

WARNING
TOWN OF PERU ANNUAL TOWN MEETING
March 1, 2022

The legal voters of the Town of Peru are hereby warned and notified that the following articles will be voted by **Australian Ballot** on March 1st, 2022 at the Peru Town Hall between the hours of 9 AM and 7 PM and that there will be an online informational meeting on February 28, 2022 at 7 PM.

The online **information session** can be accessed using the following information, also available at peruvt.org

Time: Feb 28, 2022 07:00 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/4381647214?pwd=MnZEL25RT0FjY1lpNG1wdDBMTWZBdz09>

Dial by phone

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Meeting ID: 438 164 7214

Passcode: 629505

Article 1: To elect a Town Moderator

Article 2: To elect all Town Officers as the law directs.

- A. Town Clerk for a term of one year;
- B. Town Treasurer for a term of one year;
- C. Selectboard member for a term of three years;
- D. Lister for a term of two years;
- E. Auditor for a term of three years;
- F. 1 Cemetery Commissioner for a term of five years;
- G. 1 Cemetery Commissioner for a term of one year;
- H. 1 Cemetery Commissioner for a term of four years;
- I. First Constable for a term of one year;
- J. Second Constable for a term of one year;
- K. Collector of Delinquent Taxes for a term of one year;
- L. Grand Juror for a term of one year;
- M. Trustee of Public Funds for a term of one year;

Article 3:

- A. Shall the voters authorize total fund expenditures for operating expenses for the 2022-2023 fiscal year of \$927,125, of which \$545,000 shall be raised by taxes and \$382,125 by non-tax revenues?
- B. Shall the voters establish the date of payment of such taxes as July 1st, 2022 through September 30th, 2022?

Article 4: Shall the Voters authorize the Treasurer to collect current taxes?

Article 5: Shall the voters vote a sum of money to the following organizations which serve the community?

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| Bennington County Conservation District | \$300 |
| BROC Community Action | \$200 |
| Cemetery Commission | \$5,000 |
| The Collaborative | \$750 |
| Center for Restorative Justice | \$300 |
| Flood Brook Athletic Association | \$1,000 |
| Green Up Vermont | \$50 |
| Londonderry Volunteer Rescue Squad | \$5,000 |
| Mountain Valley Health Council | \$3,000 |
| Neighborhood Connections | \$1,000 |
| Project Against Violent Encounters (PAVE) | \$150 |
| Rural Fire Protection Task Force | \$100 |
| Southwestern Vermont Council on Aging | \$200 |
| Vt. Ctr. Of Independent Living | \$140 |
| Bennington County Coalition for Homeless | \$500 |
| Visiting Nurse & Hospice | \$2,700 |
| Bennington County Child Advocacy Ctr. | \$500 |
| South Londonderry Free Library | \$1,000 |

TOTAL **\$21,890**

Article 6: Shall the voters approve a veteran's exemption to include an amount up to \$30,000? The State of Vermont currently provides a maximum exemption of \$40,000 with the first \$10,000 provided by the state. The total exemption is deducted from the appraised value of the parcel.

Article 7: Shall the voters approve closing the Sewer and Land Reserve Fund with a balance of \$19,215 plus any accrued interest, and moving the money into the General Fund?

Article 8: Shall the voters indicate support for the concept of a regional Field House at the Dana Thompson Recreation Park in Manchester, with the understanding that towns would participate in its construction costs under a formula based on a combination of grand list, population and distance, in exchange for a special use status for those who live or own a second home in the Town of Peru. This article is advisory in nature and does not bind the town to further action.

Dated at Peru, Vermont, January 19, 2022

Todd Williams _____

Jon Mowry _____

Charles Black _____

Peru Select Board