

Annual Town Meeting Warning

Town of Westmore

March 3, 2026

The legal voters of the Town of Westmore, VT. are hereby warned and notified to meet in the Fellowship Hall in said town on Tuesday, March 3, 2026, at 10:00 AM to transact the following business from the floor.

Article 1. To elect a Moderator for the ensuing year.

Article 2. To elect Town Officers as required by law:

To elect a Select Board member, by paper ballot, for the term of 3 years.

To elect a Select Board member by paper ballot for the term of 2 years.

To elect a Lister, by paper ballot, for the term of 3 years

To elect a Cemetery Commissioner for a term of 3 years.

To elect a Delinquent Tax Collector for the term of 1 year

To elect a Trustee of Public Funds for a term of 1 year.

To elect a Trustee of Public Funds for a term of 3 years.

Article 3. Shall the town vote to authorize the payment of property taxes due on or before Tuesday, October 20, 2026, at 4 PM by physical or mail/delivery to the town office or by online payments via credit card or electronic check?

Article 4. Shall the Town vote to authorize the Selectboard to use a portion of unspent General Fund surplus as needed during the year, to help offset the 2026 Municipal Tax Rate?

Article 5. Shall the Town vote to move an amount not to exceed \$20,000 to the Highway Operating Fund from the General Fund surplus to cover the 2025 operating deficit, thus reducing the tax expense for the year?

Article 6. Shall the Town vote to authorize the Selectboard to use a portion of the unspent General Fund surplus, as needed during the year, to cover any deficit amounts?

Article 7. Shall the Town vote to move an amount not to exceed \$150,000 to the Emergency Reserve Fund from the General Fund surplus, thus reducing the tax expense for the year?

Article 8. Shall the Town vote to move an amount not to exceed \$50,000 to the Capital Infrastructure Fund from the General Fund surplus for the repair of the Municipal Hall floor joists, thus reducing the tax expense for the year?

Article 9. Shall the Town vote to move \$15,000 to the 2025 Westmore Fireman's Association Appropriation, conditional upon receipt of documents as stated by the town Appropriation Policy, from the General Fund surplus, thus reducing the tax expense for the year?

Article 10. Shall the Town vote to accept the proposed 2026 General Fund tax expense of \$215,770.

Article 11. Shall the Town vote to accept the proposed 2026 Highway Fund tax expense of \$358,650?

Article 12. Shall the Town vote to add \$42,800 to the Highway - Paving Fund that will be included in the tax expense this year?

Article 13. Shall the Town vote to add \$50,000 to the Materials Fund that will be included in the tax expense this year?

Article 14. Shall the Town vote to add \$20,200 to the Capital Infrastructure Fund that will be included in the tax expense this year?

Article 15. Shall the Town vote to add \$120,000 to the Town Equipment Fund that will be included in the tax expense this year?

Article 16. Shall the Town vote to add \$5,000 to the Cemetery Fund that will be included in the tax expense this year?

Article 17. Shall the Town vote to add \$1,000 to the Deed/Vault Restoration Fund that will be included in the tax expense this year?

Article 18. Shall the Town vote to add \$21,900 to the Milfoil/Boat Greeters Program Fund that will be included in the tax expense this year?

Article 19 . Shall the Town vote to accept the proposed appropriation amount of \$44,660 to the Westmore Fireman's Association, conditional upon the receipt of documents as stated by the town appropriation policy?

Article 20: Shall the voters appropriate the total of \$12,480 to the following social service agencies, pursuant to 24 V.S.A. 2691?

\$2500 Barton Library	\$250 Vermont Family Network
\$700 NEK Human Services	\$250 Umbrella
\$250 American Red Cross	\$2500 Jones Memorial Library
\$50 Green Up	\$400 NEK Council on Aging
\$750 Northwoods Stewardship	\$1000 Old Stonehouse Museum
\$350 Rural Comm Transportation	
\$500 OCCA (ConnectABILITIES)	
\$500 Green Mtn Farm to School	
\$1000 NEK Learning Services	
\$80 Vermont Center for Independent Living	
\$900 O-E VNA & Hospice	
\$500 Pope Memorial Animal Shelter	

Article 21: Shall the Town of Westmore allocate the sum of \$200 to support the Rural Fire Protection Program (dry hydrants and rural water supply systems) through the Vermont Association of Conservation Districts?

Article 22: Shall the town vote to assess a one percent meals and beverages tax pursuant to 24 V.S.A. §138(b)(2)?

Discussion of other non-binding business.

DATED IN WESTMORE, VERMONT THIS DAY OF JANUARY 2026

Approved: David Stevens, Chair



Peter Hyslop



Miriam Simonds



William Perkins

Isaiah Casey



Attest:

Elaine Cashin

