Select Board Members
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__Mary Just Skinner, Vice
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__Steve Martin
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MIDDLESEX SELECT BOARD
6:00 PM
Tuesday, February 22, 2022
INFORMATIONAL HEARING
FOR THE
MARCH 1, 2022 TOWN MEETING
REMOTE BY ZOOM
Middlesex Town Clerk's Office
5 Church Street
Middlesex, Vermont 05602

(802) 223-5915 AGENDA

Due to public health concerns over COVID-19, the Select Board is holding its meetings via Zoom for the foreseeable future. In order to listen to and participate in this public meeting, please see instructions below. ** If you encounter problems accessing the meeting, please call (802) 689-0719.

6:00 PM Call to Order. Welcoming guests and explanation of this informational hearing the Select Board is holding per 17 V.S.A. §2680 (2)(A) which states: the hearing shall be held within the 10 days preceding the meeting at which the Australian ballot system is to be used. The legislative body shall be responsible for the administration of this hearing, including the preparation of minutes. The March 1, 2022 Town Meeting will be held by Australian

Ballot due to COVID precautions.

NO ACTION WILL BE TAKEN AT THIS HEARING

6:10 Brief procedural overview of how to participate via Zoom including how to enter questions into Zoom's chat room and raise a virtual hand to speak. For more information about the Warning, please click on the following link in order to view the 2021 Town Report.

http://middlesexvermont.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/02/2021-Town-Report-for-Web.pdf

ARTICLE 2: Shall the Town of Middlesex authorize payment of all property taxes to the Town Treasurer, as provided by law and without discount, in four installments as follows: the first installment will be due on or before 5:00 PM, November 20, 2022; the third installment will be due on or before 5:00 PM, November 20, 2022; the third installment will be due on or before 5:00 PM, May 20, 2023, except if post marked by the US Postal Service on or before the aforementioned dates accordingly? (32 VSA Sec. 4773)

ARTICLE 3: Shall the Town of Middlesex charge an interest at the rate of 0.5% per month or fraction thereof on overdue tax installments from the applicable due dates? (32 VSA Sec. 5136)

ARTICLE 4: Shall the Town of Middlesex vote to accept a fiscal year 2022-2023 budget of \$1,503,408 to meet the expenses and liabilities of the Town and authorize the Select Board to set a tax rate sufficient to provide the same?

ARTICLE 5: Shall the Town of Middlesex appropriate the sum of \$5,000 to the Middlesex Conservation Fund? (By Select Board)

ARTICLE 6: Shall the Town of Middlesex appropriate the sum of \$600 to the Central Vermont Economic Development Corporation?

ARTICLE 7: Shall the Town of Middlesex appropriate the sum of \$4,050 to Central Vermont Home Health and Hospice?

ARTICLE 8: Shall the Town of Middlesex appropriate the sum of \$3,000 to Community Connections?

ARTICLE 9: Shall the Town of Middlesex appropriate the sum of \$1,500 to Girls/Boyz First Mentoring?

ARTICLE 10: Shall the Town of Middlesex appropriate the sum of \$32,022 to the Kellogg-Hubbard Library? (By Petition)

ARTICLE 11: Shall the Town of Middlesex appropriate the sum of \$7,000 to the Montpelier Senior Activity Center?

ARTICLE 12: Shall the Town of Middlesex appropriate the sum of \$2,000 to the North Branch Nature Center?

ARTICLE 13: Shall the Town of Middlesex appropriate the sum of \$7,500 to support the Waterbury Area Senior Center?

ARTICLE 14: Shall the Town of Middlesex appropriate the sum of \$4,767 to support the following organizations:

American Red Cross \$250.00 Big Heavy World \$250.00 CV Adult Basic Ed \$250.00 CV Council on Aging \$250.00 Circle \$199.00 Community Harvest of CV \$250.00 Family Center of Wash. Cty \$250.00 Good Beginnings of CV \$250.00 Good Samaritan Haven \$250.00 Green Mt. Transit Agency \$249.00 Green Up Vermont \$100.00 Montpelier Veterans Council \$250.00 MOSAIC (Sex Assault Crisis Team) \$250.00 Our House of CV \$250.00 People's Health & Wellness \$250.00 \$249.00 VT Assocation for the Blind VT Center for Independent Living \$195.00 VT Family Network \$250.00 VT Rural Fire Protection Task Force \$100.00 Wash. County Diversion \$250.00

ARTICLE 15: Shall the town authorize cannabis retailers in town pursuant to 7 V.S.A. § 863? (By Select Board)

ARTICLE 16: Shall the town authorize integrated licensees in town pursuant to 7 V.S.A. § 863? (By Select Board)

ARTICLE 17: Shall the Town Voters approve the Enhanced Energy Plan as an appendix to, and update of, the 2019-2027 Town Plan, thereby creating the Middlesex Town Plan and Energy Plan 2022-2030? Per 17 VSA §2641 and §2642 (By Select Board)

8:00 PM Adjournment

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