

**WARNING**  
**ANNUAL JAY TOWN MEETING AND JAY SCHOOL DISTRICT MEETING**  
**MARCH 1, 2016**

The legal voters of the Town of Jay and the legal voters of the Jay School District are hereby notified and warned to meet at the Jay/Westfield Elementary School, 257 Revoir Flat Road, on Tuesday, March 1, 2016 at 10:00 A.M. to transact the following business:

**TOWN MEETING:**

- Article 1.** To elect a moderator for a term of one year.
- Article 2.** To hear and act upon the town report.
- Article 3.** To elect all necessary town officials required by law.
- a. Selectboard member for a term of three years
  - b. Lister for a term of three years
  - c. Auditor for a term of three years
  - d. Collector of Delinquent Taxes for a term of one year
  - e. Town Agent for a term of one year
  - f. Town Grand Juror for a term of one year
  - g. Constable for a term of one year
- Article 4.** Shall the legal voters of the Town of Jay appropriate the sum of \$86,545 (2.75% of the 2015 Grand List 3,147,099) to the Jay Volunteer Fire Department?
- Article 5.** Shall the legal voters of the Town of Jay appropriate the sum of \$47,206 (1.5% of the 2015 Grand List 3,147,099) to the Missisquoi Valley Ambulance Service?
- Article 6.** Shall the legal voters of the Town of Jay appropriate the sum not to exceed \$20,000 for dispatching services provided by Newport City Police Department to Missisquoi Valley Ambulance Service along with Jay Volunteer Fire Department?
- Article 7.** Shall the legal voters appropriate **\$8,597** to the following social service agencies, pursuant to 24 V.S.A. § 2691?
- a. **\$800** to Jay Athletic Association
  - b. **\$250** to Jay Foodshelf
  - c. **\$1000** to Rand Memorial Library
  - d. **\$500** to Northeastern Vermont Development Association (NVDA)
  - e. **\$750** to Orleans Essex VNA & Hospice, Inc.
  - f. **\$547** to Northeast Kingdom Human Services (NKHS)
  - g. **\$300** to Northeast Kingdom Council on Aging.
  - h. **\$250** to Vermont Association For the Blind and Visually Impaired
  - i. **\$200** to Umbrella
  - j. **\$200** to Vermont Center for Independent Living (VCIL)
  - k. **\$200** to Northeast Kingdom Learning Services (NEKLS)
  - l. **\$800** to Orleans County Citizen Advocacy (OCCA)
  - m. **\$200** to Orleans County Court Diversion Program. (NEKCA)
  - n. **\$300** to Old Stone House Museum (Orleans County Historical Society)
  - o. **\$100** to Vt. Rural Fire Protection Task Force.
  - p. **\$50** to Green Up Vermont
  - q. **\$300** to Rural Community Transportation, Inc.
  - r. **\$450** to Hazen's Notch Association Campership Fund

- s. **\$250** to Pope Memorial Frontier Animal Shelter, Inc.
- t. **\$250** to American Red Cross
- u. **\$250** to Green Mountain Farm-to-School, Inc.
- v. **\$250** to Jay Focus Group & the Jay Focus Group Children's Halloween Party
- w. **\$300** to American Legion Post 28
- x. **\$100** to Vermont Symphony Orchestra

**Article 8.** Shall the legal voters approve Selectboard fund expenditures of \$311,426 for 2016?

**Article 9.** Shall the legal voters approve Highway fund expenditures of \$322,416 for 2016?

**Article 10.** Shall the legal voters approve Equipment & Garage fund expenditures of \$206,170 for 2016?

**Article 11.** Shall the legal voters approve the Selectboard to distribute surplus funds into the following:  
a. General Fund to cover operating expenses until tax money becomes available  
b. Any residual to decrease equipment loan balances

**Article 12.** Shall the legal voters authorize the Town Treasurer to collect current taxes?

**Article 13.** Shall the legal voters authorize payment of real estate property taxes on Friday, October 14, 2016 by 5:00 p.m.?

**Article 14.** Shall the town vote to disapprove the use of postmarks as proof of on-time payment of taxes pursuant to 32 V.S.A. § 4773?

**Article 15.** Shall the town vote that taxes will bear interest at a rate of 1% per month thereof for the first three months and thereafter 1.5% per month thereof from the due date of such tax pursuant to 32 V.S.A. § 5136?

**Article 16.** Shall the legal voters approve the town to employ a CPA to review all town accounts?

**Article 17.** To transact any other non-binding business which may legally come before this meeting?

**Article 18.** To adjourn.

### **SCHOOL DISTRICT MEETING:**

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

**Article 2.** To elect a Jay School Board Member for a term of three years.

**Article 3.** To elect a NCUHS/NCUJHS School Director for a term of three years.

**Article 4.** Shall the legal voters of the Jay Town School District appropriate the sum of \$1,343,489 dollars 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 \$780,030? **(Paper ballot to be co-mingled with Westfield)**

**Article 5.** Shall the legal voters of the Jay Town School District authorize the Board of School directors to place \$75,955 of undesignated general fund balance into the Buildings & Grounds Reserve fund? **(Paper ballot to be co-mingled with Westfield)**

- Article 6.** Shall the legal voters of the Jay Town School District authorize the Board of School Directors to use \$30,000 of undesignated general fund balance to purchase new cafeteria tables and chairs? **(Paper ballot to be co-mingled with Westfield)**
- Article 7.** Shall the voters of the school district approve the school board to expend \$860,234 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 \$13,023.33 per equalized pupil. this projected spending per equalized pupil is 5.08% lower than spending for the current year.
- Article 8.** To transact any other non-binding business which may legally come before this meeting?
- Article 9.** To adjourn.

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**Australian ballot items are voted at the Jay/Westfield Elementary School, 257 Revoir Flat Road during the day on Tuesday, March 1, 2016. The polls open at 10:00 A.M. and close at 7:00 P.M. Absentee ballots are available through 4 P.M. on Monday, February 29, 2016.**

- Article 1.** Shall the voters authorize the Northeast Kingdom Waste Management District to appropriate and expend a budget of \$716,673? **(Australian Ballot)**
- Article 2.** To elect a Jay/Westfield Joint School Treasurer for the school year 2016-2017. **(Australian Ballot)**
- Article 3.** North Country Union High School and North Country Career Center: Shall the voters of the school district approve the school board to expend \$15,429,210 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 \$13,972 per equalized pupil. This projected spending per equalized pupil is 1.76% higher than spending for the current year. **(Australian Ballot)**
- Article 4.** Shall the North Country Union High School District authorize the Board of School Directors to place \$190,000 of undesignated FY2015 fund balance from the general fund operations in the Capital Improvement Reserve fund? **(Australian Ballot)**
- Article 5.** North Country Union Junior High School: Shall the voters of the school district approve the school board to expend \$5,117,624, 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 \$14,375 per equalized pupil. This projected spending per equalized pupil is 4.69% lower than spending for the current year. **(Australian Ballot)**

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Dated at Jay, Vermont this 29<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2016.

Received for Record:

January 29, 2016 at 5:15 p.m.

Attest: Tara Morse  
Jay Town Clerk

**Selectboard Members:**

Peggy Loux, Chair  
Marc Burroughs-Biron  
David Sanders

**Jay School Board Members:**

Myra Alix  
Jeff Morse  
Sally Rivard