

**WARNING OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF
THE TOWN OF DANVILLE TO BE HELD
MARCH 3, 2020**

The inhabitants of the Town of Danville who are legal voters in the Town are hereby warned to meet at the Danville School on Tuesday, March 3, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. to act upon the following business of the Town:

Voting for all budgets and Article 29 will be by Australian ballot. The polls will be open from 10:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m.

Absentee ballots for the budget may be requested until 4:00 p.m. on Monday, March 2, 2020.

1. To elect a Moderator.
2. To see if the Town will vote to accept the Town Report as printed for the year ending December 31, 2019.
3. To elect a Selectperson for a term of three years.
4. To elect two Selectpersons for a term of one year each.
5. To elect a Lister for a term of three years.
6. To elect a Delinquent Tax Collector.
7. To elect a Town Agent.
8. To elect a Town Agent for Real Estate.
9. To elect any other Town Officers.
10. Shall the Town of Danville vote to raise, appropriate and expend \$2,600.00 to Caledonia Home Health Care and Hospice to be used in providing health care services?
11. Shall the Town of Danville vote to raise, appropriate and expend the sum of \$500.00 to Catamount Film and Arts?
12. Shall the Town of Danville vote to raise, appropriate and expend the sum of \$250.00 to The Community Restorative Justice for restorative cases, free legal clinic cases, and/or mediation cases which are referred from the town to the CRJC in accordance with 24 V.S.A. §2691?
13. Shall the Town of Danville vote to raise, appropriate and expend the sum of \$5,000.00 to assist the Danville Senior Action Center in meeting its operational expenses?
14. Shall the Town of Danville vote to raise, appropriate, and expend the sum of \$2,196.00 for the support of the Fairbanks Museum and Planetarium to provide free unlimited admission to the residents of the Town?

- 15. Shall the town of Danville vote to raise, appropriate and expend the sum of \$500.00 for the support of Upper Valley Habitat for Humanity in the Northeast Kingdom to provide services to residents of Danville?**
- 16. Shall the Town of Danville vote to raise, appropriate and expend the sum of \$500.00 for the support of Kingdom Animal Shelter to provide services to residents of the Town? The funds will be used for the care of stray unwanted cats brought into the shelter including food/litter and veterinary care (including spay/neuter, vaccinations, and FeLV testing) to prepare them for adoption.**
- 17. Shall the Town of Danville vote to raise, appropriate and expend the sum of \$1,700.00 to assist the Northeast Kingdom Council on Aging, in providing services to senior citizens in the ensuing year?**
- 18. Shall the Town of Danville vote to raise, appropriate and expend the sum of \$2,306.00 for the support of Northeast Kingdom Human Services, Inc., a not-for-profit 501(c)(3) organization, to support the provision of 24 hour, 7 days a week emergency/crisis services to residents of the Town?**
- 19. Shall the Town of Danville vote to raise, appropriate and expend the sum of \$750.00 to Northeast Kingdom Youth Services to support their work with youth and families in our community?**
- 20. Shall the Town of Danville vote to raise, appropriate and expend the sum of \$28,000.00 to assist the Pope Memorial Library in meeting its operational expenses?**
- 21. Shall the Town of Danville vote to raise, appropriate and expend the sum of \$1,400.00 for services provided by Rural Community Transportation (“RCT”) to residents who live in Danville?**
- 22. Shall the Town of Danville vote to raise, appropriate and expend the sum of \$1,200.00 to Umbrella, Inc., to serve victims of domestic and sexual violence and their children and families seeking child care and child care providers?**
- 23. Shall the Town of Danville vote to raise, appropriate and expend the sum of \$1,000.00 to assist the West Danville Community Club with operating expenses for Joe’s Pond Beach?**
- 24. Shall the Town of Danville vote to adopt the proposed General Fund budget of \$720,495.00 for the ensuing year, and authorize the Selectboard to assess a general Town Tax in an amount sufficient to support the adopted budget?
(By Australian Ballot)**
- 25. Shall the Town of Danville vote to adopt the proposed Town Highway budget of \$1,524,822.00 for the ensuing year, and authorize the Selectboard to assess a Town Highway Tax in an amount sufficient to support the adopted budget?
(By Australian Ballot)**
- 26. Shall the Town of Danville vote to pay property taxes to the Town Treasurer on or before October 26, 2019 by 6:00 p.m.**

27. Shall the Town of Danville vote to authorize the selectboard to borrow money for the Town expenses and refund indebtedness not to exceed 90% of the anticipated taxes and to execute and deliver the note or notes of the Town therefore.
28. Shall the Town of Danville vote to authorize the selectboard to apply for grants and to accept and expend grants or gifts for the use and benefit of the Town?
29. Shall the Town of Danville vote to authorize the selectboard to appoint a constable (and at the selectboard's discretion appoint a second constable) under the provisions of 17 V.S.A §2651a? (By Australian Ballot)
- 2651a. Constables; appointment; removal.
- (a)(1) A town may vote by Australian ballot at an annual meeting to authorize the selectboard to appoint a first constable, and if needed a second constable, in which case at least a first constable shall be appointed.
- (2) A constable so appointed may be removed by the selectmen for just cause after notice and hearing.
- (3) When a town votes to authorize the selectmen to appoint constables, the selectboard's authority to make such appointments shall remain in effect until the town rescinds that authority by the majority vote of the legal voters present and voting at an annual meeting, duly warned for that purpose.
- (b) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (a) to the contrary, a vote to authorize the selectboard to appoint constables shall become effective only upon a two-thirds vote of those present and voting, if a written protest against the authorization is filed with the legislative body at least 15 days before the vote by at least five percent of the voters of the municipality.
- (c) The authority to authorize the selectboard to appoint the constable as provided in this section shall extend to all towns except those that have a charter that specifically provides for the election or appointment of this office of constable.
30. Shall the Town of Danville enter into a communications union district (CUD) to be known as NEK Community Broadband, under the provisions of 30 V.S.A. §82., to bring a reliable and affordable, high-speed internet option to every residential and business address in the Northeast Kingdom.
31. Shall the Town of Danville vote to fix the tax applicable to Danville Senior Citizens Housing, Inc. at 98 Grandview Avenue to eighty (80) percent of the annual tax for a period of ten years, under the provisions of 32 VSA §3840?
32. Shall the Town make the following statement of support:
We, the citizens of Danville, strongly support the completion of the Lamoille Valley Rail Trail. We urge the Governor and Legislature to jointly develop a plan that will ensure the Lamoille Valley Rail Trail is completed by 2025.
33. To transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

Dated this 16th day of January, 2020.

DANVILLE SELECTBOARD

Kenneth Linsley, Chairman
Kellie Merrell
Henry Pearl

Eric Bach, Vice-Chairman
Kellie Merrell
Kristin Franson

Attest: Wendy M. Somers, Town Clerk