# TOWN OF DERBY REMOTE PUBLIC INFORMATIONAL HEARING NOTICE AND AGENDA

The Select board for the Town of Derby will hold a public informational hearing by electronic means on March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021 at 6:00 P.M. to discuss the Australian Ballot Articles on the 2021 Town Meeting Warning.

## Information on how to access the remote hearing:

By telephone: Dial 1-716-710-7739. When prompted enter the participant code: 699 348 505#. By computer: Join through the Google Meet App: <a href="https://meet.google.com/yzx-rero-zjw">https://meet.google.com/yzx-rero-zjw</a>

Please review our "Informational Handout for Remote Public Hearings" to understand how these electronic hearing will be managed. If you wish to make a public comment but do not have the ability to comment remotely during the meeting, please email your comment(s) to Faye Morin at <a href="mailto:derbytownclerk@derbyvt.org">derbytownclerk@derbyvt.org</a>, Bob Kelley at <a href="mailto:derbyza@derbyvt.org">derbyza@derbyvt.org</a> or Grant Spates at <a href="mailto:grantspates@yahoo.com">grantspates@yahoo.com</a>

To ensure smooth access, we recommend that you test your remote hearing software in advance of the meeting. If you have difficultly accessing the hearing, please call 873-3162 or email <a href="mailto:Stacey.Urbin@ncsuvt.org">Stacey.Urbin@ncsuvt.org</a>

# **AGENDA**

# 6:00 P.M. Call to order

Article 1. To elect by the Australian Ballot System the following town and town school district officers for one year:

(1) Town Agent (1) Town & School Moderator

(1) Delinquent Tax Collector (1) First Constable

(1) Second Constable (1) Town School Board Director

(1) Town Grand Juror

To elect by the Australian Ballot System the following town and town school district officers for **two years**:

(1) Select Board Member

To elect by the Australian Ballot System the following town and town school district officers for **three years**:

(1) Lister (1) Town School Board Director

(1) Select Board Member (1) Union School Board Director

To elect by the Australian Ballot System the following town and town school district officers for **five years:** 

(1) Cemetery Commissioner

### No Discussion on Article 1.

# **Article 2.** Review and Discuss:

Shall the voters of the Town of Derby School District approve the School Board to expend \$6,538,645.00, 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 \$13,718.00 per equalized pupil. This projected spending per equalized pupil is 2% less than spending for the current year.

# **Article 3.** Review and Discuss:

Shall the voters of the Town of Derby School District authorize the Board of School Directors to place the 2019-20 fund balance into two reserved funds to be used over several years: \$170,086.99 into Building and Grounds fund, \$160,000.00 Technology fund?

#### Article 4. Review and Discuss:

Shall the voters of the Town of Derby vote to authorize the Select Board to purchase other land or real estate not to exceed a total purchase price of \$20,000.00?

#### **Article 5** Review and Discuss:

Shall the voters of the Town of Derby authorize payment of property taxes to the Town Treasurer on or before Monday, October 18<sup>th</sup>, 2021 at 5:00 P.M.?

#### Article 6. Review and Discuss:

Shall the voters of the Town of Derby vote the sum of \$200,000.00 for the rebuilding of roads in the Town of Derby, said monies to be raised by taxes?

#### Article 7. Review and Discuss:

Shall the Town of Derby vote to appropriate the sum of \$3,300.00 to assist the **Northeast Kingdom Council on Aging** in providing services to older Vermonters in the ensuing year?

#### Article 8. Review and Discuss:

Shall the voters of the Town of Derby appropriate \$12,000.00 to Haskell Free Library & Opera House to provide services to the residents of the Town?

#### Article 9. Review and Discuss:

Shall the voters of the Town of Derby appropriate \$40,000.00 to Dailey Memorial Library to provide services to residents of the Town?

## Article 10. Review and Discuss:

Shall the voters of the Town of Derby appropriate \$2,000.00 to Orleans County Citizen Advocacy for the purpose of creating and supporting relationships between community volunteers and individuals with developmental disabilities?

#### **Article 11.** Review and Discuss:

Shall the voters of the Town of Derby vote to appropriate a sum not to exceed \$15,000.00 to Town of Derby/ Salem Lakes Preservation Association, matching the Grant Funds from the Vermont Department of Environmental Conservation, to continue monitoring and protecting the Lakes from Eurasian Water Milfoil and other Invasive Species?

# **Article 12.** Review and Discuss:

Shall the voters of the Town of Derby appropriate \$10,000.00 for the removal of Eurasian Milfoil from Lake Derby (Derby Pond)?

## **Article 13.** Review and Discuss:

Shall the voters of the Town of Derby appropriate \$13,600.00 to Orleans Essex VNA & Hospice Inc. for the services of Skilled Nursing, Physical Therapy, Speech Therapy, Occupational Therapy, Medical Social Work, Licensed Nurse Aide, Homemaker, Personal Care Attendant, Hospice, Maternal Child Health Programs, and other community health programs provided by the Agency?

## **Article 14.** Review and Discuss:

Shall the Town of Derby appropriate \$9,242.00 to Northeast Kingdom Human Services, Inc. a not for profit 501(c)(3), to provide services to residents who cannot otherwise afford care?

# **Article 15.** Review and Discuss:

Shall the voters of the Town of Derby appropriate \$6,150.00 to Umbrella to support services for victims of domestic assault, sexual violence, providing fresh, local food to area seniors and disabled adults through Meals on Wheels deliveries?

# Article 16. Review and Discuss:

Shall the voters of the Town of Derby appropriate \$46,871.16 for the care and up keep of the Cemeteries in the Town of Derby, of which \$12,988.18 shall come from cemetery revenues and \$33,882.98 shall be raised by taxes?

#### **Article 17.** Review and Discuss:

Shall the Town of Derby appropriate \$1,600.00 to Orleans County Historical Society to assist in maintaining the Old Stone House Museum and its educational programs, and direct the selectmen to assess a tax sufficient to meet the same?

## Article 18. Review and Discuss:

Shall the Town of Derby appropriate \$2,500.00 to Rural Community Transportation, Inc. to provide services to residents of the Town of Derby?

## Article 19. Review and Discuss:

Shall the Town of Derby appropriate \$2,000.00 to Pope Memorial Frontier Animal Shelter with its commitment to rescuing, providing care to and finding homes for unwanted pets?

## **Article 20.** Review and Discuss:

Shall the Town of Derby appropriate \$1,500.00 to Northeast Kingdom Learning Services, Inc. (NEKLS) to provide services to residents of the Town?

#### **Article 21.** Review and Discuss:

Shall the voters of the Town of Derby provide notice of annual town report availability to residents by publishing notice in the newspaper and on the town website at least 10 days before the annual meeting along with designated pick up locations for said report in lieu of mailing?

## **Article 22.** Review and Discuss:

Shall the voters of the Town of Derby authorize the Select Board to expend **\$2,647,195.89** which is the amount the Select Board deems necessary for the ensuing years' budget; which does NOT include the above articles appropriations?

Entertain motion to adjourn hearing