

Town of Charleston
2017 TOWN MEETING WARNING

The legal voters in the Annual Town Meeting are hereby warned to meet at the Charleston Elementary School Building on Tuesday, March 7, 2017 at 10:00 am until all business is completed to transact the following business.

- Article 1.** To elect a moderator for the ensuing year.
- Article 2.** To elect all officers as required by law.
- Article 3.** To see if the town will vote to have its taxes collected by the Treasurer with a final due date of Friday, October 20, 2017, with the policy of turning over to the delinquent tax collector taxes not received by the treasurer in the town clerk's office by October 20, 2017 at 5:00 pm, with postmarks not accepted as timely payment.
- Article 4.** To see if the town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$943,686.19 less anticipated revenue and separately voted articles, for a net assessment of \$603,256.50, necessary to support the town's general, highway, and cemetery expenses for the year beginning Jan. 1, 2017.
- Article 5.** To see if the town will vote to apply the 2016 Road Surplus of \$23,772.14 to pave the apron of Dane Hill Rd where it meets VT Route 105, with any remaining funds to be used to purchase additional chloride for town roads.
- Article 6.** To see if the town will appropriate the sum of \$20,000 to be added to the Road Equipment Fund, and direct the Selectmen to assess a tax sufficient to meet the same.
- Article 7.** To see if the Town will vote to exempt the Charleston Volunteer Fire Department from property taxes. By law, this must be voted every five years.
- Article 8.** To see if the town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$38,245 to support the Charleston Volunteer Fire Department.
- Article 9.** To see if the town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$12,449 to support the following and direct the Selectboard to assess a tax over and above the budget to meet the same:
- a. \$500 to Charleston Historical Society
 - b. \$1,000 to Echo Lake Protective Association Milfoil Prevention Project
 - c. \$800 to NorthWoods Stewardship Center
 - d. \$900 to Dailey Memorial Library
 - e. \$700 to Island Pond Library
 - f. \$1,650 to Rural Community Transportation
 - g. \$475 to Orleans County Historical Society
 - h. \$500 to the Orleans County Citizen Advocacy
 - i. \$400 to Northeast Kingdom Council on Aging
 - j. \$1,074 to Northeast Kingdom Human Services, Inc.
 - k. \$500 to assist the Pope Memorial Frontier Animal Shelter
 - l. \$3,000 to the Orleans Essex VNA & Hospice
 - m. \$50 to support GreenUp Vermont
 - n. \$100 to VT Rural Fire Protection Task Force Dry Hydrant Program

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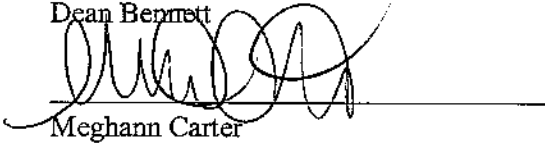
- o. \$100 to Vermont Symphony Orchestra Symphony Kids
- p. \$700 to Umbrella

Article 10. To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

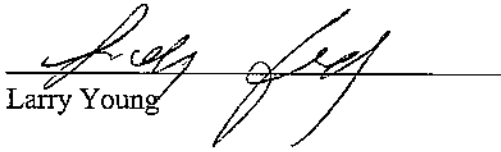
DATED AT CHARLESTON, VERMONT THIS 26th DAY OF January, 2017



Dean Bennett



Meghann Carter



Larry Young

Selectboard, Town of Charleston