

TOWN OF BRIGHTON

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REMOTE PUBLIC INFORMATIONAL HEARING NOTICE and AGENDA

The Brighton Selectboard will hold a public informational hearing by electronic means on Monday, March 1 at 7:00 PM to discuss the Australian Ballot articles on the 2021 Town Meeting Warning.

Join Zoom Meeting via Tablet or Computer
<https://zoom.us/j/92777457796>
To Join via Telephone, Dial Either Number
(929) 205-6099 or (301) 715-8592
Enter Meeting ID: 927 7745 7796

Please review our "Informational Handout for Remote Public Hearings" below to understand how these electronic hearing will be managed. If you wish to make a public comment but do not have the ability to comment remotely during the meeting, please email your comment(s) to **Mike Strait at mike@hearthandhomecountry.com**.

To ensure smooth access, we recommend that you test your remote hearing software in advance of the meeting. **If you have difficulty accessing the hearing, please call Mike Strait at 802-323-6040 or email mike@hearthandhomecountry.com**.

AGENDA

1. Call Meeting to Order
2. Questions and discussion on Article 1:
To elect the following Town and Water System Officers: Moderator, Delinquent Tax Collector all for a one-year term. One Water Commissioner, one Cemetery Commissioner, one Select Board member, two Listers, one Auditor, one Town Clerk, one Treasurer, all for a three-year term. One Library Trustee for a 5-year term, and one Library Trustee for the remaining 4-year term of a resignation from office.
3. Questions and discussion on Article 2:
To elect the following School District officers: One Moderator for a one-year term. One school director for a two-year term. One school director to serve the remaining two years of a three-year term due to a resignation. One School Treasurer and one School Director for a three-year term.

4. Questions and discussion on Article 3:
Shall the voters authorize total fund expenditures for operating expenses of \$1,437,975.83, of which \$972,783.94 shall be raised by taxes and \$465,191.89 by non-tax revenues?
5. Discussion of other non-binding business (if applicable)
6. Entertain motion to adjourn hearing.

INFORMATIONAL HANDOUT FOR REMOTE HEARINGS

Remote Public Informational Hearing

The public informational hearing will be conducted remotely via electronic means. The public will also be able to access and participate in the remote hearing by dialing in through telephone.

Accessing the Hearing

Please refer to the hearing notice and agenda for information on how to access the remote hearing. Please note that whether you join by telephone, computer, or device, you may be put on hold or in a waiting “room” until granted access to the hearing. You also may be muted or restricted from using any chat function until the public comment portion of the hearing.

Participation

The Selectboard will follow its agenda and allow public attendees to participate through voice (audio) means where feasible or alternatively using any chat function during the designated public comment periods on the agenda and at other applicable times as needed.

Initially, the hearing host/organizer will mute all participants. This is necessary to control background noise. The host/organizer will then unmute participants or allow participants to unmute themselves when invited to speak by the Selectboard Chair.

Please review the following guidelines:

- The Chair will invite comment:
 - during the time designated on the agenda for public comment;
 - during any open public comment period, if applicable; and
 - other times as determined by the Chair.
- When a participant/attendee is unmuted, they must state their name before commenting.

When the Selectboard adjourns the hearing, the host/organizer will end the electronic hearing by turning off/closing the remote hearing software. Attendees will be automatically disconnected.

Minutes and other public records that were part of the hearing will be made available in accordance with VT’s Open Meeting and Public Records Laws.

To learn more about Remote Public Hearings and the Open Meeting Law, please visit the Secretary of State’s Municipal Assistance webpage at <https://sos.vermont.gov/municipal-division/laws-resources/covid-19-response/>.