

**OFFICIAL BALLOT**  
**ANNUAL TOWN MEETING**  
**MIDDLETOWN SPRINGS, VERMONT**  
**MARCH 4, 2025**

**INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS**

- Use BLACK Pen to fill in the oval. **DO NOT USE PENCIL.**
- To vote for a person whose name is printed on the ballot, fill in the oval to the right of the name of that person.
- To vote for a person whose name is not printed on the ballot, write the person's name in the blank space provided and fill in the oval to the right of the write-in line. Please use block letters and stay within the box provided for write-ins.
- Do not vote for more candidates than the "VOTE for NOT MORE THAN #" for an office.
- If you make a mistake, tear, or deface the ballot, return it to an election official and obtain another ballot. **DO NOT ERASE.**

<b>TOWN MODERATOR</b> Vote for not more than ONE (1 Yr Term)	<b>LISTER</b> Vote for not more than ONE (3 Yr Term)	<b>LIBRARY TRUSTEE</b> Vote for not more than ONE (3 Yr Term)
<b>ANDREW HAYES</b> <input type="radio"/>	<b>PATRICIA HEMENWAY</b> <input type="radio"/>	<b>BETH MILLER</b> <input type="radio"/>
(Write-in) <input type="radio"/>	(Write-in) <input type="radio"/>	(Write-in) <input type="radio"/>
<b>DELINQUENT TAX COLLECTOR</b> Vote for not more than ONE (2 Years remaining of a 3 Yr Term)	<b>AUDITOR</b> Vote for not more than ONE (3 Yr Term)	<b>TRUSTEE COPELAND CHURCH FUND</b> Vote for not more than ONE (1 Yr Term)
<b>HEATHER L GRIER</b> <input type="radio"/>	<b>JUANITA (NITA) BURCH-CLAY</b> <input type="radio"/>	<b>RITA HANSEN</b> <input type="radio"/>
(Write-in) <input type="radio"/>	(Write-in) <input type="radio"/>	(Write-in) <input type="radio"/>
<b>SELECTBOARD</b> Vote for not more than ONE (3 Yr Term)	<b>AUDITOR</b> Vote for not more than ONE (2 Years remaining of a 3 Yr Term)	<b>TRUSTEE COPELAND CEMETERY FUND</b> Vote for not more than ONE (1 Yr Term)
<b>NEIL T RUSSELL</b> <input type="radio"/>	(Write-in) <input type="radio"/>	(Write-in) <input type="radio"/>
<b>ISAAC YACKEL</b> <input type="radio"/>	<b>PLANNING COMMISSION</b> Vote for not more than ONE (3 Yr Term)	<b>TRUSTEE LOUIS FUND &amp; OTHER PUBLIC MONIES</b> Vote for not more than ONE (3 Yr Term)
(Write-in) <input type="radio"/>	(Write-in) <input type="radio"/>	(Write-in) <input type="radio"/>
<b>SELECTBOARD</b> Vote for not more than ONE (2 Yr Term)		
<b>JAMES P MARS JR</b> <input type="radio"/>		
<b>TERRY REDFIELD</b> <input type="radio"/>		
(Write-in) <input type="radio"/>		

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ARTICLES

**Article 2.** Shall the voters of the Town of Middletown Springs accept the report prepared by the Town Auditors?

YES ☐

NO ☐

**Article 3.** Shall the voters of the Town of Middletown Springs appropriate **\$427,771** for the **general operation** of the town, the sum of **\$344,771** to be raised by taxes on the 2025 Grand List of the Town of Middletown Springs for the fiscal year of July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026?

YES ☐

NO ☐

**Article 4.** Shall the voters of the Town of Middletown Springs appropriate **\$528,055** for **the care and maintenance of highways**, the sum of **\$426,055** to be raised by taxes on the 2025 Grand List of the Town of Middletown Springs for the fiscal year of July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026?

YES ☐

NO ☐

**Article 5.** Shall the voters of the Town of Middletown Springs authorize the Select Board to fund the **Municipal Tax Stabilization Reserve Fund** with any surplus **up to \$5,000** from the current fiscal year General Fund budget, to be used to reduce unanticipated tax increases due to general fund cost overruns?

YES ☐

NO ☐

**Article 6.** Shall the voters of the Town of Middletown Springs authorize the Select Board to fund the **Reserve Fund for Town Municipal Facilities** with **up to \$50,000** of any non-allocated General Fund surplus from the current fiscal year, and further allocate any surplus still remaining to be used to reduce taxes?

YES ☐

NO ☐

**Article 7.** Shall the Town of Middletown Springs deem necessary and appropriate **\$86,000** for the **Middletown Springs Volunteer Fire Department** determining that the program serves the residents of the town with fire protection and emergency response services?

YES ☐

NO ☐

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**Article 8.** Shall the voters of the Town of Middletown Springs deem necessary and appropriate **\$39,700** for the support of **Poultney Rescue Squad** determining that the program serves the residents of the town with emergency life support and transport services?

YES ☐

NO ☐

**Article 9.** Shall the voters of the Town of Middletown Springs deem necessary and appropriate **\$200** for the support of **Vermont Rural Fire Protection Task Force** determining that the program serves the residents of the town with road and fire protection grant programs including the Better Back Roads grants and dry-hydrant grants?

YES ☐

NO ☐

**Article 10.** Shall the voters of the Town of Middletown Springs deem necessary and appropriate **\$745** for the support of the **Regional Marketing Initiative**, a collaboration of the Chamber & Economic Development of the Rutland Region and municipalities around Rutland County, the goal of which is to grow the economy in our region, and determining that the program serves the residents of the town in a regionally funded marketing effort to support the town's and region's economy?

YES ☐

NO ☐

**Article 11.** Shall the voters of the Town of Middletown Springs deem necessary and appropriate **\$200** for the support of **Mentor Connector** determining that it enhances self-esteem and in-depth training?

YES ☐

NO ☐

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