

OFFICIAL BALLOT
ANNUAL TOWN AND TOWN SCHOOL
DISTRICT MEETING BALLOT
NORWICH, VERMONT
MARCH 5, 2019

BALLOT 1 OF 2

INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS

- A. TO VOTE, completely fill in the OVAL to the RIGHT of your choice(s) like this: ●
 B. Follow directions as to the number of candidates to be marked for each office.
 C. To vote for a person whose name is not printed on the ballot, write the candidate's name on the line provided and completely fill in the OVAL.

<p align="center">For MODERATOR</p> <p align="center">Vote for not For one year more than ONE</p> <p>THAYER, WARREN 887 <input checked="" type="radio"/></p> <p>_____ 9 <input type="radio"/></p> <p align="center">(Write-in)</p>	<p align="center">For LISTER</p> <p align="center">Vote for not For an unexpired one year term more than ONE</p> <p>SMITH, PAMELA T. 763 <input type="radio"/></p> <p>_____ 7 <input type="radio"/></p> <p align="center">(Write-in)</p>	<p align="center">For AGENT TO PROSECUTE & DEFEND SUITS</p> <p align="center">Vote for not For one year more than ONE</p> <p>_____ 29 <input type="radio"/></p> <p align="center">(Write-in)</p>
<p align="center">For DRESDEN-NORWICH SCHOOL DIRECTOR</p> <p align="center">Vote for not For three years more than ONE</p> <p>HERSEY, KELLEY 822 <input type="radio"/></p> <p>_____ 4 <input type="radio"/></p> <p align="center">(Write-in)</p>	<p align="center">For SELECTMAN</p> <p align="center">Vote for not For three years more than ONE</p> <p>ARNOLD, ROGER 557 <input type="radio"/></p> <p>COOK, LINDA 430 <input type="radio"/></p> <p>_____ 2 <input type="radio"/></p> <p align="center">(Write-in)</p>	<p align="center">For CEMETERY COMMISSIONER</p> <p align="center">Vote for not For five years more than ONE</p> <p>SOFRONAS, DEMO 904 <input type="radio"/></p> <p>_____ 3 <input type="radio"/></p> <p align="center">(Write-in)</p>
<p align="center">For LISTER</p> <p align="center">Vote for not For three years more than ONE</p> <p>LINDBERG, CHERYL A. 815 <input type="radio"/></p> <p>_____ 11 <input type="radio"/></p> <p align="center">(Write-in)</p>	<p align="center">For SELECTMAN</p> <p align="center">Vote for not For two years more than ONE</p> <p>LANGHUS, JOHN 616 <input type="radio"/></p> <p>WILBERDING, DOUGLAS 316 <input type="radio"/></p> <p>_____ 8 <input type="radio"/></p> <p align="center">(Write-in)</p>	<p align="center">For TRUSTEE OF PUBLIC FUNDS</p> <p align="center">Vote for not For three years more than ONE</p> <p>LINDBERG, CHERYL A. 818 <input type="radio"/></p> <p>_____ 6 <input type="radio"/></p> <p align="center">(Write-in)</p>

ARTICLES

- Article 4.** To authorize the Board of School Directors to borrow money by issuance of bonds or notes not in excess of anticipated revenues for the next fiscal year in accordance with the provisions of 16 VSA §562(9). YES 865 NO 106
- Article 5.** Shall the voters of the Norwich Town School District determine and fix the salaries of the School Board members in the sum of \$500 each per year in accordance with the provisions of 16 VSA §562(5)? YES 892 NO 86
- Article 6.** Shall the voters of the Norwich Town School District approve the School Board to expend \$5,814,645, which is the amount the School Board has determined to be necessary for the ensuing 2019-20 fiscal year? It is estimated that this proposed budget, if approved, will result in education spending of \$18,857 per equalized pupil. This projected spending per equalized pupil is 1.54% higher than spending for the current year. YES 737 NO 248
- Article 7.** Shall the voters of the Norwich Town School District appropriate \$25,000.00, to be deposited in the District's Reserve Fund for Special Education? YES 855 NO 134
- Article 8.** Shall the voters of the Norwich Town School District appropriate \$25,000.00, to be deposited in the District's Reserve Fund for Repairs and Capital Maintenance? YES 868 NO 121

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ARTICLES CONTINUED

- Article 10.** Shall the voters of the Town of Norwich approve a gross spending General Town Budget of \$4,271,793 plus state and federal grants and gifts consistent with budgeted programs for the period July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020? YES **836**
NO **197**
- Article 11.** Shall bonds or notes of the Town of Norwich in an amount not to exceed \$242,461, payable over a term of no more than five (5) years, be issued for the purpose of financing that portion of the construction costs for the Town Garage and the Public Safety Building that were not covered by the previously voter authorized amounts? YES **760**
NO **208**
- Article 12.** Shall the voters of the Town of Norwich reauthorize the borrowing of up to \$3,500,000 to be used, as needed, for funding Town roadway and related infrastructure repairs caused by the July 1, 2017 storm with anticipated reimbursement up to 75% by FEMA and up to 12.5% by the Vermont Department of Emergency Management, and that such borrowing may, at the discretion of the Selectboard, be made through long-term bond, by commercial bank borrowing up to five years, or a combination of these? YES **869**
NO **108**
- Article 13.** Shall the voters of the Town of Norwich appropriate \$13,514 to Advance Transit to be used to help cover operating costs and providing matching funds for grants, such amount being reasonably necessary for the support of providing public transportation services? YES **920**
NO **67**
- Article 14.** Shall the voters of the Town of Norwich appropriate \$3,000 to Community Access Television, Inc. (CATV) for video recordings of meetings for local government transparency? YES **786**
NO **188**
- Article 15.** Shall the voters of the Town of Norwich appropriate \$3,000 to Good Beginnings to be used for those operating expenses that are reasonably necessary for the support of programs? YES **789**
NO **166**
- Article 16.** Shall the voters of the Town of Norwich appropriate \$1,677 to the Green Mountain Economic Development Corporation to be used to offer support for new, growing and relocating businesses? YES **684**
NO **254**
- Article 17.** Shall the voters of the Town of Norwich appropriate \$2,500 to Headrest to be used for the operation of a crisis 24/7 hotline? YES **852**
NO **123**
- Article 18.** Shall the voters of the Town of Norwich appropriate \$1,500 to the Norwich American Legion, to be used for the Legion's Memorial Day observance? YES **791**
NO **171**
- Article 19.** Shall the voters of the Town of Norwich appropriate \$20,000 to the Cemetery Commission under 18 VSA §5361 to supplement the interest from the Perpetual Care Trust Fund for maintenance of the Town Cemeteries? YES **822**
NO **145**
- Article 20.** Shall the voters of the Town of Norwich appropriate \$4,348 to The Child Care Center of Norwich to be used for income sensitive scholarships to Norwich children? YES **852**
NO **131**
- Article 21.** Shall the voters of the Town of Norwich appropriate \$8,000 to the Norwich Historical Society and Community Center to support those programs that support the celebration of historic events? YES **746**
NO **215**
- Article 22.** Shall the voters of the Town of Norwich appropriate \$3,000 to the Norwich Lions Club to be used to underwrite the fireworks for the Norwich Fair in celebration of the 257th year of the Town's Charter? YES **687**
NO **283**
- Article 23.** Shall the voters of the Town of Norwich appropriate \$283,000 to the Norwich Public Library Association, to be used for the operating expenses of the Library? YES **904**
NO **92**
- Article 24.** Shall the voters of the Town of Norwich appropriate \$50,000 to the Norwich Public Library Association for the Association's Reserve Fund for repairs and capital maintenance in accordance with 22 VSA §142? YES **850**
NO **141**
- Article 25.** Shall the voters of the Town of Norwich appropriate \$337 to Public Health Council of the Upper Valley to be used for continuing public health education for Norwich residents particularly in the areas of substance abuse, elder care, oral health, emergency preparedness, and healthy living? YES **837**
NO **144**

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Article 26. Shall the voters of the Town of Norwich appropriate \$1,200 to Senior Solutions (an area Agency on Aging) to provide social services benefitting Norwich residents aged 60 and older? YES **824**
NO **149**

Article 27. Shall the voters of the Town of Norwich appropriate \$3,750 to SEVCA (Southeastern Vermont Community Action) to be used for emergency needs, referral to and assistance with accessing needed services, financial counseling and food and nutrition education? YES **818**
NO **160**

Article 28. Shall the voters of the Town of Norwich appropriate \$2,000 to the Special Needs Support Center of the Upper Valley to help children and adults with special needs, and their families, meet their unique challenges through advocacy and program support? YES **841**
NO **141**

Article 29. Shall the voters of the Town of Norwich appropriate \$6,000 to The Family Place to be used for general program support, such amount being reasonably necessary for the support of programs such as direct service through early intervention, child care payment assistance, healthy baby visits, reach up, welcome baby, parent education, playgroups and other services? YES **842**
NO **139**

Article 30. Shall the voters of the Town of Norwich appropriate \$2,000 to the Upper Valley Trails Alliance to be used for trail planning and work? YES **810**
NO **175**

Article 31. Shall the voters of the Town of Norwich appropriate \$15,600 to the Visiting Nurse Association & Hospice of VT and NH to help support the home health, maternal and child health and hospice care provided in patients' homes and in community settings? YES **877**
NO **106**

Article 32. Shall the voters of the Town of Norwich appropriate \$5,300 to the White River Council on Aging to be used for home delivered meals, transport and social services? YES **879**
NO **105**

Article 33. Shall the voters of the Town of Norwich appropriate \$1,000 to Windsor County Partners to be used for mentoring youth? YES **783**
NO **173**

Article 34. Shall the voters of the Town of Norwich appropriate \$2,500 to WISE (Women's Information Service) to be used to support WISE's crisis intervention and support services and prevention education? YES **846**
NO **138**

Article 35. Shall the voters of the Town of Norwich appropriate \$3,000 to Youth-In-Action to be used for operating expenses that support our community service efforts? YES **744**
NO **217**

Article 36. Shall the voters of Norwich direct all Town officials to take immediate and sustained efforts to gradually and continually reduce the Town's direct use of fossil fuels, beginning at a rate of no less than 5% per year starting in the 2019-20 fiscal year and continuing until they are eliminated entirely, and shall the Town Manager be charged with monitoring such efforts and reporting on them each year in the annual Town Report, and no capital expenditures shall be made that contradict or undermine this direction, absent a majority vote of the Selectboard? YES **792**
NO **189**

Article 37. Shall the voters of Norwich direct the Selectboard, the Town Manager, the Director of Planning & Zoning, the Planning Commission and all other Town committees to make local climate protection and resilience strategies a principal theme of the next version of the Town Plan? YES **817**
NO **171**

Article 38. Shall the Town of Norwich allocate \$50,000 from the existing Conservation Commission Designated Fund for the purpose of conducting preliminary work for a conservation easement trail network throughout Norwich for the combined purposes of recreation and non-vehicular commuting, such work to include a study and design to be administered by the Town Planning and Zoning Administrator, such funds shall be available for legal, surveying and related expenses in connection with acquiring and documenting potential conservation easements for such purpose? YES **480**
NO **492**

Article 39. Shall the voters of the Town of Norwich require that taxes be paid in U.S. funds in two installments? The first installment will be due and accepted at the Town of Norwich Finance Office on or before 4:30 pm August 16, 2019 and the balance will be due at the same location on or before 4:30 pm February 14, 2020. A legible, official United States Post Office postmark/cancellation (not a postage machine date) will determine the payment date for all mailed payments. Interest on overdue taxes will be charged at 1% per month for the first three months and 1½% per month thereafter. All delinquent taxes will be subject to an 8% collection fee in accordance with Vermont Statutes after February 14, 2020. YES **916**
NO **63**

YOU HAVE NOW COMPLETED VOTING THIS BALLOT