

MEMORANDUM



To: Selectboard
From: Peter B. Elwell, Town Manager
Re: Administrative Report
Date: January 25, 2019

The following will summarize the proposed motions for the Selectboard meeting on Tuesday, January 29, 2019. The Board will meet in executive session at 6:00pm to discuss the employment or evaluation of a public officer or employee. The Board will reconvene the business meeting at 6:15pm in the Selectboard Meeting Room.

3. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. Arts Fund Proposal

At the Selectboard meeting on January 22, 2019, the Selectboard heard a proposal from representatives of the arts community to provide an amount equivalent to 2% of the annual receipts from the Local Option Tax on Rooms, Meals, and Alcohol for use as an "Arts Fund" to be allocated to public art projects. The Selectboard requested more information, including identification of the entity to whom the funds would be provided. The artists did not ask for this funding to be included in the Selectboard's proposed FY20 Budget (which was approved at the January 22 Selectboard meeting) but for the matter to be added as an article on the warning for the Representative Town Meeting to be held on March 23, 2019.

POTENTIAL MOTION: TO ADD THE FOLLOWING ARTICLE TO THE 2019 REPRESENTATIVE TOWN MEETING WARNING: TO SEE IF THE TOWN WILL APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$8,424 FROM THE UNASSIGNED FUND BALANCE TO ESTABLISH AN "ARTS FUND."

B. Town Meeting Warnings

Annual Town and Town School District Meeting on Tuesday, March 5, and Annual Representative Town Meeting on Saturday, March 23

The Selectboard reviewed the draft warnings at the January 22 Selectboard meeting. The warnings that are attached to this memorandum and are recommended for Selectboard approval reflect the actions directed by the Selectboard on January 22 and the review and advice of Town Attorney Bob Fisher and Town Meeting Moderator Lawrin Crispe regarding the proper form and wording of Town Meeting warning articles in compliance with Vermont Statutes and the Town Charter.

POTENTIAL MOTION: TO APPROVE AS PRESENTED FOR [or ... AS MODIFIED DURING] THIS JANUARY 29 MEETING THE WARNING FOR THE ANNUAL TOWN AND TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT MEETING TO BE HELD ON MARCH 5, 2019, AND THE SELECTBOARD'S WARNING FOR THE ANNUAL REPRESENTATIVE TOWN MEETING TO BE HELD ON MARCH 23, 2019.