

Town Meeting Warning
Town of Cornwall Annual Town Meeting
Saturday, March 1, 2025

The legal voters of the Town of Cornwall are hereby warned and notified to meet at the Anna Stowell Sunderland Bingham Memorial School on Saturday, March 1, 2025 at 10:00 AM to transact the following business.

ARTICLE 1: To elect all town officials as required by law. Voting for officials will be by Australian ballot. Polls will be open from 7:00 AM to 7:00 PM on Tuesday, March 4, 2025, at the Cornwall Town Hall. Officials to be elected are:

5 years:	Cemetery Commissioner
3 years:	Selectboard; Lister; Auditor, Trustee of Public Funds; Two (2) Planning Commissioners; Cemetery Commissioner (to fill an unexpired term)
2 years:	Selectboard; Four (4) Library Trustees; Planning Commissioner (to fill an unexpired term); Trustee of Public Funds (to fill an unexpired term)
1 year:	Moderator; First Constable; Second Constable; Collector of Delinquent Taxes

ARTICLE 2: To see what action the voters will take regarding the town's financial surplus or deficit.

ARTICLE 3: To see if the voters will approve a General Fund budget of \$548,081.15.

ARTICLE 4: To see if the voters will approve a Highway budget of \$580,050.00. State Aid is expected to be approximately \$65,000 resulting in a budget of \$515,050.00

ARTICLE 5: To see if the voters will appropriate \$81,200 to be transferred to the Cornwall Volunteer Fire Department to pay its expenses from July 1, 2025 to June 30, 2026.

ARTICLE 6: To see if the voters will exempt the Cornwall Volunteer Fire Department and its two properties at 1952 Route 30 and 63 North Bingham Street from property taxation for a period of 5 years, per **32 V.S.A. § 3840**

ARTICLE 7: To see if the voters will appropriate \$5000 to be transferred to the Cornwall Free Public Library to pay its expenses from July 1, 2025 to June 30, 2026.

ARTICLE 8: To see if the voters will approve moving the Town Clerk's position from an appointed to an elected position, for a term of 3 years.

ARTICLE 9: To see if the voters will approve authorizing the Selectboard to appoint members of the Cornwall Planning Commission for one-year terms, as provided by **24 V.S.A. § 4323a**, thereby replacing the current practice of electing members by Australian ballot.

ARTICLE 10: To see if the voters will appropriate the following amounts to be transferred to the listed organizations:

Addison County Economic Development	1000.00
Addison County Home Health & Hospice	1440.00
Addison Housing Works	750.00
Addison County Parent/Child Center	1600.00
Addison County Readers	350.00
Addison County Restorative Justice	350.00
Addison County River Watch Collaborative - ACRWC	500.00
Age Well	1100.00
Atria Collective	1250.00
Charter House Coalition	2500.00
Counseling Service of Addison County CSAC	2300.00
Elderly Services	4000.00
Green Up Vermont	100.00
Homeward Bound	500.00
HOPE	4000.00
John W. Graham Emergency Shelter Services	1950.00
Mary Johnson Children's Center	700.00
Middlebury Area Land Trust - MALT	2000.00
Open Door Clinic	1000.00
Otter Creek Child Care	1000.00
Retired Senior Volunteer Program - RSVP	540.00
Tri-Valley Transit	1315.00
Turning Point Center of Addison County	1000.00
Vermont Adult Learning	500.00
	31745.00

ARTICLE 11: To see if the voters will approve the billing date of September 1, 2025 for property taxes, payment of half that amount due November 15, 2025, and payment of the second half due May 15, 2026. Taxes are to be paid to the Cornwall Town Treasurer. Any taxes that are due, but unpaid after November 15, 2025, are considered late. Interest will be charged at the rate of one percent (1%) per month. Any taxes unpaid after May 15, 2026 will be considered delinquent. Interest will be charged on delinquent taxes at the rate of one percent (1%) per month, plus a collector's fee of eight percent (8%).

ARTICLE 12: Any other business proper to come before this meeting.

CORNWALL SELECTBOARD

Tanya Byker, Chair
Don Burns, Vice-Chair

Brian Kemp
John Roberts
Shawn Fetterolf

