

**WARNING FOR THE TOWN OF TOWNSHEND
2009 ANNUAL MEETING**

ARTICLE I. To choose a Moderator for the ensuing year:

ARTICLE II. To act upon the June 30, 2007 - July 1, 2008 Auditors' Report:

ARTICLE III. To see what salaries the Town will vote to pay its various officials for the ensuing year:

Town Clerk:	\$ 30,103.00 / yr
Town Treasurer:	\$ 1,890.00 / yr
Select Board: (1) Chair:	\$ 675.00 / yr
(4) Members:	\$ 600.00 / yr
Listers, Auditors, assistants and casual labor:	\$ 12.12 / hr

ARTICLE IV. To elect all Town Officials for the ensuing year(s):

Town Clerk	(1) 1 yr term
Town Treasurer	(1) 1 yr term
Select Board:	(1) 3 yr term
	(2) 1 yr term
	(1) 2 yr remaining - 3 yr term
Listers:	(1) 3 yr term
Auditors:	(1) 3 yr term
Delinquent Tax Collector:	(1) 1 yr term
First Constable:	(1) 1 yr term
Second Constable:	(1) 1 yr term
Town Grand Juror:	(1) 1 yr term
Town Agent:	(1) 1 yr term
Library Trustees:	(1) 5 yr term
	(1) 1 yr remaining - 5 yr term
Cemetery Commissioner:	(1) 5 yr term

ARTICLE V. To see if the Town will vote to raise any money, by taxation, to pay for the running expenses and liabilities of the Town, and if so, how much?

ARTICLE VI. To see if the Town will vote to raise any money, by taxation, for the running expenses and liabilities of summer and winter roads, and if so, how much?

ARTICLE VII. -- ARTICLE DELETED --

- ARTICLE VIII.** To see if the Town will vote to raise any money, by taxation, for the running expenses and liabilities of the Library, and if so, how much?
- ARTICLE IX.** To see if the Town will vote to raise any money, by taxation, to pay for law enforcement services, and if so, how much?
- ARTICLE X.** To see if the Town will vote to raise \$ 10,000.00, by taxation, to be placed in the "Act 60: Reappraisal Planning Fund" for payment in preparation of the next, State required, Town-wide reappraisal?
- ARTICLE XI.** To see if the Town will vote to raise \$ 10,000.00, by taxation, to be placed in the Capital Expenditure Fund Fire Department Reserve for payment toward a future pumper?
- ARTICLE XII.** To see if the Town will vote to raise \$ 1,000.00, by taxation, for the Old Cemetery Fund?
- ARTICLE XIII.** To see if the Town will raise any money, by taxation, for the repair and / or replacement of the Town's sidewalks, and if so, how much?
- ARTICLE XIV.** To see if the Town will vote to raise any money, by taxation, for the support of Social Services as recommended by the Screening Committee?
- ARTICLE XV.** To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to set a tax rate sufficient to cover all monies raised for municipal entities for the period July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2010, and to borrow money in anticipation of taxes?
- ARTICLE XVI.** To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to appoint a Tax Collector to receive its Real Property Taxes quarterly, August 21, 2009; November 13, 2009; February 12, 2010; and May 14, 2010? Monthly interest will be charged at the rate of one percent (1%) or fraction thereof; interest of one-and-a-half percent (1 1/2%) or fraction thereof plus penalties will commence on May 15, 2010.
- ARTICLE XVII.** "Shall the Town authorize the Board of Selectmen to remove the appointed position of Bookkeeper and reallocate the funding for the financial office to properly compensate the Town Treasurer as a full-time position, including insurance and benefits?"
- ARTICLE XVIII.** "Shall the voters of the town of Townshend request the Vermont legislature to:

1. Recognize that the 2% of our New England region's power grid supply that is provided by Vermont Yankee Nuclear Power Plant can be replaced with a combination of local, renewable electricity and efficiency measures, along with the purchase of hydro generated electricity, and excess power already in the New England electricity market;
2. Given that viable alternatives and the risks posed by continued operation, ensure that Vermont Yankee will cease operation in March 2012, after having completed its 40 year design life by not granting approval for operation of the plant after that date and by not determining that further operation will promote the general welfare;
3. Hold the Entergy Corporation, which purchased Vermont Yankee in 2002, responsible to fully fund the plant's clean-up and decommissioning when the reactor closes, as the corporation pledged to do when it purchased Vermont Yankee."

ARTICLE XIX. To see if the Town will authorize the Board of Selectmen to sell or convey properties acquired by the Town through tax sales and to execute, acknowledge and deliver deed and other transfer documents upon such terms and conditions as the Board of Selectmen may deem to be in the interest of the Town?

ARTICLE XX. To see if the Town will authorize the Board of Selectmen to acquire, by gift or purchase, land for municipal forest, to promote reforestation, water conservation and good forestry practices?

ARTICLE XXI. To transact any other non-binding business to properly come before said Meeting?

Dated at Townshend, this 26th day of January, 2009

TOWNSHEND SELECT BOARD:

Henry K. Martin, chair

Alene Evans

Carole J. Melis

Joseph Juhasz

Brud Sanderson