

**WARNING  
TOWN OF WHEELOCK ANNUAL TOWN MEETING  
MARCH 1, 2022**

*Notice to the Voters: There is no deadline to register to vote. You may register to vote on the day of the election. You can register prior by going to the Town Clerk's office or going online to [olvr.sec.state.vt.us](http://olvr.sec.state.vt.us).*

*Requests for Early or Absentee Ballots: You or a family member can request early or absentee ballots at any time during the year of the election, in person, by telephone, email, or online at [mvp.sec.state.vt.us](http://mvp.sec.state.vt.us). The latest you can request an absentee ballot for the Annual Meeting is the close of the Town Clerk's Office on February 24, 2022.*

*Ways to Vote Your Early Ballot:*

- *You may vote at the Town Clerk's Office during normal office hours.*
- *A Voter may take his or her ballot(s) out of the Clerk's office before Town Meeting Day and return in the same manner as if it were received by mail.*
- *A Voter may request his or her ballot(s) be mailed. Said ballot can be returned by mail, returned person during normal office hours or returned to the Polling Place on Town Meeting Day.*

**March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2022 – Wheelock Town Hall – Polls Open 10:00 AM – 7:00 PM**

**Remote Informational Meeting**

The legal voters of the Town of Wheelock, in the County of Caledonia, and the state of Vermont are hereby notified and warned of an Informational Meeting on all Articles in the Warning set forth below, to be held on **Friday, February 25, 2022 at 6:00 PM**. The meeting can be accessed via Zoom using the following link and login credentials (or dial in option):

**To Join the Meeting by Phone:**

Dial in: +1 646 558 8656  
Meeting ID: 810 8003 1813 Passcode: 055553

**To Join the Meeting by Video Conferencing:**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81080031813?pwd=K2Y4Ym9TU2FiSTJoUzVMQmlyNUpBdz09>  
Meeting ID: 810 8003 1813 Passcode: iN9YcK

The Remote Informational Meeting will also be recorded by Kingdom Access TV and available on their YouTube channel. Visit [www.townofwheelockvt.org](http://www.townofwheelockvt.org) for access to the link.

**Australian Ballot Voting on all Articles on the Warning for Annual Town Meeting**

The legal voters of the Town of Wheelock, in the County of Caledonia, and the State of Vermont are hereby notified and warned to meet to vote at the Town Hall, on Tuesday, March 1, 2022 from 10:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m. to vote on the following Articles by Australian Ballot:

- ARTICLE 1.** To elect all Town Officers required by law
- Moderator – 1 Year Term
  - Selectboard – 3 Year Term
  - Selectboard – 1 Year Term (to finish a 3 Year Term)
  - Lister – 3 Year Term
  - Lister – 1 Year Term (to finish a 3 Year Term)
  - Auditor – 3 Year Term
  - Delinquent Tax Collector – 1 Year Term
  - First Constable – 1 Year Term
  - Second Constable – 1 Year Term

- ARTICLE 2.** Shall the voters approve expenditures in the amount of \$139,584 for the General Fund to meet the expenses and liabilities of the Town for the ensuing year?
- ARTICLE 3.** Shall the voters approve expenditures in the amount of \$335,533 for the maintenance of its highways, including summer roads, winter roads and State Aid Resurfacing?
- ARTICLE 4.** Shall the voters of the Town of Wheelock authorize payment of real estate taxes to the Treasurer on or before the first Friday in November, annually, with USPS postmarks accepted and with delinquent taxes having interest charges of one percent (1%) per month and with a seven percent (7%) penalty charged against them from the due date to 32 VSA Sec 5136?
- ARTICLE 5.** Shall the town allow a grace period of 30 days after the established date for current tax payment during which the collector of delinquent taxes shall charge a 1% penalty (instead of 7%) on payments made in full pursuant to 32 VSA Sec 1674 (3)(B)?
- ARTICLE 6.** Shall the voters of the Town of Wheelock appropriate the sum of \$7,000 to be added to the \$26,400 already in the Reserve Fund under the control and direction of the Selectboard for bridge repair, replacement and/or major road repair?
- ARTICLE 7.** Shall the voters of the Town of Wheelock appropriate the sum of \$25,000 to be added to the \$110,608 already in the Road Equipment Replacement Fund to be used for the purchase of new equipment?
- ARTICLE 8.** Shall the voters of the Town of Wheelock appropriate the sum of \$30,000 to be added to the \$46,030 already in the Town Hall Project Reserve Fund to be used for major repair and rehabilitation work on the Wheelock Town Hall?
- ARTICLE 9.** Shall the voters of the Town of Wheelock appropriate up to \$16,500 towards the cost of professional services related to the development of construction documents in connection with fulfilling its obligation to the U.S. Department of Justice with respect to the Town Hall accessibility issue as outlined in the Settlement Agreement?
- ARTICLE 10.** Shall the voters of the Town of Wheelock appropriate the sum of \$33,293.20 for the operating expenses of Lyndon Rescue, Inc.?
- ARTICLE 11.** Shall the voters of the Town of Wheelock appropriate the sum of \$31,375.84 for the operating expenses and equipment replacement fund of the Sheffield/Wheelock Fire Department?
- ARTICLE 12.** Shall the voters of the Town of Wheelock appropriate \$31,443.96 for the Town's share of Transfer Station expenses?

**ARTICLE 13.** Shall the voters of the Town of Wheelock appropriate \$4,607 to support the following organizations?

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| a. Caledonia Home Health Care & Hospice   | \$300  |
| b. Darling Inn Senior Meal Site           | \$300  |
| c. HOPE                                   | \$500  |
| d. Northeast Kingdom Human Services, Inc. | \$1622 |
| e. Umbrella                               | \$600  |
| f. Rural Community Transportation         | \$300  |
| g. Northeast Kingdom Council on Aging     | \$300  |
| h. VT Center for Independent Living       | \$85   |
| i. Northeast Kingdom Learning Services    | \$100  |
| j. Community Restorative Justice Center   | \$250  |
| k. Northeast Kingdom Youth Services       | \$250  |

**ARTICLE 14.** Shall the voters of the Town of Wheelock appropriate \$250 to Kingdom Animal Shelter for no kill animal shelter services?


**ARTICLE 15.** Shall the Town of Wheelock hold a vote by Australian ballot on or before November 8, 2022 to adopt flood hazard regulations adequate to meet the qualifications for acceptance into the National Flood Insurance Program, with a public hearing on the subject held not less than 30 days prior to the date of the vote?


**The following articles are non-binding, advisory only, to meet the requirements of the Settlement Agreement with the U.S. Department of Justice. Their purpose is for the voters to express their preference for one of the two proposed design options.**

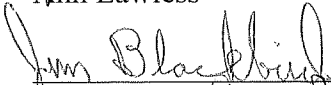
**ARTICLE 16.** Given that the Town of Wheelock MUST address accessibility and code-compliance issues for the Town Hall, does the town prefer the Board move forward with Design Option 1? It is a 2-story 20 x 30 square foot addition, 1200 square feet total, to the rear of the Town Hall; accessible restrooms on the lower level; non-commercial kitchen on the upper level; lift to meet accessibility requirements; walkways to meet accessible entry requirements, replacement of front steps; electrical upgrade. Estimated total cost \$980,090.

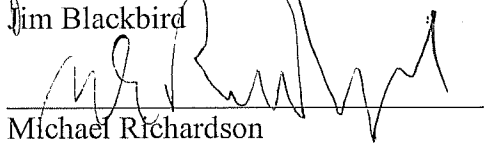
**ARTICLE 17.** Given that the Town of Wheelock MUST address accessibility and code-compliance issues for the Town Hall, does the town prefer the Board move forward with Design Option 2? It is a 1-story 37 x 43 square foot side addition, 1591 square feet, to accommodate all building functions on a single level except for mechanicals (no lift needed); accessible restrooms; non-commercial kitchen; combination walkway and ramp to meet accessible entry requirements; heating and electrical system improvements. Estimated total cost \$1,515,400.

Dated at Wheelock, Vermont, this 18<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2022. Recorded before posting.  
Selectboard:

  
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Ann Lawless

Attest:   
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Jim Blackbird

  
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Michael Richardson