermont

COVID -19 UPDATE: Due to the COVID-19/coronavirus pandemic, the meeting on March 1, 2021 will be held remotely. Available options to watch or join the meeting are below:

Informational Meeting March 1, 2021 via Remote Access

The legal voters of the Town of Hinesburg, Vermont are hereby warned and notified to meet remotely in said Town of Hinesburg, on Monday, March 1, 2021 at 7:00 P.M. for an informational meeting on the articles to be voted upon by Australian Ballot on Tuesday, March 2, 2021.

This Informational Meeting will be held remotely. Available options to watch or join the meeting:

- Join the Zoom online platform: information will be available on www.Hinesburg.org
- View remotely by streaming on VCAM
- Join via conference call (audio only): information will be available on www.Hinesburg.org
- For the purpose of recording minutes, you will be asked to provide your first and last name.
- When listening to the meeting, please keep your phone or computer on mute to prevent interruptions during the meeting. Voters are encouraged to email jdubingrossman@hinesburg.org in advance to ask questions. Questions may be submitted via the "chat" function or by calling into the conference call.
- **HOW TO REGISTER TO VOTE:** There is no deadline to register to vote. You can register by going to olvr.vermont.gov to register on-line, by going to the town clerk's office and filling out a paper registration form, or on election day at the polls.
- **HOW TO REQUEST AN EARLY BALLOT:** You or a family member can request an early ballot by visiting mvp.vermont.gov and signing in to your voter page. You may also request a ballot by phone, in person or via email at mross@hinesburg.org or hroberts@hinesburg.org.

ARTICLE 1: To hear the reports of the officers of the Town of Hinesburg.

Annual Meeting Tuesday, March 2, 2021 via Australian Ballot

The legal voters of the Town of Hinesburg, Vermont are hereby warned and notified to meet at the Town Hall at 10632 Vermont Route 116 in Hinesburg, on Tuesday, March 2, 2021 to transact the following business by Australian ballot. Said voting by Australian ballot will begin with the polls opening at 7:00 A.M. and closing at 7:00 P.M.

ARTICLE 2: To elect the necessary Town and School District officers by Australian ballot Tuesday, March 2, 2021:

- Selectboard member for a term of 3 years
- Selectboard member for a term of 2 years
- Selectboard member for a term of 1 year remaining of a 2-year term

- Town Moderator for a term of 1 year
- Cemetery Trustee for a term 3 years
- 3 Library Trustees for terms of 3 years each
- Peck Estate Trustee for a term of 3 years
- Champlain Valley School District Director for a term of 1 year remaining of a 3-year term

ARTICLE 3: "Shall the Town of Hinesburg adopt the town manager form of governance in accordance with the provisions of chapter 37 of Title 24 of the Vermont Statutes Annotated?" (Amended 2019, No. 67 Section 21.)"

ARTICLE 4: Shall the Town approve a General Government budget of \$1,946,828 with the estimated sum of \$1,411,403 appropriated from property taxes to defray the general government expenses of the Town?

ARTICLE 5: Shall the Town approve a Highway Department budget of \$979,902 with the estimated sum of \$841,902 appropriated from property taxes to defray the highway expenditures of the Town?

ARTICLE 6: Shall the Town approve the Hinesburg Community Police Department budget of \$686,970 with the estimated sum of \$596,470 appropriated from property taxes to defray the police expenditures of the Town?

ARTICLE 7: Shall the Town approve the Hinesburg Fire Department budget of \$376,295 with the estimated sum of \$336,295 appropriated from property taxes to defray the fire expenditures of the Town?

ARTICLE 8: Shall the Town approve a new ambulance transport service budget of \$178,149 with the estimated sum of \$105,760 appropriated from property taxes to defray the ambulance transport service of the Town?

ARTICLE 9: Shall the Town approve the Carpenter-Carse Library allocation from the Town of Hinesburg of \$225,487 with the estimated sum of \$225,487 appropriated from property taxes to defray the library allocation from the Town?

ARTICLE 10: Shall the Town appropriate the sum of \$37,700 with the estimated sum of \$37,700 appropriated from property taxes, to be distributed as specifically designated to the following agencies and organizations?

Hinesburg Community Resource Center	\$23,100
UVM Home Care & Hospice (VNA)	\$6,500
Agency on Aging (CVAA)	\$2,000
VT Family Network	\$1,000
American Red Cross	\$400
Hinesburg Senior Meal Site	\$650
Vermont Center for Independent Living	\$200
Steps to End Domestic Violence	\$2,350
Prevent Child Abuse Vermont	\$500
COTS	\$1,000

(If voters approved Articles 4 through 10 as presented, total general fund expenditures of \$4,431,331 will be required, with the estimated amount of \$3,555,017 to come from property tax revenue.)

ARTICLE 11: Shall voters authorize the payment of real and personal property taxes for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2022, payable in full to the Town of Hinesburg in one (1) installment, with the due date being November 15, 2021 and to be collected by the Town Treasurer? Any and all payments received in the Town Treasurer's Office later than midnight on November 15, 2021 will be considered delinquent and will be subject to the collection of interest at the rate of 1% per month or fraction thereof for the first three (3) months and thereafter at the rate of 1.5% per month or fraction thereof.

Signed and dated this day of January 2021, and as attested to by:		
Phil Pouech, Chair	Jeff French	
Merrily Lovell, Vice-Chair	Michael Loner	
Maggie Gordon		
Attest: Melissa Ross, Town Clerk		