

WARNING
MARCH 3, 2009

The legal voters of the Town of Benson in the County of Rutland and State of Vermont are hereby duly warned and notified that an informational meeting regarding the 2009-2010 budget and articles in the warning will be held at the Community Hall in said Town of Benson on March 2, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. before the Benson School District Informational Meeting.

WARNING
FOR THE 223rd BENSON ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

The legal voters of the Town of Benson in the County of Rutland and the State of Vermont are hereby warned and notified to meet at the Community Hall in said Town on the first Tuesday in March, being the 3rd of March, 2009, at 10 a.m. to transact the following business, vis:

- Article 1: To elect all Town Officers and fill vacancies except those required by law to be appointed by the Selectboard. (Note: The vote under Article 1 will be by Australian ballot. Polls will open at 10 a.m. and close at 7 p.m.)
- Article 2: To hear and act upon the reports of the Town Officials.
- Article 3: Shall the Town confirm and ratify the outstanding notes and orders that have been given by the Selectboard or its proper officials as may appear by the report of the town officials?
- Article 4: Shall the Town vote to appropriate the sum of \$730.00 for the support of Rutland Mental Health Services (formerly Rutland Area Community Services) so that these services can be maintained?
- Article 5: Shall the Town vote to appropriate the sum of \$1,400.00 to support the Rutland Area Visiting Nurse Association & Hospice in fiscal year 2009 (\$250.00 to support Rutland Area Hospice and \$1,150.00 to support RAVNAH Home and Community Health Services)?
- Article 6: Shall the Town appropriate the sum of \$900.00 requested by the Southwestern Vermont Council on Aging to help support the Senior Meals Program Meals on Wheels and other services provided by the agency to elder residents of Benson?
- Article 7: Shall the Town of Benson vote to appropriate the sum of \$1,000.00 to support the programs and services of BROCC-Community Action in Southwestern Vermont in 2009-2010?
- Article 8: Will the Town of Benson vote to appropriate, for the Fiscal Year 2009-2010, the sum of \$1,000.00 to support Fair Haven Concerned, Inc., a program which organizes and coordinates services necessary to meet the needs of the citizens of the Town of Benson?
- Article 9: Shall the Town appropriate \$3,000.00 for the Benson First Response for the fiscal year 2009-2010 to help defray the cost of major expenses?
- Article 10: Shall the Town of Benson vote to appropriate the sum of \$10,390.00 as its share of the FY 2009-2010 Fair Haven Rescue Squad operating budget?

- Article 11: Shall the Town appropriate the sum of \$4,500.00 for the maintenance, care and increase of books for the Town library?
- Article 12: Shall the Town appropriate the sum of \$5,500.00 for the maintenance and care of the Town cemeteries?
- Article 13: What sum shall the Town vote to cover the cost of equipment, training, truck repairs, gas etc. for fire protection (\$38,378.92 requested)?
- Article 14: Shall the Town appropriate \$1,500.00 for the Benson Youth League for the support of their program?
- Article 15: What sum shall the Town vote for the Selectboard's budget? (\$130,276.00 requested)
- Article 16: What sum shall the Town vote for layout, repair and maintenance of Town highways? (\$ 331,639.20 requested)?
- Article 17: Shall the Town of Benson vote to decide all budget and money articles by Australian ballot beginning at the 2010 Town Meeting?
- Article 18: Shall the Town of Benson vote to appropriate \$3,294.53 to cover the deficit for 2007-08 fiscal year?
- Article 19: What sum shall the Town vote to pay appropriations, its portion of county tax, State highway taxes, and to pay its indebtedness, current and incidental expenses, for the year 2009-2010 and fix a time and how the same shall be collected?
- Article 20: To transact any other business proper to be done at the Annual Town Meeting.

Dated at Benson, Vermont this 28th day of January, 2009.

_____ Lynn Bowen

_____ Daniel Britton

_____ Guy Charlton

_____ Sue Janssen

_____ Ed Peltier