



**TOWN OF MORRISTOWN SELECTBOARD
SPECIAL MEETING NOTICE & AGENDA
COMMUNITY MEETING ROOM**

On Zoom and at 43 Portland St. Morrisville, VT 05661
5:30 PM Monday, January 27, 2025

[Join Zoom Meeting](#) or by phone join via conference call (audio only): 1 (646) 558-8656 | Meeting ID: [810 342 4528](#) | Passcode 05661

The meeting will be live streamed on the Town of Morristown's website:

<https://www.morristownvt.gov/community/page/meetings-agendas-minutes> and on [Town GMATV YouTube Channel](#) when possible

I. 5:30PM - CALL SELECTBOARD MEETING TO ORDER

II. 5:31PM - AGENDA CHANGES/ADDITIONS

III. 5:35PM - NEW BUSINESS

1. Discuss the financial impact of FY 25/26 budget due to zoning vacancy
2. Approve and sign Town Meeting Warning
3. Approve the automatic mailing of all annual school meeting ballots.

IV. 6:10PM - ADJOURN

TOWN OF MORRISTOWN
PLANNING/ZONING

MEDIAN ZONING & PLANNING HOURLY RATES * (VLCT DATA)										
Title	Hourly Rate	Annual Hours	Total Compensation	FICA/MEDI	VT Child Tax	Retirement - Plan B	Health Insurance	HRA	Life/Disability	Total Expense
Zoning Administrator - Part Time	\$ 27.00	1040	\$ 28,080.00	\$ 2,148.12	\$ 123.55	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 30,351.67
Zoning Administrator - Full Time	\$ 27.00	2080	\$ 56,160.00	\$ 4,296.24	\$ 247.10	\$ 4,071.60	\$ 19,127.96	\$ 5,610.00	\$ 446.00	\$ 89,958.90
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Planning Director - Part Time	\$ 36.00	1040	\$ 37,440.00	\$ 2,864.16	\$ 164.74	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 40,468.90
Planning Director - Full Time	\$ 36.00	2080	\$ 74,880.00	\$ 5,728.32	\$ 329.47	\$ 5,428.80	\$ 19,127.96	\$ 5,610.00	\$ 446.00	\$ 111,550.55
FY 25/26 PLANNING & ZONING CURRENTLY BUDGETED						Retirement Plan C				
Zoning Administrator/Planning Dir	\$ 34.94	2080	\$ 72,675.20	\$ 5,559.65	\$ 319.77	\$ 6,540.77	\$ 19,127.96	\$ 5,610.00	\$ 446.00	\$ 110,279.35
Village Planning Director Funding			\$ 8,000.00							\$ 8,000.00
			\$ 80,675.20							\$ 118,279.35
PLANNING & ZONING CURRENT YEAR BUDGET REMAINING						Retirement Plan C				
Budget from February - June 2025	\$ 33.42	800	\$ 26,736.00	\$ 2,045.30	\$ 117.64	\$ 2,339.40	\$ 7,535.35	\$ -	\$ 185.00	\$ 38,958.69
Village Planning Director Funding			\$ 4,000.00							\$ 4,000.00
			\$ 30,736.00							\$ 42,958.69
STONE SHORE MUNICIPAL CONSULTING - PLANNING CONTRACT										
Starting January 21, 2025	\$ 70.00	257	\$ 18,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 18,000.00
257 hours/23 weeks = 11 hours wk = \$18,000										
20 hours a week for 23 weeks = \$32,200										
COMPARISONS TO OTHER TOWNS:										
TOWN	POPULATION	COMMENTS						ANNUAL COMPENSATION		
Barre Town	8037	Planning & Zoning Administrator - full time - \$66,000. Assistant Planning & Zoning Administrator - full time \$52,182						\$ 118,182.00		
Underhill Town	3086	Planning & Zoning Administrator - full time - \$54,995						\$ 54,995.00		
Richmond Town	4129	Planning & Zoning Director - full time - \$86,236. Zoning Administrator - full time \$61,193						\$ 147,429.00		
Hyde Park Town	2981	Zoning Administrator - part time - \$19,570. Planning and Zoning Assistant - part time - \$36,570						\$ 56,140.00		
Lyndon Town	5723	Planning Director - full time - \$54,912. Zoning Administrator - full time \$60,652						\$ 115,564.00		
Waterbury Town	5154	Planning Director - full time - \$77,667. Zoning Administrator - full time \$62,400						\$ 140,067.00		
Barre City	8590	Planning Director, Permitting & Assessing - full time - \$86,840						\$ 86,840.00		

WARNING

TOWN OF MORRISTOWN ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

MARCH 4, 2025

The legal voters of the Town of Morristown are hereby warned and notified to meet in the Morristown Municipal Building, 43 Portland Street in said Town on March 4, 2025 from 8:00 am – 7:00 pm to transact the following business by Australian ballot:

Legal voters are further warned that the Selectboard will hold a public informational hearing on Articles 2-28 at the Morristown Municipal Building, 43 Portland Street in said Town on Monday, February 3, 2025 at 5:30pm.

The legal voters of the Town of Morristown are further notified that voter qualification, registration, and absentee voting relative to said annual meeting shall be as provided in Chapters 43, 51 and 55 of Title 17, Vermont Statutes Annotated.

ARTICLE 1: To elect all Town Officers required by law:

Moderator for a term of one (1) year

Library Trustee for a term of five (5) years

Lister for a term of three (3) years

Lister for a remainder of a three (3) year term

Selectboard Member for a term of three (3) years

Selectboard Member for a term of two (2) years

Trustee of Public Funds for a term of three (3) years

ARTICLE 2: Shall the voters authorize payment of real and personal property taxes in two equal installments, with the due dates being November 17, 2025 and May 15, 2026 by physical delivery to the Town Treasurer before 4:00 pm on that date or delivery to the Municipal Office postmarked on or before that date?

ARTICLE 3: Shall the voters authorize total fund expenditures for operating expenses of \$10,326,629 of which \$8,065,465 shall be raised by taxes and \$2,261,164 by non-tax revenues?

ARTICLE 4: Shall the voters authorize raising taxes equal to one (1) cent on the Grand List approximately \$115,457 to be dedicated to a Morristown Fire Department Capital Equipment Fund?

ARTICLE 5: Shall the voters authorize raising taxes equal to one (1) cent on the Grand List approximately \$115,457 to be dedicated to a Morristown Highway Department Capital Equipment Fund?

ARTICLE 6: Shall the voters authorize raising taxes equal to two (2) cents on the Grand List approximately \$230,914 to be dedicated to the Bridge, Sidewalk, and Infrastructure Reserve Fund?

ARTICLE 7: Shall the voters authorize raising taxes equal to one-quarter (1/4) cent on the Grand List approximately \$28,864 to be dedicated to the Morristown Conservation Commission Fund?

ARTICLE 8: Shall the voters appropriate \$900 for the support of Capstone Community Action, formerly known as Central Vermont Community Action Council, which helps Vermonters achieve economic sufficiency with dignity through individual and family development?

ARTICLE 9: Shall the voters appropriate \$2,900 for the support of Central Vermont Adult Basic Education (CVABE) which is a community-based non-profit that provides free adult education and literacy services to out-of-school adults?

ARTICLE 10: Shall the voters appropriate \$2,500 for the support of Central Vermont Council on Aging (CVCOA) which supports older adults and family caregivers to age with dignity, remain healthy, and stay active and connected to communities through a variety of programs and services?

ARTICLE 11: Shall the voters appropriate \$1,750 for the support of Clarina Howard Nichols Center which works to end domestic and sexual violence, human trafficking, and stalking through advocacy, outreach and education, prevention, and social change?

ARTICLE 12: Shall the voters appropriate \$1,000 for the support of Justice for Dogs which is a local animal rescue group helping only local dogs and cats when the need arises?

ARTICLE 13: Shall the voters appropriate \$5,000 for the support of Lamoille County Food Share which is dedicated to providing food security for our neighbors in Lamoille County through a food pantry where families can come and receive basic food and other grocery items to stretch their food dollars?

ARTICLE 14: Shall the voters appropriate \$1,000 for the support of Lamoille County Habitat for Humanity which builds perpetually affordable homes for low-income, hardworking families?

ARTICLE 15: Shall the voters appropriate \$3,900 for the support of Lamoille County Mental Health/Community Connections which provides behavioral health services to residents of Lamoille County, including a 24/7 mobile crisis team?

ARTICLE 16: Shall the voters appropriate \$3,375 for the support of Lamoille County Special Investigation Unit which responds to reports of child sexual abuse, adult sex assaults, serious child physical abuse, and abuse to vulnerable adults in Lamoille County?

ARTICLE 17: Shall the voters appropriate \$4,000 for the support of Lamoille Day Services which provides adults with an alternative choice for long-term healthcare while remaining as independent as possible in the care setting of their choice?

ARTICLE 18: Shall the voters appropriate \$3,000 for the support of Lamoille Family Center which offers services and programs that promote the well-being of Lamoille Valley children, youth and families, supporting them in meeting life's challenges through education, direct service, and advocacy?

ARTICLE 19: Shall the voters appropriate \$15,681 for the support of Lamoille Home Health and Hospice which provides home and hospice care to residents of Morristown in their homes, keeping them out of hospitals and facilities?

ARTICLE 20: Shall the voters appropriate \$1,000 for the support of Lamoille Housing Partnership which collaborates with communities to create and preserve quality affordable housing opportunities in Lamoille County for households earning lower and moderate incomes through employment or social security?

ARTICLE 21: Shall the voters appropriate \$1,500 for the support of Lamoille Restorative Center (LRC- formerly known as Lamoille Court Diversion) LRC which provides services in its 13 programs which serve youth and adults involved in the legal system, support youth around engaging in school and employment, and train and consult with many organizations in restorative practices?

ARTICLE 22: Shall the voters appropriate \$10,000 for the support of Meals on Wheels of Lamoille County whose mission is to improve health and enhance the quality of life for our community elders by providing nutritious meals and social interaction?

ARTICLE 23: Shall the voters appropriate \$1,000 for the support of North Country Animal League (NCAL) which provides animal stray and surrender services, pet food assistance, adoption services, low-cost wellness clinics, and humane education programs to youth?

ARTICLE 24: Shall the voters appropriate \$5,000 for the support of Northern Central Vermont Recovery Center which provides a safe, welcoming, substance-free environment for individuals and families on their paths to lasting recovery from substance use disorder?

ARTICLE 25: Shall the voters appropriate \$1,000 for the support of Retired Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) whose volunteers help create a caring network of support to help older Vermonters continue to live independently while staying socially connected?

ARTICLE 26: Shall the voters appropriate \$6,000 for the support of River Arts with a mission of arts for everyone, ensuring that art is accessible to all, regardless of race, gender expression, age, ability, or financial means?

ARTICLE 27: Shall the voters appropriate \$10,963 for the support of Rural Community Transportation (RCT) which provides public transportation services for everyone that are safe, reliable, accessible, and affordable to enhance the economic, social, and environmental health of the community?

ARTICLE 28: Shall the voters appropriate \$2,500 for the support of Salvation Farms which connects communities with local farms surplus production, collecting, processing, and distributing locally grown food that would otherwise never make it off farms in Vermont?

Dated this _____ day of January 2025

By the Selectboard of the Town of Morristown:

Don McDowell

Christopher Palermo

Laura Streets

Richard Craig

George Cormier

Attest:

Sara Haskins, Town Clerk