

**WARNING  
MARCH 7, 2023  
FOR THE 237th BENSON ANNUAL TOWN MEETING**

**The legal voters of the Town of Benson in the County of Rutland and the State of Vermont are hereby warned and notified to meet at the Community Hall in said Town on the first Tuesday in March, being the 7th of March, 2023, at 10 a.m. to transact the following business:**


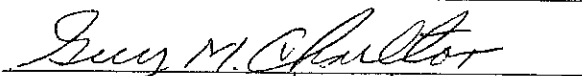



- Article 1: To elect all Town Officers as follows:
- 1 Town Moderator for a term of one year
  - 1 Select Board Member for a term of three years
  - 2 Select Board Members for a term of one year
  - 1 Lister for a term of three years
  - 1 Lister for a term of two years remaining of a three year term
  - 1 Auditor for a term of three years
  - 1 First Constable for a term of two years
  - 1 Delinquent Tax Collector for a term of one year
  - 1 Trustee of Public Funds for a term of three years
  - 1 Library Commissioner for a term of five years
  - 1 Library Commissioner for three years remaining of a five year term
  - 1 Cemetery Commissioner for a term of five years
  - 1 Cemetery Commissioner for a four years remaining of five year term

**Voting under Article 1 will be by Australian ballot.**  
**Polls will open at 10 a.m. and close at 7 p.m.**

- Article 2: Shall the Town vote to approve the expenditure of \$433,690 for the General Fund Budget of which \$278,303 shall be raised by taxes?
- Article 3: Shall the Town vote to approve the expenditure of \$ 799,270 for the layout, repair and maintenance of Town highways of which \$538,944 shall be raised by taxes?
- Article 4: Shall the Town of Benson vote to appropriate \$7,000 for the Benson First Response for the Fiscal Year 2023-2024 to help defray the cost of major expenses?
- Article 5: Shall the Town of Benson vote to appropriate the sum of \$55,518 for Fair Haven Rescue Squad ambulance services for the fiscal year 2023-2024?
- Article 6: Shall the Town of Benson vote to appropriate the sum of \$9,000 for the operating expenses of the Town Library?
- Article 7: Shall the Town of Benson vote to appropriate the sum of \$20,000 for the maintenance and care of the Town cemeteries?
- Article 8: Shall the Town of Benson vote to appropriate \$1,250 for the Benson Youth League for the support of their program?

- Article 9: Shall the Town of Benson vote to appropriate \$1,000 for the Community Scholarship Fund?
- Article 10: Will the Town of Benson vote to appropriate, for the Fiscal Year 2023-2024, the sum of \$2000.00 to support Fair Haven Concerned, Inc., a program which organizes and coordinates services necessary to meet the needs of the citizens of the Town of Benson?
- Article 11: Shall the Town of Benson vote to raise, appropriate and expend the sum of \$5000 to pay for a town-wide reappraisal, to be conducted as soon as the Selectboard can approve a contract with an appraisal firm?
- Article 12: Shall the town vote to raise, appropriate, and expend the sum of \$1,400 for the support of the VNA & Hospice of the Southwest Region, to provide services to residents of the Town?
- Article 13: Shall the Town of Benson vote to appropriate the sum of \$2000 to support the programs and services of BROCC-Community Action in Southwestern Vermont in 2023-2024?
- Article 14: Shall the Town of Benson vote to raise, appropriate and expend the sum of \$900 for the support of Southwestern Vermont Council on Aging to provide elder services to residents of the Town?
- Article 15: Shall the Town of Benson vote to raise, appropriate and expend the sum of \$2500 to support the Family Day Committee?
- Article 16: Shall the Town of Benson vote to raise, appropriate and expend up to \$15,000 to hire an accountant to conduct an audit on the town books?
- Article 17: Shall the voters authorize payment of real property taxes in two installments, with the due dates being September 15, 2023 and March 15, 2024?
- Article 18: Shall the voters authorize the Town Treasurer, pursuant to 32 V.S.A. § 4791, to collect current taxes?
- Article 19: To transact any other business proper to be done at the Annual Town Meeting.

*Dated at Benson, Vermont this 31st day of January, 2023.*

	Brad Barrett
	Guy Charlton
	John Hill
	Jack Helm
	Ron Stewart Jr.