

TOWN OF BROOKLINE

REMOTE PUBLIC INFORMATIONAL HEARING

NOTICE and AGENDA

The Selectboard for the Town of Brookline will hold a public informational hearing by electronic means on February 23, 2022 at 6:30pm to discuss the Australian ballot articles on the 2022 Town Meeting Warning.

Information on how to access the remote hearing:

- By telephone: Dial 1-929-205-6099. When prompted enter the meeting ID: 882 6671 0249, and when prompted the passcode: 901525.
- By computer: Join meeting at the link below:
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88266710249?pwd=L3VPTFVZUIJPSyYyZHYyGdUQ1dwUT09>
Or by going to www.zoom.us, clicking "Join a Meeting" and entering the meeting details below:
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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 Dorothy Maggio, Selectboard Chair at dmaggio.brooklinevt@gmail.com.

To ensure smooth access, we recommend that you test your remote meeting software in advance of the meeting. **If you have difficulty accessing the hearing, please call 802-365-4648 or email dmaggio.brooklinevt@gmail.com.**

AGENDA

Wednesday, February 23, 2022

The meeting begins at 6:30 PM • Times listed are approximate

- 6:30 PM: Call to Order
- 6:31 PM: Additions/deletions/changes to the agenda
- 6:33 PM: Remote Meeting Rules of Procedure
- 6:40 PM: Review and discuss **Article 1: To elect all Town Officers required by law:**
 - Town Moderator for a term of 1 year;
 - Town Clerk for a term of 1 year;
 - Town Treasurer for a term of 1 year;
 - Delinquent Tax Collector for a term of 1 year;
 - Selectboard Member for a term of 3 years;
 - Selectboard Member for a term of 2 years;
 - Lister for a term of 3 years;
 - Lister for a term of 2 years (remainder of an open 3-year term);
 - Lister for a term of 1 year (remainder of an open 3-year term);
 - Auditor for a term of 3 years;
 - Cemetery Commissioner for a term of 5 years;
 - Trustee of Public Funds for a term of 1 year;
- o Public comment
- 6:50 PM: Review and discuss **Article 2: Shall the Town accept the Auditors' Report?**
 - o Public comment

Agenda (continued)

- 6:55 PM: Review and discuss **Article 3: Shall the Town vote to approve the General and Highway Fund expenditures, net of non-tax budgeted revenues, for the Town as follows:**

Amount to be raised by taxes for General Fund:	\$ 145,667
Amount to be raised by taxes for Highway Fund:	\$ 232,367
Total Municipal Taxes to be raised:	\$ 378,034

 - o Public comment
- 7:10 PM: Review and discuss **Article 4: Shall the Town authorize the collection of taxes in 4 installments, with the due dates being: August 16, 2022; November 15, 2022; February 16, 2023; May 16, 2023**
 - o Public comment
- 7:15 PM: Review and discuss **Article 5: Shall the voters appropriate \$250.00 to be raised by taxes in continuing support of American Red Cross?**
 - o Public comment
- 7:18 PM: Review and discuss **Article 6: Shall the voters appropriate \$125.00 to be raised by taxes in continuing support of CRT-The Current Ct. River Transit?**
 - o Public comment
- 7:21 PM: Review and discuss **Article 7: Shall the voters appropriate \$300.00 to be raised by taxes in continuing support of Grace Cottage Foundation?**
 - o Public comment
- 7:24 PM: Review and discuss **Article 8: Shall the voters appropriate \$50.00 to be raised by taxes in continuing support of Green-Up Vermont?**
 - o Public comment
- 7:27 PM: Review and discuss **Article 9: Shall the voters appropriate \$300.00 to be raised by taxes in continuing support of Groundworks Collaborative?**
 - o Public comment
- 7:30 PM: Review and discuss **Article 10: Shall the voters appropriate \$250.00 to be raised by taxes in continuing support of Historical Society of Windham County?**
 - o Public comment
- 7:33 PM: Review and discuss **Article 11: Shall the voters appropriate \$250.00 to be raised by taxes in continuing support of Leland & Gray Education Foundation?**
 - o Public comment
- 7:36 PM: Review and discuss **Article 12: Shall the voters appropriate \$700.00 to be raised by taxes in continuing support of Moore Free Library?**
 - o Public comment
- 7:39 PM: Review and discuss **Article 13: Shall the voters appropriate \$100.00 to be raised by taxes in continuing support of Rural Fire Protection Program?**
 - o Public comment
- 7:42 PM: Review and discuss **Article 14: Shall the voters appropriate \$700.00 to be raised by taxes in continuing support of Senior Solutions?**
 - o Public comment
- 7:45 PM: Review and discuss **Article 15: Shall the voters appropriate \$465.00 to be raised by taxes in continuing support of SEVCA?**
 - o Public comment
- 7:48 PM: Review and discuss **Article 16: Shall the voters appropriate \$1,590.00 to be raised by taxes in continuing support of Southeastern Vermont Economic Development Strategies (SeVEDS)?**
 - o Public comment

Agenda (continued)

- 7:51 PM: Review and discuss **Article 17: Shall the voters appropriate \$500.00 to be raised by taxes in continuing support of Southern Vermont Therapeutic Riding Center?**
 - o Public comment
- 7:54 PM: Review and discuss **Article 18: Shall the voters appropriate \$130.00 to be raised by taxes in continuing support of Southeastern Watershed Alliance?**
 - o Public comment
- 7:57 PM: Review and discuss **Article 19: Shall the voters appropriate \$100.00 to be raised by taxes in continuing support of VABVI-VT Assoc. for the Blind?**
 - o Public comment
- 8:00 PM: Review and discuss **Article 20: Shall the voters appropriate \$821.00 to be raised by taxes in continuing support of Valley Cares, Inc?**
 - o Public comment
- 8:03 PM: Review and discuss **Article 21: Shall the voters appropriate \$80.00 to be raised by taxes in continuing support of Vt Center for Independent Living?**
 - o Public comment
- 8:06 PM: Review and discuss **Article 22: Shall the voters appropriate \$250.00 to be raised by taxes in continuing support of Vermont Family Network?**
 - o Public comment
- 8:09 PM: Review and discuss **Article 23: Shall the voters appropriate \$1,000.00 to be raised by taxes in continuing support of Visiting Nurse Alliance?**
 - o Public comment
- 8:12 PM: Review and discuss **Article 24: Shall the voters appropriate \$500.00 to be raised by taxes in continuing support of Windham County Humane Society?**
 - o Public comment
- 8:17 PM: Review and discuss **Article 25: Shall the voters appropriate \$650.00 to be raised by taxes in continuing support of Women's Freedom Center?**
 - o Public comment
- 8:22 PM: Review and discuss **Article 26: Shall the voters appropriate \$255.00 to be raised by taxes in continuing support of Youth Services?**
 - o Public comment
- 8:27 PM: Review and discuss **Article 27: Shall the voters appropriate \$500.00 to be raised by taxes In support of The Gathering Place?**
 - o Public comment
- 8:32 PM: Review and discuss **Article 28: Shall the Town vote to collect its current taxes by its Town Treasurer pursuant to 32 V.S.A. § 4791?**
 - o Public comment
- 8:37 PM: Review and discuss **Article 29: Shall the voters approve the appropriation of up to \$22,000 for recycling costs for fiscal year 2023?**
 - o Public comment
- 8:50 PM: Review and discuss **Article 30: Shall the voters approve the appropriation of \$20,000 to establish a Budget Stabilization/Rainy Day fund?**
 - o Public comment
- 9:05 PM: Review and discuss **Article 31: Shall the Town apply the budget surplus from the 2020-2021 budget in the amount of \$2,153 in the following manner?
\$2,153 Capital Improvement Reserve**
 - o Public comment
- 9:15 PM: Entertain motion to adjourn hearing.