

WARNING FOR THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

Tuesday, March 4, 2025

The legal voters of the Town of Eden are hereby notified and warned to meet at the Eden Central School on Knowles Flat Road, Tuesday, March 4, 2025 at 9.00 a.m.

- Article 1: To determine whether Robert's Rules or other rules of order shall govern the parliamentary procedure of this meeting.
- Article 2: To elect a moderator.
- Article 3: To see if the voters will accept the Town Report.
To present the Bullard Award.
- Article 4: To elect all Town and School District Officers as required by law:
Office to take effect after adjournment of Town Meeting.

	Currently holds Office
a) Selectperson for three years	Tim Bullard
b) Auditor for three years	Leslie White
c) Cemetery Commissioner for five years	Adam Degree
d) Cemetery Commissioner for three years	Open Position
e) First Constable for one year	Matthew Hill
f) Second Constable for one year	Bert Manning
g) Grand Juror for one year	David Whitcomb
h) Agent to convey Real Estate for one year	Monique Morway
i) Trustee of Public Funds for three years	Leslie White

The position of Town Agent was eliminated in 2020 by Act 84 pursuant to 17 V.S.A. § 2646.

Article 5: To see what sum of money the Town will raise on its grand list for the Highway Department?

Budget Proposal	\$ 699,615.00	6.80%	Increase
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Article 6: To see what sum of money the Town will raise on its grand list for the Selectboard Fund?

Budget Proposal	\$ 564,300.57	4.38%	Increase
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Selectboard and Highway budget combined: 5.47% Increase

Article 7: Shall the town transfer \$10,000.00 from the FY 23-24 unspent Selectboard Funds to the Outside Audit Reserve Fund in anticipation of the independent audit required in 2026 with the balance of the un-spent SB funds of \$ 43,109.71 to be used to reduce taxes?

Article 8: Shall the Town appropriate the following sums to be raised on its Grand List for local organizations?

a) After School Program	\$ 4,000.00	
b) Eden Cemetery	\$ 7,500.00	
c) Eden Historical Society	\$ 2,000.00	
d) Eden Youth Sports	\$ 4,500.00	
e) Lake Eden Association Greeter Program	\$ 4,000.00	
Total Requested Appropriations	\$ 22,000.00	-4.35%

The Selectboard chose not to include the Swim Program in the above list of appropriations to solicit discussion on the increasing cost of the program and how to fund swim lessons in years ahead.

Article 9: Shall the Town pay for the minimum estimated cost of \$9,180.00 for the Teach America to Swim Program from the surplus LERA funds totaling \$16,167.45 with the balance to go towards the purchase of a new Husqvarna TS 354 XD iawn tractor for \$4,899.00, 7 new picnic tables for \$1,799.93 and the remaining funds of \$288.52 to be used for additional spring maintenance?

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Article 10: Shall the Town appropriate the following sums to be raised on its Grand List for other organizations?

a)	American Red Cross	\$	250.00	
b)	Central VT Adult Basic Education & Retired Ser	\$	500.00	
c)	Central VT Council on Aging	\$	800.00	
d)	Clarina Howard Nichols Center	\$	400.00	
e)	Lamoille Community Food Share	\$	250.00	
f)	Lamoille County Mental Health Services	\$	750.00	
g)	Lamoille County Special Investigations Unit	\$	853.99	
h)	Lamoille Economic Development Corp.	\$	150.00	
i)	Lamoille Family Center	\$	500.00	
j)	Lamoille Home Health & Hospice	\$	3,969.00	
k)	Lamoille Housing Partnership	\$	200.00	
l)	Lamoille Restorative Center	\$	250.00	
m)	Meals on Wheels of Lamoille County	\$	500.00	
n)	North Country Animal League	\$	500.00	
o)	Rural Community Transportation	\$	1,350.00	
p)	Vermont Association for the Blind	\$	100.00	
q)	Vermont Center for Independent Living	\$	165.00	
r)	Vermont Rural Fire Protection Task Force	\$	100.00	Change
	Total Requested Appropriations	\$	11,587.99	0.00%

Article 11: Shall the town create an Addition Reserve Fund for the purpose of expanding the office and vault space at the Town Clerk's Office to be funded with the money and accrued interest made possible by funds received during the COVID-19 Pandemic? \$228,115.23 plus interest earned. (Estimated interest as of 12/11/24: \$3,272.91)

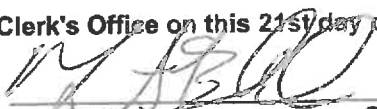
Article 12: Shall the interest earned on the Sweep Account, the American Gift Fund and the Good Neighbor Fund be used to offset taxes in FY 25-26? (Estimated Interest \$21,850.00)

Article 13: Shall the Town vote to pay property taxes, municipal and school combined, to the Town Treasurer in three equal installments due on or before November 15, 2025, February 15, 2026, and May 15, 2026, with postmarks acceptable? If the Town Clerk's Office is closed, payments will be due the following business day.

Article 14: To transact any other business proper at this time.

Signed at the Eden Town Clerk's Office on this 21st day of January, 2025.

Eden Selectboard:



 Tim Bullard Chair



 Ricky Morin



 Clayton Whittemore

The Eden Town Clerk's Office received and recorded the document.



 Melissa Whitcomb, Town Clerk & Treasurer

1/21/2025

 Date