

The Westfield Town School Board will hold an Informational Meeting on Tuesday, February 11, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. at the Jay-Westfield Joint Elementary School, 257 Revoir Flat Road in Jay. This meeting shall constitute the Public Informational Hearing required by 17 V.S.A. §2680(G).

**WARNING**  
**ANNUAL WESTFIELD TOWN MEETING**  
**AND WESTFIELD TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT MEETING**  
**MARCH 3, 2020 - 10 a.m.**

The legal voters of the Town of Westfield and the legal voters of the Westfield Town School District are hereby notified and warned to meet at the Westfield Community Center, 59 North Hill Road, on Tuesday, March 3, 2020 at 10:00 A.M. to transact the following business:

**WESTFIELD TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT ANNUAL MEETING:**

- Article 1.** To elect a moderator for a term of one-year.
- Article 2.** To elect one Westfield Town School District Board Member for a term of three-years.
- Article 3.** To elect one Westfield Town School District Board Member for a term of two-years to fill an unexpired three-year term.
- Article 4.** Shall the voters of the Westfield Town School District appropriate the sum of \$1,566,191 to defray the expenses and liabilities for the Jay/Westfield Joint Elementary School for the ensuing year with a net assessment to the town of \$521,307? **(Paper ballot to be commingled with Jay)**
- Article 5.** Shall the voters of the Westfield Town School District approve the school board to expend \$533,299 which is the amount the school board has determined to be necessary for the ensuing fiscal year? It is estimated that this proposed budget, if approved, will result in education spending of \$17,946 per equalized pupil. This projected spending per equalized pupil is 8.49% higher than spending for the current year.
- Article 6.** Shall the voters of the Westfield Town School District approve the school board to place up to \$25,000 of prior year fund balance into a capital construction reserve fund?
- Article 7.** Shall the voters of the Westfield Town School District approve the school board to establish a tax stabilization reserve fund with prior year fund balance?

- **Articles 8 through 11 voted by Australian ballot:** Australian ballot items are voted on at the Westfield Community Center, 59 North Hill Road, throughout the day on Tuesday, March 3, 2020. The polls open at 9:00 A.M. and close at 7:00 P.M. Early or absentee ballots are available by contacting the Town Clerk at 802-744-2484 or request absentee ballots online at <https://mvp.sec.state.vt.us/>.

- **Article 8.** To elect a Jay/Westfield Joint School Treasurer for the school year 2020-2021. **(Australian ballot to be commingled with Jay)**
- **Article 9.** To elect a Westfield Town School District Treasurer for the school year 2020-2021. **(Australian ballot)**
- **Article 10.** North Country Union High School and North Country Career Center: Shall the voters of the school district approve the school board to expend \$16,927,700 which is the amount the school board has determined to be necessary for the ensuing fiscal year? It is estimated that this proposed budget, if approved, will result in education spending of \$16,511 per equalized pupil. This projected spending per equalized pupil is 6.12% higher than spending for the current year. **(Australian ballot)**

- **Article 11.** North Country Union Junior High School: Shall the voters of the school district approve the school board to expend \$5,052,800, which is the amount the school board has determined to be necessary for the ensuing fiscal year? It is estimated that this proposed budget, if approved, will result in education spending of \$17,074 per equalized pupil. This projected spending per equalized pupil is 6.12% higher than spending for the current year. **(Australian ballot)**

**Article 12.** To transact any other non-binding business which may legally come before this meeting.

**Article 13.** To adjourn.

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**FOLLOWING A SHORT BREAK THE TOWN MEETING WILL CONVENE**

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**TOWN MEETING:**

**Article 1.** To elect a moderator for a term of one-year.

**Article 2.** To hear and act upon the reports of the Town Officers.

**Article 3.** To elect all necessary town officials required by law.

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| a. Auditor                   | Three-year term |
| b. 1 <sup>st</sup> Constable | One-year term   |
| c. 2 <sup>nd</sup> Constable | One-year term   |
| d. Delinquent Tax Collector  | One-year term   |
| e. Lister                    | Three-year term |
| f. Selectperson              | Three-year term |
| g. Town Agent                | One-year term   |
| h. Town Grand Juror          | One-year term   |

**Article 4.** Shall the Town of Westfield enter into a Communications Union District (CUD) to be known as NEK Community Broadband, under the provisions of 30 V.S.A. Chapter 82?

**Article 5.** Shall the voters approve **\$70,232.99** for the following appropriations?

- \$250** to American Red Cross
- \$100** to Felines & Friends Foundation
- \$400** to Green Mountain Farm-to-School, Inc.
- \$50** to Green Up Vermont
- \$450** to Hazen's Notch Association Campership Fund
- \$200** to Jay Focus Group & the Jay Focus Group Children's Halloween Party
- \$500** to Jay Food Shelf
- \$250** to Jay Peak Post No. 28-American Legion
- \$300** to Missisquoi River Basin Association
- \$16,146** to Missisquoi Valley Ambulance Service
- \$4,000** to Montgomery Fire Department
- \$100** to North Country Friends of the Vermont Symphony Orchestra
- \$300** to Northeast Kingdom Community Action, Inc. (NEKCA)
- \$300** to Northeast Kingdom Council on Aging
- \$1,072** to Northeast Kingdom Human Services (NKHS)
- \$250** to Northeast Kingdom Learning Services (NEKLS)
- \$550** to Old Stone House Museum (Orleans County Historical Society)
- \$500** to Orleans County Citizen Advocacy (OCCA)
- \$500** to Orleans County Fair Association

- t. **\$13,875.49** to Orleans County Sheriff's Department
- u. **\$2,500** to Orleans Essex Visiting Nurse Association (VNA) and Hospice, Inc.
- v. **\$500** to Pope Memorial Frontier Animal Shelter, Inc.
- w. **\$600** to Rural Community Transportation, Inc. (RCT)
- x. **\$1,200** to Troy and Area Lions Club to run the Westfield Senior Meal Site
- y. **\$24,744.50** to Troy Fire Department
- z. **\$400** to Umbrella
- aa. **\$95** to Vermont Center for Independent Living (VCIL)
- bb. **\$100** to Vt. Rural Fire Protection Task Force - Vt. Assoc. of Conservation Dist.

**Article 6.** Shall the voters approve general government fund expenditures of \$375,847, of which \$151,402 shall be raised by non-tax revenues and \$224,445 shall be raised by municipal taxes?

**Article 7.** Shall the voters approve highway fund expenditures of \$599,019, of which \$217,086 shall be raised by non-tax revenues and \$381,933 shall be raised by municipal taxes?

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- **Article 8.** Shall the voters authorize the Northeast Kingdom Waste Management District to appropriate and expend a budget of \$794,823? (**Australian ballot**)

**Article 9.** To transact any other non-binding business which may legally come before this meeting.

**Article 10.** To adjourn.

Dated at Westfield, Vermont this 27<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2020.

**Selectboard Members:**

  
 Yves Daigle, Chair

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 Jacques Couture

  
 Anne Lazor

Received for Recording:  
 January 27<sup>th</sup>, 2020 at 4:00 P.M

**Westfield School Board Members:**

  
 Kevin Amyot, Chair

  
 Nicole Dunn

Attest:   
 LaDonna Dunn, Westfield Town Clerk