

TOWN OF GROTON

REMOTE PUBLIC INFORMATIONAL HEARING

NOTICE and AGENDA

The Select board for the Town of Groton will hold a public informational hearing by electronic means on February 25, 2021 at 6:30 pm to discuss the Australian ballot articles on the 2021 Town Meeting Warning.

Information on how to access the remote hearing:

By telephone: Dial 1-646-558-8656. When prompted enter the meeting ID: 860 9475 4557.
Passcode: 079192

By computer: Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86094754557?pwd=VTY5R1Q1YW9lamVUVWROTDQ3ZlZrUT09>

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Please review the "Informational Handout for Remote Public Hearings" to understand how these electronic hearing will be managed. If you wish to make a public comment or ask a question but do not have the ability to comment remotely during the meeting, please email your comment/question(s) to Carrie Peters, Town Clerk at townclerk@grotonvt.com or call 584-3276. Feel free to call or email questions ahead of time.

To ensure smooth access, we recommend that you test your remote hearing software in advance of the meeting.

AGENDA (times are approx.)

- 6:30 pm: Call to Order
- 6:31 pm: Additions or deletions to the agenda
 - o Public comment
- 6:35 pm: Review and discuss **Article 1:** To elect the following Town Officers as provided for by the Public Laws of Vermont.
 - o Public comment
- 6:45pm: Review and discuss **Article 2:** Shall the voters authorize to change the Road Commissioner's term from a 1 year term to a 3 year term?
 - o Public comment
- 6:55 pm: Review and discuss **Article 3:** Shall the voters authorize payment of property taxes on or before Friday November 5, 2021 by 5:00pm est., as the deadline for the payment of taxes? (Postmarks are not accepted as a timely payment)
 - o Public comment
- 7:00pm: Review and discuss **Article 4:** Shall the voters authorize the Treasurer to collect current taxes?
 - o Public comment
- 7:05 pm: Review and discuss **Article 5:** Shall the town establish a reserve fund to be called the Community Building Property Expansion Reserve Fund for the purpose of designing and implementing a new septic system, addressing drainage issues, memory wall, etc., and to fund it by depositing \$40,000 from the General Fund surplus?
 - o Public comment
- 7:35pm: Review and discuss **Article 6:** Shall the voters authorize General Fund expenditures for operating expenses of \$635,199 of which \$449,879 shall be raised by taxes and \$185,320 by non-tax revenues?
 - o Public comment
- 8:05pm: Review and discuss **Article 7:** Shall the voters authorize Highway Fund expenditures for operating expenses of \$469,067 of which \$402,067 shall be raised by taxes and \$67,000 by non-tax revenues?
- 8:35pm: Entertain motion to adjourn hearing.

